

# Seams Like News

August meeting: Thurs., Aug 11th, 6:30 @ Aloha Faith Center and on Zoom

#### A Note from our President...

My summer-loving self is pretty happy with our beautiful (I know *HOT*) weather. My summer is busy with family and friends gathering together with a bit of travel in between - just how I like it. Unfortunately, I don't have as much time to be in my sewing room!

I am really looking forward to our next speaker, Robin O'Neil. She and I joined the Guild together in 2013. She has presented before, when she discussed her Rescue Quilts. She is passionate and knowledgeable about quilting - and loves sharing her creativity! Robin was also responsible for the "Bird" quilt that we raffled a few years ago - it was one of our biggest money makers! Her enthusiasm is contagious - and I look forward to learning about her improvisational quilts and her process.

We are coming up on a couple of very important events that require lots of volunteers. This is your opportunity to truly make a difference in the guild. We get a nice donation for helping monitor the beer gardens at the Garlic Festival (Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>). We especially need people Friday and Saturday evenings. Contact Sue Nichols to sign up. It is an easy gig - people are friendly, and most of the time you are just hanging out talking. The Quilt Show is coming up Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our quilt show is an "All hands on deck" event for the guild. We hope everyone can help in some way. Please be looking for a sign up soon.

I have started the Cynthia Brunz pattern "Spin" (our Quilt Show featured quilter). It is so satisfying to be using up some scraps! Please stay cool and make time to sew everyday!

Marianne Greenley

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(AKA the Friday after the Board
Meeting).

# Blooming Boutique

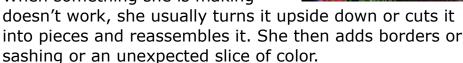
The first weekend of October is looming, just two months away! If you have any items for the Boutique, please let me know your progress and what you intend to make. If you have them ready you can get them to me either at the next meeting (August 11), Sewing Saturday at Aloha Sew & Vac (August 20), Charity Sewing (August 8) or contact me. I will be glad to make arrangements to get your donations. If you will have items for consignment, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can plan my tables and space. You are responsible for pricing your items. I will send you a form with instructions. If you have questions about what can be consigned, do not hesitate to call me. Thanks for all your lovely donations so far, and I look forward to receiving more goodies. Nancy Stober Blooming Boutique Coordinator

# August Program: Robin O'Neil

Our August, 2022 speaker will be one of our own guild members - Robin O'Neil. Robin will be speaking to us about improvisational quilts. She will bring 24 "Improv" quits and explain various techniques for creating these beauties.

Robin was a special education teacher for 35 years and began making quilts the same year she entered the classroom. Her interest in both was sparked by children who seemed fearless about color, pattern and play.

Her quilt making journey began with traditional quilts - striving for tidy points, perfect corners, even seams and sensible color combinations. After about 100 quilts, she left that behind. Her new philosophy is to HAVE FUN, preferring improvisation piecing. She uses no templates, no patterns, no basting, no rulers and no worries. Scraps are her friends. When something she is making



Robin's philosophy: Life is too short for stress and fretting, especially about quilts!







Want to attend our WQG membership meeting as a guest?

Come in person; or you may e-mail Laurie Hopper

(WQGMemb@gmail.com), for a link to attend via Zoom.

We're happy to have you visit twice, then we'd love to have you join.

#### Help Wanted: Patient Quilter

Requesting the assistance of a patient quilter...

I was contacted by a man whose mother is in a memory care facility in Forest Grove. She was an avid quilter and, when she can remember, she misses her fabric. She is not able to have a sewing machine or sharp tools. He would like to hire someone to visit her and help her make some small projects. If she responds well, he would like to continue the arrangement.

Please contact Sue Hauser if you would like to be put in contact with him.

#### QBT In the News...

Our Guild's Quilt Barn Trail was in the news on Tuesday, July 26th on KPTV, Channel 12. Here's a link to the story they ran:

https://www.kptv.com/ 2022/07/26/quilt-barntrail-celebrates-historythroughout-oregonscountryside/

To Jane Fouste and Bev Hess: You look great on TV! Thank you both for such a positive representation of our WQG.

#### Extraordinary Quilters Recycle Sale

IMPORTANT! READ THIS! An important message from Ways and Means

The Westside Quilters Guild is having a Major Fundraiser, and it's coming to Jessie Mays Community Hall in North Plains on September 8<sup>th</sup>. (This is a one-time general meeting and event, and it replaces our regular meeting at Aloha Faith Center.) KEEP READING...

\* What: The Extraordinary Quilters Recycle Sale

 Where: Jessie Mays Community Hall 39075 NW Hillcrest Street North Plains, Oregon

+ Time: 6:30 - 8:30-ish, with clean up following

\* Who: All quilters... please invite your nonmember friends.

While you gather your donations ask yourself, "Would I buy this?" It's time to start sorting the treasures that once "WOWed" you and now need a new home. Here are some ideas for you to consider while you package up your donations:

- All things sewing and craft related, as long as they are clean and in good condition
- + Yardage, pre-cuts, fat quarters.... You get the idea.
- Sewing notions
- \* Pattern and books

We have the Jessie Mays Community Hall <u>from 12:00 noon to 10:00 PM</u> the day of the sale, and we'll begin accepting your donations <u>at 1:00</u>. You'll place your items out on tables that are set up by prices. If you are unavailable that day, Sue Nichols will be accepting donations and keeping them safe at her house until the sale.

Be sure to read the Wednesday Patch and Facebook Posts for more information, volunteer opportunities and pricing instructions,

When you're done, en**JOY** your tidier space!

Questions or want to volunteer to help with the sale? Please contact Sue Nichols or Renee Friberg.

# "My Quilted Paradise" Postcard Collection

Have you finished yours?

In June and July,
TArts passed out
postcard kits for the
collection, to be
shown at our October
Quilt Show. It is not
too late to make one,
or two. Completed
postcards are due at
our August meeting
for the reveal and
PRIZES!!!

Remember, you may want to make an extra one to sell in our Quilt Show's Blooming Boutique.
Need more info or a kit? Contact Jean Lasswell for TArts.



## Membership Renewal Season

It's that time! Get your renewal done, so you can participate in all the awesome activities the guild offers, including, but not limited to, Sewing Saturdays, workshops and retreats.

- 1. Renewal Season is <u>July 1, 2022 Aug 31, 2022</u>. After that time, members will only be included in the online directory and not the printed one.
- 2. Everyone must fill out a form, even if your information has not changed.
- 3. For efficiency, we <u>strongly</u> encourage everyone to use the online system on the <u>website</u> to renew by filling out the online form and making payment online. You may also opt to download the form and mail it in with your check. These are the only two options to renew.
- 4. We encourage all members to update their photo. New members should email their photo to wqgmemb@gmail.com so your photo may be included in the directories. Don't worry that the email appears to go to "Judy Douglas" - it will go to the membership chair.
- 5. <u>After Aug 31</u>, members who have not renewed will no longer have access to the online directory nor other password protected info on the website.
- 6. Members need to be in good standing (renewed) to participate in Guild activities.
- 7. Membership will be available at the August General Meeting to answer any questions or email them directly to <a href="mailto:wqgmemb@gmail.com">wqgmemb@gmail.com</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation in making the renewal process as painless as possible. We look forward to having everyone back for a fun packed, in-person year of quilting together.

Laurie Hopper, Membership Chair

#### **UFO** Challenge

The UFO Challenge is on the move... And what is a UFO? This is a project that you previously started and have not completed. Not fabric still in its shopping bag or a pattern you might want to make someday. This also must be a project that has quilting in, on, or around it. And so what is a completed UFO: the project is quilted, with the binding on, and a label (optional) - ready to enjoy or share with another person.

The UFO Challenge was started in June, but it's not too late to join. The reveal will be in November 2022. To begin this adventure, all you need to do is put together a list of all those bags/totes/piles/stacks of unfinished projects that clutter your quilting area and your quilting mind. Send this list to Connie Gaebel (email or snail mail). There is no quilting police involved in this adventure. I need the list to help with little surprises or fun information during the timeline of the challenge. There will be some prizes, not sure what (still in the thinking process).

As we get close to the reveal "party," I will ask how many on your list you completed. Again, don't fret; this is going to be fun. If you get something done, congratulations! If you don't, there is always another time.

Although we are excited to see what all you got done, because of time constraints at the reveal, you will each be able to show three (3) of your completed projects.

So join the fun, and send me your UFO list. If you have any questions, contact me, Connie Gaebel.

Happy Quilting, Connie

#### Happy Birthday to You!

August Birthdays		September Birthdays	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kathryn Braeme-Burr	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Anne Poster	3rd	
<b>4</b> th	Martha Long	3rd	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Jana Patterson	4 <sup>th</sup>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Marianne Greenley	5 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>14</b> <sup>th</sup>	Marta Lansing	5 <sup>th</sup>	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Ann Laffin	7 <sup>th</sup>	
18 <sup>th</sup>	Laurie Hopper	$12^{th}$	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Donna Fairchild	15 <sup>th</sup>	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Penni Eagen	15 <sup>th</sup>	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Jessica Cutright	20 <sup>th</sup>	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Connie Gaebel	24 <sup>th</sup>	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Keri Bellows	26th	
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#### Quilt Show: Volunteer Opportunities

Our WQG Quilt Show is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, and plan to attend. We will need lots of volunteers to make the show happen, including set up on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 noon on, various helpers during the show itself, and tear down on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 pm. All of these volunteer opportunities will be at the show venue at Hidden Creek Community Center in Hillsboro. Signups will be available soon.

We also need contributions to our three raffle baskets - if you can donate any of the following, please bring them to the August or September meetings, or to a Sewing Saturday: half yard cut of any batik fabric; half yard cut of any black and white/white and black fabric; any precut fabric collection, such as a complete jelly roll, charm pack, fat quarter stack, etc. Thank you to all who have already contributed.

#### Quilt Show: Fabric Raffle Buckets

Let's fill the Buckets!

Members, please donate batik and/or black & white half-yard cuts AND any pre-cut kits to our Quilt Show fabric bucket raffle.

If you can't bring your fabric cuts to the meeting, you can drop them by Sharon's Attic. Questions? Please call Martha Robertson (see membership directory).

Thank you.



#### Loan Us Your Paint Chip Quilts!

We have permission to do a display of our Paint Chip quilts at the Cornelius Public Library the month of September. Please bring your quilts, with your name attached, to the August meeting. Martha Robertson will be collecting them and creating the library display. We are displaying these to help advertise our quilt show. They will be returned after the quilt show.

Please direct any questions to Martha Robertson.



#### Keeping Up With the WQG...

Did you know that the Westside Quilters Guild is active on multiple social media platforms?

- Blog: <a href="https://www.WestsideQuiltersGuild.com/">https://www.WestsideQuiltersGuild.com/</a>
- Facebook: Moved to a WQG Group Page https://www.facebook.com/groups/1457581371289730/
- Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/explore/tags/westsidequiltersguild/
- E-Mail: <u>WQGPres28@gmail.com</u>
- And just in case you need our mailing address:

Westside Quilters Guild P.O. Box 2331 Hillsboro, OR. 97123



#### Two Rewards Programs that Support our Guild

We have two rewards programs that you can use to help earn money for guild projects: Amazon Smile and Fred Meyer Rewards. Please consider participating in these.

We are signed up with Fred Meyers Reward Program and Amazon Smiles. It all adds up! Your family and friends can also specify that their donations go to Westside Quilters Guild, if they aren't already donating through either of the organizations. Let's not let those dollars go to waste!

We are also getting signed up with Bottle Drop Give. (Thanks to Heather Perez for bringing this to my attention!) Your bottle deposits can go to the guild, once we're on board; so if this is something you'd like to participate in, you can start saving your bottles and cans. All or a percentage of your deposits can be donated. More information to follow...

Below is what you need to get set up with Amazon Smile and Fred Meyer Rewards.

 Amazon.com: If you shop at Amazon.com, you can choose Westside Quilters Guild as your charity, and as you shop, the guild gets a little bit, too.



Here is the link: AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives.

Once you're signed up, you just shop as you normally would. **Make sure your web address bar reads "smile.amazon.com,"** and your purchases will count toward our quarterly earnings.

Fred Meyer Rewards: Register your Fred Meyer Rewards card and choose Westside Quilters Guild as your Charity of Choice. That's all there is to it! You still get your Rewards and gas discounts, and the guild gets a little in our coffers.



Here's the link to sign up: www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards

#### Get Your Raffle Tickets Here!

We will continue selling tickets to our lovely raffle quilt "A Quilted Paradise" at our meetings through October. The ticket price is 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. Be sure to bring your dollars to the meeting!

We will have the quilt to show at our meeting, along with tickets for sale, but most importantly, we'll have ticket packets to check out to all our members. Each packet of 12 tickets includes a photo of the quilt, including pertinent information about it, so you will be able to sell tickets to friends and family. The Raffle Quilt Committee can't sell all 3,500 tickets alone, so join us in selling and raising funds to support our guild programs.





There are a couple of rules that sellers need to know. We can only sell tickets within the state of Oregon. We cannot sell tickets to anyone under the age of 18.

If you know of somewhere we can set up a table to sell tickets, such as a bazaar, hair salon, fabric store, quilting event or retreat, or other events, please let the Raffle Committee know.

Many thanks from your Raffle Committee, Marilyn Hickman and Jean Lasswell

#### Sewing Saturdays

Have projects you want to finish or start? Join us for a day of sewing with friends. Are you hesitant because you are new? No worries, you will leave with lots of new friends.

You only need to bring your sewing machine, project, rotary cutter, your meals (or order from local restaurants), and mask. We provide a cutting station, rulers and ironing stations—and lots and lots of free advice!

Note: There is NOT a "freebies" table on Sewing Saturdays.

Questions??? E-mail <u>Heidi Nesheim</u>. (Or see WQG Directory for contact information.)

Sewing Saturdays (9 AM-4 PM): August 20, Sep 17, Oct 15

#### Calendar of Events

Mon, Aug 8	TArts, 11:00 AM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
Thurs, Aug 11	WQG Monthly General Meeting, 6:30 PM @ Aloha Faith Center
Sat, Aug 20	Sewing Saturday, 9 AM – 4 PM, Aloha Sew & Vac
Mon, Aug 22	WQG Board Meeting, 11 AM @ Rood Bridge Park
Wed, Aug 24	Gathering in the Park, Rood Bridge Park, 11 AM - 2 PM (See page 10 for details.)
Wed, Aug 24	No Machines Required, 3 - 5 PM, Cornelius Public Library
Thurs, Sep 8	WQG Monthly General Meeting, 6:30 PM @ Aloha Faith Center
Thurs, Sep 12	TArts, 11:00 AM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
Sat, Sep 17	Sewing Saturday, 9 AM – 4 PM, Aloha Sew & Vac
Mon, Sep 26	WQG Board Meeting, 11 AM @ Rood Bridge Park
Wed, Sep 28	No Machines Required, 3 - 5 PM, Cornelius Public Library



eminder: You must be a member in good standing to participate in our Guild-sponsored events. Members joining after August 31st will not be included in the printed directory. (See renewal details on page 2.)

#### Calendar: Repeating Events - All Are Welcome!

Challenge yourself to try one of our interest groups. Make new friends while you have fun!

- TArts (The Art Quilts Group) meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays, 11 AM @ Aloha Sew
   & Vac
- Sewing Saturdays: 3rd Saturdays, 9 AM 4 PM @ Aloha Sew & Vac
- WQG General Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays, 6:30 PM @ Aloha Faith Center and on Zoom. (Watch the "Wednesday Patch" for the Zoom link.)
- WQG Board Meetings: 4th Mondays, 11 AM @ Rood Bridge Park
- No Machines Required: 4th Wednesdays, 3 5 PM, Cornelius Public Library

WQG, August 2022

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# Gathering in the Park

Let's celebrate the end of summer by relaxing with quilting friends. On **Wednesday**, **August 24th**, we'll be gathering at **Rood Bridge Park**. Bring your own lunch, something cool to drink, and a chair if you like. Past president of WQG, JudyQ Block, will be in attendance. Judy will be moving out of state this Fall, and it would be a great opportunity to see her and wish her well.

You'll find your friends at the pavilion area just north of the parking lot.

Rood Bridge Park

## No Machines Required is Back!

Same date/time, but different venue. No Machines Required has resumed meeting every 4th Wednesday, 3-5 pm at the Cornelius Public Library, <u>1370 N Adair Street</u>, <u>Cornelius OR 97113</u>. Our next meeting is August 24th. Everyone is welcome!



#### Member Survey Says...

This month's survey is brought to you by guild members whose first names begin with letters from A to J. Thanks to all who responded!

This month's survey question is: What is your favorite benefit of being a WQG member?

• **Erin Davis**: I changed guild membership from Tualatin Valley Quilt Guild because I moved to Hillsboro and wanted to meet people near me who shared my interest and love of quilting. Having been in a previous guild, I knew good friendships can grow from that shared interest.

I am extremely impressed with WQG's tenacity to stay connected during the pandemic. I'm also impressed with the amount of charity endeavors they have while also providing learning opportunities through excellent speakers and workshops.

I am a bit backward in my ability to reach out to people, but the friendliness and openness of the people I have encountered so far has made that easier for me. I have been so happy with all I've seen and heard, that I've volunteered for a couple of jobs in the guild. That has really increased my circle of acquaintances.

I am happy that I chose to start this relationship with the guild, it's members and activities.

- Alicia Johnson: I love events like sewing Saturday and retreats. Sharing tips and getting inspired by other sewist friends is such a great benefit of the guild. I'm also really proud of the education and community involvement efforts from guild members.
  - The open inclusion of everyone in the group and diversity of the group.
  - Making new friends.
  - Being supported and supportive of the members as friends.
  - So many more I'm not thinking of...
- **Ann Laflin**: I love that there is a place for each and every person, no matter what their skill level or which aspect of quilting is most interesting to them. All are welcome and can find a place.
- Anne Boster: My favorite benefit of being a member of Westside Quilters
   Guild is the deep connection made with wonderfully creative and
   kindhearted quilters! True friendships with other quilters are
   treasures indeed!
- **Donna Fairchild**: I love being a member if the guild. The last eight years have been wonderful meeting new members, going to sewing Saturday, attending speaker classes and best of all going to retreats. Everyone is so friendly and I always have guilting in common with whomever I talk to.

#### Member Survey Says... (continued)

- **Bev Halperin**: I love being a member of WQG for the many special friendships I have formed! Not sure how I would've survived my move to Oregon 9 years ago if I hadn't found the guild. Thanks Friends! (Also I really love the annual retreat!)
- Bobbi Stewart: The reason I became a member of the Westside Quilters Guild was to meet fellow quilters. I moved to Oregon from Michigan the end of 2019. Just in time for the COVID lockdown. It was a terrible time to try and meet new people. But finding the Guild was a great comfort. Even though we couldn't meet in person I really looked forward to the zoom meetings and listening to the guest speakers. Now that COVID is settling down I am hoping to meet all of you in person soon. I am looking forward to becoming active in the community.
- Bella Dvir: The retreats!!!!
- Cheryl Kraft: I am happy to provide my reasons for loving our guild,:
  - The commodore of like minded sewers.
  - The variety of group activities and small groups to participate in.
  - The creativity of the members.
  - The never ending learning opportunities from other members.
  - The open inclusion of everyone in the group and diversity of the group.
  - Making new friends.
  - Being supported and supportive of the members as friends.
  - So many more I'm not thinking of...
- Bev Hess: I am one who attended the quilt meetings at Cornell Estates before WQG was a guild. WQG offers me a wide choice of activities to choose from. The programs each month are always inspiring. The membership is so friendly and helpful. I am proud to be a part of this guild.
- Heather Pool: I value the exposure to many quilting perspectives. I am inspired to try new things, new combinations, new techniques, by seeing what other creatives have made. The generosity of sharing keeps my mind fresh and moving. I can't count the number of times I've thought "Wait, what?", "Oh, cool!", or "Wow, I never thought of that!"
- **Emily DeLano**: I love the monthly meetings. I get so inspired by our guest speakers and everyone's Show-and-Tells!
- Claire Gottschalk: The biggest benefit of being in the guild is the many opportunities to interact with the wonderful people who are in the guild. Of course, the many opportunities to learn about and practice quilting through speakers, classes and other opportunities like Sewing Saturdays and retreats are also a huge benefit as well. Joining the guild was one of the best decisions of my retirement!
- **Becky Leitl**: I primarily joined and continue to renew to have a distribution method for my charity quilts. I really, really, value this service of WQG. Thank you to all those who make our charity quilting projects a success.

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