

WILD RIVERS QUILT GUILD

March, 2022 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING:

TUESDAY, MARCH 22 at 5:30

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

900 Central Avenue, Florence

(junction Highway 101 and US 2)

Pattern for this tablerunner available at
www.anniescatalog.com



Meanderings

In March, I always recall grade school memories of “In like a Lamb, Out like a Lion,” or “In Like a Lion, Out like a Lamb.” There was usually a poster activity with cotton balls, paste, and construction paper. There were also years that came in with a Roar, and ended that way, too. March snow is wonderful for building snowmen, and fierce snowball fights. The warmth of the sun melting the snow makes it ideal for packing! March is the month to tap Sugar Maple trees and make maple syrup, then drizzle over pancakes, waffles, French toast, swirl into baked beans, or stir into a mug of coffee.



March is also National Quilting Month! An *ENTIRE* month devoted to a favorite hobby/past-time/obsession (you pick!) By now you’ve received and read the daily March emails Jackie has sent out. We hope you are enjoying the reflections & celebrations of inspiration, joys shared, dreams dreamed. *(My apologies for the lengthy reflection on March 1. ☺)*

Quilting is a great way to share and build community. Early American women gathered for quilting bees, a rare time away from ongoing chores often completed in relative isolation on a remote farm. Quilting bees were a time to rekindle friendships, share joys and woes, laugh and cry, and add stitches to quilts intended for a soon to be wedded couple, to swaddle a newborn babe, or an elder who was ailing.

May you always know the warm embraces of your quilting sisters; ever welcoming, inspiring, dreaming, rejoicing, and comforting.

Love and Piece, Lori

March Tips and Techniques Program to be presented by Sheri Giordana: Using Antique Linens to make Pincushions

Tuesday, March 22 at 5:30 pm.

Member Sheri Giordana will lead us through the highlights of a video session by Kelly Cline, where she will teach us how to make a vintage linen pin cushion. The video discusses everything from cleaning your linens, cutting them, piecing your pincushion, quilting it and then finally, all that's involved with the finish.



Carol Ries has been making these vintage pin cushions and will offer a workshop to guild members so we can make one. Kits will be provided. More information on the workshop to follow.

SHOW & TELL

We do not have a specific focus on Show and Tell this month. So, if you have some old-time fashioned pin cushions, it would be wonderful to share them. It is always nice to see your latest finished quilt or if you have green quilts or St. Patrick Day quilts in celebration of St. Patrick’s Day, (which is just a few days prior to our meeting), it would be wonderful to see them. Bring whatever you want to share!

STATUS OF MISSION QUILT PROJECT



We know of about 30 quilts that WRQG members have made for the Mission in Alpha, a residential facility for persons struggling with substance abuse issues. It

is important that you **PLEASE bring/send your quilts to Guild on March 22 if possible!** The WRQG will take a group picture on March 22 with all our quilts to be submitted to the newspaper. We hope to have all quilts finished by April 1st and a group will be tasked with the privilege of delivering them to The Mission.

Way to go WRQG members!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PRESENTERS and OTHER IDEAS: If you have a program you'd like to do or can suggest someone that would be interesting or unique, please let one of the Program Committee members know, they are: Kathy Bednarski, Connie Onsager, Lynda Plamann, Sheri Giordana, or Deb Jacobs. Also, if you have a suggestion for the website, community/charity efforts, or other ideas, please contact one of the Leadership Team members (find emails on your roster list)

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OPEN SEW

RSVP required by noon the day

prior to Open Sew date

A minimum of 5 participants required for Open Sew

Please RSVP on our Website by noon the day prior to event –details below!

Upcoming Dates for Open Sew:

1st Tuesday, April 5, May 3

3rd Thursday evening, Mar 17, Apr 21

Sign up for all day or ½ day on **Gatherings** page of website: <https://wildriversquiltguild.org/>

NATIONAL QUILT MONTH / DAY

The month of March is designated “National Quilt Month,” and March 19th is designated “National Quilt Day.”

So how did this holiday come about? The National Quilting Association (NQA) began sponsoring National Quilting Day with a resolution passed by members attending the 22nd Annual Show in Lincoln, Nebraska, in June 1991. The NQA designated the third Saturday in March as National Quilting Day, but over the years it has been unofficially expanded to the entire month of March.

The Leadership Team has put together a history, so to speak, answering several questions about our quilting journey and have been passing them along to you each day in March. We hope these are inspirational and informative as you get to know us a bit better. It was a lot of fun writing the answers!

At our March meeting, to celebrate National Quilter’s Month, we are playing a fun game after our presentation – **you will need 5 charm squares (5” x 5”)** to play right, left, center – a fun and quick quilting game. See you then!

Find this free Shamrock pattern at <https://www.blog.stitchinheaven.com/>
Instructions: go to this website and search for Shamrock – then click on the Shamrock title that comes up for free pattern.



What is it corner?

STAINED-GLASS QUILTS

A Stained-Glass Quilt is one that is designed to have the look of stained glass, from simple to intricate.



Shapes are simplified with the color and the "leading" creating the design. The fabric selected for the shapes bring luminosity as though looking through a stained-glass window.



There are many ways to make a stained-glass quilt AND a lot of books available on how to do it. Simply do a Google Search for Stained Glass Quilt Patterns and you will find a dozen or more from which to choose. It is best

to start with a simple design and once you feel comfortable with the process, move to a more complicated pattern. I know a few of the gals made a stained-glass quilt – we would love to see them in person at Show and Tell in March!



**Include YOUR
advertisement here!**

Watch for complete information on how you can utilize this space for quilt/sewing related advertisements AND support Guild programming!

*Longarm services

*Classes

*Sewing / craft projects

*Quilts for sale

*Fabric for sale

*Sewing machine(s) for sale

*etc.....

We want you to advertise with us to support WRQG programming!

Watch for more details next month or contact Jackie Lehto at jlehtois@gmail.com

Quilting with Jackie Quilting Classes

Advertisement paid for by Jackie's Sewing Service

Visit www.jackiessewingservice.com

for full class details and to enroll.

Skinny Borders

March 28 from 9 am to 4 pm

Only 2 openings remain – enroll soon.

In the Skinny Borders class, you will learn 3 new border methods, along with some other techniques for embellishing any quilt. This is a confident beginner level class. You will need to purchase a class kit (\$35) from Jackie that will include everything except batting and backing for the quilt you will make. It is a small wall-hanging that starts with a panel - you will have quite a few panels from which to choose.

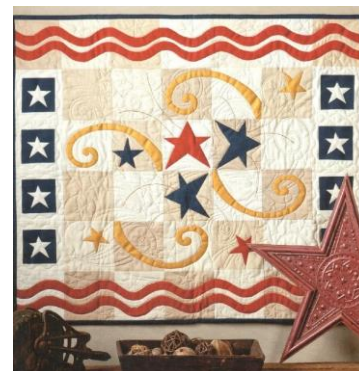


Patriotic Class

April 4 - 9 am to 4 pm

7 more openings

In this class you will learn raw edge applique – a simple, fun and small beginning quilt project.



Illusion Quilt

April 11 – 9 am to 4 pm

(May extend to next day to complete)

4 openings available

This is an awesome little wall-hanging quilt in which

there is some, but not much, paper piecing. It appears difficult, but in reality, it is a confident beginner level quilt. Hope you'll join us.

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