

# WILD RIVERS QUILT GUILD

August 2022 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING:

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
900 Central Avenue, Florence

**TUESDAY, August 23, 2022 at 5:30 pm – Annual Dues for 2022-23 can be paid in September – please do not bring to August meeting – thank you!**

## Meanderings

### *This Scrappy Quilt*

Stitched together by members of the  
Wild Rivers Quilt Guild \* July 2022

This scrappy quilt upon the bed is stitched with memories of the life we've led. Its tattered edges – hold dates and a dream, with the colorful patches joined with a seam. The length of time it took to make would cause your head to wobble and shake! Each stitch means something precious to us and some recall moments of fuss!

A flowered apron from great Aunt Kate; a gift of the garden and the food we ate. Patches of brown from your Sunday suit you patched the fence when the cows got out. Sister's pinafore worn so proud; her best party dress and a song for the crowd. Brother's coveralls, rolled up sleeves, he'd fix that tractor under the tree in a breeze.



There's Mother's blouse, blue, white and pink  
"Possibilities," she'd say, "You just have to think."  
Pop's bandanas of paisleys and checks, a wipe of his brow when things went to heck.  
Uncle's tattersall vest in that square there, a

man of calm always happy to share.

Neighbors who came, they'd clean and cook when I was sick and read the kids a book. Busy hands that could not stop, they'd pray with me and stitch up a block. Threshing bees and raising barns, drinking a glass and telling a yarn. So many people, a blessing each one; some near, some far tears were shed, but there was fun.

This scrappy quilt upon the bed is stitched with memories of those we've loved.

*Love and Piece, Lori*

**Tues. August 23, Annual Meeting  
To be held at Encore on Central, Florence, WI**

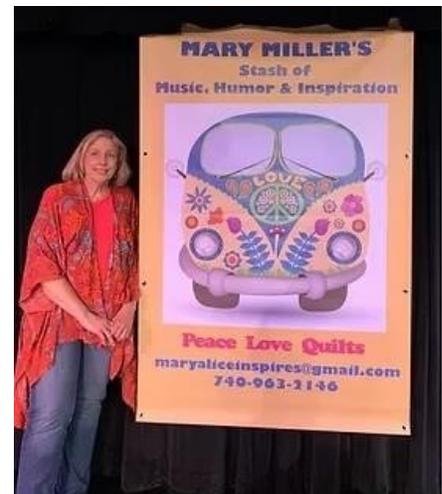
**5:30 – 5:40 pm Annual Meeting – Vote**

**5:45– 6:25 Quilt Show**

**6:30 – 7:30 pm Mary Miller's Stash of Humor,  
Music and Inspiration**

– Please come to vote on next year's officers and our special 1<sup>st</sup> year celebration with Mary Miller.

Mary Miller is a ray of sunshine! Her show will have you laughing and singing as she shares her STASH of funny stories & songs about life and quilting. Mary will have you singing along to parodies and fun retro tunes that will transport you back to a time when life was more carefree and have you feeling GROOVY long after the show.



## OPEN SEW

**Please RSVP on our Website by noon the day prior to event –details below! Minimum of 5**

**Upcoming Open Sew:**

**1st Tuesday, September 6 from 9 to 4**

Sign up for Open Sew on [Gatherings](#) page  
[wildriversquiltguild.org/gatherings](http://wildriversquiltguild.org/gatherings)

## 2022-2023 GUILD MEETING DATES

Save the dates on your calendar

### 2022-2023 Meeting Schedule

Open Sew	Leadership Team	GUILD Meetings
9 am – 3 pm Tuesdays	1 – 4 pm Thursdays	5:30 pm Tuesdays
9/6/2022	9/22/2022	9/27/2022
10/4/2022	10/20/2022	10/25/2022
11/7/2022	Tbd	Tbd
Dec - none	none	tbd
1/3/2023	1/19/2023	1/24/2023
2/7/2023	2/23/2023	2/28/2023
3/7/2023	3/23/2023	3/28/2023
4/4/2023	4/20/2023	4/25/2023
5/2/2023	5/19/2023	5/23/2023
6/6/2023	6/22/2023	6/27/2023
July 4–none	7/20/2023	7/25/2023
8/1/2023	8/17/2023	8/29/2023
9/5/2023	9/21/2023	9/26/2023
10.3.23	10/19/2023	10/24/2023
11/7/2023	tbd	tbd
none	none	none

#### Upcoming Quilt Shows

#### Great Wisconsin Quilt Show, Sept. 8 – 10, 2022

Alliant Energy Center, Madison, Wisconsin

<https://quiltshow.com/>

#### Saintly Stitchers, Norway, MI

Evangelical Covenant Church, O'Dill Dr., Norway,

across from the Jake Menghini Museum

October 7, 2022 Friday: 10 am to 6 pm;

October 8, Sat., 9 am to 4 pm.

Vendors, sale table of handmade items, books, magazines, CD's, patterns, our medallion center raffle quilt, demonstrations by members, refreshments, and our 8 quilts of the U.P. that will be shown next month at the Devos Center in Grand Rapids, M.I., hosted by A.Q. (American Quilter magazine), will be our featured show quilts in our October show.

#### Marquette County Quilter's Assoc. Nov 19-20

<https://www.marquettequilters.org/autumncomfortsquiltshow2022>

## DO YOU ENJOY OUR GUILD?

By Karen Hallenbeck

WRQG is the first Guild I have ever belonged to and, I have to say, my expectations have surpassed what I imagined it would be like! I've discovered hidden abilities and talents within myself and, in the short time I've been a member, I know that I am learning and growing from the enthusiasm and commitment of the talented people around me.

What then, can we as a group do to improve our organization?



We can nurture our growing potential by being welcoming to the new people that join us as visitors, or

new members. This responsibility is the duty of each person who is part of the body of our group. Some newcomers require a little more encouragement and. that's part of what we can give them, to feel comfortable and return a second time.

So, if you see a new face or someone who is sitting alone, approach them and introduce yourself. Discuss the Guild since they are not familiar with what goes on at meetings. We want them to feel welcome and that they are among friends, and these feelings will encourage them to come back to the next meeting.

Remember, your Guild officers have many duties to perform before and after the meeting, so your assistance in welcoming new people will be useful in gaining (and retaining) new members. With all of our efforts geared to this important task, Wild Rivers Quilt Guild will celebrate many wonderful years to come!

## Bats and Boos Quilt Along Led by Lynda Plamann

You're all invited to join me in sewing up this super cute 40.5" by 40.5" Halloween quilt featuring not-so-scary bat and pumpkin blocks! The Bats and Boos pattern is free from the Fat Quarter Shop and is accompanied by video tutorials. I plan to hang my quilt, but if you want to make a larger quilt, you could easily add borders or more blocks. I will post fabric requirements in the comments below. As the start date approaches, I will post links to the weekly patterns and tutorials. Visit the Wild Rivers Quilt Guild Facebook page and ask to become a member of the group to view the posts.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/376976374352195>

### Here's the schedule:

Week 1 (Aug 13): Bat blocks

Week 2 (Aug 20): Pumpkin blocks

Week 3 (Aug 27): Star block

Week 4 (Sep 3): Assembly and borders



## Your Wild Rivers Leadership Team:

May your summer be full of fun, rest, family, friends, good picnics and wonderful memories made.

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We send a thank you to member Jean Manley who served at the Welcome Table this past year, but will not do so next year – thank you, Jean for serving the Guild!!!

## Love and hugs to those who made a quilt for Ukrainians. Excerpt from letter received by members Joanne Friberg/Karen Hallenbeck:

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We were recently in Poland, visiting refugees and giving your quilts to children. You are making a difference. It is difficult to express in words the experience of giving a quilt that says to the Ukrainians "I value you. You matter to me." Their eyes are filled with gratitude but also fear and anxiety about their uncertain future.

In just four months, your impact has been incredible. As of July 15th, 7,000+ quilts have been donated from across the US, which equals:

- \$1.7 million in donated quilt materials
- 105,000 hours of donated quilting service
- Over 7 tons of quilts were sent to refugees!

*Gina Beth*

Gina Halladay and Beth Hawkins  
Worker Bees for #WrapUkraineWithQuilts"

## What is it Corner?

By Jackie Lehto



My husband and I travel in the summer and I am always on the lookout for a new quilt shop or quilt museum to visit, which, of course, must be offset by motorcycle, train or other museums as well as coffee shops. There

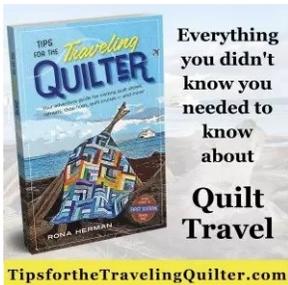
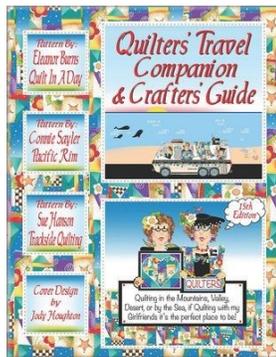
are so many great QUILT MUSEUMS to visit in the Midwest. Some are closer than others, but if you get out and about traveling, these are well worth the stop. Here are some ideas for you to consider:

### Quilters' Travel Companion

<http://quilterstravelcompanion.com/>

is the best authority for quilt shops, quilt shop sales, quilt shop hops, quilt guilds, quilt shows, and quilt retreat facilities worldwide. Follow [Quilters' Travel Companion On Facebook](#).

Books may be found in quilt stores, grab one if you find it – they don't change a lot from year to year. You can check websites before you leave to see if the stores/ museums/ shows, are still open, etc. I found these two books available:



Everything you didn't know you needed to know about **Quilt Travel**

the book on left is available on Amazon. The one above is an older edition found at an on-line thrift store. Search for these titles if you are interested, you will find a wealth of useful information when planning your travels.

## Plan a BARN QUILT TRAIL TOUR!

Wisconsin Barn Quilt tours:  
 Shawano@300 barn quilts  
 Rock (200)  
 Green (150)  
 Columbia (35)  
 Buffalo Co (20)  
 Racine Co (20)  
 Email county for maps



## Quilt Museums in the Midwest:

### The Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts

N50 W5050 Portland Road, Cedarburg, WI 53012  
 Cedarburg, WI <https://www.wiquiltmuseum.com/>

### Wisconsin Historical Society

816 State Street  
 Madison, WI  
<https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/>

### The Art Institute of Chicago

111 South Michigan Avenue  
<https://www.artic.edu/visit>  
<https://www.artic.edu/search?q=quilts>

### The Iowa Quilt Museum

68 E. Court Avenue, Winterset, IA  
<https://www.iowaquiltmuseum.org/>

### Kalona Historical Society

715 D Avenue, Kalona, IA  
<https://kalonaiowa.org/map/welcome-center/>

### Missouri Quilt Museum

300 E Bird Street, Hamilton, MO  
<https://www.missouriquiltmuseum.com/>

### The Quilters Hall of Fame

926 S Washington Street, Marion, IN  
<https://quiltershalloffame.net/>

### The National Quilt Museum

215 Jefferson St, Paducah, KY  
<https://quiltmuseum.org/>

### The International Quilt Museum

1523 N. 33<sup>rd</sup> St., Lincoln, NE  
<https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/>

**AND just for fun/just in case you get there someday: (psst: Jean Manley is going to Hawaii the end of August! )**

### Kona Hawaiian Quilt Museum

75-5706 Kuakini Hwy., Ste. 112 Kailua Kona, HI  
<https://www.konahqm.org/>



Wherever you go – my guess is there are always quilts to be seen nearby! Have fun seeking them out!