

Grainlines

Western North Carolina Quilters Guild

MECHANICS OF YOUR SEWING MACHINE 101

Todd Simmons, January 19, 2023

NOTE: This program will be first before the meeting

Todd Simmons, from Beginnings Quilt Shop, was originally scheduled for January, 20th, 2022 but alas it was a snow day, so we quickly rescheduled his program for November 17th, 2022. Then something happened so that Todd couldn't come on that day either, so now we have scheduled him for January 19, 2023. Third time's a charm! Come and learn, in an informal program format. Todd will explain about sewing machine technology, including components and function, mechanics inside and outside the machine from electric impulse to stitch, cams, knobs and dials, to electrical components. What makes it sew, from electric current to motor to hook to stitch. How does tension work? Why does the machine need tension and why it is important? From mechanical to computer technology. **NOTE:** Todd's program will occur before the business meeting!

LIBRARY NEWS

Quilt your way through a new year!! We have purchased a new book *“Top the Table”* by *Moda All-Stars* and compiled by Lissa Alexander. This book highlights great ideas for 17 different patterns for table top designs.

The library has over 420 books/DVDs for all levels of quilters. Come explore our holdings. Available titles can be found by author and subject on the WNCQG web page or the notebook on top of the library cart – or just ask one of the librarians for assistance.

Each book/DVD can be checked out for 1 month and renewed verbally or by e-mail. Fines are \$1.00 per book/DVD per month.

Need inspiration for the new year and upcoming “show & tell”; want to increase your skill level or just try a new idea – **Come check us out!!!**

Final Strip Tease event

Area C will host a Fifth Tuesday workshop on **January 31, 2023**. It will focus on finishing our “Strip Tease” charity quilts with instruction by Helen Owen on BINDINGS. Helen has a variety of techniques that are guaranteed to make you say “WOW, I could really use that method!”

Place: Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (across from Ingles in Brevard)
22 Fisher Rd.

Time: 9-3. Bring a sack lunch we’ll put the kettle on.

If you wish to sew, bring an extension cord and sewing supplies, including your machine. We have material that may be used to make bindings for quilts being donated.

All WNCQG Members are invited and the event is free.

Carol Preston
(262)498-6060
Caroljpreston@ME.com

NOTES

From the Editor to Officers

Articles for the Newsletter should be sent to the editor by the 23rd of any month to be in the newsletter for the next month. Also, a few photos would liven up the issue if anyone wants to share. Please send them to kambrose@protonmail.com. I am looking for help getting out the February and August newsletters as I will be traveling in January and in July. Thanks!, Kathy Ambrose, editor of Grainlines

Quilt Retreat Dates for 2023

Mark your calendars for next year's quilt retreats and save these dates!

Mar 28 - 30

Oct 24 - 26

Retreats will continue to be held in Convocation Hall at Bonclarken in Flat Rock.

Sew Days with Area B

Starting in January, Area B will be hosting a "sew-in" open to all guild members at Pinecrest Presbyterian Church on the corner of Highland Lake Rd and NC 225.

Every 4th Thursday of the month, January through November, 9:30 to 3:00, we will meet for S&S (Socializing and Stitching). The ladies of the church are welcome to join us which enables us to be able to meet there free of charge. The church is very active in community outreach; in fact, during the summer months, they have a tail-gate market on Thursdays in the back parking. They also have a relationship with IAM food pantry, and participants are encouraged to add an item when they attend the group.

Contact Joanne Shafer (242-8562) or Jane G. Kennedy (804-725-8211) for further information.

Call for Entries:

Professional Art Quilters Alliance-South is proud to announce its 2023 exhibition of innovative quilts:

ARTQUILTSinspiration -- April 5-May 13, 2023, Page-Walker Arts & History Center, Cary, NC

Entry begins December 2, 2022; ends February 3, 2023.

Complete info here: [PAQA-South](#) or contact Exhibit@PAQA-South.org

National Quilt Day

NQD is a nationwide celebration of quilting held every year in March. Our guild has been participating for many years. Each year there is a challenge and a focus fabric.

This year the theme is **My Happy Place**. The challenge is to highlight a particular quilting style or technique. There are so many to choose from - appliqué (needle turn, raw edge, reverse, Hawaiian), paper piecing (English, foundation), sashiko, trapunto, ruching, chenille, etc. Or you could feature a particular type of patchwork - Dresden plate, attic windows, nosegay, LaMoyne Star, Maple leaf, etc. There are so many possibilities! How can you illustrate your happy place?

The goal is to demonstrate the many different approaches to quilting, showing off the many varied talents of our members.

The focus fabric this year is a **rich teal colored batik**. A fat quarter is \$4.00. We will have the packets available at the Guild meeting, Thursday, November 17th. They include the batik fat quarter, rules for the challenge, and entry form.

Please plan to pick up your packet at the meeting. Exact change (\$4.00) would be greatly appreciated! Looking forward to next year's celebration in March!

Linda Gillette and Gail Johnson, co-chairs

Area News

Area 1/A

Rep: Lynne Cigal - 828-693-3766, lcigal37@gmail.com

When: 1st Thursday,

Time: 10 am

Where: First Congregational Church

Agenda:

Area 2/3/B

Rep: Joanne Shafer - 828-242-8562

email: joannshafer@live.com

Where:

When: 2nd Wednesday,

Time: 11 am to 3:30 pm

Agenda:

Area 5/C

Rep: Helen Owen, 828-577-1030

email: Helen.owen06@gmail.com

Where: Lutheran Church of the Good Shepard

When: 3rd Tuesday,

Time: 9:30am to 12 pm

Agenda:

Area 8/D

Rep: Laura Jones 828-242-2298,

ljcaprice@yahoo.com

and Nelia Masiques 269-330-1234

Where: Grace Lutheran Church, Hendersonville

When: 4th Thursday,

Time: 10 am to 12 noon

Agenda:

Sunshine

Please notify Debbie Moore of any member or immediate family of a member who needs a card from the Guild for illness or bereavement. Debbie is taking over for Susan Trotter and will look for your notifications.

Debbie Moore, moore2983@att.net.

Stay healthy and well.

Quilts of Valor

CHANGE in Sewing Days for Quilts of Valor

Please note that our sewing days for our Blue Ridge Quilts of Valor Chapter at Beginnings is changing for 2023. We are on their calendar for the last Tuesday of every month, 11 am-3 pm.

Jan 31, Feb 28, Mar 28, Apr 25, May 30, Jun 27, July 25, Aug 29, Sept 26, Oct 31, Nov 28. No sewing day in December.

Dues are \$15.00/year. If you have questions, please email me:

Didisalvatierra@gmail.com



2023

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA QUILTERS GUILD
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please print clearly

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Birthday _____ Spouse Name _____

_____ Area (Select A – B – C - D)

The Guild's newsletter, *Grainlines*, is available on the Guild website. The web address is www.WesternNCQuilters.org. You will be notified by e-mail when each new issue is available. If you don't have Internet access, please contact the membership co-chair, Elizabeth Leff, 201/826-5416, to request that a hard copy be mailed to you.

Full calendar year dues for **2023** are \$35.00; dues for membership July 1 and after are \$20.00. Make check payable to WNCQG.

Payment by: Cash _____ or Check # _____

Renewal

New Member

Renewals are due by the December guild luncheon for inclusion in the 2023 Membership Directory.

Check here to opt-out of publication in the Membership Directory.

Return completed application and payment to:

**Elizabeth Leff
591 Kelly Lane
Pisgah Forest, NC 28768**



Charlotte Quilters' Guild

Carolina Lily Quilt Show

Quilt Show & Specialty Vendors

March 3 - 4, 2023 (9am – 4pm)

Union Co Agricultural Center

3230 Presson Road Monroe, NC 28112

Admission \$8.00, Free Parking

Vendors listed on our website www.charlottequiltersguild.org

Raffle Prizes, Boutique by the Quilters' Guild and more!

Judged Exhibition of members' quilts

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