

WILKES COUNTY



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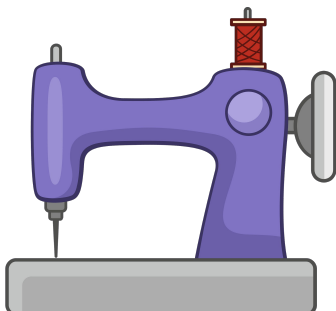
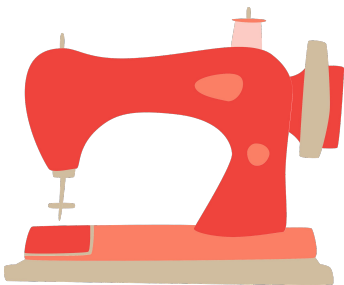
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From the President

Nila Johnston

See you Tuesday!



Membership

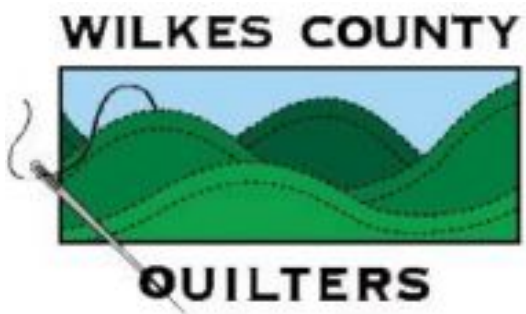
Anne Miller

It's time to renew your Wilkes County Quilters membership for 2023. Annual dues are \$25.00 for adult members and \$12.50 for Junior members. Please bring your dues to the February meeting or mail them to: Anne Miller, WCQ Membership, 318 Fieldstone Drive, Wilkesboro, NC 28697.

Photos will be taken at the February meeting of new members and anyone who wants an updated photo for the roster. Please see Missy Severt or Shirley Camenzind for photographs at the meeting in February.

Membership cards and the updated photo roster should be ready by the March meetings.

Please welcome the new members, Olivia Snyder and Amanda Ward, to the WCQ. We are pleased that Janice Earp has returned to active membership after being inactive for a few years.



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Programs

Sheila Nichols

Next month, March 22th and March 25th, our guild will make available two educational workshops. Diana Struckmeyer, aka the Mondo Bag teacher, is returning to teach us how to make a Quilted Everything Bag and a Tool Bag. KITS for these classes will be available for sale during our afternoon and evening guild meetings. The KITS are \$20 and \$15.

Our President, Nila Johnson, will be doing our February afternoon and evening programs. We are in for a treat! She promises they're going to be something different. Something fun! I can't wait!

Yes. There will be a door prizes.
Good luck!

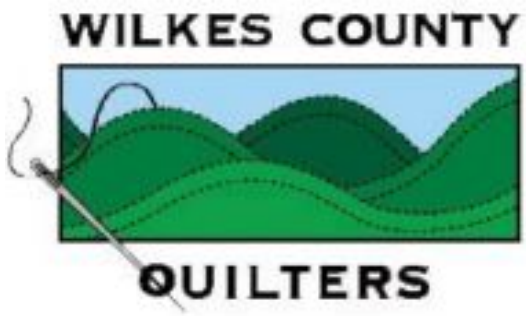
Intraguild

Shirley Camenzind

Calling all fussy cuts! Bring your bag of fussy cut pieces **5" or smaller** in a ziploc bag. You can add two pieces of coordinating fabric and one 1/2 yard piece of a neutral fabric. Put your name inside the bag on a 3 x 5 card. Your bag will be given to another member who will make you something wonderful. You'll receive someone else's bag so you can do the same. Please join in the fun of creating from fussy cut pieces. Bags will be collected at the February meeting and distributed at the March meeting. Finished projects must be completed by the October meeting.

**Mark your calendar for
Wednesday, July 12th.**

**25th Anniversary
group event will be announced
soon!**



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Sunshine Committee

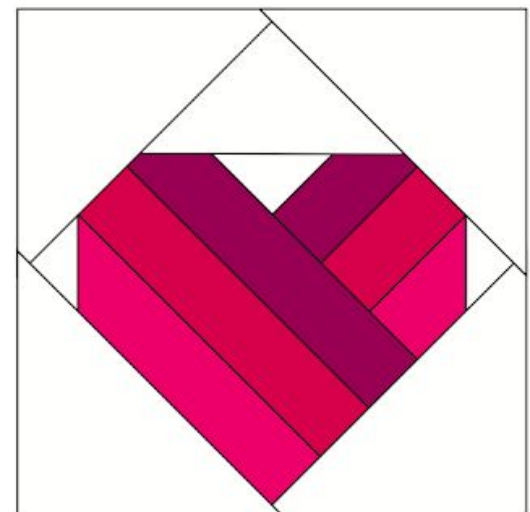
Nancy Jones

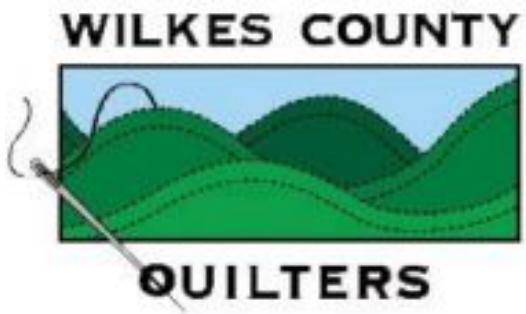
February is heart month so maybe it will put you in the mood to make some heart blocks for the Sunshine Committee! I've included a link with some heart block ideas, but you can also come up with some of your own.

<https://www.quiltfabrication.com/2022/01/12-free-heart-quilt-blocks.html>

Remember your finished block should measure 6.5" x 6.5". I can't wait to see what you create! Pass them on to me when you finish them.

Remember the Sunshine Committee is here to bless our members who have lost a loved one, are sick or in the hospital, or just need some encouragement. Anytime you know of a member who needs a "heart shower", a bundle of fat quarters or just a card please contact me, Nancy Jones at nljones2you@gmail.com or 919-691-7243 (text or leave a message as I don't answer strange numbers)





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Community Service

Libby Whittington

Special thanks to each of you who have completed quilts for Ebenezer Children's Home and baby quilts for New Beginnings Birthing Center and the Wilkes Pregnancy Center!

Thank you to all who have taken kits to work on!

On February 10th, Bonnie Cain from Ebenezer picked up 20 completed quilts and expressed her sincere thanks for everything Wilkes County Quilters Guild does for the children!

Later this month, I will divide the crocheted baby booties and remaining baby quilts between New Beginnings and the Pregnancy Center, then deliver these to their respective places.

We still have several pieced tops, backing, and batting kits that still need to be quilted. Please help by taking a kit or two to work on.

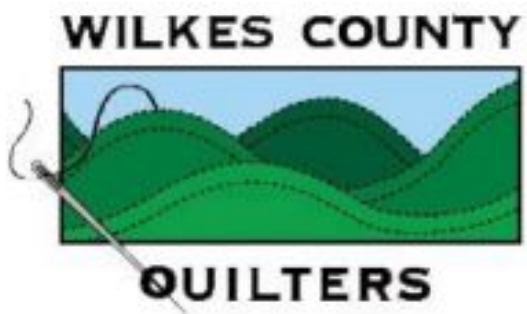
More batting has been ordered and we've received a fabric donation that can be made into more kits soon.

Ways and Means

Lynn Osborne

I will have raffle tickets available for the beautiful Heart In Home raffle quilt made by the Quilt Makers Committee, chaired by JoAnn Nichols. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5.

This year the person who sells the winning ticket will receive a \$50.00 cash prize!! Just sign your name on the back of each ticket you sell and if one of those tickets is drawn you will win!!



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Quilt Show Committee

Melissa McGuire

Hello!

The 2023 Quilt Show Committee met this month. We decided that we would like to do another grand prize of various cuts of fabric, however we need your donations. Please bring any cuts of fabric (yardage, fat quarters, jelly rolls, layer cakes, charms, mini charms, etc.) during our guild meetings leading up to our show.

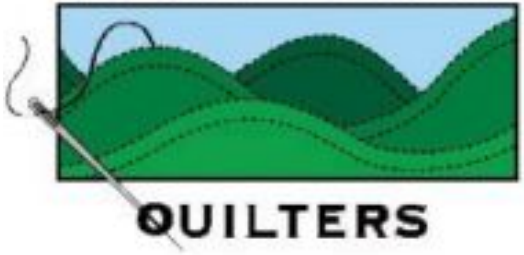
Please mark your calendars for September 7th through the 9th. Our show dates are September 8th and 9th, but we will need everyone's help to set up on the 7th, during the show on the 8th and 9th, and take down on the 9th. As John Heywood quoted "Many Hands Make Light Work". It is certainly true of our quilt show. We have positions for everyone, from sitting in a chair greeting people, to hanging up and taking down quilts (and everything in between). I want to encourage everyone to sign up for at least one position during the show.

I would also like to encourage everyone to make the maximum amount of quilts as they are able to submit for the show (3 show submissions and 1 challenge "Silver Thread and Golden Needles" quilt submission). This is a big year for us, with our 25 year anniversary. Let's make the show a big one to celebrate.

And now the moment you may all have been waiting for; our 2023 Quilt Show name. (May I have a drum roll, please?) The Quilt Show name with the most votes from the Quilt Show Committee was: "Silver Jubilee Celebration".



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Quilt Show Challenge

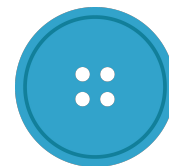
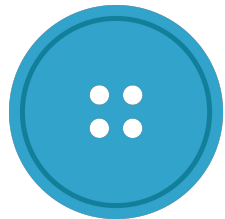
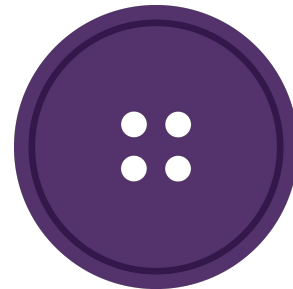
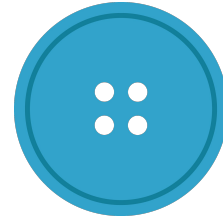
Shirley Camenzind

In honor of our 25th Anniversary we will be using the idea of "Silver Threads and Golden Needles." The challenge piece can be no larger than 36" x 36". It must be quilted with 3 layers (top, batting and bottom). These entries are displayed for an opportunity to win ribbons and money at the quilt show.

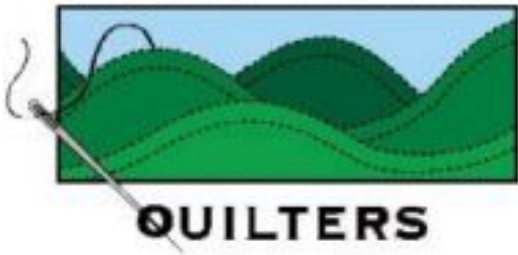
Oak Island Beach Retreat

Shirley Camenzind

Bring your payments for the retreat. Rooms will be selected in the order of when you paid in full. I'm sure there's not a bad room to be had, but you can pick your room when you paid in full. If you haven't already, let me know if you're staying the extra night.



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Handgroup

Handgroup is open to any member of the guild. We meet at the Wilkes Library from 10 -2 pm. You are welcome to join us the second Wednesday of each month. We gather in the downstairs meeting room. Bring something to work on, and sit and visit. It's a great way to get to know other members. We go to lunch afterwards for those that want to come. You don't have to stay the whole time if you have other things to do on that day.

Quilt Class

Lynn Osborne

Quilt Class beginning Thursday, February 16th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. We will meet for 8 Thursday's.

Cost is \$70.00

Project is Paper Piecing

Instructor: Lynn Osborne

Email:

lynno28659@yahoo.com

Phone: 336-927-7158

February Birthdays!

Sharon Church 2/1

Vickie McInnis 2/4

Sylvia Pipes 2/5

Julie Willis 2/6

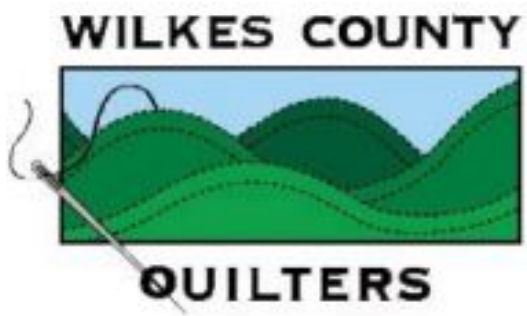
Libby Whittington 2/13

Veda Marxen 2/19

Missy Severt 2/21

JoAnn Nichols 2/24





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Important Dates

February 28th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

March 22nd: 9:00 Quilted Everything Bag Learning Workshop at Wilkes Ag. Center

March 25th: 9:00 Zipper Tool Bag Learning Workshop at Wilkes Agricultural Center

March 28th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

April 18th: 6:00 Quarterly Board Meeting at Wilkes Library downstairs meeting room

April 25th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

May 15th-20th: Retreat at Oak Island

May 23rd: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

June TBD: Summer Picnic

June: Committee selected to secure new officers

June 27th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

July 12th: Bus Trip

July 18th: 6:00 Quarterly Board Meeting at Wilkes Library downstairs meeting room

July 25: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

August 22nd: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

August: Golden Needle committee

September 7th-9th: Silver Jubilee Celebration Quilt Show

September 26th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

October 24th: 6:00 meeting only (combined meeting)

November 7th: 6:00 Quarterly Board Meeting at Wilkes Library downstairs meeting room

November 28th: 1:00 and 6:00 regular meetings

December: Christmas party (TBD), installment of 2024-2025 officers, raffle quilt drawing, donations of group selected recipient, Golden Needle Award. No regular meeting.