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Meeting Times: 1pm & 6pm

Location: Wilkes Agricultural Center
416 Executive Drive
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From the President

Nila Johnston

Can't wait to start 2023 with you . It will be our 25th year! Exciting times are coming.



Quilt Makers

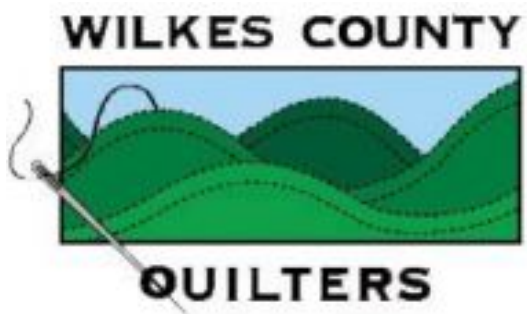
JoAnn Nichols

The 2023 raffle quilt will be available at the January meeting. Be prepared to sell lots of tickets so we can still enjoy the events and other activities we enjoy that are provided by the guild.

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 January 31st meeting or mail them to: Anne Miller, WCQ Membership, 318 Fieldstone Drive, Wilkesboro, NC 28697.



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Programs

Sheila Nichols

It's going to be a good year. Two workshops are planned. Diana Struckmeyer, aka the Mondo Bag Teacher, will teach a "Quilted Everything Bag" class Wednesday, March 22nd and a "Tool Kit" class Saturday, March 25th. Both classes will be at the Ag Center in the same room we have our guild monthly meetings. Kits will be available at our January and February meetings. Kits include pellon, batting, zippers, panels, one detailed pattern instructions. You need thread and fabrics. Bag Kit is \$20 and Tool Bag Kit \$15. Lunch will be provided. These classes are designed to help us learn, develop, and improve our sewing skills.

There will be a door prize drawing at the afternoon meeting and another one at the evening meeting. Good luck!

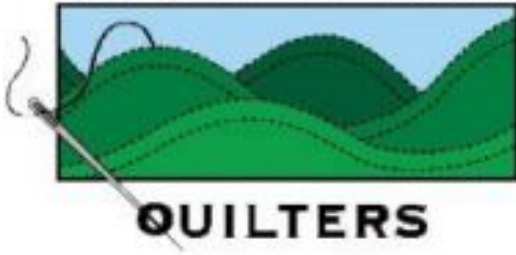
Intraguild

Shirley Camenzind

We have many fun things planned for this year and we hope you'll participate in all of them.

Begin by bringing your bag of fussy cut fabrics to the January meeting. You'll get another quilters bag in February. You can take your time to make something interesting from the fabrics in the bag you received. In your bag, put 25 fussy cut pieces, no larger than 5 inches each. Add 2 FQ or a 1/2 yard of a coordinating fabric and a 1/2 yard of a neutral color (white, beige, grey, black, or navy). Let's get the creative cells activated right away.

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Sunshine Committee

Nancy Jones

Any time you know someone who needs encouragement, is sick, or just needs some cheer, please let me know. I will gladly send those messages on to any of our members.

Contact me at:

nljones2you@gmail.com

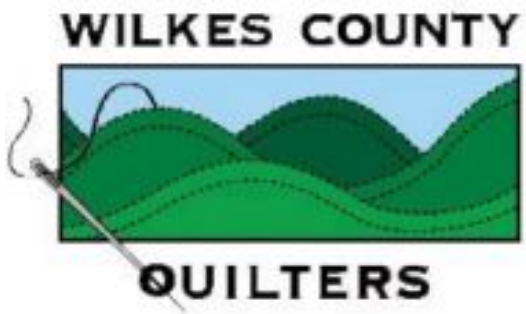


Ways and Means

Lynn Osborne

Let's have the best Boutique ever this year!! In order to do that we need donations from our members such as completed quilted projects, completed craft projects, sewing donations notions, fabric, patterns, etc.





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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.



Raffle Quilt Tickets 2023

Shirley Camenzind

I am asking for someone to take over the raffle ticket sales. It is a job that requires a minimum amount of work. Please volunteer to accept this task. It's a great job for a new member. We have enjoyed so many great programs and events in the last years. In order to keep having such fun events, we need everyone to step up and do some small part.



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Community Service

Libby Whittington

Hello everyone! Hope you are enjoying a great start to a new year! Mine is a very busy one as I am preparing for the move to my new place! We're waiting for kitchen countertops and final inspection before the move begins. I hope that each of you will visit soon! I'll have directions and other information at the guild meetings on the 31st!

I would like to thank each of you who have worked hard to help with our community service projects this year! Many of you have stepped up to the plate and worked on Ebenezer quilts as well as baby quilts/booties for the New Beginnings Birthing Center and the Wilkes Pregnancy Center. When Ebenezer asked for boy quilts, that's what our focus was on! We have completed over 20 boy quilts (and a few girls' quilts, too) since the quilt show in September! This warrants a special THANK YOU for your service to our community! We now have over 25 girl quilts to be quilted! The kits include the completed top, batting, and backing for each one. I'll bring these to both meetings on the 31st.

Community Service totals for the 2022 year are as follows: 292 pair crocheted baby booties, 3 receiving blankets, 14 doll quilts, 34 baby quilts, and 34 Ebenezer bed quilts

Breakdowns:

Ebenezer Children's Home: 14 doll quilts, 6 baby quilts, and 34 bed quilts

New Beginnings Birthing Center: 148 pair crocheted baby booties, 15 baby quilts

Wilkes Pregnancy Care Center: 144 pair crocheted baby booties, 3 receiving blankets, 13 baby quilts

We have several quilts ready to be distributed soon for the 2023 year! With your support, we can surpass the 2022 totals!

Happy quilting,

Libby



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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

January Birthdays!

Sheila Lewis 1/8

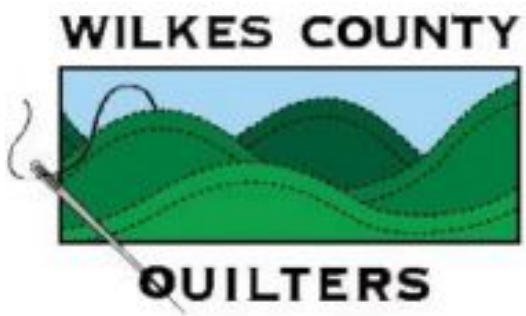
Janet Tharpe 1/8

Brenda Pruitt 1/9

Diane Hannon 1/11

Terri Jo Ingram 1/29





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2022 Raffle Quilt Winner

On December 7th, JoAnn Nichols and Nancy Jones had the pleasure of delivering the 2022 raffle quilt to Mrs. Evva Hanes at the Mrs. Hanes' Moravian Cookies bakery. Evva and her husband Travis, both 90 years old, were waiting for us in the lobby of the bakery. The bakery was a bustle of activity with customers lined up and workers baking and packing cookies; and the bakery smelled wonderful! Mrs. Hanes was thrilled with the quilt and just loved all the beautiful colors. Her daughter and granddaughter were also there to take part in the presentation of the quilt. Mr. and Mrs. Hanes took us to their house next to the bakery; and before we left, we saw the quilt on her bed. Mrs. Hanes was diagnosed with a brain tumor in 2022 and is still undergoing treatments. Nevertheless, she doesn't seem to have slowed down! She is an interesting lady to talk to and has had a long and successful life. She has already published two cookbooks and plans to have a book out this year about her life story.

Left to Right: Mr. Travis Hanes, Hanes' granddaughter, Mrs. Evva Hanes, Hanes' daughter

