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PROGRAMS for SUMMER 2022

JUNE

Lecture by Pepper Cory. Pepper is a lifetime member of our Guild. She was here at the beginning and has been back again and again since her move to North Carolina. On this trip, she is going to give a lecture on scrap quilting with a Japanese flavor.

Friday, June 17: Class at Country Stitches: "It's a Wrap!" (a sashiko-embellished wrapping cloth)

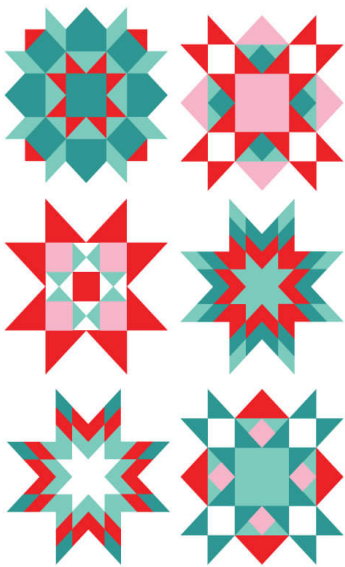
The class has a morning session teaching Japanese hand stitching called sashiko (10AM-noon). In the afternoon session (1-3:30 PM) assembling by machine piecing a traditional Japanese wrapping cloth using the sashiko sample from the morning session.

Sign-up is still available at the June Guild meeting. The class is \$70 plus \$25 for the kit. Contact Pepper if you have questions: pepcory@gmail.com.

JULY

July is our member garage sale. If you wish to sell at the sale, please see Adrienne Scherer for a table reservation.

As always, if you have any suggestions for upcoming programs, please feel free to see Adrienne or any other Board member.



QUILT SHOW 2023? POSSIBLY!

As we announced at the May meeting, we will have a quilt show information meeting in September. Be thinking about what your expectations for a quilt show are - do we want quilts and vendors, do we want a silent auction, etc. These expectations will drive what we do in planning our next quilt show.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to everyone. I am your new President, Sharon Wexler. Your new Board and I looking forward to our Guild getting back to normal. Our membership is increasing and we hope to get even more new and previous members willing to join our ranks.

We are pleased to have a great speaker, Pepper Cory, scheduled for our June meeting. Pepper will also be giving a class on the day after our meeting. It is wonderful to have classes again. Speaking of programs, we still need an Assistant Program Chair. Please consider taking on this position so that we can continue to schedule programs and activities for our Guild meetings. This is a great chance to have input into the upcoming programs.


We are also working on a Fall Retreat, so look for details in the future. This will be our first retreat since before the pandemic. If you have not attended one of our retreats, they are loads of fun and a great time to get to know your fellow CCQG members. It is so much fun watching what others are working on – it is a mini quilt show.

Speaking of quilt shows, we are going to have an informational meeting in September that will discuss what is involved in holding a quilt show and hopefully getting our members involved in working on the quilt committee. It takes a lot of members to hold a quilt show!

Finally, thank you very much to the members of the previous Board who led us through the pandemic months. We appreciate their hard work with all the interesting challenges they faced trying to keep our Guild going. So, let's get back to normal and enjoy our quilting again.

Enjoy the rest of Spring!

Sharon Wexler



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Dear Capitol City Quilters,

The Pacific Northwest Quilt & Fiber Arts Museum is once again presenting its annual International Quilt & Fiber Arts Festival, October 7-9, 2022 at the Edward D. Hansen Conference Center in Everett, WA. Attached is a flyer with some of these details, as well as highlighting the Call for Entries. Please help us ensure the success of this Festival by passing this flyer on to your Guild members and encouraging them to enter. We know the Pacific Northwest is home to many talented quilt and fiber art artists and we would love to be able to include them all in our exhibit!

This is a juried and judged exhibit, with three cash prizes being offered. \$500 for Best in Show (must be a judged piece), \$500 for Peoples Choice - Quilts, and \$500 for Peoples Choice - Fiber Art & Wearables. Visit <https://www.qfamuseum.org/iqfaf-home.html> for more information or contact the Museum at (360) 466-4288.

Thank you for your assistance in supporting the Museum.

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MEMBER PROFILE—Lise Dibert

Hi, I am Lise' Dibert. SO many folks struggle with my name, so here is the pronunciation: "LEE-sa DYE-bert." LOL.

My first memory of sewing was making clothing for my Troll Dolls, sewing by hand on the covered front porch...I believe I dressed an entire wedding party. Still have one of the original dolls, but it is currently naked. Oh, dear...another project to contemplate!

I was introduced to quilting in about 2003, when a very good friend gave me a 'starter kit' of FQ, a combo pack of cutter, ruler & mat and the Yellow Brick Road pattern as an extremely generous Christmas gift. She had been quilting a couple of years...and it took me AT LEAST a couple of years before I decided to give it a go. Well, we know how that goes...here I am in 2022 with a number of quilts under my needle, including a fresh version of Yellow Brick Road without all the mistakes!

I joined CCQG on the urging of another friend, the late Bobbie Slider, whom I met at Breslin Cancer Center where I was working. She was at the beginning of her Chemo Quilt journey, and that project is ongoing with the help of all of us (especially Elaine Hewitt). Not too long after I joined, the Guild was looking for an Assistant Program Chair (hmmm, kind of like NOW) and Bobbie convinced me to volunteer. "You love talking to people. You will get to meet all the different speakers, and the Board is a great way to meet other members too." Bonnie K. Hunter was already booked for the following year, so that really was a terrific experience for me to get to know her a little bit. And I got into scrap quilting big time because of her.

Kinda bored with retirement, I took a job at Country Stitches which held all sorts of new quilting experiences for me. I discovered that I am pretty good at color, and that I can teach a bit. I fell in love with collage quilting, which is also a great scrap lovers thing. I also learned silk ribbon embroidery, which is not nearly as difficult as it appears. Retired again when our friend COVID came to town. I sew a little here & there, not as much as I want to, as I am caregiver to my husband (kidney failure) and my dad (91 and actually improving). Belonging to this Guild is very important to my mental health.

Now I am the new VP. Yikes.

Lise'



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CHALLENGE QUILT

Challenge quilts are due at the September meeting. The frog in the center needs to be at least 4 inches square. For details contact Adrienne Scherer. *Rrrribbit!*




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- Boyer, Janet 7/3
- McQueen, Nina 7/3
- Largo, Peg 7/6
- Rasmussen, Carole 7/7
- Couthan, Lillian 7/10
- Hausauer, Mary 7/14
- Martin, Virginia 7/14
- Feldpausch, Deb 7/15
- Doyle, Julie 7/19
- Skelton, Cathy 7/22
- Dean, Angela 7/24
- Scherer, Adrienne 7/26

AUGUST

- Boyse, Nancy 8/3
- Carlson, Jean 8/4
- Davis, Carole 8/5
- Edgar, Kate 8/7
- Rhodes, Wilma 8/9
- Whitenight-Edwards, Brenda 8/25
- Couretas, Martha 8/27



FAT CHANCES

The Fat Chance drawing is an opportunity to win fat quarters of fabric for your stash. Check the theme of the month, bring one fat quarter (18" x 22") to that meeting, and enter your name in the drawing. Good luck!

- JUNE-stripes
- JULY-Red, white & blue
- AUGUST—teal & water

Sharon Wexler is now in charge of the charity quilt batting distribution, so if you are in need of 60" wide batting for a donation quilt, contact Sharon at 517-285-5289 or Sharonwexler7101@comcast.net.



PASSINGS

You may recall a past newsletter article about Kate and Mary Edgar and their trip to quilt with Gudrun Erla. I'm sad to announce that Mary passed away in April after a stroke. Her obituary can be found at <https://www.bowermanfuneralhome.net/obituary/Mary-Edgar>



UFO WOES—Tips from our Veep

Been having a stand-off with my quilting journey as I foolishly swore that I would finish a UFO before starting something else. All that has done is bring me to a complete stand-still. So I have been re-reading a few magazine articles addressing UFO woes, and without actual plagiarism, here are some tips:

Gather up the entire UFO, and put it in a bag or project box. NOT a brown paper bag, that turns a perfectly good UFO into a PIG (project in grocery sack). If at all possible, write yourself a note about what stopped you from finishing in the first place. Did you cut something wrong & get completely frustrated? Were the pattern instructions really pretty poor? Do you just plain not like it? Give your future self some clues! Stumped? Give yourself permission to move on, and that means getting the thing out of your house. Should we plan a UFO swap?

Make yourself a list of the those UFO's that you think deserve the time and attention to finishing them. IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT YOU DON'T HAVE TO FINISH IT. Consider using the few blocks you do have made to make very simple projects, like a placemat or 10.

Grab one project...break down the remainder to finish it into small steps. Cross off a step from your notes each time you get one done...baby steps to success.

Consider a self-imposed deadline for ONE project.

Give yourself a reward for making progress on any of this. 15 minutes of sorting & purging is enough for 1 session...if you complete xx amount of sessions, win a prize! (you get to pick the prize you give yourself!)

Lise

MEMBERSHIP INFO

As of the end of June, we will delete all members from the database who have not renewed for the 2022-2023 year.

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