

NCW Quilt Guild

North Central Washington, Wenatchee WA

4th Quarter Newsletter, November 2025

October Meeting: October 29, 2025
November Meeting: November 19*, 2025*
No Meeting in December

Pybus Public Market, Community Room
Doors Open 5:30 p.m.

Important Details:

Our mailing address is:
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The final meeting for 2025 is on Wednesday, November 19 which is not the last Wednesday of the month.

It's a BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY PARTY

General Membership meeting dates for 2025:

January 29	February 19	March 26	April 30
May 28	June 25	July 30	August 20*
September 24	October 29	November 19*	December-no meeting

* **Attention:** this date is not the last Wednesday of the month

NCWQG Nominated Officers for 2026:

President:	Wendy Smith
Vice President:	
Secretary:	Sue Nash
Treasurer:	Louise Brown
Asst. Treasurer:	Marin Johnson
Past President:	Sue Nash

Committee Chairs:

Comfort Quilts	Mary Kidwell and Carmel Wakeman
Block of the Month	Diane Mitchell
Fabric & More	Ginette Lacasse or Diane Mitchell & company
Membership	Robin Simmons and Mary Lou Kimpel
Quilt Festival '26	Heidi Thaut, Chair (needs co-chair)
Programs	
Raffle Quilt Sales	Joanne Burke and Carol Bigelow
Retreats	Jan Kuestler
Round Robins	Diane Mitchell
Sunshine	Pat Koehler

Webmistress	Kristy Clare
Workshops	Linda Riesterer
Newsletter	Cassie Black
Greeters:	Susan Stephens & Liz Hemberry
Historian:	Kari Black

Attendance:

August:	86	4	1,335,5
September:	81 members	2 guests	956 volunteer hours
October:	85	3	NA

The November General Membership meeting is a **PARTY!** We are celebrating our 40th birthday/anniversary. We will have our usual business meeting, but then we break out the fun! If you have any historical documentation, please bring it to the meeting. We will be sharing photos and stories (especially Doni & Louise as founding members!).

Wendy Smith is our host. If you are interested in helping her, please contact her directly.

Our October program was presented by Darlene Johnson and the theme was “using panels”. What a show! Darlene, thank you for an informative, fascinating and inspiring program. I know many members talked about your presentation at the retreat and how we could and will be able to incorporate your examples in our own work. Great job!!!

BOM Squad (Block Of the Month)

We meet on the first Friday of each month (10-4) at the Sunnyslope Fire Station. This group is open to everyone and every ability. The objective is to 1) have fun, 2) meet other members of the guild, 3) learn new skills and techniques and 4) learn from each other all while making blocks/quilts for comfort quilts.

Bring your lunch and beverages, basic sewing needs/tools, your machine, fabric if you want to donate it. Ironing and cutting stations will be provided. Please do not go out and buy fabric for these workdays. The goal is to use scraps. Some fabrics will be provided if your don't have scraps to use (who would be in that situation?). Plan to make as many blocks as you want.

Attention: BOM patterns now available on the website!!! Kristie, our webmaster, worked with Diane and her computer so there are some of the BOM patterns now available on the webpage. Thank you Kristie.

The final two meetings for 2025 were/are:

Nov. 7: Terri Dunscomb let the fearless group (thank you!) while Diane was at the Chelan retreat. Using the 100 plus blocks donated to BOM, the group put together 7 palliative and 1 twin-sized quilts! Great job everyone and especially Terri.

Dec. 5: Diane is planning on using 6 and a half inch 9-patch blocks to make "houses" with a flying goose block for the "roof". Fabric will be on hand, however, if you have any orphaned 6.5 blocks of any pattern, bring them along and they can be used to create a "house" block.

Comfort Quilts: Mary Kidwell, Carmel Wakeman, Marcia Johanson.

Comfort quilts had a new member ask what size of donation quilts we are looking for, so we thought we would remind everyone. We would like:

- palliative sized quilts, around 45 x 60
- twin sized quilts, 66-70 x90

You all have been very productive and we have many, many quilts smaller than the palliative sized quilts. Please hold onto smaller quilts until we have found homes for all that we currently have! Or, consider donating unfinished pieces to be used in fidget quilts. Blossom Creek is accepting the makings for fidget quilts

Fabric & More: Ginette Lacasse and Diane Mitchell

The Fabric & More Sale is scheduled for Friday, May 15, 2026 from 9-5 and Saturday, May 16, 2026 9-2.

The Fabric & More people are accepting donations at each meeting or by arrangement (contact either Ginette or Diane).

The United Methodist Church has reduced the rent for next year's sale by \$300.00. Barb Vincent donated a lovely quilt for the church to use in their upcoming fund raiser. Thank you Barb for your generous donation and thoughtfulness.

Membership: Robin Simmons and Mary Lou Kimpel

Membership ladies encourage everyone to check the roster and make sure your contact info is current and correct.

Also, guild membership renewals are due after the 1st of the year. Dues cannot be paid early, ie. in 2025 for 2026 (accounting nightmare). Please make sure to mail your renewal form (yes, they really want the form; again, accounting nightmare) in after the 1st of the year and include a stamped, return addressed envelope so Membership can mail your new cards to you. Be kind to your VOLUNTEER membership committee members, especially in January.

Quilt Show 2026: Heidi Thaut, Chair

Hello Fellow Quilters,

The Quilt Show 2026 planning is underway. Below are the important details to share before I head off to California for the winter. Diane Garlini will be the quilt show communications person at guild meetings in my absence.

Theme: No Place Like Home

Challenge Theme: Somewhere Over the Rainbow

(Nancy Straub is taking on the challenge and will have details for you at upcoming meetings)

We already have 30 volunteers so far including a majority of chairpersons. Woohooo! If you or someone you know can chair the following open positions, please contact me as soon as possible. If you are new to this, no worries. There are people right by your side to give you guidance and direction.

Here are brief descriptions of open positions:

Database and Labels Chair: Collect quilt registration forms and keep track of the sizes, etc. Create and print a descriptive label for each quilt. *Linda R. has a great system in place to share with you.*

Program Chair: Create and arrange for printing of the quilt program. *Linda R. Has a great system in place for this to share with you.*

White Glove/Docent: You and your team make sure people don't touch the quilts during the show.

Awards: Count viewer choice ballots and place awards on quilts. We have several awards ready to go.

Contact me on my cell at 520-306-8382 or heidi.thaut@gmail.com if you are interested or would like more information.

Heidi has gotten most committee chairs committed; here's where she stands:

2026 Quilt Show Committee	
Admissions	Mary Rozendaal and Donna Rankin
Best of Show Judges	TBD by Chair
Challenge	Nancy Straub
Community Booth	Rose Butler and Donna Rankin
*Database & Labels	
Hospitality Room	Linda Riesterer, Geraldine Warner, Louise Brown
Layout Plan	Louise Brown
*Program	
Publicity	Diane Garlini, Cindy Rudolph, Donna Rankin, Margie Rush

Quilt Take-In	Jill Therriault
Raffle Ticket Sales	Sue Nash
Show Set-up/Take Down	Lesley Allan
Signage	LaVerne Bergstrom and Susan Williams
Silent Auction	Jill Therriault
Vendors	Anne Baye, Mary Kidwell, Kristi Clare
*White Glove/Docents	
Fabric & More	Ginette Lacasse and Diane Mitchell

Thank you!
Heidi Thaut
Sugarplum Quilts

Retreats: Chelan 2025

Thank you Donna, Radene and Shelli for a wonderful and productive retreat! Great job ladies. It was almost a full house and the ironing stations were kept hopping. I think all of us made significant “contributions” to the Chelan economy.

The Retreat Committee have pulled off another miracle. We will have a Spring Retreat in 2026. It is scheduled April 23 to 25 at The Winthrop Barn, 51 State Rte 20, Winthrop, WA 98862. Phone: 509-423-3704. Check out their website, winthropbarn.com.-lots of photos! You are responsible for making your own accommodations. Chat with those who want to go to the retreat-you may get a group together for sharing rooms or condos. Make it a party!

More details and sign-up coming up at November meeting.

Sunshine: Pat Koehler

If you hear of or know of someone who could use a card of encouragement, please contact Pat at kpkoehler@nwi.net.

Website: Kristi Clare, Webmistress

Kristi is updating our website with current information. If you need something put on the website, please send her an email. At the guild meetings, it is very difficult for her to remember everything that needs attention without followup in writing. Do her a favor and send an email.

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