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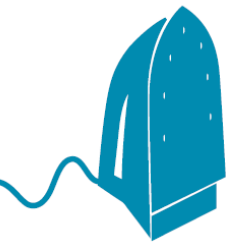
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President's Message

Happy almost Fall!

I'm always amazed at how fast the year flies by. So many big plans and so many unplanned adventures.

The quilt show is cranking along and it's shaping up to be one of the best, the days are getting shorter, and the nights are cooling off nicely. I like fall because I know that winter is near and I can spend more time in my sewing room.

How many projects do you have in the works at once? Coming from a garment background, I never started a project I didn't finish. Quilts are different... Now, I rarely finish a project before I start another one. I start out loving it and then either lose interest or just don't like it. I always think I'll come back to that or rip it apart and do something else. I can hear you laughing. I know, right? Never going to happen.

I'm currently working on my challenge quilt and a few other projects I've been putting off. I'm sure you can all relate.

In case you haven't heard, my husband and I will be moving if we can sell our house. Time to be closer to the grandkids. So, in an effort to make my sewing room look bigger, (and because I sold my other storage furniture) most of my fabric is in totes in a closet under my stairs. This forces me to focus on the projects in the WIP/UFO cabinet that I have been ignoring.

Sew on, my beautiful quilting sisters!

Blessings -- *Renee*



Upcoming programs

September will bring our annual game and potluck. For the game, please bring one yard of bright fabric. For the potluck, folks with September birthdays are asked to bring treats; others bring salads.



In **October**, Mary Davis will give a talk on Quilts of Valor.



From Diane Harris, The Stash Bandit

"Thank you for a delightful time in Tri-Cities. I love your group and I look forward to seeing all the fun things they will create. And thank you for all the rides and arrangements you made too, that helped me do my job more efficiently. Thank you very much!"

Diane shares with us two links. The first is instructions for the [Interval Quilt](#), a courtesy pattern from Leah @colorfultartgirl.

And the second is a link to her next [Scrappy Sundays event, Beautiful Bricks](#).



See a recap of her presentations and classes on page 7.

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Programs - A Look Ahead

Sep	Potluck and game
Oct	Quilts of Valor – Mary Davis
Nov	tbd
Dec	Annual Business/Christmas party
Jan	Intro to Quilt Math – Resizing a block – Marcy Traeger
Mar	Vote on Challenge quilts, final Quilt Show preps
Apr	2028 Quilt Show Kickoff – Jean Kimerling
May	MFA Nominations
June	What Were the Judges Thinking? – Kathie Keller
July	MFA voting
Aug	Potluck and game

Briefs

New members

Please welcome these new members:

Jill Christenson
Halli Hilliard

Membership renewal time

It's time to begin our 2027 membership drive. Save money and help the guild by renewing early, \$25 until Dec 31. Form on page 10.

Upcoming tool caddy class

Linda Glaman will be teaching you how to make a cool tool caddy from a bookend on Friday, Sept 11, at White Bluffs. Please see the form on page 11 for supplies and signup information.

First 2027 Quilt Show Meeting

The kickoff meeting is set for Saturday, September 19, at 4:30pm at White Bluffs Quilt Museum. Come be part of the fun!

Fall Retreat Fast Approaching

This year's Fall Retreat will be Sept 22 – 27, Tues – Sun, in Cove, OR. There are still a few spots left. Deadline will be the first week of September. To reserve your spot or for more information, email or text Ginny: ginnycoff@gmail.com, 509-786-8953.

Note: This will be the last retreat that Ginny will organize. She'll be checking with folks at retreat this month, but if you're interested in taking on this position, let her know.

Briefs, cont'd

SOCO Creative Arts Festival

Discount Vac & Sew (DVS) will be bringing beautiful quilts to downtown Kennewick as part of the SOCO Creative Arts Festival on Sept 26, 10-4. DVS wants your quilts, and they need volunteers – contact DVS for more information. For more info on the festival, [visit here](#).

Karen Michaels to be next MFA

Please join us in welcoming Karen Michaels as the newest Member Featured Artist! Look for her and her inspiring work at our Quilt Show in March 2027. Congratulations, Karen!

Heartfelt Thank You from Karen M

I am humbled and honored to be selected as the next Member Featured Artist! I offer a heartfelt thank you for supporting me during the last 4 years of selections, and I look forward to sharing my work with you next March.
– *Karen Michaels*

Sunshine

Connie Achord has been doing a great job with our sunshine sympathy cards. If you know anyone who needs a card, contact Connie at cachord@charter.net with information regarding the recipient.

Quilt Show co-chair needed

Jean Kimerling is still in need of a Co-Chair for the 2028 Quilt Show. If interested or if you need more info, contact Jean or any board member.

Tri-City Quilters' Guild

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Show Co-Chair	Jean Kimerling

Volunteer & Demonstration Update

Preparations for our **43rd Annual Quilt Show** are well underway, and we are excited to share some of the activities already planned! Our demonstrations are always a favorite with visitors, giving attendees the opportunity to learn new techniques and be inspired by our talented members.

Current Demonstrations Scheduled

We'd like to thank the members who have already volunteered to share their skills:

- **Sashiko** – Linda Weir
- **English & Traditional Paper Piecing** – Patty Low
- **Quilting with a Serger** – Joann Olinger

We would love to offer even more demonstrations throughout the weekend! If you have a quilting technique, sewing tip, specialty tool, or favorite project you'd be willing to demonstrate, please consider volunteering. Demonstrations don't have to be complicated—they're simply a great way to share your passion and inspire others.

Raffle Area

- **Raffle Ticket Sales:** Cyndy Underwood
- **Raffle Display Coordinator:** Doris Kuzis
- **Raffle Setup Crew: Volunteers Needed**



Special Displays — Can You Help?

We still need help with this.

Our quilt show is successful because of the generosity and enthusiasm of our members. Whether you can volunteer for a few hours, help with setup, present a demonstration, or assist in another area, your contribution makes a difference.

If you're interested in volunteering or offering a demonstration, please email me right away. We'd love to have you be part of making our **43rd Annual Quilt Show** our best one yet!

Our kickoff meeting is set for Saturday, September 19, 4:30pm at White Bluff Quilt Museum. I look forward to getting the ball rolling!

email me at gwenmangelson@gmail.com

Thank you!

Gwen Mangelson

Round TUIT News

Here's the list for requested items by month:

- **September:** Batting, fusibles, and interfacing
- **October:** UFOs, Kits (a kit has the pattern and the fabric), quilt tops, finished quilts.

As always, we appreciate quiltable yardage such as cotton, fleece, and flannel. Fashion fabric is also accepted. Think dressmaking material, polyester, wool, linen, home decorator, costume, and knit. The committee folds the fabric from selvage to selvage, then folds in half again. It is then measured, rolled on a 6-1/2 inch ruler, and tagged. If you are able to fold and measure the fabric, it would be gratefully appreciated!

The Quilters of the Round TUIT meet on the first and second Thursday of the month at the White Bluffs Quilt Museum, 294 Torbett St in Richland. We often meet on the third Thursday if the space is available. We also meet between the TCQG's meetings on the third Monday of the Month. After the morning meeting join the guild members for lunch at the Round Table Pizza restaurant. After lunch, return to the church to sort the donated items. Thank you for your donations and your help in sorting them for the good of the Guild.

Thank you – *Elaine Broulliard*



TCQG 2027 Challenge

Here's a gentle reminder to keep working on your next Guild Challenge, **Livin' on the Dry Side**.

Rules:

- ◆ Must be a current TCQG member to submit an entry.
- ◆ Entry must depict some aspect of living on the eastern side of Washington state, aka "the Dry Side".
- ◆ Maximum perimeter is 150".
- ◆ Must be made with fabric, quilted, with finished edges (binding, facing, etc.).
- ◆ Embellishments are encouraged.

Think:

- ◆ **Scenic**
- ◆ **Thematic**

Questions? Contact Julie Moore, or Jodi Hassell at 509-378-2586.

Community Service News

We are having a great year with distributing quilts to our agencies. The total for the year so far is **288**. We still have a huge backlog of quilt tops that need to be quilted. Most of the quilt bundles are of a size that can be done with your domestic sewing machine. If there aren't any bundles left at the meeting you can contact me, 509-528-9281, and I will make arrangements to get bundles to you.

I would also like to remind you that Hospice would like red, white, and blue quilts to present to their veterans. They have a ceremony with a pinning.

We appreciate everyone who participates in Community Service, whether it's making kits, piecing tops, piecing the backs, putting the backs and tops with the batting, or quilting the bundles. We also appreciate those who donate completed quilts. We would really like to know and give credit to those who donated the quilts, so please make sure there is a community service tag on your donated tops/quilts. You can either go on the guild website to download the tags or see Laurel or myself for a tag at the meetings.

Notable Quilts

The quilt below and the one on page 5, recently turned in to Community Service, caught the eye of the editor.



Learn to Longarm

Interested in Learning to Longarm? Karen Brun is formulating a longarm instruction class at the Hillspring Sewing Center. Using a Q'nique 21Pro, she will teach the basics of long-arming in six 2-hour sessions. Students will practice on paper, muslin, and then Community Service quilts. The goal is to be certified to then rent the longarm to quilt either their own or other CS quilts. Hillspring and Tri-Cities Community Connections are still working out contract and pricing details so stay tuned. Please email (kmbrun@gmail.com), text, or call her at 509-392-1156.

White Bluffs Quilt Museum Wins Gold!

White Bluffs Quilt Museum has won **Gold Best Museum** in this year's **Tri-Cities Best**, sponsored by the Tri-City Herald. Congratulations to White Bluffs!

To see the listing and find out how all your favorites did, visit tri-citiesbest.com.



Upcoming Quilt Shows

Walla Walla Valley Quilt Festival

Sep 18-19
363 Orchard St, Walla Walla, WA
<https://wallawallaquiltfestival.org/>

SOCO Outdoor Quilt Show

Sponsored by Discount Vac and Sew
Sept 26
Historic Downtown Kennewick
<https://www.historickennewick.org/sococreativeartsfestival>

Washington State Quilters Show

Oct 16-18
404 N Havana Street, Spokane, WA
<https://wsqspokane.org/quilt-show/>

International Quilt Festival

Nov 12-15
George R. Brown Convention Center
1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX
Quilts.com/quilt-festival/

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7" x 7"

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Contact:

Doreen Thompson
509-366-5571



Mid-Columbia
Machine Quilters Guild

Meetings held on the last Saturday of
Jan, Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct

Meetings currently held in

Finley Grange @ 10am-12pm

223005 E Main St, Kennewick, WA 99337

Please contact Jodi for further information

jodihassell@gmail.com

Congressional Quilt Show

U.S. Rep Marie Gluesenkamp Perez, D-Washougal, wants to celebrate "the ethic and craftsmanship of quilters in the nation's capital as part of a Congressional Quilt Show". She "is seeking to elevate the example of quilters across the country who embody a spirit of generosity and skill that is more necessary now than ever". The "House Appropriations Committee approved her amendment to the Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill to recognize quilters from around the country and display their quilts outside the offices of members of the House of Representatives". For the full article and more details, visit [her website here](#).

Project Linus Tri-Cities

Team Battelle Work Party will meet Saturday September 5, 10-2, at Quinault Baptist Church, 5400 W Canal Dr, Kennewick. **Make a Blanket Day** is October 3, 10-2 at the Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland. For more information, visit

<http://www.projectlinus-tc.org/>

Birthdays

September

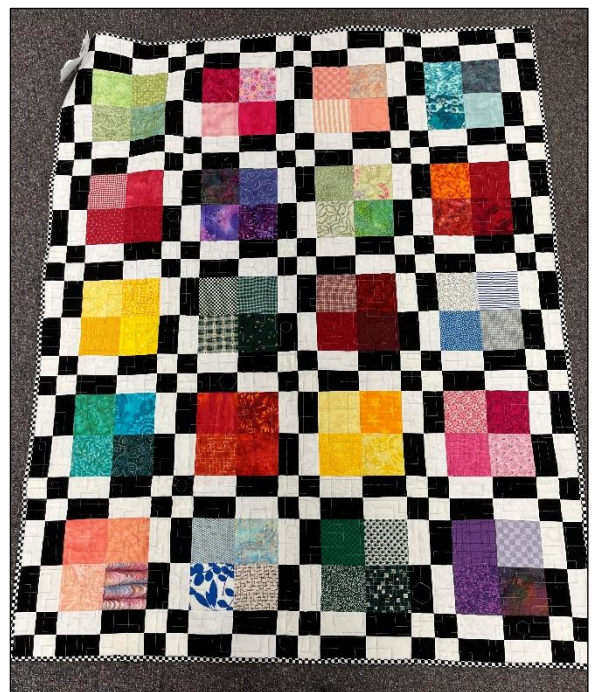
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Mignonne "Marti"
Cummings
Marion Dowell
Janelle Downs
Nancy Green
Lynn Hanson
Kathryn Kaser-Nichols
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Pat Logan
Fay Marlene Martin
Patty Morehouse
Terese Pratt
Becky Rehwalt
Shannon Rhodes
Carolyn Smith
Darlene Smith
Suzie Stacey
Teri Stephens
Alta Thomas
Judy Urrutia

October

Juanita Alvarez
Mary Heather Ames
Chris Batten
Deloris Burckhard
Margie Calder
Ceona Chitwood
Tina Demitruk
Ardith Eakin
Kristi Ruth Ellis
Rana Evans
Barbara Furlong
Jeanne Halapoff
Cheryl Heinemeyer
Janet Johanson
Audrey Kuether
Robin Moore
Cathi Nufferous
Jeannine Ossman
Lynette Stair
Doreen Thompson
Marcy Traeger
Barbara Ward
Linda Weir



Please remember to bring
snacks to the meeting if it's
your birthday month.
Thank you!





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Bee Exquisite

The **Bee at White Bluffs** friendship group is working on their own version of the **Exquisite Quilt**. Here are the editor's contributions:



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Meet Chris Batten of Looped Quilting Studio

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Book your quilt at loopedquilting.com. Mention this ad to receive \$10 off quilting when you book before Oct. 15, 2026.

Stash Bandit Recap

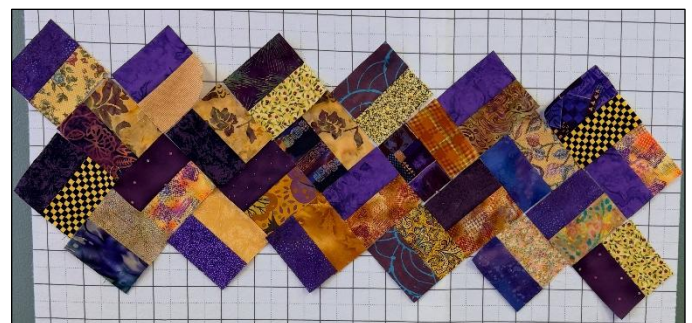
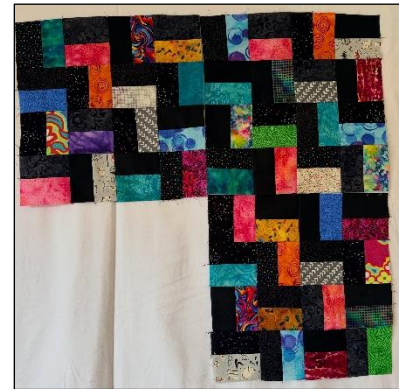
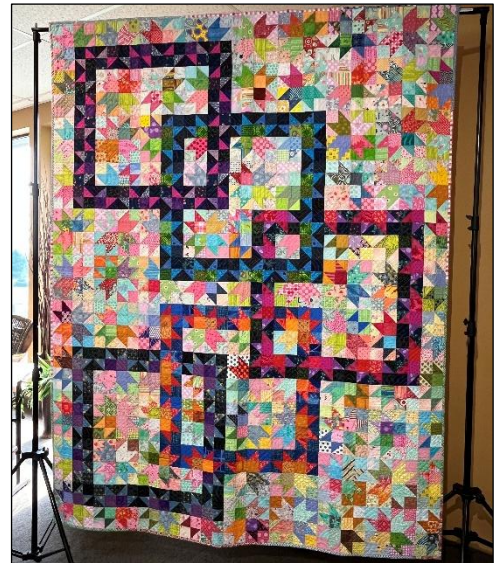
Diane Harris, *aka* The Stash Bandit, gave presentations on **Scrap Quilts: Improv and Inspiration** at the member meetings in August. The next day, she taught **Color, Contrast, & Cohesion**. She also managed to squeeze in visits to friendship groups, a visit to White Bluffs Quilt Museum, and many delicious meals with new friends. It was such a delight having her here!

From Diane's Facebook page,

"I've had a wonderful time in Tri-Cities, met lovely quilters, enjoyed the Columbia River, ate delicious food and slept like a rock. Now I'm headed north and west to Cabin Fever Quilters in the Port Townsend/Chimacum area of Washington.

The class photos were student work during "Color, Contrast & Cohesion" as we created simple patchwork to increase our understanding of value and contrast."

Here are photos from her presentations and the class, both from her Facebook page and taken by the editor:





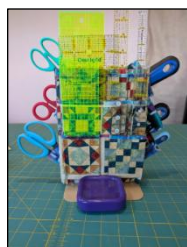
Awe and Admiration.2

You might have seen them before, but the Award-Winning quilts in the Museum's final exhibit for 2026 all repay further study. You'll be able to revisit pieces recognized at Tri-City Quilters shows (Viewers' Choice, President's, Theme ribbons, and Guild challenge winners) and at venues further afield.

Fill out a ballot for the Best of the Best, and add a note about your own quilting ambitions; information from your bucket/wish lists will be used for future programming.

Classes:

- Sat Sep 11 from 10 to 3: Tool Caddy, \$40 taught by Linda Glaman



- Sat Oct 10 from 10 to 3: Layered Landscapes, \$25 taught by Laurel Sutton



Some events and classes will have sales tax added. All Class Registrations: nonrefundable prepayment is due when you sign up. Register and pay online at www.whitebluffsquiltmuseum.org or register in person Mon-Tue 10 to noon, Wed-Sat 10 to 4.

Coming Events:

- **Cheat Retreat**, Sat, Sun, Mon, Sept 5,6,7
- **Black Friday Sale**, Fri Nov 27, Sat Nov 28 from 10 to 4.
- **Annual Meeting and Holiday Open House**, Sat Dec 5 from 1 to 3.
- **Winter Shop Hop**, last Saturday in January through 1st Sunday in February.

Pineapple class

Here are some photos from the recent Pineapple class taught by eddie Walker at White Bluffs:



Quilt Show lists

Quilt artist Carolina Oneto has put together comprehensive lists of quilt shows in 2027 around North America and internationally. Find shows in the [US and Canada here](#). Find [international shows here](#). And have fun planning and traveling!



Cassandra Beaver...

will be the Guest Featured Artist at our 2027 Quilt Show next March. Her bio will appear in a later issue, but here's a sneak peek. Her blog can be found at [The \(Not So\) Dramatic Life](#). And here's her booth at a recent quilt show.



Local Quilt Shops

CRAFT WAREHOUSE
7411 W Canal Drive,
Kennewick
509-783-9663

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SEW & FABRICS**
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Kennewick
509-586-1680
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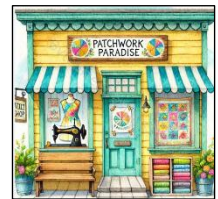
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The Closet (The Guild's own stash!)

Need (free) materials to complete a Guild project? Check out the **GUILD CLOSET**! Pick from a rainbow of colors to create a top or back, take home a kit, or finish one with quilting or binding. There's batting available, too! Fabric donations are welcome.

To access the Closet, email

- Nancy Green (nancysneedles@charter.net),
- Laurel Sutton (coversincolors@yahoo.com),
- or Cyndy Underwood (quilterathart@yahoo.com)

to agree on a convenient rendezvous.





Membership Application/Renewal Form

Membership Year: January 1 —December 31
New Members \$25 all year • Renewals \$25 (\$30 after Dec 31)

Name (Please print)	Birthday Month and day only	
Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone	(circle one) New Member or Renewal	
Email (Guild use only)		
Signature	Date	
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TCQG members may place one free business card size ad per year

Tool Caddy

Description of Class: Create a stand for your most used small rulers, scissors and rotary cutters using a metal bookend.

Instructor: Linda Glaman

Class Info:

- Friday, Sept 11, 2026; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
- Location: White Bluffs Quilt Museum
- Max Class Size: 10
- Class Fee: \$40 plus tax
- Kit Fee: \$10.00-pattern (payable to Linda G at the class)

Supplies:

- 2 – 1 yard pieces of fabric (prewashed)
- Steam-a-Seam 2 or similar (the idea is to add body to support the tool pockets)
- 9" metal book end
- Jean/top stitch needle (90/14)
- Thread
- 1/4" foot
- Zipper or edge stitch foot
- Rotary cutter, scissors
- Clips
- Sewing machine (including cord and foot pedal)
- Optional Supplies: cutting mat, pressing surface, small iron

Pre-class Prep:

Prewash the two pieces of fabric to ensure complete fusing. Fuse your two pieces of fabric wrong sides together using the Steam-a-Seam 2.

Signup: at a guild meeting or at White Bluffs Quilt Museum (on 294 Torbett St in Richland) or on their website (www.whitebluffsquiltmuseum.org) with the \$40 plus tax class fee. The \$10 pattern fee is payable to Linda Glaman at the class.





P.O. Box 215, Dept. QP
Richland, WA 99352

Return Service Requested



September

Second Monday Board Meeting 9/14/26

6:30 pm

White Bluffs Quilt Museum
294 Torbett Street, Richland
(All members are welcome.)

Third Monday AM Meeting 9/21

10 am Social Time & Refreshments

10:30 am Meeting & Program

Hillspring Church, 1153 Gage Blvd, Richland

Third Monday PM Meeting 9/21

6:30 pm Social Time & Refreshments

7 pm Meeting & Program

Hillspring Church, 1153 Gage Blvd, Richland



October

Second Monday Board Meeting 10/12/26

6:30 pm

White Bluffs Quilt Museum
294 Torbett Street, Richland
(All members are welcome.)

Third Monday AM Meeting 10/19

10 am Social Time & Refreshments

10:30 am Meeting & Program

Hillspring Church, 1153 Gage Blvd, Richland

Third Monday PM Meeting 10/19

6:30 pm Social Time & Refreshments

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