

## FEATURED MEMBER JOYCE HILL

**How long have you been quilting?** I made my first quilt in the early 60's. Then I took a break and had my kids. Then in the 80's, I started again.

**Who taught you how to quilt?** My mother-in-law.

**What are your favorite quilting techniques?** Appliqué.

**What are your favorite colors to work with?** Any color as long as it's not too bright.

**What are your favorite fabrics to work with?** Cotton.

**What is your favorite quilt shop?** Stitch 'N Quilt

**If you sew by machine, what kind(s) do you use?** Pfaff and Kenmore.

**What inspires you to make a particular quilt?** Most of the time it is the fabric. I like to pick a main fabric and then start from there.

**What is your favorite quilting book or pattern?** Any book or pattern that has appliqué in it.

**On average, how many quilts do you make in a year?** Four or 5 that are hand quilted; more than that when I quilt on the machine.

**Do you quilt your own quilts or do you send them out?** I always hand quilt my quilts unless they are to be given away.



**What quilt-related item(s) are you working on right now?** I have 2 old fashioned quilt frames. I have a quilt in each frame that I am quilting on now. I also have 10 tops ready to quilt and 5 tops in boxes to put together. Only one will be quilted on the machine. That one is for a granddaughter who will be 12 in April. That is "The Year of the Quilt" as it is known around here.

**What other hobbies do you have?** I also oil paint and I love to work in the yard.

**Tell about one way that quilting has changed your life.** I love to relax and hand quilt. I have also made a lot of friends.

**Are you on any committees with the CRQG?** No.

**Feel free to tell us more about yourself and your family.** I have four granddaughters and only one likes to sew. I keep hoping some of the others will want to learn.

**(Joyce donates much time and energy to various charitable organizations each year. This year, in addition to the many other contributions she made, she put together almost 100 pillowcases for the CRQG community service project for the Boys' and Girls' Club of Douglas County)**

