



Sunset Slope Quilters Newsletter

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June Calendar

Board Meeting - 9:30 June 3rd
Mesa County Library - Downtown
General Meeting - 9:00 June 10th
Presbyterian Church, 3940 27 1/2 RD
Program - Jan McFarland lecture

Newsletter deadline June 17th!

President's Corner 2026

As we welcome June, I'm reminded of how quickly this quilting year is moving along and how grateful I am to be part of such a creative and caring quilting community. Summer brings longer days, brighter colors, and hopefully a little more time to enjoy our sewing rooms.

Thank you to everyone who continues to volunteer, participate, and support our guild activities. Whether you help behind the scenes, share your talents during meetings, contribute quilts for community outreach, or simply encourage fellow members with your friendship, you help make our guild a special place.

I hope you all had the opportunity to attend and enjoy the M2M Quilt Show! Janet Wheeler and the M2M team really did an amazing job of handling all the details to make this year's show our best show to date! And a special thank you to all our members who volunteered to work at the show and make it a wonderful experience for our community to enjoy. This month we have a chance to catch our breath and relax as we get back to an easier pace. Be sure to check the newsletter and calendar for upcoming programs, sew days, and special events. There is always something inspiring happening when quilters gather together.

As we move into the summer season, I encourage everyone to take time to create something that brings you joy. Quilting has a wonderful way of connecting us — stitch by stitch, story by story, friendship by friendship.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting. Until then, happy quilting and enjoy the beautiful month of June!
Warmly, Pam

For our Members with Hearing Aids:

If you are having difficulty hearing during our meetings, First Presbyterian has a *Hearing Loop*. Your hearing aid needs to have a T-Coil or Telecoil. Talk with your Hearing Professional to learn if your device has this technology.



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Friday October 23rd & Saturday October 24th
at First Presbyterian Church!

If you have a class you want to teach or an idea for a class you want, please contact Cindy Busker
By phone or text.

A few reminders: Please silence your cell phone! Masks are optional. Be respectful of those that are affected by heavy perfume. Please keep side conversations for the break, it can make it difficult for others to hear. Please sign-in and pick up your door prize ticket at the membership desk prior to the start of the meeting.

Sunset Slop Quilters General Meeting Minutes May 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 9:01am by Pam Paxton, President

Upcoming Events-

Orchard Stitches will meet May 19th @ Living Hope Church 2840 B 1/2 Road. Meet time is from 9:30am to 2:00pm. Bring a lunch!

Sit n Sew will meet May 21-22, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm @ CSU Extension, 3170 /b 1/2 Road. Session is full. See Dee Hoaglund to be on waitlist. Cost is \$25 for both days.

April General Meeting minutes were approved with spelling corrections.

Loretta Bogaard gave a review of the Treasurer's Report. See attached. The filing for 501(c)3 paperwork was filed.

Janet Wheeler read a recognition and recap letter. It was reported 1050 persons attended. The boutique is a SSQ fundraiser. 2026 Show Numbers are as follows:

Operating expenses \$16,300 Income \$21,500 Profit \$ 5,200 (\$2422 SSQ Boutique & \$3000 Silent Auction M2M Checkbook Balance is \$14,200

2028 M2M Quilt Show Chairperson will be Karen Murray Boston.

A plant and a letter of recognition and gratitude was read and presented to Janet Wheeler for her excellent leadership and stewardship as Quilt Show Chairperson.

Barnes & Noble Update- Katherine Bullen - 30 volunteers and special recognition to Dianna Sheldon, Jewell Buck for their dedication and support of this program. 29 quilts plus the Red & White quilts were displayed. 261 votes for the quilts: #1 Dianna Sheldon, #2 Kerry Thurman and #3 Kaitlyn David. The event made \$1,134.34 The December 5th B & N event theme is My Favorite Holiday. The chairperson position will be open for 2027. Karen Murray Boston and Loretta Bogaard will lead a challenge project for the December show.

Membership Report by Barbara Bond included 160 members, 89 in attendance, 1 guest and 3 new members.

Committee Reports were as follows:

Programs - Bonnie Huisjen reported the programs for the next few months are as follows: June- Jan McFarland lecture, July- Jenny Key Parks- 3 hr workshop on machine binding \$32

Christmas Stockings- Rose Penoyer gave recognition to Gini Bright for cutting 75 kits and an additional 75 linings. Rose thanked Peggy Pretti for donating a tote full of Christmas fabric.

Block of the Month- Jewell Buck revealed block 6. The pattern is on the website.

Orchard Stitches - Jane Yater asked for volunteers to piece, quilt and/or bind quilts. They have several ready to go.

Library - Jan Hyland reported she is organizing and cataloging the library and the excel worksheet of the inventory is on the website. It is located under downloads.

Website and Social Media - Karen Murray Boston updated the website after the quilt show and welcomes suggestions. Fruita and Grand Junction would like to do a Quilt Show next year at their respective Civic Centers. Community Hospital wants to do a Quilt Hanging program like St Mary's does. Community Hospital would also like to have quilts donated to them as well.

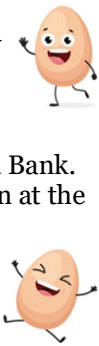
Newsletter articles must be submitted before the next Wednesday following the General Meeting each month.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 am by Pam Paxton

Submitted by Debi Sherman, Co Secretary SSQ Quilt Guild



Bring your empty
1 dozen egg
cartons to
support our local
Community Food Bank.
There will be a bin at the
check-in table
every month.



Block of the Month

Don't forget to bring block 6 to share with members.
Block 7(below) will be shown. I hope you are
enjoying Bijou Wonder!!

Jewell



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Orchard Stitches / Community Affairs

Thanks to everyone who has contributed their time and talents to the making of the charity quilts, those who have helped to piece, quilt, and bind. It takes a lot of work, time, and love to complete a quilt and the small group of women who gather as Orchard Stitches could never do it alone. There are many in our club who work from their homes to complete the process. Thank you.

To date, SSQ has made and delivered 73 quilts, with the majority of the deliveries to St. Mary's Oncology.

There are a total of 73 quilts needing quilting and 12 needing binding. We will take these to the next meeting in hopes that some of our members can help with this.

Orchard Stitches helps to coordinate the completion of the charity quilts. As a general rule, we gather the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

However, the summer schedule is not set as the church has not yet shared their Bible Camp schedule with me. I will inform the group at the next general meeting.

Meetings are held at Living Hope Church 2840 B 1/2 RD

Meetings are from 9:30 - 2:00

Bring a lunch

Jane Yater



June Birthdays

Vicki Bougie
 Barbara Leopoldt
 Yolanda Crawford
 Linda Mitchell
 Audrey Evins
 Bonnie Stenger
 Ruth Ann Field
 Shar Weiser
 Maretta Grandona
 Linda Widstrand
 Barb Harshbarger
 Wendy Wilbanks
 Dee Hoaglund
 Debbie Wolfe



Sunset Slope Quilters Financial Report as of April 30, 2026

APRIL

Income for the month

Membership	\$300.00
Donations Table	\$42.00
Newsletter (Ad placements for 2026)	\$120.00
Workshops	<u>\$1,033.00</u>
Income Total	\$1,495.00

Expenses for the month

Sit & Sew	\$83.90
Orchard Stitches	\$417.51
Program Speakers	\$1,457.19
Workshops	\$1,728.00
Rent	<u>\$405.00</u>
Expenses Total	\$4,091.60
Net Income	\$(2,596.60)

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Alpine – Checking Account	\$11,812.49
Alpine – Certificate of Deposit	\$7,647.60
Total balances	\$19,460.09

Thank you for your support!

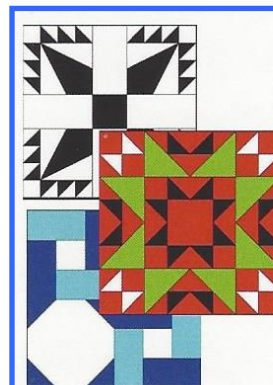


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M2M Quilt Show



THANK YOU:

In appreciation to all who helped to make the Mesas to Monuments Quilt Show a success.

First of all, I'd like to express appreciation to those brave members who established the foundation for our larger quilt shows in 2014 (Vicky Smith, Charlene Knoll, Lauri Burgess).

Next, thank you so much to the show's team leaders who have made my job infinitely easier over the years by being responsible, participating in meetings, anticipating needs, helping guide the show's direction, and offering wisdom and encouragement. I truly value each of you and your contributions to our show. We should all feel proud of what we have accomplished.

A special thank-you to Shar and Jinny, who at the last minute stepped into Eddy's very big shoes for check-in and return of quilts. Please keep Eddy in your thoughts and prayers.

And a great big thank you to everyone who volunteered in so many ways from setup to takedown, including SSQ members and friends and family. With your labor and time over the years, we have truly become a well-oiled machine!

To our vendors. You are a big draw to the show and we sincerely value your participation. Many of you traveled from miles away at great expense given the soaring gas prices, and we thank you for that! Thanks also to those vendors who donated a gift for our new addition, Kids Corner and blackout BINGO.

To Carolyn Ray, who has headed up the Black Canyon Quilt Show for many years. Carolyn has provided welcome guidance over the years and in 2025 helped immensely with our new pipe and drape decisions.

Special recognition to Fred Penoyer (Rose's husband), who worked late Saturday evening to aid one of our vendors dealing with car trouble by hauling their trailer to a more secure location. Fred has always gone above and beyond at our shows and lends a cheery disposition to the process.

Tom Dykema (Joanie's husband) has capably guided the show setup team efficiently and effectively over many years. Great job, Tom! You are appreciated!

To everyone who entered a quilt! We had a wide variety of beautiful quilts. I hope you were each able to view your quilts on display and feel proud. It's such a joy to watch visitors discuss the quilts and point out various details and techniques. Without the quilts, there would be no show.

To Katherine Bullen for the addition of Kids Corner. Following through with the BINGO cards to draw people to vendors was immensely appreciated. The BINGO cards were a big hit!

A special thanks to the admission ladies for taking the time to explain the BINGO cards and viewer's choice awards to each person who paid admission.

To the mayors of Fruita and Grand Junction for voting on their favorite quilt and promising to make some phone calls to the media to help bring more attention to our show.

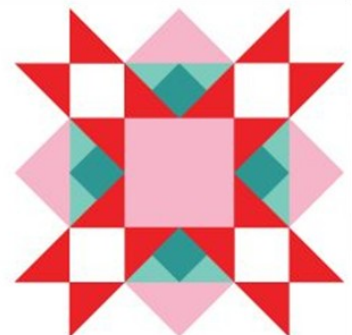
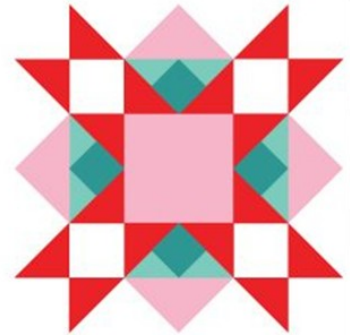
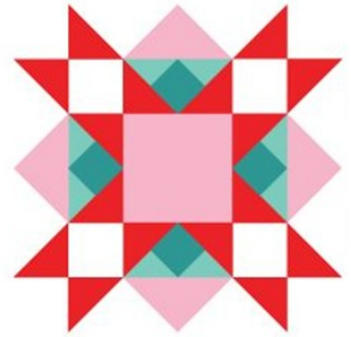
To the various news outlets: Spoke & Blossom, Fruita Living Magazine, Beacon Senior News, and Colorado Life magazine for the wonderful articles and photos they allowed space for to help us get the word out. To Dixie Burmeister and her radio show Food for Thought. To the many websites and calendars who posted information about our show. To the GJ Daily Sentinel for including photos of our show in Friday's edition. And to the radio stations who announced us on air!

To all the husbands, family members and friends. We'd be lost without you!

To Heather Rossiter and Chauntel and the team with the Grand Junction Convention Center – you ROCK!

Finally, to everyone who came to our show. Thank you for coming, thanks for voting, thanks for commenting! We'll see you in 2028!

Janet Wheeler
2026 M2M Coordinator



Piece-to-Piece Pals – new SSQ sponsored sew day group 2026



Hello Ladies,

First, we would like to thank and acknowledge Dee Hoaglund and Sue Lund who continue to host Sit & Sew. As you may know, moving this sewing opportunity to the CSU facility Thursday & Friday once a quarter (Feb, May, Aug & Nov) is a very successful and well attended event.

Second, Orchard Stitchers meets the third Tuesday of every month at Living Hope Church. Thank you to these ladies who continue to do an amazing job supporting SSQ's community service.

Finally, we wish to offer one more opportunity to gather with your quilting friends. Our first gathering of Piece-to-Piece Pals will be held on Wednesday, July 15th at the CSU facility from 9-4. The room will accommodate 30 people. The cost is \$15 for the day. It is our hope to offer this sewing one day event on Wednesday's the opposite months of Sit & Sew. We are at the mercy of CSU's schedule as to the availability of this amazing room. We will do our best on scheduling.

Sign-ups will be at break during the June 10th meeting. We kindly ask those of you who have participated in May's Sit & Sew to please hold back and let others sign up first. If we do not fill all 30 spots, we will communicate this via email after the June 10th meeting. You will need to bring your lunch.

Thank you all for your continued support of Sunset Slope Quilters and these gathering opportunities.

CSU Western Campus – 3170 B1/2 Rd. Note this is not the fairgrounds location. As you pull in from B1/2 Rd, follow the black-topped road to the right and drive forward until you reach the large parking lot. We will meet in the classroom of the Research Extension Forestry building.



I am trying to sell my Handiquilter Amara 20" longarm. Comes with 12 ft. frame, front and back handles, laser for pantographs, around 30 pantographs, wheel handles for easy rotation, red snappers for quick loading, thread, extra bobbins. Asking 10,000.

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29th Annual Black Canyon Quilt Show July 10–12, 2025

Montrose Pavilion
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9:00–5:00 Friday & Saturday
10:00–3:30 Sunday

Adult Admission \$5.00

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Quilt Show Events

Wednesday, July 8th, 6–7:30 p.m.: "Meet the Judges,"

Pamala Walsh and Karen Roberts
at the Montrose Police Department
Community Room, 434 S 1st St., Montrose, CO

Cost: \$5.00 paid at the door.

Show and Classes July 10–12

at Montrose Pavilion
1800 Pavilion Dr., Montrose, CO

Charisma Horton, Class Instructor:

Required patterns, or kit for Penny Notes may be purchased at her
ETSY shop <https://www.etsy.com/shop/CharismasCorner?ref=seller-platform-mcnav>
A discount code will be provided after registration.



Friday, July 10th, 9–4: "I Like Big Blooms"

Cost: \$95. Make this machine pieced quilt with
Charisma. Pattern required.

Saturday, July 11th 9–12: "Penny Notes"

Cost: \$45. Learn the hand embroidery
stitches to complete a notebook cover, then
use them in your quilts. Pattern or kit
required.



Saturday, July 11th 2–3: Lecture and

Trunk Show, "My Journey as a
Designer" Cost: \$15. This is your
chance to find out about Charisma and
her journey in quilting and pattern design,
plus see some of her beautiful quilts.



Class Details & Registration,
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