



Sunset Slope Quilters

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President's Corner 2025

Thank you to all of the members who joined the Community Affairs/Orchard Stitchers team after the February meeting. We reserved a smaller room this year based on the turn-out last year, and we had almost twice as many of you show up. It was a fun, crowded and loud afternoon. We had to add a table in the hall to accommodate more volunteers. Thank you to Carol and her team that got all of the fabric precut and prepared.

I'm excited about the possibility of participating in the holiday parade in December to promote the quilt show. I think it will be a blast to cuddle in our quilts and engage with the parade attendees to promote what we do and invite them to the show. If you have ideas and/or you want to participate, let Karen Murray Boston know.

Joyce Crooks is willing to put together a team to look into a garage sale/Quilters' Market. If you are interested, please contact Joyce. I understand we have done this in the past where members purchase a table and can then sell whatever items they would like. The cost of a facility could be covered by the table cost and an entrance fee. I have heard from several of you that you would like to get rid of some of your sewing supplies to make more space in your sewing rooms.

Thank you so much to our members who have generously volunteered their energy for these new events!

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



Please silence your cell phone!

April Calendar

Board Meeting - 9:30 April 2nd

Mesa County Library - Downtown Classroom

General Meeting - 9:00 April 9th

First Presbyterian Church, 3940 27 1/2 RD

Program - Karen Boston Murray - History of Barn Quilts

Workshop - Thursday April 9th, 9 - 4, Rose Penoyer's house.

Newsletter deadline April 16th !!



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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.

Tips By Char



TIP: DESIGN WALL? If you need a small design wall, use the edge of your ironing board. Pin a block or blocks to the edge. This works if you have sewn a test block (You all do this, don't you?) or two and want to refer to color placement or mirror images. You might use the ironing board edge to pin an entire row to check for color placement or the placement of different block patterns. Remember to place your ironing board where you can see it when you sew. Just saying.

TIP: CHANGING YOUR MACHINE NEEDLES. We all know to change our sewing machine needles after 8 hours of sewing. Earlier if you hear that chunking sound. To remember, set your alarm on your phone. Or use a scrap of fabric and 8 pins. Remove a pin each hour sewn. All 8 pins removed, change the needle. Your machine needles will thank you if you don't sew over pins while piecing or quilting. Your machine will be happier as well.

Have you seen the new Oliso Portable iron with a headlight? Check it out!



New Members

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April's Program and Workshop

Enjoy a program with Karen Boston Murray. She will share what Barn Quilts can teach us about a person's life, history, future, and dreams.

A follow up for that will be her workshop on Thursday, April 9th. You will be able to paint your own wooden barn quilt. Cost for the workshop is \$60.00, due on the workshop day and payable to Karen. The workshop will be held at Rose Penoyer's home. Bring your own beverage and lunch.





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Christmas Stockings

Thank you all for taking the time to make Christmas Stockings.

As a reminder, on our website there are the written and printable instructions.

Also, on our website is the link to YouTube where you can watch the instructional video.

Sunset Slope Quilters 9:00 General Meeting Minutes March 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 9:02am by Shari Keivit, SSQ President

Announcements

- Colorado Quilting Council (CQC) representative Kim was on site selling raffle tickets to a beautiful quilt called "Star Light Star Bright". All proceeds go toward their educational offerings.
- To gauge interest in hosting a market, sign-up sheets circulated to determine interest and the size of venue needed. The market is for sewing items that might include quilts, handmade crafts, and sewing related supplies. Once size needs are determined, dates will follow.
- A community affairs quilt recipient, from the Pathways program contacted us say thank you and to make sure she could take the quilt with her as she moved to independent living. She was assured she could and we would continue to provide quilts for community members.
- If you left a ruler or rotary cutter in Moab, please contact Bonnie to retrieve them.
- Sue Sanmann is recovering from some major surgeries at Foresight and welcomes cards and visits.
- Cathy Cormack had neck surgery on Monday and all went well. She will be home soon.
- Eva Page is offering her class on Accordion HSTs via Zoon on April 3 at 5:30 MT. To learn more or sign-up - bit.ly/oompahlecture. She taught this class when CQC was here last summer.



Upcoming Events

- Orchard Stitchers meet 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM on Tuesday, March 18 at Living Hope Church.
- The next Board Meeting is 9:30 AM on April 2 in downstairs "Classroom" at the Central Library.
- The Barnes & Noble Fundraiser is April 5 and the theme is "The Valley in Bloom". Make arrangements with Kathrine to display your quilts of all sizes. She needs about 30 quilts.
- The next general meeting program is "The History of Barn Quilts" with Karen Boston Murray.
- Deadline for submitting entries for the Barnes & Noble Challenge is April 1. Instructions are in the packet if you are participating.
- The next Sit n' Sew is May 22-23 @ Owls Nest. Sign-up with Dee.

General Meeting Minutes from February approved.

Treasurer's Report – Loretta Bogaard: The full report is published in the newsletter. Please let her know if you need a check reissued. There are outstanding checks from 2024.

Vice President's Report – Stacy Johnson: Raffle ticket sales for the quilt from the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum were postponed until next month. If you want to attend events hosted by the CQC or at the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, Stacy is the keeper of our allotment of tickets.

Old Business

Holiday Parade Update-Karen: The parade will be the same date as our Barnes & Noble fundraiser, December 6, 2025. Karen welcomes ideas on items we need to purchase. These might include glow sticks and light up necklaces.

Membership Report – Barbara Bond: Today we have two guests and one new member. Current membership is 150 and 74 members are present today. If you want to machine embroider a name tag with the new logo, contact Barbara to check out the file.

Block of the (Every Other) Month – Jewell Buck: Clue Number Two for the Mystery Quilt was shown and questions were answered. The clue will be on the website and attached to an email later this month. Clue Three will be available in May.

SSQ Social Media Update – Karen Murray Boston: The SSQ website is now linked to all of our social media, including Face Book, Instagram and You Tube, in an effort to reach the next generation of quilters and make it easy for current members. The calendar of events will be updated regularly.

Door Prizes – Diana Sheldon

Christmas Stockings - Rose Penoyer: Each year, we promise 250 Christmas stocking to the Mesa County Foster Care program. As of Friday, we have 15 finished. To meet September delivery, we need at least 39 stockings each month.

TLC Quilts - Rachel Fry: Please sign the quilts in the foyer.

Programs and Workshops - Bonnie Huisjen: Several people expressed interest in additional retreat possibilities. For the Barn Quilt Workshop next month, there are spots available. Sign up in the lobby or contact Bonnie. If you are enrolled, please bring a roll of one-inch, green frog tape and your own lunch. You will get more information on parking soon.

Quilt Show - Janet Wheeler: Team leaders will start meeting next month, please check your email for details.

Rendezvous - Rose Penoyer: Save the Date: October 23 and 24, 2025 at Canyon View Vineyard Church. If you want to teach, be ready to sign up at the April General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46am followed by "Show and Tell" and our March Program: A Trunk Show with Karen Holt.

Minutes submitted by Teresa White, SSQ Secretary



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Sunset Slope Quilters Financial Report as of January 31, 2025

Sunset Slope Quilters Financial Report as of February 28, 2025

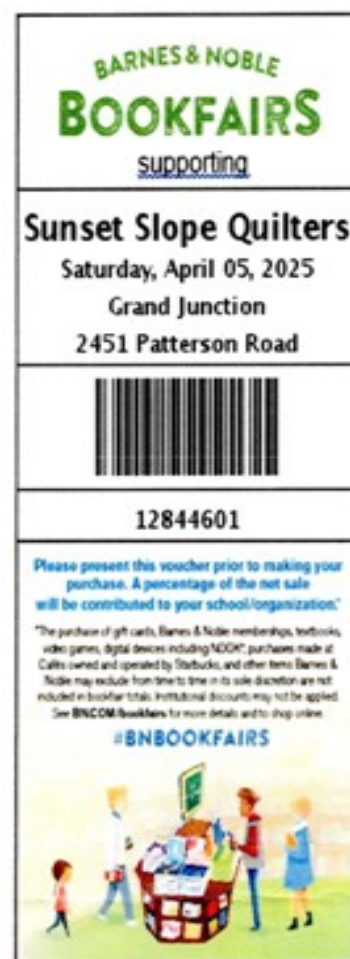
February 2025 Month-End Checking Account	\$17,170.73
Income for the month	
Sit & Sew	\$125.00
Moab Retreat	
Challenges	\$120.00
Barnes & Noble	
Donations Table	\$157.00
Membership \$735.00	
Newsletter (Ad placements for 2025)	\$160.00
Workshops	<u>\$135.00</u>
Income Total	\$1,432.00
Expenses for the month	
Moab Retreat	\$271.20
Challenges	\$120.00
Membership (2025 membership bulletin printing)	\$40.00
Program Speakers	
Workshops	\$55.00
Liability Insurance (annual renewal)	
Rent (First Pres Church monthly fee)	<u>\$125.00</u>
Expenses Total	\$611.20
Net Income	\$820.80
Savings Account balance	\$10,449.48
Certificate of Deposit	<u>\$10,674.20</u>
Total balances	\$38,294.41

Barnes and Noble

Saturday, April 5th

9:00 - 8:00

Contact Katherine Bullen (719-694-4337) to submit a quilt or to sit for a couple of hours...or just to show up and shop! Below is the voucher for use while shopping in the store. This voucher can be used at any Barnes and Noble store. We no longer use it to shop online.



Sit & Sew

May 22 - 23

Owl's Nest Quilters 9:30 - 5:00

Bring your own supplies and project for 2 days of sewing and companion-ship with fellow SSQ members.

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Call Dee Hoaglund to register.

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Stars Abound

Sunset Slope Quilters, don't miss your chance to win the stunning *Stars Abound* quilt! The Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum is selling raffle tickets for their premier fundraiser of the year—just \$1 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 6. Their success depends on members like us buying tickets and spreading the word. We only have **24 tickets**, and they will go fast! Bring cash to the **April meeting** to get yours before they're gone. The drawing will be held on **December 29**, so don't miss out!



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Orchard Stitchers / Community Affairs

Thanks again for all the help with the Sew-In. We should have a few more of those lovely quilts finished soon. We'll be stitching again on April 15th at Living Hope Church 9:30 to 2:00ish 2840 on B 1/2 Rd. Stop by and join the fun!



April Birthdays

- 1 Ann Loman
- 6 Sharon Olander
- 8 Donna Hobson
- 9 Judy Allerheiligen
- 11 Christine Rupe
- 12 Barbara Bond
- 14 Janis Watkins
- 16 Carla Alley
- 20 Rose Penoyer
- 26 Barbara Warner
- 27 MichaelSue BrownKorbel
- 28 Barbara Crane



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SSQ Members can get a 15% discount for items from the Quiltfolk website (quiltfolk.com) through March 31 using code GUILD33 at checkout.

ALTRUSA ART FAIR

Our beloved Judy Allerheiligen is sponsoring the Altrusa Art Fair at the GJ Art Center April 8-25. The exhibit brings together student artists from District 51 middle and high schools. It features a variety of mediums. Students with outstanding work will win awards as selected by local jurists. It is the largest display of youth art work featured at the Art Center each year.

Thanks to Judy for supporting the artistic endeavors of our youth in the grand valley!

(From information provided in the Spring 2025 Art Matters)

FYI

The **Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum** is bustling with exciting activities and events for quilting enthusiasts! Don't miss upcoming classes like the *Hexie Ladies - English Paper Piecing Group*, *Hand Embroidery Stitchers*, and the *Blue and White (or any other Two-Color) Group*. Join the *Block of the Month* program running June 10 through December 7, featuring "Pick a Petal" by Jen Kingwell.

Current exhibits include *Stars over the Rockies* in the Main Gallery and *19th Century Blues: It's More than Indigo* in the Northeast Gallery. Mark your calendar for a special events like the *Blue and White Truck Show* on April 13.

For more details, visit rmqm.org and take advantage of these fantastic opportunities!

The **Colorado Quilting Council** has exciting upcoming events for all quilting enthusiasts! Mark your calendar for the 2025 Spring Retreat happening May 2-4 in Colorado Springs—an inspiring weekend of creativity and community.

Reminder: SSQ members have access to 10 tickets per year to attend CQC events, so don't miss out on these great opportunities! For more details on these and other events, visit www.coloradoquiltingcouncil.com



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