



Sunset Slope Quilters Newsletter

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President's Corner 2026

As we welcome the very warm and vibrant month of July, it's a wonderful time to celebrate not only the joys of summer quilting but also a monumental moment in our nation's history. This year marks the 250th anniversary of America's independence—a milestone that reminds us of the spirit of freedom, creativity, and community.

Just as the founding of our country was built on courage and hope, our quilting tradition thrives on those same values. Each quilt we make stitches together stories, history, and love, creating a beautiful tapestry that connects us all. This year, as we celebrate our nation's journey, let us also reflect on the rich heritage we contribute to with our craft.

I encourage everyone to embrace this spirit of unity and innovation in your quilting projects. Perhaps create something inspired by the stars and stripes, or the themes of freedom and perseverance. Let our work honor our past and inspire our future.

Thank you for being part of this incredible guild community. I can't wait to see what you all create!
Warmly, Pam

RENDEZVOUS 2026

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 Debi Sherman by phone or text.

Sew n' Sew Quilting

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By Marylyn

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July Calendar

Board Meeting - 9:30 July 1st Mesa County Library - Downtown

General Meeting - 9:00 July 8th Presbyterian Church, 3940 27 1/2 RD

Program - Jennie Kae Quilts - Beautiful Machine Binding

Workshop - July 9th - 9:30 - 4:00

Newsletter deadline July 15th!

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.



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 SlopeQuilters General Meeting Minutes June 10, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 9:02am by Pam Paxton, President

Announcements-

Please keep Rachel Fry in your thoughts and prayers. She had surgery on June 5th and is home resting.

Eddy Davis passed away on June 2nd.

The Laurie Gerse fabric sale last month netted her over \$2,000.

Upcoming Events-

Orchard Stitches will meet June 16th @ Living Hope Church 2840 B 1/2 Road. Meet time is from 9:30am to 2:00pm. Bring a lunch!

Piece 2 Piece Pals will meet July 15th, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm @ CSU Extension, 3170 B 1/2 Road. See Loretta Bogaard to sign up. Cost is \$15 for the day. Bring a lunch!

May general meeting minutes were approved.

Loretta Bogaard gave a review of the May Treasurer's Report.

Pam read and reviewed SSQ Board Policies- Section VI: Member Practices of Board Policies. Please direct any questions to her.

A brief presentation of a new SSQ event, Piece to Piece Pals was introduced and explained. Please see Loretta Bogaard with any questions or to sign up.

A member challenge to be revealed at the Barnes and Noble event in December was introduced. Kits are \$5. A 100" perimeter and the theme of "My Favorite Holiday". Please see Loretta Bogaard or Karen Murray Boston to sign up or have questions.

Karen Murray Boston will be the 2028 M2M Chairperson; she created a survey for members to complete to get a broader understanding of members' expectations and goals for the quilt show. This will give her the feedback she needs to ensure the quilt show continues being the great success it has been and continues to stay aligned to membership goals. Please return at next the July meeting.

Eva Hinkle announced her appreciation for all the contributions to the M2M boutique. The small items sold very well!

Kaitlyn David announced if members would like to submit a quilt into the Mesa County Fair they need to go to

www.MesaCountyFair.org to see details and procedures. The Fair theme is "Sunshine & Sunflowers". Quilts must be made within the last 2 years.

Membership Report by Barbara Bond included 162 members, 78 in attendance, 1 guest and 3 new members.

Committee Reports were as follows:

Programs-Bonnie Huisjen reported the program for the next month is machine binding with Jenny Key Parks.

Christmas Stockings- Rose Penoyer announced we have 150 stockings on a goal of 250.

Orchard Stitches- Jane Yater asked for volunteers to piece, quilt and/or bind quilts. They have several ready to go. She thanked all the members for all their time and effort.

Website and Social Media- Karen Murray Boston called out for photos she can use on Facebook.

Sit n Sew is full and starting a waitlist. Please contact Dee Hoaglund if you have any questions or would like to be added to the waitlist.

Rendezvous is asking for teachers who have a class they would like to teach and suggestions for classes. Please contact Debi Sherman with questions, suggestions, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am by Pam Paxton

Submitted by Debi Sherman, Co Secretary SSQ Quilt Guild



Singer Featherweight & Vintage Sewing Machine Maintenance Plus Repair



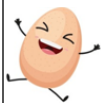
Karen Murray Boston

480-495-5593

karen@frecklesandfatquarters.com

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 7 to share with members.
Block 8 (below) will be shown. I hope you are enjoying Bijou Wonder!!

Jewell



Orchard Stitches / Community Affairs

Thanks to everyone who has contributed their time and talents to the making of the charity quilts, To date, SSQ has made and delivered 114 quilts with several more due to be delivered soon. In the month of June the majority of the deliveries were to Hope West.

Orchard Stitches helps to coordinate the completion of the charity quilts. As a general rule, we gather the 3rd Tuesday of the month. However, we will not meet in the month of July due to our summer schedules and family vacations. The next meeting will be on August 18. We welcome visitors. If you have time in your schedule please stop by.

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

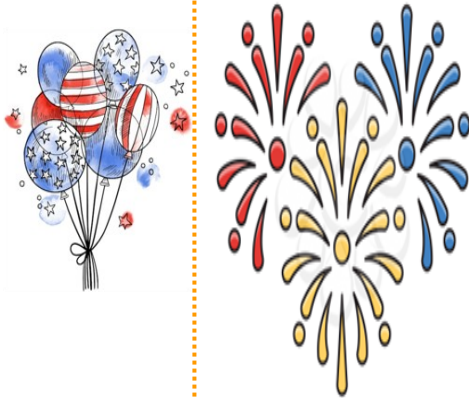
Meetings are from 9:30 – 2:00
Bring a lunch.

Jane Yater



July Birthdays

Joan Dykema
Linda Roach
Gina Freel
Debbie Sasser
Deany Hayes
Tina Snapp
Karen Holt
Kathy Strong
June Huggins
Sheila Symanski
Judy Martsolf
Jacque Weimer
Rae Moore



Sunset Slope Quilters Financial Report as of May 30, 2026 MAY

Income for the month

Sit & Sew	\$100.00
Barnes & Noble	\$1,134.34
Membership	\$155.00
Donations Table	\$42.00
Newsletter (Ad placements for 2026)	\$77.00
SSQ – M2M Boutique	\$2,422.00
Workshops	\$64.00
Income Total	\$3,952.34

Expenses for the month

Orchard Stitches	\$210.48
Program Speakers	\$352.35
Piece to Piece Pals	\$100.00
Expenses Total	\$662.83
Net Income	\$3,289.51

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Alpine – Checking Account	\$15,102.00
Alpine – Certificate of Deposit	\$7,669.29
Total balances	\$22,773.78

Summer Stitches Retreat

Lorelei Olgine's venue for her Summer Stitches Retreat has changed. It will now be at Craft Addict, located at 2387 Patterson Rd., GJ 81505. Days and times are as follows: Thurs. July 16th, 10am - 7pm; Fri. July 17th, 10am - 5pm; Sat. July 18th, 10am - 3pm. Cost for all 3 days is \$20. There are 8 spots left. If you are interested, call Lorelei at (517) 303-3021.



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SALE

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29th Annual Black Canyon Quilt Show

July 10—12, 2025

Montrose Pavilion

1800 Pavilion Drive, Montrose, CO

9:00—5:00 Friday & Saturday

10:00—3:30 Sunday

Adult Admission \$5.00

150+ quilts Vendors Boutique
Scissor Sharpening
Sharing Ministries Food Drive
Classes & Lecture by Charisma Horton



blackcanyonquilts.com



Raffle Quilt

"Snowflake" 73" x 73"

Pattern by Eoyta Sitar

Made by Black Canyon Quilt Show members

Quilted by Gale Smith

Tickets \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

Drawing July 12, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

Raffle License # 2026-20772

Purchase tickets & get info at

www.blackcanyonquilts.com

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Black Canyon Quilt Show, Inc. is an IRS 501(c)(3) charitable organization
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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/CharismaCorner?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,
Raffle Tickets, Info. @

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