

Sunset Slope Quilters Newsletter

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President's Corner 2023

Studies have shown that an attitude of gratitude is scientifically proven to increase happiness. Really. You can look it up.

This holiday time of year is filled with many challenging emotions. We feel stress over presents to make and buy with time and money in short supply. We are sad over empty chairs at the table for those far away or missing from our lives. Sometimes we are even confused; "What was Aunt Clara thinking when she sent that?"

If we can make an effort to thank the people around us: the delivery person, the pharmacist, the cashier, it will help. If we appreciate what we do have, it will help.

I am grateful for this opportunity to serve as president of SSQ—for each of you and your generous hearts. I am excited for what this year will bring. I wish each of you many moments of gratitude and joy during the holidays and in the year to come.

Shari

2023 Barnes and Noble Spring Challenge Project coming in January.

Your project team, consisting of Joyce Crooks and Donna Nichols, invites you to participate in a small quilt challenge to be displayed on March 18th at the Spring Barnes and Noble Quilt Show. The B & N Quilt show theme will be "Backyard Beauties". Our challenge will compliment that theme. Kits containing rules and must use fabrics will be sold at the January membership meeting. Only 36 kits will be sold. Registration to participate will be \$3.00. This will be a secret challenge. Sign up early and exercise your creative mind.

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.

January Calendar

Board Meeting - January 4th - American Lutheran Church - Fellowship Hall

General Meeting - January 11th - American Lutheran Church, 631 26 1/2 Road

Program - Program Presentation and Round Robin Introduction

Newsletter deadline - January 18th!!



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January Birthdays

- 1 Joan Walker
- 2 Bonnie Huisjen
- 8 Angela Jones
- 12 Vickie Irvin
- 14 Sue Sanmann
- 19 Shari Keivit
- 20 Daletta Toft
- 21 Guin Deadman
- 23 Carla Griffin
- 25 Stacy Johnson
- 25 Marilyn Robison
- 26 Catherine Cormack
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Orchard Stitchers

Orchard Stitchers will be meeting on January 17th at 9:30 at the Living Hope Church on B 1/2 road on Orchard Mesa. Come join with this wonderful group of ladies as they visit and put quilts together and share your talent on quilts for those in need in our community. You may bring your lunch and work all day if you would like.

Community Affairs

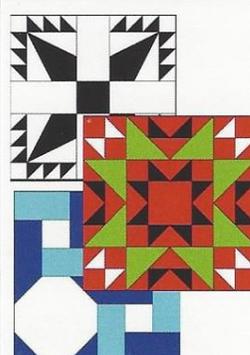
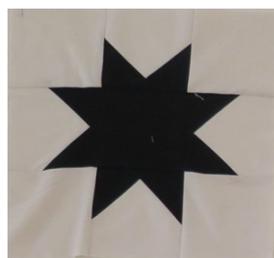
Congratulations and thank you to everyone for all of the hard talented work and your awesome generosity. You have given of yourselves to make 240 quilts that have been distributed this year. The recipients have been truly blessed by you and are very thankful. Even as we carried quilts into buildings, people walking by complimented us on how beautiful the quilts are.

I delivered three quilts to the Sleep in Heavenly Peace coordinators at Central High School. They were very excited and appreciative. The students and staff there are very enthusiastic and committed to this program to help those in need of beds in our community.

And a very personal thank you to each of you for your work and support. Please show that same kindness to Joan Walker who will be taking over my role.

January 2023 BOM

Instructions are emailed or can be picked up at the general meeting. Two versions are presented, an easier one and a more challenging one. Make one or do both, your choice.



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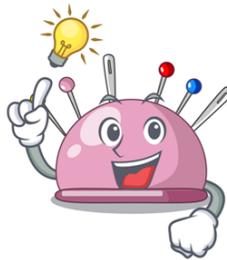
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Christmas Stockings

Please save the dates of March 15 and 16, 2023. I'm planing a saw in. We have a diy cut so we can cut Christmas stockings faster, thanks to Jennifer Miller. More information to come. Remember all the wonderful children that will smiling when they receive your Christmas Stockings full of goodies. Thank you for all your hard work.



A Woman Cannot Survive on Quilting Alone!



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February Sit and Sew

When - February 16 & 17
Cost - \$25.00 for both days
Location - Quilters Inspirations
Time - 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
You can come and go at anytime.
Work on whatever project you like.
Bring quarters for Rip It Jar,
goodies to share, items to sell for
the Good Intentions Table.
Sign up at the January meeting.
Maximum 15 members.
Get to know SSQ members!



St. Mary's Quilts at the Pavilion

Thanks to all that shared your quilted delights in 2022. The new schedule for 2023 is as follows: January- February-Linda Mitchell, March-Sharon Braunagel, April-Eddy Davis, May-Helen Baltz-Jones, June-Kathy Morgan, July-Carla Alley, August-Carol Brueggeman, September-Judy Allerheilgen, October -Donna Nichols, November-Quilts of Valor, December-Dee Hoaglund. Beverly O'Neil will be taking over this assignment for the Pavilion. She is relatively new to our guild and it will be a chance to get to know all of you.

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Sunset Slope Quilters General Meeting Minutes Wednesday December 14th 2022

Location: Canyon View Vineyard Church

Kathy Morgan, Acting President, called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

Announcements:

- Carla's surgery went well. She will be recuperating at her Daughter's house in Colorado Springs for several weeks. Please feel free to send her best wishes via email or text. She hopes to be in GJ for Christmas.
- Jennifer Miller's husband is home and doing well. She thanked the group for the cards and best wishes.
- Janet Wheeler's Mother-in-Law passed away. Janet is travelling to Pueblo for the funeral.
- Gabi Mear's husband will have back surgery on December 29.
- We still need a library chairperson. The books will be stored at American Lutheran.
- We are also looking for a back up secretary for the summer.

General Meeting Minutes for November - Wendy Bain moved that the November minutes be approved, Rachel Fry seconded the motion. All approved.

Treasurer's Report, Janet Wheeler - November Financial Report - Revenue: \$3799.00 Expenses: \$1424.50

Checking Account Balance: \$21,766.05 Savings Account Balance: \$17,927.83 Total Balance: \$39693.88

The board approved the treasurer's report on Dec 7 and it was filed for audit.

2023 Budget - The board approved the budget on Dec 7. It will be printed in the January newsletter.

New Business

· Next month we will begin meeting at American Lutheran Church, 631 26 1/2 Road. The board meeting will be in the fellowship hall at 9:30 AM on January 4. For those familiar with ALC we will be entering the sanctuary through the Southwest Entrance which is off Fellowship hall.

· Presidents Block for Carla is a 9 1/2 inch (finished size) block of your choice in fall colors. Goal is to finish and hand in at the January or February meeting.

Committee Reports

Barnes and Noble: Kathy Morgan - The Bookfair is this Sunday, December 18, 2022. 9 AM -5 PM. The theme is "Home for the Holidays." Vouchers can only be used on the 18th in store but online can be used from Dec 18-23. This will be in the media blast. The Spring Barnes and Noble Bookfair is March 18, 2023 and the theme is "Back Yard Beauty." Joyce Crooks and Donna Nichols are initiating a challenge for the Spring Show. There will be a charge of \$3.00 for the kit. The local quilt stores have donated fabric for the challenge kits. Only 35 kits will be available starting in January.

Block of the Month, Donna Nichols and Donna Ross (Linda Mitchell in 2023) - Linda Mitchell presented the January 2023 Block of the Month. Each month there will be two blocks: a beginner block and a more advanced block. You get to choose. Blocks are 12 inches. Bring your quilt "tops" from 2022 blocks to share at the March meeting. Use as many of the blocks as you have completed to share. Those who completed all 12 will be eligible for a prize. Also bring your completed projects if you received a prize of fabric over the year.

Christmas Stockings, Gabi Mear - March 15 and 16 there will be a strip party to sew scrap strips together.

55 stockings have been made so far for 2023. Paula has been having medical issues and will not be able to serve on the committee in 2023.

Community Affairs, Yolanda Crawford (Joan Walker in 2023) - Donated quilts were shared. There are tops to quilt. Two quilts were donated by Joe and Margaret Lozar of Fruita for Grand Junction High School's "No Child Sleeps on the Floor" their effort under the national program "Sleep in Heavenly Peace."

Door Prizes, Linda Widstrand - Thank you for donations of items to use as prizes.

Library - PLEASE CONSIDER THE CHAIRPERSON POSITION!

Membership, Debbie Wolfe (Jane Yater in 2023) - In attendance today are 80 current members and two new members: Linda Smith and Michelle Hampton. Welcome ladies! New membership books will be ready at the February Meeting

Sit-n-Sew Retreats - Dee Hoaglund - Next Sit-n-Sew is February 16 and 17, 2023 at Quilters Inspiration. Sign up is next month for \$25.

Moab Retreat, Judy Allerheiligen and Dee Hoaglund - There are 10 more openings, Jan 25-28. Sign-up is \$40. The project this year is painting fabric with Rose Penoyer.

Mesas to Monuments Quilt Show 2024, Janet Wheeler and Selah Chipman - Please complete the marketing survey. There are two openings for team leaders: Volunteer Coordinator and Marketing lead.

Programs and Workshops, Rose Penoyer and Bonnie Huisjen, Jennifer Miller - The programs and workshops will be shared at the January meeting. There will be five workshops in 2023. Bonnie is working on programs for 2024. She is welcoming ideas. The 2023 Round Robin was introduced. Each team has 5 people. Guidelines are available today. The block gets passed every other month with January being the first pass.

Rendezvous, Shari Keivit (Joyce Crooks in 2023) - Please share your Rendezvous projects at the February Show and Tell.

Door prizes were distributed. Many quilts were shared during Show and Tell.

Induction of Officers for 2023 - Shari Keivit will be president. Lisa Martin will be Vice President, Donna Nichols will be secretary, Kerry Thurman will be treasurer

Pam Lewshenia moved that the meeting be adjourned. Deb Sasser seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Keivit, Secretary



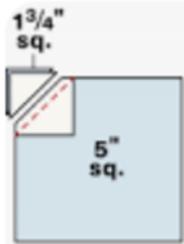
SUNSET SLOPE QUILTERS 2023 PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOP

January 11, 2023	Program	Programs Power Point Presentation and Round Robin Introduction
February 8, 2023	Program	Business Meeting and Community Sew
March 8, 2023	Program	Barb Eikmeier - "Just Solids"
March 9, 2023	Workshop	Barb Eikmeier - It's All In The Sashing
April 12, 2023	Program	Jennifer Rapacki – Ancient Inspiration for Patchwork Patterns
April 13, 2023	Workshop	Jennifer Rapacki – Weave That! Peekaboo Reverse Applique
May 10, 2023	Program	RMQM – Quilts from the 1930” The Depression Era
June 14, 2023	Program	Kate Colleran – Modern Traditional – Exploring Quilt Styles
June 15, 2023	Workshop	Kate Colleran -Fun with Braids “Goof Proof Table Run
July 12, 2023	Program	TBD
August 9, 2023	Program	Rendezvous Program
Sept. 13, 2023	Program	Birthday Bash
October 11, 2023	Program	Mary Wakeley – Trunk Show
October 12, 2023	Workshop	Mary Wakeley – Paper Piecing with Judy Niemeyer Pattern
Nov. 8, 2023	Program	Fashion Show
Dec. 13, 2023	Program	Business Meeting and Holiday Party – Round Robin Reveal

Visit our website @sunsetslopequilters.com for additional information.

Tips by Char

TIP: Wasted Fabric? Using the stitch-and-flip method can waste fabric especially if large squares are used. Easily usable sizes could be 10 1/2" and 7 3/4". To save fabric and have triangle-squares to use in another project, mark 2 lines on the stitch-and-flip square (The smaller of the 2 squares). Line 1 is the line drawn diagonally from corner to corner; line 2 is drawn 1/2" to the right of the center line. Place the marked square on the corner of the larger contrasting square; sew a seam on both drawn lines. Cut halfway between the sewn lines to make 1 stitch-and-flip unit and 1 triangle-square unit to be used in another project. The triangle-square unit can be used to make coordinating pillow-cases, pieced borders or a pieced back. This method could be used with smaller size squares, but there is a limit to the size that could produce an adequate triangle-square unit. If any of you have time to figure out how small is too small, we would all like to know.



TIP: What to Do in 2023. Have each of you made your quilting resolution for the new year? It could be that you wish to devote 15 to 30 minutes a day to quilting, or to a specific project that has been buried in your storage area way too long. Maybe it is to use all striped bindings for 2023 or to cut leftover fabric into useable sizes such as 2 1/2" squares or 5" squares, or to use all your orphan blocks to make something useful. Maybe your goal is to encourage a friend to finish a project, or to become a quilter or.... You get the idea. Learn a new technique, organize your fabric, clean your sewing area -- the possibilities are endless. Most of all – HAVE FUN!!



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SSQ 2023 BUDGET	Expenditures	Revenue
Activities		
Block of the Month	(\$150.00)	\$0.00
Documentation	\$0.00	\$0.00
Door Prizes	(\$50.00)	\$0.00
M2M Quilt Show *	(\$1,000.00)	\$3,000.00
Moab Out and About **	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sit and Sew ***	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Events	(\$300.00)	\$0.00
Sunshine	(\$25.00)	\$0.00
TOTAL	(\$1,525.00)	\$3,000.00
Community Svc		
Christmas Stockings	(\$100.00)	\$0.00
Community Affairs & TLC	(\$700.00)	\$0.00
Community Outreach	(\$250.00)	\$0.00
TOTAL	(\$1,050.00)	\$0.00
Fund Raising		
Barnes & Noble	(\$250.00)	\$1,600.00
M2M Quilt Boutique SSQ	\$0.00	\$0.00
Auction	\$0.00	\$0.00
Donations/donation table	\$0.00	\$600.00
Rendezvous	(\$2,000.00)	\$3,000.00
TOTAL	(\$2,250.00)	\$5,200.00
Membership		
Dues (150 at \$30 = 4500)		\$4,500.00
Rosters, Name Tags	(\$500.00)	\$60.00
TOTAL	(\$500.00)	\$4,560.00
Newsletter		
Advertising	\$0.00	\$360.00
Printing & mailing	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$360.00

(Continued)	Expenditures	Revenue
Pgms & Wkshop		
Program speakers	(\$5,085.00)	\$1,675.00
Workshops	(\$2,715.00)	\$2,690.00
TOTAL	(\$7,800.00)	\$4,365.00
Operating Exp		
Bank Charges	(\$50.00)	\$0.00
Dues: CQC	(\$30.00)	\$0.00
Liability Insurance	(\$570.00)	\$0.00
Library (in memory of)	(\$100.00)	\$0.00
(new books)	(\$100.00)	\$0.00
(Space Rental)	\$0.00	\$0.00
P.O. Box Rental	(\$156.00)	\$0.00
Postage (office supp)	(\$75.00)	\$0.00
Rent (@ \$150/month)	(\$1,800.00)	\$0.00
Storage Unit (Year)	(\$1,100.00)	\$0.00
Web Site	(\$400.00)	\$0.00
Funds from Res ****	\$21.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	(\$4,360.00)	\$0.00
TOTAL	(\$17,485.00)	\$17,485.00
Net Profit (Loss)		\$0.00

*M2M Carryover: \$7028 will appear on budget vs actual for 2023.

**Moab Carryover: \$639.53 will appear on budget vs actual for 2023.

***No budgt for sit-n-sew (pass-through only)

****Funds from reserve is our anticipated worst case scenario for revenue deficits

Approved by SSQ Board 12/7/22



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Explanation of Dues Increase:

In October 2021, the board voted to raise dues \$5 to help offset rising operating costs. At the time, we were facing an increase in rent at CVVC and our 2022 quilt show was still in the future. It was decided at the time to announce the dues increase in 2022 but delay increasing dues until 2023. SSQ's budgeted operating expenses for 2023 are as follows:

Rent (\$150 x 12 ALC)	1800	(in 2022 was \$2400)
Storage Unit	1100	
PO Box	156	
CQC Dues	30	
Membership Rosters, cards	500	
Bank charges	50	
Website	400	
Liability Insurance	570	
Postage	<u>75</u>	
Total operating expense	\$4681	150 members est at \$30 = \$4500

Fundraisers help with programs, workshops, door prizes, community affairs, stockings, BOM prizes, sunshine. The quilt show is not intended to be a fundraiser but instead an opportunity for us to “share our quilts through various outreach programs and perpetuate the rich heritage of quilting in America and to promote the art and perfection of the craft” as stated in SSQ’s by-laws in conjunction with our nonprofit status. Profits from the 2022 quilt show boutique went directly into SSQ’s funds (\$1432.19); the remaining balance will be carried forward and used as seed money for the 2024 quilt show (\$7028.83).

SSQ	Financial Report	November 2022
	October Month-End Checking Balance	\$19,391.55
Revenue	Sit N Sew Pass-thru November	\$ 150.00
	Colorado West Qlt Gld/Wkshp/Crites	\$ 100.00
	Donation Jar/November	\$ 89.00
	Workshop/Gay Young Oct	\$ 70.00
	Rendezvous/copy reimbursement	\$ 55.00
	Moab/2023	\$ 1,600.00
	Membership/2023 (def to 2023 BvA)	\$ 1,710.00
	Membership/nametags	\$ 25.00
	Total Revenue	\$ 3,799.00
Expenses:	Pgm: Carole Lyles Shaw, Nov 9, Zoom	\$ 550.00
	CVVC Rent/November/175; Dec 175+150	\$ 500.00
	Barnes & Noble/door prize/K Morgan	\$ 16.91
	B&N Fundraiser/copies/C Alley	\$ 10.50
	Sit N Sew pass-thru Nov 2022/Hoaglund	\$ 150.00
	CQC/Dues for 2023	\$ 30.00
	BOM/copies/C Alley	\$ 21.45
	Rendezvous/copies/C Alley	\$ 38.92
	Christmas Stockings/copies/C Alley	<u>\$ 6.72</u>
	Total Expense	\$ 1,424.50
Account Balances:		
Checking:		\$21,766.05
Savings: (\$ 0.98 interest)		<u>\$17,927.83</u>
Total:		\$39,693.88

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Dear Quilters,

Our mother was transferred from St. Mary's to Hope West on October 26th. She suffered a stroke on October 21st while she was a patient at St. Mary's, and she has not regained consciousness since that day. The chaplain came to her room to visit with the family. He was so kind and caring as he asked to know more about mom and what

she liked to do. I mentioned to him she had so enjoyed her quilting group from our church that she had been a part of for many years. She suffered a previous stroke almost 15 years ago and then just a few short weeks after returning home from a 2 month stay in the hospital, our dad unexpectedly passed away. It was the weekly gathering with her quilting group that helped her heart heal and provided her with the companionship she needed. All that changed with COVID, and she could no longer meet with her beloved quilters. After our conversation with the chaplain, he returned a short time later with a beautiful quilt that your wonderful quilters had spent hours creating and very lovingly had donated. My daughter and I were immediately overcome with emotion for your kindness. I put the quilt over her and took a picture of her lying peacefully under that quilt and shared it with my family. Thank you so much, we will always remember your kindness during this difficult time.

With Love,

Lois Whiting Family

Sunset Slope Quilters 2023 Membership Enrollment/Renewal Form

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Annual Membership Dues are \$30; July-December: \$20. Make your check payable to SSQ.

Annual Dues must be received no later than the General Meeting in January each year.

· Completed membership form and payment will be accepted at the General Meeting or

· the completed form and payment can be mailed to:

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