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A NOTE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Cyndi Holman | July 2025

“ The Black Canyon Quilt Show is upon us! I hope you are showing a quilt or two, and that you are also volunteering to help with set up, take down, or for some other role during the show. Friendship’s participation in the show is one of our main activities each year. I’m very proud of the number of Friendship members who serve on the BCQS board and work in the show. I just spent the morning helping with judging – what a fun experience that is!

I hope that you are considering taking a role in the guild’s leadership or activities. There are many of you who would be great either on the board or heading up one of our committees. You’ve seen at our meetings what types of roles we need to fill, and I hope to see new names stepping up. Whether you’re new to the guild or a longtime member, you are needed. The more people we have involved in the guild, the better we are as a guild.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, July 24

Where: Riverbottom Park

When: 9:00 a.m. Social Hour |
9:30 a.m. Meeting

Theme: Wear something **RED**, **WHITE** and **BLUE** join us in Riverbottom Park for a picnic! If you bring a bowl cozy (or two, or three) or a casserole cozy to show us, you’ll get an additional prize drawing ticket for our year end drawing!

Thursday, August 28

Where: Montrose County Events Center

When: 9:00 a.m. Social Hour |
9:30 a.m. Meeting

Theme: Wear your jeans or other denim gear and show off your coolest project using **DENIM** fabric – quilts, bags, rugs, accessories, etc. We are sure to be amazed and inspired by the Trunk Show presented by Mary Ross at this meeting.

Thursday, September 25

Where: Montrose County Events Center

When: 9:00 a.m. Social Hour |
9:30 a.m. Meeting

Theme: If you **WEAR STRIPES**, you’ll get 2 tickets! If you bring a project using stripes, you’ll get 1 ticket. Our program will be a fascinating and inspiring glimpse into the creative process of our fellow Guild Member, Margaret Noah.

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REMINDER



Committee chairs and related activity coordinators are reminded to send Catherine updates by the 10th of each month. Those include but aren't limited to Caring Quilts, Fundraising, Hope West Quilt, Hospitality, Library Quilt, Library, Retreat, Sunshine, Programs, Handwork small group, and Improv small group.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday, July 24 Picnic:

- Our picnic on July 24th is at Riverbottom Park, not Cerise Park. We'll be in the pavilion next to the pedestrian bridge and restroom building.
- The meeting will start at 9:30. Ami Krenzel will begin the meeting with her program about photographing quilts "in the wild."
- Bring a chair and your own drink.
- If you want to eat a sandwich and chips, bring \$5.
- The board will be providing cookies and bars.
- For Show and Share, bring a quilt or two that you showed in the Black Canyon Quilt Show.

President's Request: When you sign in for the meeting, please look at the list of volunteers for guild jobs at our meetings. We are finding it difficult to find people who will hold and fold the quilts during Show & Share, as well as people who will help with set up and clean up. We could use your help!

Contact Information: Add Newsletter Editor, Catherine Johnson, to your contacts! Her email is catlillianjohnson@gmail.com and her cell number is 678-416-1367.

Giving Thanks: Thank you to those who attended the JUNE meeting!



GUILD JOBS

Front Table: Darnetha Cobb and Pat Clark

Snacks (savory): Quilt Board will be bringing cookies to the guild.

Please bring \$5 cash to the picnic and a chair!

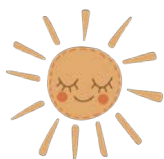
QUILT EVENTS ... and more!

For an extensive list of quilt shows around the country, click on the link to the website: <https://ronatheribbiter.com/>

Did you know that by clicking <https://www.quiltinghub.com/Maps> you can plan a trip with a list of quilt shops to visit along the way?



Let's talk about Facebook. Who would be interested in joining a private Facebook group for the Friendship Quilters of Western Colorado?



SUNSHINE

Do you know anyone in need of a little "sunshine"? Please contact Susie Quesnel by emailing susieq57@gmail.com.



PROGRAMS | QUILTING IS ALIVE IN '25!

Did you learn anything about Buttons at the June Guild Meeting? What a fun time we had admiring buttons brought by members and some of our dozen+ guests who joined us for the day. Thanks to everyone who participated!

JULY 24, 2025

Wear your favorite **RED**, **WHITE** and **BLUE** outfit and join us in Riverbottom Park for a picnic! A bowl cozy or a casserole cozy will earn you an additional prize drawing ticket for our year end drawing! Bring your quilt that was hung in the Black Canyon Quilt Show and tell us a bit more about it during Show and Tell. Ami Krenzel will guide us through some creative ways to take interesting photographs of *Quilts in the Wild* to make Facebook, Instagram and other Social Media posts more stimulating. The Guild has made arrangements for sandwiches and chips, your Guild Board will provide dessert and you should bring your own drinks and a chair. Cost: \$5/person--pay at the picnic.

AUGUST 28, 2025

DENIM is our Theme of the month – wear your jeans or other denim gear and show off your coolest project using **DENIM** fabric – quilts, bags, rugs, accessories, etc. *The Trunk Show presented by Mary Ross* will surely be a spectacular showing. Mary's quilting journey is a very long one and she has created some absolutely exquisite pieces, has co-authored a book about quilting and has been an integral cornerstone of the quilting community in Montrose for many years. This will be a “don't miss” Trunk Show for sure! Anyone who knows Mary (that's everybody!!) is invited to enjoy this presentation. Bring quilting friends!

Following the meeting, Caroline Ellerman, a very talented and prolific quilter who spends her summers in our area, will teach a workshop on Sharon Shamber's unique machine applique technique that has won Caroline several awards, including Best of Show at BCQS 2024. Sign up at the Guild Meeting! \$10/person – supply list coming soon.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

STRIPES is our Theme of the month. If you **WEAR STRIPES**, you'll get 2 tickets! If you bring a project using stripes, you'll get 1 ticket. Make and show a pillowcase (or 2 or 3) to earn another ticket.

Our program will be a fascinating and inspiring glimpse into the creative process of our fellow Guild Member, Margaret Noah, who will give us a behind the scenes peek at “How Did She Do That” using her 2025 BCQS quilt entry. This is sure to be amazing exploration of the creation of a unique “art quilt”. Don't miss it!

In September we will launch our 2026 Guild Challenge (for a March 2026 reveal). Get ready for another interesting and challenging challenge!! The creativity of FQWC quilters is always amazing!!

Also in August...

Field Trip to Golden, CO to the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum August 11-13

We'll figure out carpools and hotel arrangements once we know who is attending. Put your name on the sign-up sheet **NOW** so logistics coordination doesn't wait till the last minute. Itinerary should include a trunk show and tour at the Museum, quilt shop-hopping in the Denver area, and lots of bonding time during the drive. Get a couple of your quilting besties organized to join you! **Let's GO!!**



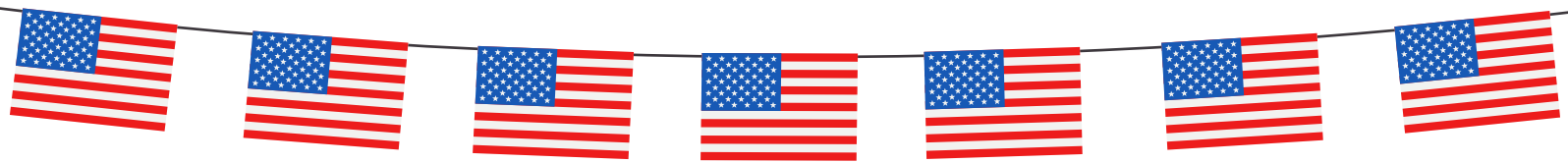


WHAT'S IN THE FRIENDSHIP LIBRARY?



Log Cabin blocks are fun and easy to make.

Judy Martin's Log Cabin Quilt Book is full of ideas and patterns for taking the ordinary to the extraordinary. The book features many patterns and possibilities for Log Cabin and log quilts. There is information on color and value, quick cutting, organizing strips, simple sewing and best methods. There are helpful hints, block variants, gorgeous sets, numerous pieced borders, and even some quilting ideas. Virtually every page is full of colorful quilts or blocks. Near the end is a section on figuring yardage and cutting dimensions for various widths of logs. The book has virtually everything anyone would ever need to know to make beautiful Log Cabin quilts.



FUNDRAISING

July Guild Picnic

We will be having our Guild picnic. ***No further updates for July's newsletter***

COMMUNITY QUILTS



LEFT: Barb Willey's Perfect July flag (Hope West)

RIGHT: Ami Krenzel's Go Turtles Go (featured at Hope West in May)

Welcome New Members!

Barb Scheu
Yvonne Zeman
Robyn Starnes
Janet Vanderwist

Cheryl Zabriskie
Debbie Martinez
Bolles, Eunice

Willey, Barbara
Thaute, Kristi
McDermott, Terri



BLACK CANYON QUILT SHOW NEWS



Tickets for the 2025 raffle quilt may be purchased online at the Black Canyon Quilt Show website (www.blackcanyonquiltshow.com). Austin and Carolyn Ray have tickets you may check out to sell or purchase.

- Signups are still available for the lecture and the all-day class offered by Jean Impey for the 2025 show. You can sign up on the BCQS website. She's offering a fun workshop on faces for the all-day Friday class. She'll also be doing a trunk show and lecture Saturday afternoon. As of today, 7 spots are still available for the Friday all-day class, and the Saturday class is full. .
- Black Canyon Quilt Show continues to grow its presence on social media. Look for us on Instagram and Facebook.
- Appraisals are being offered for this year's show and will be repeated every two years. Cindy Brick is a certified and trained professional appraiser. A written appraisal will cost \$65, and a verbal appraisal will be \$35. You may download the appraisal form from the BCQS website. A written appraisal will help with your insurance claim if something happens to your precious quilt.
- Start planning now to assist us with breaking down the show in July. We will meet at the eastern door to the Pavilion (Senior Center entrance) on Sunday, July 13th.

CARING QUILT NEWS

For the month of June, Lorraine received two lap quilts. One went to Hope West and one went to the San Juan Cancer Center.

	2025 Totals	2024 Totals	Preferred Size + Info
Quilts Received from Guild Members Distributed to:		182	
San Juan Cancer Center	4	11	Twin and Lap
Dolphin House		43+ toys	Twin
Hope West	6	4	Patriotic Only
Life Choices	7	0	Baby Quilts
Community Options	2	5	Bright colored Lap size
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	4	5	47" x 83" (provides a 4" drop on all sides for a 39x75x6" mattress - no more than an 8' drop on all sides is requested), twine mattress pads, sheet sets, pillows, fleece blankets
Haven House		4	Twin, lap, baby
I80 Ministries (House of Promise)		6	
Casa	2	40	Full Size bed and throws
Crisis Mental Health Center	8	8	Twin and Lap to be used in an 18 bed facility and common area; occasional gift to someone in need.
Hilltop	6	7	
Montrose Memorial Hospital		9	Baby blankets
Boutique			Proceeds will be donated to Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Chinle		10	
Other		10	

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