

Stitching Sisters Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Acting President Kathy Shipley.

Members Present: 18

New Member: We welcomed Carol's daughter Connie as a new member.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Motion: Cheryl Newman

Second: Balorie Miller

Members commented that they really liked the new method of receiving the minutes and meeting materials.

QT drawing and signup

We are getting back on track with our QT drawings. The next QT drawing will take place on March 16, 2026. Members who finish their QT before the drawing may email Kathy Patterson.

Quilt Show — Balorie & Cheryl

Cheryl reported that Pam Edblom will again handle advertising for the quilt show.

Sign-up sheets for volunteer positions will be passed around beginning at the March 16 meeting. Members may keep the same job as last year or choose a different one.

Boutique — Kathy Shipley

Kathy announced that members will soon begin making items for the boutique. Suggested items include:

Crib-size baby blankets

Hot pads

Hairbands

Other handmade items of your choice

Challenge — Reminder

Theme: Red, White & Blue

Members may add one additional color if desired. Any shade of the colors may be used.

No fabric will be distributed — members use their own fabric

Rules remain the same as in past years. (rules will be located on our website)

Finished size: fat quarter.

Spring Retreat — Kathy Shipley

Date: May 18, 2026

Location: St. Peters in Cameron

This retreat will replace the regular quilt meeting for that date. A potluck sign-up sheet will be circulated. Members may come and go during the retreat. Everyone is welcome to attend even if just to socialize.

Treasurer's Report — Janice Zmrazek

Janice is currently collecting dues.

Checking account balance: \$5,028.91

She will be stopping at the bank to sign paperwork for full account access.

Current membership: 40 members

Dues:

\$25 per member- due by the end of March

Programming — Kathy Shipley

We are still seeking volunteers for the Programming position. No volunteers came forward.

Ideas discussed to fill the position

Monthly Name Draw - Draw two members each month to plan programming.

Possible activities include:

Guest speaker, Member presentation, Themed bed turning , Trunk show or class Suggestion (Kathy Patterson): Board members and committee members would be excluded from the drawing.

Pam is working with a speaker who may be able to talk at our quilt show.

Clubs – Kathy P

It was suggested that we Consider limiting the number of clubs per month while ensuring at least one club runs monthly

A club sign-up sheet was circulated with some club ideas:

Pat reported that her landscaping class members would like two additional classes.

Jeans Alphabet Club will continue from February through May (second meeting each month).

Barb Ryan – String quilt table runner - April.

Julie Miller will begin a Block-a-Day club in March.

Kathy P. Patchwork sweatshirt- (fall)

Kathy P - Mystery quilt – block of the month

Possible other club ideas

Crazy quilt- pillow/small item

4 petal posey

Curved piecing

Reminders

Sign the signature quilt

See Janice if you need a new name tag

Send any quilt blogs or website suggestions to Karen Barlow

The meeting was adjourned.

Sew & Tell

Terri Etten: Christmas table runner; grandson's T-shirt quilt; quilt made from garage sale fabrics

Julie Miller: Scrap quilt using fabrics from her grandmother's sewing room, including Julie's old culotte fabric

Lisa H.: Hand-quilted table runner made from autumn quilt blocks

Lyn Peacock: Baby blanket for her first great-grandchild titled Woodland Friends