

Stitching Sisters Minutes

June 1, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Pam Edblom.

The minutes from the May 4th meeting were approved. A motion was made by Marla Berg and seconded by Jean Wacker.

Spring Retreat - The retreat went well. 9 ladies attended and few stopped by during the day also to have lunch and visit.

QT-

The next drawing will be June 15th. Kathy passed the book around so you could either update your status or write something down for the QT.

Clubs-

June 15th – Scrap sorting for boutique, Block of the Month club will meet

July 20th – Speaker Linda Halpin

August 3rd – Puzzle quilt block of month (more information to come)

Quilt Show - July 4-5

There are still spots to be filled for volunteers. If you have not yet signed up, please contact Balorie or Cheryl.

Be sure to get your information to Cheryl so she can start entering the information for each quilt. Pam will send out information on quilt entries and information.

Center - Workers will start setting up the quilt show at 3:00 P.M. This will take an hour or so to do. Anyone who is dropping off a quilt should arrive at **4:00 P.M., not earlier.**

HELP NEEDED – we need men to come and help set up the quilt racks. These are high and we need the men's help with this. Please talk to your sons, husbands and anyone else you may know who may be able to help. Cheryl's husband has a trailer to go out to Luther Park to pick up racks. We need people to help load those racks onto the trailer.

Quilt entries for show

All quilts made in 2026 are eligible for the show

This year we will be accepting quilts that have previously been in the show. Any quilt that has been in a previous show before 2023 can be entered again.

If you are going to be entering a quilt but are unable to drop it off on July 3rd you can bring it to the June 15th meeting and Jean will keep it until the show.

Aprons –

A big thank you to Pam for the 8 handmade aprons for volunteers to wear during the show.

Bookmarks – Pam handed out bookmarks for show. She has already dropped them off at numerous quilt shops such as blueberry line, Angela's, Dallas library, busy bobbin, fiber lab, the grain bin, spooner shop, Chetek Library, Pine lodge gift shop, Stitch supply, sew creative, heart blossom. Marla Berg will drop some off at Brubaker's, Pine Hollow, and Bolts of Fun.

Flyers – Pam will email out the flyers for the quilt show and the July 20th speaker for you to share.

Traveling quilt show –

Pam will once again be visiting a senior center to showcase some of our quilts. This year she will be going to the Brentwood assisted living facility in Rice Lake. She will once again need volunteers. She is hoping to do it in August, and more information will be available soon. The quilts needed would be anything smaller than King size quilts. Smaller quilts are easier to handle. When giving Pam your quilt please write up a brief description of the quilt for her to read.

Challenge-

A reminder to be working on your item for the Challenge. If you are going to be participating let Marla know and she will then assign you a number. (see Pam's email for more information)

Boutique – Kathy

We will be sorting scraps at the June 15th meeting

We will be accepting non cotton fabric also. We will be sorting those in their own bags for people to pick from. These items will not be going into the cotton fabric scrap bags.

Pam showed the magazine Country Living. There was an article in there called 250 years of the American quilt. She also shared a book and author that she likes to read. The author is Jennifer Chiaverini and her new book is The Patchwork Players. This is part of the Elm Creek quilt series.

Programs/Speakers/Activities

June 15 - Bag fabric scraps for boutique and finalize quilt show details

July 4 - 5 - Quilt Show

July 20 - Guest Speaker Linda Halpin - Lecture "Borders on Parade"

August 1st – Hayward quilt show - The event runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hayward Wesleyan Church (10655 Nyman Ave, Hayward, WI)

August 3 - Member Participation - Notions, Tips, Etc. - "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly"

August 17 - Barb Ryan, table runner

September 7 - No meeting, Labor Day

September 21 - Party at Chetek Lanes

October 5 - Quilts of Valor - Marla Berg

October 19 - Fall Retreat ?

November 2 - Kathy Patterson, sweatshirt ?

November 16 - Kathy Patterson, sweatshirt ?

December 7 - Get-together at St. Boniface, no business meeting

December 21 - no meeting, Christmas break

Area Quilt Shows/Events:

Minnesota Quilt Show, June 11 - 13

Luther Park Quilt Retreats: September 16 - September 20; November 18 -

November 22. Call 715 859 2215 or visit their website (<https://lutherpark.org>).

Apple River Quilt Guild quilt show September 18 - 19, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Amery, \$5

Barron County Fair 2026 quilt block contest - instructions posted on Members page

of our website

Blueberry Line Quilting “Sleep in Your Own Bed Retreats”. Call Darla at 715 790 1216.

Wisconsin Shop Hop - month of June

La Crosse “Quilt Fest on the Mississippi”, October 2 - 3, Omni Center, Onalaska, WI, \$7

Chippewa Valley Quilt Show, October 3 - 4, Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds,

Chippewa Falls, WI, \$5

“Sew Full of Hope;” Quilt Tour, November 7, Menomonie, WI, \$10

Let Karen Barlow know about any upcoming quilt shows/ events. She’ll add them to the meeting minutes.

Sunshine – Nancy

Nancy let us know that Marla Thompson had fallen and broke her hip. She had a hip replacement and is in the Barron rehab at this time.

SEW AND TELL

Audrey – Monthly calendars, Machine applique woodland animal quilt

Barb Komrey- Barb shared the hats that she has been making.

Marla Berg – shared a red, white and blue quilt that will be a Quilt of Valor quilt. This quilt will also be featured in the ad for our quilt show in the Chetek Alert and Rice lake papers.