



Common
Thread
Quilt
Club

The Common Thread Chronicle

JULY 2016

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Next Meeting

July 13, 6:30pm

Location
North Gate
Fire Station

CHECKLIST:

- Nametag
- Challenge Blocks
- Show and Tell

July 2016 Meeting

Needles & Thread -- What Do You Know About Them?

Some of us have been sewing for many decades, and I can say for myself that I've never been taught about needles or thread, or how to avoid broken needles and thread nests in the machine. How about knotted threads when hand sewing? Patrick, owner of Above and Beyond Sewing and Vacuum (Thornton and Aurora) will be on hand at the next meeting of Common Thread



Quilt Club to speak about these tools and staples of sewing, and give us some tips and tricks in using them correctly. What is new on the market? He will be able to tell us more.

Bring your questions as well.

Please join us at the North Gate Fire Station (16801 Northgate Dr, just off of Jordan Road in Parker) on July 13, 6:30 p.m.

There is a "Red-White-Blue/Christmas in July" basket being raffled that evening. Bring any Quilts of Valor blocks you have finished, and we always love Show and Tell. If you have a Block of the Month for which Ginny has been providing patterns, we'd like to see what you've done.

Oh--and don't forget name tags!



Common Threads Upcoming Programs

In the months to come, we are looking forward to hearing Colorado quilters who are coming to share their techniques, antiques, and general love of quilting with us.



July
Needles & Thread with Patrick from Above and Beyond Sewing and Vacuum

(North Gate Fire Station)

August
Sew-Ciety presentation of **Judy Niemeyer Patterns and Tools**

September
Anniversary Meeting and **Member Showcase: Embys**

October
“Amazing Quilts” by Grace Errea

November
Annual Fundraiser

July 2016 Web Wanderings - by Ethel Swartley

Cathy Erickson – Fiber Artist

<http://www.cathyerickson.net>

<https://www.facebook.com/cathy.erickson.54>

The Fourth of July and a June conversation with a Japanese-American friend got me thinking about freedom and the Japanese internment camps that the U.S. set up during World War II. Cathy Erickson, a fiber artist in the Pacific Northwest, has done a series of quilts inspired by the experiences of Japanese-Americans during World War II, and in doing this she worked with a Japanese poet who created verses to go with and on several of Cathy's quilts. These quilts and poems are highlighted at www.cathyerickson.net, but be sure to look not only in Gallery 1 but also Galleries 2, 3 and 4 in order to get a broader view of Cathy's beautiful thread-painting and the photos that have inspired her. Gallery 3 is especially interesting as Cathy shows how she has taken photos, simplified the images, and then re-created them in cloth using dramatically different colors. Cathy's website seems not to be updating the [cathyerickson.net](http://www.cathyerickson.net) site, but if you like her work, check her out on Facebook also. She seems to be posting photos of her most recent work there more frequently.

International Quilt Study Center & Museum – Quilt of the Month

July 2016

Shadow Trail

Maker unknown

Circa 1935

Made in United States

87.75 x 71.25

Mountain Mist Collection, IQSCM

2012.015.0045

Hand pieced and hand quilted, Shadow Trail leads one down green forest paths where blue shadows lurk, in its graphic, geometric design. This original pattern is one of the modern designs that Mountain Mist brought to the marketplace. These contemporary designs offered an exciting and promising adventure in quilting to the newcomer and veteran alike.

Beginning in 1929, the Stearns & Foster Company printed a free quilt pattern inside the paper wrapper of each roll of Mountain Mist batting. Some patterns were copied from old quilts and popular new designs of the day. Others were original modern Mountain Mist designs or inspired by current events.

The company had a quilt made from each new pattern. These quilts became the centerpiece of advertisements and the stars in quilt shows and department store windows. As a result, the Mountain Mist quilt patterns have been American favorites for decades.

In 2012, the International Quilt Study Center & Museum acquired the Mountain Mist Quilt Collection. We invite you to explore the quilts and stories in *Inside the Wrapper: The True Tales of the Mountain Mist Quilt Patterns*, which will be on display at Quilt House **July 1 - October 23, 2016**.





Charitable Efforts

CTQC will continue to collect bags to give to the hospital in appreciation for the use of the meeting room. Bring any finished bags to upcoming meetings and they will be delivered to the correct person.

We will also make stockings for the Parker Task Force. There is a two part pattern of the stocking Judi handed out at the last meeting up on our website. It is titled: Stocking #1. There is also a second stocking pattern with instructions in case anyone wanted to create the 'same' size stocking (when finished) but sewn a little differently and with a little embellishment. This stocking is titled: Stocking #2.

Bits and Pieces

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS FOR PARKER TASK FORCE:

Hi THREADERS:

The Parker Task Force has asked for at least 150 stockings this year. We can do that!

I will plan to bring patterns to July meeting in case you don't have yours yet.

Any questions? Please just email or call.....

Judi



Travel & Quilting in 2016

This summer or fall you may take a long vacation or travel within Colorado. Below are some ideas for visiting quilt shops as you travel out of the Denver area. Check websites to find store hours and phone numbers. And don't forget to collect the Row By Row patterns available for free at participating quilt shops in the US and Canada, and now in Europe, too. (if you do go to Europe, you owe us a report on "What I did on my summer vacation"!)

<http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/start-here.htm>

Estes Park, CO

COTTAGE BLISS

870-A Moraine Ave.

<http://cottageblissestes.com/>

THE STITCHIN' DEN

165 Virginia Drive

<http://www.thestitchinden.com/home.html>

Lyons, CO

LYONS QUILTING

42 E. Main Street

<http://www.lyonsquilting.com/>

Fort Collins, CO

THE FIG LEAF

2834 S. College Avenue

<http://www.thefigleafquilting.com/>

JUKEBOX QUILTS

406 N. College Avenue

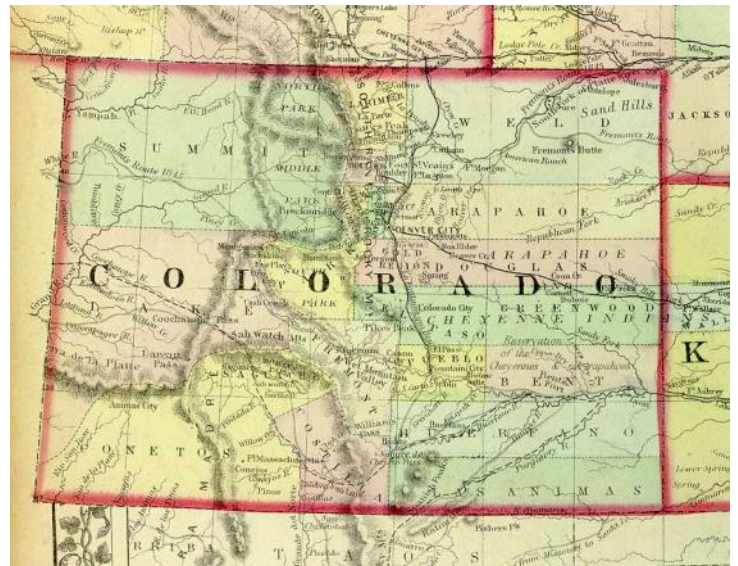
<http://www.jukeboxquilts.com/about/quilt-shop/>

Berthoud, CO

LAUGHING LADIES QUILTING

349 Massachusetts

<http://www.laughingladiesquilting.com/>



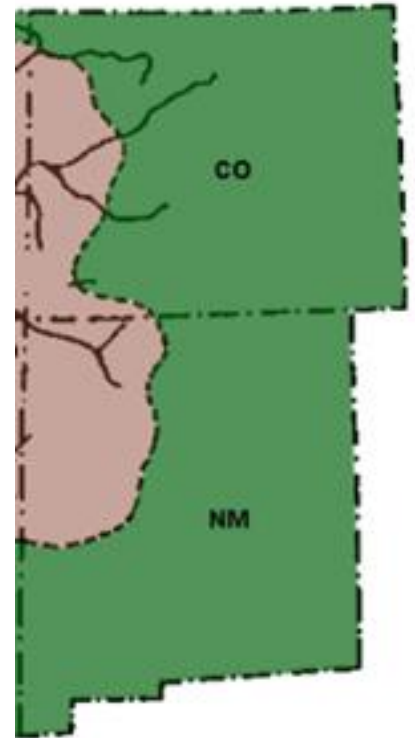
Boulder, CO
ELFRIEDE'S FINE FABRICS
2425 Canyon Blvd.
<http://www.elfriedesfinefabrics.com/>

Woodland Park, CO
NUTS 'N BOLTS NEEDLEWORKS
200 S. Chestnut Street
<http://www.nutsnboltsneedleworks.com/>

Pueblo, CO
STITCHER'S GARDEN
308 South Union Avenue
<http://www.stitchersgardenpueblo.com/index.htm>

Santa Fe, NM
SANTA FE QUILTING
3018-A Cielo Court
<http://www.santafequilting.com/>

Albuquerque, NM
THE QUILT WORKS INC.
11117 Menaul Blvd. NE
<http://www.quiltworksabq.com/>



KOKOPELLI QUILTING COMPANY (and Southwest Decoratives)
5711 Carmel Ave. NE
<http://www.swdecoratives.com/index.htm>

For more info on quilt shops in the 50 states and beyond, visit Jackie Robinson's (former Colorado quilt shop owner, teacher, and quilt designer) website with links, and be sure to double check to see if shops are still active by visiting the websites:

<http://www.animasquilts.com/shoplink.html>

June Photos



Kathy Gaul of Meetinghouse Hill Designs tells the group about how she became interested in working with wool and her creative process.



Details of some 3-D work on one Meetinghouse Hill design

June Photos

Kathy Gaul shows completed works from her designs and sells kits and patterns.



Donna O displays her completed Meetinghouse Hill design.
(Below)





Mary M with several of her completed quilts - She's always so productive!

June Photos





Diane shows house blocks using architectural fabrics (above) while Ethel displays her completed Name Challenge quilt (left)

June Photos

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Ginny with Patriotic quilts



Meeting Night to Change in 2017

We are pleased to announce that the Parker Adventist Hospital has awarded CTQC meeting space every 2nd Monday of the month in 2017.

Hooray for the hospital!

Calendar of Events



<p style="text-align: center;"><i>July 2016</i></p> <p>7th – Leadership Meeting 6:00 pm at Park Meadows Mall Food Court</p> <p>13th – Common Thread Meeting 6:30pm Needles & Thread with Patrick from Above and Beyond Sewing and Vacuum</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>August 2016</i></p> <p>4th – Leadership Meeting 6:00 pm at Park Meadows Mall Food Court</p> <p>10th – Common Thread Meeting 6:30pm Sew-Ciety</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>September 2016</i></p> <p>1st – Leadership Meeting 6:00 pm at Park Meadows Mall Food Court</p> <p>7th – Common Thread Meeting 6:30pm Anniversary Meeting; Member showcase: Embys</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>October 2016</i></p> <p>6th – Leadership Meeting 6:00 pm at Park Meadows Mall Food Court</p> <p>12th – Common Thread Meeting 6:30pm Amazing Quilts with Grace Errea</p>

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The Common Thread Quilters are a quilt group based in Parker, Colorado. Meetings are held at 6:30pm the 2nd Wednesday of each month at:

Parker Adventist Hospital
9395 Crown Crest Blvd
Parker, CO 80138

Unless otherwise notified.

More information about the group can be found at our website:

<http://www.ctqc.webs.com/>

Contributions to the newsletter should be sent to:

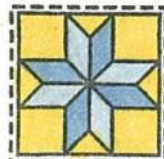
Vaninger.s@gmail.com

Finances

Checking balance	\$970.94
Savings balance	25.00

Dues are \$30.00 per year.
30 members

Never Summer Quilting



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