



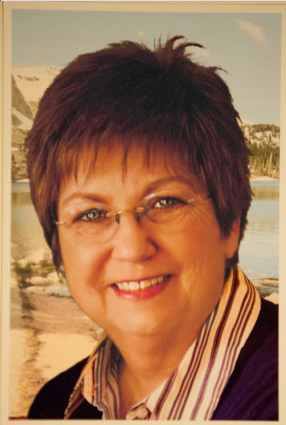
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My Quilt Journey—Daenette More - WHERE ARE THEY NOW? FOUNDING MEMBER



My quilting journey began in Sheridan, Wyoming around 1980. My husband was a Podiatrist and we had just started a practice of foot care. I had four children (two more would come later) and I was relegated to stay home because it was too expensive to have four children in childcare. It was cheaper to hire office help. I had always sewed my children's clothes, as well as my own. And

my latest project was a pair of jeans for my four-year-old son. I made them on my trusty Singer that I got as a birthday present when I was 16. It was tough but the jeans were beautiful! Tylor wore them out to play and came back an hour later with a hole in the knee! Done sewing jeans!

I went to a fabric store to drool over the Bernina machine that had automatic bobbin tension, and noticed a machine-quilted, quilt-as-you-go quilt on the wall. They were giving lessons. I was hooked! I would make quilts for me and buy jeans for my kids! I made three quilts in that era. A new technique was learned – machine appliqué using dry cleaner plastic for the glue! I finished a sampler quilt with three-inch batting, a “cheater quilt”, but not the family heirloom. There seemed to be a pattern developing.

I moved to Cheyenne in 1984 and took a miniature quilt class and loved it; not so much fabric invested but the time seemed to be the same. I joined the Cheyenne

Heritage Quilters, loved the quilting friends circle, and became President. The quilting slows down to more unfinished projects, and upper management begins. I have been President of the Cheyenne Heritage Quilters three different times for three years each. I was President of CHQ with Gloria Greenlee as my Program Chairman when we heard about the organizing of a new Wyoming state quilt group.

I was the one in the backseat next to Eva Knight holding her colored pencils as she sketched the logo for WSQG, on our way to Rawlins for the first ever meeting. What came out of that meeting in Rawlins was that Eva Knight was elected President and I was Vice President in charge of Membership. I think that was done by the volunteer to run, “okay-you're-it” method. That first year I traveled a lot with Eva all over the state to encourage quilters to join our group. We stopped at every quilt shop to ask them to advertise for us. It was a great experience. Our goal was 100 members so we would have at least 50 at the first convention held in Casper. Eva served for two years as President and then I served as President in 1999 and Past President the next year.

Ten years later I was elected Vice President of WSQG, President, and Past President again and really enjoyed the three-year relationship with quilters all over the state. I traveled the state and attended every activity put on by the regional representatives in their areas. My stash grew and so did my UFO's. I have now defined myself as a “techniques quilter”. I love the challenge, the process, the gadgets used to get there, but finishing is not my #1 priority.

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I have always been active in WSQG and love it! I have served on the board of Quilt Wyoming for the Southeast region in 2000, 2005, 2010, and 2015. I was the Quilt Wyoming Chairman in Cheyenne in 2010

Now I am retired from my nine-to-five job (one year) and all my children (six) are married, with 15 ½ grandchildren. I am bound and determined to finish my UFO's. It is a daunting challenge. As I step into my sewing room and survey the results of many beginnings, lots of lessons learned, and more UFO's than I care to claim. Life is good, and my time is now quilting time. On to the vision of a finished quilt! *Daenette More*

2015 Opportunity Quilt Display Schedule



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January 1-31, 2015

Valley Fabrics, Lyman, WY

February 1-9, 2015

Wild West Winter Carnival Quilt Fest, Riverton, WY

February 10-28, 2015 Quilter's Fix, Sheridan, WY

March 2-29, 2015

Johnson County Library Quilt Show, Buffalo, WY

April 1-April 30, 2015

Quilted Corner, Cheyenne, WY

June 28, 2015

Quilt Drawing - East Meets West, Rock Springs WY

Contact "Quilt Mom" Jeanne Allen by phone at (307) 362-8733 or by email Jeanalen52@q.com if you are interested in scheduling the quilt for display at events or business.

Creative Stitches (A QUILT EMPORIUM)

February 1, 2015 will mark my 15th year in Business! In appreciation for all of you quilters, I am offering **15% off over-all quilting costs** beginning January 1. **15 quilts per month** will be accepted for this customer appreciation promotion during the months of **January thru May and September thru December**. Over-all quilting includes plain meander, meander with hearts, leaves, circles, curly cue meander, geometric meander, formal feather meander and many more. Excludes pantographs, custom quilting, batting, backing, thread and other miscellaneous labor or supplies.

I will still be accepting custom quilt orders, so book now for all those UFO's!

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