

dairy products for the ride participants.

If you are not a rider, but possibly want to participate, volunteers are still being accepted. Contact the organization by going to their website (click [HERE](#) for their website) and go to Contact. They are eager for more volunteers (Bicycle riders or not) so give it a try.

ON THE SCHEDULE:

Check out the Stillwaters calendar this week –
New Resident Orientation on Wednesday at 3
p.m. and the new Quilting group, Thursday at 10
a.m.



The New Resident Orientation is intended for new residents but all are welcome. The Quilting group is excited to have their first meeting and are hopeful that attendees will be just as excited about this new group.

Check out the calendar on the last page of the monthly newsletter or on the Stillwaters website for other fun activities and events. Click [HERE](#) for the calendar.

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE BACK PORCH:

How's that for a new topic! I have been so entertained this week by birds, rabbits and growing grapes in my back yard that I had to include this in my narrative to you.

Each year Mr. Blogger and I are entertained at length by our annual renters of the bird boxes (we have two boxes) – the swallows. We had our first Mr. and Mrs. Swallow starting in April or May and they are already gone for the year. They always seem to follow the same ritual of first finding each other through song and chirping at length and then finding the right box for the impending nesting.

This first set of swallows did this quickly and rather quietly compared to our current pair. The second set of Mr. and Mrs. have selected a lesser used box and are joyously singing and working to make it a home. All week what appears to be Mrs. Swallow has been sitting on top of the box caroling Mr. Swallow as he works tirelessly building the nest inside. Fun to watch and see how we are so easily entertained.

Baby rabbits are also scampering around and though we dislike their damaging appetites as adults they sure are cute at this stage.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:



With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts. – Eleanor Roosevelt