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# ***The Summit, August 2016***

## **MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD**

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

How long does it take to make a quilt? There are many variables: size, complexity, time, number of interruptions, block of the month, skill level, etc. Or, do we like doing one or more tasks related to making a quilt, like piecing or putting on the binding, but dislike the sandwiching or the actual quilting and we put off finishing it. I, for one, dislike the quilting part, but luckily, we have many talented quilters in our membership who can do this job and the project moves on. The answer to the question is: Take the time it takes. Making a quilt is not a race, but a creative process, which takes time, patience, accuracy, skill and sometimes, endurance. That's why we have a TOAD (Treasured Object Almost Done, or perhaps more appropriately called, Trashed Object Abandoned in Despair) Challenge every other year, to get those projects sitting in a closet completed! Its human nature, we want to complete a quilt fast and get on to the next project; after all, there is just so much time to work with! But, consider, with the cost of fabric, thread and sewing machines in today's world, is it worth getting less than satisfactory results because we're in a hurry? We need take the time to breathe, sharpen our skills, and enjoy our time at the sewing machine, quilting hoop, or hand sewing. Our goal is to complete a beautiful quilt that could last for generations. It's attainable and within everyone's reach, just "Take the time it takes"! Happy Quilting!

*Jan Adams*

**Please leave the first two pews on the right available for our photographer and those giving reports during the guild meeting. Also please reserve the last two rows for the display of our Show & Tell quilts before our refreshment time.**

Lovelady, Peggie MacKenzie, Beverly Markham, Linda Marley, Susan Masse, Jan Mawk, Sharon McAllister, Patti McClearn, Margot McDonnell, Rosie McDowell, Chris McGrew, Kristi McHugh, Martha McLellan, Marcia McMullen, Jennifer Mees, Sharon Melpolder, Carol Miller

### **Newsletter Note**

The **deadline** for the September **newsletter articles** is **Thursday, September 8th** at noon.

### **ECHOS**

*Jan Walls and Jimmie Johnson*

**AUGUST** - As no one stepped up with a lesson for August, you can all go home after the meeting....BUT...before you do, SIGN UP for the coming month's ECHOS programs.

**SEPTEMBER-** We will have a lesson by Jennifer MEES on THREADS: Learn about the different types of threads, their best uses, their particular qualities, so that you can become a more knowledgeable quilter.

**OCTOBER-** Marcia McMullen will have a class to make her popular CHICKEN PIN CUSHION.

**NOVEMBER-** Linda Marley will have a class on PILLOW CASES. A great item for Christmas gifts.

### **REFRESHMENTS**

*Dolores Schrock*

A bit of tea, a cookie treat, and fellowship brings pleasure to each of us. MTQG offers this each month during break time. A special time for members to connect with one another in friendship. Treats provided by members are varied and unique each month. For August, the following are asked to bring a finger food treat to share with the members. PLEASE LABEL your two containers with your name. Many thanks to each of you for providing a treat. Sam Logan, Connie Lord, Gale

## **Programs**

*Pam Easley and Marti French*

**August 15:** Carolyn O'Bagy Davis will be sharing the Story of Hopi Textiles and the History of Quilting on the Mesas in Northern Arizona. Carolyn is a fourth-generation descendant of Utah pioneers, has written fourteen books on the history of archaeology, quilting, and western history. Her book, Hopi Summer, was named One Book Arizona 2011. She earned her B.A. degree in Anthropology from the University of Arizona in 1971. Carolyn lectures extensively to history, archaeology, and quilting groups around the country, and has curated many traveling museum exhibits including: Goldie Tracy Richmond: Quiltmaker and Indian Trader, Hattie Cosgrove's Mimbres Archaeology in the American Southwest, Quilting from the Hopi Mesas, and Quilted All Day: The Quilts and Prairie Journals of Ida Chambers Melugin. Carolyn is a member of the Arizona Humanities Council's Speakers Bureau, [www.azhumanities.org](http://www.azhumanities.org)

Carolyn is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Smoki Museum of American Indian Art and Culture ([www.smokimuseum.org](http://www.smokimuseum.org)), Prescott, Arizona. She was the founding president of the Tucson Quilter's Guild (1976) and also Old Pueblo Archaeology Center (1994). She has served on the board of the American Quilt Study Group, the Treasure Hill Foundation (Mimbres Culture preservation), the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society, and was recently inducted into the Society of Women Geographers (the women's association affiliated with the Explorer's Club; she was profiled in They Made Their Mark: An Illustrated History of the Society of Woman Geographers). Davis has appeared on Simply Quilts, a feature program on HGTV, American Quilter on Lifetime, and assisted with a film documentary on the history of Hopi Indian Quilting produced with support from PBS. In September 2010, she was inducted into the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame.

**September 19:** Our very own Margo McDonnell will be presenting her program "Photo Realism in Art". Margo is an award winning quilt artist, experienced teacher, published author, and a member of our guild. She won the Viewers Choice Award for her Moody Beach, Maine 1957 at the recent AQS show in Phoenix. We will get to see some of her amazing award winning quilts and hear about the creative process from choosing a pattern to recreating it in fabric.

To learn more about Margot along with photos of her quilts, it's easy to google her by Margot McDonnell quilter.

**September 20:** Margo is offering a technique class to teach us how to transfer a picture from a photo to a small quilt. The cost for this class is \$25 which includes a \$15 kit fee for supplies. Margo is providing many of the supplies needed so come to class and enjoy a day of fun and learning!

The class will begin at 9:00 a.m. with set up at 8:30. It will end by 4:00 p.m. A photo of the project is available on our website.

**October 17:** We are looking forward to international instructor Rob Appell coming to our guild. Rob learned to quilt while helping out at his mom's quilt shop in Morro Bay, California. This is where his love of the sea and his work as a textile artist and designer developed. He designs for Michael Miller Fabrics, is an author, and creates quilt patterns including the Endangered Species Quilt Project. His high-energized presentation is titled "Quilts From the Sea and Beyond" and adds a masculine touch to our predominately female quilt group. He will be bringing patterns and fabric to sell so bring lots of money! You can read more about Rob at <http://robappell.com>.

**October 18:** Endangered Species Quilt Project will be the class Rob Appell teaches. The class is almost full with just a few spots open. The cost of this class is \$50. There are twelve different animals to choose from. Patterns can be purchased for \$18 plus shipping on Rob's website. There will be some preparation required before class. We will have a sample at our upcoming meetings.

**November:** The TOADs quilts should be ready to present. There will be prizes. More information to come in future issues.

**December:** Christmas Luncheon.

Reminder: Class fees are NOT refundable. If you must cancel, you are responsible for finding a replacement.

## Membership

*Diana Ramsey*

As of August 1st, all renewals and new members must pay \$35 for annual dues. If you are planning on renewing but haven't done so, please get your payment to Diana at the August meeting in order to be included in the 2016-2017 Directory. The rough draft of the Directory will be passed around at the meeting and you should carefully look over your information for any corrections before the new Directories are printed for distribution at the September meeting. Please write your corrections on the rough draft next to your information.

Please take a moment to introduce yourself and give a warm welcome to the following new members:

Linda Craig, Pamela Edwards, Marguerite Miller, Deb Mulcahy, Erin Sullivan

## Sunshine

*Bunny Autrey*

August Birthdays: Genny Kerutis, Annette Ladehoff, Peggy Newmann, Evelyn Russell, Nancy Stewart, Joy Swartz, Nadeen Van Dyke, Sandie Allen, Sally Cantwell, Jan Carrell, Erna Greenway, Barbara Harber, Kay Harlan, Barbara Hinds, Maggie Keller

## New Members Group

*Kristi McHugh*

The MTQG New Members Group meets the first Monday of each month at 10:00 A.M., unless there is a conflict with a National Holiday. We will not meet on the September 5, 2016 due to the holiday. We will be meeting October 3rd, at 10:00 A.M. The topic and location will be announced in the September Newsletter. Every new MTQG member will receive an email of our meeting and directions to the location of the meeting. If you have a quilt or an item to share with us, feel free to bring it. Anyone who considers themselves a new member, or who is interested in attending, is welcome. Please RSVP to Kristi McHugh.

## Library

*Meg Roberson & Terry Robertson*

Another new book has been added to the Library this month: Handfuls of Scraps by Edyta Sitar for Laundry Basket Quilts. Ideas for your scraps! This is another book suggested by one of our members.

Thanks to a plea from our president last month, we have two new volunteers, which will help Terry and me tremendously.

Don't forget those past-due books—we have quite a few. See you In the Library in August.



## Community Quilts

*Dona Speights, Judy Larson, Marcia McMullen, Ivey Chavez & Kay Denny,*

The next Community Quilts workday will be Monday, August 22, 2016.

- 10:00 – 3:00
- Las Fuentes Resort Village- 1035 Scott Drive, Prescott
- Bring your sewing machine, \$3 for pizza, or your own sack lunch. Coffee, salads, and desserts are provided.
- Please park on the west side of the building. The garage door is unlocked 10:00-11:00. After that, enter at the main entrance and go downstairs.

General meetings: Look for the Community Quilts table! You can pick up quilts that need quilting, tying or binding. We also have quilt top kits available. Bring back your finished quilts and any UPC codes from Hobbs batting. We thank all of you for your help.

**WANTED: HOBBS UPC CODES!** For every 5 UPC codes we send to Hobbs we receive over \$100 off on a roll of batting. That's a large roll of batting for \$75! This is a huge savings for us since we use a roll of batting each month. Please bring us your Hobbs UPC codes.

**MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD**  
**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING**  
**July 18, 2016**

President Jan Adams called the meeting to order at 9:31 am and reminded all present to silence their cell phones. The minutes from the June meeting and the Treasurer's report were approved with show of hands from the members.

Announcements from the President: Additional committee members are need for the library. We have only 2 volunteers at present, and need 2 more to help with setting up and taking down of books and magazines. Having a library is one of the primary benefits of our guild, but if we don't have enough help to get the materials out on display and put back, we may have to consider curtailing access to the library. Marti Lensink and Karen Junger volunteered to fill the 2 vacant positions, effective immediately. Thank you!

All of last year's committee chair people should have their year-end reports completed and copies given to the current chairperson to put in her folder. Please provide a copy of the report to either President Jan Adams or Secretary Maureen Carr. Reports are due no later than the end of August. Thank you.

Committee Reports:

1. Hospitality: Gail Henry welcomed three guests ~ Doris Grey, Kathy Weinhold, and Gail Kozak. Gail reminded members to please check in on the roster before each meeting.

2. Membership: Diana Ramsey welcomed three new members ~ Erin Sullivan, Linda Craig, and Pam Edwards. Diana reminded members to check the current directory for correctness. In August a "rough draft" of the new directory will be presented, with the finalized directory in September. Also, 2 clocks belonging to Teri Brown were left behind at the Quilt Show, please contact Diana if you can return the clocks to Teri.

3. New Members Group: Kristi McHugh absent, President Jan Adams let members know that the meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 10:00 am, at different locations, and all members are welcomed to attend. The next meeting is on Monday, August 1 at the Hidden Valley Ranch Activities Center, lower level, and will discuss Quilting Ergonomics. For questions please contact Kristi McHugh.

Carolyn Doyle will begin a Beginner Quilting Class. More at the August Guild meeting.

4. Sunshine: Bunny Autrey wished the following members a happy July birthday ~ Lucy Fields, Colleen Harlow, Audrey Jessee, Susan Perry, Sharon Phelps, Joyce Raglin, Diana Ramsey, Judith Ritner, Jeanne Sellers, Bettie Setz, Kathleen Tavares, Genevieve Van Den Hout, Gail Van Horsen, Joan Carroll and Sandra Wright.

5. Fall Quilt Camp: Sherri Hubbs absent, President Jan Adams let members know that Camp is full but there is a waiting list; please contact Sherri Hubbs if interested.

6. Opportunity Quilt: Sherri Hubbs absent, President Jan Adams let members know that the pattern will be voted on at the August Guild meeting, and a committee assigned at the August Guild meeting. Please send patterns to Sherri Hubbs or Jan Adams.

7. Programs: Pam Easley reviewed the programs for the coming months: Today, Janice Chesnik will present a trunk show on her kaleidoscope quilts. August Carolyn O'Bagy Davis will give a talk on Hopi Quilts. September MTQG member Margot McDonnell will give a lecture and class; the fee is \$25.00 and includes a kit. October Rob Appell from Man Quilting will present and offer a class; his class costs \$50.00 and there are only 6 spaces remaining. November MTQG will present the TOAD quilts with prizes awarded. A reminder that all class fees are non-refundable.

8. ECHOS: Jimmie Johnson reminded members that today's ECHOS class is the Walking Bag. No ECHOS will be held in August. In September Jennifer Mees will present thread, needles and batting. In October Marcia McMullen will teach the Chicken Pincushion (a good Christmas gift), and in November a pillow case class will be taught (another good gift idea).

9. Block Challenge: Marti Winkleman, Betty Foley and Karen Adams presented something new: In Lieu of the Block of the Month MTQG will have a Black-White & Bright Challenge. Participants will choose a category: Quilt, Wearable, Purse/Tote, and may enter once in each category at \$5.00 per category. Three colors must be used ~ Black, White and between 3 and 8 brights. Entries are due before the May meeting, and will be voted on and prizes awarded. For questions please pick up an information sheet or contact Marti Winkleman.

10. August Treats: Logan thru Miller Sam Logan, Connie Lord, Gale Lovelady, Peggie MacKenzie, Beverly Markham, Linda Marley, Susan Masse, Jan Mawk, Sharon McAllister, Patti McClearn, Margot McDonnell, Rosalie McDowell, Chris McGrew, Kristi McHugh, Martha McLellan, Marcia McMullen, /Jennifer Mees, Sharon Melpolder, and Carol Miller. Jan Adams reminded all members to read the newsletter and bring snacks when it is your turn. Thank you!

11. Opportunity Quilt Presentation: Suzy Davidson and Patti Tabor presented the 2016 Opportunity Quilt to winner Pat Bradford. Pat had bought her ticket last year at the Courthouse Square, had recently moved to Prescott from San Antonio and is delighted with her beautiful quilt.

12. Community Quilts: Dona Speights and Marcia McMullen displayed this month's quilts. The next workday is Monday, July 25 from 9:00am-2:00pm at Las Fuentes Please bring in Hobbs UPC codes as we receive a discount when purchasing the batting.

Marcia asked if anyone had made quilts from the Block of the Month from last year, please bring them in next month for show and tell.

Kay Denny delivered quilts to the following: 3 baby quilts to Birthline, 12 kids quilts to CASA-adoptions, 3 kids quilts to Catholic Charities, 5 adult quilts to Hospice Family Care, 2 kids quilts to Stepping Stones, 3 adult male quilts to US Vets, 6 adult mostly male quilts to the VA Hospital, 1 quilt to Kiwanis for a raffle benefiting Kayla's Hands Playground, 3 kids quilts to YRMC pediatrics unit

Kay reminded members that Stepping Stones, a local organization that provides a safe shelter to women and children, and offers a tour of the shelter later this month. If interested contact Denise or Cori at 928-772-4184.

13. Thread Brigade: Linda Marley absent, President Jan Adams reminded volunteers of the importance of keeping the area clean, picking up after ourselves and keeping our commitments to the Thread Brigade. Volunteers today are Veronica Sandoval, Carol Miller and Pat Pond. Please determine among yourselves the task you will assume after the meeting. Thanks to your volunteering, you are helping ensure our continued use of this facility.

14. Show and Tell: Betty Foley, Charlene Coxworth, Beverly Markham, Kay Wentworth (2 Quilts) Angie Christi, Lorraine Owen, Carlotta Brandenburg, Jan Smith, Gail Henry, Cheryl Watt, Marilyn Thompson, and Sharon McAllister.

15. Break: Break for snacks at 10:20 am, return by 10:50 am for presenter Janice Chesnik. Plan to stay until 12:30 pm to give plenty of time for Janice to share her story.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Carr, Secretary.

## **Announcement**

Quilt Exhibit in Prescott

**"The Quilts of Emma Andres and her Contemporaries"**

Sharlot Hall Museum- 415 W. Gurley, Prescott, AZ

September 1-30

Hours: Monday through Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4

Volunteers will be needed to sit with the quilts and talk with visitors. Please contact Gail Van Horsen for details.

There will be a talk about the exhibits Quilts and Quiltmakers on Saturday, September 10th at 2:00 pm in the Lawler Building on the grounds of the Sharlot Hall Museum.

Gail Van Horston

## For Sale

For sale: Singer Featherweight sewing machine in excellent condition. Includes instruction booklet, bobbins, needles, and box of original feet and attachments. \$375. Contact Moira Jacobson in Prescott at 806-445-4301



For Sale: Handiquilter Avante, 18" long arm. \$5000.00. Maximum quilt size 92". Stitch regulator, Upgraded lights and carriage. Comes with separate bobbin winder, laser light, pantographs, extra bobbins.

Carol 928-7171172

# Things to Remember

## Remember to Bring:

Library books

## General Meeting

Monday, August 15, 2016  
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott  
First Lutheran Church

## Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, August 22, 2016 10:00-3:00  
Las Fuentes Retirement Center  
1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

## Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be at 1:00 pm, Tuesday, September 6th, at the home of Michele Schneider. Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Jan Adams.



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