

The Summit, January 2017

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's the beginning of a brand new year and I would bet that many of you have New Year's Resolutions that might be a tradition of sorts; like "I will exercise more" or "I am going to lose weight" or maybe, "I am going to sew more". In spite of our good intentions, for most of us, carrying through on these resolutions does not always turn out the way we hoped on January 1st, but lasts one to two months at best. Here's an idea: how about selecting a smaller task, something easier to do or complete, and then build on it or do more of it throughout the year. For instance, I'd like to learn to do English Paper Piecing. I've never done it before and the project I'd like to do is a lap size quilt. That's a lot of pieces of paper to cover with fabric!! So instead of getting bogged down learning this skill, I think I'll try making a pillow or a small quilt that could be used for our small quilt auction at our next quilt show. This would be easier to accomplish, let me decide if I like this skill, and if so, it would set me up to do a larger project later in the year. You too could resolve to learn a new quilting skill this year and who knows; you might really enjoy it and become addicted to a new sewing project. I'd like to challenge you to find something fun and fulfilling to do this year, and maybe, you will have kept your New Year's Resolution! Happy New Year everyone!

Jan Adams

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

Newsletter Note

The deadline for February newsletter articles is **Wednesday, February 8 at noon.**

ECHOS

Jan Walls, Jimmie Johnson

January 16, 2017 - Sam Logan will be teaching ways to create a fancy Tote Bag designed especially for our quilting tools. Contact Jan to see if there are any openings left for this month's class

February 20 - "Two Toned Double Binding" - A demonstration by Karen Junger. This class will be a "demo only" but it will be well worth your time to learn a new technique. Sign up at the ECHOS desk

Refreshments

Dolores Schrock

A new year with new promises, new quilting projects, and happily more MTQG gatherings. For this new year of 2017 the following are asked to provide a treat for this month's meeting. REMINDER: Label both containers with your name, bring a container for each serving table, treats are finger food ready to eat, and both sweet and not sweet items are appreciated. Many thanks to Linda Tremper, Maureen Tritle, Barbara Troop, Carol Trumpfheller, Bobbie Turnbow, Genevieve Van Den Hout, Nadeen Van Dyke, Cyndie Van Hook, Gail Van Horsen, Sue Van Hagel, Joan Vroom, Jan Walls, Sharon Watt, Kay Wentworth, Darlene Williams, Kathleen Williams, Marie Winkleman, Sandra Wolf, Pat & Wayne Wolfe, Sandra Wright.



Programs

Pam Easley and Marti French

January: Mountain Top member and award-winning quilter, Ann Novak will do a trunk show presentation. Teacher, quilter, and author, Ann Novak, celebrated the United States Centennial by creating her first full-size quilt. Since then her quilts have appeared in various national magazines. Her work has been juried in such prestigious shows as the AQS Show in Paducah and the American/International Quilt Association Show in Houston. She is included in the 1996 book, *Who's Who in American Quilters*. You can view her favorite quilts by googling Arizona Hall of Fame, click on Featured Quiltmaker's Gallery, and then scroll down until you come to Previous Featured Quiltmakers 2012.

February: Jane Hamilton is from Kennett Square, Pennsylvania and spends February in the Tucson area, so we are lucky to get her here from such a short distance.

Her lecture will be CREATIVE LABELING. A collection of quilt pieces both old and new will be used to spark you creativity. Jane presents "how's" and "why's" of Labeling.

Jane is a professional fiber artist with a Master's Degree from Villanova University.

The workshop will be "Tres Ollas" (in Spanish means 3 jars or vessels). You will need 3 different colors of fabric, light, medium & dark, that coordinate. We are only charging \$40 for this class which also includes the kit fee. All of this will be explained in the supply list. We are only charging \$40 for this class which also includes the kit fee. Example of the project will be on the Program Board.

Pam Easley will be sending a "grapevine" in January with an example of Tres Ollas, as she wasn't at the December guild meeting due to illness.

March: MTQG member Maxine Everart will do a trunk show.

Following is some things Maxine is sharing with us about her quilting story: "I began sewing when I was 4 years old with my nanny, Ellen. We did doll clothes. During my life there was always a lot of sewing going on including my being a 4-H leader and being named 4-H leader of the year for Montana in 1955. I did not sew quilts until much later.

My first quilt was made in 1983 for my daughter Renee's bridal shower. It was supposed to be a simple quilt...log cabin. I self taught myself to hand quilt and to this day I still hand quilt the quilts that I hope my family will pass down in their families.

Because I was teaching I did not make another quilt until my youngest daughter, Teri was married in 1989. It was a fun project done entirely by hand..crazy quilt. Then my daughter, Shanna was married in 1991 and again for her shower I made a quilt. At that time I was getting ready to retire and did so in 1993. My wish for retirement was that I have time to quilt...It is my life now."

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

Community Quilts

Dona Speights, Judy Larson, Marcia McMullen, Ivy Chavez & Kay Denny,

Happy New Year to all MTQG Members...our workshop will be January 23 at 10:00. We are looking forward to a great year of quilts to donate to our charities. Thank you for all the support. See you on the 23rd.

- 10:00 – 3:00 We are able to get into our room at Las Fuentes for Community Quilts by 9:30 a.m. to set up.
- 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.

Membership

Diana Ramsey

Thanks to everyone who has kindly updated us with her address, phone or email changes this past year! It helps us keep our contact information straight. We had no new members in December.

Opportunity Quilt

Sherri Hubbs

Thank you to the quilters who volunteered to do an opportunity block for this year's quilt. Thank you to those who have turned their blocks into me already. We still have a couple of blocks that still need to be turned in to me. Could you bring them to me at our January guild meeting so I can start putting it together? Thanks to all of you. The blocks look great.

January Birthdays

Jan Adams

Lynn Beck

Kathleen Bond

Ivy Chavez

Vera Flores

Mary Jane Godwin

Sharon Harris

Sharon Heilman

Marcia McMullen

Carol Trumpfheller

Sandra Wolf

Karen Eads

Carolyn Hamilton

If there are corrections or additions to this list please contact Bunny Autrey.



New Member Group

Kristi McHugh

The MTQG New Members Group meets the first Monday of each month from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., unless there is a conflict with a National Holiday. Our next meeting will be February 6, 2017. Every new MTQG member will receive an email reminder of the 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 in the MTQG Directory. Nonmembers, please use the email option on our MTQG contact web page.

Holiday Luncheon

Suzy Davidson

I want to thank everyone who helped put on our fantastic holiday brunch; especially my committee Judy Dallner, Bunny Autrey and Erin Sullivan. The food was wonderful; we have some amazing cooks in our guild. Your generosity to the food bank, shelters with gift cards and veterans with men's socks was overwhelming. And you are also very creative. The holiday trees were so clever. I hope you got to enjoy them. The winners of the trees were, Julie Dodds, Carlotta Brandenburg, Connie Massner, Connie Sieh, Sam Logan, Donna Morgan, Barbara Phiel, Judy Eller, Sandy Wright, Linda Cox and Pat Autrey. Thanks again to everyone. Hope you enjoyed the lunch and had a wonderful holiday.



MTQG General Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2016

Please turn off or put on vibrate all cell phones

Meeting called to order: 9:31 AM

Announcements:

1. Good morning, my name is Jan Adams and I want to welcome all of you to today's meeting and a special welcome to our new members and guests and Merry Christmas everyone!!!
2. Secretary and Treasurers reports are posted in the Fellowship hall, call for vote to approve both - approved by Sherri Hubbs, seconded by Linda Marley.
3. The Board has approved holiday contributions to the following: Arizona Quilter's Hall of Fame \$100, Lutheran Church \$250, Las Fuentes \$400, and Sharlot Hall \$100. This amount reflects the approved increases in donations by the membership last June for donations to the Lutheran Church and Las Fuentes.
4. Fun Day report - Carol Cooley ~ Fun Day will be Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8am-3 pm. Signups will be in January and February, and is open for 20 people at \$40 per person; this includes all the fabric as well as lunch. The Board has selected a Mystery Quilt pattern which will be revealed to the participants at Fun Day. Participants will need to bring sewing machine and supplies, and the Board will be your "worker bees" doing all the cutting and ironing so that participants need only sew the quilt top, and enjoy the lunch provided. The pattern is appropriate for all skill levels from beginner to advanced, and will include fabric choices as follows: Floral, Asian, Polka Dot, Geometric, and Red, White, & Black. Be sure to sign up in January or February, cash or checks accepted, no credit cards.
5. Suzy Davidson & Committee: Buffet-style luncheon, tables will approach the buffet in order. Water and coffee available, gluten-free food items are marked. Everyone receives a raffle ticket for door prizes. Each table will decorate the centerpiece tree, and one lucky person will take home the Christmas tree centerpiece.
6. Bonnie Hunter class ~ Carlotta Brandenburg announced that Thumb Butte Quilt Guild will offer a Bonnie Hunter class on Monday, January 9 for a half a day at \$30, and Tuesday, January 10 a full day at \$40. Please see Carlotta to sign up if interested.
7. Sale of fabric, thread, machines, patterns, notions, etc. in memory of Karla Morrison will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Prescott Country Club in Dewey. Please see flyer for more details.

Committee Reports

1. Welcome visitors - Gail Henry. Diana Ramsey's granddaughter Raven is visiting.
2. Membership – Diana Ramsey ~ no new members. Please see Diana to pick up your Guild directory
3. New members Group – Kristi McHugh ~ The next New Members meeting is Monday, January 2 from 10 -12 at the Hidden Valley Ranch Clubhouse. Kay Denny will demonstrate her piecing technique. Kristi also reminded all present that the parking lot must allow emergency/fire access to the people living above the church. In order to avoid being ticketed or towed, please park in the appropriate parking spaces. Thank you.
4. Programs - Pam Easley and Marti French ~ no report, please check the newsletter for upcoming programs. Ann Novak will present a trunk show in January, 2017.
5. Opportunity Quilt – Sherri Hubbs. 3 more blocks for the Opportunity Quilt need to be turned in by the January 2017 Guild meeting. Please see Sherri for details.
6. Sunshine – Bunny Autrey ~ MTQG member Margaret Grayson died in Colorado. Jimmie Johnson's skin graft surgery went well and she is recovering nicely. Linda Coppola's husband is making progress in his illness. Betty Quinn, long-time MTQG member had a stroke while in Mass and is now in rehab; her address for uplifting cards is: Webster at Rye, Room 408B, 795 Washington Rd, Rye, New Hampshire 03870. Linda Marley has a new grandson! Happy December birthday to the following members ~ Karen Adams, Janet Bailey, Linda Craig, Ruth Ann Clark, Kathy Dunn, Lois Frank, Darlene Gatewood, Kathi Gundlah, Phyllis Henley, Peggy Knox, Iris Lacey, Becky Renfroe, Nancy Sarver, Jan Smith, Jeanne Vick, and Suzy Whann.
7. AQG quilt show bus trip - Vicki Smola ~ Masters Touch bus is booked for Friday, March 24, 2017. The cost is \$38, 58 spaces available. The group will meet at the Wal-Mart on Highway 69 at 7:15 AM and will return at approximately 4:15 PM. You must pay when you sign up for the trip, and fees are non-refundable.
8. Carlotta Brandenburg shared that she will be bringing donations to the Hopi tribe for the Quilters in that area. Please contact Carlotta if you have any donations for the Hopi Quilters.

9. ECHOS- Jimmie Johnson ~ January 2017 Sam Logan will demonstrate her bag technique. In February the quilter who is going to demonstrate the two-sided binding technique has been called to jury duty. It is not yet determined whether the February ECHOS class will be held or not. Stay tuned!

10. Community Quilts – Dona Speights and Marcia McMullen ~ Quilts were donated to the following charities:
6 to CASA for adoptions, 7 to Dept. of Child Services in Prescott Valley, 5 to Hospice of the Pines, 6 to US Vets
Dec Total = 24 YTD Grand Total = 258

Thank you!!

No Community Quilt workday in December, see you in January! Please bring in Hobbs UPC codes to help decrease the cost of batting.

11. January snack people are: Linda Tremper, Jan Walls, Maureen Tritle, Sharon Watts, Barbara Troop, Kay Wentworth, Carol Trumpfheller, Darlene Williams, Bobbie Turnbow, Kathleen Williams, Genevieve Van Den Hout, Marie Willison, Nadeen Van Dyke, Corinne Windett, Cyndie Van Hook, Martie Winkleman, Sandra Wolf, Sue Van Hagel, Pat & Wayne Wolfe, Joan Vroom, and Sandra Wright

12. Thread brigade December – Maureen Carr and Bunny Autrey. Two more volunteers are needed, please. Sherri Hubbs and Pat Little volunteered. Thank you!

13. Show and Tell: Marcia McMullen, Martha McLellan, Marie Wilson, Kay Wentworth, Sandra Wolf, Karen Junger, Lucy Fields, Angie Christy, Maureen Carr, Kathleen Bond, and Michele Schneider.

14. Break for Christmas Luncheon

Meeting adjourned: 10:15 AM

Maureen Carr

☞ THINGS TO REMEMBER ☞

Remember to Bring:

Refreshments if it is your turn
Library Books

General Meeting

Monday, January 16, 2017
9:30 am
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott
First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, January 23, 2017 10:00 – 3:00
Las Fuentes Retirement Center
1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

Board Meeting

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



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