

The Summit, July 2017

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to a new year for Mountain Top Quilters' Guild. I am looking forward to each month of programs that are scheduled for our meetings, getting to know new members, learning new techniques in our classes that are coming up, checking out books from our ever-increasing library, participating in our ECHOS mini classes, quilt camps, our quilt show and our community service projects. MTQG has a lot of opportunities for every one of our members. So, finish those UFO's for our show that is coming up and jump right in to programs and activities you are interested in. It's going to be a great year!

Carol Cooley

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 August newsletter articles is **Wednesday, August 9th at noon.**

Spring Luncheon

Judy Dallner, Bobbie Turnbow, Jan Wall

Here's to all those brave souls who put together wonderful lunches, decorated the containers, and participated in a fun afternoon. We extend a very heartfelt THANK YOU to the table hostess for going the extra distance to create cheerful, inviting places for us to hang out. We had nine volunteers for table hostess and only about 40 attendees. The judge panel selected "Goddesses of the Quilted Cloth (Kathy Barrett/Marilyn Thompson) table as our 1st place winner; with Creative Gypsies (Suzy Davidson) a very close second. Congrats to the winners and again, thanks to all table hostesses for all your efforts.

The lunches were some of the most creative I've ever seen. Ladies, we have some talent in our group! The judge panel led by Dolores Schrock had a difficult time determining the winners for the best decorated boxes. Prizes were awarded for 1st place (Michelle Schneider), 2nd place (Connie Christian), 3rd place (Carlotta Brandenburg), and Honorable Mention (Mary Jane Goodwin).

Thank you for your participation and support.

ECHOS

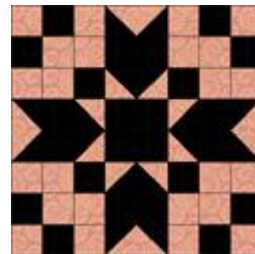
Education, Challenge, Help, Opportunity, Social

The ECHOS program is offered to Mountain Top Quilters members during the afternoon following the general meeting. Instruction in different techniques or information on how to do various projects is presented. The classes are usually taught by a MTQG member free of charge or for a nominal fee to cover the cost of supplies incurred by the instructor.

ECHOS was devised by Evelyn Russell in 2003. She and Jimmie Johnson continued to chair this important MTQG activity until July 2014. Jimmie has now retired, leaving *Diane Stockhaus* and *Maureen Carr* to oversee ECHOS this year.

July 17 - ECHOS will present Kathleen Bond who will give us directions on the use of the Accu-Cutter. Plan to attend this class and learn to use this handy tool for exact cutting of many quilting basic forms and novelties.

August 21 - Betty Foley will be our presenter.



Refreshments

Dolores Schrock

Members will be asked to bring a treat for this new year starting with last names of M to Z and then A to L. A few reminders about treats: Bring 2 containers of a finger food, ready to serve food item (we have 2 serving tables), label containers with your name, foods of all types are appreciated by members. For JULY the following M's are asked to share a treat for break time. Peggie MacKenzie, Beverly Markham, Linda Marley, Susan Masse, Jan Mawk, Sharon McAllister, Patty McClearn, Margot McDonnell, Rosie McDowell, Chris McGrew, Kristi McHugh, Martha McLellan, Marcia McMullen, Jennifer Mees, Sharon Melpolder, Carol Miller, Marguerite Miller, Donna Morgan, Adrienne Morrison, Phyllis Moss. Many thanks to each of you.

Programs

Pam Easley and Maureen Carr

July - Karen Fisher will be our speaker and present a workshop on July 17th and July 18th. Karen's program will be "Aesthetics of Quilting". She uses her background in art and art history along with her art quilts, which is how we make choices about what our quilts are about and finding our own voices as an art quilter.

The workshop is "Spice Up Your Borders". She will be showing different ways to do our borders. An example is on the program board to give everyone an idea of her different ideas for borders. The class will be \$36.00 and will be at the church from 9-4.

August - Jan Smith Trunk Show

September - Marcia McMullen Trunk Show (general meeting)

In the afternoon of our general meeting 9/18 from 1:00-4:00 Karen Justus and Geri Hrsek from Sun City West are teaching a Scrap Placemats class. - \$20. This fun class is in much demand at their local quilt club. It's all about using your scraps to create lovely works of art. There are examples on the program board and members can start signing up.

October - Carlotta Brandenburg - Trunk show and lecture

November - Martie Winkleman - Trunk show

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

Community Quilts is a Service Project for Mountain Top Quilters. We meet the 4th Monday of each month for a workday. Finished quilts are distributed throughout our Community to over 27 non-profit organizations. These include, but not limited to Hospices, children adoptive services, family and women's shelters, hospitals, veteran's organizations and special needs. We are most grateful to Las Fuentes who allows us to use their community room for our monthly workday!

- 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.

ALWAYS NEEDED: HOBBS UPC CODES!
Hobbs Charity Batting Program gives us a HUGE discount on 90" x 30 yd. rolls of batting. We use about 2 per work day. We need 5 UPC's per bolt ordered so you can see our need for the UPC's. The UPC's can be from any size package of Hobbs batting you may personally use. Both Michael's and Hobby Lobby carry Hobbs.

Membership

Diana Ramsey

The board has set our dues for 2017 at \$30. If you have not already done so, please download the Membership Renewal Form from our website, fill it out and turn it in along with your check or cash to me at the July meeting in order to have your name printed in the 2017-2018 Directory. I will also be taking photos for the Directory at the July meeting. Please see me before the meeting or during break if you haven't had your photo taken or if you would like a new photo in the directory this year. Please welcome our newest members: Ruth Ann Clark (returning member), Colleen Cristea, Marcia Jacobson, Laurie Kelley, Carole Lewis, and Linda Jacobson. Introduce yourself and invite them to join your mini-groups!

Fidget Quilts

Anne Brutsche

Hi Fellow MTQG members: Some of you took some packets of 16- 6 1/2" squares to sew for fidget quilts.

Please return at the next meeting in July as our group is ready and willing to complete and I will take these comfy quilts to Margaret T Morris as soon as I have a bunch to deliver. Thanks so much for your help in sewing the background squares together. It is so helpful in faster completion and ready to deliver quilts.

New!

YOUTH QUILTING PROGRAM (YQP)

Diana Ramsey

We are excited to with this newest concept for our guild. Thank you to all the members who came to our first planning meeting or who couldn't come but want to be involved in helping plan, organize and/or teach youths in our community the joy of quilting. If you have an interest in helping us, please let me know and I will add your name to our email list to keep you up-to-date on our plans and progress. Stay tuned for further progress reports!

Thread Brigade

Diane Stockhaus

Volunteers for the July Thread Brigade are Erin Sullivan and Maureen Carr. Other listed volunteers have let it be known that they are unable to help out in July, so another volunteer or two will be needed for July. Please see Diane Stockhaus prior to the July general meeting if you can help with this task.

As you know, maintaining a clean space at the church helps to insure our continued use of the facility for our monthly meetings. The Thread Brigade is responsible for vacuuming carpet in the aisles, between the pews, and in the podium area; and using the sticky roller to pick up loose threads on the pews themselves. Having three or four volunteers each month makes the task much shorter, and more thorough.

A sign up sheet for future months' thread brigade will be distributed at the July meeting. As a reminder, if you sign up for Thread Brigade, and are unable to participate, please help by finding a replacement for your month. Please let Diane know if you are unable to help or need to reschedule your time.

July Birthdays

Please notify Bunny Autrey if there are corrections or additions to this list.

Lucy Fields
Gail Henry
Audrey Jesse
Judy Larson
Marty Lensink
Peggy MacKenzie
Linda Marley
Susan Perry
Sharon Phelps
Diana Ramsey
Judith Ritner
Pat Schoenfeld
Jeanne Sellers
Bettie Setz
Diana Stockhaus
Dathleen Travares
Genevieve VanDenHout
Gail Van Horsen
Sandra Wright



MTQG General Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2017

Please turn off or put on vibrate all cell phones

Call meeting to order: 9:29 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.
2. Secretary and Treasurer Reports are posted in the Fellowship Hall. Call for a motion and vote to approve both. Approved by Sherri Hubbs, seconded by Dona Speights.
3. All chairpersons need to review their job descriptions and update any changes or additions. Year end reports are also due by the end of today's general meeting to Carol Cooley, as well as all keys for inventory.
4. All chair positions have been filled except for New Members Group. Two board members have taken on the responsibility for ECHOS; Maureen Carr and Diane Stockhaus. They are going to need the support of the membership to fulfill this obligation as they will also be busy with Board duties. Jimmie Johnson has volunteered to help with the transition. I would like to ask for one or two volunteers to chair the New Member Group as this has become a very important function to orient new members about our guild and to introduce them to new quilting skills. Marty Winkleman and Karen Adams will chair the new member Group. Thank you Marty and Karen.
5. Announce new committee chairs to membership. Please see list on MTQG website.
6. June luncheon; Judy Dahlner will tell us what to expect ~ prizes will be awarded to the best box lunch decorations. On the tables each drinking cup will have a number on it which will correspond with the number on the box lunch.

Committee reports:

1. Welcome Visitors; Gail Henry ~ Laurie Kelly and Colleen Cristela.
2. Membership; Diana Ramsey ~ no new members. In Diana's absence today please turn in membership dues to Michele Schneider.
3. New Members Group; Kristi McHugh ~ New Members group meets on the first Monday of the month at 10 AM at various locations. An email will be sent to all members regarding location and subject.
4. Programs; Pam Easley and Marti French ~
June ~ Spring Luncheon
July ~ Kate Fisher speaker, Tuesday July 18 workshop "Spice up your Borders" cost is \$36.00, at the church from 9-4.
August ~ Jan Smith trunk show
September ~ Marcia McMullen trunk show. Workshop following General meeting on Monday, September 18 from 1-4
Karen Justus and Geri Hrsek teaching Scrap Placemats class. Cost is \$20.
October ~ Carlotta Brandenburg trunk show and lecture
November ~ Marty Winkleman trunk show
December ~ Holiday Luncheon
5. Quilt Challenge; Marty Winkleman ~ Black, white, bright challenge will be voted on by members. Each member is given 3 tickets for secret vote. Winners will be announced at the Spring luncheon.
6. MTQG Quilt Show update; Linda Marley and Jan Adams ~ The Quilt Show will be held the first weekend in June 2018 at the Prescott Valley Event Center. The contract has been signed, and Gabby's Kitchen will provide the food. Bookmarks and posters are available. We are still in need of someone for the Publicity Chair position. If interested please contact Linda Marley or Jan Adams.
7. Opportunity Quilt update; Lapriel Schwan and Fran Leslie ~ ticket sales are going well. The quilt will be presented at the Wyoming Quilt Trail show in August.
8. Sunshine; Bunny Autrey ~ Bunny would like to begin an Elite 80s club for members age 80 and better! Happy June birthday wishes to the following members: Yolanda Arp, Jeanine Bleicher, Carlotta Brandenburg, Ann Brutsche, Jean Ehlers, Norma Kurr, Sam Logan, Kathy Lamoureux, Rosalie McDowell, Sharon Melpholer, Evelyn Nadelberg, Linda Tremper, Marie Willison, Sue Von Hagel, Joan Vroom, Kay Wentworth, and Sue Ely.
9. ECHOS; Jimmie Johnson ~ Jimmy Johnson has chaired ECHOS since its inception in the 1970s. Thank you Jimmie for your many years of dedication! Jimmie will be stepping down to be replaced by Maureen Carr and Diane Stockhaus.

June ~ no ECHOS

July ~ Kathleen Bond will demonstrate the Accu-Quilt cutter

August ~ Betty Foley will demonstrate Stack and Whack

10. Day Quilt Retreat; Erin Sullivan ~ in Erin's absence Maureen Trittle reported the Retreat will be held at the Marriott Residence Inn August 14–16 from 8am-10pm. Cost is \$50. The retreat is full but there is a waiting list. Please contact Erin Sullivan or Maureen Trittle for more information.

11. Thread brigade; Linda Marley ~ today's Brigade is Sue Ely, Erin Sullivan, Fran Leslie, and Carolyn Hamilton. Please sign up to help keep our meeting place tidy.

12. Community Quilts; Dona Speights and Marcia McMullen ~ no Work Day in June. Please bring in Hobbs UPC codes to help defray the cost of batting. Year to date: 546 quilts delivered - Thank you, thank you! Quilts donated this past month to the following charities:

9 CASA

5 Catholic Charities

6 Community Pregnancy Center

6 Granite Mountain Hospice

8 Hospice of the Pines

7 Marley House

10 Stepping Stones

5 US Vets

5 VA Hospital

5 YRMC Peds

13. Installation of new Board Members ~ President Carol Cooley, President-elect Diane Stockhaus, Secretary Susan Masse, Treasurer Michele Schneider, Program chair Pam Easley, Program co chair Maureen Carr.

14. President to present thank you gifts to 2016–2017 Chairs and Board members ~ President Jan Adams presented all Chairs and Board members with beautiful handmade gifts. Thank you Jan!

15. Presentation of President's Quilt; Carol Cooley ~ A beautiful bird themed quilt was presented to President Jan Adams in recognition of her presidency 2016–17. The Quilt was assembled and quilted by Carol Cooley.

16. Show and Tell; Maxine Everaert ~ members are reminded to print their names on the sign-in sheet. The following members shared beautiful quilts: Charlene Coxworth, Mary Jane Goodwin, Sherri Hubbs, Betty Foley, Karen Adams, Kay Wentworth, Ann Ramsey, Linda Marley, Jan Adams, and Michele Schneider.

17. Break for Spring Luncheon

Meeting adjourned: 10:45am

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen Carr, Secretary





THINGS TO REMEMBER



Remember to Bring:

Library Books

General Meeting

Monday, July 17, 2017

9:30 am

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, July 24, 2017 10:00 – 3:00

Las Fuentes Retirement Center

1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

No workshop in June.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be at 1:00 on August 7 at Carol Cooley's house. Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Carol Cooley.



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