

The Summit, June 2017

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our calendar year is almost over and I like to think that we (the Board and the membership) have accomplished much over the last 12 months. We've had two very successful quilt camps that were so popular that we've added a third; we've made new quilting friends with our Hopi quilting sisters and I believe this friendship will only grow into a rich cultural experience; we've started two new mini groups, the Fidgets and a brand new crazy quilting group; Fun Day was an outstanding success with all but 2 participants completing their quilt top; our Opportunity Quilt was completed, label was signed by Karen Kay Buckley and we have two very able volunteers to sell tickets; the Guild has donated almost 500 quilts to various charities and we've had some wonderful, talented guest speakers and class teachers. Thank you for all your hard work, your dedication and support to all of these activities, and for your friendship. My Board has been the best and I couldn't be more proud of all the work you've done to represent Mountain Top Quilting Guild. My sincere appreciation to everyone for your support and for helping this "newby" lead the Guild.

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 July newsletter articles is Wednesday, July 5th at noon.

Spring Luncheon

Bobbie Turnbow

Are you ready for some fun?

It's almost time! The program for our June business meeting will be the **Box Social Spring Event**.

Put your thinking caps on and dream up a creative picnic lunch, put it in a decorated container (box, basket, bag, etc. to be given away with the food), and come have some fun. Use any theme you desire. Bring your container full of goodies and we'll supply the ice cream dessert, coffee, and tea. Here are some of the particulars:

Please identify whether it is 'regular', vegan, or gluten free. Also, a simple list of ingredients on the outside would be helpful.

Containers will be judged before we distribute the lunches. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best Effort will be presented after our meal and before the games.

As stated earlier, there will be some game playing after our picnic. We'll have prizes for the game winners.

Drop off your picnic container before the business meeting. Then be ready to share some good food, good chatter, and to have a chance to win some prizes.

See you there!

P.S. We forgot to ask for clean-up volunteers earlier...so we're asking now. Just let us know when you turn in your container. Thanking you in advance for your help.

ECHOS

Jan Walls, Jimmie Johnson

June 19 - There will be no ECHOS class as we will be having our annual Spring luncheon.

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.

Programs

Pam Easley and Marti French

June - Spring Luncheon

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 & Kay Denny,

"NO COMMUNITY QUILT WORKSHOP IN JUNE". Because Las Fuentes has scheduled an event the same time as our workshop in the same room, we will NOT be having our Community Quilts workshop in June. The next workshop will be on July 24th. See you then.

- 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

Membership dues for 2017-2018 have been set by the Board at \$30. Please download the Membership Renewal form on our website and fill in any changes you have made to your address, phone or email. We also need to get everyone's birthday month so we can update our Sunshine files, so please be sure to fill that out for us. Diana will be glad to take a new photo for the Directory if you want one, otherwise she will use the photo she has on file. Remember: if you want to be in the Directory, you should get your dues in by the July meeting. If you are going to be out of town, please mail them to our P.O. box which is listed on the newsletters. There are no new members this month and corrections to the Directory will not be sent out as there are too many, and the new Directory will have the updated info in it for you to review.

June Birthdays

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

Yolanda Arp
Jeannine Bleicher
Carlotta Brandenburg
Anne Brutsche
Jean Ehlers
Norma Kurr
Kathy Lamoureux
Sam Logan
Rosalie McDowell
Sharon Melpolder
Eve Nadelberg
Linda Tremper
MarieWillison
Sue Von Hagel
Joan Vroom



Minutes Mountain Top Quilters Guild May 15, 2017

President Jan Adams welcomed members and visitors at 9:30.

The annual meeting was opened with the following items being presented and voted upon.

1. After no additional nominations were made for the 2017-2018 MTQG Board, it was moved and seconded and approved by membership that the following would be new Board members:

Carol Cooley, President

Diane Stockhaus, Vice President

Susan Masse, Secretary

Michele Schneider, Treasurer

Pam Easley, Maureen Carr, Programs

2. A finance committee was formed and met to review the guild budget and to consider how to manage the current surplus of funds now in accounts. Michele Schneider presented the financial committee decisions summary:

- After reviewing data from two years of budgets, it was shown that the budget is consistent, with the quilt show supplying enough funds to support guild activities, including classes and community service projects.
- Each committee chair was asked for additional budgeting needs they may need in the coming year.
- At least two national instructors will be sought for classes.
- A marketing director is needed.
- Purchase additional community quilts equipment.

3. Sharon Heilman is stepping down after 10 years as a volunteer webmaster for the guild. Sharon has given the Board 1 year notice so a replacement can be found. DreamWare is the software presently being used and any new member volunteer would need to take a Yavapai Collage class and then make a five year commitment as webmaster. If this does not occur, the Board would have to use an outside webmaster, which at this time is an unknown cost. Therefore, the Board voted to forego additional increases in next year's budget in order to have reserve funds, as needed, for a possible new webmaster.

It was moved and seconded to approve the annual budget for 2017-2018.

The annual meeting was adjourned.

The general meeting was opened by Jan Adams, President.

Announcements:

1. A new mini group focusing on crazy quilting is being formed. The group will meet for the first time Wednesday, 5/24/17 at 10:00. Contact Caroline Hamilton or Fran Leslie for information and location of the meeting.
2. The Yavapai County Cowbells asked for volunteers to appliqué (machine or hand) ranch brands on their opportunity quilt.
3. Vera Burns, long time Mountain Top member has passed away.
4. New Chair positions still open are: ECHOS, mini groups
5. Chair job descriptions are due at the June meeting.
6. The new library cabinet has been installed.
7. Sherri Hubbs, presented the new opportunity quilt for 2017-2018. It has been appraised but the appraisal amount has not been completed. The label was signed by the designer, Karen Kay Buckley. The quilt is being taken to Wyoming for a 5 town quilt show. An opportunity quilt chair is needed to market the quilt.
8. A thank you card was read that came from a seriously injured service woman who was extremely grateful for the quilt sent to her by one of our mini groups.
9. Gail Henry welcomed visitors Linda Snapley, Marsha Jacobsen and mother/daughter Elaine and Sophia James. Sophia, 10 years old, displayed her first quilt made with member Diana Ramsey's assistance. Diana suggested a new mini group to provide sewing classes to interested children.
10. Diana Ramsey, directory chair, asked that members include their birthday months on their membership dues form.
11. The new member mini group will meet at Cloth Plus, June 5th, at 10:00 a.m.
12. Bunny Autrey, Sunshine Chair, reported on condolence cards sent, returning members and recognized May birthdays. She announced that Joan Carrel has new twin grandchildren.
13. Program updates: Kelly Grant will be presenting her trunk show of Judy Niemeyer designed quilts as well as teaching the class on May 16th to members. Next month is the June Luncheon. The theme is a box lunch. Members are to bring a decorated box or bag with lunch items inside. Sign up sheets were passed for table hostesses. There will be prizes given for the decorated box or bags.
14. Quilt Show co-chair, Linda Marley reported that bookmarks have been ordered. A motion was passed to approve the purchase of tickets, which are more than \$300.00, as needed by MTQG bylaws. The Prescott Valley Event Center 2018 quilt show rental contract is \$6,000.00.
15. Hopi Friendship Trip Chair, Bobbie Turnbow, reported that 12 MTQG members participated. There was a meet and greet at Odegaard's Quilt Shop in Flagstaff, then lunch at Sizzler and a private Museum of Northern Arizona tour that featured Hopi Quilts and crafts.
16. Completed fidget quilts were displayed by Ann Brutsche. They will be donated to facilities for Alzheimer's and dementia patients. The fidget quilt mini group has made simple kits for anyone to piece together. The mini group will then add embellishments to the 24"x 24" quilts before donation.
17. Carlotta Brandenburg announced Thumb Butte classes on 'Coloring Fabric' and 'Mix it Up' are available for sign up. There will be classes held during the Thumb Butte Quilt Show.
18. Martie Winkelman announced that completed quilts for the Black, White and Bright Challenge are due in June.
19. Kay Wentworth announced that the chamber is asking for quilts to hang that are no larger than 25"x25". These quilts will be on display for several months.
20. Michelle Schneider announced that she is collecting a \$40.00 deposit for the August 14-16 Day Quilting Retreat at the Marriott Residence Inn. If there are 25 participants, the total cost will be \$90.00. If 20 participants, the cost will be \$110.00. The cost covers the meeting room and catering by Wildflower. Lunch includes water, lunch and dessert.
21. Marcia McMullen reminded members that Community Quilts meets at Las Fuentes on Mondays from 9:30 to 2:30. She requested members continue to bring Hobbs batting price bar codes. Jan Wall is now delivering quilts to various community charities. Casa Adoption Day is May 26th at 2:00. Approximately 500 quilts are donated each year to the community. At this time, almost that number have already been contributed.
22. Show and Tell: Fun Day completed quilts were shown. The following members showed their completed quilts: Charlene Coxworth, Marie Willison, Betty Foly, Sherri Hubbs, Michele Schneider, Peggy Nehring, Kay Wentworth, Martie Winkelman, Karen Adams, Gail Henry.
23. Lapreil Schwan and Fran Leslie volunteered to head the Opportunity Quilt Marketing effort.

The general meeting was closed at 11:16.

Program: by Kelly Grant, a Judy Niemeyer certified instructor, presented a trunk show of Judy Niemeyer quilts. Her website is learn2paperpiece.com.

Minutes submitted by Carol Cooley

☞ THINGS TO REMEMBER ☞

Remember to Bring:

Box Lunch for June Social

General Meeting

Monday, June 19, 2017

9:30 am

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

NO WORKSHOP IN June 7, 2017

Next Workshop on July 24.

Las Fuentes Retirement Center

1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

No workshop in June.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be July 3rd at Michele Schneider'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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