

The Summit, May, 2013

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The calendar says May 7th but the weather says Feb. 7th. I guess one of these days it will get warm and stay that way for a while.

Firstly:

We still need to fill some committee chair positions. We are looking for the following:

1. Library – this position is ideal for 2 or 3 people to share the work load.
2. Block of the Month
3. AQG Bus trip
4. Show and Tell
5. Mini Group
6. New members

These positions vary in time commitment and duties. If you are interested, I would suggest that you talk to the current chairs. The sign up sheet will be at the May meeting or you can email me if you want to volunteer.

Secondly:

All current chairs need to have their yearly report covering the activities of their committee turned into the board by June 30th.

Thirdly:

The board needs a volunteer to audit the financial records from this year. If you can do this, please contact me or Jennifer Mees.

Kathy

ANNUAL MEETING FOR MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD MAY 20, 2013

The Directors of the Mountain Top Quilters Guild announce the Annual Meeting for Mountain Top Quilters Guild (MTQG) will take place on May 20, 2013 at the First Lutheran Church, 231 W Smoketree Lane, Prescott, AZ at 9:45 am.

The business to be transacted at this meeting will be as follows:

- 1) Election by the members of the 5 Directors of MTQG
- 2) Transact other business that may properly come before the membership.

*****BY ARIZONA STATE LAW, only current members of MTQG may vote.** If you would like to vote, you can become a member by paying your dues before May 20th.

The Director nominees are: Diana Ramsey (President), Lapreil Schwan (President-Elect), Carol Cooley (Secretary), Arlene Tribble (Treasurer) and Carolyn Doyle (Program Chair).

Please leave the first two pews on the right available for our photographer and those giving reports during the guild meeting.

Membership

Suzy Davidson

No new members this month. If you have any changes to your contact information, please let me know so everyone can keep their directories up to date.

Directory

Jennifer Mees

I've received 30 pictures for the new Directory. Keep them coming, please. I need them by July's meeting to meet my deadline. One new instruction: please be sure the picture is at least 50 KB and less than 500 KB. Too small doesn't work. Thanks.

Quilt Show 2014 Pin Design Challenge

Kathy Barrett and Susan Perry (your quilt show co-chairs) have selected "Quilting Binds Friends Together" as the theme for the 2014 quilt show. Now we need a design to use on our pins, bookmarks and posters. Are there a few of you who'd like to create a design for consideration? Please submit your designs to Kathy or Susan no later than the May 20th MTQG meeting. We need to make bookmarks to handout at the TBQ show June 14 and 15. The lucky winner will be gifted with fabric from our stash.

June Luncheon

Diana Ramsey

The Board is hosting the June Luncheon again this year and they will pass around sign-up sheets at the May General meeting for: Meat Salad, Veggie Salad, Fruit Salad, and Dessert. Additionally, they are asking that you consider signing up to decorate a table for 9. The theme is "Summer Picnic" and paper plates, plastic ware etc. are totally acceptable. Helpers to set up and clean up are also needed. If you have any questions, please contact Diana Ramsey at liv2quilt@cablone.net or 928-499-8792.

New Quilts at the Prescott Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center

Carolyn Edwards

Got quilts? Got patriotic quilts? It's time to change the small quilts at the Prescott Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. If you've got a small quilt to spare and share for a couple of months, please let Joan Carrell or me know. Size needed is 30" square or smaller. We like to hang patriotic quilts for the summer months. Quilts have been on display at the Visitor Center continually since April of 2009. This is a joint effort between MTQG and TBQ. Our quilts publicize our quilt guilds in the area--the staff and visitors love 'em! The quilts are safe--no one is in the Visitor Center unless the Staff and Volunteers are there during "business hours", and they're hung high enough where a ladder is needed to reach them.

Hospitality

Corinne Windett and Dolores Schrock

Thanks to the following ladies who offered to bring refreshments to our May 20 meeting. We appreciate your volunteering. Shirley April, Julie Dodds, Pat Folsom, Iris Lacey, Judy Larson, Marty Lensink, Beverly Markham, Jan Mawk, Chris McGrew, Elin Myers, Susan Perry, Nadine Pierce, Pat Schoenfeldt, Hildy Smith, Joan Stanfield, Marilyn Thompson, Arlene Tribble, Carol Trumpfheller, Ellen Von Brentano and Jan Walls.

A very Happy Birthday to our members born in May. Have a fun filled day!

Sally Becker	Cindy Phare
Rae Cooper	Meg Roberson
Lynne Gray	Genevieve Van Den Hout
Helen Manion	B'Anne Younker
Tina Mc Cowan	Suzy Davidson

Newsletter Note

The **deadline** for June **newsletter articles** is Wednesday, June 5th at noon.

Treasurer

Jennifer Mees

Per MTQG's Standing Rules, all expense reimbursements must follow the procedure outlined below. Please review and if you have any questions contact your Committee Chair or the Treasurer.

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS:

1. All expenditures should be pre-approved by the appropriate Committee Chair, who will verify that the proposed expenditure is within the Committee Budget.
2. The member will then promptly complete a MTQG Expense Reimbursement form, obtain the Committee Chair's signature and submit the form, along with all the receipts, to the Treasurer.
3. All submitted receipts must be dated within the current fiscal year.
4. All MTQG Expense Reimbursement forms for the current fiscal year should be submitted to the Treasurer by the June member meeting, but no later than June 25th.

ECHOS

Jimmy Johnson and Evelyn Russell

This month Linda Marley will be teaching various ways to make bias tape, including using the Bias Tape Maker. Bring some fabric to try out the tools.

June is our Spring Luncheon, so we will not have an ECHOS program. We are gathering ideas for the rest of the year, so if you have any ideas we have a couple of months open. See Jimmie or Evelyn.

Accuquilt GO Cutter

Diana Ramsey

The Accuquilt GO cutter has become a "hot item!" Sign up in the Fellowship Hall during break at the May meeting or call Diana at 928-499-8792 if you would like to play with this wonderful tool. Loan time is for one week intervals, and sometimes longer if there is no one on the wait list.

MTQG Friendship Quilt Challenge

Carolyn Edwards

I WANT YOUR ORPHAN BLOCKS! If you're NOT making a Friendship Quilt, please dig out one of your orphan blocks, sign it, and give it to me!! I'm hoping to have 100% member participation in this Friendship Quilt Challenge, and this is how you can be included!

June 17, 2013 -- your 1st deadline! And that's next month!! If you're planning to be a part of this Friendship Quilt Challenge, that's when your Friendship Quilt TOP is due! Plan to share the story of your Friendship Quilt. We've heard several stories from members this year about a Friendship Quilt currently in their own personal lives. The stories are the best part, the poignant part, the special part, the part that tugs on our heartstrings. And thanks to everyone who has shared these quilts throughout the year! You, your friendship quilts, and your stories have enhanced the spirit of this Challenge!

I recently 'rescued' a set of 16 tulip friendship blocks. No provenance was included, so I am having a lot of fun arranging the blocks and dreaming up the story as to why and how they were created! However, it would be much easier if that information was included! So, I stress again--if you are creating a Friendship Quilt, it's a whole lot more valuable if you include an explanation of its origin and a date on the quilt top or on the label!

JOANN'S DISCOUNT CARD

Did you know that, as a member of MTQG, you are eligible for a 10% discount card through Joann.com? The discount applies to all regular, sale and discount merchandise but you cannot use it in conjunction with a discount coupon. To get your card, simply go to www.joann.com, scroll to bottom of page and click on VIP program. Fill out the required information and bring your MTQG roster or membership ID tag along with a photo ID to the store after you receive your card in the mail to activate it. Then, just enjoy shopping with a discount!

Programs

Linda Marley and Sharon Phelps

Monday, May 20th: “The Art Form of Indonesian Batik” lecture and trunk show with Joyce Heuett, AKA “The Batik Lady.” She’ll introduce you to the history, process of design, and the people. Plus, she’ll have fabrics for sale from Timbal (Patchwork) to the beautiful Prada cloth woven with threads of gold to be sold in sarong lengths (2 meters). Bring cash or checks as she can’t take credit cards.

Monday, June 17th: Spring Luncheon

Tuesday & Wednesday, June 18-19: Sign-ups continue this month for a 2-day painting workshop which Barbara Polston has offered to teach MTQG members at no charge. Students will just need to pay \$15 for each day’s class to cover kit fees and a facilities charge. Fees are due at the time of registration. Tuesday will be “The Courage to Paint,” a class Barbara taught at Mountain Top Quilters in January, 2011, and is a prerequisite for the next workshop. Wednesday is the follow-up class “Vintage Roses Painted Appliqué.” (Those who took the January 2011 class may just register for the second day’s class.) Details of the class and supply lists are available on Barbara’s website: <http://barbarapolston.com/teaching.shtml> Paints are available locally at The Art Store. Workshops will be held at Miller Valley Baptist Church, 815 Whipple St., Prescott, AZ.

Monday, July 15: Local designer Susan Joy Noyes will be sharing her unique quilting designs from the simple to the incredible which she says are ideal for a variety of decorating projects including quilts, of course. She’s soon going to be making these designs available on her website. <http://www.ShowcaseDesignElements.com>

If choosing quilting patterns is a challenge for you, you won’t want to miss this great source of inspiration.

Monday, August 19: “Joy of Quilting” trunk show by new MTQG member Marcia McMullen featuring her hand-pieced and hand-quilted works of art.

Tuesday, August 20: Sign-ups begin for “Album Joy”-- All-day reverse appliqué workshop with Marcia. Payment will be due starting in July.

Participants will work on or two 12-inch finished reverse appliqué blocks, all done by hand. Patterns for all four blocks plus other tips and tricks will result in the 40-inch square quilt entitled “Album Joy.”

Monday, September 16: “The Old, the New, the Modern” trunk show by MTQG founding member Jimmie Johnson. A program that’s sure to be a treat as she shares quilts and techniques from years gone by up to today.

Monday, October 21: “I don’t Exaggerate. . . I Embellish” Trunk show of wearable art garments by Payson’s award-winning wearable artist and teacher Leslie Peacock. She’ll be sharing information about the fabulous threads and techniques she uses. Check out her website: <http://www.lesliepeacock.com/index.html>

Monday afternoon, Oct. 21 & all day Tuesday, Oct. 22: “Fantasy Fabric Jacket”

This 1½-day workshop with Leslie will have participants making their own fabric on Monday and then adding it to their jacket on Tuesday. Sign-ups will begin in July. The \$80 class fee will include the jacket pattern, fusible material and tulle.

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February 17-18: “A Quilter’s Lumberyard” with Cheryl Coffman and Patty Bowers.

March 17: Presentation of TOAD finalists, with TOAD Queen Kay Denny

April 21: Tips ‘n Tricks from our membership

May 19: Finalizing our Quilt Show

Community Quilts

Patti Taber and Lapreil Schwan

Community Quilts is the service project for Mountain Top Quilters. We meet the 4th Monday of each month for a workday. We distribute kits for piecing and quilts for quilting or tying and/or binding at our monthly guild meetings. The finished quilts are distributed throughout the community to non-profit hospices, children adoptive services, and family and women's shelters. We are most grateful to Las Fuentes who lets us use their community room for our monthly workday. Their address is 1035 Scott Drive, Prescott. If you have questions, stop by our table at the next guild meeting.

Our May workday is scheduled for Monday, May 27 from 9:30 am until 3 pm. Please give us a visit. You can sort fabric, press or cut fabric, sandwich quilts, piece tops, batting and backs, quilt, bind, and sew on labels. We would love to have you join

us! Please park behind the building near the garage..

The people who have volunteered to bring food for our workday are:

Breakfast treat: Kathleen Bond

Lunch salad: Judy Hughes and Marty Lensink

Dessert: Diane Ramsey and ?

Fabric Yard Sale!!!!

June 14 & 15, 7 am to 1 pm

At: Carol Stewart's House
806 Douglas Avenue
Prescott, AZ

Also available, potholders, table runners, small quilts, etc...

☞ **THINGS TO REMEMBER** ☞

Remember to Bring:

Library: all items that are due

Comm. Quilts: Finished quilts, Hobbs UPC's

General Meeting

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Monday, May 20th 9:30 a.m.

First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, May 27th, 9:30 – 3:00

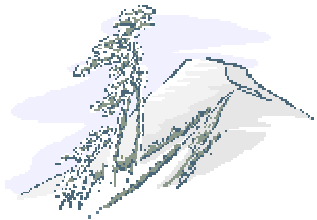
Las Fuentes Retirement Center

1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table

Board Meeting

The next board meeting is June 4th at 10am. Please contact Kathy Dunn for location if you plan to attend.



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