

The Summit, November 2012
MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Members,

Here we are and it is November. I'm sure everyone is thrilled that the elections are over. I know that I am. Now it is time to finish those Christmas quilts (only weeks to go). I know my messages are very short and this one is even shorter. I'm on the road headed home from my daughter's home. See you at our November meeting. Take Care,

Kathy

Membership

Kathy Barrett

We had 4 new members join in October. Please say 'Hi' and chat with Patricia Autrey, Ruth Ann Clark, Carol Cone, Lois Fox.

Thanks, Kathy

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

Treasurer's Report

Jennifer Mees

Just a quick reminder: submit all expenses in a timely manner. Reimbursement request forms can be found on our website. All Committee Chairs must approve your request in writing or by sending me an email. Don't forget to include all receipts.

Reimbursement Requests are paid by the Bill Pay system at AZ State Credit Union. The envelope will have a return address of "Bill Payment Processing Center PO Box 7236, Sioux Falls, SD"

When you receive your check, please let me know by email. If you don't receive a check within 2-3 weeks of submitting a request, please send me an email and I will look into it.

Thanks!

Hospitality

Corinne Windett and Dolores Schrock

During this season of giving thanks for our blessings, we on the Refreshment Committee are especially grateful to all of you for the wonderful treats you bring each month for the Guild's enjoyment. Thank you so much. Would the following ladies please bless us with their treats at our November 19 meeting: Hazel Karetov, Kathleen Kauffman, Maggie Keller, Genny Kerutis, Janice Kay, Lynda Kinnear, Iris Lacey, Annette Ladehoff, Karen Lamb, Kathy Lamoureux, Candy Lara, Judy Larson, Sandy Lawson, Marty Lensink, Fran Leslie, Gerri Lindloff, Pat Little, Sam Logan and Lee Long.

Happiness thought for November: "Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things."

Robert Brault

Please note: If you would like a copy of a show and tell photo used in the slideshow, contact Sharon Heilman and she will send you a copy.

New DIRECTORY

Diana Ramsey

The new 2012 - 2013 Directories are available for pickup at the November meeting. They will be located on the sign-in table in the Fellowship Hall. If you know someone who will not be at the meeting, please offer to pick up their directory for them that day. Thank you.

ECHOS

Jimmy Johnson and Evelyn Russell

This month Lynn Gray will be teaching paper piecing a Santa Wall Quilt. If you signed up and cannot come, please let Jimmie or Evelyn know as we do have a waiting list.

We are excited about our first program in 2013. Lorraine Owen is teaching her technique for making self portraits. She will have her portrait quilt to show and we will be taking early sign-ups. This is anticipated to be a fun class.

We have had requests for a couple of classes: Redwork embroidery and sweatshirt jackets. We would like to have volunteers to teach these classes, so this is the time to share your talents.

In answer to a number of inquiries as to what is ECHOS? This program was started a number of years ago when we realized that even though we had use of the facility where we were meeting at the time, as soon as the morning meeting was over everyone left. To make use of the space and fulfill members needs, ECHOS was formed. The name is an acronym using the first letters of the following words: E - education, a chance to learn; C - challenge, the opportunity to be challenged into new quilting techniques; H - help with quilting problems; O - opportunity for members to teach and share talents; S - social, getting to know other members. In light of the ECHOS program definition, we

encourage all members to participate, learn and enjoy.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Granville Mini-Group

"Mele Kalikimaka is the thing you say on a bright Hawaiian Christmas Day" so get ready for a luau celebration in December. The ladies at Granville are pleased to host this year's Christmas luncheon on December 17th. And many of our members have generously offered to help set up, help clean up and bring goodies and salads for all to enjoy. Pupu platters will be provided full of fun finger foods. The table game will be our ever-popular Left-Right-Center so bring 3 squares of Hawaiian, tropical or floral fabrics, cut in 6" squares if you want to join the fun at your table. We are also asking for donations of gift cards to Walmart in the amount of \$10 to be given to the local Prescott Area Women's Shelter (PAWS) to be used for the many needs they have each day to help care for homeless women and their children. Our leftover food will also be taken to the shelter after lunch. Mahalo nui!

Accuquilt GO! Fabric Cutter

Diana Ramsey

Have you checked out the Accuquilt Fabric Cutter recently? We have many cutting dies including several sizes of strips which are especially nice for making bindings and sashings. And the new Winding Ways die cuts all the pieces needed to make this beautiful quilt in no time at all. There are a lot of quilt ideas on line at www.accuquilt.com. See me during break time if you are interested in using the cutter for a week (sometimes longer) at a time. If you aren't trained, a simple 5 minute session is all it takes!

To our members born in November, we wish you a very happy birthday.

Fran Bagley	Nyla Paulsen
Kathy Barrett	Barbara Phiel
Dori Hendrickson	Dorothy Philblad
Judy Hughes	Helen Pickens
Pat Little	Joan Pratt
Chris Mc Grew	Joyce Smith
Ann Novak	Sharon Watt

MTQG Friendship Quilt Challenge

Carolyn Edwards

I'm excited that you're excited!!! I'm having a ball watching you all "catch on fire"! I think we've got something going here! I heard so many great comments from so many of you at the last meeting. You've made blocks, you're sending muslin squares to your friends, you're challenging each other in your mini-groups, you're bringing Friendship Quilts to Show & Tell and you're sharing your friendship stories! Isn't it fun? Keep it up! And, hey! I only received ONE signed orphan block. That tells me that the rest of you really are working on or planning to make a Friendship Quilt. Woo hoo!

I know I've shared with some of you the fundraiser quilt I found in the book "Forget Me Not" by Jane Bentley Kolter. It was made in 1895 of red and white half-square triangles. It was made on behalf of the women of the Park Street Methodist Church in Atlanta. For a donation of ten cents, your name would be inscribed on the white part of each 2.75 inch half-square triangle. There were 810 signatures on the quilt! (Let's see now...that's \$81.00!) And recently I read about a Red Cross Quilt made in 1918 in Wichita Falls, Texas. Quiltmaker Anna Clare Tate Stanfield accepted donations to add names to the quilt, and then donated the quilt to the Red Cross to be sold at auction. High bidder on the quilt was a Dr. Parnell, who then returned it to Mrs. Stanfield in appreciation for all the work she had put into it!

So...I'd like to challenge one or two of you to make a fundraiser friendship quilt! Make a quilt, decide on a charity of your choice, collect signatures AND donations! Seems like the International Quilt Study

Center in Lincoln, NE, would be an excellent fundraiser! Or, how about breast cancer? Let's go, Quilters! I know you can do it!!

In any event...and no matter what...I hope you all are working on a Friendship Quilt for the Guild Challenge. If you're not going to do it, don't forget to turn in one of your 'orphan blocks' signed by you! Friendship quilt tops are due by June 2013. Signed orphan blocks are due now or whenever you figure out you're not going to make the June deadline! So, quilters...start stitching NOW!

Programs

Linda Marley and Sharon Phelps

Monday, November 19th: "Going to Quilt Market" with Maylee Collins from Seams Sew Right Quilt Studio in Prescott. She'll be giving a presentation on the newest quilting innovations from Quilt Market.

Monday, December 17th: Annual Christmas Luncheon

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Monday, January 21st: "Designing Themed Quilts" with Cindy Phare. She'll be sharing her award-winning "Pirate's Treasure" quilt and demonstrating how she creates a pattern. She's also inviting other MTQG members to contact her about sharing their own theme quilts during this fun and inspiring presentation. She has some surprises in store ...more in upcoming newsletters.

Tuesday, January 22nd: All-day workshop with Cindy. Registration begins this month with a class fee of only \$10 (payable when you sign up) and is limited to 10-12 students. Who should sign up? Anyone who wants advice on designing her own theme quilt. In this workshop Cindy Phare will share her techniques and tips to help you create your very own quilt pattern. This class will not require participants to bring any sewing supplies or machines.

Monday, February 18th: "The Quilter's Workout" with Lynn McLaughlin. Lynn will instruct us on stretching and strengthening to keep us doing what we love to do.

Programs continued:

Monday, March 18th: T.O.A.D. Queen Kay Denny returns to challenge us to complete a "Treasured Object Almost Done" in time for our next quilt show.

Monday, April 15th: Biennial Rummage Sale

Tuesday, April 16th: "Fun Day" is back with a new pattern put together by the MTQG board. Sign-ups for this all-day workshop open next month and will close in February 2013. The \$60 fee (payable when you register) includes all your fabrics pre-cut and ready for you to sew into a lap (?) sized top. You choose between spring/summer OR autumn/fall.

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 for sale fabrics from Timbal (Parchwork) to the beautiful Prada cloth woven with threads of gold.

Monday, June 17th: Spring Luncheon

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February 17-18: "A Quilter's Lumberyard" with Cheryl Coffman and Patty Bowers

MTQ Totes and Show Pins

Kristi McHugh

Our \$12.00 MTQ Totes are large, are gusseted and have an inside pocket with a zipper and a zipper across the top of the tote. They are the perfect size for your quilting projects, large to small. Our \$5.00 MTQ Pins display the theme of the show this year, a child sleeping under a quilt. The totes and pins will be for sale in the church fellowship next to membership before meetings and at the break.

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.

This month we gave quilts to Granite Mountain Hospice and the Prescott Area Women's Shelter. We took 45 quilts to the Court House for the CASA adoption. **The CASA adoption day will take place Saturday, November 17, at 10 am at the courthouse. We invite you to attend this wonderful event.**

Our November workday is Monday, November 26 from 9:30 am until 3:30 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; otherwise, we take up the parking spaces for the elderly inhabitants.

The people who have volunteered to bring food for our November 26 workday will be announced at the November 19 meeting.



THINGS TO REMEMBER



Remember to Bring:

Library: Items that are due

Comm. Quilts: Finished quilts, Hobbs UPC's

General Meeting

Monday, November 19th 9:30 a.m.

First Lutheran Church

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, November 26th, 9:30 – 3:30

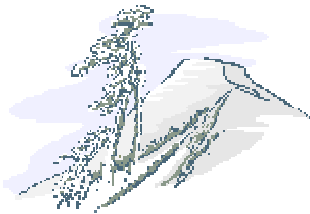
Las Fuentes Retirement Center

1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table

Board Meeting

The next Board meeting will be December 3rd at 10 am at Sherri Hubbs house. Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Kathy Dunn.



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