

The Summit, October 2017

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I have been quilting for many years, but well before the internet, quilt shops and the many books and tutorials that are available now. I started out tying my quilts, and then moved on to hand quilting. I have to say; hand quilting was something I truly enjoyed. The rhythm of the needle could soothe my soul.

Then came our move to Prescott where I found Mountain Top, shops with 1200+ bolts of beautiful fabric, internet tutorials, others who loved quilting, local classes and – the hand quilting went away for me. There were just so many ideas and patterns to try, techniques to learn, mini group challenges and machine quilting, which helped me move on to the next project much more quickly.

But seriously, what am I thinking with that pile of magazines with the sticky notes sticking out, a file of potential patterns to try, so much fabric bought? The list goes on and on and we all know there are not enough hours in the day or our lives really, to do it all. But it is so much fun to see a quilt or pattern and immediately have the ideas begin ping ponging around in my poor brain of what I would do with it. And then of course, there is my stash... I feel so dedicated now to make scrap quilts. I have collected patterns on Pinterest with the fervor of a zealot. Did you notice I said I am collecting patterns, not making scrap quilts? At least this pile of patterns is digital.

I am so happy to be on this quilting journey. But a journey with ladies who know and understand exactly what my sewing room looks like!

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 November newsletter articles is Wednesday, November 8th at noon.

ECHOSOCIAL

Diane Stockhaus & Marie Willison

Education, Challenge, Help, Opportunity, Social

For the October 2017 ECHOS meeting, we will be focusing on the Social aspects of the guild, by hosting a "Let's Get Acquainted" social. So many new members have joined the guild in the last year or two, adding skills and talents likely unknown to most of us...it's about time we learned more about our fellow quilters, and maybe your next best friend! All current members, guests and visitors are welcome to attend, following Carlotta Brandenburg's Trunk Show, in the church's Fellowship Hall.

Bring a sack lunch, and we will provide the cookies for dessert. We have compiled a small number of ice-breaker questions, which can be used to help everyone

make new friends. We also want to hear from you - our guild members - about what kind of demonstrations, workshops, and other short classes you are interested in, so that the ECHOS volunteers can schedule what you want to see and learn about.

If you are unable to attend the social, but have some good ideas you would like to share for consideration for future ECHOS sessions, please send them by email to the ECHOS coordinators (Diane Stockhaus and Marie Willison) or any board member.

We look forward to seeing you at the Social! Stay tuned for future ECHOS announcements!

Refreshments

Dolores Schrock

Time for us to gather once again, to reconnect with one another, and to celebrate the beauty shared during show and tell. The following are asked to enrich break time by bringing a treat for all to enjoy. Your treats are very much appreciated. Thank you. Joan Standfield, Irene Starr, Carol Stewart, Nancy Stewart, Diane Stockhaus, Irene Stonecipher, Erin Sullivan, Jan Sullivan, Joy Swartz, Patti Taber, Kathleen Tavares, Marilyn Thompson, Maureen Tritle, Carol Trumpfheller, Bobbie Turnbow, Nadeen Van Dyke, Sue Von Hagel, Jan Walls, Sharon Watt

Programs

Pam Easley

October: Carlotta Brandenburg: lecture on quilt products she uses along with a show of quilts she has made with those products.

November: Trunk Show by Marti Winkelman

December: Christmas Luncheon

January: Pending

Membership/Directory

Diana Ramsey

Now that the new 2017-2018 Directories have been printed, please make sure you let me know if you change your address, email or phone numbers so we can keep our records up to date. The following ladies have renewed their membership, so please add them to your directories: Janet Bailey, Jeannine Bleicher, Deb Mulcahy and Barbara Phiel. Their addresses and phone numbers will be included in the email you receive from Newsletter, which notifies you of the new newsletter and website update.

Please stop by the sign-in table at the next meeting to pick up your Directory. If you can, please gently remove the red comb from your old yellow Directory and turn it in to me at the meeting.

Thread Brigade

Diane Stockhaus

Volunteers for the October Thread Brigade are Marie Willison, Gail Henry, Peggy Knox, Laurie Kelley, Bunny Autrey. Please remember that if you are unable to meet your monthly volunteer responsibilities, you should attempt to find a substitute.

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 pews, and in the podium area; and using sticky rollers to pick up loose threads on the pews themselves. All volunteers should meet prior to the general meeting to assign tasks. Supplies will be distributed after the general meeting concludes.

As always, thanks for your help with this essential task.

Community Quilts

Dona Speights, Maureen Tritle, Judy Larson, Deb Mulcahy, Ivy Chavez, Jan Wall

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 which allows us to use their community room for our monthly workday!

October 23rd is our next work day.

- 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.

Community Quilts Team for 2017-2018: Dona Speights-Chair; Maureen Tritle-Co-Chair; Jan Walls-Quilt Deliveries; Judy Larson and Deb Mulcahy do everything; Ivy Chavez- Memory Album; and all the incredible women who work tirelessly on creating these beautiful quilts each month!

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.

Arizona Quilt Study Group

The Arizona Quilt Study Group would like to invite members of the Mountain Top Quilters Guild to join us for the November 4, 2017 Quilt Study Day. The speakers include Janet Carruth who will speak about Emma Andres, a treasured Prescott, Arizona quilter. Please check the Website for complete program information and to register for this exciting Study Day. [Http://www.azquiltstudygroup.org](http://www.azquiltstudygroup.org)
Dr. Margaret Simmons
Arizona Quilt Study Group

Library

Meg Roberson , Terry Robertson

The following new books are making their appearance in the Library: fiction by Ann Hazelwood include, *Quilt The Town Christmas; Josephine's Guest House Quilt; and Everlasting Quilts*. We have also added, *Terrific T-Shirt Quilts: Turn Tees into Treasured Quilts*.

As always, we remind you to gather up your Library books to bring back to our October meeting,

Fall Quilt Camp

Charlene Coxworth & Mary Jane Godwin

Camp is full. We can put names on a waiting list. Contact Charlene if you are interested. The balance of camp fee is due at the Oct. MTQG meeting.

Opportunity Quilt

Lapreil Schwan

Just a reminder that all guild members should pick up an envelope of opportunity quilt raffle tickets. They are available at every guild meeting at a table by the kitchen area. Please bring \$10 for the 12 enclosed tickets. Show your appreciation for all of the beautiful work that is exhibited on this quilt.

Winter Quilt Camp

Erin Sullivan, Sue Von Hagel

Mountain Top Quilters annual Winter Quilt Camp will be held Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018 through Thursday, Jan 18, 2018. This camp will be held at the Marriot Residence Inn in Prescott. Participants may attend daily or stay overnight. Contact Erin Sullivan for discounted room rates. Check in time: 8am each day. Lunch will be provided.

Please fill out the form which may be found on the web site and return it to a committee member at the October meeting with your \$45 deposit/\$90 full amount to secure your spot. This deposit is Non Refundable unless we can fill your place with someone on the waiting list. Space is limited to 25 campers, and a waiting list will be established when available slots are full. The balance of \$45 will be due at our November Meeting.

October Birthdays

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

Betty Bourgault
Kay Denny
Pam Easley
Carolyn Edwards
Judy Eppler
Ginny Rafti
Laurie Kelly
Sally Plummer
Lapriel Schwan
Connie Sieh
Irene Stonecipher
Carol Stewart
Marilyn Thompson
Corrine Windett
Pat Wolfe



First 2018 Quilt Show Meeting

Jan Adams and Linda Marley

Your 2018 Quilt Show Co-Chairs, Jan Adams and Linda Marley, are scheduling our first committee meeting of all our chairs and potential volunteers for Monday, October 16th following our regular MTQG Meeting at the Lutheran Church. Bring a lunch but we'll try to keep it short. We hope to establish the best time and place for our future monthly meetings. And we'll also begin discussion of what basic categories we need for quilt entries such as pieced, appliquéd, art, etc.

We still need volunteers to head up admissions, labels (to display on front of each entry), and our entry vignette. Also, if anyone would like to take care of creating or ordering ribbons for the winners, we'd love to hear from you.

Thanks to all those who have already stepped up to fill the following positions:

Boutique: Erin Sullivan and Suzanne Ely

Hanging: Diana Ramsey and Kathleen Bond

Publicity/Show Pins: Lori McCarthy

Programs: Dona Speights and Lori McCarthy

Registration: Terry Robertson

Quilts with a Story: Kay Harlan and Joan Carrell

Small Quilt Auction: Susan Perry and Kathy Barrett

Vendors: Suzy Davidson and Patti Taber.

Please let Jan or Linda know if you are not able to attend the meeting but have a preference for future meetings.

Mini Groups

Fran Leslie

Hi Ladies...are you interested in learning about Crazy Quilting?? Join our Crazy Quilt Mini group. We meet the last Wednesday of each month, 10 to 2, at Carolyn Hamilton's home. Bring your stitching & a sack lunch. We work on our own projects, sharing ideas & books. We learn new stitches, laugh, chat and have a good time. Stop by & see what we're doing.



YOUTH QUILTING PROGRAM

Diana Ramsey

The Youth Quilting Program has been approved by the Board and we have been working on finding a suitable facility to use on a weekly basis. Our Mission Statement and Program synopsis has been finalized and the notices will go out to the public as soon as we have our facility in place. Member support is crucial to the success of this program and we are asking you to provide the following, if you have an extra to donate: scissors, cutting mat, cutting ruler, rotary cutter, tape measure, seam ripper, thread, sewing machine and YOUR TIME! We have fabric to use for practicing, and our first official project will be making Fidget Quilts.

A sign-up sheet will be passed around during the meeting if you are interested in helping with one (or more) of the classes. Also, you can contact Diana Ramsey directly via email or phone to sign up for the classes. We need to have at least 2 members in each class each week. Diana plans on being present at all the classes, unless there is another commitment that she has to attend. The classes will run in 8 week segments, with the students paying a \$10 Youth Membership fee to the guild for the year and \$15 per 8 week segment. If a family has more than one student to enroll, the rate for the segment will be reduced to \$10 per student. We will limit class size to 10 students to start and see how it works out. Thank you, again, for all the member support that has been given, and to the ladies who helped organize and structure the program.

Getting to Know Our Board

Carol Cooley

I grew up in San Pedro, California, but this year marks 50 years in Arizona. I have a degree in Elementary Education and Special Education and a Masters in Business Management. I taught SPED for 32 years and was a SPED Director for 2 years. I didn't plan ahead to birth my girls in the same Girl Scout age groups (what was I thinking??), so for many years I had two troops going. The girls and I spent 10 summers in Washington when I directed a resident camp. We lived in the eastern part of small town Arizona (Blue Ridge Ranger Station, Alpine and Eagar) from 1974 – 2003.

MTQG General Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 18, 2017

President Carol Cooley welcomed members, visitors, and new members.

Minutes of August meeting and treasurer's report were approved. Motion by Sherri Hubbs, seconded by Bobbi Turnbow.

1. Winter Camp and Welcome visitors - Gail Henry - Winter Camp will be held January 16-18 at the Residence Inn as a day or overnight camp. Cost will be \$90 for the day program, plus \$75 per room, which can be shared. Signup will begin at the October general meeting. Erin Sullivan is the contact person.

Gail welcomed visitors Linda Orseck, Kay Case, and Terry Yocum.

2. New Members - Diana Ramsey - Diana requested that any member who does not have a photo in the directory please see her as soon as possible. 2017-2018 directories and name tags for recent new members are available on the membership table. Returning binder combs from last year's directory will be very helpful.

3. Programs - Pam Easley - Today's program will be a trunk show by Marsha McMullen, showcasing 40 of her hand pieced and hand quilted quilts.

Today's workshop following the meeting from 1 - 4 pm will be a placemats class.

The October program will be a lecture and trunk show by Carlotta Brandenburg.

The November program will be presented by Martie Winkleman.

4. Sunshine - Carol Cooley (for Bunny Autrey, who was not able to attend today's meeting)

Cards were requested for members having surgery or who have illness in the family.

5. October Refreshments - Carol Cooley - The following members will be responsible for October refreshments: Joan Stanfield through Sharon Watt (check newsletter for complete list).

6. Thread Brigade - Diane Stockhaus - Today: Sherri Hubbs, Joan Carrell, Margo McDonnell, and Carol Miller

7. ECHOS - Diane Stockhaus - Diane introduced and thanked Marie Willison, who has volunteered to assist Diane with the ECHOS program. Based on feedback from members and leadership, the ECHOS program will continue its present focus: Education, Challenge, Help, Opportunity, and Social, with a new emphasis on beginning and less experienced quilters with "back to basics" ECHOS demonstrations. The October ECHOS program, following the general meeting, will be a social event. New, recent, and old members will get to know each other and enjoy refreshments, while brainstorming about what topics will be most beneficial for experienced quilters to share in future ECHOS programs. All members are encouraged to stay after the meeting for the ECHOS social in October.

8. Fall Quilt Camp - Charlene Coxworth and Mary Jane Godwin - At present there is one space left, and no wait list. Participation Release Form and balance of \$100 is due in November. The release form is available on line, or can be emailed if necessary. It will be held at the United Christian Youth Camp at Hassayampa and Copper Basin roads in Prescott November 7-10. Bring project of choice and "quilt, gab, and eat."

9. Mini Groups - Sherri Hubbs - Sherri presented a brief overview and update on the current mini groups. There are 8 groups that are open, and several that are closed, due to limited space as they meet in members' homes. The mini groups cover a wide variety of interests, including hand quilting, crazy quilts, and the new members group. A full listing is available on the website. New members are encouraged to plug into a group, as it is a fun way to learn new things. Let Sherri know if there are any new groups not listed or if there is interest in starting a new group.

10. Opportunity Quilt - Lapreil Schwan - Was exhibited at the county fair for 4 days for raffle ticket sales. The next event will be the quilt show in Cottonwood in October. There are more slots to sign up to sell tickets. Members are encouraged to purchase at least one envelope of 12 tickets for \$10.

11. Thumb Butte program - Kathleen Bond and Kathy Barrett - The October Thumb Butte program will be presented by Maggie Ball, a quilt book author from the UK. The Monday, October 9th program, following the meeting will be "Solutions." It will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Bring problem UFO's and Maggie will troubleshoot on a case by case basis. Cost is \$20.

The Tuesday, October 10th program will be an all-day workshop on the Kaleidoscope Puzzle quilt. No special rulers are required but bring some 10 inch squares. Sample quilts were shown. Cost for the workshop is \$35, which will be held at the Yavapai Hills clubhouse.

12. Newsletter - Lucy Fields - Lucy reviewed information pertaining to the guild newsletter. She manages the newsletter and sends out Grapevine messages. She requests that articles for the newsletter be sent to her, in the body of the email, rather than as an attachment, by noon of the deadline date, preferably earlier. Committee chairs should send what's going on each month, even if it had been covered at a meeting, for the benefit of those who missed a meeting or are

homebound. The newsletter's purpose is to keep all members informed of guild functions. Personal information such as phone numbers or email addresses are not listed in the newsletter. Consult the membership directory to contact other members. Members and non-members may place an ad, approximately the size of a business card, in the newsletter. Fees are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members, to be paid before the ad appears. The Grapevine, sent out as needed between newsletters, is sent out to the complete email list of members. To reply to a grapevine message, email the contact person in the message, not to the newsletter address, nor to Lucy.

13. Lonesome Valley Holiday Boutique - Will be Nov 17 and 18 at Stepping Stones.

14. VA Thank You Letter - A letter from the VA was read, thanking the guild for donated quilts.

15. Quilt Show Update - Jan Adams and Linda Marley - Linda announced that, due to Susan Perry's contacts, six quilts, in the process of being selected, from the Paducah Museum will be on display at the quilt show. The Paducah Museum book will soon be available in the guild library.

Jan announced that there will be a catalog of the MTQG quilts and quilters participating in the 2018 show. Dona Speights and Lori McCarthy have volunteered to prepare the catalog, which will have sponsors and will be free.

Diana requested a volunteer to be quilt show publicity chair. Materials have been ordered, and the chair will arrange for materials to be distributed. Lori McCarthy volunteered.

The show will be at the Prescott Valley Event Center June 1-2, 2018. Bookmarks are available at the sign-in table. Posters will available to be distributed at a later time, closer to the show date.

16. Community Quilts - Dona Speights - Jan Walls delivered quilts to the VA and other organizations last month for a total of 94 quilts for the month. The guild provides quilts to approximately 15 different organizations. National adoptions will be Saturday, November 8 at 10am. Guild members are invited to attend. As many child-themed quilts as possible are needed by the October meeting. Quilts will be donated to hurricane victims in Texas and Florida. They are looking for a small group, possibly a church organization going there on a mission, to deliver quilts. Kay Case (visitor) said that the Chino Valley guild has a church affiliation that they are using to deliver quilts. Dona will get that information from Kay. The guild would like to send 25 quilts. Members were requested to take and finish quilts from the Community Quilt table for this purpose.

Show and Tell

Mystery Quilt Group quilts were shown by Linda Coppola, Joan Carrell, Diana Ramsey, Kay Denny, Nancy Gullikson, and Wayne Wolfe. The quilts were made from the same design, 102" x 102", with 84 6-inch star blocks, 112 circles and 40 petals, with a center medallion. Mystery quilt group members typically get "clues" periodically, which eventually lead to the completed quilts. The group is currently full, but another group can be started if desired.

Other quilts were shown by Betty Foley, Sue Von Hagel, Sherri Hubbs, Pat Wolfe, Maureen Carr, Jan Adams, Kay Wentworth, Diana Ramsey, and Iris Lacey. Sherry Hubbs' quilts were from the Swappers mini group projects. The Swappers decide on a block pattern and members make enough of the block for each group member and swap, then each member makes her own quilt from the assortment of blocks. This group is also full, but another can be started.

Break and Refreshments 10:35am.

Return for program at 10:55

Announcement:

December Luncheon - Carol Cooley - Carol will ask Vicki Smola to announce her committee at the October meeting.

Program Presentation:

Marsha McMullen, MTQG member, presented a trunk show of 40 of her quilts, which are mostly hand pieced and hand quilted, in a variety of styles.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45



👉 THINGS TO REMEMBER 👈

Remember to Bring:

Library Books

Treats - if it is your turn

General Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2017

9:30 am

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, October 23, 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 Tuesday, November 6th at Maureen Carr's home. 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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