

The Summit, September 2012
MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

September is one of my favorite months, warm days and cool nights. And lots of fall colors, red, orange and yellow which I love to mix with purples. It is a time to think about the upcoming holidays before the rush is on. So let' enjoy our guild activities and quilting.

I'm sorry I missed the August meeting but my son needed my help. He and his fiancée were moving into a new home and Christina fell off a ladder. While she was able to help, she was moving very slowly and carefully. They still had lots of stuff to be moved from one house to the other. So with 2 adults who work, 4 girls in school, 2 dogs and 106 degrees in Chandler, they needed some help. And a Mom can't say no when a child calls for help no matter their age.

Kathy

The board is asking everyone to please reserve the right front pew in the sanctuary for our photographer, board members and guest speakers. Thank you.

Treasurer

Jennifer Mees

2 Reminders:

Please make all checks payable to **MTQG** or **Mountain Top Quilters Guild**. All Expense Reimbursement Requests must be approved by your Committee Chair. This can be done by email or a signature on your Request Form.

Newsletter

Judy Dallner

Note: Use this email address to send your articles for the newsletter: MTQGNewsletter@gmail.com or you can call Judy at 925-8081. This email should also be used for Grapevine messages.

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

Membership

Kathy Barrett

Please welcome our new members Marcy Cook, Karen Junger, Fran Leslie and Helen Manion. Introduce yourself, and let them know what a friendly guild we are...

September will be the last month to join and have your information included in the new MTQG directory. Forms are available on the website, and I'll have some at the meeting, so please look for me. If your name isn't listed this month on the check-in sheet, and you've been to the meetings the last two months, then you'll probably want to pay your dues... Thanks, Kathy

Hospitality

Corinne Windett and Dolores Schrock

Thank you for the wonderful treats last month. Would the following ladies please bring treats for our September meeting: Julie Nanke, Ann Novak, Alice Obrenovich, Lorraine Owen, Suzy Palmer, Allene Parker, Nyla Paulsen, Carol Perry, Susan Perry, Susan Peterson, Cindy Phare, Sharon Phelps, Barbara Phiel, Dorothy Philblad, Helen Pickens, Nadine Pierce, Sally Plummer, Joan Pratt, Betsy Quinn, Ginnie Rafti, Diana Ramsey and Lynn Ray. Thank you.

ECHOS

Jimmy Johnson and Evelyn Russell

Special thanks to Joan Carrell for a great class on machine applique. We should see some quilts at Show and Tell as a result of her clear instructions.

If you are having trouble making nice sharp corners when attaching binding to your quilts and joining the two ends where they meet, this is a class for you. Diana Ramsey will teach this important class in October.

Lynne Gray is teaching her cute Christmas wall quilt using the paper piecing method in November.

The class is filling up fast, so be sure to get your name on the list.

MTQG Friendship Quilt Challenge

Carolyn Edwards

Woo hoo! I'm doing the 'Happy Dance"! After the August MTQG meeting, I was oh-so-jazzed with all of your comments and enthusiasm about our Friendship Quilts Challenge! The wheels are starting to churn! Your quilt challenge ideas are forming! You've got a Friendship Quilt Challenge quilt idea giving birth! Woo hoo! Some of you are realizing the treasure of your life's friendships and trying to figure out how to get it into a quilt. I heard about a mini-group who is planning to do a Friendship Quilt Challenge among themselves. Others of you have Friendship Quilt Challenges planned...but you're keeping it secret! Woo hoo! I'm thrilled!

About half of you signed my "Friendship Quilt Challenge" panel at the August meeting. It is sooo fun! I really, really need to have the rest of you sign it in September!! It's just a silly little apron panel that I picked up at Cloth Plus. But it's going to be sooo fun when I have the signatures of all of you!!! Find me in the Fellowship Hall area...and give me your "John Henry"! You don't want to be left out! "Life's a Hoot!"--that's what it says on the panel! :-). Many of you looked at...and liked...my book: "Memory Quilts in the Making", compiled

and edited by Rhonda Richards, and published by Oxmoor House. It is still available at Jo-Ann's, and Amazon has copies. It is full of ideas for friendship quilts! Take a look!

And didn't you fall in love with Colleen Harlow's blue and white quilt last month! The pattern is "album block" or 'chimney sweep" and is typically an age-old friendship quilt block!! Go look on the Show & Tell page! She rescued the quilt top and machine quilted it. We can only wonder what its original use was! Why weren't those original blocks signed? Hmm? Maybe this could be Colleen's Friendship Challenge quilt! A little embroidery on those blocks of special friends...and your quilt is done, Colleen!

I just looked back at the May/June 2012 issue of Love of Quilting, and Gerald Roy's article (This Old Quilt) is about a signature quilt. It seems like Signature and Friendship Quilts are the latest 'hot' topic! Almost every quilt magazine has mentioned them lately! Woo hoo!

Sharon Heilman has created a special "Friendship Quilt Challenge" page for our website. Take a look! And if you have a Friendship Quilt, please bring it to one of our MTQG meetings for Show & Tell. The more Friendship Quilts we can see, the more enthusiasm there will be!! And always, always, I want to hear your Friendship Quilt stories!

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!

QUILT CAMP IN OCTOBER 2012

Charlene Coxworth

Quilt camp is full but we do have a waiting list.

The balance payment of \$70.00 is due at the Sept 17th MTQG meeting. If you can not attend this meeting you can mail your check to: Charlene Coxworth, 864 Crystal View Dr, Prescott, AZ 86301.

PROGRAMS

Linda Marley and Sharon Phelps

There are still a few openings for the 2 classes with Karen Kay Buckley this month as well as and Sue Nickels' class in October. Class fees must be paid when registering for these workshops. Bring checks payable to MTQG or exact cash amount for class fee. Kit fees will be collected at classes by the instructor.

Monday, September 17th: Karen Kay Buckley lecture *From the Beginning: Album of a Quilter*.

Monday, September 17th: Half-day workshop with Karen: *Free-Feeling Fun Drafting Frenzy*. Learn about drafting your own patterns. For more details of the class see her website: www.karenkaybuckley.com Class fee is \$25 plus a kit fee of \$11.

Tuesday, September 18th: Full-day workshop with Karen Kay Buckley: *Fiesta Mexico Block Three with Border*. For this 6-hour hand-appliqué workshop she added a wonderful border to a 10" square center block. Learn to appliqué smooth curves and sharp points as she teaches you how to create and appliqué perfect ¼" strips and perfect circles of differing sizes. Class fee is \$40 plus pattern fee of \$18.

Monday, October 15th: Sue Nickels returns to MTQ from Ann Arbor, MI with a new lecture: *"Machine Quilting for Today's Quilts."*

Tuesday, October 16th: Six-hour workshop with Sue Nickels: *"Machine Quilting Essentials."* Class

fee is \$40. For more details see her website: <http://www.sue-nickels.com/index.php>

Monday, November 19th: Maylee Collins from Seams Sew Right in Prescott will give a presentation on the newest quilting innovations from Quilt Market.

Monday, December 17th: Annual Christmas Luncheon

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Monday, January 21st: To be Determined

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.

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: Bi-annual Rummage Sale

Monday, May 20th: To Be Determined

Monday, June 17th: Spring Luncheon

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.

A very Happy Birthday to our members born in September. Have a wonderful day.

Ann Marie Ansbach	Mickey Mellor
Betty Blanset	Barbara Merkel
Charlene Coxworth	Adrienne Morrison
Judy Dallner	Alice Obrenovich
Pat Folsom	Suzy Palmer
Pat Gentner	Carol Perry
Pam Hendricks	Lynn Ray
Karen Lamb	Lilly Schamberger
Candy Lara	Hildy Smith
Sandy Lawson	Marsha Swirsky
Kitty Lynch	Thann Tolman
Joan McGivern	Darlene Williams

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Patti Tabor, Lapriel Schwan

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

We delivered 6 quilts to Hospice of the Pines in Dewey. Yavapai County Family Advocacy asked for quilts. We are in the process of finding how many adult quilts they would like.

CASA adoption day is coming up and we need more children's quilts. We also need black fabric, preferably without flowers.

Our September workday is scheduled for Monday, September 24 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 September 24 workday:

Breakfast treat: Ivy Chavez
Lunch salad : Sharon Watt and Diana Ramsey
Dessert: Patti Taber and Lapriel Schwan

Don't forget that the salad preparers set up for lunch and the dessert preparers clean up after lunch. Please bring \$3 each for the pizza order (unless you are a food provider listed above, then bring \$1.)

See you next workday!



THINGS TO REMEMBER



Remember to Bring:

Library: Items that are due

Comm. Quilts: Finished quilts, Hobbs UPC's

Quilt Camp: final payment

General Meeting

Monday, September 17th, 9:30 a.m.

First Lutheran Church

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, September 24th, 9:30 – 3:30

Las Fuentes Retirement Center

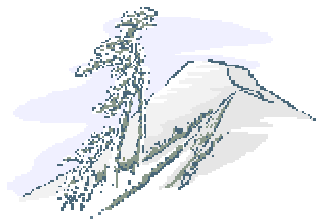
1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table

Board Meeting

The next Board meeting will be September 3rd at 10 am at the home of Sherry Hubbs.

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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