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# ***The Summit, September 2016***

## **MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD**

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Last month we had several Guild members volunteer to join a new mini group called the Fidget Quilts. These small quilts will be distributed to local assisted living facilities and given to clientele with intellectual and physical disabilities to stimulate their tactile and sensory abilities. I am reminded of the generosity of our members to volunteer their time, materials and sometimes money to a large number of local worthy causes and charities. Last fall, there was a request for placemats to be given at Christmas to people who receive Meals on Wheels. Our Guild members responded with 243 placemats, far more than the 200 requested. At both our June and December luncheons we collected non-perishable foods and gift cards that were distributed to local charities, such as Stepping Stones. Also, within the Guild, we have Community Quilts, with about 20 to 30 women coming to the monthly meetings to make quilts and another 10 or more who quilt them and put on the bindings. Last year, we donated 422 quilts to local charities. The Guild also gives financial support to local groups for their community efforts, for instance, Sharlot Hall Museum, and the Smoki Museum special exhibit "From Clay to Cloth". Such love and dedication to help others by women who quilt is commendable and noteworthy. Thank you for all you do to lessen the burden of those in need and to brighten the lives of others.

*Jan Adams*

**Please leave the first two pews on the right available for our photographer and those giving reports during the guild meeting. Also please reserve the last two rows for the display of our Show & Tell quilts before our refreshment time.**

### **Newsletter Note**

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

### **ECHOs**

*Jimmie Johnson and Jan Walls*

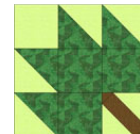
**September 19:** Jennifer Mees will give a program on All About Threads & More. Information on Threads - Needles - Batting - Borders - Quilting Preparation.

Bring hand sewing needles, thread, small scissors, pencil and paper... There are still openings for this class.

**October 17:** Marcia McMullen will have a class to make her popular "chicken" pin cushion.

**November 21:** Linda Marley will have a class on Pillow Cases. A great item for Christmas gifts.

Sign up for these classes at the ECHOS desk and get more information and a list of materials needed for each class



### **REFRESHMENTS**

*Dolores Schrock*

Time has come to settle down to complete our projects for the holiday season. Once again it's time for us to celebrate and enjoy fellow quilters at MTQG. To enhance break time the following are asked to bring a finger-food treat. A variety of treats is always appreciated. Thank you for sharing your treat with us. Donna Morgan, Adrienne Morrison, Phyllis Moss, Dawnell Muecke, Deb Mulcahy, Eve Nadelberg, Peggy Nehring, Janet Nieuwenhoff, Ann Novak, Alice Obrenovich, Susie Opdahl, Lorraine Owen, Suzy Palmer, Susan Perry, Susan Peterson, Cindy Phare, Sharon Phelps, Barbara Phiel, Sally Plummer, Phyllis Pohlman, Patricia Pond

## **Programs**

*Pam Easley & Marti French*

**September 19:** Our very own Margo McDonnell will be presenting her program "Photo Realism in Art". Margo is an award winning quilt artist, experienced teacher, published author, and a member of our guild. She won the Viewer's Choice Award for her Moody Beach, Maine 1957 at the recent AQS show in Phoenix. We will get to see some of her amazing award winning quilts and hear about the creative process from choosing a pattern to recreating it in fabric.

To learn more about Margot along with photos of her quilts, it's easy to google her by Margot McDonnell quilter.

**September 20:** Margo is offering a technique class to teach us how to transfer a picture from a photo to a small quilt. The cost for this class is \$25 which includes a \$15 kit fee for supplies. Margo is providing many of the supplies needed so come to class and enjoy a day of fun and learning! This class is closed.

The class will begin at 9:00 a.m. with set up at 8:30. It will end by 4:00 p.m. A photo of the project is available on our website.

**October 17:** We are looking forward to international instructor Rob Appell coming to our guild. Rob learned to quilt while helping out at his mom's quilt shop in Morro Bay, California. This is where his love of the sea and his work as a textile artist and designer developed. He designs for Michael Miller Fabrics, is an author, and creates quilt patterns including the Endangered Species Quilt Project. His high-energized presentation is titled "Quilts From the Sea and Beyond" and adds a masculine touch to our predominantly female quilt group. He will be bringing patterns and fabric to sell so bring lots of money! You can read more about Rob at <http://robappell.com>.

**October 18:** Endangered Species Quilt Project will be the class Rob Appell teaches. The class is almost full with just a few spots open. The cost of this class is \$50. There are twelve different animals to choose from. Patterns can be purchased for \$18 plus shipping on Rob's website. There will be some preparation required before class.

**November 21:** Calling all TOADs and one little piggy! By order of the Queen, you are all to either show your completed TOAD with its story OR show your TOAD with an explanation of why it is not finished—you are the November program. There are prizes involved. For those of you who have absolutely no idea what this is all about, please join us for an explanation. It's usually quite entertaining.

**December:** Christmas Luncheon.

Reminder: Class fees are NOT refundable. If you must cancel, you are responsible for finding a replacement.

## **Membership**

*Diana Ramsey*

Please take a moment to introduce yourself and extend a warm welcome to the following new members: Dawnell Muecke, Cheryl Giovenco, Ann Ramsey, Cathy Koppel and Gail Kozak.

The 2016 -2017 Directories will be available at the September meeting. Please stop by the table in the Fellowship Hall to pick up your new directory. Also, if you are not going to make it to the meeting, please ask a friend to pick up your directory for you.

Remember to send in any changes of address, phone, email, etc. to me so we can keep everyone updated with contact information.

## **New Members Group**

*Kristi McHugh*

The MTQG New Members Group meets the first Monday of each month at 10:00 A.M., unless there is a conflict with a National Holiday. We will be meeting October 3rd, at 10:00 A.M. at the Hidden Valley Ranch Activities Center in Prescott. In October we will be learning and discussing fusible applique. Every new MTQG member will receive an email about our meeting and directions to the meeting location. If you have a quilt or an item to share with us, feel free to bring it. Anyone who considers themselves a new member, or who is interested in attending, is welcome. Please RSVP to Kristi McHugh.

## **Library**

*Meg Roberson, Terry Robertson, Marti Lensink, Karen Junger*

Just a reminder that we have a greater than usual number of past-due books. Please take a look around your sewing area, and pull out any Library books you may have and put them where you will remember to bring them on the 19th

Keep your eyes open for any books you think would be a great addition to our Library. Let us know the title and/or author.

See you in the Library.

## Community Quilts

*Dona Speights, Judy Larson, Marcia McMullen, Ivey Chavez & Kay Denny,*

The next Community Quilts workday will be Monday, September 26, 2016.

- **10:00 – 3:00** Note: 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.

## Calling All Quilters

Please plan to attend the "The Quilts of Emma Andres and Her Contemporaries: 1930's - 1940's" at the Sharlot Hall Museum. This exhibit runs through the month of September and is located at the west end of the Lawler Exhibit Center. It is important for quilters to support this special showing of quilts to encourage the museum to hold future exhibits of quilts from its collection. MTQG is one of the supporters who have made the exhibit possible.

For further information, contact Gail Van Horsen.

## Fidget Quilts- Mini Group MTQG

*Anne Brutsche*

Fidget Quilts are comfort quilts for those suffering with Dementia, Alzheimer's, any kind of brain injury. They provide sensory stimulation, touch quilts. I have contacted a neighbor who is managing a Home Health Care organization and said she could use 20 quilts. I have not ventured beyond this, as the task could be daunting. I am excited to see that MTQG members responded favorably and want to help. After the Aug. meeting, there were 11 signed up: Meeting dates 2nd Thurs. of each month. For Sept. the meeting will be Sept 8 at the Stoneridge Rec. center 1pm-3pm. We will brainstorm ideas and bring fabric, other items to sew into these little quilts to help people.

Fabrics: anything with TEXTURE: corduroy, fleece fake fur, terrycloth, sateen, brocade, velvet or lace. Other

Stuff: Buttons, doodads and embellishments must

be securely attached to the quilt for the patient to touch, play with. Think outside the box: rickrack, laces, braids, ribbons, trims. Go to the used clothing store for children's jeans. (pockets, loops, zippers, buttons) I am sure you all will think of something to include.

NOTE: Please use flannel on the back to stick to the patient's clothing (lap). The size of the quilt should be 24x24. I cut 6 1/2 " squares, some


were just bright fabrics , other's texture, still others and stuff sewn to them or

between the seams. But, whole pieces of fabric could be used and embellishments firmly fixed to the front. Also, strips could be used! Just get excited and create!

Those who cannot make the Fidget mini group may bring supplies to the general meeting. I have a large purple tub to drop your donated stuff. Please check your sewing rooms for unwanted embellishments. I am excited to see what you will donate to the cause.

All MTQG members are invited to make quilts for this project. See the website for examples and information on how to construct the quilts.

Thank you all for helping me in this worthwhile project. Any questions, please don't hesitate to call me. Thank you, Anne Brutsche (See Directory for contact information)



*"The Quilts of Emma  
Andres and her  
Contemporaries"  
Sharlot Hall Museum-  
September 1-30  
Hours: Monday through  
Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4*

## Treasurer's Message

*Michele Schneider*

The process of receiving cash will be changing. A receipt will be given for every cash transaction (with the exception of library purchases), made by members on behalf of the quilting guild. When purchasing raffle tickets, your copy of the raffle ticket is your proof of purchase as are checks written and cashed per bank.

Only four books will be purchased because not every committee deals in cash transactions. These cash receipt books will be given to committee chairpersons for committees such as: membership and quilt camp, and as required to: bus trip, newsletters, quilts challenges, opportunity quilts, etc. These books will be distributed by the treasurer at the beginning of each quilt guild meeting and will be returned to the treasurer at the end of the meeting. Programs chair person is the only committee that will keep the receipt book.

The receipt books will have two copies. One copy will be given to the recipient and the other to the treasurer. If a transaction is being processed and a receipt book is not available, there is a Cash Receipt form on the web site that can be used. If neither of these options is available, any piece of paper can be used as long as the following information is on the paper: Date, Recipients name, Dollar amount, Reason for the transaction and signature.

This new procedure should allow better check and balance when auditing and will support the information necessary when any type of return of money is required.

## Mountain Top Quilters Guild 2016-2017 Member Challenge

*Marti Winkelman*

Inspired by a challenge? Join us for MTQG  
BLACK – WHITE & BRIGHTS

The rules are simple:

1. Choose a category of quilt, wearable or purse/tote.
2. Must be finished to enter.
3. Must have clearly visible amount of black and white fabrics and at least 3 "BRIGHTS"!
4. Each entry must have 3 layers and be quilted.
5. Quilts must be from 60" to 160" in diameter (circumference or 15x15x15x15).
6. Wearable- either jacket or vest.
7. Purse or Tote 10 X 12 or larger.
8. You may choose to enter once in each category,
9. Each challenge must have a cloth label—quilts on back bottom right corner, wearable, inside right side, purse or tote, inside right side.

\*\*\*Due@ May meeting 2017, they will be displayed and voted on at our June luncheon & meeting

Cost is \$5.00 to participate in each category.

\*\*\* The board has asked us to limit the number of entries to 30 due to space limitations for display & voting. We have only a few spots available.

Please call: Martie Winkelman with any questions.

### **For Sale:**

**HandiQuilter Avante.** 18" quilting width, frame set for 92" in quilting length, stitch regulator and manual stitch capabilities, upgraded LED lighting, upgraded carriage, laser light, complimentary paragraph, separate bobbin winder, extra bobbins. We will deliver and set up.

\$5,000

Carol. 480-734-5502



### **For Sale:**

**Brand New Janome 8900 QCP Special Edition Sewing Machine.**

My wife never had a chance to use it before she passed away. I am asking \$2,500 for the machine. Purchased in late May 2016.

The Special Edition Janome 8900QCP Sewing Machine is a feature-rich machine with 270 built in stitches to choose from. Also included is an extension table. One of its many features includes 11 inches to the right of the needle instead of 7 inches. Contact me by phone or text at 619-873-7077. Larry Lloyd



**MTQG**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**August 15, 2016**

1. President Jan Adams called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM and reminded all present to silence their cell phones.
2. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports, posted in the fellowship hall, called for a vote to approve. The July meeting minutes approved by Sherri Hubbs and seconded by Hildy Smith. The July treasurer's report approved by Marcia McMullen and seconded by Diana Ramsey.
3. Treasurer Michelle Schneider presented a new procedure for cash payments. Michelle has 4 receipt books, one each for Membership Dues, Quilt Camp, Challenge, and Programs. Members paying by cash will receive a receipt for payment received, and the Guild will retain a record of the member's payment. This will be for bus trips, membership payments, quilt camp, program fees, or any fees paid to the guild in the form of cash. Michelle will keep charge of the receipt books and bring them to the monthly guild meetings, give them to the chairperson of Membership, Quilt Camp, and Programs; at the end of the guild meeting the receipt books will be returned to Michele. Michele explained that there was a need for Check and Balance for cash transactions; for example, in the past a member has paid in cash, but without a receipt there was no record of payment, that member had actually paid twice for one service. Two exceptions to this will be the Raffle tickets for the Opportunity Quilt, and Library/Magazine payment; those two items will not receive a receipt for cash payments. Member Sherri Hubbs suggested that a form for Cash Payment be added to the online forms under the MTQG website.
4. A letter was sent to Judy Getch, chairman of Vulture Peak Patchers in Wickenburg to invite their membership to the Ron Appell presentation on October 17, 2016. President Jan Adams is awaiting response.
5. On Monday, September 12, the Lonesome Valley Quilt Guild in Prescott Valley will host their member, Anita Talasmnewa, who will give a presentation on Hopi Quilts. The meeting will begin at 7 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 7763 E. Long Look Dr., Prescott Valley. The meeting is free and there will be refreshments. Contact Patsy Franko for more information at 928-925-3845.
6. Sharlot Hall Museum Quilt Exhibit ~ Gail Van Horsen presented that in the month of September the Sharlot Hall Museum in Prescott will hold a special quilt exhibit. The Opening day of the exhibit is September 1 and there will be a reception from 3:00 – 5:00 PM. On September 10 at 2:00 PM Gail Van Horsen will be speaking at the Sharlot Hall Museum. Gail has requested volunteers to sit with the quilts during the exhibit for the month of September. A sign-up sheet was passed to the members of the general meeting.

#### Committee Reports

1. Opportunity Quilt ~ Sherri Hubbs presented and distributed three patterns, with photos and descriptions, for membership approval and selection for the 2017 Opportunity Quilt. The 3 patterns are: My Enchanted Garden, Fiesta Mexico, and Romantica.
2. Hospitality ~ Gail Henry welcomed 13 guests: Valerie Cox, Sandra Hoffman, Karrie Hargrove, Betty Macias, Karen Atkins, Cheryl Giovenco, Gwen Courtney, Nancy Gravelot, Kim Gutierrez, Sheri Morris, Molly Burleigh, Barb Robinson, and Karen Eads.
3. Membership ~ Diana Ramsey asked members to check the directory and be sure personal information is correct. A new directory should be available at the September guild meeting. Diana welcomed 3 new members: Ann Ramsey, Cheryl Giovenco, and Dawnell Muecke.
4. New Members Group ~ Kristi McHugh absent, President Jan Adams announced that the New Members Group meets the first Monday of each month at 10:00 AM, unless there is a conflict with a national holiday. The New Members Group will not meet on Monday, September 5, 2016 due to Labor Day holiday. The next meeting will be October 3 at 10:00 AM. The topic and location will be announced in the September newsletter. Every new MTQG member will receive an email of our meeting and directions to the location of the meeting. If you have a quilt or item to share with us, feel free to bring it. Anyone who considers herself a new member, or who is interested in attending, is welcome. Please RSVP to Kristi McHugh.
5. Beginner Quilting Classes ~ Carolyn Doyle announced that she had seen a need for a Beginner Quilting class, so on Friday, August 19, 2016 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM she will host the first Beginner Quilting class at her home. For the project please bring 3 fat quarters, a sewing machine with instructions, and have fun! Please contact Carolyn Doyle for more information.
6. Sunshine ~ Bunny Autry announced Donna Speight's husband's brother (her brother-in-law) had died. Jan Adams has a new great grandson. Sherri Hubbs has 2 new granddaughters for a total of 23 grandchildren. The following members

were wished a Happy August birthday: Sandi Allen, Sally Cantwell, Joan Carrell, Marcie Cook, Pamela Edwards, Erna Greenway, Babs Harber, Kay Harlan, Barbara Hinds, Maggie Keller, Genny Kerutis, Annette Ladehoff, Peggy Newman, Evelyn Russell, Michele Schneider, Shirley Smith, Dona Speights, Nancy Stewart, Joy Schwartz, and Nadine Van Dyke.

7. Fall Quilt Camp ~ Sherri Hubbs announced that Quilt Camp is full; there is a waiting list so please see Sherri for information.

8. Programs Pam Easley and Marti French announced the following programs: August Carolyn O'Bagy Davis presenting Hopi Quilts. September MTQG member Margot McDonnell will give a lecture and class. October Rob Appell from Man Quilting will give a lecture and class ~ his class still has three openings. November MTQG will present the TOADs quilts with prizes awarded. December Christmas luncheon. Pam and Marti reminded members that all classes are nonrefundable.

9. ECHOS ~ Jimmie Johnson announced the following ECHOS classes: August no ECHOS class. September Jennifer Mees will present on thread, needles, and batting and how to use them. October Marcia McMullen will present the Chicken Pincushion. November Linda Marley will present a pillowcase class. February 2017 Sam Logan will present a bag class. See ECHOS on the MTQG website for additional classes. Carlotta Brandenburg announced that an embroidery classes is offered at the Thumb Butte Quilt Guild on September 13. Please contact Carlotta for more information.

10. Block challenge ~ Karen Adams presented the Black, White & Bright Block Challenge. The 3 categories are Quilt, Wearable, and Tote/Bag, and each category costs \$5.00 to enter. She reminded members to keep each other challenged but to keep the project a secret. An information list with the rules will be attached to the newsletter.

11. New mini group ~ Anne Brutsche described a new mini group she would like to start which calls for "Fidget Quilts". These are small tactile stimulation quilts approximately 24 x 24 or lap size, and are given to people suffering from brain injuries, CVA, Dementia, or Alzheimer's. She has received a request for 20 quilts from a local home health agency. This new group will meet the second Thursday of the month at Ann's home. Fabric is needed, as well as any other items to add to the quilt including buttons, belt loops, corduroy, rings, Velcro, pockets, elastic, and different textures of fabric. Anne asked to "put on your thinking caps" and imagine what you can do! If you are not able to attend the group, please consider donating materials/supplies.

12. Community Quilts ~ Donna Speights and Marcia McMullen presented the donated quilts, and reminded members that the workday is the fourth Monday of the month at Las Fuentes ~ new hours are 10 AM to 3 PM. The next workday is Monday, August 22. Please note the Grapevine message as well as the updated information on the MTQG website. Hobbs UPC code labels are always needed. A thank you note from the CASA was read, and members were reminded that CASA is only one of many charities that receive community quilts. Thank you for your generous work! Kay Denny delivered quilts to the following: 11 to CASA for adoptions, 5 to Granite Mt. Hospice, 9 to Marley House (hospice), 9 to CCJ/Open door for their Warm for Winter project. Total: 34 YTD Grand Total: 72

13. Thread Brigade ~ President Jan Adams reminded members that the following are scheduled for the August Thread Brigade: Angie Christie, Phyllis Pullman, and Linda Marley. Linda Marley will be passing around sign-up sheets for the coming months for Thread Brigade volunteers.

14. September Treats ~ Donna Morgan, Lorraine Owens, Adrienne Morrison, Suzy Palmer, Phyllis Moss, Susan Perry, Deb Mulcahy, Susan Peterson, Eve Nadelberg, Cindy Phare, Peggy Nehring, Sharon Phelps, Janet Nieuwenhoff, Barbara Phiel, Ann Novak, Sally Plumber, Alice Obrenovich, Phyllis Pohlman, Susie Opdahl, and Patricia Pond.

15. Sherri Hubbs announced the Opportunity Quilt pattern winner ~ Fiesta Mexico by Karen Kay Buckley. Thank you, members, for your votes. The Opportunity Quilt committee will meet to begin the quilt, which should be completed by April 2017.

16. Block of the Month/Show and Tell 2015-16 ~ Marcia McMullen displayed her beautiful Block of the Month appliqué quilt.

17. Show and Tell ~ Maxine Everaert. Presenters: Betty Foley, Diana Ramsey, Joan Stanfield, Martha McLellan, Peggy MacKenzie, Gail Henry, Sue Von Hagel, Linda Cox, Sandra Wolf, Karen Adams, Iris Lacey, Carlotta Brandenburg, Chris McGrew, Karen Junger, Susan Masse, Carolyn Edwards, Kay Denny, Ann Ramsey, Carol Cooley.

18. Break for snacks. Return by 11:20 AM. Hope you're planning to stay until 12:30 to have plenty of time for our speaker Caroline O'Bagy Davis to share her story on Hopi quilts.

Meeting adjourned 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Carr, Secretary

# Things to Remember

## Remember to Bring:

### **Library books**

#### General Meeting

Monday, September 19, 2016  
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott  
First Lutheran Church

#### Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, September 26, 2016 10:00-3:00  
Las Fuentes Retirement Center  
1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

#### Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be at 1:00 pm, Monday, October 3rd, at the home of Maureen Carr. Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Jan Adams.



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