



The Summit – July 2025

Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

General Meeting

Monday, July 21, 2025 9:30 am

Elks Lodge

6245 E. 2nd Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

Board Meeting

Monday, August 4, 2025 9:00 am

Diane Stockhaus' home

Meetings are open; seating is limited

Contact Diane to attend

President's Message

Greetings, Quilters! I hope that each of you had a safe and fun Independence Day!

As we begin a new fiscal year at MTQG, let me take this opportunity to remind us all of our purpose, why we regularly get together to support our community, to keep us all focused.

First, we promote the appreciation of fine quilts through meetings, workshops, and fellowships. We do this by inviting guest speakers to share their work and inspiration, as coordinated by our Programs Chair; and by our ever growing "Show and Tell" sharing during each monthly meeting. We encourage participation in one of our many specialty mini-groups, or creating new groups, to keep the passion strong!

We encourage quilt related activities, by keeping everyone informed of the activities of our sister guilds around the state, when and where their shows are, and encouraging attendance at those shows. We also invite other guilds to display their Opportunity Quilts at our scheduled meetings, so that they, too, can support their mission.

We encourage quilt making, by scouring sources of interesting quilt projects, and organizing various challenges, such as Block of the Month and the biennial Quilt Show Community Quilts challenge. We ensure those new to our guild have an opportunity to get involved in our numerous activities through our New Members Group. And of course, we offer quilting classes to children through our Youth Quilting venture, with the goal of stirring the passion for quilting in the coming generations.

We contribute to the accumulation of our collective knowledge, through workshops and challenges, again by inviting interesting speakers who also like to teach their unique techniques, and encouraging sharing of newly learned skills through our ECHOS (E-Educate C-Challenge H-Help O-Opportunity & S-Social) efforts.

And finally, we make and distribute quilts for charities, as coordinated by our Community Quilts Chair.

These are our ‘WHY’s’, our purpose. None of these items are greater than another – they are all important to the art of quilt making!

So, let’s get going, and discover what great things we can do during the coming year.

Diane Stockhaus

Programs

Elizabeth Phinder

See the Programs Table for more information. Workshop fees must be paid in advance by cash or check only. **Supply lists are available online at MTQG’s website.** No refunds are issued, however, your spot may be filled from a waitlist.

| July | |
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| Mon 07/21 | <p>Monthly Guild Meeting Program: Kay Wentworth, Member Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Kay will be doing a trunk show. Please plan on staying and enjoying what Kay has to share with us.</p> |

**Tue
07/22**

**Kay Wentworth Workshops
 Applique Lettering**

Time: 9:00 am - Noon
 Workshop Fee: \$10
 Other Fees: None

Kay will be doing a half day workshop on applique lettering.

How to Make Eyes

Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm
 Workshop Fee: \$10
 Other Fees: None

This half day workshop will focus on making eyes.



| August | |
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| Mon 08/18 | <p>Monthly Guild Meeting Program: Show and Tell on Steroids Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Bring your quilts you've been working on this summer to share. This is going to be an extended time of sharing.</p> |
| Tue 08/19 | <p>Janice Zolnierwicz Workshop Easy Does It Bag Time: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm; Setup 8:10 am Workshop Fee: \$20 Other Fees: None</p> <p>You will need to download the free pattern and print it out from www.ByAnnie.com before class. The supplies needed are listed on the pattern. In addition you will also need your sewing machine and normal sewing supplies. The guild has cutting boards, rotary cutters, irons, and ironing boards. You may also bring your own.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> |

| September | |
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| Mon 09/15 | <p>Monthly Guild Meeting Program: Joan Carrell Trunk Show Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Member, Joan Carrell, will be sharing her trunk show.</p> |
| Tue 09/16 | <p>The Hideout Bag Workshop with Joan Carrell Time: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; Setup 8:40 am Workshop Fee: \$20 Other Fees: Pattern \$10</p> <p>Pattern can be downloaded at www.fireweedstitches.com. Homework is required before class. Joan will send you home if you come to class without completing the homework!</p> <p>This workshop has 1 spot left.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> |

For our fellow quilters who may have hearing or visual challenges, please reserve the seats in the front row for our General Meetings.

ECHOS

Ronnie Sandoval

E-Educate C-Challenge H-Help O-Opportunity & S-Social

All ECHOS sessions are free and held directly after the regularly scheduled Guild meetings.

| July | |
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| Mon 07/21 | No ECHOS |

| August | |
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| Mon 08/18 | Marcia McMullen and Barbara Phiel will demonstrate how to do stems, leaves, and binding (see Opportunity quilt for examples). |

| September | |
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| Mon 09/15 | Carolyn Wright will demonstrate how to use the Easy Piecing Grid. This is so simple you might want to try making a wall hanging, just to learn the technique. |

Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for submissions is **Wednesday, August 6, 2025**. Please send to mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com.

Committee Chairs

Diane Stockhaus

Below is a list of Committee Chairs for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Please feel free to reach out to these individuals if you have any questions.

- Accuquilt Cutter Custodian - Sue Ely
- Block of the Month - Sue Szot
- Bus Trip Coordinator - Debbie Jones
- Community Quilts - Suzy Davidson, Peggy MacKenzie
- Community Quilts Delivery - Bobbie Turnbow, Deb Mulcahy, Dona Speights
- ECHOS - Ronnie Sandoval
- Luncheon (Spring) - MTQG Board
- Luncheon (December) - Maureen Sinkiewicz
- Membership - Donna Domino
- Mini Group Coordinator - Liz Hart
- New Member Group - Available
- Newsletter - Theresa Barnard
- Opportunity Quilt Marketing - Suzy Davidson, Peggy MacKenzie
- Photographer - Donna Domino
- Quilt Camp (Fall) - Barbara Saia
- Quilt Show - Theresa Barnard, Jill Bodine
- Show & Tell - Kay Wentworth
- Sunshine - Dona Speights
- Website - Patty McClearn
- Youth Quilting - Janice Zolnierowicz

Community Quilts

Suzy Davidson & Peggie McKenzie

GET READY! Community Quilts is having a challenge. Every quilt show year we have a contest with all the challenge quilts displayed at our quilt show. We give you the theme and some fabric to get you started, you provide the imagination. Twenty participants will display their quilts at our guild meeting for all the MTQG members to choose their favorites. Prizes will be awarded, but you must be at the August meeting to pick up your packet and instructions. First come, first entered into the competition. All challenge quilts will then be donated to Community Quilts charities.

At the July guild meeting we will be selling yardage, fat quarters and handing out quilt starts. At our July 25th meeting we are going to try and match some of the many tops you have created to backing. Plan to join us starting at 9:00 am. Bring a lunch and stay till 3:00.

Block of the Month

Susan Szot & Sue Ely

Welcome to the 2025-2026 year of Quilt Guild. New officers, new challenges and two new Block of the Month projects. The votes were counted and you have spoken. The two most requested projects were **Graceful Gardens** and **Gemtones**. Good choices!

Graceful Gardens will finish to 81 inches square. It has a large center block that is

36" square and is surrounded by 18" bordering blocks, six different designs, each made twice, all surrounded by two borders. The trick is that the two versions of the same block are mirror images of each other, so care must be taken when cutting out the shapes and piecing the blocks. As this article goes to print, the website for the quilt directions is down. When you request the directions, I will email them to you.

This quilt calls for 12 different fabrics:

- Cream Dot 2.5 yds
- Cream tonal 3/8 yd
- Cream medium floral 3/8 yd
- Coral tonal 1/4 yd
- Coral medium floral 1/2 yd
- Navy blue large floral 3/8 yd
- Dark mint tonal 1 3/4 yd
- Mint medium floral 3/4 yd
- Teal large floral 5/8 yd
- Teal diagonal plaid 5/8 yd
- Orange diagonal plaid 1/2 yd
- Light Pink diagonal plaid 3/8 yd

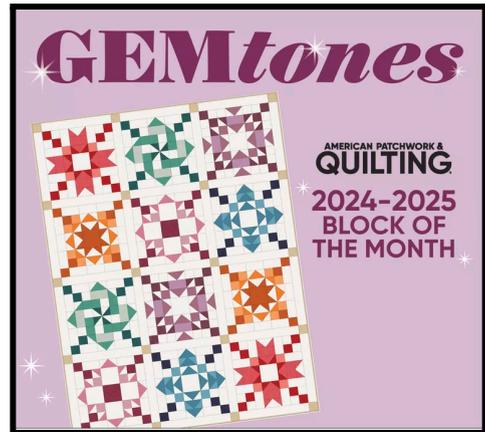


Gemtones is made up of six different blocks, each made twice as an exact copy. Gemtones is Accuquilt friendly and it has two separate cutting instructions, one for rotary cutters and one using the Accuquilt cutting system. The quilt is designed to use the Accuquilt 10" Cube system. Our Guild owns two Accuquilt cutters and the 8" Cube System. As designed, this quilt will finish to 70 1/2" by 93" and each block will finish to 20". The great thing about the Accuquilt Cube system is that the shapes in all size cubes are identical, only the size differs. I own the 8" cube system and by using that, the blocks finish to 16".

Some in our guild have told me that they own the Accuquilt system but have never taken it out of the box. If that is you, please make this quilt and learn how helpful this tool can be. Even if you don't own the system, you are welcome to use the cutters and dies owned by our guild. If you are using the rotary cutting directions, you will be making the 20" blocks.

I have not reduced the materials chart for using the 8" block, so if you are using this size cube system, you will be purchasing a bit more fabric. The leftovers will make great placemats to give to our Meals on Wheels partners.

To access the patterns and directions, go to https://www.accuquilt.com/gemtones-downloads?utm_source=apq&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2024-08-apqss



I look forward to making these two quilt projects with you.

Meals on Wheels Placemats

Michelle Schneider

I was so pleased how the placemats for Meals on Wheels have grown since I started this program 6 years ago. The members of this guild have been so dedicated and have made the most beautiful mats. Each year the mats have gotten more beautiful. We started out donating around 200 to Meals on Wheels each Christmas to over 400 last year.

I have decided to hand over this program to Kay Denny. She approached me many years ago and stated when I wanted to retire, she would love to take over. I say be careful what you ask for. Well, she very willingly agreed to be our next contact for Meals on Wheels.

I thank all of the wonderful members who have participated in creating and donating beautiful placemats. Your generosity has warmed many hearts and I know you all will

continue. Meals on Wheels look forward to continuing to receive the placemats which their participants cherish.

Fall Quilt S'more Camp

Barb Saia

Hello everyone! I am excited to be hosting this event for our guild and sincerely hope you consider joining in on the fun. The dates for camp are October 7-10.

Sign ups begin at our meeting on August 18. We are offering \$10 off if you register in August!

Camp will be held again at beautiful Chapel Rock in Prescott. The cost for camp remains the same at \$340 per person for double occupancy (sleep-over) camp. For a private room the cost is \$406 per person. Day campers are \$170 but space is limited 3!

All this information is on our website including the registration form. If you have any questions, please contact me. Look forward to seeing everyone there!

2026 Stitches of Love Quilt Show

Jill Bodine & Theresa Barnard

We have a quilt show logo design in the works. Hopefully, we'll get to share this next month.

We do have a need for a chairperson to create the quilt cards that will be displayed on the quilts. This is an easy job and a lot

of cut and paste. If you are interested, please reach out.

Theresa will have the binders for each subcommittee available at the next Guild meeting and will distribute them at the break.

We will plan to begin face to face meetings in September.



July Birthdays

Wishing a special day to those members with birthdays this month.

1. Kathy Allen
2. Jill Bodine
3. Matilda Bristow
4. Rhoda Chapman
5. Marilyn Clark
6. Patti Davis
7. Patty Duncan
8. Lucy Fields
9. Sandy Gallo Lee
10. Judy Larson
11. Stephanie Lowell
12. Peggie MacKenzie
13. Linda Marley

14. Ruth Ann Ordonez
15. Sylvia Perkins
16. Susan Perry
17. Barbara S. Peterson
18. Diana Ramsey
19. Linda Snavely
20. Diane Stockhaus
21. Susan Szot
22. Karen Varela
23. Sandra Wright

Upcoming Quilt Events

For the Love of Quilt Show

August 14-15, 2025

St. Mary's of the Angels Catholic Church

1915 S. Penrod Lane

Pinetop, AZ

Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival

August 28-30, 2025

West World of Scottsdale

16601 N. Pima Road

Scottsdale, AZ

Covey of Quilts Quilt Show

October 17-18, 2025

Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church

330 Scenic Drive

Clarkdale, AZ

MTQG General Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2025

President Bobbie Mae thanked everyone for coming and asked everyone to mute their cell phones at 9:31 am.

Approval of May Annual meeting minutes: Sam Logan made the motion to approve minutes, seconded by Diane Short and the minutes were approved.

Approval of May meeting minutes – Correction of number from CASA: Bobbe Turnbow made the motion to approve the corrected minutes, second by Diane Short and the minutes were approved.

Birthdays/Sunshine: Bobbie Mae read the list of June birthdays.

Bobbie Mae thanked Patricia McClearn, for making today's video display of the January 21, 2025 Sewlabration and chili cookoff from pictures taken by Cheri's husband.

Bobbie Mae thanked Janice Zolnierowicz again, for her amazing work making the two new Mountain Top Quilt Banners.

Bobbie Mae said that there were some leftover dishes from the last meeting that needed to be claimed.

Bobbie Mae reminded that the Chairman Reports are due by June 30th and some of the reports have already been turned in.

June Luncheon: Bobbie Mae thanked everyone that decorated the lovely tables for the June luncheon. She also mentioned that food for the luncheon wouldn't be available for pickup until after 10:30 and there would be time for everyone to visit while waiting for the food arrival.

Programs – Cheri Heinecke had an emergency and wasn't able to be at the meeting today and there weren't any updates available for the June meeting.

- **July 21** – Kay Wentworth will teach us lettering for quilting.
- **August 18** – Janice Zolnierowicz will teach workshop on bag construction.
- **Sept 15** – Joan Carrell will teach us how to make a conceal carry cross body bag. She recommends the site "sallietomato.com" for bag supplies.
- **October 20** – Elizabeth Phinder will present a workshop on hand work.

Opportunity Quilt Marketing – Suzy Davidson & Peggy Mackenzie sold over \$300 of tickets at the Thumb Butte Quilt Show. They need to have volunteers to help sale tickets for a couple of meeting in the fall.

Membership - Directory –New members & guests – Donna Domino: Donna reminded everyone to pay their dues by July 1st so she can update the directory. No new members or guest reported because it was the June luncheon.

Foster Bags – Diane Ramsey: June luncheon no report.

Youth Quilting – Janice Zolnierowicz: Youth quilting is on summer break until August 19th. Janice said she had 5 members from the youth group sitting at her table for the meeting today.

20 Year Awards – Bobbie Mae congratulated Joan Carrell & Linda Coppola for being members for over 20 years. Neither of the members were present at today’s meeting.

Recognition of 2024-2025 Board and Chairman – Bobbie Mae recognized and thanked her Board, Chairman and committee members for the hard work and dedication throughout the year. She presented each Board member and Chairman with a thank you gift. Bobbie Mae especially thanked Donna Domino her for Membership and Directory commitment and also for taking all the pictures at the general meetings.

Judy Brungardt and Cheri Heinecke were not present at today’s meeting.

Introduction of New Board for 2025-2026 – Bobbie Mae introduced:

- President - Diane Stockhaus
- Vice-President – Diane Short
- Treasurer – Deb Godin
- Secretary – Charlotte Maris
- Programs – Elizabeth Phinder

Donna Domino took pictures of the new Board members.

Community Quilts – Suzy Davidson & Peggy McKenzie: Suzy reminded everyone that Community Quilts meets the 4th Monday of the month from 9-3. She thanked everyone who returned their finished quilts in at today’s meeting.

Suzy reported that they received several thank you notes for the quilts that had been donated.

Suzy told us that the actual number of quilts that CASA had on hand was only 179.

- Deb Mulcahy won the drawing again this month. She turned in 18 finished quilts at the June meeting.

Show and Tell – Kay Wentworth: Liz Hart filled in for Kay Wentworth as she was out of town. Members showing their finished projects were: Carol Cooley, Jan Smith, Lucy Fields, Janet Nieuwenhoff, Maureen Sinkiewicz, Bobbie Turnbow, Bobbie Mae Ball, Charlene Coxworth, Martha McLellan and Janice Zolnierowicz .

The Board presented to Bobbie Mae with her President's Quilt made from the blocks that were made by the members in appreciation of her leadership during the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlotte Maris, fill in for Judy Brungardt