



# The Summit – August 2025

## Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

### General Meeting

**Monday, August 18, 2025 9:30 am**

Elks Lodge  
6245 E. 2nd Street  
Prescott Valley, AZ

### Board Meeting

**Monday, September 1, 2025 9:00 am**

Diane Stockhaus' home  
Meetings are open; seating is limited  
Contact Diane to attend

## President's Message

As the summer comes to an end, and school children return to their studies, we may find some time to work on our favorite quilt projects. The Christmas holidays are rapidly approaching, and many of us are planning to create heirlooms for treasured family members. This is also a good time to remember those less fortunate, and who are recipients of our Community Quilts efforts. There are many kits available for members to work on, as the days grow shorter, and hopefully cooler!

Let's continue our mission of giving back, as we count our blessings.

Happy quilting, everyone!

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.

August	
<b>Mon 08/18</b>	Monthly Guild Meeting <b>Program: Show and Tell on Steroids</b> Time: 9:30 am

	<p>Bring your projects (limit 5) you've been working on this summer to share. This is going to be an extended time of sharing.</p>
<p><b>Tue 08/19</b></p>	<p><b>Janice Zolnierwicz Workshop Easy Does It Bag</b>  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 <a href="http://www.ByAnnie.com">www.ByAnnie.com</a> 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> 

September	
<p><b>Mon 09/15</b></p>	<p>Monthly Guild Meeting  <b>Program: Joan Carrell Trunk Show</b>  Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Member, Joan Carrell, will be sharing her trunk show.</p> <p>Also, Ronnie Sandoval will be doing a book signing of her book about threads.</p>
<p><b>Tue 09/16</b></p>	<p><b>The Hideout Bag Workshop with Joan Carrell</b>  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 <a href="http://www.fireweedstitches.com">www.fireweedstitches.com</a>. Homework is required before class. Joan will send you home if you come to class without completing the homework!</p> 

October	
<b>Mon 10/20</b>	<p>Monthly Guild Meeting  <b>Program: Elizabeth Phinder Trunk Show</b>            Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Our Programs Chair, Elizabeth Phinder, will be doing a trunk show. Come see her beautiful quilts!</p>
<b>Mon 10/20</b>	<p><b>Finished Edge Hand Applique Workshop with Elizabeth Phinder</b>            Time: 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm; Setup 12:15 pm            Workshop Fee: \$20            Other Fees: Pattern \$11 (paid to Elizabeth in class)</p> <p>Elizabeth will teach you how to hand applique with a finished edge that is not needle turn. Choose from one of 3 mug rug patterns for the class. They are washable and fun to make. When signing up, please indicate which pattern you wish to use. Supply Sheet on the website.</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.

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

September	
<b>Mon 09/15</b>	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.

Additionally, we will be in the main building with our opportunity quilt. We will need members available to sell tickets for our quilt and answer questions from 9:00 am - 7:00 pm on September 4-7. I will have sign up sheets at the August meeting.

### **Community Quilts**

*Suzy Davidson & Peggie McKenzie*

We have received several new donations of kits, rulers, fabric and more so Community Quilts will be having an overstock sale at our member meeting on August 18th. We will still be collecting finished quilts, quilts that need binding and quilt tops. And of course we have many bundles of quilts that need to be quilted for you to pick up.

We want to thank everyone who helped us last month match tops to backing. So now we have quilt backs to cut and piece. It was a group effort and we saw some amazing tops that we need to get ready for distribution. Our August 25th meeting will be from 9:00 am to noon only. Peggie and I are helping at the County Fair that afternoon so we will have a morning session only.

Thanks and we hope to see you at the sale on the 18th.

### **Youth Quilting**

*Janice Zolnierowicz*

After a summer break, the other teachers and I are looking forward to seeing the kids. Since they have just completed two quilt

### **Newsletter Deadline**

Deadline for submissions is **Wednesday, September 3, 2025**. Please send to [mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com).

### **Yavapai County Fair**

*Suzy Davidson*

The County Fair has a new website this year (<https://yavapaifair.com>) and there has been a lot of confusion on how to enter. I am the coordinator of the Home Economics area so have put together what I hope is an easy-to-follow entry guideline and a copy of the rules and regulations for this area. If you have any questions, you can call me at 928-308-5518 and I can help you through the process.

We are hoping to have a great selection of quilts, wall hangings and wearables this year. Space in the main building will depend on the number of entries and space available, but we will find a location for all guilds.

projects, which took many months, they will be starting the new session with a stuffed frog. This will allow the kids to have a finished project in just a couple of weeks.

If you wish to volunteer to help mentor the kids, contact me. You can help weekly or monthly and know a little or a lot. You can also help by volunteering to teach them a new, kid-friendly skill or longarming a quilt. A new session of Youth Quilting begins on Tuesday, August 19, at 3:30 p.m. and meets weekly. Teachers usually arrive about 3:15 p.m. to help with set-up.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to teach our future guild members!

### **Block of the Month**

*Susan Szot*

We are in month two of this year's Block of the Month. If you are piecing the Gemtones quilt, you will be working on the Emerald Blocks. You will make two of them and you can find the directions here: <https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/gemtones=8681629>. Scroll down to find rotary cutting directions and Accuquilt cutting directions. Remember, our guild owns the 8" block cube. The pattern calls for the 10" cube, but since all cube dies are the same shape, only size differs, the cube we own will work perfectly and will yield 16" blocks instead of 20" blocks.

If you are working on the Graceful Gardens quilt, you will find the directions here:

<https://bomquilts.com>. Graceful Gardens is the fifth quilt pictured and the directions are available when you click on the link. Cautions for this project: you will be making two of this block but pay very careful attention to the placement of the pieces because this pattern calls for some blocks to be mirror images.

### **Fall Quilt S'more Camp**

*Barb Saia*

Hi Happy Campers!!!

I am Barb Saia and I will be facilitating the Fall Quilt S'more Camp this year! 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.

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!

Sign ups will begin at our meeting on August 18. The Guild is offering \$10 off registration fees if you register in August! Please print and bring your registration form filled out and your payment to the August 18 meeting. The registration form can be found on our website.

We have been having fun dreaming up some new additions for camp. We will have

the AccuQuilt available at camp to use! When you register please let us know what dies you would like us to bring.

All this information is on our website including the registration form. If you have any questions, please contact me, my phone number is in our directory.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

### **2026 Stitches of Love Quilt Show**

*Jill Bodine & Theresa Barnard*

Our first meeting for Quilt Show Committee Chairpersons will be on Wednesday, September 17, at 9:00 am at the StoneRidge Community Center in the upstairs conference room. Further instructions will be sent via email. If you are unable to attend, please let Theresa know.

### **AQG Quilt Show**

*Debbie Jones*

*“Quilt Arizona 2026 Let Freedom Ring”*

Mark your calendars for Friday, March 20, 2026 for the annual bus trip to the AQG quilt show. This will be a celebration of our country's 250th birthday, so get out your red, white and blue!

I'm working with Master's Touch Bus Charter again this year for another wonderful ride to the show. Final details (cost, etc.) are not yet confirmed, but the

information will be in next month's newsletter.



### **August Birthdays**

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

1. Jeanie Braheme
2. Joan Carrell
3. Carol Foss
4. Billie Gipe
5. Kay Hoff
6. Genny Kerutis
7. Janice Key
8. Ellen Larson
9. Dawn Marcuse
10. Patty McClearn
11. Beverly Parker
12. Joan Powers
13. Michele Schneider
14. Roberta Simpkins
15. Dona Speights
16. Nancy Stewart
17. Mary Terry
18. Christina Tisdale
19. Nadeen Van Dyke
20. Maria Williams
21. Carolyn 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 July 21, 2025

President Diane Stockhaus thanked everyone for coming @ 9:34 a.m.

**President Comments:** Diane Stockhaus advised the members that we were going to change order of things to get to the fun stuff. Diane Stockhaus wanted to remind everyone why we are here besides to have fun. Diane Stockhaus said that being a member means we are in a contract with each other to support our programs and guests.

**Approval of June meeting minutes:** A change was made under Introduction of New Officers for 2025-2026: Vice-President – Diane Short to President Elect – Diane Short. Deb Godin made motion to approve minutes, Bobbie Turnbow seconded motion, and minutes were approved with above corrections.

Diane Stockhaus advised that if anyone has keys, they don't work anymore. New locks have been installed. Diane Stockhaus advised that for now there will only be one contact person with the Elks. They are volunteers and don't need to be given direction from several sources.

Diane Stockhaus gave a rundown of upcoming quilt shows and events which are also included in the newsletter.

**Placements: (Kay Denny) Marcia McMullen is her backup.** Being collected at the back table to be given out in November / December.

Diane Stockhaus advised of a possible new challenge. Next year our country will be 250 years old, can make a small 24 by 18. Details to follow.

**Birthdays/Sunshine if any:** Diane Stockhaus read the list of July birthdays.

**Committee reports:** Hopefully everyone is reading their newsletter.

**Membership - Directory –New members & guests – (Donna Domino)** Donna advised we have 112 members as of this morning and she received several dues that are due this month. No directories will be printed up except for one member that does not have access to email. The Standing rules will be included in the directory and the Bylaws can be viewed on the MTQG website. We have 6 guests today and 2 of them joined as members.

**Programs – (Elizabeth Phinder):**

- **August 18** – Show n Tell on Steroids
- **August 19** - Janice Zolnierowicz will teach workshop on bag construction
- **Sept 15** – Joan Carrell will have a trunk show
- **Sept 16** – Joan Carrell will teach us how to make a conceal carry cross body bag. She recommends the site “sallietomato.com” for bag supplies and recommends the cork material.
- **October 20** – Elizabeth Phinder will do a trunk show .
- **October 21** – Elizabeth Phinder will have a workshop on hand applique. .
- **Nov 17-** Swan Sheridan will lecture on Contextualized Quilting and half day workshop on Color Mastery.
- **Nov 18** – Swan Sheridan will teach a Free Motion Quilting lab.

**ECHOS – (Ronnie Sandoval):** Educate, Challenge, Help, Opportunity, and Social. See newsletter of upcoming opportunities.

**Quilt Show Chair for 2026 – (Theresa Bernard and Jill Bodine);** Theresa advised the quilt show chairs are in preliminary planning. Committee meetings are the 3rd Thursday. Theresa also recommended that the Mini Groups start thinking on what each group would like to do. Theresa also advised Suzy Davidson volunteered to do Publicity Chairman. She also advised new members to think about where they can contribute.

**Opportunity Quilt Marketing – (Suzy Davidson/Peggy MacKenzie):** Suzy advised the County Fair is coming up September 4 through 7th.

**Block of the Month- (Susan Szot):** Gem Tones pattern can use the Accquilt to cut your pieces and Graceful Gardens is the other choice.

Special guest, Captain Jerry Winfree came in speak to us about why what we do means so much and presented us with a Certificate of Appreciation to all the members of our quild. He explained that he never knew where these random blankets “quilts” show up from. He advised these quilts have done a lot of things for kids of problem families or where tragedy has struck. It gives them comfort and warmth. They make a huge impact to those getting them. He thanked us very much, that we don’t have to do this bur we do. It means something to people.

**Bus Trip Coordinator – (Debbie Jones):** Trip is March 20th and more to come later.

**Holiday Luncheon – (Maureen Sinkiewicz):** Maureen asked people to think about volunteering to cook a turkey or a ham. She will need 3 volunteers for each meat choice.

**Fall Quilt Camp – (Barbara Saia):** Theme will be Camping/Galamping. It will be held at Chappell Hills and only 2 meals will be provided, lunch and dinner. If you sign up in August, you will get \$10 off the cost.

**Youth quilting – (Janice Zolnierowicz):** Janice advised they will start in August and will be held every week. Still working out the details of the day. . Janice showed off one of the student's quilt they made, Paper pieced high heels". Janice asked that the mother please make sure the quilt is in the County Fair for display.

**Community Quilts – (Suzy Davidson & Peggy McKenzie):** Suzy showed a Certificate of Appreciation she received from Maggie's Hospice to be displayed in Community Quilts display at the Quilt show. . Suzy also advised they will have challenge kits at the name meeting, Black and White, Anything Goes, 44 by 69

- Took in 53 quilts today, 20 quilt tops. And 27 with bindings for a total of 80.
- Carol Miller won the drawing.

**New Members** – August group will start up again. More to come on this.

Diane Stockhaus advised she forgot to tell everyone to silence their cell phone, several were going off. Diane Stockhaus also asked Bobbie Mae to come up and she was presented with red/orange name badge for past Presidents. Diane Stockhaus also advised all new member if they see anyone with flower on their badge that they know a lot about things.

**Show & Tell – (Kay Wentworth):** Karen Austermilller, Deb Mulcahy, Sandra Wolf, Betsy Mayorga, Linda Inideson?, Michelle Kirkpatrick, Sandy Gallo Lee, Carol Miller, Jeanne Dunk, Susan Cupp, Karen Kummel, Maureen Sinkiewicz, Creative Gypsies, Maria Thomas, and Sandy Kroch.

No new Business to discuss.

**Closing Remarks – (Diane Stockhaus):** Life is like a Quilt, Years bound together, Embellished with family and friends, Backed with Tradition, Stitched with love, With cornerstones placed carefully, To create a one-of-a-kind, Journey Through time>

Adjourn 10:48a.m.

Break

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Brungardt covering for Charlotte Maris, Secretary