# The Summit –May 2019 Mountain Top Quilters Guild

### **President's Message**

One of the most interesting and important MTQG positions that I have had was Programs Chair. Gathering a variety of quilters for lectures, and class instructors was so much fun! Chosen quilters are local, state and national talents. Each one has their own expertise to share. I always learn something unique and useful from each of them. I especially enjoyed bringing in Ami Simms. She is one of the most comical and talented national teachers I have met. Her lecture was really funny, and her class was amazing! She founded the Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative<sup>®</sup>, a national, grassroots charity whose mission was to raise awareness and fund research for Alzheimer's Disease. I am proud to say that MTQG brought in her traveling exhibit "Alzheimer's Forgetting Piece By Piece", a quilt display by 54 remarkably talented quilt makers to raise awareness about the disease. *Kristi McHugh* 

The first pew on the right of the sanctuary is reserved for the photographer, committee chairs, guests that are speaking, and board members. The second pew is reserved so that members who have difficulty hearing may sit closer. Please reserve the last two rows for the display of Show and Tell quilts before refreshment time.

### **Newsletter Note**

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

### **Programs**

### Susan Perry and Ronnie Sandoval

We had a great workshop with Gina Perkes last month! Everyone seemed enthusiastic about trying out rulers to accomplish more professional machine quilting. It will be fun to see completed quilts at future Show 'N Tell's highlighting this new skill.

LeAnn Heilman from Phoenix will be here this month. She will present a trunk show Monday morning and then jump right into a day and a half collage class. We still have a few openings if you are interested. The class runs from 1:00 to 4:00 Monday and 9:00 to 4:00 Tuesday and the fee is \$50. The supply list requests you bring a Laura Heine Fiberworks pattern of your choice. Patti Pearce is coming July 15<sup>th</sup> with a trunk show of her vintage kitchen linen collection re-purposed into wall hangings and tablerunners. She will leave you with ideas and inspirations for you own kitchen linens. Patti will teach a Vintage Linen Tablerunner class Monday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 using one of her patterns. Cost is \$15 plus pattern cost. Patti will have vintage kitchen linens for sale as well. Stop by the Programs' table to see the sample and sign-up.

We will also take sign-ups for Janet Davis's workshop on paper piecing with freezer paper (you can reuse it and don't need to tear it out). The workshop will be August 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 4:00 and the cost is \$45.00. Janet is from Colorado where she previously owned a quilt shop. Now days she is exploring lots of techniques and at her trunk show will share some tips.

See you at the Programs' Table!

## **ECHOS**

#### Marie Willison

There will not be an ECHOS in May due to a workshop. There will not be an ECHOS in June because we will be having our summer luncheon.

### **Refreshments**

#### **Dolores Schrock**

The merry month of May is here. We of MTQG once again come together for a merry time with one another and to enjoy creative beauty and fellowship. The following are asked to provide a treat for break time: Azelene Allen, Christine Bronson, Sue Cook, Maureen Farina, Debbie Gouveia, Valorie Nelson, Becky Renfroe, Barbara Renoux, Judith Ritner, Meg Roberson, Susan Ryan, Sarae Steremberg, Pat Ware, Marie Willison. Your willingness to bring a food item is very much appreciated. THANK YOU

**NEW REFRESHMENT PROCEDURE**- In order for the Kitchen Crew to enjoy Show & Tell and our monthly programs, beginning in the month of February, we will be changing the procedure of bringing treats.

The members that are assigned to bring treats each month will be responsible for;

- **TWO** containers or plates, labeled with their name, of ready to eat finger food. The kitchen crew will not be responsible for dividing the treat or preparation
- PLACING their treats in each serving area the kitchen and side room next to the drinking fountain.
- **PICKING UP** their containers, both personal and disposable, in the kitchen.

We hope that these small changes will speed up the setup and clean up the process.

The kitchen crew thanks you for giving us the chance to enjoy the monthly programs.

## Thread Brigade

#### Lori McCarthy

<u>May Volunteers are:</u> Carolyn Doyle, Lucy Fields, Peggie MacKenzie, Susan Ryan

Thank you to all of our thread brigade volunteers.

Please remember, if you are unable to stay to help clean, you should obtain a substitute. The more hands available to clean, the quicker the job will be completed.



## **Community Quilts**

#### Deb Mulcahy

Community Quilts is the main service project for our guild. We are donating over 600 guilts a year to 28 various non-profit organizations in Yavapai County. These organizations include, but are not limited to, hospices, children's adoptive services, family and women's shelters, hospitals, the VA and veterans organizations, and many special local needs. Las Fuentes allows us to use their space for our monthly workshops and to store our fabrics and supplies. We are so grateful to them for this privilege! Our next meeting is May 27th at Las Fuentes Resort Village 1035 Scott Dr, Prescott. Yes, it is a holiday, but we're still meeting! Please park on the west side of their building and enter thru the big garage door, unlocked from 9:30 to 10:30, after that you may need to enter thru the front door and come downstairs. We try to be set up by 9:30 and break up about 2:00.

Please bring your machine and supplies, a sack lunch and drink, and your happy smiling face and join us in May! eds.

Look for our table at the monthly guild meetings and pick up a project, e.g. quilt kits, projects needing tying, binding or quilting, labels. Bring your finished tops and quilts by our table in the meeting room and collect your entry for our new monthly raffle ticket. Drawing will be done during our business meeting.

And, as always, please bring us your Hobbs UPC labels off the bags of batting, 2 UPC codes will give you one raffle ticket! Hobbs has a charity batting program that allows us to save a substantial amount of money by returning the UPC codes.



## Community Quilt Challenge

Susan Peterson and Charlene Coxworth We have a few kits available to pick up at the MTQG May meeting.

Please see Charlene to pick out your kit.

### New members Group

#### Diane Stockhaus

The New Members group will meet on Wednesday, June 5, at the home of Diane Stockhaus, beginning at 10am; lunch will be provided to participants. Details and directions will be sent to new members via email about a week before the meeting.

# Quilt Show 2020 Update

Susan Perry and Kristi McHugh have volunteered to be your 2020 MTQG Quilt Show Co-Chairs! We have a theme "2020: Visions of Quilts". We have a contract: the Quilt Show will be held June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at Findlay Toyota Center. Now we need to fill the Committee positions. We are looking for volunteers for: Admissions, Quilt Registration, Quilt Labels (signage), Ribbons, and Welcome Vignette. If you'd like to know more about what any of these positions entail or if you'd like to sign-up, please see Kristi or Susan. The quilt show is still a year away, but it's never too early to start thinking about quilts you plan to make or finish for the show or the Small Quilt Auction. If you've never entered a quilt in a show set yourself a goal to make it happen in 2020.

## **Membership**

#### Marcia Jacobson

Our large and active quilt guild continues to grow with three new members joining at our April meeting. Please welcome Tracy Burnett, Donna Domino and Velia Glazier. The way this year is flying by, I don't think it is too early to mention dues. Our membership year runs through June 30, making our June meeting the ideal time to to renew your membership for 2019/2020. Make a note to bring your checkbook to the June meeting and stay tuned for more information in the June newsletter.



**May Birthdays** 

Sandra Bridges Maureen Carr Rae Cooper Suzy Davidson Deb Mulcahy Meg Roberson Irene Starr

### Mountaintop Quilters Guild Minutes April 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Kristi McHugh at 9:30am.

The minutes from the March meeting and the treasurer' report were approved, Diane Stockhaus moved and Gail Henry seconded.

Gail Henry introduced eight visitors and Kristi welcomed new members Maureen Farina, Valorie Nelson, Barbara Renoux, Pat Ware, Donna Domino and Velia Glasser. Membership is currently 182.

Marcia McMullen spoke on behalf of the entire guild about the benefits of volunteering to help the guild. Taking a position to serve the guild, large or small helps make the guild stronger.

Kristi then gave a brief history of Jimmie Johnson, founding MTQG member. Organization meeting was in May 1981 and the guild started August 12, 1981 with 12 members. Jimmie turns 90 this month.

Vicki Smola announced the other April birthdays.

Linda Marley was thanked for the use of the Miller Valley Baptist church for hosting our funday and the Carolyn Small workshop when the church became unavailable. Erin Sullivan was thanked for coordinating the storage move and combination with TBQ. The firemen users were hired to help. Sherri Hubbs was thanked for coordinating a successful and fun Spring Camp.

Diane Stockhaus explained the next new members group would be Wednesday, May 1 st at the Pronghorn Ranch Community Center at 1pm

Kathy Hofmeister passed signup sheets for the spring luncheon, a Luau. She then started to draw for the two donated quilts but was asked to wait until after the break as many members did not buy chances yet.

Kristi McHugh opened a guild discussion about the Spring and Fall Camps in general, including that this spring we were 7 members short (an unusual "fluke"). There was a deficit of approximately \$1000. Regarding line items, it was explained that there is a budgetary practice, that when there is a deficit in a line item, it is common to leave that item blank in the budget. This allows for a more accurate proposed amount which can be easily added later. The camp discussion was positive, with many suggestions to increase attendance, possibly, a less expensive day rate and other ideas. The members felt that both Spring and Fall camps are a desired activity for our guild and should be continued. Kristi suggested that this summer a meeting of everyone who has been at a camp coordinator meet with a board representative to discuss any possible ways to look increasing attendance, possibly a smaller number of minimum contracted campers, etc.

The 2020 community quilt show challenge, The Color of Quilts is Love, was explained by Charlene Cox and Marie Willison. Members were able to sign up and pick a bag of fabrics to use for the quilt, to be completed by May 2020 and be displayed in the quilt show. Members will judge the quilts.

Diane began discussion of chairmen for quilt show then went into discussion of nominating committee. Still need program chairs, and a quilt show chair. Diana Ramsey will accept the position of President Elect. Lori McCarthy and John Ramsey will take over new members and Nancy Hall with do mini groups. We also need someone to chair the marketing of our opportunity quilt. A very important position that needs to be filled now. First showing will be the TBQ Quilt Show.

Ronnie Sandoval went over upcoming programs and workshops. Today's program is Quilting with rulers by Gina Perks with a workshop tomorrow. We will have workshops in May and July. June is the spring luncheon. Kathleen Bond explained that TBQ has openings on May 14 th for Margo McDonnell's picture to quilt workshop. Fee is \$35.

Those responsible for May treats are Azalene Allen, Christin Bronson, Sue Cook, Maureen Farina, Debbie Gouveia, Valorie Nelson, Beck Renfroe, Barbara Renoux, Judith Ritner, Meg Roberson, Terry Robertson, Susan Ryan, Sarae Sterember, Pat Ware and Marie Willison.

Community quilts showed their latest contributions. Casa adoption is in May so need to finish up those kids quilts we are working on.

Show and Tell followed.

Meeting was adjourned to break. Members were asked to join in birthday cake for Jimmie's celebration and Kristi would let us know when to come back in for the program. Submitted by meeting secretary Suzy Davidson

## **Things to Remember**

#### Remember to Bring:

Library books Payment for classes (check or cash)

#### **General Meeting**

Monday, May 20, 2019 231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott First Lutheran Church

#### Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, May 27, 2019 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, June3, at the home of Susan Perry. Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Kristi McHugh.

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