



The Summit – October 2023

Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

General Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2023 9:30 am

Elks Lodge

6245 E. 2nd Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

Board Meeting

Monday, November 6, 2023 9:00 am

Cheri Heinecke's home

Meetings are open; seating is limited

Contact Suzy Davidson to attend

President's Message

Hello Quilters!

Happy Halloween! If you drive around town you will see that ghosts and goblins are definitely among us this year. If you have a Halloween quilt to share, please bring it to this month's show and tell (unless it is too scary). To me Halloween marks the beginning of the holiday season, lots of treats and even a few tricks to watch out for. Making time for quilting is one of those tricks. In December Diana will share with you the updated quilt registration form so make sure your quilts are "under construction" and plan for an April completion date. The first quilt show meeting was successful and the area chairpersons are making plans for a great, successful show. The program chair position actually books programs for 16 months, until the end of the year, so Cheri has a great lineup of programs she has started to confirm for next year and has been able to add half day classes to the two presenters left for 2023. Please stop by the program table and see if any of these classes interest you and share ideas with her about speakers you are wanting to hear.

And I want to personally thank you for stepping up to help with getting our community quilts quilted. Every quilt Diane had at last month's meeting was taken home to be finished. So, watch for more at this month's meeting. Keep quilting and enjoy.

Suzy D

Programs and ECHOS

Cheri Heinecke

Special thanks to Coco Alinez for her wonderful trunk show and apron workshop. Also, special thanks to Charlene Coxworth and Bobbie Turnball for their ECHOS demo on sandwiching quilts.

This month brings us Karen Miller of Red Bird Quilt Co. On Monday, October 16, her lecture is on Aurifilosophy followed by a ½ day workshop on Creative Chaos playing with different weight threads. Cost \$25, plus a kit fee of \$39.91. On Tuesday October 17, she will be presenting a full day workshop, Wren in Spring, on wool hand applique. Cost \$50, plus optional kit fee of \$25 (includes pattern). If not purchasing a kit, you must purchase the pattern at class \$5. A few limited spots left in each.

In November we have Gail Shannon presenting a trunk show. Monday, November 20, she will present a ½ day workshop on how to select colors and take the fear out of choosing fabrics. Cost \$40. Book needed is: A Fiber Artist's Guide to Color & Design: The Basics and Beyond by Heather Thomas. You will need to order the book online. The book is all you will need. You can also share with a friend. Tuesday, November 21, will be a full day workshop. Cost \$50 on How to use Sew Kind of Wonderful Quick Curve Rulers, Large (12"x7") and/or QCR Mini. You will need rulers if you don't already have them. You may also share rulers with a friend. I have both a large and mini available if you want to try them in the workshop before buying your own.

December is our holiday party, so no program.

January is the finale of T.O.A.D.S.

A peek at the future in case you want to put some guild workshops on your Christmas wish list - Ann L. Petersen, Cynthia England, Toni Whitney, and Mel Beach. Also, mark your calendar for Patsy Kittredge in February. She will be doing a trunk show and an ECHOS for us on Playing with Watercolors.

Reminder: Each member gets 2 half price workshops for the fiscal year, July 1 to June 30. You need to pay at the time you sign up for a workshop by check or exact cash appreciated.

Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for submissions is **Wednesday, November 8, 2023**. Please send to mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com.

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

Block of the Month

Sue Szot

This month we are working on Block 3 and it gives us more opportunity to play with half square and quarter square triangles as well as flying geese. Carefully watch those quarter inch seams and don't skimp on the pressing for the best outcome. The pattern for each month's block can be downloaded under the Activities tab of the Mountain Top Quilt Guild website.

Happy Quilting!



Opportunity Quilt

Vicky Hall

To date we have presented our Opportunity Quilt at three events and three MTQG meetings and ticket sales are \$1,637. Opportunity Quilt revenue helps support our

guild (speakers, classes, community quilt batting to name a few)! Each of you should feel obligated to volunteer to sell tickets. There are two events in October and one in November that volunteers are needed for. Please feel free to contact me (I'm in the Directory) if you can assist!

Cottonwood Show is October 20-21 (Friday - Saturday) at Verde Valley Fairground, 800 E Cherry St, Cottonwood.

Lonesome Valley Holiday Boutique is October 27-28 (Friday - Saturday) at Elks Lodge, Prescott Valley.

Rim Country Quilt Round-up is November 3-4 (Friday - Saturday) at Mazatzal Casino Exhibition Hall, Hwy 87 at Milepost 251, Payson.

In addition our guild is asked to volunteer for their show as well, this is to secure us a table to sell tickets! Volunteers are needed for "white glove, admissions, security booth, and vendor shop". Please sign up at: <https://quiltroundup.org/volunteers>



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Community Quilts

Diane Stockhaus and Carol Foss

Sales of excess guild fabric, mostly fat quarters, quarter yard cuts, and homespun pieces, will continue before our October regular monthly meeting. Prices are targeted at \$1/yard, so fat quarters will be 25 cents each, and so on.

For those of you who took one of our Christmas projects home to quilt, please remember to bring it back finished to the October meeting. We will be collecting finished quilts for delivery prior to the Granite Creek planned holiday event.

And, as a reminder, the next CASA adoption event will be on Friday, November 3, at the Prescott Juvenile Justice Center (off Prescott Lakes Parkway) starting at 1:00 pm. Each adopted child is given a book, a stuffed toy, and a quilt of their choice. Members of our guild are welcome to attend, and will be recognized by the judge for our donations. Please let either Diane Stockhaus or Nancy Hall know if you plan to attend. This is a very heartwarming event, so bring your tissues!

Our monthly workshop will be held on Monday, October 23, at the Elks Lodge, starting at 9:00 am. We will have batting to cut, backs to be pieced, and our ever popular “free-to-a-good-home” table. Come join in the fun!

Happy Quilting!



October Birthdays

- Debra Alvarez
- Gerry Carr
- Susan Cupp
- Kay Denny
- Pam Easley
- Carolyn Edwards
- Janet Friedrich
- Deborah Godin
- Sandra Koch
- Lolly Platt
- Sally Plummer
- Elizabeth Rider
- Linda Rosengarten
- Irene Stonecipher
- Mary Vaughan
- Aurora Wallace
- Janice Zolnierowicz

New Members Group

John Ramsey and Lori McCarthy

The New Member Group met on Thursday, Oct 5th at the Granite Dells club house. Seven people attended the meeting and everyone shared helpful tools and techniques for quilting and how to start your own mini-group. Everyone also had an opportunity to show current projects from art quilts, project bags, and seasonal display items. We even had one member who shared work on her first quilt. Amazing pieces. It was a lively and fun meeting.

Our next meeting is November 2nd from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Location TBD.

Meeting Refreshments

Linda Cox and Linda Snively

October meeting refreshments will be provided by the members indicated below. If you cannot bring a snack on your designated day, please either send them with another member or trade meetings with someone else. A complete list for the 2023-2024 fiscal year is attached to the newsletter notice so you can plan ahead.

Irene Stonecipher, Erin Sullivan, Barbara Sweeney, Susan Szot, Jenalee Taylor, Mary Terry, Beverly Thomas, Christina Tisdale, Maureen Tritle, Linda Trudeau, Bobbie Turnbow, Lynn Vache', Nadeen Van Dyke

Library News

Bobbie Mae Ball and Sandra Wolf

The library book sale will continue this month. Thank you to all who purchased books and patterns last month.

Upcoming Quilt Events

Cottonwood Quilt Show 2023

October 20-21

Verde Valley Fairgrounds

800 E Cherry St, Cottonwood

The Rim Country Quilt Roundup

November 3-4 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mazatzal Casino Exhibition Hall

Hwy 87 at Milepost 251

Payson, Arizona

Road to California

January 17-20, 2024

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, California

Bridge of Friendship XV

February 2-3, 2024 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Havasu Aquatic Center

100 Park Avenue

Lake Havasu City, Arizona

AQS Quilt Week

April 24-27, 2024

Paducah, KY

MTQG Meeting Minutes for September 18, 2023

President Suzy Davidson thanked everyone for coming and asked everyone to mute cell phones.

August Minutes: Linda Marley motioned to approve, second by Barbara Stein, and approved.

Birthdays: Suzy Davidson read the list of September birthdays. She stated that we will not have a birthday drawing for a pattern any longer; something else for patterns will be announced soon.

Community Quilt Visual: Suzy Davidson referenced a cart containing community quilts bundles in desperate need of quilting. She noted between 200 to 300 quilt tops need backings sewn and about the same amount need quilting. Someone had suggested that a quilt bundle be put on each member's chair. However, she encouraged members to quilt smaller size quilts on their domestic machines. Today's ECHOS will address this situation.

ECHOS: Today Charlene Coxworth and Bobbie Turnbow will demonstrate how to sandwich the quilt top, batting and backing using spray adhesive. Members are encouraged to attend and learn this step to be able to quilt community quilts at home on their domestic machines.

Opportunity Quilt Marketing: Vicky Hall, chairperson, thanked all who had volunteered to sell tickets and reported \$595 income at the Yavapai County Fair with over \$1000 to date. The next events include the Cottonwood Quilt Show on October 20-21; Lonesome Valley Boutique October 27-28, and Rim Country Quilt Roundup in Payson on November 3-4 where we will help with white gloving and/or security and lastly, the Rusty Barn in Tucson on November 9-11. She asked for volunteers to go to Tucson and several volunteered. Shifts last for 1-1/2 hours. Signup sheets are available. Members are asked to purchase \$10 worth of tickets.

Programs: Cheri Heinecke, Program Chair, announced the programs:

- **Today:** Coco Alaniz, MTQG member, will present a trunk show. Tuesday will be a class making an All-purpose Apron with Deep Pockets. Cost: \$45 includes pattern.
- **October 16-17:** Karen Miller, Red Bird Quilts, (<https://redbirdquiltco.com>) Monday 10/16 lecture on Aurifilosophy followed by a 1/2-day workshop Creative Chaos playing with different weight threads. The cost is \$25, plus a kit fee of \$39.91.

Tuesday, 10/17, full day, Wren in Spring, Wool Hand Applique. \$50, plus optional kit fee of \$25 (includes pattern) paid directly to Karen. If not purchasing a kit, the pattern must be purchased at class for \$5.

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Membership/Guests: Donna Domino noted 7 guests signed in today: Susan George, Lisa Ancona, Sharla Peterson, Shelley Graham, Deena Knight, Nancy Adams, and Karen Coleman and several joined MTQG. New directories (100) were distributed today. If you did not receive one, she can send you an email copy or you can obtain a printed one next month.

New Member Group: John Ramsey noted meetings are held at the Granite Dells Clubhouse on the first Thursday of the month between 1 and 3 p.m.

Quilt Show Update: In Diana's absence, John Ramsey reported the first meeting was held Friday, September 15. The next meeting will be held Friday, October 13, at 9 a.m. at their home. He noted the contract with Findlay Toyota Center should be signed in November and the dates are confirmed as May 30 (setup) and the show on May 31 and June 1. Totes were available today for chairpersons.

Boutique for 2024 Quilt Show: Carol Cooley thanked members for submitting completed boutique items. She reviewed some of the available kits and encouraged members to make one item per month and to submit some of their own projects. Christmas and baby items have not sold in the past.

Fall Quilt Camp: Nancy Hall noted camp is full. Dates are October 10 – 13 at Chapel Rock in Prescott. If you would like to be put on a waiting list in case someone cancels, please see her. Costs are \$340 double occupancy, \$406 single and \$170 for commuter.

Block of the Month: Susan Szot reviewed this year's BOM program and showed two completed second month blocks. Instructions are on the website or can be emailed to participants. She suggested that members make two blocks in different colors each month – one to keep and one for a community quilt.

Community Quilts: Diane Stockhaus reported:

- 30 quilts were distributed this month for a total of 133 for the year.
- The next workshop will be Monday, September 25, here beginning at 9 a.m. There will be more “free to a good home” items.
- Oversize quilts are often donated to other agencies for their fundraisers such as Frontier Rotary.
- Granite Creek Health and Rehabilitation has requested wheelchair size Christmas quilts for their Christmas party. Kits will be distributed at next week’s workshop.
- Nancy Hall delivers quilts to various agencies.
- Many quilt tops need quilting and then binding.
- Nancy Williams won the drawing.

Other: Suzy Davidson announced that:

- Sam Logan was in attendance after her recent heart surgery.
- Pam Easley is in rehab after hip replacement surgery.
- The Elks has set up a recycling program so remember to recycle appropriate items.
- Although MTQG is not a member of Arizona Quilt Guild (AQG), MTQG members can be individual members of AQG and participate in their March Quilt Show.
- More quilts were submitted to Yavapai County Fair this year. Some were hung backwards and MTQG has offered to help next year.

Show and Tell: Quilts were shown by: Marie Willison, Linda Marley, Lolly Platt, Barbara Stein, Kay Wentworth, Patty McClearn, Kay Hoff, Christina Tisdale, Carolyn Wright, Tilly Bristow, Judy Brungardt, Rhoda Chapman, Maureen Slate, and Suzy Davidson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhoda Chapman, Secretary