



The Summit – May 2024

Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

General Meeting

Monday, May 20, 2024 9:30 am

Elks Lodge

6245 E. 2nd Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 5, 2024 9:00 am

Suzy Davidson's home

Meetings are open; seating is limited

Contact Suzy Davidson to attend

President's Message

It's May and there is so much to celebrate. May Day, Mother's Day, graduations and our Quilt Show! I hope everyone is excited about the upcoming show and has all their entries ready, or close to ready. May is when we have our annual meeting which will be called at the beginning of our May 20th general meeting. We will vote on officers, the budget, and dues for our 2024-2025 fiscal year. If approved, dues of \$30 can be paid at the break or after the meeting. You will also have a chance to vote on the Community Quilt challenge, sign up to help at the quilt show and pick up the packets for your quilt show entries. It's an important meeting so I hope you can all make it.

A reminder to all committee chairman, your reports and notebooks are due by the June meeting. If possible, please try to meet to go over the information with the new chairman and answer any questions they may have.

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Programs and ECHOS

Cheri Heinecke

Monday, May 20th General Meeting is reserved for our quilt show prep, so no presenter.

Monday, June 17th - Guild member's luncheon.

Tuesday, June 18th, Gail Shannon is returning to offer her Mexican Stars workshop. Samples are at the programs table. Workshop is from 9:00 – 4:00 with

set-up starting at 8:40. Cost is \$50. No kit fee, but you will need to get the pattern, Mexican Stars by A. Ornelas. Supply list is available on our website. This is also your last chance to use your half price workshop.

Monday, July 15th David and Trish are coming to present Two Artists, One Studio, Revisited.

Tuesday, July 16th our very own Janice Zolnierowicz is going to teach us how to make a Baker Street Bag. Come to the Programs table to see the samples. They are so cute with lots of inside pockets! Workshop is 9:00 – 4:00, set-up at 8:40, fee is \$30. There is no kit fee, but you will need to print the free pattern ahead of time.

Monday, August 19th Jane Haworth is our presenter with a lecture and trunk show. Then from 1:00 - 4:00 is a workshop - Paintbox Chickens. Setup at 12:40 pm. No painting involved. Fee is \$25. Fee includes the pattern. Signups will be at the June meeting.

Tuesday, August 20th, Pet Portrait Fabric Collage. Workshop is 9:00 – 4:00, set-up at 8:40, fee is \$38. This includes the fee for Jane to turn your pet or animal picture (emailed to her) into a usable line drawing pattern. This is the option from the supply list that this class requires.

Just a reminder and for those new to our guild, workshops are paid for when you sign up by cash or check. There are no refunds, but if the workshop has a wait list, then your spot can possibly be filled from this and the

person taking your spot will pay you directly. You may also find your own replacement. Workshops open to the public one month before the workshop. Supply lists for workshops are available on our website.

Text me at the number in the directory or call and leave a message if you have any questions.

Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for submissions is **Friday, June 7, 2024**. Please send to mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com.

Elections

Bobbie Mae Ball

The following is the slate of officers nominated for the 2024-2025 year:

- President - Bobbie Mae Ball
- President Elect - Vicky Hall
- Secretary - Beth Miller
- Treasurer - Sue Ely
- Program Chair - Cheri Heinecke

You will be voting at the May 20th Annual Meeting for this slate of officers to be on the board.

The following are Committees and Chairs for 2024-2025:

- Accuquilt Cutter Custodian - John Ramsey & Diane Short
- Block of the Month - Sue Szot
- Bus Trip Coordinator - Debbie Jones

- Community Quilts - Suzy Davidson & Vicky Hall
- ECHOS - Presenter
- Holiday Luncheon - Maureen Sinkiewicz
- Membership - Donna Domino
- Mini-group Coordinator - Liz Hart
- New Member Group - Marcia McMullen, Barbara Pheil, PJ Parker
- Newsletter - Theresa Barnard
- No Email Caller - Theresa Barnard
- 2026 Opportunity Quilt - Barbara Sheehan, Karen Austermilller, Norma Jarrels
- Photographer - Donna Domino, Linda Trudeau
- Fall Quilt Camp - Deb Mulcahy, Bobbie Turnbow, Donna Speights
- Spring Quilt Camp - Liz Rider
- Refreshments - Linda Snavely
- Show 'n Tell - Kay Wentworth
- Sunshine - Linda Cox
- Website - Patty McClearn
- Youth Sewing - Diana Ramsey

2024 Quilt Show

Diana Ramsey & Linda Rosengarten

Three weeks until “show time” but who’s counting? All the committee chairs for the show have been busy getting last-minute tasks completed and information organized so that the show goes as smoothly as possible from beginning to end. Please thank them when you see them for all their dedicated hard work on the show. It’s going to be another spectacular and memorable event for our guild!

Reminders: First, we have pre-sale tickets available for purchase for those friends, family, and neighbors whom you would like to invite to the show. Second, please make sure your hanging sleeves are securely attached to your quilts and are placed no more than 94” measuring up from the bottom of the quilt. And third, if you are not going to be able to put your quilt in the show after all, please let us know as soon as possible so we can find another item to hang as a replacement.

We want to thank all of you who signed up for the many various jobs that will need to be done before, during and after the show, and the loans of ladders, wagons, etc. You are awesome! We still have some gaps where we need a few more volunteers so please check out the sign-up sheets at the May guild meeting and add your name to any job lists where you think you could be of help.

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

Spring Luncheon

Rhoda Chapman

Join us after our June 17 business meeting for our annual spring luncheon. This year’s picnic theme includes colorful checkered tablecloths along with picnic foods served by the Board. Three of the 18 tables still need someone to decorate them. If you’re interested, contact Rhoda Chapman by text or email.

Quilts with a Story

Joan Carrell and Peggie MacKenzie

Thanks to all of you who generously agreed to share your precious quilts for our Quilts with a Story presentation. On May 30th, the day of set up for the show, please bring your quilts in a bag with your name and turn them in from 9:00 - 10:00 am to Peggie and Joan.

We have one more request for you. Please sign up for a slot to hold the quilts while we read the stories during our Quilts with a Story presentations. There will be a sign up available at our membership meeting on May 20th.

Thank you!

Meeting Refreshments

Linda Cox and Linda Snavelly

May 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.

Norma Jarrels, Debbie Jones, Debbie Kelley, Jan Kimbro, Sandra Koch, Barbara Krit, Iris Lacey, Julia Laraway, Judy Larson, Ruth Larson, Fran Leslie, Sam Logan, Peggie MacKenzie, Dawn Marcuse

Plastic Tubs For Sale

Suzy Davidson

We are out of space in the Conex and need to make room. At the May meeting, we will have plastic tubs of various sizes for sale for \$1 each.



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Community Quilts

Diane Stockhaus and Carol Foss

Entries from this years' Quilt Show Challenge will be available to enjoy at our next regular meeting. Guild members will have the opportunity to vote for favorites and the top three vote getters will receive prizes. All entries will be displayed at our quilt show, and after the show is over, they will be donated with our regular monthly distribution.

The semi-annual CASA Adoption event will be held on Friday, May 17, starting at 1pm. I encourage you to attend, if your schedule permits - this is a very joyous event, and poignant. Each adopted child receives a

stuffed toy, a book (signed by the judge) and a quilt - made and donated by our guild! If you plan to attend, arrive early, so that you can get through security in time to enjoy the festivities. And please wear your badge, so that court personnel can direct you to the right courtroom. Hope to see you there!

Since the Memorial Day holiday lands on our regular scheduled Community Quilts workshop day (May 27), we decided to cancel the workshop, so that members can appropriately honor our departed veterans. Please contact the Community Quilts team if you need supplies from storage to finish up your Community Quilts projects.

And finally, we will have excess large plastic bins for sale at the CQ table during the May meeting. Most have tops, but not all. Each bin is \$1, yes, \$1! We will also have some residual 1-pound scrap bags, and other excess fabric for sale. And for those of you who have missed the three-yard quilt kits, we will have a supply of these bundles for you to pick up. Each kit makes up into a good sized lap quilt top, which should be turned into Community Quilts once completed.

Happy quilting!

New Members Group

John Ramsey and Lori McCarthy

The New Member Group did not meet in May due to vacations. As always, we will have a show and tell and encourage

everyone to bring their favorite sewing gadget.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting which will be on June 6th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm at John Ramsey's home, 602 Panorama Drive, Prescott. Call or text for directions 623-680-3975.



May Birthdays

- Suzy Davidson
- Karen Fox
- Marie Gniazdowski
- Deb Mulcahy
- Stephanie Romesburg
- Angela Smith
- Sandy Stone
- Beverly Thomas

For Sale

Husqvarna Viking Designer Epic Sewing & Embroidery Machine Like new. Usage has only 23 sewing hours and 7 embroidery hours.

10.1" Tablet like Screen, LED light, large sewing area 12.5" x 5.5"

30% Larger Bobbin, 650 Embroidery Designs, over 1200 sewing stitches up to 45 mm wide, telescopic thread guides, instruction manuals, Hoops included 360 x 260, 260 x 200, 120 x 120, basic and specialty feet. Straight and zig zag stitch plate and much more!

mySewnet cloud, automatic software updates through Wi-Fi, mySewnet Monitor App

Please call Carol Foss 303-881-1123 for additional information \$3500



For Sale

A-1 Longarm Model 923, 24" throat, on a 10' metal table. Hydraulic lift system for easy height adjustment. Has a stitch regulator and ergonomic handles. 100% hand guided.

Comes with lots of thread and bobbins, bobbin winder, ruler bed, many rulers and numerous pantographs. I also will include whatever parts I have on hand and I have a

hutch that everything is stored in. Asking \$6,000.

If you are interested contact CJ York at cjthequilter@msn.com or 928-716-3265.



Upcoming Quilt Events

Mountain Top Quilters Guild Quilt Show
"Every Quilt is a Memory" 2024

May 31-June 1, 2024

Findlay Toyota Center

3201 Main Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

Strawberry Patchers 26th Annual Quilt Show

June 7-8, 2024

Cultural Hall in downtown Pine

Pine, AZ

Round Valley Quilt & Fiber Arts Show

June 21-22, 2024

Round Valley High School

550 N Butler Street

Eager, AZ

MTQG Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2024

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

March Minutes: Erin Sullivan motioned to approve, second by Sam Logan, and approved.

Birthdays: Suzy Davidson read the list of April birthdays and noted that Jan Walls turns 91 this month and is an inspiration to us all.

June Luncheon: Rhoda Chapman noted the luncheon will be held June 17 following our business meeting. In keeping with the picnic theme checkered tablecloths will be used and part of the menu includes chicken and potato salad and other picnic favorites. Members can sign up to decorate one of the 18 tables; six tables are still available. If you are interested, see Rhoda to sign up and pick up a tablecloth in a color you would like. The Board will also provide tableware; however, those who decorate tables may provide tableware to go with their theme.

Dog Beds: Charlene Coxworth noted about 200 dog beds have been donated to the Yavapai Humane Society. Empty dog beds to be filled and completed dog beds ready to donate may be picked up or left at the coat rack to the left of the entrance to this room. Fabric and batting scraps about 2" square along with thread may be put in the bag. Please make sure the bag does not contain pins, needles, or sharp items. Heavier weight fabrics like corduroy, denim, or heavier upholstery fabric are used for the outside of the bag. If you have any of these fabrics you would like to donate, please see Charlene. An article in this month's newsletter contains more information.

Quilt Camp: Suzy Davidson noted everyone had a great time at camp and next year's Spring Camp will be held April 1 through April 4. She noted about 30 community quilt tops were completed at camp.

Budget Preparations/updates: Sue Ely, Treasurer, noted the Proposed 2024-2025 budget has been distributed. Next month at our Annual Meeting members will adopt the budget. Instead of paying a \$700 annual subscription fee for our financial software, we have purchased software that will meet our needs, for much less. Sue is in the process of transferring information to the new software. Sue will be gone for much of May and financials will not be available. She stated that all quilt show expenses must be submitted no later than June 15 so they can be processed and included in this year's budget. There is no quilt show budget for next year.

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

- Today Cynthia England, Trunk show and lecture on Picture Paper Piecing. Same day workshop on Roadrunner Landscape from 1 to 4. Class fee: \$30; Kit fee \$43. Next day April 16, Small Landscape from 9 to 4, Class fee \$38 and Kit fee \$58.
- May 20: Quilt Show
- June 17: Spring Luncheon with a picnic theme.
- June 18: Gail Shannon will have a Mexican Star Class from 9 to 4. The Class fee is \$50 and there is no kit fee. A free pattern is available on the website.
- July 15: David and Trish Charity will have a trunk show: Two Artists; One Studio. John Ramsey will conduct an ECHOS on the Accuquilt Cutter that day.
- July 16: Janice Zolnierowicz will have a class from 9 to 4 to make a Baker Street Bag. The fee is \$30; there is no kit, but a pattern will need to be printed before the class.

Opportunity Quilt Marketing: Vicky Hall noted the quilt will be in Chino Valley in May and will not be here next month. She encouraged members to sign up to sell tickets in two-hour shifts at the Quilt Show.

Membership: Dues are now reduced to \$20 for the rest of this fiscal year, which ends June 30, and members will be responsible for full membership for the next fiscal year beginning in July. Dues for next year remain at \$30 and may be collected after the annual meeting next month. The ½ price classes will not continue next year. Donna Domino noted there are 11 guests today including Dolores Baker, Susan Lewis, Donna Horner, Sharla Peterson, Susan Henry, Marilyn Clark, Kim Martin, Betsy Mayorga, Jessica Bodnick, and Debra Salazar.

New Member Group: The next meeting will be in June.

Leadership Opportunities: Bobbie Mae Ball, President-Elect, noted two positions are available: Spring Camp and Website. Patty McClearn would like someone to work with her on the website so she can step down in the future.

Block of the Month: Sue Szot showed the last items needed to complete this year's quilt. She asked members to stop by her table to look at next year's proposed patterns and vote for the one you like best.

Quilt Show Update: Diana Ramsey noted the following:

Quilts with a Story is full; no more quilts will be accepted.

General information:

- Quilts must be dropped off at the front door of the arena between 9 and 10 a.m. Thursday.
- Pickup will be at 5 p.m. Saturday.
- Wear your name tag.
- Members get in free. If members pay the admission fee, they will be eligible for door prizes.
- Admission fee is \$10; children are free. \$10 covers both days, arm band will be given.
- Pre-sale tickets are available; see Diana.
- No outside bottles, candy or food may be brought into the arena.
- Gabby's is the food vendor with a variety of foods including wraps and salads.
- Go in and out of the arena through the back loading dock for set up. If working early during the show, members can use the loading dock entrance.
- There will be street signs on the rows to help locate specific categories.
- There will not be a program this year; however, admissions will have lists to help find specific quilts.
- Viewer's Choice ballots will be distributed. The top 3 vote winners get a ribbon.

Sign-ups for volunteers and equipment loans are at the side table and include the following:

- Set up: Thursday, all day beginning at 8 a.m. Come for the whole day or whatever time you can commit. People with strong arms including guild members and relatives are needed. Pizza will be provided for lunch.
- Equipment Loans which include ladders, wagons, and calculators. Please identify your items so they can be returned to you.
- Admissions: Friday/Saturday: Sit down job; 2-hour shifts
- White Gloves: Friday/Saturday: 1-hour shifts; standing/walking.
- Boutique, Friday/Saturday, 2-hour shifts, selling.
- Quilts with a Story: Friday/Saturday, 4 people per time slot; strong arms needed to hold up the quilts.
- Opportunity Quilt Sales: Friday/Saturday, 2-hour shifts, sells Opportunity Quilt tickets.
- Small Quilt Auction: Set up and assist during the auction which starts at 2:30 Saturday.
- Welcome Table: Friday/Saturday, sit down, 2-hour shifts, welcomes guests and works on own projects.
- Take down: Starts at 4 p.m. Saturday until finished.

Member Only Quilt Show Ballot: Ballots will be distributed next month to those who want them. While there will still be a Viewer's Choice and our show is NOT a juried show, ballots will be available for our members only to judge as many quilts in each category as they would like. The ballot has a 10-point system with criteria suggested by last month's speaker. There will be one award to the quilt that receives the most votes, regardless of category.

Community Quilts: Diane Stockhaus reported:

- A total of 38 quilts were turned in bringing the year's total to 397 quilts. We are on track to exceed 500 donations this year.
- This month's workshop will be held here next Monday.
- Quilts for the Community Quilt Challenge were due today; however, only 20 of the 30 quilts were submitted today. Voting will take place next month; the top 3 quilts will receive recognition and all the quilts will be displayed at the Quilt Show.
- Diane noted the next CASA Adoption Day will be May 17, time not yet available. She encouraged members to attend to watch not only the adoptions but also the children select a book, a toy, and a quilt.

Other: Suzy Davidson announced the following:

- Yavapai College is disposing of books. Quilt books are available April 15 – 20. Contact the college for more information.
- Ricky Timms is holding a class in Flagstaff. For more information, contact Coconino Quilters through Facebook or Pinterest.
- Kathy Barrett found \$10 in the parking lot. If you can prove that it belongs to you, see Suzy. Otherwise, the money will be donated to our guild.
- Marcia McMullen is looking for someone to restore a quilt. See her for details.
- Our website was down last week. If you have website questions, please email mtqgwebsite@gmail.com to reach Patty McClearn directly.

Show and Tell: Quilts were shown by Creative Gypsies, Bobbie Mae Ball, Donna Wagner, John Ramsey, Kay Hoff, Sue Von Hagel, Kathy Allen, Laura Christianson, Iris Lacey, Michelle Schneider, and Kay Wentworth.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhoda Chapman, Secretary