



# The Summit – August 2023

## Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

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### General Meeting

**Monday, August 21, 2023 9:00 am**

Elks Lodge

6245 E. 2nd Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

### Board Meeting

**Wednesday, September 6, 2023 9:00 am**

Bobbie Mae Ball's home

Meetings are open; seating is limited

Contact Suzy Davidson to attend

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## President's Message

Hello Quilters!

Seems like summer is flying by, school has started, and I am already behind on making those Christmas gifts I planned to do last spring. I want to thank Vicki Hall for accepting the position of Opportunity Quilt Marketing Chairman and Barbara Krit for Quilt Show Hang Chairman. Two important positions, and I know we will all assist you where we can. The deadline to pay your dues to be in the directory and sign up for classes and camp has passed, but I would still urge you to rejoin. There are many benefits to being a member. We have a lot of great classes coming up, camp and then the quilt show where I know you have beautiful work you want to display. Please remember to check the newsletter for those whose turn it is to bring snacks to the meeting. Hope to see all of you on the 21st.

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## Programs and ECHOS

*Cheri Heinecke*

**August:** Janet Nieuwenhoff, MTQG member, lecture and trunk show titled, *"How I Do What I Do."* No workshop on Tuesday.

ECHOS follows Janet's presentation: John Ramsey will demo the AccuQuilt cutter. Plan to stay and bring a sack lunch. No sign-up required.

**September:** Coco Alaniz, MTQG member, a Monday lecture and trunk show. **Tuesday,**

**September 19** class will be on making an *All purpose Apron with Deep Pockets*. Cost: \$45 which includes pattern. Supply list available on our website.

**October:** Karen Miller, Red Bird Quilts, Monday trunk show immediately followed by a half day workshop on thread play called *Creative Chaos*. Cost \$25.

**Tuesday, October 17:** Full day Wool Hand Applique class called *Spring Wren*. Cost \$50, plus a \$20 kit fee paid directly to Karen.

Please note:

1. Each member can take two half price classes each fiscal year (July – June).
2. If a class is not full by one month prior, non-members and area guilds can sign up.
3. Class supply lists will be available on our website as well as when you sign up and pay.
4. If you have suggestions for presenters or classes, please contact me.

### **Newsletter Deadline**

Deadline for submissions is **Friday, September 8, 2023**. Please send to [mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mtqgnewsletter@gmail.com).

## **Fall Quilt Camp**

*Janice Zolnierowicz*

Fall Quilt Camp will be **Tuesday, October 10 - Friday, October 13, 2023** at Chapel Rock in Prescott. Sign ups will take place at 8:30 am on **Monday, August 21**, prior to the start of the August Guild meeting. There is room for 18 campers. A waiting list will be started in case anyone has to cancel. In order to secure your reservation, you must turn in the registration form and either deposit \$170 or full payment, at the time of sign up. This is nonrefundable, unless there is someone on the waiting list who can fill your vacancy. The registration form is available on the MTQG website under Forms. Prices include hotel-style accommodations (except for day campers), 9 meals, snacks, all the sewing time you can handle, and quilting with friends. Bring your own projects to work on.

- \$340 per person double occupancy
- \$406 for a single room
- \$170 for day campers, no overnight

If you cannot sign up in person, please have a friend turn in your registration form and payment on August 21. No mail-in registrations will be accepted.

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

## **2024 Quilt Show**

*Diana Ramsey and Linda Rosengarten*

We are gearing up for our 2024 Quilt Show and have filled all the committee positions with some awesome members. Our first meeting will be on **Friday, September 15th at 9:30 am** at Diana's home in Prescott. If you are heading a quilt show committee or would just like to come see what we do to put together the show, please plan on attending. Call Diana for directions because Google maps may lead you on a wild goose chase!

## **Quilt Show Boutique**

*Carol Cooley*

The Boutique Committee is busy making kits for members to take and make for the boutique. Members are encouraged to pick one up before the meeting and during the break. Some kits will require the addition of an item, such as a zipper or a scrap of batting.

We'd also love to hear what the mini groups are planning to contribute, as well as individual members' ideas. We are asking each member to make one item per month (or more 😊) which will give us a good showing to offer at the boutique next year. If you have already started, we will be collecting items at each meeting. We are excited to see what you have made!

## **Treasurer Notes**

*Sue Ely*

Since it is a new year and we have new Chairpersons, it is a good time to remind

everyone of the process to get reimbursed for money spent for various committee projects. The Chairperson must approve any money spent by their committee.

Reimbursement requests, or any other money related requests, must be submitted to the treasurer in a timely manner along with the correct form. All requests for reimbursement must have all receipts attached and multiple items should be itemized. All forms can be found on the MTQG website under the "Forms" tab. If you do not know which form to use, or do not have access to a computer or printer, please see me and I will be happy to help you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Block of the Month**

*Sue Szot*

Sue Szot, the new chair for Block of the Month, invites you to participate in this year's Block of the Month. We will be working on a project featured on AllPeopleQuilt.com as the BOM for May, 2014. I have been unable to obtain its name. Requests to its designer, Monique Dillard of Open Gate Quilts, have remained unanswered, but I believe this will be a fun project. This quilt has eight 9" blocks and each block is surrounded by setting triangles. The quilt is shown in a planned color pallet, but could easily be made scrappy, using up your stash. The finished size of this quilt is 55 1/2 inches by 73 1/2 inches.

Please consider making each quilt block twice, in the same or a completely different colorway. At year's end, you will have two beautiful quilts, one to keep or give to a loved one, and one to donate to our Community Quilts Project.

Because we live in a digital age, copies of the block will not be made available on paper. To get directions, please sign up to receive the monthly block instructions via email. If you are unable to attend a guild meeting, you may request the pattern for each block by making your request to Sue at [szotsj@gmail.com](mailto:szotsj@gmail.com)

Happy Quilting!



## Opportunity Quilt

*Vicky Hall*

MTQG will be selling raffle tickets for our beautiful Opportunity Quilt at the Rusty Barn Event in Scottsdale **August 31 - Sept 2** and the Yavapai County Fair, **September 7 - 10**. We need volunteers for 1 1/2 hour shifts. I will have a signup sheet at the August meeting. Should you wish to sign up before then, feel free to contact me!



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## Community Quilts

*Diane Stockhaus and Carol Foss*

We'll, it's that time again...the MTQG Quilt Show Community Quilts Challenge! This biennial tradition allows Guild members to show off their creativity with a display at the 2024 Quilt Show, following some basic rules for the challenge. This year, each participant will receive three yards of coordinated fabric from the Guild stash, with instructions for quilt assembly. Prior to the 2024 Show, Guild members will vote on their favorite submission, and prizes will be



awarded to the top three vote getters. Then, all submissions will be displayed in a separate section of the Show, along with information for the public to better understand our charitable activities. After the Show, all submissions will be donated to one of the charities we usually support.

Participant kits will be available to pick up from the Community Quilts table during the August general meeting **during the break**. There will be 30 kits, so make sure you get yours...No kits will be distributed before the break. Detailed instructions will be verbalized during the August meeting.

As was discussed at the July meeting, excess Community Quilts fabric will be available for sale to guild members only, starting at **8:45 at the August meeting**. Price will be based on \$1/yard, so if the available boxes have half yards, each would be 50 cents, fat quarters would be 25 cents, etc. Future meetings will include 2.5" strips at 10 for \$1! The fabric sales will end when the regular meeting starts at 9:30. Come take a look!

Our monthly workshop will occur on **Monday, August 28th, at 9:00 am**, at the Elks Lodge. Join in the fun of helping our Community Quilts efforts.

Happy quilting!

### **Library News**

*Bobbie Mae Ball and Sandra Wolf*

The library will not be open this month. Your returns are due in September.

### **August Birthdays**

- Jeanie Braheme
- Joan Carrell
- Barbara Dios
- Carol Foss
- Kay Hoff
- Ginny Kerutis
- Ellen Larson
- Patty McClearn
- Beverly Parker
- Joan Powers
- Michele Schneider
- Roberta Simpkins
- Dona Speights
- Nancy Stewart
- Mary Terry
- Christina Tisdale
- Nadeen Van Dyke
- Carolyn Wright

### **New Members Group**

*John Ramsey and Lori McCarthy*

The New Member Group kicked off the first meeting of the 2023/2024 fiscal year on Thursday, August 3rd. The initial meeting covered history of the guild, forms of communication (website, directory, Facebook) and descriptions of committees. Most of the attendees have been members of the guild for less than a year and were enthusiastic to learn more about the activities of the guild.

Our next meeting is **September 7th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm** at the Granite Dells Clubhouse, 5220 Crown Rock Trail in Prescott

**Meeting Refreshments**

*Linda Cox and Linda Snavelly*

August 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.

Diana Ramsey, John Ramsey, Millie Randel, Terri Reynolds, Elizabeth Rider, Judith Ritner, Stephanie Romesburg, Linda Rosengarten, Robyn Rousseau, Susan Ryan, Veronica Sandoval, Michele Schneider, Barbara Sheehan

**Upcoming Quilt Events**

*Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival*  
**August 31 - September 2 10:00 am - 4:00 pm**  
WestWorld of Scottsdale  
16601 N. Pima Road  
Scottsdale, Arizona



**\$ 2 OFF ADMISSION**  
**Scottsdale, AZ**

\$ 12 without coupon / 1 coupon per person

Photocopies okay / Ticket valid all 3 Days / **Cash Only**

**present printed coupon or postcard to cashier to receive discount**

*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

## MTQG Meeting Minutes for July 17, 2023

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

**Special Announcement:** The Bernina 570 sewing machine that had been stolen from Quilt and Sew last month was returned; someone left it outside the store.

**June Minutes:** Barbara Stein motioned to approve, second by Michele Schneider, and were approved.

**Birthdays:** Suzy Davidson read the list of July birthdays. Linda Marley won the drawing.

**Job Descriptions:** The Board has prepared updated job descriptions (shorter ones for the directory and more detailed for the various committee chairpersons). Rhoda Chapman will be sending these to the chair persons for their review. These should be returned to Rhoda with any comments or suggested changes.

**President's 2024 Challenge:** Suzy Davidson announced a Quilt Show Challenge based on the theme "*Every Quilt is a Memory.*" Make a quilt that shows one of your favorite memories. Quilts will be due April 24, 2024 can be any size, and there are no other rules. Quilts will be grouped together at the 2024 Quilt Show.

**Opportunity Quilt Marketing:** A chairperson is still needed for this job. Peggy MacKenzie is selling tickets today -- \$5.00 for 6 tickets. It is suggested that each member purchase \$10 of tickets. Please submit suggestions for places to sell tickets and a name for the quilt to Suzy Davidson. Quilt Show entries will be due in March and challenge quilts will not be counted in the number of quilts members can submit.

**Newsletter Update:** Theresa Barnard, newsletter chairperson, noted this month's issue had been late; she had been out of state. Let Theresa know if you did not get the reminder email. She would like to change the newsletter and add other articles. Future issues will be included on the website and will be sent by email.

**Programs:** Cheri Heinecke, Program Chair for 2023-2024, announced the programs:

- **Today:** Heidi Pridemore with a presentation and a Tuesday class on Chain Reaction.
- **August:** Member Janet Nieuwenhoff with a trunk show followed by an ECHOS class on the Accuquilt Cutter by John Ramsey.

- **September:** Member Coco Alaniz with a Monday presentation followed by an ECHOS about using rotary cutters and a Tuesday class on aprons. Sign-ups begin in July.
- **October:** Karen Miller from Red Bird Quilt Company talking about wool with a Tuesday class.

**ECHOS:** John Ramsey will present how to use the Accuquilt Cutter after Janet Nieuwenhoff's presentation in August.

**Membership/Guests:** Donna Domino introduced 8 guests: Susan George, Tess Wheeler, Marcia Ford, Lorraine Owen, Danette Tice, Billie Gipe, Evelyn Serrato, and Cynthia Welsh. She reminded members this year's \$30 dues need to be paid by the end of this meeting for information to be included in the 2023-2024 Directory. She also noted that members are entitled to two half-price classes again this year.

**New Members Group:** Lori McCarthy and John Ramsey noted the first meeting will be **August 3 from 1 to 3 pm** at the Granite Dells Clubhouse. Notice will be on the website and in Grapevine messages but not by email. The topic will be what goes on at the guild and what is on our website.

**Block of the Month:** Susan Szot is on vacation and this year's 8-month BOM program will begin next month. It is suggested that members consider making two blocks in different colors each month – one to keep and one for a community quilt.

**Quilt Show 2024:** Diana Ramsey noted the first meeting will be held **September 15 at 9:30 am** at her home.

**Boutique for 2024 Quilt Show:** Jean Dunk noted that kits are available and encouraged members to pick up kits to make at home. If every member makes one item per month, there will be about 2400 items for the boutique. Things that have not sold in the past include Christmas and baby items. Try to use newer fabrics and bright colors.

**Youth Quilting:** Diana Ramsey announced the Youth Quilting program begins here on **August 15**. Nine students meet on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30. Volunteers to assist students should report at 3:00.

**Fall Quilt Camp:** Janice Zolnierowicz noted camp will be **October 10-13** at Chapel Rock in Prescott with space for 18 campers. You may work on your own projects or community quilts. Signups will be **August 21** at 8:45 a.m. Registration forms are online; no mail-in forms will be accepted. There will be a waiting list. A non-refundable deposit is due with registration. Costs are \$340 double occupancy, \$406 single and \$170 for commuter.



**Community Quilts:** Diane Stockhaus reported:

- 62 quilts were distributed this month.
- The next workshop will be **Monday, July 24**, here beginning at 9 a.m.
- She will introduce a new challenge next month – in addition to the Quilt Show Challenge.
- In August excess fabric will again be for sale.
- Christina Tisdale won the drawing.

**Refreshments:** The schedule for bringing finger foods is alphabetical and will be included in the directory, the newsletter and on the website.

**Meals-on-Wheels Placemats:** Michele Schneider announced the continuation of last year's placemat program. Placemats should be about standard size of 13" x 18", should not be religious or political but can be red, white, and blue, should have the Mountain Top label sewn on and will be due in early December. Last year 180 placemats were made, and more are needed.

**Other:** Suzy Davidson announced that:

- Members wearing crocheted flowers can answer your questions.
- Members who need to set up should arrive by 8:30; doors will open for the general membership at 8:45 a.m.

**Show and Tell:** Quilts were shown by: Karen Auster Miller, Velia Glazier, Barbara Phiel, Vicki Wangenstein, Margot McDonnell, Marcia McMullen, Kay Hoff, Iris Lacey, Kay Wentworth, Donna Wagner, Patty McClearn, Diana Ramsey, Lori McCarthy, Theresa Barnard, Janice Zolnierowicz, Rags to Bags, Sandy Koch, Cheri Heinecke, Elizabeth Phinder, Linda Cox, Jan Adams, and Susan Cupp.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhoda Chapman, Secretary