

The Summit, August 2018

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow summer is moving by fast. Many of our members are traveling this time of year and we wish all safe travels. Just remember that when you return from a trip or hosting visiting family members that we at the MTQG are always like a family welcoming you back. The Guild offers so many opportunities for companionship with others that share common hobbies and activities. Whether it be a magazine from the our large library, discussing your block of the month, taking a class from one of our wonderful speakers, joining a mini group or volunteering at Community Quilts we all enjoy the company of others and sharing ideas. And MTQG certainly provides plenty of opportunities for everyone.

The MTQG Board

Please leave the first two pews on the right available for our photographer and those giving reports during the guild meeting. Please reserve the last two rows for the display of Show and Tell quilts before refreshment time.

Newsletter Note

The deadline for July newsletter articles is Wednesday, September 5 at noon.

Refreshments

Dolores Schrock

We begin the second half of 2018 with members busy with MTQG in various ways, creating some special quilt piece, and planning ahead to the holidays soon to be. It's important to stop a moment, appreciate one another, and enjoy sharing our common bond - quilting. Break time treats add a nice touch to these moments as we reconnect. This month the following are asked to provide a finger food treat. Thank you to each for sharing with us. Erin Sullivan, Jan Sullivan, Joy "Swartz, Pattie Taber, Kathleen Tavers, Marilyn Thompson, Maureen Tritle, Carol Trumpfheller, Bobbie Turnbow, Lynn Vache, Nadeen Van Dyke, Cyndie Van Hook, Sue Von Hagel, Ingrid Vorava, Jan Walls, Sharon Watt, Kathy Weinhold, Kay Wentworth, Darlene Williams, Kathleen Williams

FALL QUILT CAMP --- NOVEMBER 6 – 9, 2018

Charlene Coxworth and Mary Jane Godwin

Mountain Top Quilters Guild Fall Quilt Camp begins Tuesday, November 6th at 9:30 a.m. and runs through Friday, November 9th at United Christian Youth Camp. Lunch and dinner are provided on Tuesday, three meals on Wednesday and Thursday, breakfast on Friday.

The cost for the four-day event is \$230.00 per quilter which includes a shared room with linens, all meals listed above, and snacks.

Please fill out the form found on the web page and return it with your \$100.00 deposit to secure your spot to Charlene Coxworth or Mary Jane Godwin at the MTQG meeting on Sept 17th.

This deposit is nonrefundable unless we can find someone to fill your spot after the camp roster is filled. Space is limited to 25 campers and a waiting list will be established after that. The balance of \$130 is due by the MTQG meeting on Oct 15th.

ECHOS

Marie Willison

No ECHOS this month because of Jackie Kunkel workshop.



Thread Brigade

Lori McCarthy

August volunteers are: Bunny Autrey, Jan Walls, Kathleen Williams, Lynda Brady, and Pam Easley. Please remember that 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.



Programs

Susan Perry & Ronnie Sandoval

Did you attend the July Guild meeting? So many of you have commented on the beautiful quilts of Rita Verroca and we're glad you enjoyed them. She was an excellent teacher and would have gone well past dinner time if allowed!

Jackie Kunkel will have a fun trunk show and lecture this month followed by a 1 ½ day paper piecing class (August 20, 21). If you are signed up for the class, be sure to bring your lunch on Monday. You can find Jackie's work at: <https://cvquiltworks.com/>

September is garage sale month. Ronnie and Susan will take priced items ready for the sale at any time. Please price in 0.25 cent increments. Bring any quilt related item: fabric, notions, books, ... We will have a sign up for helpers the day of the garage sale.

Check out the programs table to sign-up for Rosemary Carr's Tuesday October 16th workshop on featherweight maintenance; cost is \$20.

Future lectures/workshops:

October lecture: Joan Carrell trunk show with emphasis on different types of applique

November: Martha Walker from Wickenburg with Tuesday class on wool journal

January: Tips and Tricks (spend 8 minutes each with various members getting some great ideas)

February: TOAD: Totally Almost Done Challenge

March: Carolyn Small from Tucson with Tuesday class on landscapes

April: Gina Perkes from Payson with class on ruler quilting

May: LeAnn Heilman from Phoenix with class on Laura Heine collage

Directory/Membership

Marcia Jacobson

Renewals: Thank you to all MTQG members who have renewed their membership for 2018/2019. If you have not yet renewed, it's not too late. Please download the renewal form from the website and send it along with a check for \$30 to MTQG, P.O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304. The last day to pay your dues and still be included in the 2018/2019 Directory is August 20.

New Members: Seven new members have joined the Guild since our June meeting. Please join with me to welcome Char Arbogast, Joanne Durand, Nancy Hall, Dorothy Martin, Mary Ann Petrocik, Mary Vaughan and Shelly Wronka.

Directory: The 2018/2019 Directory is being prepared for printing. A draft copy will be available at the Welcome Table at the August meeting. This will be your chance to check your information for accuracy. Also, if you are not pleased with your current picture, let me know and a new picture can be taken at the August 20 meeting. The new directories will be available for you to pick up at the September meeting.

Block of the Month

Gail Henry

The block of the month this year is going to be the Wishes Quilt Along that was offered in 2015 by The Fat Quarter Shop. Each month I will have about 20 direction pages run off and some small slips with the online link. Here is the direct link:

<https://blog.fatquartershop.com/wishes-quilt-along.html>

We are asking that you make one block for yourself and one block to donate to the Guild so that we can use them to make community quilts. Contact Gail Henry if you have questions about the Block of the Month.

Community Quilts

Deb Mulcahy

Community Quilts is a Service Project for Mountain Top Quilters. We meet the 4th Monday of each month for a workday. Finished quilts are distributed throughout our Community to over 27 non-profit organizations. These include, but not limited to Hospices, children adoptive services, family and women's shelters, hospitals, veteran's organizations and special needs. We are most grateful to Las Fuentes which allows us to use their community room for our monthly workday!

Next workshop is August 27.

- 10:00 – 3:00 We are able to get into our room at Las Fuentes for Community Quilts by 9:30 a.m. to set up.

- Las Fuentes Resort Village- 1035 Scott Drive, Prescott
 - Bring your sewing machine, **your own sack lunch and beverage..**
 - Please park on the west side of the building. The garage door is unlocked 10:00-11:00. After that, enter at the main entrance and go downstairs.

General meetings: Look for the Community Quilts table! You can pick up quilts that need quilting, tying or binding. We also have quilt top kits available. Bring back your finished quilts and any **UPC codes from Hobbs batting**. We thank all of you for your help.

Message from Board Member Susan Perry

I've recently been thinking quilting is about compassion. Think about why you make quilts and who you make them for. How many quilts go to people you love and/or care about? Look at all the quilts that Community Quilts sends out into our community to provide hugs and cheer each year. Art quilters create their best pieces when they are driven by compassion for their subject. If you collect quilts you want to know their history and understand what the quilter cared about.

I think all quilters have compassion in their core. Have you ever met a stranger you discovered is a quilter, maybe on a plane, and found that once you started talking about quilting it led to hearing about family and what you each care about? How about going to a quilt shop on your travels and what an instant connection you feel with the people you meet in the shop? Don't you love going to a quilt show and talking with strangers in front of a compelling quilt? We bond with each other over fabric, our passion for quilting and what drives us to make more quilts. We care about and feel compassion towards our fellow quilters.

I have a challenge for all of you MTQG members this year: show your compassion with one another and prove me right.

MTQG MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 16, 2018

9:32 am - President Diane Stockhaus opened the general meeting and welcomed everyone to the new guild year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Diane Stockhaus

Display of President's Quilt - Carol Cooley's president's navy and white sampler quilt is on display. Participants were asked to sign their block if they have not already done so.

Incoming Committee Chairs - Diane announced the incoming committee chairs as they will be listed in the 2018-19 guild directory.

2020 Opportunity Quilt - Peggie MacKenzie; Bus Trip, Sunshine, Christmas Luncheon- Vicki Smola;

Accuquilt Cutter Custodian-Kathleen Bond; Block of the Month & Hospitality (visitors) - Gail Henry;

Chamber of Commerce Quilts- Kay Wentworth; Community Quilts- Deb Mulcahy;

Membership & Directory- Marcia Jacobson; ECHOS- Marie Willison; Library - Susan Masse and Library Team;

Mini Groups- Jill Davis; Newsletter- Lucy Fields; Photographer- Hildy Smith; Fall Camp- Charlene Coxworth, Mary Jane Godwin; Spring Camp- Vacant; Kitchen/Refreshments- Dolores Schrock; Show & Tell- Marcia McMullen;

Thread Brigade- Lori McCarthy; Youth Quilt Group- Diana Ramsey.

Members' Interest Form - In order to accommodate the actual interests of the membership for programs, classes, workshops, ECHOS, etc., there is a form on the Programs table to capture this information. New and old members are asked to fill out and return form to Programs table.

Annual Committee Reports - Only a few have come in, so chairs are asked to get them to Diane as soon as possible, and also pass on job descriptions and "how-to" information to their successors.

Annual Financial Review - Hildy Smith will conduct the required annual financial review within the next few weeks and report in August.

Crocheted Flowers - New members are encouraged to ask questions of anyone wearing a crocheted flower, which identifies those who are willing and able to answer questions and provide information to anyone who asks.

Keys Turnover - Anyone having guild keys that they are not actively using for their guild position, please hand them in to Diane.

Fall Overnight Camp (Nov 6-9, \$230, signups begin at Sept meeting) - See Charlene Coxworth or Mary Jane Godwin for more information.

Women Veterans Oral History Project - Iris Lacey's husband is active in an organization that documents the experiences of military veterans. They are currently seeking female veterans to interview. DVDs of the interviews will be given to the Library of Congress. Please let Iris know of anyone who could participate.

Yavapai County Fair Volunteers - Trudy Annis is in charge of the home ec displays and entries and would like volunteers to judge the submissions and do other volunteer work at the Fair. Diane has Trudy's contact information.

Norma Foss Estate Quilting Equipment - The granddaughter has quilting equipment from her grandmother Norma's estate and would like to find out what she has and some advice to aid in determining best course of distribution. See Diane to get contact information.

Thank You Email - A victim of sexual assault, "Chelsie", sent a heartwarming thank you note for a donated quilt that was given to her during her forensic exam. She said she cried into it and felt safe. This story is a major part of what MTQG is about.

Thread Brigade for today - Sherri Hubbs, Pat Little, Lucy Fields, Yolanda Arp, Lynn Vache'

ECHOS - Demonstrations of foundation paper-piecing (hand and machine) by Marcia McMullen and Joan Carrell. This will prepare participants for next month's class.

August Refreshments - Alphabetically from Erin Sullivan through Kathleen Williams (see newsletter for complete list).

Armadilla Wax Works - The store in Prescott Valley has space that has been offered for small group meetings, such as the New Members group or Mini Groups. Diane will check it out this week to see how many it will accommodate. If workable, the August New Members' group will meet there.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Visitors - Gail Henry - 5 guests were recognized and introduced themselves: Dorothy Martin, Joanne Durand, Nancy Hall, Mary Vaughan, and Char Arbogast.

Membership - Marcia Jacobson - One new member was announced: Shelly Wronka. Marcia reminded members that it is time to pay their annual dues of \$30. See her or mail check to the guild address as soon as possible. Members are asked to bring in the plastic spines from the old directory so they can be reused. In August a draft of the directory will be available for proofreading. The new directory will be available in September.

Block of the Month - Gail Henry - The patterns are from a Wishes Quilt-Along from the Make a Wish Foundation. There are some fabric lists and patterns available on the display board, and the lists and patterns are also on the website. Participants are asked to make two blocks, one for themselves and one to turn in for making donation quilts.

Programs - Susan Perry and Ronnie Sandoval -Members were encouraged to take workshops and classes.

Today's program: Rita Verroca will lecture and show her hand appliqued quilts, and will conduct a workshop tomorrow. Seats in the class are still available, as well as patterns and also kits (to save time if last-minute registration).

August program: Jackie Kunkel trunk show, followed by a 1 1/2 day paper-piecing class. Participants can still order patterns. A preparation session is in planning and participants will be notified of details.

September program: Guild Garage Sale. Members are encouraged to clean out their sewing rooms and bring in fabric, notions, and books/patterns to the July, August, and September meetings, pre-priced in 25 cent increments. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at the August meeting for volunteers to set-up and for sales.

October program: Joan Carrell trunk show. A workshop by Rosemary Carr on how to clean and service Featherweight machines will follow on Tuesday.

November program and workshop by Martha Walker on working with wool.

TBQ Announcement - Kathleen Bond- The TBQ August workshop will be a punch-needle class presented by Martha Walker. A sample will be sent around. See Kathleen to sign up and learn a new technique.

Sunshine - Vicki Smola - The guild sang Happy Birthday to the members with July birthdays: Dorothy Bates, Carol Cone, Colleen Cristea, Lucy Fields, Gail Henry, Judy Larson, Marty Lensink, Peggie MacKenzie, Linda Marley, Kiersten Moshier Susan Perry, Sharon Phelps, Diana Ramsey, Judith Ritner, Bettie Setz (over 80), Linda Snavelly, Diane Stockhaus, Kathleen Tavares, and Sandra Wright.

Announcement - Diane Stockhaus - A bag of quilting books was left last week on the counter (presumably because the library was closed due to the June luncheon). If no one claims them today, it will be assumed that they are a donation to the library (no one responded at the moment).

Community Quilts - Deb Mulcahy - Thanks went out to Dona Speights for her leadership in Community Quilts over the past year and for her excellent training and advice for the new committee.

Five UPC codes from packages of Hobbs batting allow Community Quilts to purchase a roll of batting for \$80, which is a savings of over half the usual price. She encouraged everyone to purchase Hobbs batting packages at Hobby Lobby and remember to bring the UPC codes to her.

Total number of donated quilts in 2017-18 is 682.

The next Community Quilts meeting is at Las Fuentes next Monday. Bring a bag lunch.

Show and Tell - Marcia McMullen - The following members displayed quilts: Betty Foley, Karen Adams, Karen Adams (& Margot McDonnell's group quilt - it has been accepted at the Houston show and is on the cover of the AQS 2019 Calendar), Jan Walls showed two doggie quilts that were given to her to donate to the Humane Society, Linda Brady, Sherri Hubbs, Sharon Watt, Kay Wentworth, Fran Leslie (showed a Rita Verroca pattern quilt), Kay Hoff, Iris Lacey, Arvilla Gregor, Lucy Fields, and Marcia McMullen. Marcia also showed a 30's fabric quilt top that is for sale.

Diane asked members to return at 11am after refreshments for the program.

Program: Rita Verroca - Hand Appliqued Quilts

Respectfully submitted,
SusanMasse, Secretary



Happy August Birthday to:

Dona Speights
Joan Carrell
Kay Hoff

Patty McClearn

Dorothy Martin
Kay Harlan
Nadeen Van Dyke

Sandie Allen

Genny Kerutis
Barbara Hinds
Nancy Stewart

Facebook

Michelle Schneider

If anyone has information or pictures they would like to share and have posted on Mountain Top Quilters Guild Facebook, please email them to Michelle's email.

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👉 THINGS TO REMEMBER 👈

Remember to Bring:

Library Books

General Meeting

Monday, August 20, 2018

9:30 am

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

First Lutheran Church

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday - August 27, 2018 10:00 – 3:00

Las Fuentes Retirement Center

1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be 1:00 on Tuesday, September 4th at the home of Kathy Hofmeister.

Board Meetings are OPEN MEETINGS and we encourage anyone to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact Kathy Hofmeister.



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