

# Summit -March 2020

## Mountain Top Quilters Guild

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### President's Message

I am sharing this on Monday, February 24, after I got home from the monthly Community Quilts workshop: Today, I met a wonderful woman. This lady was visiting her sister who lives at Las Fuentes, having traveled to Prescott from Iowa City, IA. She told me she saw on the Activities Schedule that MTQG would be there today, so she decided to see what we are all about, and there she was, standing in the middle of the organized chaos, smiling brightly. We chatted about the activities going on in the workroom, and she asked me probing questions. How big is your guild? How many members do you have? How often do you meet? Do you have mini-groups? How about guild challenges? Workshops? Community Outreach efforts? She was so curious, and seemed so happy, with the sweetest smile. We only spoke for a short time, but we shared a bond. You guessed it - she is a quilter, and she seemed to find great comfort with fellow quilters while she was so far from home. We chatted for a little bit longer, and she told me about her quilt guild in Iowa City...informing me that the guest speaker at her next guild meeting will be Mary Fons, and she was so excited!

And then her husband interrupted our conversation to let her know they would be late, and needed to leave...so off she went. It was then that I realized, after she was gone, that we never exchanged names...we just talked and talked, and I forgot to ask her name! It only took a few minutes for me to realize I do know her name - Quilter! She is a quilter, as we all are, and we find each other everywhere we go! We are so blessed!

Keep smiling, and happy quilting, everyone!

*Diane Stockhaus*

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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.

The deadline for the April newsletter is Wed.  
**April 8, 2020** at noon.

### Refreshments

*Delores Schrock*

March has arrived with it a hint of a new season coming this March 19th. Soon nature will begin to show many colors of all shades and intensity. This month as we celebrate each others creations filled with beautiful colors the following are asked to bring a treat for all to enjoy. Treats are to be a finger food item and ready to eat. Label your 2 containers with your name....Be sure to pick them up after break time. Many thanks to each of you for your treat. Jan Adams, Karen Adams, Sharon Andrews, Char Arbogast, Yolanda Arp, Bunny Autrey, Patricia Autrey, Bobbie Mae Ball, Kathy Barrett, Barbara Beach, Beverly Berg-Hansen, Kathleen Bond, Betty Bourgault, Beverly Bowe, Lynda Brady, Carlotta Brandenburg, Tracy Burnett, Maureen Carr, Joan Carrell, Holly Caruso.



## **ECHOS**

*Nancy Hall and Marie Willison*

Immediately following the March guild meeting, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for "Quilting Tools You Can't Live Without (and a few you can!)" with Diana Ramsey. This will be no more than an hour. Feel free to bring your favorite tools to share with the group.

After the April meeting, Sam Logan will be teaching a class on making a pouch with pockets and snaps from a place mat. There will be a sign up sheet and supply list at the March meeting. There is no fee for this class, but space is limited. Bring your sewing machine and learn something new!

In May, Ronnie Sandoval will be sharing small sewing tips to make your life easier. Who doesn't need that!? This will be no more than an hour. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the May meeting.

## **Programs**

*Donna Domino*

FEBRUARY 2020 program introduced us to Suzi Parron and her Barn Painting. Participants made a 24 x 24 board that was painted in a quilt block style of favorite colors. Tape and paint were the challenges of the day but everyone finished their beautiful art piece. Suzi's husband is retiring this year and so is Suzi so we're all glad we could participate in one of her last workshops!

MARCH 2020 --- Nancy Fuller is going to present her photography on fabric then hold a workshop on how to embellish these panels with thread

APRIL 2020 --- Catherine Redford is coming to us from Illinois to grace us with her English accent to share her process of quilting with a walking foot. She also has tips and techniques on how to embellish a quilt with stitches, beads, ribbons, etc.

MAY and JUNE --- Getting ready for the Quilt Show

JULY 2020 --- Gail Shannon with Modern Quilting will be sharing her knowledge of quilting but her workshop is centered around a Dresden Neighborhood

## **Membership:**

*Marcia Jacobson*

We had eight quilters join our Guild at the February meeting! Most are new to MTQG, but several are former members rejoining after a time away. We are always happy to have others share their love of quilts and quilting with our group. Please join with me in welcoming our new and returning members: Cassandra Culver (aka CC), Nancy Fuller, Arvilla Gregor, Sharon Harris, Pat Sterner, Beverly Thomas, Lynda Thompson and Shon Wellborn.

Please remember to check the attachment of Directory Corrections that is sent out to members each month with the email telling you the newsletter is available. This not only gives you contact information for our new members, but also updates to phone numbers and email addresses of current members.

## **Library**

*John Ramsey*

Please remember to return your library items each month. We have several outstanding items that were checked out in January and not returned in February. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can ask a friend to recheck your items or contact me and I will get them renewed for another month for you. Thank you.

## **New Member Group**

*Lori McCarthy & John Ramsey*

The New Member Group met on Monday, March 2nd at the Granite Dells Club House in Prescott. We had a great turnout for "How to use the AccuQuilt Go! Cutter. Kathleen Bond gave an in depth presentation on how to use the machine; working with the templates and how to reserve for at home use. The demonstration was very informative and interactive with several members trying it out for themselves. New members now feel less intimidated with the machine and process. We even had a New Member take the machine home after our meeting. Special thanks to Kathleen Bond for an excellent demonstration!! New Members also learned how to navigate the Mountain Top Quilters Guild website to access all of the entry forms for our upcoming quilt show. John Ramsey walked the group through all of the forms and answered numerous questions. There was a lot of interest and excitement for the show.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 6th from 1-3pm.

A formal invitation will go out to New Members in the next 2 weeks.

## **Spring Camp 2020**

*Charlene Coxworth & Mary Jane Godwin*

We have room for 2 more campers at Spring Quilt Camp March 17th thru 20th. The cost is \$230 for 3 nights lodging and 9 meals. Contact Charlene if you have any questions.



## **Community Quilts**

*Deb Mulcahy*

CONGRATS, Ladies!! We have already delivered approximately 550 Quilts this year! Pat on the back for everyone!!! Community Quilts is the main service project for our guild. We donated over 700 quilts last year to 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 also, 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 their generosity! Our next meeting is March 23rd at Las Fuentes Resort Village 1035 Scott Dr, Prescott. Please park on the west side of their building and enter thru the big garage door, unlocked from 0930-1030, after that you may need to enter thru the front door and come downstairs. We try to be set up by 0930 and break up about 200.

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

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. ANY questions you have regarding WHO we donate to, WHAT we can use/need, and WHERE we meet can all be answered at our table in the meeting hall at our Guild meetings.

## **Hobbs UPC Labels**

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.

## **Thread Brigade**

*Rhonda Hatfield*

March Thread Brigade: Iris Lacey, Velia Glazier, Nancy Hall, Pam Easley, Irene Star. Thank you for helping us keep the church clean.

## **2020 Quilts with a Vision, Quilt Show**

*Susan Perry and Kristi McHugh*

Our fabulous quilt show is 3 months away!! We are hoping many of our members will enter a quilt in the show. This is YOUR show and we want to showcase a variety of styles and skill levels. Registration forms are due by April 20<sup>th</sup> and can be found on the website or hard copies will be at the check-in table at MTQG's monthly meeting.

Remember we are having a suffrage quilt challenge! Make a small quilt to celebrate 100 years of women getting the right to vote. We even have a little surprise to tell you about at March's meeting.

In April and May we will have volunteer sign-up boards with opportunities for all members to give a few hours' time (some jobs are seated) to help make the show a success. Thanks, in advance, for participating!

## **Small Quilt Auction**

*Ronnie Sandoval and Bobbie Turnbow*

We are now accepting Small Quilts for the 2020 Vision of Quilts Small Auction.

Before turning in your small quilt, please print and complete the quilt auction form which is on the website, under 2020 Vision of Quilts forms. Each small quilt must have a form. If you are unable to print the form see Marcia Jacobson or Susan Ryan at the Membership table.

## **Quilt Show Registration**

*Marcia Jacobson*

We have begun to accept registrations of quilts for the quilt show. The Quilt Show Entry Form and Instructions can be found on the MTQG website under the Quilt Shows tab or you can pick up a copy at our next regular meeting. Despite our best efforts to make the process of entering your quilt simple, we recognize that it can be a bit confusing, especially if this is your first time participating in our Quilt Show. Hopefully most of your questions will be answered by reading the instructions. If you still have questions, check out our **new Frequently Asked Questions document located on our website under the Quilt Shows tab**. Here are a few tips:

- Complete one Entry Form per quilt. The only exceptions are quilts that were made as part of the Community Quilt Challenge. These quilts will be collected by the Challenge Chairperson after the May meeting and submitted as a group. All other Challenges (e.g. Women's Right to Vote, and mini group challenges) require an Entry Form. Quilts with a Story and quilts for the Small Quilt Auction are not actually part of the quilt show, so you do not need to complete an Entry Form. They each have a separate process and form which can be found on the website under the Quilt Shows tab.

- Each member can submit a maximum of five quilts. If a quilt requires an Entry Form then it counts against your five quilts.

- Please choose only one category for each quilt. Review the Category Definitions that are part of the Instructions and choose the one that best fits your quilt. If you used several techniques or the quilt does not clearly fall into one category, you will likely want to choose Mixed Technique.

- Prioritize each of your quilts. If we run out of room and are unable to display all of the quilts entered, the Quilt Committee will begin to eliminate quilts starting with those that the maker prioritized at 5 out of 5.

If you have any questions about entering your quilt in the Quilt Show, feel free to contact Marcia Jacobson.

## **Quilts With a Story**

*Joan Carrel*

We need your quilts with a story for our quilt show in June! These do not need to be quilts that you yourself have made( although they can be). They can be quilts that you received as a gift, quilts that you purchased, that you inherited or that you found! We are looking for any quilt that has an interesting story. They will be displayed and the stories narrated in front of an audience. This is one of the highlights of our show. You may find the registration forms on the website and they will also be available at the guild membership meetings. Don't wait too long, space is limited! Please turn your forms in to Joan Carrell or Peggie MacKenzie. Thank you!

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## **Youth Group**

*Diana Ramsey and Kathy Hofmeister*

We have had a lot of fun working with the kids this session and have enjoyed seeing their proud faces with they show their finished projects, many of which will be hung in our quilt show in June. Our next session will begin April 6th and finish June 3rd. A sign up sheet will be circulated during the meeting asking for member helpers for the new session.

Kathy and I would like to thank all of our wonderful helpers for this session. We are so grateful that you have been willing to share your knowledge, patience and love of quilting with these energetic and artistic kids. Thank you so much!



## **March Birthdays**

Kay Fitzgerald,  
Kathy Hofmeister,  
Sandi Hoppe,  
Connie Lord,  
Diane Masters,

Lori McCarthy,  
Kristi McHugh,  
Donna Morgan,  
Phyllis Moss,  
Terry Robertson,

Norma Schambach,  
Martha Scotillo,  
Sarae Steremberg,  
Maureen Tritle,

## **MTQG Meeting Minutes Monday February 17, 2020**

President Diane Stockhaus called the meeting to order, reminding members to silence their cell phones.

Motion to approve minutes and financials was made by Suzy Davidson second by Bobby Turnbow.

Visitors were introduced, Ellen Kutzler, Rachell Severance, Faralyne Pederson, Pat Stratman, Kris Hall and Debbie Cox. Faralyne and Debbie are from the Chino Valley guild and have brought their opportunity quilt

New member CC Culver and renewing member Nancy Fuller were introduced. Returning member Arvilla Gregor and new member Beverly Thomas were not in attendance

The monthly new members meeting will be on Monday March 2, starting at 1pm at the Granite Dells Clubhouse. An email was sent by new member coordinators Lori McCarthy and John Ramsey, please see them at the break if you have questions or need directions.

Sadly we lost a member, Joann Durand recently. A memorial service was held last Friday. Our condolences go to the family and friends.

Birthdays are Sharon Andrews, Barbara Beach, Beverly Bowe, Sue Cook, Julie Dodds, Betty Foley, Cheryl Giovenco, Nancy Gullikson, Sherri Hubbs, Fran Leslie, Jan Mawk, Dolores Schrock, Barbara Sweeney and Shelly Wronka. Fran Leslie won the drawing for the free pattern.

It has come to Diane's attention that new members are missing out on signing up for events since many of the signups occur before the meeting starts at 9:30. A reminder that the doors open at 8:30 and many of the committees use this time to set up information exchange stations and event sign up. If you read about an event you are interested in please try to get to the church early. Also you will notice that some guild members are wearing crocheted flowers. These members are knowledgeable about guild activities and can answer questions or direct you to those who can.

Diane asked for volunteers for the nominating committee that identifies potential board members for next fiscal year. NO one volunteered.

Yavapai Big Brothers and Big Sisters is organizing their annual Bowl for Kids Sack, March 21,22, 28, 29 and April 11. If anyone is interested in forming a team see Diane at break for information.

Kathy Hofmeister agreed to chair the Spring Luncheon committee. If you are interested in helping see Kathy at the break.

Block of the month-if you are participating in the project please turn your blocks into Gail Henry. Patterns for the next blocks are available. We had approximately 13 quilts completed last year and are not seeing as much interest.

The Opportunity Quilt will be present at next meeting. Each member is urged to purchase tickets to support our guild. \$1 each or 6 for \$5. They make great gifts

Susan Perry and Kristi McHugh updated plans for the quilt show. Joan Carrell chairperson for Quilts with a Story explained the program and asked for donations, the form will be uploaded to website. Ronda Hatfield, Susan Ryan and Jan Walls are in charge of the boutique and are looking for items to sell. They will take items thru the May meeting. Mini Groups were asked to participate. Ronnie Sandoval and Bobbie Turnbow are handling this year's small quilt auction. The form is on the website, labels and sleeves are optional. Quilts will be accepted thru the April meeting. Marcia Jacobson has quilt registration forms available with 1 ½ pages of instruction. All members are asked to submit quilts for the show. The April meeting is the last time to enter a quilt. It does not have to be finished until the show June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Lori McCarthy has bookmarks available. Program ads are available at \$150 for a full page, \$75 for half page, \$40 for a ¼ page and \$25 for 1/8 page. Please see Lori if interested. Our show info has been sent to other guilds in the area and bookmarks will be distributed to shops

Jan Mawk won 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Road to California for appliqued wall hanging

Spring Camp for March 17-20, to be held at the UCYC in Copper Basin.is full. Please see Charlene Coxworth or Mary Jane Godwin if you have questions

Submissions for the Community quilt challenge need to be completed and brought to the May meeting for voting.

The bus trip to the AQS show in Mesa on Friday February 28 is filled but they are keeping a backup list.

Please remember if you have photos to share please send to [mtqgwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:mtqgwebsite@gmail.com). If taking pictures with your phone, please try to make them horizontal if possible.

Please turn in your contributions to Chemo Caps to Valorie Nelson. She is our contact with YRMC, Prescott Valley. Patterns and information on approved yarns van be found at [www.knots-of-love.com](http://www.knots-of-love.com).

The guild library is back open for business so please return checked out books today or renew your checkout at the risk of late fees.

Diane listed quilting events in the area. They are on the web site under Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events. Let Diane Stockhaus know if you hear of any shows not listed

Refreshment assignment for March will be in the newsletter. Diane reminded everyone on the current refreshment policy stressing that it is voluntary

Thread Brigade for February is Beverly Bing Hansen, Gail Henry, Kathy Hofmeister, Pam Easley and Carol Smith. Remember it is important to maintain our good relationship with the church.

There will be no Echoes this month as there is a class. Information on next month's Echoes will be in the newsletter. If you participated in the January demonstration on Windmill bags and took kits please return the finished product for inclusion into the boutique. 30 kits were made and none made it home with Diane Youth Quilting has 15 students for this session so additional volunteers are needed. Diana Ramsey has passed around a sign-up sheet or see her at the break.

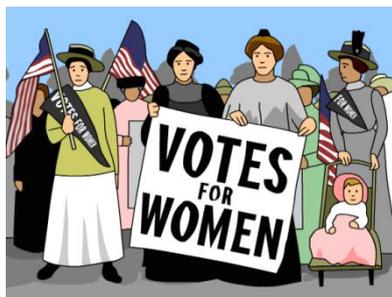
Donna Domino described upcoming programs and workshops; today and tomorrow is Barn Quilts. It is requested you bring frog tape probably 1", a pencil and a 24" ruler. If you have a block you want to use bring the pattern. March is Nancy Fuller who will be teaching a thread painting and trapunto technique. April is Kathy Redford who will be teaching machine quilting with a walking foot. May and June will be quilt show related and in July we will have Gail Shannon, Modern Dresden. Sign up for classes is available in the fellowship hall and program information can be found on the website.

Community Quilts will be meeting next Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> at Las Fuentes, 9:30, bring a lunch. Sewing machines not needed there is plenty to do. A great activity for new members and new quilters. So far this year 475 quilts have been donated.

Finished quilts were presented followed by show and tell, please remember to sign up at the podium before showing off your treasures.

A bit of inspiration was shared by Diane and can be found in "President's Message" on Home page of website.

Break for refreshments, returning at 10:50 for our presentation  
Barn Quilts by Suzi Parron



## Things to Remember

### **Remember to Bring:**

Library books  
Quilt Show entry forms to turn in

### **General Meeting**

Monday, March 16, 2020 9:30 am  
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott  
First Lutheran Church

### **Community Quilts Workshop**

Monday, **March 23, 2020** \_10:00 – 3:00  
Las Fuentes Retirement Center  
1035 Scott Drive, Prescott

### **Board Meeting**

The next board meeting will be at 9:00 am, Tuesday, April 7 at Diana Ramsey's home. All guild members are welcome to attend any board meeting, with at least 24 hours notice to the guild President. Space is limited, since most meetings are held in board members homes



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