

The Summit, August 2008

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you all for your participation in last month's garage sale. Even though I could not attend, I heard that everyone had a lot of fun and it was a big success!

The board is busy working on changes to the by-laws that are necessary due to the change in our membership year. We will be presenting these changes to the membership several months from now. Because the by-laws were completely redone last year, we expect these changes will be minimal.

On a financial note, Mountain Top Quilters is in the unique position of having more money in our treasury than we have ever had. The members of the board have received many suggestions on possible ways to spend our money, so we want to assure you that we are as concerned as all of you are that the monies that we have worked so hard for be spent in a responsible manner. For this reason, we wish to establish a Financial Development Committee whose job it will be to plan for the long term solvency of Mountain Top as well as consider expenditures for some projects that will benefit all of the Mountain Top membership. By working with ideas from the membership we hope to establish financial security for our chapter as well as provide for more immediate needs outside of our current budget. This will be an exciting time for Mountain Top as together we make plans for our future!

Happy quilting,

Joan Carrell
President

The board is asking everyone to please reserve the right front pew in the sanctuary for our photographer, board members and guest speakers. Thank you.

MEMBERSHIP

Kay Harlan

Please welcome the following new members to our chapter:

Charlene Coxworth, Terry Osborne, Carol Hunter-Geboy and Juliette Kellerhals

SUNSHINE

Corinne Windett

Please keep Pat Gentner in your thoughts as she continues treatment for her medical issues.

While Corinne is out of town for a few months, please notify Diana Ramsey at MTNewsletter@cableone.net or 771-9759 if you know of anyone in MTQ who needs some sunshine in their life because of illness, surgery or loss.

Newsletter Deadline

Diana Ramsey

Sometimes our computers glitch and we can't receive the newsletter by email for a little while. If this happens to you, please notify Diana and she will be happy to send your newsletter by mail until you notify her that all is well with the PC again.

Please send all articles for the September newsletter to MTNewsletter@cableone.net or you can call Diana at 771-9759. **Deadline for the September newsletter articles is Wednesday, September 3rd at noon.**

MINI-GROUP CHAIR

Diana Ramsey

If you are interested in starting a new group or joining an existing group, please meet with us in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the August meeting.

PROGRAMS

Udean Helton

A big THANK YOU to everyone that participated in the Christmas in July. It was a huge success. Hope everyone had fun.

August 18th: Sam Logan will present a program on "Preparing your quilt to take to the quilter".

September:

15th: Sharon Schamber lecture "My Path of Creativity"

16th: Sharon Schamber workshop "Machine Quilting -- Filling the Space." Remember to get your homework done.

October:

20th: Gail Van Horsen lecture "Unknown Maker"

21st: Gail Van Horsen will appraisal quilts for \$35 per quilt. You will need to make an appointment.

Be sure and check the Program Board to see what other lectures and workshops are coming up.

QUILT CAMP

Tuesday, Oct 14 – Thursday, Oct 16, 2008

Cost: \$120 for all meals and lodging

Diana Ramsey

Well, we thought we had the camp filled but there have been a couple of ladies who are unable to attend. This could be a lucky break for those of you wanting to join in all the fun we are planning. The camp is open to non-members at this time, so bring a friend!

The \$70 balance is due at the August meeting, when you will receive your information packet.

REFRESHMENTS

Dolores Schrock

The summer sunshine has inspired you!

Your summer sizzles!

You never have a dull day!

It must be because you are keeping busy with all those wonderful quilt projects that you can't wait to finish. We in the guild, wait with anticipation for you to share them with us. We also look forward to the treats the following are asked to share with us this month. Thanks to each of you for so willingly doing so:

Charlotte Caldwell, Sally Cantwell, Beverly Carr, Joan Carrell, Ivy Chavez, Carolyn Coe, Carol Cooley, Rae Cooper, Linda Coppola, Charlene Coxworth, Joyce Cummings, Judy D'Avignon, Sandy Darby, Kay Denny, Dolores Dickerson, Julie Dodds, Carolyn Doyle, Sandra Duncan, Kathy Dunn

ECHOS

Jimmie Johnson, B'Anne Younkens, Evelyn Russell

August: Kristi McHugh will teach the fine art of creating perfect mitered corners in your bindings along with techniques to insure that your quilt will hang like a blue ribbon winner.

September: Ann Novak is presenting a workshop on painting and stamping fabrics for more heart Blocks of the Month. Be sure to sign up at the ECHOS table and get your supply list.

October: Udean Helton is sharing a "Joan Shay" technique with us: creating three dimensional appliqué flowers. Sign up and get your supply list. This class will be limited.

LIBRARY NOTES

Linda Marley

The library re-opens in August after 2 months and all books are due back. Thank you for your great support of the book sales during the rummage sale in July. I'm told the library made over \$250 to be used toward new books. Thanks, too, for all the workers. Please share titles of any new books you may have purchased that would enhance the library's collection. In the meantime, two donated books were reserved to make them available for our members:

A Fine Line: Techniques and Inspirations for Creating the Quilting Design by Melody Crust and Heather W. Tewell looks great for those needing help in that area. We get lots of requests for quilting patterns, so try this one out. It's similar to Lee Cleland's ***Quilting Makes the Quilt***, a classic reference for any serious quilter. For appliqué inspiration, check out Elly Sienkiewicz's ***Baltimore Album Legacy***. It's a catalog of 32 award-winning Baltimore Album Quilts that were exhibited in 1998.

See Linda Marley if you have any questions or recommendations.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Site Décor Coordinator, Kristi McHugh

Thank you so much to all the members who lent décor items for Everybody's Home Town Quilt Show Site Décor. I heard so many admiring comments regarding the comfortable and relaxing feel of the show. Some people wanted to know if any of the items were for sale! All of our items enhanced our beautiful quilts. Having nice resting places for weary viewers encouraged a longer and more pleasant visit. It was wonderful.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOTM)

Ann Novak

This month will feature ruching, with pink or rose hearts on a cream or tan background. Remember to place your signed heart block on the back pew for trading. If you are doing past trades from Feb. through June, you will need to see one of the Block of the Month ladies individually.

SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP

In September, after the monthly meeting, we'll have a "Hands On" workshop featuring: hot crystals, stamping on fabric, and creating a crazy patchwork heart. Preparation is needed to take advantage of the supplies needed for the above. This month Jimmie Johnson will handle the sign up sheet for it at the ECHOS table. She will also have the Supply List if you can't get it over the internet.

OPPORTUNITY QUILT CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU

Kristi McHugh, Pat Folsom, Sharon Watts

Our Opportunity Quilt Autumn was a resounding success due to the dedication MTQ members who selected the pattern and fabric, constructed the quilt, bought and sold tickets and spent countless hours at the various Craft Fairs, Quilt Shows, and Guild Meetings. When all was said and done, we raised \$3,938.40. WOW! Thank you so much for all of your time and efforts.

The very lucky winner is Marsha Swirsky, a Mountain Top Chapter member. How wonderful it is that our stunning quilt will be appreciated by a quilter. Congratulations Marsha!

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Kathleen Bond and Susan Peterson

Community Quilts Work Day

Monday, August 25, 2008

9:30a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Las Fuentes Resort Village

1045 Scott Drive, Prescott

Hot, hot, hot... but Community Quilts is really cool. We've had a great turn out of hard working ladies this summer at Las Fuentes. We also thank the other members who are busily laboring at home with the quilts. What a great bunch of quilters!

Come join us for another fun work session, or find something at the CQ table (Aug. 18th) to work on.

For the work day, remember to bring:

\$2.50 for pizza, or a sack lunch. Salad and dessert are provided.

Reminder to all MTQ members:

Community Quilts is collecting **UPC codes** from **Hobbs** and **Mountain Mist Batting** to purchase batting at a discounted rate. Please bring the codes to the meeting and give them to Kathleen or Susan at the Community Quilts table. Thank you.

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www.mountaintopquilters.com



MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG, GENERAL MEETING

July 21, 2008

Linda Coppola, Secretary

Donna (Sam) Logan, President Elect called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. in the absence of Joan Carrell who is out of town. Sam thanked the kitchen committee for their help with the June luncheon. Sam announced that today is the rummage sale after the meeting. There will also be a quilt basting for Mary Gen Buser after the rummage sale. Pictures of the Community Quilt options were passed around and a vote will be taken at the end of the meeting. Sam announced that the current MTQ Board has agreed to stay on for the six month additional transition time and has asked that at the end of this year the members please pay for an 18-month membership year to help eliminate confusion for the bookkeeping.

Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report are posted in the back of the room.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine - Corinne Windett: Corinne announced that Chris Anders' husband passed away a few weeks ago and the services will be private. Pat Gentner is at the Mayo Clinic for pneumonia and knee surgery and has developed a staff infection. Joan Carrell has a new grandson - congratulations!

Membership - Kay Harlan: Kay gave out name tags to members who have joined. We welcome three new members today: Charlene Coxworth, Terry Osborne, and Carol Hunter-Geboy.

ECHOS - Jimmie Johnson: There will be no ECHOS today because of the rummage sale. ECHOS will meet in August and Kristi McHugh will be having a workshop on mitered borders and bindings. There is a sign up sheet and materials list in the back of the room.

Block of the Month - Ann Novak: The July hearts for today will be pin tucks or pleats. The August heart will be ruching, overlay in September, yo-yos or stamping in October, crystals or sequins in November, and crazy quilt hearts in December. Ann announced that the new directions for the rest of the year and through March 2009 are available and will be on the internet or available through her for 50 cents a copy. There will be a workshop in September if anyone is interested as the hearts are becoming more complicated. You may sign up for this workshop in the ECHOS area. Kay Denny announced that there will be a TOAD workshop after the rummage sale today.

Hospitality - Susan Perry: There are five guests this month: Charlene Coxworth, Darlene Gatewood, Vera Flores, Juliette Kellerhals and Judy Dallner.

Community Quilts - Susan Peterson and Kathleen Bond: Kathleen announced that there are kits available in the side room if anyone is interested in taking one.

Quilt Camp and Mini Groups - Diana Ramsey: Diana announced that the October Quilt Camp is almost booked and on August 1st it will be opened to non-members. Those who have reserved a spot should pay their second half today and also check on whether or not they have a roommate. Diana thanked those who have filled out the Mini Group questionnaire and asked everyone else to please fill theirs out and give it to her. There will be a meeting next month for anyone interested in starting a new group or joining in an established group.

Programs - Udean Helton: The rummage sale with Christmas in July is today. There are three rooms set up: (1) Fabric, (2) Books/Magazines, and (3) Notions. After the meeting there will be a signal given and the members can then start to shop. Please look around the room for items as there were too many to put them all on the tables. There will be four cashiers set up. The book items will be listed on a separate sheet from the other items. Please pay by check or cash. Udean thanked everyone who helped, those who donated to the sale, and the ladies who brought treats. The August program will be given by Sam Logan. In September we will have Sharon Schamber do a presentation and workshop. The workshop is \$45. The class is full and we have a wait list. If you find that you cannot come to it, please let Udean know so that she can call someone on the wait list. If you have paid in full for the class, you can pick up the supply list. The October program will be given by Gail Van Horsen. She will talk about the importance of documenting your quilts. November will be a presentation by Rita Blocksom on convergence quilts and the workshop will be \$10. In December we will have our Christmas luncheon. The "Crazy Quilters" group will be chairing the luncheon. January 2009 is Darlene Miller with a vest pattern lecture. She will have a "strip and slash" class the next day. February 2009 will be the TOADS presentation of finished projects. March 2009 will be Sheila Arnold with a lecture and trunk show on Seminole piecing. She will have a class the next day. April will be the presentation of new TOADS for the members to vote on. The bulletin board should be back next month and all of the programs will be posted.

AQG Changes: As Sam announced earlier, the current MTQ Board will be staying on for an 18-month term. Programs Chair will be filled for three months by Kristi McHugh. Sam asked for a show of hands to approve this change and it passed.

Voting on the Opportunity Quilt: There were seven patterns presented and voted on and the pattern "Passing Fancy" was selected. There will be an Opportunity Quilt committee meeting after the rummage sale today.

Show and Tell - Carolyn Doyle and Marty Lensink: There were eleven ladies who shared their projects with us. They are: Laura Myers, Jennifer Mees, Dawn Valanas-Moser, Sandy McGarry, Hildy Smith, Nancy Gullikson, Jeanne Vick, Ann Novak, Barbara Merkel, Beverly Bowe, and Hazel Karetov.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.



THINGS TO REMEMBER



Remember to Bring:



Community Quilts: Finished Community Quilt projects



Library books: All books are DUE!

Community Quilts

Monday, August 25th - 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Las Fuentes Resort Village (level 1)

1045 Scott Drive, Prescott

Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table.

General Meeting

Monday, July 21st, 2008 - 9:30 am

First Lutheran Church

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be Monday, September 1st, 2008 at the home of Joan Carrell.

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



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