

The Summit, January 2008

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to Everyone,

January is a time for new beginnings. For many it is a time to make resolutions such as losing weight, starting an exercise program or getting better organized. For others it is a reason to start a new quilting project or finish some old ones.

Our chapter us facing an exciting year, with our quilt show only six months away. Preparations by various committees are already well underway and I am confident that this will be the best Mountain Top show ever. I hope you all will use the enthusiasm of the New Year to finish up last year's projects for the show and start new projects for the small quilt auction and the boutique. You might also consider volunteering at the AQG show or working with Community Quilts.

I am excited to be serving as your president this year. We have some terrific programs and projects coming up that will give all members the opportunity to participate. My resolution this year is to help make it the best year yet for Mountain Top Quilters!

Sincerely,
Joan Carrell,
President

Newsletter Deadline

Diana Ramsey

Please send all articles for the February newsletter to MTNewsletter@cableone.net, or you can call Diana at 771-9759. **Deadline for the February newsletter articles will be Wednesday, February 6th at noon.**

ECHOS

Jimmie Johnson, B'Anne Younkers, Evelyn Russell

January – None

February – Quilt Show Boutique workshop for all members.

March – Offset Log Cabin class taught by Barbara Merkel. Sign up at the ECHOS table at the January meeting and receive your materials list.

PROGRAMS

Udean Helton

Jan. 21st: Block of the Month presentation for 2008

Jan 22nd: Sweatshirt jacket class taught by Dawn Valanas-Mosser

Feb 18th: T.O.A.D. Program by Kay Denny & Sally Plummer

Mar. 17th: Cindy Banna will do a lecture on "What can I do to give my quilts some pizzazz?"

Apr. 21st: Heidi Pridemore lecture on "Exploring Color".

Apr. 22nd: Heidi Pridemore half-day workshop.

Carpooling to AQG Quilt Show

Friday, March 14, and Saturday, March 15

Carolyn Edwards

I have volunteered to coordinate carpooling to the Arizona Quilters Guild Quilt Show on March 14 and 15, at ASU-West. Sign-up sheets were passed around at the December meeting. These sign-up sheets will again be available at the January and February MTQ meetings. If you want to go either day, please sign up or let me know. If you can drive either day, please sign up or let me know.

I heard someone comment at the January meeting that they wanted to go last year, but didn't want to drive...so did not go. Gasp! We don't want that to happen again! It's a great Quilt Show! And no one should miss it!!!

SUNSHINE

Corinne Windett, Sunshine Committee, has changed her email address to: chucori@commspeed.net if you would like to contact her.

REFRESHMENTS

Dolores Schrock

First, greetings from those you'll meet in the kitchen each month: Judy D'Avignon, Lois Frank, Audrey Jessee, Hildy Smith, Jeanne Vick, and Dolores Schrock.

Please note that we will start with names in the middle of the roster this year for *finger food treats* at the meetings. This will give us a bit of change from bringing food the same month as in the past, and a bit of variety to spice up our lives!

For January, the following members are asked to bring a NON-SUGARY *finger food* to the meeting, such as appetizers, cheese & crackers, veggies, fruit, etc. To each of you we thank you for your willingness to bring something for our January treats.

Sam Logan, Lee Long, Marie Love, Jeanne Luce, Elin Lundberg, Kitty Lynch, Beverly Markham, Linda Marley, Cathy McAndrews, Rosalie McDowell, Sandra McGarry, Kristi McHugh

Thank You

Bettie Setz

It was truly heartwarming and encouraging to receive the many cards and kind gestures following my knee replacement. My sincere thanks to each of you – especially my dear friends of the “No Name” mini group for all their visits, chauffeuring, delectable foods and TLC they so thoughtfully provided. I now officially name them “The Angels.”

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Kathleen Bond and Susan Peterson

Community Quilts Work Day

Monday, January 28, 2008,

9:30a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Las Fuentes Resort Village

1045 Scott Drive, Prescott

Did you ever want to join the circus?

Well, now is your chance. Yes, the 2008 Community Quilts “Circus” will be meeting under the Big Top (aka Level 1) at Las Fuentes. Hear the roar of the crowd ...can you expect anything less from a room full of women?... and the whir of the sewing machines as the talented *magicians* create the quilts. Bring your sewing machine and try your own hand at making magic. Try out as a *juggler* at the cutting table...be careful, they play with sharp toys. Perhaps your talent is to become a *clown*? There are clowns aplenty and always room for more! Join us for a fun day of labor to benefit our community.

Remember to bring:

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

Reminder to all MTQ members:

Community Quilts has a continual need for the **UPC codes** from **Hobbs 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.

QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE

Susan Perry and Jeannie Vick

Contributions to the quilt show boutique have begun; thank you so much! February's ECHOS will be dedicated to the boutique. We will have patterns, instructions, demos and kits. In the meantime, if you have a pattern to share, let Susan Perry or Jeanne Vick know.

DIRECTORY

Pat Gentner

The new Directory will go to press at the end of January and be ready for distribution at the February MTQ meeting. Please try to attend the January meeting so you can check the information that is currently on file for accuracy. If you will not be able to attend this meeting please ask a friend to verify your name, address, and email address. I want to be certain that I have spelled everything correctly and that all addresses are accurate.

SMALL QUILT AUCTION

Kay Denny & Sally Plummer

Just us again, with a reminder that the Small Quilt Auction is just around the corner and we're requesting donations of small quilts for this major fund-raiser at "Everybody's Hometown Quilt Show". The auction is on the second day of the show, Saturday, June 7, at 1 p.m. and is quite the crowd pleaser.

A Small Quilt is anything from itty bitty to up to 45" x 45"--though we won't quibble with a few inches more. It could be a miniature quilt, but doesn't have to be. It can be pieced, appliquéd, fusible web, machine embroidered, or even a cheater quilt. A hanging sleeve is a nice touch, but not required.

Registration and receipt forms for your quilts are downloadable from the web site. Sally and Kay will also have them at the general meetings. One or both of us will be at a table in the fellowship hall prior to the meetings and during the breaks to accept your wonderful donations. As always, we thank you for your participation.

(Note: if you are using a copyrighted embroidered block and the copyright states that you cannot use it for your own personal financial gain, we ask that you contact the copyright owner and get written permission to donate the quilt for the guild's financial gain. Please provide the permission to us with your donated quilt. This is a gray area---we don't want to get the guild into any legal trouble and are sorry for any inconveniences this might cause.)

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Ann Novak

The program in January will be presented by the Block of the Month Gals. Those of you who get the newsletter via internet can see and copy the pattern and instructions on line. Sharon has us all set up. To find them first go to the Mountain Top Home Page. Then click on NEWSLETTERS. When you get there, click on 2008 BLOCK OF THE MONTH PATTERN & INSTRUCTIONS. It might be helpful to copy and read them before the meeting. For those of you who get the MTQ Newsletter via regular mail, we will have copies for you at the Jan. meeting. We are excited about trading our (BOTM) heart signature blocks this year and sharing some fun and easy embellishment and surface design ideas.

QUILT CAMP 2008

Diana Ramsey

October 14th, 15th & 16th
Emmanuel Pines Camp in Prescott
Cost: \$120 (includes all meals)
Deposit of \$50 due at time of sign up

Calling all campers! If you have been waiting to sign up for camp, your wait is over! Sign up will be available in the Fellowship Hall during the break at the January and February meetings. Your deposit has to be included if you want to be on the list. Space is limited to 30 members, so don't delay and miss all the fun!

LIBRARY NOTES

Linda Marley

The chapter's library re-opens at the January meeting and all books are due back. The library is open before the meeting from 9 - 9:30 AM and during break. Those unable to attend can email their renewal requests to lmalley@cableone.net. Needing something to motivate you in the New Year? Beginners should look in the collection in the 300's for tips and easy patterns. Appliqué aficionados will find great inspiration in the 500's. How about something country or 1930's? Check out the books in the 650's. And suggestions are always welcome for new books to be added to the library.

Prescott Area AQG Quilt Show Entry Drop-Off Site Information

Carolyn Edwards

If you have quilt entries in the March 14-15 Arizona Quilters Guild Quilt Show, here is information for getting your quilt(s) to and from the Quilt Show location at ASU-West:

March 3-8, 2008 - You may take your AQG Quilt Show entries to Quilt 'N Sew Connection, 6546 E. Second St., Suite A, Prescott Valley, during regular store hours, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. I will make a daily pick up of quilts from Jan's store that week, Monday through Saturday.

March 9 - I will take the quilts to ASU West for entry in the AQG Quilt Show.

March 15 - AQG Quilt Show closes at 4 p.m. Pat Folsom will gather up all of MTQ's quilt entries and return them to Prescott.

March 17 - MTQ's March meeting, and quilt show entries will be returned to quiltmakers!

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

The T.O.A. D. Project

Leader of the Toads---Kay Denny

So, did you make a New Year's resolution to **finish** some of those quilting projects that have been lurking about in your quilt room for years on end? I make that resolution every January 1st and every year the "never-ending list" continues to be never ending---without a deadline my projects don't get finished! So, we come to **The T.O.A. D. Project**. This is a guild endeavor to help those of us who need that deadline---and I'm willing to bet BIG \$\$\$ that I'm not the only one paddling this boat to nowhere!!! More information will be given to you at the January meeting and in the February newsletter. In the meantime, those who want to participate should start digging out which three **T.O.A.D.'s** you want to finish. Bring them to the February program and the guild will help you decide on one.

What's a **T.O.A. D.** you ask? It's a **T**.reasured **O**.bject **A**.lmost **D**.one. There will be rewards for finishing your TOAD---we promise that this will be a fun program and a fun journey in **The T.O.A. D. Project**.

My dear, dear friends:

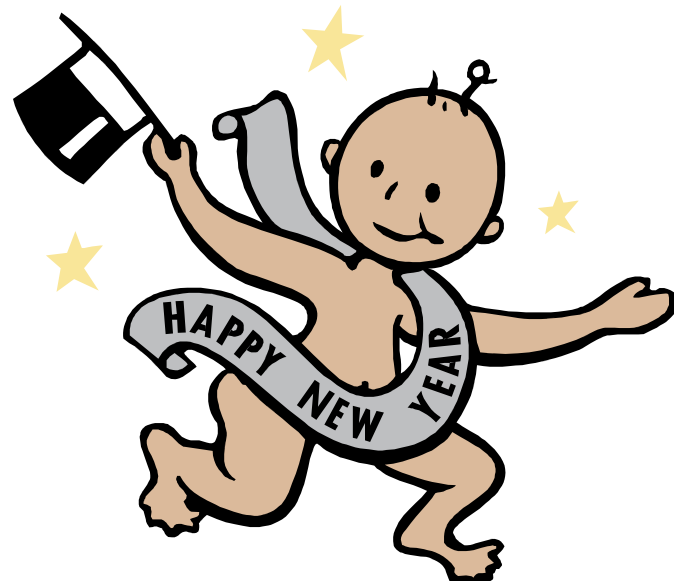
You can't imagine what a flood of exceptionally beautiful birthday cards have appeared here! So many, not just beautiful, but sweet, caring, and creative. I will never be able to thank each one of you, but hope you will see in this my gratitude.

Musings: It is with some surprise that I wake up recognizing my 90 years. Does anyone, at age 25, 73, 54, or 68 say, "I'm going to live to be 90!" Impossible! We can reasonably conclude that it is mostly in the genes. Since I take no credit for choosing my ancestors, I have to say, "My parents thank you, my grandparents thank you, my great grandparents thank you, my great great grandparents thank you!"

Lovingly,
Robin Yanak

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MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG, GENERAL MEETING

December 17, 2007

Diana Ramsey, Secretary

President, Susie Martin, called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

AQG Announcements – Carolyn Edwards reminded us that quilt entries for the quilt show in March must be postmarked by Jan. 15, 2008 to be eligible. Volunteers are desperately needed and forms can be found on the AQG website or in your Chatter. Carolyn will transport quilt entries to the show and Pat Folsom will bring them back to be distributed at the March General Meeting. Drop off site is Quilt 'N Sew Connection in Prescott Valley. Carolyn is also organizing carpool groups and passed around a sign up sheet for that information.

Small Quilt Auction – Quilts are needed and money is used for AQG programs and classes

Fall Luncheon – If you paid to go to the luncheon, you will be receiving a \$10 refund on the food service.

Opportunity Quilt Sales – Kristi has entered our quilt for ticket sales at the show. Please sign up to help at the ticket table.

Presentation of Past Board – Susie thanked all board members for their work this last year and she thanked all the wonderful committee chairs that have made everything run so smoothly.

Secretary, Diana Ramsey, asked members who had paid for the Fabric Ornament class but didn't get to attend to come and get their supplies. Also, she has sent out a test run e-mail to all members who receive their newsletter on line and asked that members respond to the e-mail advising her of any corrections. If you didn't get an e-mail, please call her immediately to get back on the list so you get your January newsletter on time.

Sunshine Chair – Linda Coppola had no news to report.

Hospitality – Jeanne Vick had no visitors to announce.

Membership Chair, Kay Harlan reminded us that it was the last day to pay dues and still get in the Directory. After this, dues will be an additional \$5.00. Kay also passed out nametags to new members.

Block of the Month - Ann Novak reminded those members involved in this activity that we will have a workshop in January demonstrating the techniques and patterns for the first several months.

Community Quilts – Kathleen Bond and Susan Peterson announced that over 260 quilts were made and distributed this year. She thanked all the many members who worked on these quilts over the year. Kathleen also handed out cut batting for those ladies participating in the challenge.

ECHOS Chair, Jimmy Johnson, reminded the members that the January class will be hosted by Ann Novak for Block of the Month instructions and February we will work on boutique projects with Susan Perry.

Programs – Lynn Ray advised that the scheduled a workshop in January on Tuesday following the general meeting will be taught by Dawn Valanas-Mosser instead of Carol Guthrie. Lynn will e-mail the supply list and preparation directions to all who have signed up.

Presentation of New Board Members – Joan Carrell, President for 2008, introduced the new board to the membership: President Elect, Sam Logan; Programs, Udean Helton; Secretary, Linda Coppola; and Treasurer, Pat Folsom.

Show & Tell – Participants were: Laura Myers, Linda Marley, Linda Hill, Joan Carrell, Joyce Cummings, Marge Senior, Diana Ramsey, Kay Wentworth, B Johnson, Judy Hughes, and Kristi McHugh

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

2008 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

ECHOS: Jimmie Johnson, B'Anne Yonker,
Evelyn Russell

HOSPITALITY: Susan Perry

BLOCK OF THE MONTH: Ann Novak

QUILT BASTING: Joyce Cummings

SUNSHINE: Corrine Windett

COMMUNITY QUILTS: Kathleen Bond,
Susan Peterson

MEMBERSHIP: Kay Harlan

DIRECTORY: Pat Gentner

NEWSLETTER: Diana Ramsey

REFRESHMENTS: Dolores Schrock

LIBRARY: Linda Marley, Ginnie Rafti

SHOW & TELL: Carolyn Doyle, Marty Lensink

SUMMIT REPORT: Kay Wentworth

MINI GROUPS: Susie Martin

NO E-MAIL CALLERS: Marge Senior,
Jimmie Johnson, Bettie Setz

HISTORIAN: Unfilled

WEBSITE: Sharon Heilman

QUILT CAMP IN OCTOBER: Diana Ramsey

QUILT SHOW CHAIR: Carol Miller

QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE: Susan Perry,
Jeanne Vick

OPPORTUNITY QUILT: Kristi McHugh,
Pat Folsom

SMALL QUILT AUCTION: Kay Denny,
Sally Plummer

DATES TO REMEMBER

Remember to Bring:

- . **Food:** If your last name begins with Logan to McHugh
- . **Community Quilts:** Finished Community Quilt projects
- . **Library books:** Return overdue material.

General Meeting

Monday, January 21, 2008 - 9:30 a.m.
First Lutheran Church
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Community Quilts

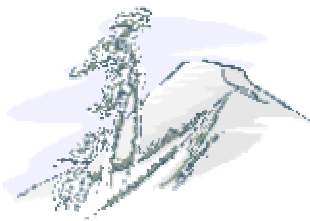
Monday, January 28 - 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Las Fuentes Resort Village (level 1)
1045 Scott Drive, Prescott
Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table.

Board Meeting

Monday: February 4 at 9:30 am at Linda Coppola's home

Please refer to your Membership Address Book for address and phone number.

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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