

# *The Summit, January 2009*

## MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year, everyone! January is typically the time of year when we reflect on the old and look ahead to the new. When I look back on 2008 I am very proud of the accomplishments of Mountain Top Quilters. To say we had a very successful quilt show is an understatement. We worked through the changes in our membership year and subsequent by-laws changes. We had significant participation in the AQG quilt show. We continued to provide a valuable service through Community Quilts. All of these events were due to the interest and support of you, the members.

Now we look forward to 2009. The board is very excited about upcoming events - the bus trip to the AQG show, the Quilter's Fun Day, and many interesting speakers and workshops in the coming months.

By now I'm sure you have all made (and probably broken) your New Year's resolutions. I'd like to ask you to make two more. First, I'd like you to resolve to sign up for at least one workshop this year that is outside of your comfort zone. Only one. You'll learn something new and have a good time while doing so! Second, consider volunteering on a committee. The volunteerism of Mountain Top is what sets us apart from other guilds. It will give you the chance to meet someone new and accomplish something worthwhile at the same time.

To all of you I wish a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

Happy quilting,

Joan Carrell  
President

### Newsletter Deadline

*Diana Ramsey*

Please send all articles for the February newsletter to [MTNewsletter@cableone.net](mailto:MTNewsletter@cableone.net) or you can call Diana at 771-9759. **Deadline for the February newsletter articles is Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at noon.**

### SUNSHINE

*Corinne Windett*

WARM CLOTHES NEEDED: I am collecting coats, sweaters, hats and scarves to be distributed by a friend of mine to the homeless and others in need in the tri-city area. If you have any of these items you are no longer using, would you donate them to those less fortunate? I will have a box at the Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> meeting to collect them. Thank you for your kindness and caring.

Please let Corinne know of any members who are ill, having surgery or has lost a loved one at 775-8982 or [chucori@commspeed.net](mailto:chucori@commspeed.net)

**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.**

### ECHOS

*Jimmie Johnson, B'Anne Younkens, Evelyn Russell*

Have you tried paper piecing and found it either rewarding or frustrating? This month in ECHOS we are going to show the DVD "Carol Doak Teaches You to Paper Piece". This is an excellent presentation from the expert paper piecer. If you are a beginner you will learn the basics; if you are experienced you will catch some new tips. The DVD is about 90 minutes, so bring your lunch and enjoy the show!

In **February**, we will have a hands-on class on paper piecing. Sign up sheets and supply list will be available this month. Hopefully, you will find a new skill that will add a whole new dimension to your quilting experience.

## PROGRAMS

*Kristi McHugh*

January 19 Program: "So You Want A Great Vest" with Darlene Miller

January 20 Workshop: Strip and Slash Class with Darlene Miller **There are only a few spaces left in this class, for this fun scrappy new technique. Call or email Kristi McHugh for registration and the supply list.**

February 16 Program: Final Look at T.O.A.D. Projects

March 17 Program: Sheila Arnold Trunk Show

March 18 Workshop: Seminole Piecing with Sheila Arnold

April 20 Program and ½ Day Workshop: "Paintstik Pizzaz" with the Bernina Connection

May 18 Program: "Beyond Tradition" with Peggy Martin (Quick Strip Paper Piecing)

May 19 Workshop: "Evening Star" class with Peggy Martin

June 15 Program: Spring Luncheon

July 21 Program: Traditional and Innovative Art Trunk Show with Susan Vassallo

July 22 Workshop: Abstract Quilt Using Traditional Skills with Susan Vassallo

## T.O.A.D. GATHERING - February 16<sup>th</sup>

*A note from The Toad Queen*

Hear Ye, Hear Ye---TOADs of the realm--it's been almost a year! Have you completed your T.O.A.D? We TOADs are the February program, so it's just about time to show off what the guild picked for us to complete. All 25 TOADs are encouraged to participate in show & tell even if you didn't finish. Everybody will get something for their efforts, but only those who actually DID finish will be allowed in the drawings for the grand prizes. Is that a big enough hint, or what!

For those of you who have already finished (and a big "WOW" to that) and cannot come to the February meeting, please show your quilt in the January show & tell. Your name will be included in the grand prize drawings in February, but your participation gift will come later as the Queen is too busy working on her own big ol' TOAD to get 25 little toads done until the very last minute. That's her story and she's toadily sticking to it!

## REFRESHMENTS

*Dolores Schrock*

Happy 2009 to each of you! Some synonyms for the word transition include movement, passage, switch, shift, change-over, and temporary time. MTQ is experiencing such a time for the coming six months as the membership year changes to coincide with the state guild year. How fortunate we are to have members willing to continue their responsibilities until June.

We are asking the following to participate this month in this period of *transition* by bringing a finger-food treat this month for the membership to enjoy with their beverages. Non-sweet treats are very much appreciated to broaden the variety with sweet treats. Thanks to each of you for providing the refreshments.

*Marilyn Anderson, Carol Stewart, Nancy Stewart, Beverly Bowe, Betty Foley, Annette Ladehoff, Karen Lamb, Kathy Lamoureux, Sandra Lawson, Marty Lensink, Jennifer Mees, Barbara Phiel, Thann Tolman, Gail Van Horsen.*

Luncheon leftovers...PLEASE CLAIM at this month's meeting: Large and small Styrofoam coolers - Bath towel - Plastic container with lid - Salad bowl.

## Fun, Fun, Fun 'Till You Teachers Take Your Foot Pedal Away

*By Kristi McHugh*

The MTQ Fun Day will be April 28, 2009 from 9 to 4 at the Lutheran Church on Smoke Tree. The MTQ board will have your project cut and ready to go. You sew and we do all the ironing, and teaching! You will end up with a lap size quilt top and another surprise. You pay \$50 and choose which type of fabric, Asian, Christmas, Autumn, Abstract/Geometric, Romantic, or Children's Novelty. The deadline for signing up for this fun day is after our meeting February 16, 2009. Participation is limited to 20 members. Contact Kristi for more information.

## MEMBERSHIP

*Kay Harlan*

New ladies that have joined and will be official members as of January are: Nancy Fuller, Nancy Michalsky, Jan Smith, Joan Stanfield, Charleen Stewart, Sara DeRouchey, Lila Farr, Linda Temper

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOTM)

*Ann Novak*

I hope some of you have been catching up. I have trades available for each month to date. January's trade is a very special one. It is to be done in crazy quilt style for the hearts, with either hand or machine embroidery. The hearts will be done in pinks and rose on a tan or cream background. Originally this was to be the last trade, but since the year has been extended, two more surface designs will be offered. Feb. will be reverse appliqué and March will be yoyos. Look for examples at our Block of the Month Table.

## COMMUNITY QUILTS

*Kathleen Bond and Susan Peterson*

### Community Quilts Work Day

Monday, January 26, 2009

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

Las Fuentes Resort Village

1045 Scott Drive, Prescott

2009 has arrived, but 2008 was a great year for Community Quilts. A total of 292 quilts were donated to 16 agencies in the area, including one quilt for MTQ's small quilt auction last June. The agencies that received the quilts were: Birthline, CASA, Catholic Social Services, Crisis Pregnancy Center, DPS, Horses with H.E.A.R.T., Hospice Family Care, Granite Mountain Hospice, Hospice of the Pines, Peaceful Valley Hospice, VA Hospice, YRMC Hospice, Justin's Bags, Prescott Women's Shelter-Coalition for Compassion and Justice, Stepping Stones, and the Veteran's Education Program. Thanks to all the dedicated members who succeeded in bringing a ray of sunshine into many hearts. Now let's get our buns in gear and try to achieve a similar number of quilts for 2009! Join us at the work day for a wild and crazy time.

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.

## BUS TRIP TO AQG QUILT SHOW IN MESA MARCH 14

*Kay Denny, coordinator*

**Sign-ups:** Begin January 19<sup>th</sup> at the break and after the program concludes.

**Cost:** \$17, full amount required at registration. Checks preferred; cash will be accepted. This amount covers cost of bus, entry into show, and driver gratuity.

**Departure: Saturday, Mar. 14.** Out and back same day. Load time: **6:45 a.m.** Bashas' in Prescott  
Departure from Prescott: **7:00 a.m.**  
Second Pickup at Fry's in Prescott Valley  
Departure from Mesa Convention Center: to be announced

Mt. Top members are given first chance at registering for the trip. If there are still openings after the end of the February meeting, non-members may sign up. Non-members shall pay \$25. Kay Denny is the contact person. A waiting list shall be established if need be and if a registrant has to cancel, those people will be contacted as time permits. However, there will be no refunds for cancellation unless there is somebody to take your place. If there is no wait list, we encourage you to find your own replacement.

The charter company, Masters' Touch, requires a passenger manifest which has each passenger's full legal name; an emergency contact person (and his/her relationship to the passenger); and the emergency contact person's phone number. This information will be taken at registration. Also, the company requests we do not use hair spray, perfumes, or aerosol sprays on the coach in consideration of other passengers and to prevent damage to the windows and upholstery.

OK, that was the nuts & bolts. The "isn't this great" stuff is this: The show is now all the way to Mesa and we don't have to drive either way--we can snooze, chat, do show & tell, sing, or whatever! We get to enter a special door, thus avoiding the lines at the main door. It's going to be FUN, FUN, FUN. And, with the low cost of \$17, we should have some spare change to unload at the vendors. Oh My--VENDORS!

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[www.mountaintopquilters.com](http://www.mountaintopquilters.com)

## LIBRARY NOTES

Linda Marley

Check things out. . . and get inspiration for 2009. The library reopens in January so all materials are due back. We hate to see anyone owe the fine of \$1.00 per book per month late. And we'll once again have used quilt magazines for sale for 25¢ each or 5 for \$1.00.

### A BIG THANK YOU TO MOUNTAIN TOP MEMBERS

*The Crazy Quilters*

The four little boxes at the Christmas Luncheon we set out to gather donated food for the Yavapai Food Bank were so inadequate. When we went to load up, we were amazed at the amount of food you'd all donated. The entire back of Kay's SUV was filled. And, there was quite a stack of gift cards, too. So, thank you all for being so generous---and please keep the Food Bank in mind throughout the entire year. Happy New Year!

## MINI-GROUPS

Diana Ramsey

Are you looking to get involved with a mini-group or start a new one? Let's gather in the Fellowship Hall after the January meeting to learn more about our great mini-groups.

## AQG Quilt Show

Jan Gallo at Quilt 'N Sew Connection has graciously agreed to serve as a drop off point for the AQG quilt show entries. Please drop off your entries no later than March 1, 2009.

We are looking for one or more volunteers who would be willing to pick up the entries from Quilt 'N Sew Connection and take them to the Mesa Convention Center on Sunday, March 8, 2009. We also need a volunteer to pick up the entries and return them to Prescott after the close of the show on March 14. If you are interested, please contact any board member. Thank you.



### ☞ THINGS TO REMEMBER ☞

#### Remember to Bring:



**Community Quilts:** Finished projects



**Library books:** Books that are due



**Sunshine:** Sweaters, jackets, hats, etc.

#### Community Quilts

Community Quilts

Monday, January 26, 2009 - 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 January 19<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 am

First Lutheran Church

231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

#### Board Meeting

The February board meeting will be held Monday, February 2, 2009 at the home of Kristi McHugh.

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

# MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG, GENERAL MEETING

December 15, 2008

Linda Coppola, Secretary

Joan Carrell, President, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Joan asked that all cell phones be turned off or put on vibrate. AQG's quilt show is March 13-14, 2009 and the deadline for entries is January 16. The Patchwork Chatter newsletter has a copy of the forms. Please also consider making a small quilt for their auction and also volunteering to work at their show. Dolores Schrock has asked for volunteers to help with refreshments for January through May 2009. Sign up sheets were passed. We will go back to the member list in July with the new term regarding the refreshment schedule.

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

Fun Day: Joan announced that there are still some openings for the Fun Day mystery quilt planned for April 28, 2009. Please plan on signing up soon so that Christmas and Fall fabric can be purchased while there is still a supply in the stores. This will be limited to 20 people and you can get forms from Kristi McHugh.

Discussion and Vote on the Bus Charter to the AQG Show: Joan reviewed the options for chartering the bus to take the members to the show in March 2009. After some discussion a vote was taken and the members agreed to charter the larger bus (57 seats). A fee of \$17 will be charged to the members which covers \$10 towards the bus fee, \$5 for the show entrance fee, and \$2 for gratuity for the bus driver. The chapter will pay the remainder of the fee for the bus. If we do not fill the bus with members, we will open it up to non-members and charge \$25 per person.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine: Corinne Windett announced that Laura Myers has been having some health problems (meningitis, massive heart attack, and some pneumonia). She is recovering at Samaritan Village and doing well now. Kathleen Howe has broken her hip. The daughter of Ella Gurgenson, from the Quilter's Dream Shop, recently passed away. Please consider sending these ladies a card and keeping them in your prayers. Please call Corinne if there is news about a member.

Membership: Kay Harlan reminded everyone that the membership dues are due by the end of this month. You can either get a form from her or go to the website to get one. Please make a check out to Mountain Top Quilters for \$52 for renewal and \$60 for new members for a one and a half years membership. The new name tags will be given out at the February meeting.

Opportunity Quilt: Linda Marley announced that there are a few bags available for precision piecing. All of the piecing should be turned in at the January meeting so that the center of the quilt can be assembled. She showed one of the completed appliqué corners. There will be 12 extra blocks when the quilt is complete and these will be put together to make a wall hanging. This wall hanging will be raffled among the people who have worked on the quilt.

Hospitality: Susan Perry advised there were no guests at the meeting today because of the chapter Christmas luncheon.

Block of the Month: Ann Novak announced the January block will be a crazy quilt heart. If you want to exchange hearts from past months, please contact Ann.

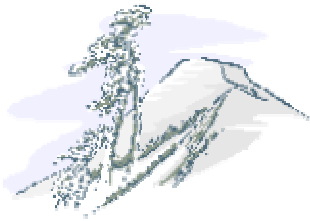
Programs: Kristi McHugh stated the January 2009 speaker will be Darlene Miller and her lecture will be on vests. She will have a strip and slash class the next day. The cost will be \$18. February will be the TOADS presentation of finished projects by our members who have signed up for this project. March's lecture will be given by Sheila Arnold on Seminole piecing. We will have the Fun Day mystery quilt in April.

Show and Tell - Carolyn Doyle and Marty Lensink: There were 18 ladies who shared their projects with us. They are: Charlene Coxworth, Carolyn Edwards, Betty Foley, Adrienne Morrison, Ann Novak, Betty Bourgault, Corinne Windett, Ginnie Rafti, Jackie Tillotson, Nancy Fuller, Bettie Setz, Joan Carrell, Dorothy Philblad, Sharon Phelps, Thann Tolman, B. Johnson, Pat Folsom, and Kristi McHugh.

Joan Carrell made an announcement that there is no parking on the north side of Smoketree and anyone parked there would need to move their car.

Kay Denny introduced the members of the Crazy Quilt group who organized the luncheon today and the hostesses for the tables for the luncheon.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.



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