

The Summit, January 2012

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! How do you start the New Year? Perhaps you take the opportunity to reflect on things you accomplished last year and think about what you'd like to do this year. Do you make New Year's resolutions? Maybe you are like me and you jump right in and start filling out your 2012 calendar with projects for the year, trips, and classes. I have a suggestion; make a quilting wish list (or a quilting bucket list if you prefer), plan to review it each year and pick something from the list to accomplish this year. Maybe there is a show you have wanted to attend, a workshop or a teacher you'd like to learn from, or a quilt you really want to finish. Try to make it a priority. Talk to your friends and get them to encourage you (or do it with you). Lastly, share your successes with your Mountain Top friends.

The start of a new year reminds me to ask - how are you doing on the "activity" challenge I gave you in July? Have you done something new with Mountain Top Quilter's that you haven't done before? There are six more months in our MTQ year to accept the challenge. Do you need some ideas? How about showing a quilt in the quilt show? Make something for the boutique or small quilt auction. Come to Community Quilts on the 4th Monday of the month. Invite a new member to a mini-group meeting.

Did you enjoy the holiday luncheon? Thank you to everyone that brought something and/or worked to make it a joyous event that we all enjoyed. The kitchen helpers did an awesome job of getting the soup out. I know some of you met your "activity" challenge by volunteering to be table hostess and decorating a table. They all looked wonderful!

The Board has heard some concerns that members are sometimes unable to stay for an entire presentation by our speaker if we are running late and this also means speakers have some walk outs which may make them uncomfortable. We discussed a number of options and decided to experiment this month with a different format. Our program (Joan Carrell) will immediately follow the business meeting and then we'll have break and return for show and tell. We want to hear what you think so give us your feedback.

I wish you a happy New Year filled with special moments with family and friends and the wonderful joy of quilting,
Susan

Newsletter Deadline

Diana Ramsey

Please send all articles for the February newsletter to MTNewsletter@cableone.net or you can call Diana at 499-8792. **The deadline for the February newsletter articles is Wednesday, February 8th at noon.**

MEMBERSHIP

Kathy Barrett

We are pleased to welcome Fran Bagley to Mountain Top.

If you have any updates, changes of address, phone or e-mail, you can call me at 775-8706, e-mail me at AZBARRETTSCABLEONE.NET, or see me at the meeting.

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.

NEEDED NOW: QUILTS WITH A STORY

Kay Harlan and Joan Carrell

We are having a quilt turning at the MTQ Quilt Show in April, but we need your help. We need you to lend us your quilts that have a story. Don't be shy! If you think you have a quilt that we might want, talk to either Joan Carrell or Kay Harlan. Space is limited so be sure yours is included. Simply go to our website, print the "Quilt Turning Form" and write your quilt's story. We know you have that special quilt to share with us.

REFRESHMENTS

Corinne Windett and Dolores Schrock

A mid-year **REMINDER** about our monthly treats:

- Members have the option when asked in The Summit to bring a treat.
- All treats should be finger-food treats that are ready to serve.
- A variety of sweet and non-sweet food types are appreciated by everyone.
- Each food container is labeled with the person's name.
- All providers pick up their leftover food...even treats brought in disposable containers.

To begin 2012 the following are asked to bring a treat this month. Thank you for adding pleasure to the break time.

Sharon Watt, Carol Webster, Kay Wentworth, Talitha White, Darlene Williams, Corinne Windett, Masako Wolfe, Sandra Wright, Robin Yanak, B'Anne Younker **AND** Jan Adams, Marilyn Anderson, Sharon Andrews, Anna Marie Ansbach, Shirley April, Peggy Armstrong, Bunny Autrey, Fran Bagley, Kathy Barrett

ECHOS

Jimmy Johnson and Evelyn Russell

The January and February ECHOS programs are being devoted to making items for sale in the boutique booth for our 2012 quilt show, "**Once Upon a Quilt**". The boutique committee will be teaching patterns during these two sessions.

Supply Lists for the January ECHOS Program

Memo Book Cover

- 1 piece of batting approximately 8" x 6"
- Several fabric scraps of your choice to foundation piece (enough to cover your batting).
- 1 fat quarter (will be enough for the lining, the inside flaps, and the strap).
- Thin elastic (1/16") for closure
- 1 ea. 3/4" button
- Sewing machine and basic sewing kit.
- Variegated or bright colored thread is nice for some decorative stitching.

Kindle Cover

- 2 complimentary or contrasting fat quarters
- 2 pieces of batting 9" by 13"
- Thin elastic (1/16") for closure
- 1ea. 3/4" button
- Sewing machine and BSK.

PROGRAMS

Linda Marley and Charlene Coxworth

Monday, Jan 16: Joan Carrell Trunk Show & Lecture: "How I Stopped Stressing & Learned to Love Quilting by Deadline"

Tuesday, Jan 17 & Monday, Jan 30: All-day pineapple foundation-piecing class with Joan Carrell. Classes at Quilt 'N Sew Connection in Prescott Valley, 9 am – 4 pm. Doors open at 8:40 am. **There is room for 4 more.** Kits will be available at the class for \$5.25 from Joan.

Monday, Feb 20: Sarah Whitney Trunk Show & Lecture: "Stepping Stones – A Designer's Journey." Sarah is the quilt pattern designer of Sweet Clover Canyon pattern line. www.sweetclovercanyon.com

Tuesday, Feb 21: All-day Sarah Whitney Workshop -- "Marmalade & Jam" pattern. Students will be walked through block construction and given tips for completion. Class fee is \$15 (doesn't include pattern), with 9 slots open. This class to be held at 1st Lutheran Church on Smoke Tree Lane from 9am – 4pm. Doors open at 8:30 am. Get prepped for this class by coming to a fabric cutting session on Friday, Feb 3rd, 12:30 – 4pm. See Linda Marley for details.

Monday, Mar 19: Community Quilt Challenge and last meeting before our Quilt Show.

Monday, Apr 16: Joy Swartz Trunk Show -- "Quilts of the 19th Century."

Friday, Apr 20: AQQ Class with Karen Stone: "Decorative One-patch: Techniques from her Clam Shell quilt." This all-day class will be held at Quilt 'N Sew Connection in Prescott Valley. Waiting list only with a class fee is \$40, payable to AQQ.

Monday, May 21: "Tips & Tricks" Program. See Linda or Charlene if you have a quilting technique, tip or trick you're willing to share.

Just a reminder, if you're not paying for a workshop with a check, please bring exact change to pay class fees.

QUILT SHOW REGISTRATION

Diana Ramsey

It's time to turn in your quilt show registration forms to Diana. Hand in the completed form with a photo attached at the meetings in January and February to make sure your quilts have a place in the show. Forms can be found on our website.

Please call her with any questions (there have already been a few) at 928-499-8792 or liv2quilt@cablone.net.

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Judy Dallner, Mollie Harkness, Connie Massner

We are meeting on Monday, January 23rd at Las Fuentes Retirement Center on the lower floor. We will start at 9:30 and go until 3:30. Hope to see you there!

2012 QUILT SHOW NEWS

Kristi McHugh

Sign-up Board: The Quilt Show sign-up boards will be at the January meeting in the foyer. It takes our whole Mountain Top community to have a beautiful quilt show. Please plan on helping on the dates of April 12th (set up), 13th, or 14th. The time commitment for jobs will range from short to longer periods of time. We need and appreciate your help.

Forms: Quilt Registration, Quilt Turning, and Small Quilt Auction Forms are on our MTQ website, as well as at the January and February meetings. To save on costs, please try to download and print the forms yourself.

Quilt Show Items: We will begin to sell our "Once Upon A Quilt" pins and guest passes to the show for your neighbors, friends and family members at the January meeting.

Book Marks: If you are traveling to an out of area quilt store soon, please see Kristi to distribute quilt show bookmarks to that store for us.

Sale Show Items: Your items in the show may now be offered for sale. Please fill out the quilt registration form and check the "for sale" area. MTQ will provide a posted list of your items for sale and your contact information at the show in the foyer.

Viewerie at Prescott Public Library

Mountain Top Quilters Guild will have a Quilting exhibit in the viewerie at Prescott Public Library in the month of February 2012. The viewerie is located on the Main Level on the south side of the building. Come and see some of our beautiful workmanship.

MTQ Quilt Flash Mob Music

The very funny music that you did **not** get to hear during the Quilt Show Committee Flash Mob at the November meeting can be heard at <http://www.singingquilter.com/>. Go to Music, Little Crazy Quilt, at the bottom click on You Might Just be a Quilter and listen to the words, "If you ever took a photo of a bathroom floor, you might just be a quilter."

Attention All Quilt History Lovers!

Maybe you don't know that you love Quilt History yet... But if you do, or are the teeniest bit interested, come check us out!! There is a group of Quilt History Lovers (not Guild specific--all you have to do is have an interest in Quilt History) who meet once a month at Cloth Plus in Prescott Valley. That's the 3rd Thursday morning, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. We have a "Topic of Discussion" each meeting. The 'leader' does a little advance research, just for the love of it, and shares her findings! We study antique quilts, antique quilt blocks, antique sewing tools, antique quilting books--anything and everything quilt related and antique! We'd love to have you join us if you, too, have a passion for quilt history! If you have questions, call Carolyn Edwards.

WEBMASTER NEWS

Sharon Heilman

The note below just came to the webmaster's inbox and, after checking out the link to be sure it was something that might be useful to us and that would help boost a young girl's self esteem at the same time, I added the link to our Links page under "Quilt Guide." Maybe some of our members would be pleased to see a different use for our website!

Hello Sharon,

I just wanted to send you a quick email to say thank you for your webpage. My name is Brandie, and I work at a library where we host weekend activities for middle school aged children. Every year in January we have a crafts week. We always usually end up doing the same old projects year after year, so I thought I'd do some research to find some new craft ideas for the group. I thought doing a quilting project would be a great idea. Your page had some great resources for us to use. Just wanted to say thanks for all the help! :-)

One of the girls in my group, Melanie, found a great resource on quilting that I thought I'd share with you, bedroomfurniturespot.com/bedroom-comforters-guide-to-quilting. Could you add this to your list? She's a little shy around the other girls, so I thought showing them all your page with her link on it would help her stand out a little more. Plus, I thought it would make a great addition to your page. If you have any advice for our projects, I'd love to hear it. Thanks again, and Happy New Year!

*Take care,
Ms. Brandie Cornett
Brandie@libraryunion.org
Cole Memorial Library*

Mountain Top Quilters AQG General Meeting

December 19, 2011, Secretary: Genevieve Van Den Hout

The meeting was called to order by Susan Perry at 9:30 AM.

Announcements: Susan Perry - Today is our luncheon and many thanks to all who made it as wonderful as it looks and smells. Table decorations are simply wonderful. After the talk from our guest speaker Lynn Kough from AQG we will head into fellowship hall for a game of Quilto and then a lunch of soup and salad, rolls, cider from caterer David Shriver from Fireside Grill in Prescott Valley and delicious desserts from our members. AQG ballots have been sent. Please vote. Susan gave her endorsement for Lynn Kough for president.

AGQ show: registration of any quilts that members want to enter must be done no later than January 13, 2012. Lynn Kough will be here soon to discuss the quilt show.

Sunshine: Helen Fredricks' daughter, Anne, shared that prior member Helen Fredricks passed away on September 2, 2011 at the age of 90 in Golden, Colorado. Also another prior member, Rhoda Jenison, passed away on November 20, 2011 at the age of 85. Alice Obrenovich is doing well after her knee surgery. Kay Harlan is also doing well with her rehab and hopes to be back in January. Her husband Dave is also doing well. Tina's husband Tom is doing well and has started his cardiac rehab. Please send good thoughts for Kitty Lynch who is to have more chemotherapy.

Hospitality: Thann Tolman- no new visitors this month other than Lynn Kough from AQG.

Membership: New Members: Fran Bagley.

Programs: Linda Marley- Lonesome Valley Quilt Guild in Prescott Valley has 2 programs coming up for anyone who wishes to attend. They meet at night 1st Monday of the month from 7 to 9 PM. January 9, 2012 is a trunk show from 2 of their members. February 6, 2012 is a lecture and class from Karen Combs on quilts of illusion. Fee for February's class is \$10.00 for non members. There are still 3 openings left for January's workshop at MTQ with Joan Carrell. February will be the Marmalade and Jam quilt with Flagstaff's lecturer Sarah Whitney. March will be the Community Quilt Challenge showing. April will be MTQ Joy Swartz's trunk show. May's lecture will be from the MTQ members giving tips and tricks-Linda is still looking for some more volunteers. July will be AQG's Lynn Kough.

Community Quilts: Judy Dallner. No community quilts this month but many quilts have been sent to various charities and groups so there is a low supply of finished quilts for the upcoming months.

Block of the Month: Sherri Hubbs- showed what December's block will look like and Sherri showed another completed community quilt using the blocks. Sherri hopes to have a completed quilt made for each month.

Quilt Show- Diana Ramsey discussed quilts turned in for the April quilt show; picture of at least the finished top should be in no later than February 20, 2012. No more than 5 quilts per member can be turned in as well as the additional Arizona Centennial quilt if you are entering one. Forms to be completed are on the website; any questions contact Diana for answers. Kristi McHugh-Quilt Show Chair answered question on the Arizona Centennial Category, the winner of this category will get their quilt put on the AZ Hall of Fame website for votes by Arizona quilters for eligibility to win a first prize of \$500.00. The quilt cannot be larger than 40 inches per side. Julie Dodds, chair of the Small Quilt Auction, came up to show another example of a small quilt that was turned in. Thann Tolman, chair for the Boutique, told members that ECHOS for January will be making items for the boutique and in February's ECHOS they will be making some rope bowls also for the boutique. Final announcement from Susan before the Show & Tell and lecture was to remind us all of 2 important dates. January 13-final date to register quilts for the AQG show in March and February 20, 2012 to get at least a picture of a finish top turned in for our April quilt show.

Show and Tell: Pat Gentner, Betty Foley, Lorraine Owen, Cindy Phare, Sherri Hubbs, Phyllis Moss, Lucy Fields, Wayne and Masako Wolfe, Audrey Jessee, Carol Hood, Sharon Maxwell, Judy Hughes, Dorothy Philblad, Kay Wentworth, Carolyn Edwards, Marilyn Thompson, Shirley April, Jennifer Mees, Linda Marley and Kathleen Bond.

Lecture from guest speaker Lynn Kough from AQG who spoke about the health benefits both physically and socially on volunteerism. She is hoping some members wanted to volunteer to help with AQG's March quilt show which is in dire need of helpers in all areas. Contact her for forms to let them know areas you can help. Seven AQG members in the Phoenix area have even graciously volunteered to house anyone who wants to come down for the show and help out so that we could save on hotel costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 11: 15 AM.



THINGS TO REMEMBER



General Meeting

Monday, January 16th, 9:30 a.m.
First Lutheran Church
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Remember to Bring:

Refreshments: Last names Watt thru Younker; Adams
thru Barrett

Library: Items that are due

Community Quilts: Finished quilts

Quilt Boutique: Supplies to work on projects

Small Quilt Auction: Small quilt donation

Quilt Turning: Completed entry form

Quilt Registration Form w/Photo

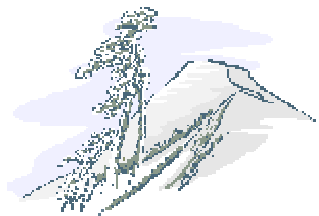
Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, January 23rd, 9:30 – 3:30
Las Fuentes Retirement Center
1045 Scott Drive, Prescott
Pick up directions at the Community Quilts table

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be February 7th at 1:00 pm.
at Genevieve Van Den Hout's home.

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



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