

The Summit, July 2010

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Quilters of Mountain Top,

We must give a hearty round of applause to Sam for her efforts over the last 2½ years in the presidency. She did a wonderful job as President Elect for 18 months and then as President for this past membership year. Thank you, Sam.

As we begin this new year, we have an impressive lineup of classes for all to take if you so desire. A must see program is a showing of the quilting efforts of our own Masako Wolfe.

I am very impressed with the quality and quantity of work that our members bring to show and tell. Quilting is a very personal activity and our thoughts and hopes are stitched into each seam of our quilts.

Happy quilting,
Beverly

Newsletter Deadline

Diana Ramsey

Please send all articles for the August newsletter to MTNewsletter@cableone.net or you can call Diana at 771-9759. **Deadline for the August newsletter articles is Wednesday, August 4th at noon.**

Are you a member of Mountain Top Quilters and have an e-mail address? If so, you should be receiving at least 2 e-mails from MTNewsletter@cableone.net per month, more if there is news to send out on the Grapevine. Please let Diana know ASAP if you are NOT receiving any notices from her and she will check your current e-mail address against her records for any corrections or problems.

MINI-GROUPS

Carol Cooley

There will be a meeting after the July general meeting in the fellowship hall for anyone interested in joining a mini-group. If you would like, bring a sack lunch.
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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

Kathy Barrett

Sherrill Chapman and Connie Sieh became members in June, so let's all make them feel at home. Also, the following returning members need to be added to your directories: Kathleen Howe, Sally Cantwell, Lorraine Owen, Rosemary Shellhorn and Nancy Stewart.

Nancy Gullikson will have the new directories available this month, so be sure and pick up yours. Also, Arizona Quilter's Guild is in the process of re-issuing membership cards to include the expiration date. If you have any questions or concerns regarding membership, you can email me at AZBARRETTS@CABLEONE.NET or call me at 775-8706,

ECHOS

Evelyn Russell

This month and in August we will be making the wonderful bags designed (and taught) by Judith Ritner. Just a reminder: be sure to have all your fabric cut before class.

Carol Miller and Jeanne Vick will be teaching the cute clothesline wrapped bowls in November. Stop by the ECHOS table to see them and pick up a supply list. There are so many ways to adorn them.
....Think Christmas gifts...

REFRESHMENTS

Dolores Schrock

Important! DO YOU KNOW?

- A message of warm hospitality and welcome to guests and members is the purpose of having refreshments with beverages during our break time.
- Member participation is optional. Specific members are asked monthly in The Summit newsletter.
- Food treats are to be finger-food, ready to serve and eat.
- Possible treats include non-sweet and sweet. e.g. cheese, crackers, appetizers, nuts, fruits, vegetables, dips, baked goods
- ALL containers, lids, etc. have a name LABEL...even disposable containers. **Bring no serving utensils.**
- You are to check if you have any leftovers.....even treats brought in disposable containers. Any food left is thrown away.
- AND, each month there are about 90 members getting treats. The amount of food available varies; some months have fewer treats and are quite lean. Your willingness to take less so there's plenty for others following you would be a generous gift. You can always come back for seconds.

Lois Frank, Sandy Lawson, Audrey Jessee, Genny Kerutis, and I look forward to being with you in the kitchen this year.

The following are asked to bring a treat to begin this year's alphabetical rotation.

Carolyn Edwards, Jean Ehlers, Teri Elliot, Judy Eppler, Maxine Everaert, Lucy Fields, Vera Flores, Pat Foat, Betty Foley, Pat Folsom, Macy Fordell, Lois Frank, Marti French, Elsie Gatcomb, Darlene Gatewood, Darlene Gatewood, Pat Gentner, Linda Gergen, Ella Gertonson..... Thank you all.

LIBRARY

Linda Marley

Come check out the MTQ Library and be inspired by the collection as well from quilt magazine sales that will resume. Just a reminder to gather all books and DVDs that were checked out 2 months ago since everything is due back.

READ ALL ABOUT US AT
www.mountaintopquilters.com

PROGRAMS

Marti French

This month's program will be provided by our very own duo of Carol Hood and Gail Van Horsen. They will treat us with a trunk show of antique quilts and share some of their knowledge about antique quilts as well. In August Wayne Wolfe will provide us with a trunk show of Masako's wonderful quilts, many of which are hand quilted. Our members have so much talent to share!

In September Sarah Vedeler (a former AQG traveling teacher) will provide a trunk show and several classes. Monday afternoon September 21st Sarah will teach "No Hands Piped Binding". Tuesday morning September 22nd Sarah will be teaching "Free Motion Quilting: Spirals" and Tuesday afternoon she will teach "Free Motion Quilting: Peacock Feathers". All classes are \$15.00. We have openings in the binding class and a wait list for the quilting classes. Be sure to stop by the programs table and check out the binding class.

QUILT CAMP

Linda Coppola

Quilt Camp is getting closer and I hope you are getting your projects ready. The camp committee has been busy getting everything organized and ready for a great time. I will be collecting the remainder of the payment for camp at the July and August meetings. Please write your check to MTQ for \$70. If you have any questions, please e-mail me at ljqquilts@cableone.net or call me at 541-1087.

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Alice Obrenovich, Tina Mc Cowan, Linda Coppola

Community Quilts Workday

Monday July 26th, 2010

9:30 - 3:30

Las Fuentes Resort Village

1045 Scott Drive, Prescott

Many thanks to Tina Mc Cowan and Linda Coppola for agreeing to co-chair Community Quilts with me. We look forward to a wonderful productive year. Stop by the meeting and pick up a quilt to quilt, to bind or a kit to make a top. Any orphan blocks no longer wanted and yardages no longer needed will find a good home with us. If you have an easy quilt pattern you could share with us, please bring it to the next meeting. See you there!

For the workday, remember to bring:

Bring your sewing machine (optional). Coffee, coffee cake, salads, pizza, and desserts are provided. Or bring your own sack lunch if you prefer. Come early, stay late, come join in the fun.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO WORKSHOP ATTENDEES:

Las Fuentes requests that we park on the building's west side. If the parking garage door is open, walk straight to the end of the garage to the exit sign. Go through that door and straight across through the next door and you'll be on the first level where the workroom is. If the garage door isn't open and you have a lot of stuff to take with you, drop it off at the main entrance and then drive back to park.

HOBBS BATTING PROGRAM:

Community Quilts collects UPC codes from Hobbs and Mountain Mist batting who give us a large discount on batting.

SNIPPETS

Kay Denny, MTQ Reporter

Vanuatu---ever heard of it? I sure hadn't until our Webmaster Sharon Heilman showed me a list of all the countries that visit our fantastic website. This past April (quilt show month) we had 43,775 hits from people in the US and 9,655 hits from foreigners. The Russian Federation had the most out-of-country hits (1586) with many from places you might expect, such as Canada (1804), Germany (2300), Australia (230), and Spain (944). Surprising countries were Chile (77), Uruguay (95), Sri Lanka (63) and The Netherlands (110). In the month of June we were also visited by Romania (56), Bermuda (15), Israel (4), and The Ukraine (2), just to name a few of the unusual ones.

Sharon says the site is visited mostly right after the newsletter is available and after show-and-tell is posted. Many viewing show-and-tell are most likely friends and family of our members and those of us who just have to see how bad our hair looks. For some reason, we have quite a following every month from the Russian Federation---there were 477 hits this past month alone.

It took Sharon a month of many long, labor-intensive days to produce our website in 2007. And for every show-and-tell picture, she resizes, crops, and touches up each photo, which can take from five to 20 minutes each. Normally, she works about 20 hours every month, but quilt show months take up 40 hours of her valuable time. At year's end, she spends a considerable number of hours archiving everything.

Sharon has been asked to put various things up by members and occasionally has to turn them down because of copyright issues, but for the most part is quite accommodating. As Webmaster, she has also been emailed from people asking her to set up web sites for them and from new teachers asking who to contact so that they can be invited to give programs at our guild. She even had somebody trying to steal her TOAD graphic creation!

It's an amazing thing that Sharon, who is self-taught, does for us. I bet that there are darn few of us who could create, let alone maintain, such a site. And, I called a local web site development company and, if I understood the computer gobble-de-gook right, it would have cost us nearly \$600 for the initial basic set up (more for advanced bells and whistles)---and up to \$75 for the monthly updates. Whooee!!!! Let's all give Sharon a big thanks!

By the way, in case you were wondering---Vanuatu is a nation of 82 small islands in the South Pacific Ocean about 1000 miles from Australia and has a total population of about 240,000 people.



THINGS TO REMEMBER



General Meeting

Monday, July 19th - 9:30 a.m.
First Lutheran Church
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Remember to Bring:

- ◆ **Community Quilts:** Finished quilts
- ◆ **Refreshments:** Last names Edwards thru Gertonson
- ◆ **Library:** Books and DVD's are due back
- ◆ **Quilt Camp:** \$70 payment for balance due

Community Quilts Workshop

Monday, July 26th - 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

The next board meeting will be at 9:30 a.m. on August 2nd at the home of Beverly Markham.

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

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AGQ, GENERAL MEETING

June 21, 2010

Judy Hughes, Secretary

Opening - Sam Logan, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30. She thanked us for a great year and commended our guild for being kind and hard-working ladies.

Presentations:

- Sam thanked the out-going board: Marty Lensink, Treasurer; Judy Hughes, Secretary; Susan Perry, Program Chair; Bev Markham, President-elect, and gave each one a gift.
- The new board was presented: Beverly Markham, President; Susan Perry, President-elect; Marty Lensink, Treasurer; Sherri Hubbs, Secretary; Marti French, Program Chair. After an appropriate motion, the new officers were unanimously approved by a voice vote.
- Kathleen Bond was thanked for her long service as Community Quilts Chair and given a purse made by Bev Markham, including a gift certificate. Kathleen thanked people again for their hard work and service to Community Quilts. The group made over 300 quilts this year. Alice Obrenovich, Linda Coppola, and Tina McCowan will be the new co-chairs. Quilts go to Stepping Stones, Casa Adoption Services, Hannah's Home, various hospices, the VA, Catholic Social Services, Open Door, PAWS, etc.
- Bev presented Sam Logan with a "dilly bag" which contained a quilt Bev designed and made. It has two appliquéd houses representative of homes in Bev's native Australia and appliquéd eucalyptus leaves and other native plants. The backing is from Australia.
- Delores Schrock and her kitchen crew (Lois Frank, Audrey Jessee, and Genny Kerutis) were publicly thanked and given hand-made bags by Bev.
- Evelyn Russell and Jimmie Johnson of ECHOS were also thanked for their service and given soft boxes hand-made by Bev.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Sally Plummer will not be able to handle Show and Tell. Noel Broadston and Ann Novak volunteered.
- Carol Cooley announced that she will be a grandmother soon. She is in charge of mini-groups. Anyone who wants to join one is welcome to bring their lunch after the next meeting for an informational get-together.
- Nancy Gullikson announced that the new directories will be available at the next meeting. Look for the one with your name, displayed in Fellowship Hall.
- Bev read a thank-you from Bill and Whitney Ellsworth, owners of Cloth Plus, for the gifts received since the fire that destroyed their home.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sunshine: Corinne Windett –No report. Marty Lensink announced that Cheree Mascarenas needs help to pull off a community quilt auction to raise money for breast cancer patients. Geo Mickelson is going into the hospital for a pace-maker.

Membership: Kathy Barrett –We have 166 members with new ladies constantly joining. She handed out directories to several new members. Kathy reminded us that we will get our new AGQ membership cards in the mail and a membership directory in about January. (Note: The AGQ membership cards are incorrect and should be destroyed because they lack an expiration date. Wait for a corrected one to be mailed.)

Programs: Susan Perry asked for show and tell items from recent workshops. Susan showed an abstract quilt she made at Ruler Day. Carol Hood and Gail Van Horsen will be doing a trunk show of antique quilts at our July meeting. We have a change for August –there will be a show of about 100 quilts, hand-quilted by Masako Wolfe. Susan is presently taking sign-ups for an August class taught by Linda Matteotti for the computer software program, Electric Quilts 6. Bring a laptop if you have one and the software for EQ 6. Linda will load a temporary program for you if don't have your own. The class will be at Sam Logan's church. Sarah Vedeler will present three classes in September: No Hands Piped Binding on Monday afternoon, spirals for machine quilting on Tuesday morning and peacock feathers for machine quilting on Tuesday afternoon. Sarah is also our September speaker.

Quilt Camp: Quilt Camp is full. Linda Coppola has three people on a waiting list and will soon be collecting the rest of the deposit.

Library: Linda Marley –No library today. Books checked out in May are due in July.

ECHOS: Jimmie Johnson –No meeting today.

Opportunity Quilt: The four designs chosen by the Committee were shown to the membership during the meeting. Each design was presented for a show of hands vote, with Design Number Three winning. The pattern consists of appliquéd oak leaves and acorns and is called "Oak Leaves." Bev thanked Pat Folsom's committee for their work in choosing the designs. Sharon Watt is on the Opportunity Quilt Committee.

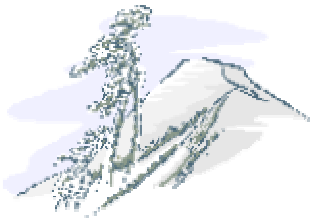
Lint Rollers: Bev provided lint rollers for members to use to clean up the pew if the sew during the meeting.

Budget Proposal for next fiscal year: Marty Lensink, Treasurer, presented the proposed budget for the coming year. It had previously been distributed via newsletter and e-mail. She announced that there were a couple of changes: storage unit lower cost; appropriations fund increased (Accu Quilt Go Cutter allocation will be included there, with further study, and will not be purchased unless the membership approves it after more research is performed); membership directory increase; hospitality increased; equipment supplies decreased (removal of Accu Quilt Go); programs increased. Marty thanked the membership for lots of good ideas and much helpful input. MTQ plans to make several one-time contributions to: the University of Nebraska International Quilt Center & Museum, Sharlot Hall's Textile Department, and

AZ Quilter's Hall of Fame; more money to Community Quilts; a scholarship to Yavapai College; funds to begin a Young Quilters' Group; and money to purchase pizza for the workers at Community Quilts. Marty explained that there is an Appropriations Fund which includes money for new ideas or projects that members wish to propose during the year. Linda Coppola mentioned that more money would be needed for the Quilt Camp deposit next year. Another person asked how the YC Scholarship would be handled. Marty said a committee will be formed to decide but it will probably go through the YC Education Foundation. Joan Burr moved and Kay Harlan seconded a motion to approve the modified budget. It was approved unanimously by a show of hands.

Show and Tell: Jeannine Bleicher, Bev Markham, Sally Cantwell, Barbara Phiel, Kay Harlan, Marti French, Lorraine Owen, Julie Dodds, Kay Denny, Jan Smith, Sherri Hubbs.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:10.



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