

The Summit, October 2008

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Without hesitation I would have to say that my favorite season is autumn. I love the beautiful fall colors, but there's more to it than that. For one thing, I give myself permission to stop weeding the garden and I look forward to the crispness in the air and the special aroma of fall. I love cooking big pots of soup and baking pumpkin pies. I look forward to the opportunity to put the heavier quilts back on the beds and find comfort in their warmth. Fall is a quiet time to relax and reflect on the activities of the past summer and look with anticipation to the frenzy of the approaching holiday season.

Rapidly becoming one of my favorite autumn rituals is Quilt Camp! It is so nice to get away at a great location and think of nothing but sewing for three whole days. No telephone, TV, e-mails, laundry and best yet, no cooking. Just lots of great food and the company of quilter friends. People have told me they can sew at home without having to pay the money to go to quilt camp. They are missing the point. There is a special bond between 30 women who spend three days together with 30 sewing machines and tons of fabric. You get to hear the "oohs" and "aahs" when someone finishes a project. You get to laugh 'til you cry when someone tells a very funny story. You get to hear new sewing hints and lots of advice on problems (sewing and otherwise) that you may have. Best of all, you get to know people that you did not know before.

So I have placed Quilt Camp on the top of the list of my favorite fall activities. If you haven't gone before, think about it next year. You won't be disappointed!

Happy quilting,

Joan Carrell
President

Newsletter Deadline

Diana Ramsey

Help keep postage costs down and please notify Diana if you didn't have email before but have it now so she can add you to the MTQ email address book.

Please send all articles for the November newsletter to MTNewsletter@cableone.net or you can call Diana at 771-9759. **Deadline for the November newsletter articles is Wednesday, November 5th at noon.**

SUNSHINE

Corinne Windett

I am saddened to announce that Rose Tuttle passed away on Friday, October 3. Condolences may be sent to the family of Rose Tuttle at 1005 Forest Hylands Dr, Prescott AZ 86303.

Please let Corinne Windett know of anyone who is ill, having surgery or has lost a loved one at 775-8982 or chucori@commspeed.net.

MEMBERSHIP

Kay Harlan

We are collecting dues for January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 (18 months) to put us in line with Arizona Quilter's Guild, which has changed their fiscal year. I will be in the Fellowship Hall during the break and after the meeting collecting your Membership Dues. I will have forms with me and you will fill out two forms in full: one for Mountain Top and one for AQG. Make one check payable to Mountain Top Quilters for the full amount. If you have any questions please call me or any board member.

Thank you for your cooperation

NEW MEMBERS: \$60, of which \$45 goes to AQG
RENEWALS PAID BY THE DECEMBER MEETING:

\$52, of which \$37 goes to AQG

LATE RENEWALS: After the December meeting are considered NEW Members and will need to pay \$60, of which \$45 goes to AQG

REFRESHMENTS

Dolores Schrock

Quilt making, like cooking, offers something for everyone, and anyone can do it. After all, making a quilt is a bit like baking a cake. First you need a list of all the equipment and ingredients, and then you follow step by step the recipe's instructions for putting everything together.

Recently reading a quilting book this analogy caught my eye. How true, I thought, and how fortunate we are each month to be able to enjoy our guild members' wonderful creations: beautiful quilts and tasty treats.

For October, we thank the following for willingly sharing their tasty treats with us.

Nancy Gullikson, Leticia Guizar, Carol Ann Guthrie, Jan Hampton, Shirley Hanna, Marti Harbour, Kay Harlan, Colleen Sue Harlow, Margot Harris, Helen Hawley, Sharon Heilman, Linda Heithold, Udean Helton, Linda Hill, Barbara Hinds, Gisela Hoeger, Jane Hofbauer

ECHOS

Jimmie Johnson, B'Anne Younkens, Evelyn Russell

October: Udean Helton is presenting a workshop based on Joan Shay's Petal Play book. Please be prepared, following the instructions you have received. The class is full but like all of our ECHOS classes, you are welcome to observe.

November: Evelyn Russell will teach how to assemble her sewing kit. Pick up your instructions at the October meeting.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOTM)

Ann Novak

Ladies, you did a lovely job on the September Overlay hearts. The September workshop participants had lots of fun experimenting and you can do the same at home. (Look at the ECHOS Block of the Month link for instructions.) The October block will feature painting or stamping on fabric. The background for October will be tan or cream and the hearts will be pink or rose. If anyone has missed a month or two, it's not too late to get caught up. I have extra blocks from all months to trade with you. However, see me personally, so you get the correct month's trade.

PROGRAMS

Udean Helton

October:

20th: Gail Van Horsen lecture "Unknown Maker"

21st: Gail Van Horsen will do quilt appraisals (cost is for \$40 per quilt). There is an opening at 2:00 p.m. – Just let me know.

November:

17th: Rita Blocksom lecture "The Emergence of Convergence Quilts & Trunk Show"

18th: Rita Blocksom workshop "Divide & Concur Convergence" (Ricky Tim's Technique) There are still some openings in this class. You will need to pay and pick-up your supply list at the October meeting

December: Luncheon

LIBRARY NOTES

Linda Marley

Assistants needed!

Are you looking for a way to be a part of Mountain Top Quilters? Two more library assistants are needed to help with setting out books starting at 8:30 AM, check out and returns, as well as storing materials at the end of the meeting. Additional help is also sometimes needed for magazine sales. The best part is that there's no work to take home. Please contact Linda Marley if you are interested in helping during the meetings.

New Schamber materials added to library

Last month's speaker, Sharon Schamber, was so well received that the library has added several of her tutorials to the collection. There's her booklet/CD on planning your quilting. Or check out one of several DVDs that focus on techniques of machine quilting. Also purchased were DVDs on beginning hand dying of solid colors, and another on corded binding. And don't forget about the new Karen McTavish quilting books added last month.

Hold off on book donations

Because of limited manpower as well as limited storage space, the library would appreciate members holding off on any book donations until April. At that time we'll be preparing for the annual rummage sale. We will continue to accept donations of quilt magazines for sale at our regular meetings. In the meantime, if you happen to clean out your personal quilt library, you may bring us a list of book titles you wish to donate so that the library can determine if there is something we would want to add to the collection.

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.

Just a Reminder: If you wish to be placed on the agenda for the general membership meeting or if you have an item that needs to be announced at the meeting, please let the President know at least one day in advance. Thank you.

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Kathleen Bond and Susan Peterson

Community Quilts Work Day

NO WORK DAY IN OCTOBER!

Ghoulies, goblins, and things that go bump in the night... good grief, next time turn the light on!

Due to renovation work at Las Fuentes, we are unable to use the facility in October. We will see you in November for our last work day of this year.

You are all invited to the CASA Adoption ceremonies held at the Courthouse on Saturday, November 15th at 10 a.m. The courtroom is on the 3rd floor (or second level from the east entrance). Just follow the joyous sounds from kids who are getting a new family! Our quilts are a commemoration of this very special day. Come join the fun!

Last, but not least, continuing appreciation to the members who participate in making all of the quilts... and quoting Ralph Kramden, "Baby, you're the greatest!" It's true!

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.

MINI-GROUP CHAIR

Diana Ramsey

If you have a question about mini-groups, please feel free to contact Diana by email at liv2quilt@cableone.net or by phone at 771-9759 for information.

HAVE YOURSELF A CRAZY LITTLE CHRISTMAS!!!

The Crazy Quilters Mini-Group

"Christmas time is drawing near,
Time to celebrate and have good cheer.
Call us CRAZY, call us DUMB,
Our group is planning loads of FUN!!!!
So, join us in our planning time,
Please put your name on the dotted line."

Mt. Top's ever popular Christmas Luncheon is well into the planning stage and The Crazies need 80 or more other crazy ladies to sign up for various things such as potluck dishes, ice chests, table hostesses, clean-up crew, etc. Plus, we'll be asking ALL attending to bring a few things.

At the October meeting, the Crazy Quilters will announce the fun things we have planned, things we need for you to bring, and will pass around sign-up sheets. We'll have a wild 'n crazy time, we promise!

By-Laws & Standing Rules Review

Again, we will review and vote on the proposed revisions to our By-Laws and Standing Rules at the October meeting. We ask that all members review them before the General Meeting.

Ah, the Internet

Kay Wentworth, Summit Reporter

Just about everyone these days has access to the Internet. Below are a few sites that you might find useful and fun. Of course, there are millions more, but I liked these sites because you don't need to register on them.

quiltguild.com
quilting.about.com
qnm.com
thequiltingcommunity.com
quilterscache.com

Maybe you didn't know this: you don't have to type in http// or anything else before the name of the website, and almost all websites have only lowercase letters.

READ ALL ABOUT US

Go to the Mountain Top website address at
www.mountaintopquilters.com

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG, GENERAL MEETING

September 15, 2008

Linda Coppola, Secretary

Joan Carrell, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Joan asked that all cell phones be turned off or put on vibrate. The AQG fall meeting will be October 11 at ASU West. The registration form is in the Patchwork Chatter newsletter and the deadline to register has been changed to September 26. The Ricky Tims lecture registration deadline has been changed to October 1. Kay Harlan has room in her car for a few people if you are interested in carpooling. The International Quilt Study Center and Museum in Lincoln, Nebraska is looking for participants for their guild meeting Monday, October 20, 2008. If you are going to be in the area and would be interested, please contact Joan. Marge Senior is in a Heritage Quilt Study Group that will meet Tuesday, October 7. They are asking people to bring "old" quilts just to record the history not for appraising. Carol Hood has been in touch with Jack Wetmore who made our library cart. He gave her his phone number (480-361-9682) in case any of the members who knew his wife, Betty would want to contact him. The Opportunity Quilt group needs green fabric for the leaves on the quilt. Joan thanked those who brought some today and asked that if you would like to contribute, please bring them next month. An explanation of the MTQ Financial Appropriations Committee was in the newsletter. Joan mentioned that this committee does not approve the requests but decides if it should be brought before the members for vote and approval. This is for requests that are outside the normal activities of the guild.

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

Reading of the Standing Rules and Bylaws changes: Joan thanked Sally Plummer and Geo Mickelson for helping the committee. Joan read the changes and next month she will read them again and the members will vote on them. A question was asked about the dues. Joan explained that the dues will be \$52 for the 18 months. AQG charges \$37 and \$15 goes to MTQ with a total of \$52.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine - Corinne Windett: Corinne mentioned that it was good to see Pat Gentner back. Linda Marley was in an automobile accident and had a concussion. Rose Tuttle will be having surgery September 22 at the Heart Institute in Phoenix for an aortic aneurysm. She will be there three days and can come home to inactivity for three weeks. Please keep Rose in your thoughts and prayers. Marilyn Weber was having open heart surgery today.

Membership - Kay Harlan: Kay gave out name tags to members who have joined.

ECHOS - Jimmie Johnson: Jimmie mentioned that her grandson has some heart problems and has had heart surgery. The program for today will be fabric stamping, hot crystals, and setting up the base for a crazy quilt heart. Next month Udean Helton will share the technique of creating three dimensional appliqué flowers.

Block of the Month - Ann Novak: Ann mentioned that we would be painting the heart blocks.

Library - Linda Marley: Linda mentioned that because of the money raised at the rummage sale, we were able to add five new books to our library.

Hospitality - Susan Perry: Susan announced that the forms for expenditure requests are on the sign-in table. She will also be selling our Mountain Top Guild pins for \$5. There are seventeen guests this month: Joan Stanfield, Pauline Archuleta, Laurie Kelley, Bunny Troup, JoAnn Isaac, Jane Holland, Linda Tremper, Sara DeRouchey, Jan Smith, Pat Armstrong, Alisha Petty, Darlene Gatewood, Vera Flores, Nancy Michalsky, Marti French, Lila Farr, and Alice Obrenovich.

Community Quilts - Susan Peterson and Kathleen Bond: There will be no meeting in October because of renovations at the community room in Las Fuentes Resort where we meet. However, we will be meeting September 22 and September 29 (the fourth and fifth Mondays in September). The next CASA adoptions will be November 15 at 10:00 a.m. in the Court House. Please bring your finished quilts to the October meeting. There is a request for "male" quilts for distribution. Kathleen showed a quilt that was made by Dorothy Philblad and embellished by Robin Yanak. Nice work!!

Programs - Udean Helton: Kristi McHugh filled in for Udean who was ill. Kristi gave directions to the community room of the Canyon Rim Apartments where the half-day class will be held. Sharon Schamber, our guest speaker, will be the teacher. The class will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. At 9:00 a.m. tomorrow, we will meet at the church fellowship hall for the full-day class that will be taught by Sharon Schamber. Sharon and her husband Gene are giving the lecture and trunk show today. In October we will have Gail Van Horses as our speaker and she will be doing appraisals. November's speaker is Rita Blocksom talking about convergence quilts. In December we will have our Christmas luncheon.

Show and Tell - Carolyn Doyle and Marty Lensink: There were eleven ladies who shared their projects with us. They are: Lois Eldridge, Laura Myers, Barbara Phiel, Ann Novak, Betty Foley, Sharon Watt, Nancy Stewart, Carol Hood, Judy Hughes, Joan Carrell, and Ellen Von Brentano.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Mountain top Quilters Standing Rules Proposed Changes September 2008

Election of Officers

Election of officers shall be held at the *May* general meeting. When the new officers are installed at the *June* general meeting, the newly installed officers shall receive from the outgoing officers all notebooks, records and materials from past years. The Secretary shall complete all *June* board and general meeting minutes by *June 30*. The Treasurer shall complete the records upon receipt of the *June* bank statement.

Board Duties

2. The new President shall announce the committee chairs at the *June* general meeting. All outgoing committee chairs shall turn over reports and records by or at the *July* board meeting.
3. Between the election in *May* and installation of new officers in *June*, the outgoing and incoming Treasurers shall meet to make necessary changes in bank records to be prepared for the new officer to assume the duties upon installation.
8. The President and Secretary shall inventory materials at the meeting place and the storage facility each year in *July*. New purchases shall be added to the inventory as the year progresses. Materials taken from and returned to the storage facility shall be recorded on a checkout form.

Library Rules

The outgoing and incoming Library Committee shall inventory the library annually, and shall submit a report no later than the *August* meeting.

Opportunity Quilt Guidelines

Members shall submit designs from February through May, giving everyone the opportunity to review them through June. The designs will be voted upon during the July general meeting. If possible, the quilt should be completed by the following May.

Proposed Changes for Mountain Top Quilters By-Laws
First Reading: September 2008

Article IV

Dues.

Dues for Mountain top Quilters membership renewals are due by *June 30*. Memberships expire *June 30*; renewals after *June 30* shall be considered new and will be charged an extra fee. The board, with vote of approval by the membership, shall determine dues and extra fees for Mountain Top Quilters. Arizona Quilt Guild sets its own dues. The dues a member pays are the combined amounts for Mountain Top and Arizona Quilt Guild.

Article VII

Program Chair(s).

The Program Chair(s) shall schedule programs and workshops from *December* through *November*.

Article VIII

Election of Officers.

Each year, at least forty-five days prior to the *May* meeting, a nominating committee of three members shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the Board. This committee shall prepare a slate to be presented to the membership at the *May* meeting.

Elections shall be by majority vote of those members present. New officers shall be installed at the *June* meeting.

☞ **THINGS TO REMEMBER** ☞

Remember to Bring:

- 🍂 **Community Quilts:** Finished Community Quilt projects
- 🍂 **Library books:** Books that are due
- 🍂 **Standing Rule & By-Law Review:** Your Directory
- 🍂 **Refreshments:** Treats if your name ends with Gullikson through Hofbauer

Community Quilts

No work day in October

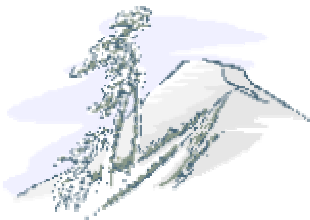
General Meeting

Monday, October 20th, 2008 - 9:30 am
First Lutheran Church
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

Board Meeting

The November board meeting will be held Monday, November 3, 2008 at the home of Pat Folsom.

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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