

# *The Summit, September 2007*

## MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQQ

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*Dear Members,*

*Last week I was in Ace Hardware waiting for someone to hunt down a "3/32 tap" (which is guy language for small, expensive really necessary metal thing). A rack of greeting cards was thoughtfully placed near me, and within two minutes I found three cards that I needed. The first one was something I immediately knew I wanted to make for the small quilt auction, and the second was a photo of tulips I would like to turn into a quilt eventually. I keep these ideas in my "someday" book, knowing I will never live long enough to make them all, but that never stops me from adding to it.*

*On the front of the third card is a photo of a typical 1950's housewife placing a roast in her chest freezer, and the card says, "Her husband always expected to be spoiled, but the freezer kept him perfectly fresh for years." It just made me laugh.*

*So, as I waited I thought about finding inspiration for my quilts and how something in the least expected place can create a spark that "stirs me into action" (That's Webster's definition of inspiration.) Occasionally when looking at my latest quilt, some of my non-quilting friends say, "I could never do that." Then I think of where I started 15 years ago, and how continuing to take classes and learn from others who love quilting as much as I do, has allowed me to see not just flowers on a greeting card, but a beautiful appliqué quilt that will be around for a long time.*

*I thought about what else inspires me. Humor is a big inspiration for me. Some of my favorite quilters consistently use humor in their quilts. I would love to make a 1950's housewife quilt, and my housewife would definitely have stuck her husband in that freezer.*

*My final inspiration is show and tell. I love seeing your quilts. I love hearing why you made that quilt, or why you chose that pattern or those colors. I especially love that you make the effort to share what you made. So to all of you out there, keep bringing in quilts for show and tell. You never know who or what you will inspire.*

*Sincerely, Susie Martin*

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

### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Pat Folsom and Pat Gentner

**Pat Folsom will be editing the October 2007 newsletter.** Please send all articles for the October newsletter to [mtqnewsletter@cableone.net](mailto:mtqnewsletter@cableone.net) or you can call Pat Folsom if you prefer. **Deadline for the October newsletter articles will be Wednesday, October 3, at noon.**

### **Opportunity Quilt Raffle Tickets**

*Kristi McHugh, Pat Folsom, Sharon Watt*

Opportunity tickets for our Leaf Symphony Quilt will be distributed to the MTQ Membership at the next few meetings. An envelope with your 12 tickets will be across from the sign in table. Please contact us if you need more tickets. Last year MTQ Linda Kinear won our quilt! I hope that this year it will be your turn. Thank you.

### **REMINDER**

*Susie Martin*

Please bring fat quarters of floral fabrics for a door prize for the AQQ fall meeting.

**Thanks!**

# Library Closed in September

Linda Marley

Due to the Rummage Sale at the September meeting, the library will not be open for checking out books. Therefore, any books stamped due this month really aren't due back until October, and no late charges will be added for this month on any overdue books. The library staff hopes this won't be an inconvenience to any members. We will reopen for the October & November meetings, but close for the luncheon in December.

## Christmas Luncheon Table-runner Challenge

Mystery & CQ Wearables

We have lots of surprises in store for everyone attending this year's *Mysterious Christmas Luncheon!* The Mystery & CQ Wearables Mini-Groups are jointly hosting this year's luncheon. They are issuing a challenge for table runners/toppers with a theme of *A Christmas Gift*.

Members at large will vote for the winners, with prizes to be awarded. Challenge participants are to provide their own fabrics/materials, and will get to keep their creations after use at the luncheon. Begin planning now to take part in the challenge and see Evelyn Russell or Dorothy Philblad if you have questions. Of course, there will be plenty of other prizes for those attending this special guild event on December 17. Sign up sheets for food will be at the October meeting. Start checking your recipe file now for dishes that are red, green, white or gold.

## REFRESHMENTS

Dolores Schrock

Have you ever wondered what the meaning of the word September is? In Latin it is "Septem-seven" due to its position in the early Roman calendar. To most of us it means that summer has ended with Labor Day weekend, and now it is time to get down to business again. Remember that Fall begins on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and this is a busy time. So sister quilters, we ask the following to fit yet one more task into their calendar by bringing a treat to our September meeting. Those who enjoy these treats say **THANK YOU to:**

Marcia Petroni	Barbara Phiel	Dorothy Philblad
Sally Plummer	Joan Pratt	Betsy Quinn,
Ginnie Rafti	Dianna Ramsey	Lynn Ray
Evelyn Russell	Phyllis Sager	Dolores Schrock
Marjorie Senior	Bettie Setz	Carol Small,

Hildy Smith Judy Smith

## ECHOS

Jimmie Johnson and B'Anne Younkens

**September:** We have talked **Carol Hood** into teaching a workshop on hand appliqué. If you are signed up you should have the supply list. There is a waiting list so if you aren't on the class list or waiting list you will have to wait until we can plan a repeat of this great workshop.

- **NOTE:** *Carol asks all the quilters that will be in her Hawaiian appliqué class this month to please bring any Hawaiian projects you are working on to share with the class. It will be fun to see what ideas everyone has in regard to patterns and color. Call Carol if you have any questions.*

**October:** **Bettie Setz** is going to teach us how to create Crayon images for quilt panels. She presented this workshop several years ago and we had a really great show and tell shortly after the class. Sign up at the September meeting; there will be limited spaces so don't procrastinate.

## PROGRAMS

Lynn Ray

**SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>:** Annual Rummage Sale. So this is the perfect opportunity to clean your sewing room and discard what you don't want by giving someone else the opportunity to buy it. All money raised goes to M.T.Q.

**OCTOBER** – **Lynn Miller** will come and share her "Antique Baby Quilts".

**NOVEMBER** - **Beth Ann St-George**, traveling teacher from AQQ will talk about "Art as Meditation".

**DECEMBER** - Christmas lunch & party

## COMMUNITY QUILTS

Kathleen Bond, Dawn Valanas-Moser, and Susan Peterson

We have been looking forward to September because we will be *selling* the **Community Quilts Challenge Quilt Kits** at the meeting for \$2. (Try saying that 5 times fast) There are only 30 kits! I know they will go fast; so, don't get left out-get yours early. We have new block of the month kits too!

In October, we will have our annual raffle. The money from this event goes into the general fund and is used to buy batting, rotary cutting blades and other items used on our sew day.

Join us on September 24<sup>th</sup> at The Las Fuentes Resort Village, level 1. Bring \$2.50 for pizza, salad and dessert or a sack lunch. We sew, cut, pin, sandwich

and make kits. Bring your machine and basic sewing supplies. See you then.

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

*Kay Wentworth*

This year's block of the month program has been fun! For September please make three Mini Bow Tie blocks. **\*Keep one for your own quilt. \*Bring one for the monthly quilt raffle. \*Bring one for community quilts.** November will be here soon, and so will our quilt challenge to see what everyone has done with the blocks they made for themselves. Remember *everyone will be a winner* and receive a ribbon for entering the challenge.

## **THINGS TO DO**

### **PRESCOTT PINES QUESTERS ANTIQUE QUILT SHOW:**

**September 14 & 15, 2007, 9 am to 4 pm.**  
At the Old Club House at Antelope Hills Golf Course, 1989 Club House Drive, Prescott, AZ. Over 50 antique quilts on display, demonstrations, speakers, button displays. To benefit the Elks Opera House Restoration.

### **HIGH DESERT PIECEMAKERS OF WINSLOW AZ**

#### **4TH ANNUAL QUILT SHOW**

**September 28 - 30** at El Gran Garage East. 2nd Street.

### **THE SKULL VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL PIE AND ICE- CREAM SOCIAL, ART AND QUILT**

**SHOW Saturday September 15, 2007,  
11:00am to 4:00 pm** At the Skull Valley Historical Society and Museum.

Admission is free. For More information call The Historical Society at 928-442-3482

## **QUILT CAMP UPDATE**

*Dianna Ramsey*

All paid campers need to pick up their information packet from Diana Ramsey at the September meeting. If you won't be there, please have a friend get your packet for you. There is still room for 3 more campers so check your schedules, talk to your friends and see if we

can get all the spaces filled. This will be a fun time

## **SMALL QUILT AUCTION**

*Kay Denny & Sally Plummer*

Yes, we know the auction isn't until Saturday, June 7, 2008, the second day of "Everybody's Hometown Quilt Show". However, it's never too early to ask you all to begin planning a small quilt to donate to one of the major fundraisers of our show. The live quilt auction has been a crowd-pleaser for many years and with your help we can anticipate another fun time and a big addition to our coffers.

So---what's a Small Quilt? It's anything from itty bitty to up to 45" x 45" (though we won't quibble with a few inches more if that's what size your quilt ends up). The small quilt 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. It's your choice.

A downloadable registration/receipt form for your quilts will be available soon on the web site. Or, if you prefer, we'll also have forms ready for you to fill out in person when you give us your quilts.

Any questions? Call Kay or Sally or chat with us at the general meetings. As always, we thank you for your participation. All of us on the quilt show committee are getting really excited----with hopes this will be a show to remember!

### **Recipe from the June Luncheon Submitted by Joyce Cummings**

#### **Five Cup Fruit Salad**

- 1 8oz can of pineapple chunks
- 1 11oz can of mandarin oranges
- 1 cup coconut
- 1 cup tiny marshmallows
- 1 8oz carton of sour cream
- 2 Table spoons chopped pecans
- 2 Tablespoons chopped candied ginger

Drain Pineapple chunks , reserving 1 Tablespoon of juice. Then, in a medium bowl combine: reserved juice, pineapple chunks, mandarin orange sections, coconut, marshmallows, sour cream and chopped candied ginger. Cover and chill from 2 to 24 hours. Before serving sprinkle with chopped pecans.

## **MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS, CHAPTER OF AQG, GENERAL MEETING**

August 20, 2007  
Dianna Ramsey

Susie Martin, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Quilt Camp – Final payment of \$70 is due today. We have 24 paid attendees but need an additional 2 to have the camp be self-funded. There are 30 slots available and camp registration was opened to non-members. Discussion was made to budget an additional amount to cover any shortages in registrations so the camp can continue. We are obligated to pay the full amount for camp of \$2520 unless the camp can be booked by another group. We have paid \$300 of this amount for our deposit. A motion was by Colleen Harlow to budget an additional \$250 for camp, if needed. Seconded by Eve Pelletier. The motion was voted on by the members and passed. A call for volunteers who would like to help plan and organize the camp was made. The planning committee will meet at Wildflower Bread Company at 12:30 pm tomorrow.

International Quilt Study Center in Lincoln Nebraska has asked for donations from quilt groups across the country. Susie asked for discussion about this request. Sharon Heilman and Eunice Buitenwerf spoke about their visits to the facility and praised its efforts for the benefit of all quilters. A motion to donate \$150 was made by Julie Dodds, seconded by Eunice and a vote carried the motion.

Prescott Pines Questers own Bev Wright announced their upcoming Antique Quilt Show on Sept. 14 & 15 at the Old Club House in Antelope Hills Golf Course. She brought a quilt for raffle to raise money to help refurbish the Elk Opera House on Gurley Street.

World's Art Festival information was presented by Judy, President of Lonesome Valley Quilters. The show will feature quilts and wearable art all of which will be displayed on the courtroom on the first floor at the PV Civic Center, Sept. 15 & 16. Items for display may be dropped off on Friday after 4 pm and volunteers are needed to help with the show.

Quilt Show chair, Carol Miller, advised that there are only 289 days left until the show! A meeting will be held after this meeting ends to get committees set up and start making plans, etc for the show which is scheduled for June 5-7, 2008 at Yavapai College. A quilt auction is planned and donations of small quilts or miniatures were requested. Members will be notified when boutique work days are scheduled so they can help work on items to sell at the show. Kristi McHugh let us know that the Opportunity Quilt is being displayed at local events for raffle. Members were asked to pick up their envelope with 10 raffle tickets inside today to begin selling tickets also. Additional tickets can be gotten when those are sold out.

Mini Groups – Susie is looking for a volunteer to chair this committee. Please let her know if you can help out.

Nominating Committee – Joan Carrell has volunteered to head this committee and is asking members to help out. If you are interested in serving on the board, please let her know ASAP. All committee chairs have also been asked to let Joan know if you are willing to continue in your position or would like to step down.

Block of the Month winners were Kay Wentworth and Sally Cantwell.

Community Quilts Chair, Kathleen Bond, as usual, had kits available from the Block of the Month participants to take home and work on. She read a beautiful thank-you letter from the shelter that had received many of our quilts. The shelter also presented MTQ- Community Quilts with a plaque of appreciation. AZ Dept. of Public Safety sent a thank-you for the quilts they have received. Kathleen announced that there will be a Community Quilt Challenge where participants donate \$2.00 and make a quilt to bring back in April for a vote. Winner will split the pot and have her quilt displayed at the 2008 Quilt Show.

Jeanne Vick, Hospitality Chair, introduced our visitors: Carolyn Coe, Sandi Darby, Bonnie Parker, Fay Green, Gail Van Horsen, Kathy McGahey, Marty Stetler, Judy Lupp, Sandra Gross and Shirley Hanna

Membership – Tedda was absent so Susie introduced new members Marcia Petroni, Helen Swanson and Jenine Bleicher.

ECHOS Chair, Jimmy Johnson, reminded us that the class on double sided table runners would follow the meeting. The September class with Carol Hood's Hawaiian Appliqué is full and a waiting list was established. October and November classes are pending and she will let us know about them when details are available.

Programs -September's meeting will be the Rummage Sale with all details already published in the newsletter. AQG has invited all quilters to their annual Fall meeting at ASU-West in Phoenix on October 13. Registration forms are located in AQG's monthly Chatter newsletter or on-line at their website. We are putting together a car pool so see Susie if you are interested. Our donation to the luncheon will be fat quarters relating to the theme "A Tisket, A Tasket, What's in Your Flower Basket" and should be brought to the September meeting for assembling into a nice gift basket. Guest speaker at the luncheon will be Robbi Joy Eklow on Free Expression Quilts.

Show & Tell -participants were: Gisela Hoeger, Laura Myers, Joy Weinald, Marge Senior, Elena Bowker, Barbara Merkel, Colleen Harlow (& Jeannine), Bettie Setz, Robin Yanak, Ginnie Rafti, Pat Folsom, Judy Hughes, Kathy Tavares, Kay Denny and Susie Martin.

**STANDING RULES REVISION TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE  
SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER MTQ MEETINGS**

*Dear Mountain Top Quilters,*

*This spring the Parliamentary Committee met several times to review our current Standing Rules. After reviewing the Rules, the Committee recommends various changes for your approval.*

*1. It was the Committee’s recommendation to delete some of the Rules because they were no longer applicable or should be listed in another Rule.*

*Rule number 10—deleted.*

*Rule number 9—included in Rules on Opportunity Quilt*

*Rules number 12—deleted.*

*2. The Committee recommends condensing some Rules and making some grammatical changes.*

*3. The big change, however, is in the organization of the Standing Rules. In the past, Rules were added as needed, in the order in which they were approved. The Committee felt that the Rules would be more user-friendly if they were placed into categories. The Committee recommends that the Rules be placed under the following categories: Election of Officers, Board Duties, Committees, Finances and Conduct.*

*Using the current Standing Rules in your Directory and the proposed Standing Rules following this page (see insert) , you should be able to follow the recommended changes.*

*Sharon Heilman, Chair. Parliamentary Committee*

**Old Standing Rules**

#1	Election of Officers
#2	#2 under Board Duties
#3	broken down into separate Standing Rules under Committees
#4	#3 under Board Duties
#5	#5 under Board Duties
#6	#8 under Board Duties
#7	#12 under Board Duties
#8	#6 under Board Duties
#9	see Rules on Opportunity Quilt
#10	Deleted
#11	#1 under Board Duties
#12	Deleted
#13	#10 under Board Duties
#14	#2 under Conduct
#15	#2 under finances
#16	#9 under Board Duties
#17	#1 under Conduct
#18	#1 under Finances

**Notice:**

**These changes will be considered at our**

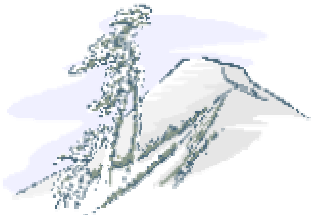
**September and October General Meetings.**

**Please bring a copy of the current Standing Rules (as found in your 2007 Member Directory) with you to the meeting. Copies of the Changes will be available at the meeting.**

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Monday, Sept 17, 2007 - 9:30 a.m.  
First Lutheran Church  
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott

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### **Board Meeting**

Monday: Oct. 1, 2007 at 9:30 am  
Susie Martin'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 Susie Martin.

# MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS STANDING RULES

## Election of Officers

Election of officers shall be held at the November general meeting. When the new officers are installed at the December 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 December board and general meeting minutes by December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Treasurer shall complete the records upon receipt of the December bank statement.

## Board Duties

1. Any Board member who misses three board meetings without extenuating circumstances shall *be removed from the position*. Election of a replacement Board member shall be held at the next general meeting.
2. The new President shall announce *the* committee chairs at the December general meeting. All outgoing committee chairs shall turn over reports and records by or at the January board meeting.
3. Between the election in November and installation of new officers in December, 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.
4. *The Treasurer's books shall be audited after the year-end close of the books.*
5. The Budget Committee shall consist of the President, President-Elect, *Secretary*, Treasurer, *outgoing Treasurer*, *Program Chair* and at least one Member-at-Large. The outgoing Treasurer shall give the new Treasurer a copy of the prior year's budget and the actual expenditures. *The outgoing Treasurer shall be the following year's Budget Committee Chair. The new budget must be approved by the membership before any money is spent, except standard operating expenses.*
6. Mountain Top Quilters Board members and Committee Chairs shall work within approved budgets. Any money raised by a Committee for a special purpose shall remain within that committee.
7. *All collected monies over fifty dollars submitted to the Treasurer shall be counted together by the Treasurer and the person submitting the monies.*
8. The President and Secretary shall inventory materials at the meeting place and the storage facility each year in January. 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.
9. Board meetings are open to the general membership. Anyone wishing to *attend or speak* at a board meeting should make his/her wish known to the President a day in advance. *Members are asked to advise the President one day in advance if they wish to be on the agenda at the general meeting.*
10. *The goal of workshops is to be self-supporting. Workshops are open to members only up until six weeks prior to date of workshop. After that, available spaces may be filled by non-members.*
11. *In order for a class participant to receive a refund, the Program Chair must receive a cancellation notice two weeks in advance of the workshop.*

**12. Mountain Top Quilters shall be provided liability insurance through Arizona Quilt Guild and will request proof of insurance certificates from the Arizona Quilt Guild as needed. (Adopted February 2007).**

## ***Committees***

### **1. Library Rules**

A collection of books and other information pertaining to quilting shall be owned and maintained by Mountain Top Quilters and made available on loan, at no charge, to all members of the organization. Money shall be appropriated in the budget annually to update and expand the library.

The President shall appoint a Librarian to maintain and oversee the collection of materials.

The standard borrowing period by members for library materials shall be a period of one month. Items shall be checked out by the librarian at one monthly meeting and shall be returned or renewed at the next month's meeting. Extended borrowing periods and renewals may be requested at a meeting or by e-mail or phone call to the librarian prior to the due date; and such extensions shall be granted if no other member is on a waiting list for that item.

*Failure to renew or return materials will result in a fine of one dollar per book per month. If a book is lost, the member is responsible for the full replacement cost of the book. Monies collected from fines will be used to purchase books for the library.*

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

### **2. Quilt Basting Rules**

*The member who wishes to have a quilt basted must enlist the help of six other members to assist. The member must contact the Basting Committee Chair to schedule a quilt for basting. The member usually provides basting thread, and other supplies are provided by the guild.*

Each quilt to be basted should be ironed, and each side should be marked in the center with a safety pin. The same applies to the quilt back, which should be at least two inches wider than the quilt top. Batting should be removed from the package at least twenty-four hours before basting, allowing it to fluff.

### **3. Opportunity Quilt Guidelines**

**Timeline:** It takes approximately a year to complete the quilt from design, fabric selection and assembly to quilting and binding. A completed quilt needs six months to a year for optimal ticket sales.

**Design and Fabric:** Members shall submit designs; if not an original design, permission must be granted by the designer or publisher. Membership shall select the design. Whenever possible, purchase fabric from local quilt shops.

**Finishing:** The quilt should have a label, sleeve and a protective pillowcase for traveling.

**Tickets.** Tickets are sold for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Records of ticket sales should be kept for future information.

## **Finances**

1. Promotional Activities: Outside businesses pertaining to quilting classes or services may not be promoted in meetings. Brochures and business cards may be posted on the bulletin board. Advertising for quilting classes, businesses and items relating to quilting will be accepted upon board approval and placed on the chapter website or in the monthly newsletter. Charges for advertising will be determined by the current board.

2. Mountain Top Quilters' membership list shall not be given or sold to persons or organizations to be used for solicitation, sales or political purposes.

3. All newsletters will be e-mailed to any member with an e-mail address listed in the *chapter* directory. Current members without e-mail addresses will be "grandfathered in" and will never be charged to have all newsletters mailed to them by regular U. S. Mail. New members who request a newsletter via U.S. Mail will be charged \$10.00 per year above the cost of annual dues. This cost will increase 10% per year. (Adopted February 2007).

## **Conduct**

1. Mountain Top Quilters Code of Conduct: Members shall conduct themselves to reflect favorably on Mountain Top Quilters. *They shall* refrain from conduct that is injurious to the group and the purposes outlined in the By-laws. Any member who consistently disregards normal rules of social conduct by disruption of meetings with disorderly conduct, shows disrespect for elected Board members, refuses to follow the By-laws, or is verbally abusive shall be given a letter of warning. If the member continues to disregard the Code of Conduct, *said* membership shall be revoked and a portion of the current year's dues for Mountain Top Quilters shall be refunded.

Any member who is *physically* abusive *shall* have *said* membership revoked and a portion of the current year's dues for Mountain Top Quilters *shall* be refunded immediately.

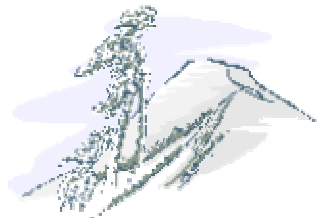
Mountain Top Quilters reserves the right to refuse membership to anyone whose past behavior has been disruptive and caused harm to the group by refusing to follow the Code of Conduct outlined above.

2. Mountain Top Quilters shall abide by the rules of the meeting facility with regard to the use of the kitchen, meeting room, classrooms and parking areas.

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