

# Threadlines



Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild



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## Mark your Calendars

### Next Meetings—Feb 8, 2007

9:30 AM at St Luke's

### Exec Committee meets

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:15

Yavapai Hills Clubhouse

### Newsletter deadline

February 20, 2007

## February Hostesses

Jennifer Eakman

Phyllis Edgar

Carolyn Edwards

Kathryn Edwards

Jean Ehlers

Teri Elliot

Judy Eppler

Sandy Evans

Lani Fagen

Sara Fossett

Arlene Franz

## Happy Birthday

Beverly Bowe

Carol Brownlow

Jennifer Carpenter

Maryann Conner

Julianne Dodds

Gretchen Paustian

Ruth Peterson

Kathy Rieder

Beverly Sesow

President's Message - February TBQ News

Happy Valentine's Day, Quilters!

February is my favorite month, and Valentine's Day is my favorite holiday! What better thing to celebrate than L O V E!!! Especially the love of Quilters and Friends!

February 18, 2007, marks the beginning of the Pig in the Chinese calendar! Can you believe it? It's the Year of the Pig!! (There are 12 years in the Chinese zodiac, each symbolized by an animal, based on the cycles of the moon. People born in a Year of the Pig have excellent manners, make and keep friends, work very hard, and appreciate luxury: 2007, 1995, 1983, 1971, 1959, 1947, 1935, 1923.) ☺

Laughter is the best medicine, and if you were at the January meeting, you got a good dose of it! Quilters accepting the P.I.G. Challenge were highly entertaining that day, even though there was a lot of heckling from the spectator/voting audience! Just look at the pictures of the P.I.G. Challenge players! Did we have fun, or what!? I know that, after the meeting, my cheeks hurt from laughing so much!! There were 21 players in the P.I.G. Challenge. The UFO's that were selected by the general membership were all very challenging. Many of them were chosen for the very sentimental reasons they were begun. The voting audience wants to see those special projects finished...and what a "Show" we will have in January 2008 when we check back in on the winning P.I.G.'s! Come on, Quilters, we can do it!!! It's the Year of the P.I.G.! And may the needlework angels be by your sides!

"Hats Off To" all the P.I.G. Challenge players! It took a special brand of "quilters' guts" to stand before the general membership, air three of your UFO's, and still be entertaining!

"Hats Off To" Quilters who shared their quilts with the Prescott Adult Center during their Grand Opening in January. The quilts will hang in the atrium for a month. Stop in to see them, as well as the beautiful new facility (1280 Rosser Street)!

"Hats Off To" the Designing Women Friendship Group who are setting up a mini Show in the Display Case at the Prescott Library for the month of February.

"Hats Off To" Quilters who are sharing their quilts for the Library Quilt display, February 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Housekeeping:

- We are well on our way into the last half of TBQ's Guild year. Many things have yet to be accomplished. We have great programs lined up for the rest of the year. The By-Laws are being reviewed, and revisions will be presented in the near future. But, best of all—our Spirit of the West Quilt Show will be the highlight of our year! Ladies, keep those needles whirring!!
- Reminder—If your name is on the Hostess list for the month, please plan to arrive at the Church by 8 a.m. to help set up the room. Then, of course, after the meeting, it all has to be put away again. We only ask you to do this once a year—please do your part.
- Did you know that it costs approximately \$24 a year to print and mail out hard copies of the TBQ Threadlines Newsletter each year? That's a whole lot of your \$30 membership fee! If you are among the 18 who don't have e-mail or have requested a hard copy of the Newsletter, please start thinking about how you can obtain a paper copy beginning next Guild year. Can a friend print a copy for you? Can you go to the Library to print a copy? Put your thinking caps on!

Now...come celebrate Valentine's Month with me by wearing your hearts on your sleeves! I want to see the room filled with pink and red! I want to see *Sweet Tarts* on the Refreshments table, and I want to see the Show & Tell wall filled with quilts of love! This is *the best* month to celebratelll! Until then...keep on stitching!

~ Carolyn ~



**Spirit of the West Quilt Show 2007**

New Boot Pins for the Quilt Show are available for purchase for \$3.00 at the TBQ Meetings. They are red and white this year, and very attractive.

Jean Ehlers, Potholder Chairman, has asked each member to make 4 potholders for TBQ to sell at the Quilt Show. These always sell well; and bring in a nice financial addition in during the Show. Please use "Insul-Bright" TM, to reflect heat. This product can be purchased at the Jo-Ann store, at the fabric cutting area. At least one layer of batting should also be used.

Linda Gergen, Publicity Chairwoman

## Great Programs Coming Our Way!!!

February: Our speaker will be Virginia Robertson. Her lecture is titled "If Monet Were A Quilter". She will be doing a color class on Monday, Feb. 12 at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse, at 1 pm, following the regular meeting. She will be doing a New York Beauty/Pickle Dish workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 13, at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse; set up will begin at 8:30 am.

March: Janet Carruth from Phoenix will do a power point lecture/trunk show on Penny Rugs. She will teach a half-day class on Monday, Mar. 12, at 1 pm, at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse, following the regular meeting. The pattern will be a basket of apples. Janet will supply all the materials to complete this project for a kit fee of \$30.

April: Shelley Swanland will be doing a trunk show of approximately 40 quilts that represent work done over the last eight years. She has developed a technique for constructing Cathedral Window quilts using layered piecing techniques and featuring rolled bias curves. She states that although her patterns look intricate and complex, they are really fast and easy to construct. Her workshop will be on Tuesday, Apr. 10, at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse; set-up will begin at 8:30 am. The workshop will be a combination of her patterns Berries Jubilee and Parchment & Black Lacquer Table Runner. She will also have her patterns for sale at the meeting and at the workshop.

### Attention Guests/Visitors/Non-Members...

We have some exciting, nationally known teachers on the Agenda in the next few months: February = Virginia Robertson, March = Janet Carruth, April = Shelley Swanland. For information, check out the "Programs" section.

**To help defray costs, non-members will be asked to pay \$10 to attend any of these lectures.**

### VIRGINIA ROBERTSON

February 12, 2007      Lecture: **If Monet Were A Quilter: A Trunk Show.** This trunk show is an entertaining view of the quilts and fabric designs of textile artist Virginia Robertson. Monet's painting are used as a metaphor to show how color changes a quilt design. There are several versions of each quilt that show how much color changes the feel of a project. Interspersed with the quilts are studio shots and stories about the designing of quilting fabrics.

#### **THE QUILTER'S COLOR WHEEL, GRANDMOTHER'S FAN OR SPEEDY, DRESDEN PLATE**

February 12, 2007      Workshop: Monday afternoon: 1PM    \$20.00 per person:

This is an easy project where you can choose from three different patterns. There is no needle turn appliqué or curved piecing with Virginia's new techniques. Materials Fee: Cost of your pattern:

### PICKLE DISH, NEW

#### **YORK BEAUTY OR WEDDING RING**

February 13, 2007      Workshop Tuesday: \$30.00 per person: Set up from 8:30 A.M. Class starts promptly at 9:15 A.M. to 3:30PM.

Take your pick, this is Virginia's most popular class. She has even taught it in Spain, in Spanish! Use Virginia's new acrylic cutting templates, see through foundation papers and choose your favorite design after the demo. Sew from the back or the front, it doesn't matter which way you learned to paper piece, you will be able to use Virginia's new foundation papers. There is no guess work. This is a different, easier method from all the other techniques.

Virginia will demonstrate the different quilts and talk about color. Then the rest of the day will be spent sewing the quilt of your choice. Select from the Perfect Pickle Dish, the Mini Pickle Dish, the Broken Pickle Dish, Wedding Ring, Mini Wedding Ring or a New York Beauty style quilt. Materials Fee: Cost of pattern:

**Treasurer's Report: As TBQ does not publish financial information on the website, nor in the newsletter, the current Treasurer's Report is posted every month for your review in the Church Entry Hall. Check it out! Also, a copy is on file with the TBQ Secretary at all times.**

Mary Stori is coming in September. She will do a lecture and a half day work shop and then do a full workshop the next day. She is coming September 10 and the 11th.



Our July Birthday Party will be here before you know it and we're planning a fantastic luau. A committee needs to be formed to plan and complete this task. With many hands the workload will be light. If you have any ideas or suggestions, or are willing to help serve on the committee please call Barbara Merkel

FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS (submitted by Pam Jones and Susan Smith)

This month we are highlighting Roadhouse Quilters.

Their name was adopted from the saying, "The road to a quilter's house is never long!" After meeting with the Newcomer's luncheon group, 10 of them formed this friendship group that has been meeting for 2 years. Meetings are held in a member's home on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10-2. At first their focus was applique but now that focus has broadened. This year they are focusing their attention on a round robin project that needs borders added to it. Contact Linda Gergen if you have any questions. You will find her phone number in the membership directory.

**FYI - TBQ has a wonderful website:**  
**[www.tbqguild.com](http://www.tbqguild.com). Check it out!**

NEWCOMER'S GROUP NEWS (submitted by Pam Jones and Susan Smith)

For those of you who are new to TBQ or who would like to join us for the fun we are going to have, please come to lunch with us at Susie's Skyway Restaurant immediately after the TBQ guild meeting on February 12th. Susie's is located at the Prescott Airport. You need to access it directly through the airport lobby and to your left. The airport is on McCurdy Drive about 5 minutes from our meeting location. We will take a final head count that morning at the meeting of those who will be joining us. We would love to see you there!

### Library Quilt Show

The Prescott Public Library will be the place to see if you like quilts and quilted garments! For the month of February, half of the display cabinet will showcase our own "Designing Women". The months of February, March and April will show some of our own members quilts next to the library's Centennial Quilt. This is the most popular event at the library, so be sure you get down there to see why! The new facility is wonderful, bright and very inviting. Look at all the quilting books TBQ has donated over the years and perhaps check one or two out to start something new. We want to thank the following members for the use of their quilts for the show: Chris Anders, Kathy Beeson, Tren Conner, Bev Markham, Carol Ann Miller, Sandy Mitchell, Sheila Smith, and Kay Wentworth.

Marg Mecca/Tina McCowan

## Membership Musings

Happy Valentine's Day to all our members, visitors, and Ladies in Waiting! We have several new members and I want to encourage you to spread the love to them. Carol Kachur, Kristi McHugh, and Florence "Flo" McLean have already paid their dues and Sherilyn Tapp has agreed to join. To help pass those long months on the waiting list, a new Friendship Group called "Ladies in Waiting" is being formed. Present members of TBQ are welcome to participate. See Earlene Hanson or Pam Jones for more information.

Dear TBQers-

We only have about four months until the drawing for our Opportunity quilt.

With luck, someone from our guild will win one of the two beauties being drawn.

Hopefully, you are all aware of our opportunity quilt by now and know what it looks like since it hangs at the front of our meetings each month behind the podium. Almost every one of you have your tickets. Some of you have returned your money and stubs; some have returned money and no stubs. There is about \$500 outstanding among our guild members, so when all have turned in their money we will be that much closer to our goal of \$2,800.00. As of January 2007, we have a net income of about \$1773.00. Some of you do not remember if you turned in your tickets and money or not. To that purpose, you may call and ask Candace at 778-1973 for your status. At the January meeting members were told they could send Candace Tomlinson, 934 Apache Dr, Prescott, AZ 86303, their money or stubs when they come across them at home. A few of you have apparently been spring cleaning because I have received some. Thank you! Our quilt continues to travel to new locations for the sale of tickets. It will be hanging at Jan Gallo's Quilt and Sew connection in Prescott Valley the end of February. If you have other suggestions for fairs to display it please contact Candace.

## Arizona Quilters Guild 2007 Quilt Show "Out of the Attic ... Old and New"

Friday, March 16 -- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday, March 17 -- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ASU West Campus  
4701 W. Thunderbird Road  
Glendale, AZ 85306

Admission: \$7.00 per day (or \$10 for a 2 day pass)

Saturday, March 17 -- 2 p.m.  
Small Quilt Auction

### Featured Activities:

Quilt Exhibits  
Quilt Appraisals (by appointment)  
Antique Quilt Exhibit  
Merchant Mall  
Opportunity Quilts

## Thoughts and Prayers



It's always a sad day when we lose a fellow quilter. TBQ member Joanne Baumback passed away on January 9, 2007. She was 59. Joanne had been in the Prescott area for 3 years, but had only been a member of Thumb Butte Quilters since July 2006. In that short time, she had found friendship in our local quilters, was a member of the Gad-A-Bouts Friendship Group, and a member of Mountain Top Quilters. It is our loss that we didn't get to know her better. She will be missed.

### Community Service News

Hope everyone is having a Happy New Year so far.

Don't forget on January 29, at 10:00 AM, we will be finishing up the walker bags for the year at the Quilt and Sew Connection in PV. They are already cut out and just need sewing together. Thanks to those of you who have already volunteered.

On February 19, at the same place and time we will be finishing the pillows for children at risk. They too only need sewing together. Volunteers are needed then also.

The next project will be to complete 4 small quilts to go with children's library books that will be donated to an elementary school. Two groups have already volunteered to make two so just two more are needed. I will be bringing to the next guild meeting 2 donated books that show quite easy quilts to make to go along with each. Anyone or any group interested please see me at the guild meeting.

The last project will be to share in schools Civil War quilts and discuss how the Underground Railway used quilt blocks to give messages to escaping slaves. Anyone who has such a quilt and would be interested in going with me into classes to share them, please let me know.

Many thanks to Mary Ogle who at the last guild meeting donated 2 walker bags, Bunnie Troop who donated 4 walker bags, Lorraine who took home 5 to complete, and Sheila who took home one to complete. You gals are awesome!

Alice Obrenovich, Community Service Chairperson

Members with February Birthdays need to bring their Birthday Raffle gift to the February 8 meeting. Remember, it is a new gift worth at least \$10.00 and quilting related. Something you would like to receive yourself is always a good item.

Birthday Raffle Committee, Linda Gergen & JoAnne VanLiere

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