

# Threadlines



Thumb Butte Quilter's Guild, Inc.

March 2008



## Mark Your Calendar

**Next Meeting - Mar. 10, '08**

9:30am at Am. Luth. Church

**Executive Committee Meets**

Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am

Yavapai Hills Clubhouse

**Newsletter Deadline**

April 20, 2008

## March Hostesses

**Please bring a snack to share**

Kay Harlan

Colleen Harlow

Peggy Harmon

Margot Harris

Nan Hawley

Leigh Hay-Martin

Sharon Heilman

Dorothy Henry

Linda Hill

Jane Hofbauer

Loretta Hoffman

Sandie Hoffman

Sandy Holderness

## March Birthdays

Judy Book

Fran Chadwick

B. Johnson

Hazel Karetov

Sandy McGarry

Kristi McHugh

Deborah Rose Salazar

Beverly Strissel

Bunny Troup

Jo Anne Van Liere

Please bring a wrapped gift suitable for a quilter, with a value of at least \$10.00 to the March meeting. A good rule of thumb for the gift is something that you would really like to receive yourself. If you missed your birthday month, you can bring your gift at a later meeting.

## President's Message

~The month of March was named for the Roman God of war. This may have been because after the winter, this was the first good campaign season and the armies began to march. Originally March was the first month of the year, which is probably because of its association with the first day of spring. The vernal equinox falls during this month, the 20th or 21st, which is the day that the northern half of the earth begins to tilt toward the sun. (Yea, sun!)

~March 17th is St. Patrick's Day. It is the feast day of the Irish saint who is reputed to have driven all the snakes from Ireland. I am not too fond of snakes, which is an understatement, so that is fine with me. It was first celebrated in the United States in 1737, and is closely associated with the color green. Let's see, a sun filled quilt with greens. That could work.

~We have a wonderful program for March with Sharyn Craig. She will be giving a lecture at our meeting on March 10, and a class on March 11. Sharyn has been quilting since 1980, and is a teacher, lecturer and author. She is a contributor to "Quilter's Newsletter", "Quilting Today" and the "American Quilter Magazine". In 1985, the "Professional Quilter Magazine" named her the Quilt Teacher of the Year.

~We also have an exciting event coming in April with the Quilters' Silent Auction. Be sure to pick up an entry form from Alice, or print a few off of the website. This is a great time to clean out your sewing room of those kits and started projects that you have "moved beyond" or "changed gears".

Remember, we are marching on into spring, new beginnings and fun new projects that are "us" now. Those projects could very well be your quilting friend's "me now".

~Don't forget to buy your tickets for a chance to have your quilt hand-quilted by the Sharolt Hall Quilters. Linda Hill, Ways and Means Chairman, will have tickets available.

~"Sunshine and Smiles" to our new team, Sue Weisshaupt and Jeri Teisl! These new members to our Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild have agreed to co-chair our 2009 Quilt Show. Although new to us, they are by no means new to quilting! They will do a wonderful job. Please remember to give them all the support you can, and when they ask you to help, HELP!

Notes:

- *Hopi Quilts* will be on display at the Smoki Museum in Prescott through June 15, 2008.
- *High Desert Artists, Inc.*, and the Heritage Parent-Teacher-Student Organization, will host the first annual Community Arts Festival on Saturday, March 1, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., in Chino Valley. Fine art and craft sales, demonstrations, a raffle and food will be featured. For further information contact Susan Gates-Harms.
- *The Adult Center* exhibit of quilts will change March 7 to "Gone to Pieces". Check it out!
- *The Arizona Quilters' Guild 2008 Quilt Show*, "Wish Upon A Star", will be March 14, 9-6, and March 15, 9-4. The show will take place at the ASU West Campus, 4701 West Thunderbird Road in Glendale. Admission is \$7 for the general public, and \$4 for AQG members with their membership card.

Have a wonderful month everyone! Clean out for the Quilters' Silent Auction to take place at our April 14 meeting, and get your items and form to Alice as soon as you can; think sun and spring; and if a little green fabric sneaks into your stash, all the better!

Taking one stitch at a time,

Linda

## March Program

(Submitted by Alice Obrenovich)

We welcome Sharyn Craig at our March guild meeting. Her lecture is titled : "Sets Education". A reminder to all guild members, you may bring a guest to her lecture but because Sharyn is a well known lecturer and quilt maker, visitors are required to pay a \$10 fee to attend.

Sharyn's workshop, Northwind, is full and the supply list is on the web. Please note that there is an extra \$3.50 supply fee for those attending the workshop.

## February Program

Lenny Honcoop's trunk show was well received. Weren't her flower quilts beautiful? I look forward to seeing quilts made by our members from her patterns.

## Membership Musings

(submitted by Jane Hoffbauer)

Our numbers continue to grow. It is always great to see everyone each month.

By the time you read this, the TBO board will have met for the second time with the ladies who are on the wait list for the guild. What a talented and friendly group our "Ladies-in-Waiting" are.

As always, please remember to send me an email with any changes to your home address, email address, or phone number.

## Newcomer News

(submitted by Joan Carrell & Susan Perry)

After the February meeting, 15 of us enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Casa Bonita. We were joined by our speaker Lennie Honcoop and enjoyed lively conversation. After our March meeting we will be gathering at Prescott Brewing Company and we invite all long-time members to get to know the newer members. Please raise your hand at the meeting when we take a count to see how many will be joining us. Hope you can come!

## Silent Auction Planned for April Guild Meeting

**Was your P I G not chosen for the first or second time at the January meeting and now you don't want to finish it? Did you purchase that kit and just never got around to making that quilt? Have you started a project and for some reason lost interest in completing it? There is a solution to at least one of these unfinished projects!**

**The Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild is sponsoring a silent auction at the April 14 guild meeting. Any unfinished "quality" project you no longer want would be a most welcome donation. You may no longer want it but to someone else it might be a "TREASURE".**

**Please look through your closet, your chest of drawers or sewing room for any such "quality" project and consider donating it to our silent auction. Any "quality" started project, new project, or kit is needed. If you have the pattern, fabric to finish the project, or a complete kit, that would be a bonus.**

**There is a copy of the form needed to submit your project to be completed on the website. You may turn in your project and form to me at the March meeting, or bring both to the April meeting before 9:00 A M. If you want to turn them in at the April meeting, please phone or e-mail me before the meeting. This will tell me how to plan for the silent auction. There will be possible projects as examples shown at the February guild meeting and more explanations given.**

**This will be fun, so I hope many of you who have unwanted, unfinished projects will help them find a new happy home.**

## Workshop News

(submitted by Alice Obrenovich)

At April's guild meeting Dennis Jones will present a trunk show of quilts he has designed, made, and machine quilted. Also at the April guild meeting will be our silent auction. Examples of quality unfinished quilts were shown at the last meeting. We need your no-longer-wanted, unfinished projects for this auction. Please bring them in a shallow box along with the entry form

[\(Click here for entry forms\)](#) to the March meeting if at all possible.

Entries with completed forms can be brought before 9:00 AM to the April meeting, but please call me before then to allow time to complete the paperwork for your projects. I look forward to seeing all the wonderful unfinished projects. What you don't want just might be most welcome to someone else. If by some chance your project does not sell, and it could be made into a community quilt, I'm sure Jennifer would be pleased to have it, otherwise you may take it home.. There will be no Company Store in April due to our auction.

The May guild meeting's program is Lynn Kough's lecture, How I got from there to Here. Her workshop, Adventures in Black and White, is not full. It looks like a fun workshop so I know you will want to sign up. The supply list is will be posted soon. A writeup and photos of her workshop is in the March edition of American Quilter, do check it out.

## Community Service

(submitted by Jennifer Eakman)

**I want to thank you all for participating in the VA lap quilts and walker bags! We have succeeded above and beyond.**

**I know many of you still have walker bag kits and some lap quilt kits to finish. Some of you donated fabrics this past meeting and I want you to know how much I appreciate your support of these projects and me as TBQ Community Service Chairman.**

**I feel it is time to wrap things up so to speak. We will use up as much as the fabric as possible, and what is left over I will donate to the TBQ Company Store for Susie Martin to sell.**

**We will still need some ladies to help put the bindings on; and the target date to make another delivery to our local VA Hospital is still this June.**

**I will have the patterns here on the site until June.....just in case you might need them.**

**Quilt Books: So far I have 20 books and DVD's of quilting, etc on our list. I am not sure how many the \$300 will buy but I'm sure it should be a good percentage of our list. Thank you ladies for giving me your input on these items. It will be exciting to see the new items in the library.**

**TBQ'ers are the Best!**

**Have a great month piecing and quilting!**

**I'm looking forward to the next TBQ meeting!**

## Prescott Community Center Exhibit

(submitted by Carolyn Edwards)

Fall in love with the quilts currently hanging at the Prescott Adult Center. You'll see Quilts From The Heart, generously shared by Jennifer Eakman, Susan Gates-Harms, Kay Harlan, Lorraine Owen, Maria Thomas, Kay Wentworth, and Gale Willcox. Thank you, Quilters!

These quilts will hang until March 7th. And here's what I'm looking for next--a zillion million pieces! With a theme of "**Gone to Pieces**", I'd like to hang only pieced quilts. Those Lyn Mann and/or Carrie Nelson quilts we've done recently are good examples. Just remember--no appliqué--just pieces--a zillion million pieces!  
Give me a call if you have one to 'share and show'.

Quilt sizes needed are:

Large--from 60" to 90" wide, and any length. We need SIX.  
Small--at least 45" wide, but no wider than 54". Any length. We need FOUR.


## Upcoming Programs

- March 2008** Sharyn Craig will be here to do a lecture, trunk show and workshop. Sharyn will be doing a lecture during the March meeting, but her workshop is full!
- April 2008** Dennis Jones, quilt designer, quilt maker, and long arm quilter. Dennis will share with us how he got started quilting and will share some of his quilts with us.
- May 2008** Lynn Kough will be doing a lecture and workshop. Her topic will be "How Did I Get Here From There?" The workshop on Tuesday will be "Adventures in Black and White".
- June 2008** Susan Deal will be doing a slide show and trunk show for us.
- July 2008** Installation of new officers and Birthday Party. The theme of this year's party is "A Picnic in the Park".
- August 2008** Jean Ehlers & Kathy Beeson will be doing a program on Ergonomics and Quilting.
- September 2008** Colleen Wise will be here in September. She is the author of Casting Shadows. You can see her quilts and more information about her at [www.colleenwise.com](http://www.colleenwise.com)
- October 2008** Bren of Brensan Studios in Scottsdale will be with us. She will present a trunk show of wearable art she designed and created. Her patterns will be available for purchase after the meeting.
- November 2008** Monica Gonzales of Monica's Quilt and Bead Creations in Palm Desert, CA. Her topic will be, "What is new at Market?" New items will be available for purchase after the meeting.
- December 2008** Christmas Party!

## Advertiser's Corner

(submitted by Jane Holland)

TBQ Members, be sure to check out our advertisers' specials for February and if you have something to sell, you can advertise here. The cost is \$10 a month, with a 3 month limit. If you're looking for something, there's no charge for advertising but there is a 3 month limit. Just let me know before the 15th of the month.



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**Quilt N' Sew Connection Says Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Is OUR day! Take advantage Of a 15% discount on fabrics (1 yard min. cut) and patterns when you show your TBQ tag.**

**Quilter's Mercantile has new fabrics: Flannels are Cozy Cabin by Moda, Sachet Flannel by Marcus Brothers. Other cottons are Duquesa And Jessica by Blank Quilting. Baby & kids fabric, Feather & Furry Friends by Red Rooster.**

**Odegard's Sewing Center will give you 33% off one pattern in stock. This offer is good for One time only during March.**



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**Can you help.....**  
Peggy Harmon is looking for applique block patterns called '**Flourishes**' by **Piece O Cake** that were from an applique class taught by Tren Conner. If you can help her with this, please contact her.

**A Quilter's Dream is offering 40% discount on all clearance fabrics for March.**

**Advertising on the TBQ Website:**  
Any member or vendor may place a camera-ready display of their business card on this website. The cost would be \$10.00 per month or \$108.00 for one year, prepaid. Prepaid ads include a 10% discount.  
In addition to the monthly ad, each advertiser will be able to post a 'blurb' telling about one of their specials for the upcoming month. Blurbs must be limited to 25 words or less. The deadline for the next month's blurb is the 15th of the current month. For more information or to sign up for advertising here, contact Jane Holland.



## *In Memory of Pat Lafontant*

(submitted by Tren Conner and the Appliquettes)

Pat LaFontant, an active and valuable member of TBQ for most of our guild's being, passed away the first week in January. She served twice as treasurer. She was treasurer at one of our quilt shows. It was frequently her job to audit the books, and she was a force to be reckoned with at budget time. That gal knew how to keep us in line.

Pat was a real renaissance woman. She was a great cook. She was a competitive trap shooter. She loved opera and, in her earlier days, motorcycle riding. Her appliqué was beautiful. Pat constantly challenged her mini group members by using the brightest of colors. Several of her quilts were awarded ribbons at TBQ quilt shows.

Pat was a long time member of the Appliquettes. We will miss her. If you asked us privately, we might tell you that we think St. Peter already is wearing a dazzling, bejewelled red and purple quilted vest as he greets his new arrivals at the pearly gates.

## **Company Store**

(submitted by Susie Martin)

When you see The Company Store in March, you will notice that there is a very minimal amount of quilting items. Fabric and books are kept for three months and then donated to charity. I thank all the people who have donated /usable/ quilting fabric, patterns and books. To those 100 plus members who haven't made a donation, now is the time to do so. I know that you will all be going through your quilting spaces to hunt up "UFO's" that you are never going to finish for the April Auction, so yank out some fabric that you loved a few years ago and now wonder if you were having a mini-stroke when you bought it. The Company Store appreciates both your donations and your purchases.

## *Show & Tell Update*

(submitted by Barbara Merkel)

**There have been some really wonderful projects and quilts that have been brought in for "Show and Tell" by members wanting to share their talents. Some members have said that they would like a closer look at those projects, so I would like to ask you to bring wall hangings and other small projects to the front of the room before the meeting, so they can be hung on the draped frames, where we can all take a closer look and enjoy them during the break. Also, since space is limited to hang larger quilts, it would be nice to have them walked around the room by the volunteers, so the members, especially those in the back of the room, can get a better look at them.**

## **Library Quilt Display 2008**

(submitted by Susan Perry)

Have you been to the Prescott Library to see the wonderful TBQ quilt display? The quilts will be hanging through April. Many thanks to Betsy Bykerk, Tren Conner, Jennifer Eakman, Florence McLean, Susie Martin, Lorraine Owens, Nyla Paulsen, and Candace Tomlinson for lending their beautiful quilts for everyone to enjoy.

