

# Threadlines



Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild



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## **Mark your calendars**

**Next Meeting Oct 9 at 9:30**

**St Luke's**

**Exec Meeting Oct 11 at 9:15**

**Yavapai Hills Clubhouse**

**Newsletter Deadline Oct 20**

## **October Hostesses**

**Rose Tuttle**

**Dawn Valanas-Moser**

**Joanne Van Liere**

**Kay Wentworth**

**Gale Willcox**

**Gretchen Winkleman**

**B'Anne Younker**

**Jolene Zimmerman**

**Chris Anders**

**Marilyn Anderson**

**Pat Armstrong**

## **Happy October Birthday**

**Susan Deal**

**Kay Denny**

**Phyllis Edgar**

**Carolyn Edwards**

**Teri Elliott**

**Judy Eppler**

**Sara Fossett**

**Linda Gergen**

**Earlene Hanson**

**Mary Andra Holmes**

**Marcia Kerans**

**Sandy Mitchell**

**Dian Moore**

**Lorraine Owen**

**Sally Plummer**

**Connie Sieh**

**Carol Stewart**

**Joanne Storer**

## **President's Message - October TBQ News**

Greetings, Quilters!! Trick or Treat?!

It's October, and that means the ghosts and goblins will be out and about in the neighborhood on Halloween, begging for Treats, when what you'd like to see is a Trick now and then! Wouldn't it be fun to wrap up "toga style" in some of that brilliant and fabulous yardage stacked on your shelves, don your "UFO Queen" tiara, and go door to door to quilters' houses, begging for "quilters' candy"!!! What would your Trick be? How about: "I can finish a UFO faster than you can!" Or maybe: "I can start a new quilt faster than you can!" Hey! That's no Trick!!! ☺

TBQ's October Treat will be Phyllis Miller's lecture on Quilt Judging, and her Trick will be her classes on Trapunto and 3-D Appliqué. Don't miss out! (Call Chris Anders if you want to get into either class!) Phyllis was recently interviewed in The Appliqué Society's July/August newsletter—ask a TAS member to share her copy with you. We look forward to having Phyllis in our corner of the world again. She is the designer of the Appliqué Mystery Quilt many of us started last fall. For those of you whose Mystery Appliqué project is recognizable, please bring it for Show N Tell!

"Hats Off To" Carrie Nelson for a trunk show filled with wit and inspiration! "Hats Off To" the many Quilters who got Carrie's "Circle of Friends" quilt or quilt top done for September Show N Tell. What a Treat that was!

And "Hats Off To" Miss Fuss Budget! If her shenanigans didn't inspire you to purchase another TBQ tote bag, at least they kept you entertained! ☺

### **Housekeeping:**

- Article VI, Section I, of TBQ's By-Laws states that the Executive Committee shall manage all the business and affairs of the Guild. Soooo...I want you to know that we have been very hard at work trying to make that happen. We corralled By-Laws Chairperson Susan Smith into a word-by-word examination of the By-Laws. It was an education to everyone on the Executive

- Committee, which included a lot of TBQ History of how things happened and why! (Generally, this discussion was so lively that very little extra-curricular stitching got done during that meeting!) Recommendations have now gone to the By-Laws Committee for review and revision. (FYI—the procedure is that the By-Laws Committee will hash and re-hash our recommendations and will write up revised By-Laws. Upon the Exec. Comm.'s acceptance of the re-written By-Laws, they will be presented to the general membership for discussion, review and a vote of acceptance. I bet you didn't know it could be this much fun, huh?!!!) It is likely that it will be early in 2007 before revised By-Laws come to the general membership.
- Per Robert's Rules of Order, (in my case, *The Complete Idiot's Guide To...*), policies and procedures can be adopted by the Executive Committee. This has always been the case with TBQ leaders but it is our plan to do a better job of publicizing those policies and procedures. Policies and procedures are again our attempt to keep the TBQ ship sailing smoothly. P's & P's will be published in the Newsletter and on the website. With any luck, we'll figure out how to get copies printed for your Directories.

And another thing...I need to know if anyone else feels the need to create a Birthday Quilt in the month of her birthday? It seems like every year, I go through this. Some years I can resist the urge to start yet another quilt...but not this year! This year's Birthday Quilt started as Featherweights' Quilt In A Box project. By the time every other quilter in the group had added a block or two to my Box, I had a good start on my Birthday Quilt. I'm working on Hat Blocks! ☺ My goal is 60! I really plan to get there, but I don't have a good track record for finishing my Birthday Quilts. In any event...I sure am having fun!!! That's the Trick—if quilting isn't fun, you're not doing it right!

Now my wish for you, dear Quilters, is that you find only "quilter's candy" in your Treat bag this year! Have fun today! And Happy October!

~Carolyn~

Membership Musings  
Submitted by Earlene Hanson

HELLO QUILTERS! I hope you are all enjoying this wonder autumn weather! We now have 26 members on the wait list so be sure to take advantage of all the wonderful learning, teaching, and friendship opportunities you are lucky enough to have available! Please send me any changes or updates to the roster. I will make the changes and print update labels so everyone can have current info. Remember to check at the sign in table for your updates. Here are the current Email Changes:

Chris Anders      [krisanders@msn.com](mailto:krisanders@msn.com)  
Sandy McGary     [manchiesl@commspeed.net](mailto:manchiesl@commspeed.net)

**HAVE A BALL, IT'S FALL !**

## Quilt Show 2007

### VIGNETTES 2007

#### THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS GUILD Kay Harlan Vignette Chairwoman 717-7246

- (1) **How often at night where the heavens are bright with the light of the glittering stars:** Star Quilts , Celestial and etc.  
Chairwoman: Jean Ehlers: 778-1502
- (2) **Then give me a land where the bright diamond sand flows leisurely down to the stream:** Water, gold, silver lone stars and etc. .  
Chairwoman: Fran Chadwick: 771-1309
- (3) **Westward Ho:** Antique Quilts, transportation any thing that is west and etc.  
Chairwoman: Joan Carrell 775-9353
- (4) **Home On The Range:** Home spun, log cabins, old quilts and etc. Chairwoman: Kathy Beeson 772-6720
- (5) **Happy Trails To You:** Cowboy, Indians, children quilts & etc. Chairwoman: Candace Tomlinson 778-1973
- (6) **The Skies Are Not Cloudy All Day:** Any kind of landscapes. Chairwoman: OPEN
- (7) **Don't Fence Me In:** Quilts that break the rules & etc. Chairwoman: Susie Martin 759:8815
- (8) **Where The Deer And The Antelope Play:** Animal Quilts Chairwoman: Jennifer Eakman 772-2312

This is a list of the Vignettes for 2007 Quilt show. If you have a quilt or two you would like to put in one of these vignettes please call the chairwomen listed. We are still in need of chairpersons for vignettes #6 and 8. Please call me Kay Harlan 717-7246 if you would like to be chairwomen of them. Thanks, Kay.

Our Opportunity Quilt for 2007 is now ready for ticket sales. The drawing for the quilt will be on June 2 at our Thumb Butte Quilters' Quilt show. This is our major fundraiser for the guild for the year and we only have a quilt to raffle every other year. So that all members can assist in the fundraising, we compile an envelope of 12 tickets (worth \$10) for every member. We ask that all of you who can participate pick up your tickets from the table in the entry of the hall before the quilt guild meetings. The tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Please contact Candace Tomlinson to let her know if for some reason you cannot participate.

Our quilt this year is an absolutely stunning hand appliquéd pattern, which Tren Connor designed and chose the fabric. Maggie Keller machine quilted it with equally beautiful skill. When you see it you will be glad to buy the 12 allotted tickets and probably more!! The quilt will be hanging at each meeting for your viewing pleasure!

Candace would like suggestions for venues for showing the quilt and selling tickets. If you have an idea of where to sell tickets or have time to sell tickets at a future venue, please contact Candace, 778-1973.

We are displaying our raffle quilt behind the podium at the TBQ meetings so you will be reminded of how beautiful it is.

September 16th and 17th, our raffle quilt was in front of the attendees of the World Arts Festival in Prescott Valley. Pam Jones, Phyllis Edgar, Margaret Mecca and Linda Gergen "womaned" the table to sell tickets. Joann Storer reserved us our space. I thank them for their hours of help.

**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.

**Thumb Butte Quilters  
Policy and Procedures**

1. All non-waitlisted and/or non-members will pay \$10.00 to attend a meeting with a nationally/internationally known guest speaker. This ranking will be posted on our web page and in our newsletter.

Procedure established 9/13/2006

2. All members and/or waitlisted members will pay \$10.00 for a hard copy of our newsletter if they have email.

Procedure established 9/13/2006

3. Members whose cell phones ring and/or play music while our meeting is in process will be fined \$5.00 for each occurrence. The fine must be paid to maintain a "member in good standing" status of membership.

Procedure established 9/13/2006

4. Advertising flyers will be placed in the entry hall and removed when the meeting is over or they will be thrown away.

Procedure established 9/13/2006

**VERY IMPORTANT**

If you have requested a mailed copy of the TBQ  
Newsletter.....

As of November 1st of this year, members with email that chose to still receive a hard copy by mail will be asked to pay \$8 to receive mailed copies through May. In June a \$10 yearly charge for mailed copies will be collected with the dues to continue the mailed newsletter for the coming fiscal year.

## **October Program**

At the October 9 meeting we will have Phyllis Miller as our guest lecturer. Phyllis is a national author, lecturer and teacher. She has been quilting since 1968 and has won many awards for her quilting and appliqué. She will be judging quilts – we presently have 13 to be judged. This should be very interesting and informative, as we learn what judges look for and how they determine a “winning” quilt. After the meeting, at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse, she will teach a half-day class on “Trapunto”. There is still room in this class for anyone who is interested in learning this technique. The fee is \$15. On Tuesday, October 10, Phyllis will be teaching an all day class on 3-D Flowers (13 in all). This class is also being held at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse and there is also room available in this class. The class fee is \$30. If you are interested in signing up for either class, please contact Chris Anders for payment and supply lists.

Saturday, October 28th, the Quail Country Quilters guild in Cottonwood is holding their fall boutique. There will be many items to choose from and an opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping. It will take place at 820 W. Mingus Ave., which is directly behind the Evergreen Electrical store on highway 89A (across from Maverik gas station). There will be signs to help you find it. The hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hope to see you there.

At the September TBQ meeting, Colleen Harlow showed two Quilts of Valor she had quilted, and challenged all Guild members to make Quilts of Valor quilt tops. The specifics for the quilts can be found at [www.govf.org](http://www.govf.org). Colleen has volunteered to quilt any quilts tops made for this effort. Kay Wentworth has volunteered to take care of binding and shipping the quilts. Jan Gallo has offered the classroom in her shop (Quilt N Sew Connection) to any groups who want to sew together for this effort (please call first to make sure the classroom is free). It looks like we have a great team put together here to really make things happen! And though we TBQ quilters can't fight for our country, we can at least make quilts for some of the men who do. Let's roll!

## **Mentors Mention...**

Most of the questions/queries we have received at the Mentor table have been about appliqué! We hope that many of you will be able to take the class from Phyllis Miller. She is a wonderful teacher and very open, the perfect person to teach you some different techniques. As we say, ask everyone and take the ideas you like for your own technique. Check with Chris Anders to see if there is room for you at this very good, informative, instructional and FUN class! Hope to see you ALL there!

**November guest lecturer and acclaimed quilter Lyn Mann will grace us with her extensive quilting knowledge during the November guild meeting. The title of her guild lecture will be " Slick Tricks". Her workshop will be the following day from 9am till 3pm and is called "Mad for Plaid".**

Quilters are generous people with their time, their fabric, and their sewing abilities. Our guild is no exception. Thanks to all of you who sew and donate fabric for the Community Service projects.

At our first "open" sewing day at Yavapai Hill Clubhouse last week Earlene, Chris, Carol Ann, Geo, Jeanie and I completed pillow tops and walker bags. Adrienne, Kay H., Carolyn M. and I are taking turns sewing together at our homes. This is another way to sew if you can't make the "open" sewing days. If you would like to get together with us just give me a call. Thank you all so much for helping.

Because of the \$25 fee now being charged at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse, Jan Gallo has offered us the use of the workroom in her shop when it's not booked for other activities. Thanks a bunch, Jan. Our next two "open" sewing days there will be October 27, and November 27, at the Quilt and Sew Connection in Prescott Valley from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. More sewers are needed, come have fun with us. And...you get to shop afterwards.

The first pillows were delivered to the Child Advocacy office in Prescott Valley last week and what a lovely bunch of ladies and volunteers work there. The first walker bags were also given to Jeanie Ehlers for older patients using a walker and receiving physical therapy.

If you haven't received instructions for pillows and walker bags and you want to help, they will be available at the next guild meeting. I also have patterns for the Christmas Stocking challenge, so get out that Christmas fabric and get sewing!

Community Service Chairman, Alice Obrenovich

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS** (Submitted by Pam Jones and Susan Smith)

This month we are putting the spotlight on The Finishers and The Masterpiecers.

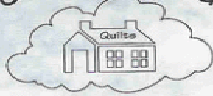
The Finishers group began when Mary Menery had the idea to start the group. She had quilts she needed to finish so she enlisted the help of Phyllis Edgar to help her form the group. They do exactly as their name calls it...they finish!! These ladies are a close-knit group, just like sisters and they each finish their own projects!!

The Masterpiecers have been in existence for 10 years! In earlier years, the focus was definitely on handwork but now you will find them each doing it all, machine work as well as handwork because it is all piecework however it is done! Sometimes just enjoying each other's company around some quilting magazines and conversation is just as fun!

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

Our luncheon on September 11 was at the China Buffet and attended by 12 ladies of TBQ including our guest speaker that day, Carrie Nelson. The next time we meet will be at Potbelly's BBQ in Chino Valley on October 9th immediately after our TBQ guild meeting. This is the same restaurant that catered our July Party! The address is 1667 South HWY 89, 928-636-5052. Please make a call to Pam Jones at 775-0300 to reserve a spot at the table. We sure would love to see you there including those who are new to TBQ and those who would like to get to know them better! Come join us!

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