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THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

February 2014



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, February 10, 2014 9:30am at American Evangelical Church

2013-14 Officers

President - B. Johnson Vice President - Lynn Beck Secretary - Betty Foley Treasurer - Lynne Gray

February Birthdays

Cheryl Boquet Carol Brownlow Maryann Conner Betty Foley Lynda Hoyt Kathie Rieder Mary Scherer

Please bring a wrapped gift suitable for a quilter, with a value of at least \$10.00 to the next 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.

> Mary Andra Holmes Birthday Drawing Committee

President's Message



I started working on my list of UFOs last month; the ones I vow to complete this year. No, this is not a New Year resolution; I am old enough to know New Years resolutions for me are fantasies I indulge in once a year to entertain myself, because never in this life have I been able to maintain a New Years resolution for the entire year. Reviewing my UFOs and prioritizing them is my form of setting goals that I work pretty well with (or used to). So I made a short list of some UFOs I

intend to complete in the coming year, hopefully thinking that I will knock these off my list in the coming months.

Looking at the list, which I limited to ten, I know half were on my list last year, the year before, and even on lists from several years ago. Like those proverbial resolutions to lose weight, exercise more, and so forth, the idea of accomplishing most projects on my list seems to slip away over time. The idea of hoping to finish these 10 projects feels uplifting. Hoping to finish them is not the same as resolving to, however. Meeting this goal will be like having accomplished a task too difficult to complete and that challenge will carry me happily into action. OK, I am determined to complete a list of UFOs this year, but I am going to be realistic and make it 5 UFOs. Intending to complete these projects seems like a great idea waiting to happen, if life doesn't get in the way. Time will sort out what I actually accomplish; meanwhile, I am looking forward to the goal and that keeps me feeling uplifted

Until next month, my Quilty Friends . . .

B. Johnson, President

February Hostesses

Geo Mickelson Carol Miller Sandy Mitchell Linda Moran Karla Morriston Joan Moss Sherry Mundt Brenda Norris Susan Noyes Alice Obrenovich

Hostesses should arrive by 9 a.m. to assist chairperson in setting up if needed. Bring a refreshment item, such as finger food (cheese, crackers, sweet treats, fruit, etc). Please bring your goodies on disposable trays or label your dish with your name. Beverages and paper products are provided by the Guild.

> Karla Morriston Refreshments Committee

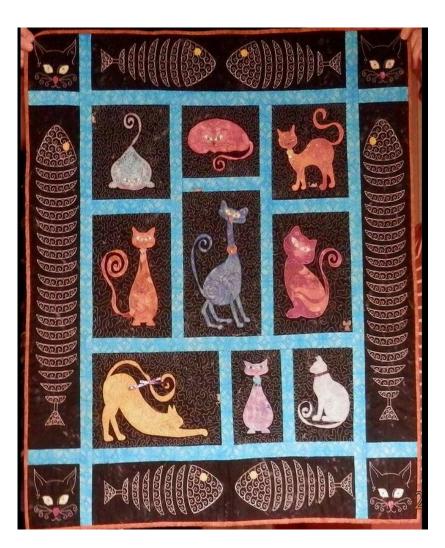
Mentors

Have you been thinking about adding bling to your quilts? Come visit the Mentors Table during break at February's meeting and see two different ways to add a little glitz. Betty Foley will show you how she glues beads and other embellishments. Lynne Gray will demonstrate heat set crystals.

Check it out and get inspired.

Susan Perry Mentor

January Show & Tell of the Month by Cynthia Crull



<u>Reimbursement Forms</u>

There are forms available on-line for committee members that need to be reimbursed for purchases made for the guild. If you do not have internet access, the Treasurer can help you.

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Lynn Beck, Program Chairperson Chris Anders, Workshops Chairperson

January 2014



Last month we were had our Third Annual 5x5 presentation. Shirlee Jeanie Smith, Ehlers, Carol Miller. Nancy Klein, and Anne Abrams shared beautiful quilts from their collections. We had a chance to learn more about our members while we enjoyed their quilts. Please consider volunteering for next year's 5x5 program. We'd love to see your quilts!

<u>February 2014 –</u> <u>Sandy Klop of American Jane</u>



This month Sandy Klop of American Jane is coming. Sandy has been quilting since 1979. She has been designing fabrics Moda since 2003, and creates quilt patterns that highlight her fabrics. We have sample quilts for her classes that will be on display at the January meeting. Sandy will be teaching two workshops. A half day workshop's project is a quilt called Pizzelles. Her

full day workshop is a feathered star quilt, Perennial Stars.

February Workshop – Sandy Klop of American Jane

Sandy Klop's website is: www.americanjane.com.



If you have signed up for one or both of Sandy Klop's classes in February (half day, $2/10/14 \sim$ Pizzelles; and full day, 2/11/14, Perennial Stars), be sure to pick up an instruction sheet and materials list from the Workshops desk.

Pizzelles homework: "Students should cut all their pieces in advance using our equilateral templates. Then they will be ready to piece them all together in class."

Perennial Stars: "Sandy has added an additional technique to the pattern instructions. To make the feathers in the feathered star instruction a) and b), Sandy offers 2 sheets of half square triangle paper. Before using the two sheets to make one feathered star, students should make 30 copies of the triangle paper for the other 15 stars. Students should come to class having cut out the pieces for at least one star. The 2 sheets of half square triangle paper will be provided at no additional charge when the pattern is ordered. Instructions for how to use the triangle paper will be included."

If you've always wanted to make a feathered star quilt, this is your opportunity to get going on it!

Quilt historian Barbara Brackman featured Sandy's Feathered Star quilt in her blog post on December 30th.

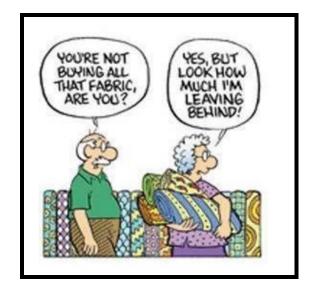
<u> April Workshop –</u> <u>Bari J. Fabric Colage</u>



Bari J. will join us in April. Bari J. is an author and pattern designer living in Scottsdale. She will be teaching a half-day class on fabric collage.

I love fabric collage. I think it works on just about anything. I've done wall hangings, pillows, embellished sweaters, quilt edges, jeans and lots more. (Bari J.)

<u>Company Store</u>



Does this Pickles comic remind you of anyone or does it hit too close to home? If it's 'you', then come visit the tables at TBQ's Company Store.

Remember, One quilter's trash is another quilter's stash.

Lorraine Owen & Shirley Pichoff Company Store

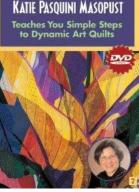
<u>DVD Library</u>

Just a reminder that DVD's are to be checked out for one month only (unless it falls over a party month, July & December).

Featured DVD of the month is:

Katie Pasquini Masopust -Teaching You Simple Steps to Dynamic Art Quilts

Learn everything you need to get started making beautiful quilts!



Doris Robak, DVD Coordinator



Anne Abrams, Ways and Means Chairperson

Two Vintage Quilts –NO . . . <u>THREE</u> Vintage Quilts!!!

Our guild received a gracious donation of 2 beautiful vintage quilts and decided to organize a raffle to give a chance to all vintage quilt lovers to win them!

The first one is "Tied Diagonal Brick Road" measuring 71.5" x 79" and the second one is a "Crazy Fans" measuring 70 x 78.5".



Both quilts are made with remnants of dress fabrics and have suffered some damage.

Our September guest lecturer, Thom Atkins, gave us one of his magnificent quilts as a donation. This quilt was made in 1989 and has had some good use.

There are only 2 more Guild meetings to purchase your chance to win one of these magnificent quilts (January and February). The drawing of the winning ticket will take place at the **February 2014** meeting.

Raffle tickets are sold 3 for \$2.00 and 7 for \$4. Don't miss this opportunity!!!

Get rid of your UFOs!!!

Thumb Butte Guild is organizing a silent auction for your UnFinished Objects. This will give you the opportunity to clear your sewing room by bringing to the Guild the projects you realize you won't complete. Thank you to all of you who have brought me some of their UFOs. There is a change in the date for the auction, which will happen in **July 2014** (instead of March 2014 as initially announced).

Thimbleberries Village: Block of the month project, complete with the 12 blocks, out of which 3 have already been made. Each bag includes the pattern and fabric. Will be auctioned as a whole.

Party with Patrick: 3 small projects:

- For the Birds: 8" x 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ " banner
- Garden Gal: cover for 14" pillow
- Let them eat cake: 8" snack/mug mat

All three complete with pattern and fabrics. Auctioned separately.

I Spy Quilt top: fit for a single bed 61" x 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". The top is finished, all you need is the batting and backing of your choice to make a little boy happy!

Angels: Seven appliqué blocks are at different stage of completion, and there is background fabric for 3 more blocks. Let your inspiration do the rest to assemble the blocks as they are of varied sizes (from 10 3/8" x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ "). Comes with fabric, templates and pattern.

Landscape: pretty much done, needs some embellishments and/or finishing touches. Size is $50^{3}/4^{22}$ x 34".

Dresden baskets: another appliqué project where each block measures 12" square. Template, fabric and pattern are included.

Mariner's compass: 3 individual blocks, as is. Maybe for a pillow cover?

I am still looking for more UFOs – the more, the merrier!

Thank you!!!





Quilts for Yarnell Families and Prescott Fire Fighters' Widows, Children and Surviving Fire Fighter

Thank all of you who have been working so much on this project. We have approximately 22 more quilts that need to be quilted. The next workshops will be working on piecing batting, sandwiching batting in the quilt tops and backs, piecing backings, bindings, labels and quilting these remaining quilts. We are finished with all top cutting and piecing. If you have any partially completed quilts ready to go to the next step in the quilt process, please bring them to any of the workshops or the February meeting and drop them with me or on the stage for me. I know there are several quilts still out being worked on; we need them to keep moving toward completion. If you are finished now and want me to pick them up from you, I will be more than happy to pick them up. Please email or call me and let me know.

In February and March you will see our remaining fabric from this project arrive in the Company store for sale. We have 18 quilts that need to be quilted at this time for January-February delivery to the Yarnell Hill Recovery Program.

The following workshop date is scheduled:

Friday, February 28 at Seams Sew Right classroom, 10:00am to 4:00pm,

Please bring a sewing machine to sew at the workshops and bring your lunch. Soup will not be provided.

B. Johnson, TBQ President

Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

With the New Year, five new little quilts are now adorning the walls of the Prescott Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. They were made by some of the Crazy Quilters friendship group members: Jan Adams, Kathleen Bond, Carolyn Edwards, Pat Folsom, and Geo Mickelson. So, if you're downtown walking around the Square, peek into the Visitor Center!

Quilts at the Visitor Center publicize the Quilters Guilds in the area and have continually been on display since April of 2009. This is a joint project shared by Thumb Butte Quilters and Mountain Top Quilters Guild. Because of the space, the quilts are small (no bigger than 30" x 30") and they're up high enough that they are very safe.

Current quilts will be up for a couple of months. Then we'll be looking for a few little Spring quilts. If you have any that will 'fill the bill', let me know!

Carolyn Edwards, Coordinator



Jan Adams



Kathleen Bond



Pat Folsom



Geo Mickelson



Carolyn Edwards

Prescott Community Center

The New Year has been officially 'rolled in' with TEN roly quilts now on display at the Adult Center! I am amazed that the collection looks so darned good! :-) I once saw a collection of about 30 Hexagon Quilts hanging in a Quilt Show as a special display...and it was great! So, I thought I would recreate it! But with that, I could only round up 3 Grandmother's Flower Garden quilts. So I expanded to Double Wedding Ring Quilts and Stack n Whack quilts. It worked! Your eyes will literally 'roll' around the Atrium and your head will spin with all the rings and things in the room! I called the display "Grandma's Quilt Collection" because there is a nice variety of guilts--old and new. Plus, Grandma Ella is there, too, in her red coat--watching over her quilts!

Big BIG thank you's to TBQ quilters who have loaned a quilt for this collection: Anne Abrams, Chris Anders, Kathy Beeson, Cynthia Crull, Betty Foley, Jane Holland, Paula Pilcher, and Susan Sweet. THANK YOU! This group of quilts will be up for a couple of months. You've got plenty of time...Get on over to 1280 Rosser Street to check it out!

We'll soon be making an announcement about all the themes for this year's quilt displays. As always, we're open to your ideas, candidates for a onewoman-quilt-show, and a special display by a minigroup. We pretty much have the freedom to display whatever we want! Let me know what you're thinking!

Quilt sizes/quantity needed:

LARGE (6): from 60" to 90" wide, any length. SMALL (4): at least 45" wide, but not wider than 55".

> Carolyn Edwards Community Center Quilt Coordinator

Sharlot Hall Quilters

We're having an 'old-time quilting bee' on Thursday mornings at Sharlot Hall Museum! A delightful antique Dresden Plate in greens on muslin has been loaded into the quilt frame and quilting has begun. The winning ticket was passed to Phoebe Ritter, needles are dancing along her marked lines...and the happy quilters are smiling! Magic happens around that quilt frame. Just as in times gone by...it's always a joy to spend time with friends and stitch around the quilt frame! The quilt top belongs to Phoebe's grandson, Cameron Shaw. His Great-Grandmother pieced the quilt top ages ago, and now the TBQ Sharlot Hall Quilters will bring it to life. Come to see the quilters quilt! Bring your needle and thimble to add a few of your own stitches. The more the merrier! Call Maryann Conner if you have questions.

Maryann Conner, Coordinator

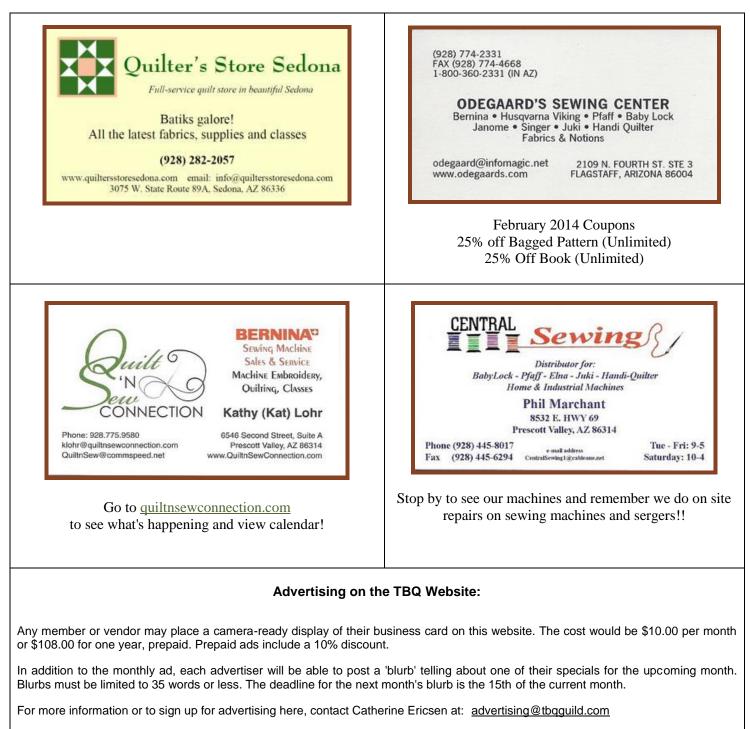


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Catherine Ericsen, Advertising

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