

Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

May 2014



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, May 12, 2014
9:30am at
American Evangelical Church

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May Birthdays

Diane Belveal
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Lynne Gray
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Marilyn Weber

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

We have come a long way quilters. The world of technology has raced ahead in the quilting world faster than most of us could keep up. We can buy whatever we need on our quilt stores website without getting out of our jammies. We can design our own fabric and have it digitally printed and no one else will have that fabric. We can go online to take classes or if we just want a quick lesson on how to miter corners for binding, how to applique, or perfect your hand quilting stitch. You can find it all and more on YouTube.com. Today we have so many tools and fabric choices available to us that are must haves many of us could open a small fabric store. Many of us have tools we have forgotten what they are for; again you can go online and find out what it is and how to use it. We have software to design our quilts; EQ7. Quilters Lightbox, is a new software program that allows you to scan in a picture of your quilt top and design your quilting patterns on the top. I really do have to look into that one.



Now we have machines that do so much more than straight stitch and many of us have more than one machine. I do, so I don't have to change thread if another emergency project comes up I just go to another machine I have set up. I could go on and on about the amazing world of quilting available to us or I could just continue in another newsletter next month. I do only have two more before my term is up so maybe it is a good idea to continue this next month. If you enjoy this info please let me know. If you don't think it enlightening, that's OK; there will only be two newsletters more, then you will miss me.

Until next month my Quilty Friends

B. Johnson, President

March Show & Tell of the Month by Kristi Krisinger

May Hostesses

**Mary Scherer
Jeanne Sellers
Bette Smith
Shirlee Smith
Susan Smith
Earlene Springs
Mary Jane Steinhilpert
Carol Stewart
Nancy Stewart
Ann Stowell**

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 Morrison
Refreshments Committee**

Mentors

Thanks so much to Barbara Merkel for demonstrating the use of Liquid Stitch and sending out instructions to all who asked.

This month Maryann Conner will demonstrate how to print labels on fabric. Maryann has a special product she uses and she will have some samples to see. Come check it out at the Mentor's Table.

Susan Perry, Mentors



Company Store



No matter how we advertise it,
the Company Store still draws you in.

MAY & JUNE SPECIALS

Closeout prices on existing merchandise.
(Does not apply to newly donated merchandise on that date.)

**Shirley Pichoff & Lorraine Owen
Company Store**

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Lynn Beck, Program Chairperson
Chris Anders, Workshops Chairperson

May Program

Mindy Gonzalez from Retro Clean

Have you ever seen vintage textiles with those brown or yellow age stains that just ruined the look of what otherwise would be a real prize? Washing doesn't seem to have any effect and they either end up in the bottom of a box in the garage or maybe even the trash. Well, this month Larry Gonzales will be sharing his tips on how to care for our vintage textiles. The afternoon class on quilt presentation bags has been cancelled due to low enrollment.



June Workshop

April Program



Bari J. Fabric Collage

Last month Bari J. shared her inspiring journey from stay at home mom to fabric and pattern designer.

Ken Casey AnglePlay Class



Ken will be teaching an AnglePlay sampler class on Tuesday, June 17. The blocks can be used to make a table runner or as a starter for a larger project.

July:	Birthday Party!
August:	Gina Halladay of The Threaded Pear Studio.
September:	Martha Walker of Wagons West Designs.

Ways and Means

Anne Abrams, Ways and Means Chairperson

Last Vintage Quilt drawing

Congratulations to our last winner, Karen Johnson, coming aaaaalllllll the way from Connecticut to win the Thom Atkins quilt! It was a busy day for Karen, as she not only won the raffle but also joined Thumb Butte Quilt Guild. Welcome to a fantastic group of artists!

PS. Could all the winners (Kathleen Bond, Susan Perry and Karen Johnson) bring their prize to the June meeting and I will take a picture of all of you with your respective quilt? Thank you.



Spooner mug fundraiser

It is lovely to see so many of you purchasing the Guild spooner mug, thank you so much!

I will continue selling these lovely mugs at all subsequent meeting until they are all sold out.

Each mug with its own personal spoon sells for \$8.00. Make sure you have yours and why not buy a second one as a gift?

The ladies who bought their mugs in March and April received a cookie, and why not continue on that sweet trend: ladies buying their mug(s) in May will also receive a little treat...

Thanks again for your support – you are all contributing to a live and kicking Guild!!



Get rid of your UFO's!!!

Thank you to all the ladies who have brought me their Unfinished Objects – also known as Ph.Ds (Project Half Done). I like that, sounds fancy. I have received many donations and will continue to accept yours until and including June's meeting.

The silent auction will take place during our Guild Birthday Party in July.

Thank you!!!

**Anne Abrams
Ways and Means Chair**

YARNELL FIRE QUILT PROJECT



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

We are at the finish line for the Yarnell quilts. We have 3 quilts left to be quilted. Several quilted quilts are in the process of quilting, binding and labeling. We thank all members of both TBQ and MTQ Guild for all their dedication and hard work on this project and we will let you know when we have completed the project. Next month I should be able to give a final count of quilts made and delivered.

If you have a quilt you have finished please contact me and I will pick it up.

B. Johnson, President

"20 Something" Challenge

Thirty-five of you have already promised to enter TBQ's "20 Something..." challenge. Woo hoo! We have even seen one completed quilt top already! Soooo, let's do it! The "20 Something..." quilts are not due until the 2015 Quilt Show. When you get your "20 Something..." quilt top done, bring it to the next TBQ meeting, and we'll do a "Swish" (a quick show, up and down) of your "20 Something..." quilt top! That'll give the other challenge-players an idea of who's doing what! It'll also give you a head-start on getting your "20 Something..." challenge project under way! When you get your "20 Something..." quilt completed, just hold it for the 2015 Quilt Show. Lucky you--you'll have your first entry done!

Here are the Rules again: Make a quilt that measures 20" x 20" that contains twenty of something. "20 Something..." quilts will hang together at TBQ's Quilt Show...and at TBQ's 20th Anniversary Birthday Party in July 2015! We are still accepting challenge-players! Sign a "promise slip" with Kathleen at the May meeting...and we'll count you "in"!!!

**Carolyn Edwards and Kathleen Bond
Challenge Chairmen**

Prescott Community Center

You still have some time to "hop" on over to the Adult Center (1280 Rosser Street) to see the current "Hoppy Spring" display of quilts. The pastels, flowers, baskets, butterflies, and bugs will make you smile! These quilts will be up until about the last week of May. Then we'll bring in the patriotic red, white, and blue quilts for the summer for the ever-popular patriotic holiday celebrations.

We're working on gathering quilts for that next display. We still need a couple of r/w/b LARGE quilts (60" to 90" wide). If you have quilts that we can include in this display, let me know. Please bring them to the May meeting and hand them over to Paula Pilcher. She'll be gathering up the r/w/b patriotic quilts for the next display. They'll be hung before Prescott's sesquicentennial weekend (5/30-6/1)!

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

Reimbursement Forms

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.

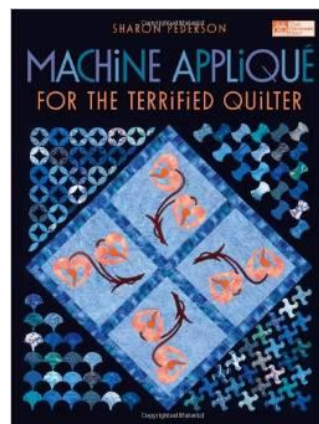
Sharlot Hall Quilters

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

DVD Library

Sharon Pederson Presents Machine Applique For the Terrified Quilter



Get ready to play with appliqué. Find all you need to overcome any machine appliqué fears - try invisible machine appliqué, blanket stitch and satin stitch appliqué. Follow Sharon's step-by-step instructions to master each technique.

Doris Robak, DVD Coordinator

Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

It's official! Spring has sprung! Get down to the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center and you'll see what I mean! The Spring quilts are up! Besides our new display of quilts, there are oodles of pamphlets and fliers about things to do in Prescott! If you've got visitors coming this summer...check it out! It's that time of year when there is something happening on The Square every weekend!

And then I need your help for the next display! Around the last week of May and before Prescott's Sesquicentennial Celebration (May 30th--June 1st), I'll need to put up little red, white, and blue patriotic quilts. If you have one that I can use, get that little quilt to me ASAP! The size needed is 30" x 30" or less!

**Carolyn Edwards, Coordinator for
Chamber of Commerce Exhibits**



**This quilt was made for me by Jan Kimbro.
Lucky me! I must have been a very good
friend! :-)**



**All quilts this time are from 'my collection'.
This one was made by Gail Van Horsen, and
acquired by my winning bid in a silent auction
at a recent meeting of the AZ Quilt Study Group.**



**The baskets quilt was made by
Charlotte Brennen.**



**The quilt on the right was a result of my
winning bid at a Small Quilt Auction in
Des Moines, Iowa**

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Catherine Ericson, Advertising

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