

Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

February 2016



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, December 14, 2015
9:00am at
First Evangelical Lutheran Church
231 Smoke Tree Lane, Prescott AZ 86301

2015-16 Officers

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Yvonne Blich
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February Birthdays

Carol Brownlow
Maryann Conner
Betty Foley
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Linda Miller
Mary Scherer
Charlotte York

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.

Cynthia Crull & Sylvia McIntosh,
Birthday Drawing Committee

President's Message

February is the month during which Valentine's Day is celebrated, but more important – this is President Challenge's month!!!

I cannot wait to see the wonderful quilts you made, exploring new techniques, sizes, fabric lines and colors!

Of course, if you haven't had the opportunity to innovate, bring your Valentine's Day quilts and any other quilts – if it's a quilt, we'll love it!



I hope to see all of you at our meeting in good health, knowing that lots of nasty bugs have been around. Keep warm and see you all at our meeting!

Happy quilting!

Anne Abrams, President
email: president@tbqguild.com

President Challenge

My Quilt Challenge – My challenge is easy: try something new! If you like large quilts, make a small one. If you like dots, try stripes or flowers. Try a new technique, size, color scheme, fussy cutting, whole cloth, anything goes!!! Due February 2016.

February Hostesses

Vickie Sawyer
Mary Scherer
Jeanne Sellers
Connie Sieh
Susan Smith
Vicki Souviner
Earlene Springs
Irene Starr
Nancy Stewart
Laura Stone

We encourage you to bring healthy refreshments. We look forward to working with Thumb Butte Quilters this year.

Hostesses should arrive by 8:30 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.

Mirta McKay & Maxine Everaert,
Refreshment Committee

TBQ Forms

The following forms are available on-line or at the meeting from the person noted below.

Reimbursement Forms
(for committee members that need to be reimbursed for purchases made for the guild)
(Carol Wright, Treasurer)

Membership Application

Sharlot Hall Quilters

The Sharlot Hall Quilters were ready to take on their newest challenge. So, at the June 2014 meeting, we pulled the winning ticket for one of our members to have their quilt top hand quilted. And the winner was -- Tina McCowan! Her quilt is on the frame at Sharlot Hall and we're busy stitchin'. If you are in the area, stop by and see us. We're usually there every Thursday in the Transportation Building from 10 a.m. to Noon.

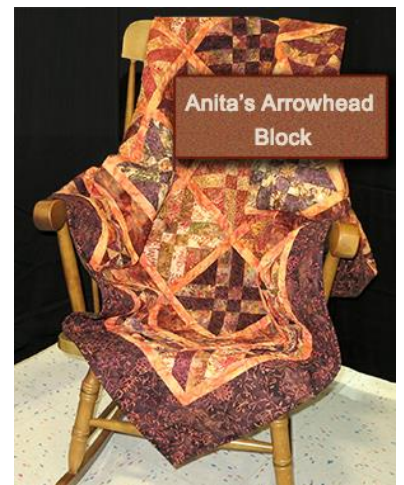


Maryann Conner, Sharlot Hall Coordinator

Mentors

Stop by the Mentors Table before the general meeting and during breaktime for a quick demonstration of the block called **Anita's Arrowhead**. It has an unique cutting and piecing process that's great for making a quick quilt.

The quilt shown here will be on display.



Susan Joy Noyes, Mentors Coordinator

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Yvonne Blich, Program Director

Patti Taber & Suzie Davidson, Program Chairmen & Workshop Coordinators

January Program



TBQ members Susan Perry, Susan Joy Noyes, Shirley Pichoff, Maxine Everaert and Iris Lacey were outstanding presenters in January when they each showed five of their quilts and shared some of their very entertaining background quilting stories with us. The 5 x 5 program is another wonderful opportunity for us to enjoy the talent and creativity of our guild members.

February Program



Virginia Walton of Albuquerque, New Mexico is the inventor of the rulers for the Creative Curves Quilting System, which substitutes curves for half-square triangles (circular curves)

or half-rectangle triangles (oval curves). As a lecturer and teacher, her specialties include easy sewing machine techniques (machine piecing curves without pins in particular) and color or fabric selection (how to

combine fabric to create the effect desired in a quilt). As an international teacher, Virginia regularly teaches in the US, Europe, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand. Her original blocks and quilts are featured in many national and international quilt magazines.

The lecture she will be presenting to us at our February meeting will be: **How to Balance the Use of Color and Pattered Fabric.**

February Workshop

No More Showers, Just Spring Flowers

On February 9th **Virginia Walton** will be doing a workshop on her technique for curved piecing.



March Program



In March, we will have a workshop presented by Susan Joy Noyes and Lorraine Owen on making a Drunkards Path. Cost for the class is \$20.00.

Chamber of Commerce Exhibits & Community Center Quilts

Carolyn Edwards, Coordinator,

Prescott Community Center

How exciting! It's always exciting to hang a new quilt display at the Adult Center! Our TBQ Hanging Team is excited! The Adult Center Staff is excited! The Adult Center members who came in during the flurry of activity are excited--yes, really! It's a joy and a treat and a privilege to change the quilts! And today, we changed the quilts! Wow! It's an interesting collection. All the quilts have been "Rescued!" in one way or another. And it will make your heart glad when you see them! Thank heaven these "Rescued!" quilts still have a life and are still loved or are loved again! Make it a point to stop by 1280 Rosser Street to see these beauties. Pick out your favorite. The Staff says they are always picking a favorite and comparing notes!

Big, big THANK YOUs go to Anne Abrams, Kathy Beeson, Gloria Bess, Yvonne Blich, Kathleen Bond, Suzie Fields, Jane Holland, Pam Peters and Paula Pilcher for sharing these "Rescued!" quilts...all with a really good story!

Next display, going up around the end of March -- "A is for Applique". So, rally 'round, all you appliquers! Show me your quilts! By hand and by machine -- both will work! Let us hang your quilts!

Quilt Sizes Needed:

LARGE: from 60" to 90" wide, any length. (Need SIX.)

SMALL: from 45" to 60" wide, any length. (Need FOUR.)

Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

Come and enjoy the new display of Valentine quilts at the Chamber of Commerce this month.

Quilts have been on display continuously since April of 2009, and is a shared task between TBQ and MTQG.

Suzie Fields



Maxine Everaert

Susan Sweet



Anne Abrams

Friendship Groups

Do you know about friendship groups? Do you belong to a friendship group? Perhaps you're a member of two or three groups! A friendship group is formed when ladies decide to get together on a regular basis to learn, teach, share and enjoy each other's company. Sometimes a group is formed when ladies share a common interest. Our guild is fortunate to have many groups that include art quilters, longarm quilters, beaders, appliqué lovers and many more. Some groups form because ladies live in the same area and some groups form just because the quilters enjoy spending time together. Anyone can start a group at any time and there aren't any rules! Some of the best times of my life have been while I was with my friends in my friendship groups. I hope that every member in our guild has a friendship group to call her own! More information about our groups can be found on the Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild web site. I'd love to hear about other friendship groups that haven't been added to our current list. Also, please contact me if you'd like to talk to me about forming a new group. I promise that your quilting days will be even more fun!

Joyce Raglan, Friendship Group Coordinator

Company Store

The Company Store has received two very generous donations and our bins are literally running over. I'm just hoping I have room in the truck to bring it all to the next meeting. Be sure to come early so you can stop 'n shop at the Company Store tables; we have a massive amount of new fabric and tools (especially cutting templates) that I'm sure you absolutely need. Remember, "first come, first serve."

We have also received more books. So, our usual book and magazine sale continues . . . the more you buy, the less they cost. (Where else can you find a book in brand new condition that originally sold for \$20.00 or more . . . and you pay only \$0.50 ??? You read it right – 50-cents !!! Isn't that about the best bargain around.

**Carol Brownlow, Pam Jones, Joan McGivern,
Carol Peters and Shirley Pichoff
Company Store Co-Chairs**

DVD Library

**Our DVD of the Month is:
*Pajama Quilter Reloaded***

Dawn Ramirez: The long awaited sequel to the Pajama Quilted Reloaded DVD is now here! If you are a fan of her fun and personable teaching style, you will love the opportunity to learn these new patterns from Dawn. She



teaches you how to draw her patterns on a whiteboard so that you can teach them to your brain. Then, she demonstrates the

patterns by quilting them for you so that you can see how it is done. These patterns will help you in your quest to have new and fresh ideas and will help you as you design and create your own freehand patterns. Domestic and Longarm quilters alike enjoy learning from Dawn so they can add her patterns to their quilts!

The DVD Library is missing #31: Fearless Quilting Finishes and #45: 100 Expert Quilting Tips from Fons & Porter. Please return these ASAP . . . others would enjoy watching them. Thanks.

Linda Miller, Coordinator

Ways and Means

I will be collecting any UFO's you might have accumulated at our February Meeting. These are projects you know you will never finish. In May, we will have a silent auction. Members will bid on these projects and the highest bidder of each one will take it home and FINISH IT!

I also want to remind everyone to get their "quilt" bags and/or fold-away shopping bag. Let's support our guild!

Diane Belveal, Ways and Means Chair

Advertisers Corner

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Terri Brown, Advertising

TBQ Members, be sure to check out our advertisers' specials 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. Non-members can advertise quilt related items for sale in our newsletter for \$15 per month.



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on site repairs on sewing machines and sergers!!

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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 35 words or less. The deadline for the next month's blurb is the 15th of the current month.

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