

Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

February 13, 2017



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, February 13, 2017
9:30am at
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
2000 Shepherds Lane
Prescott AZ 86301

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Carol Brownlow
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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.

Pam Calhoon and Melodie Moreno
Birthday Drawing Committee

President's Message

February President's Message

There's no place like home! Even though I had a fabulous time in Japan, it's good to be back among people who speak English, and the comfort of my own home.

My son (Joe) started working in Japan in January 2016 and will be there until about October of this year. His wife and 2 sons joined him there when school in Flagstaff ended. Their summer was spent in Okayama, where Joe's workplace is located. In August they moved to Kobe where the kids could go to an international school. They are learning Japanese, a very difficult language, and few people in Japan actually speak English. Their daughter from ASU and our son & wife from

Atlanta, joined us for the holidays. Christmas is not much of a celebration there, since few people are Christian, but the New Year and days following are days of big celebrations and crowds, especially at the Shrines and Temples. We did a lot of travel by train to other towns. Hiroshima was a very emotional memorial to see with photos of the damage and injured people. Towards the end of our stay, Joe let us venture off on the train by ourselves after showing us how to ask questions on our cell phone with an app that translated the English to Japanese figures. We caught a train in a hurry coming back one day, and I was worried it might be the wrong connection, so I wrote a sentence that was translated to Japanese, showed it to the 2 women across from us, and one answered in English! For signs written in their symbols, the app had a way to take a photo and translate it in English. Nice technology to have in a foreign country.

We learned some culture while there too. No touching, shaking hands, etc., just bowing the head to say hello, goodbye, thank you, etc. Many people wear masks and the internet said it was to prevent their spread of disease for the wearer. I checked with Joe and he said it originated in China and was worn to prevent toxins in the air from entering your airways. Today he thinks it more of a preventative measure to protect the users from diseases. Much of their time is spent in close proximity to others on the trains, buses, and everyday crowds. The housing is



February Hostesses

Laura Stone
Ann Stowell
Carol Sweeden
Susan Sweet
Judy Sylvan
Patti Taber
Jackie Thompson
Marilyn Thompson
Candace Tomlinson
Sharon Watt
Marilyn Weber

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

Hostess's 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.

Kathleen Bond & Carolyn Edwards
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

very dense. Joe's apartment is on the 54th floor, where the elevator takes 55 seconds to get from open doors on floor 1 to 54. It was so smooth you could barely feel it moving and stopping. I was surprised to never see traffic lines. It's crowds of people and bikes instead. Cars are very expensive to buy and maintain, not to mention park. Licenses are pricey and hard to get, as Joe found.

The Japanese people are so nice, but you won't feel that when going to the train station. Everyone is in a hurry, never yielding to others, and you better watch out for the bikes. That said, I think that part of their life is understandable. In the US we tend to be aggressive in our cars. Most Japanese must depend on bus or rail for all transportation. Our grand children take a train and bus to school. They loved the freedom of staying late after school if they wanted, and it's so safe. My daughter-in-law loved not having to drive to school to pick them up. It is extremely rare to own a car.

What do I miss the most about Japan? The heated toilet seats, especially in the night!

TBQ news: "They Call It Prescott" quilt is due in Feb. Please bring your quilts or finished tops to show. Remember the food donations for the church. Please buy some Opportunity Quilt tickets.

Happy Valentine's Day,

Pat Armstrong, TBQ President
president@tbqguild.com

President's Challenge

The President's challenge is titled, "They call it Preskitt." Your quilt can represent something in Prescott, such as buildings, events, parks, historical areas, activities in the square, unique features of our town, etc. The size should be up to 100 inches in circumference. (For example, a square could be 25 in. per side; rectangle 15 by 35 in.; and so on.) Smaller will be fine. We hope to have them in by February 17, but they will be accepted after that. We want to have them by show entry time.

In order to use St. Luke's Episcopal Church for our meeting place, we have been asked to bring nonperishable food items to donate to their food bank.

Please don't forget to bring an item or two. They are especially needed this time of year. Thank you!

Programs & Workshops

Diane Belveal & Shirley Pichoff, Program Directors
Carlotta Brandenburg & Laura Davis,
Program Workshop Coordinators

February Program



We have our very own Iris Lacy with a trunk show sure to inspire us. And her workshop is a very sweet and special project for those of us lucky enough to have a little one to make a jacket for.

February Workshop News



Iris Lacy will be doing a workshop on her Patchwork Baby Jacket. This workshop is currently open to TBQ members only.

Date: February 14th (Tuesday)
Cost: Cost \$20,
Location: Yavapai Hills Clubhouse
Time: 9:30am – 4:30pm.

January Program

In January we were fortunate enough to have Bonnie Hunter return to Prescott for a trunk show on her scrap quilts and two workshops . . . Strip Twist Quilt and Spider Web Quilt.



Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

Come and enjoy the new display of Betty Foley's Quilts at the Chamber of Commerce this month.

Quilts have been on display continuously since April 2009. This is a shared task between Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild and Mountain Top Quilters' Guild.



Kay Wentworth, Coordinator



Company Store

STONE SOUP

BY JAN ELIOT



After a long hiatus with the Christmas Party and Bonnie Hunter coming, the Company Store will reopen this month. Come and take a look!

**Carol Brownlow, Pam Jones, Joan McGivern,
Linda Miller and Carol Peters
Company Store Co-Chairs**

Prescott Community Center Exhibit

Happy TEN year anniversary, dear Adult Center!! We have enjoyed 'decking your halls' for all these TEN years long! And happy birthday to me! For ten years, I've been orchestrating the hanging of quilts in the Atrium at the Adult Center. To celebrate my significant "0" birthday, I decided to be the "One Woman Quilt Show". Wow! I didn't know it would feel this great! :-) It's really really f.u.n.! I am the fifth TBQ member to be featured this way. Others have been Mary Jane Steinhilpert, Kay Wentworth, Kathleen Bond, and Kathy Beeson. The rest of you should consider hanging your own One Woman Show! Here is what you'll need:

Quilt Sizes Needed:

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

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

If any of you happen to stop by 1280 Rosser Street to check out my quilt show, you just might find me sitting in the Atrium, smiling and enjoying the glory of being surrounded by my quilts in such a beautiful venue! :-) Our next display will be "Yellow Quilts--Hello Sunshine!", and will go up in March sometime...to welcome Springtime in Prescott. If you have yellow quilts to add to this display, let me know! Or...if you want to be a One Woman Quilt Show, let me know!

Quilts For Sale!

We've mentioned more than once that visitors to the Adult Center have asked if any of the quilts were for sale. President Pat mentioned at the January meeting that works were under way to offer TBQ members' quilts for sale. If you are at all interested in selling any of your quilts, here's the deal. We don't have all the details finalized yet, but you need to be thinking about if you have any quilts for sale. A form will be placed on the website with the other 'forms'. You will need to attach a photograph. More details to follow...

**Carolyn Edwards,
Community Center Quilt Coordinator**

Community Service



Handmade Hugs

A special thanks to all the members who have been participating in the Handmade Hugs project for the foster kids in the Prescott area. We were able to deliver 18 quilts and 86 pillowcases on December 16th. The donation was received with warm-felt thanks and appreciation and the judge who presides over the foster children cases was "absolutely thrilled" with our project.

These children go through so much trauma as they are being removed from their homes and it's satisfying to know that our quilts will provide a "Handmade Hug" as they enter their Foster Care homes.

Our workshops are held on the 4th Monday of the month. If you'd like to attend, you can work on your own project or join the group in putting blocks, tops and quilts together!

Our next workshop is at 9 a.m. on Monday, February 27th.

Thanks again for your help!

P.S. Please send any related emails to me at: handmadehugs@cablone.net

**Maryann Conner
Community Services Chairman**

Friendship Groups

As we have new members who don't know what a **Friendship Group** is, Diane Belveal came up with a wonderful program for our March meeting. One person from every Friendship Group talks about their group and shows a quilt or a project. By doing this, new and old members will know what is happening with in the various Friendship Groups.

Points you may want to cover:

- Is the group open or closed.
- Do you have a waiting list.
- Where do you meet.
- When do you meet.
- Do you have group projects.
- Do you have challenges.
- What is your purpose or theme.
- Anything else you can think of.

Please contact Diane Belveal or Shirley Pichoff with comments or questions.

Laura Stone

Friendship Group Coordinator

“Prescott Rose Garden” *TBO 2017 Opportunity Quilt:*

Sunshine Rose Garden, designed by Kathy Nakajima
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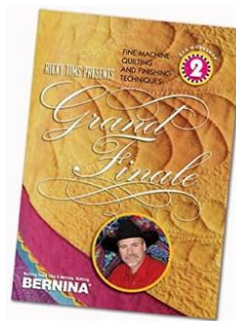
Mentor's Table



Stop by the Mentors Table before the general meeting and during break time for a quick demonstration the new Shaded Tumbler block. It's quick, it's easy, and oh so fun to make!

Susan Joy Noyes, Mentor

DVD Library



Grand Finale is chocked-full with so much information, that quilters the world over will put this resource at the top of their list. This DVD covers everything once the quilt top is complete:

- Innovative marking techniques
- Creating your own quilting designs
- Managing the quilt
- Machine Trapunto
- Bobbin Quilting
- Bobbin Trapunto
- Two exciting heirloom bindings made completely by machine

In addition, the DVD contains bonus items of a video gallery of Ricky's quilts, bloopers, and techniques like Quilting Caveman Style and Fishin'; original music composed by Ricky exclusively for this workshop.

Linda Craig & Nancy Lefler,
Coordinators

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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.

For more information or to sign up for advertising here, contact Terri Brown at: advertising@tbqguild.com

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