

Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

August 2016



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, August 8, 2016
9:30am at
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
2000 Shepherds Lane
Prescott AZ 86301

2016-17 Officers

President – Pat Armstrong
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Shirley Pichoff
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August Birthdays

Pat Armstrong
Carolyn Fletcher
Maggie Keller
Melodie Merino
Joan Moss
Paula Pilcher
Vickie Sawyer
Nancy Stewart
Ann Stowell
Carol Sweeden

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



Greetings from your new president!

Wow, lots of changes! New officers, new committee chairs, new meeting place and time, as we start our 22nd year of the guild! (And I have a new job!) We will no longer be meeting at the Smoketree Church location. In August we move to St. Luke's Episcopal Church, by the airport, off Rt 89, off Ruger Rd, to 1st left on Shepherds Lane. Our starting time will 9:30, a half

hour later than current time. We will not be rushed to be out of the building, being able to stay until 12 noon. Kathleen Bond has agreed to chair the Refreshment Committee. Be sure to bring goodies on your assigned month. We will have no storage space for our kitchen supplies or Company Store items.

A big thank you to all who have agreed to chair the committees and take officer positions. Part of our High 5 membership promise is to serve on a committee. Please make an effort to do that. There will be no tearing down of the Company store or cleaning up the food area until after the meeting, so please help them clean and pack up their items. All the functions will be in one room so those chores have to wait until after the meeting. Please keep in mind that we are a volunteer organization and can't operate without your help.

Thank you for your support. Let's make it a good year!

Pat Armstrong
TBQ President
president@tbqguild.com

August Hostesses

**Sharon Harris
Linda Hill
Jane Holland
Mary Andra Holmes
Wanda Hughs
Lucille Hurley
Karen Johnson
Pam Jones
Maggie Keller
Shirley Kelliher**

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
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

WAYS AND MEANS

The Opportunity Quilt is almost ready to show! We have reserved our space so sell tickets at the Mountain Artists Guild show on August 13 and 14. If you would like to help sell tickets at this event, please let Sandy or Susan know.

Sandy Evans & Susan Opdahl

MENTOR'S TABLE

Vickie Sawyer ~ Guest Demonstrator

Stop by the Mentors Table before the general meeting and during break time for a quick quilt making demonstration. Learn a new technique or get a glimpse of a handy quilting notion. There's always something to inspire more quilting fun!

**Susan Joy Noyes
Mentors**

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

SEPTEMBER: Linda Merrifield

Lecture "Any Picture into Thread on Any Machine."

Workshop "Free motion Embroidery AKA Thread Painting "

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Diane Belveal & Shirley Pichoff, Program Directors

Carlotta Brandenburg & Laura Davis, Program Workshop Coordinators

August Program



With a background in fine and mixed-media art, **Susan Joy Noyes** brings 35 years of professional experience and creative project management to the world of quilting and fabric arts.

“Whether designing or teaching, I’m happy to be enjoying the art of quilting. My current obsession is creating and digitizing quilting designs and patterns. I’ve worked in several artistic venues, and this is by far the most challenging and rewarding.”

Susan Joy’s artistic talents include commercial graphic design, watercolors, porcelain art, confectionery art, paper art and now fabric art. As an educator, she has inspired many others to refine and expand their own skills. She is enthusiastic about sharing her knowledge and helping others through her quilting classes.

Susan Joy's lecture will be "Quilting Feathers for the Fun of it." Feathers have a special allure and they truly can be fun to quilt once you grasp their secret. She'll share insider tips from basic feather creation to the fanciful and elaborately embellished feather plumes. Come discover the mystery to creating graceful feathers.

August Workshop

Susan’s workshop on Tuesday, August 9, will be "Quilting Your Own Quilts With Confidence" - this is a machine quilting class using your home machine. It will be held at the Yavapai Hills clubhouse.

July Program

Since July was our birthday month, we did not have a guest speaker or program. Instead, we had the induction of TBQ new officers and the presentation of the presidents' quilt. Anne Abrams, our out-going president, was this year's recipient.



We enjoyed a wonderful lunch following our meeting. The tables were decorated with colorful Marigolds and there was plenty of food and drinks, plus cake for dessert. Numbers were drawn for someone at each table to take home the plant at their table. The July refreshment committee did a great job taking care of all the details, from food shopping, setting up the room and food, and also cleaning up.

The silent auction was a good success with lots of fun projects for people to take home and create something new. Thanks for everyone that participated both in bringing UFOs and buying items to expand their expertise in finishing a project.



PRESIDENT’S QUILT . . . ANNE ABRAMS (2015-16 TBQ PRESIDENT)

Anne's President's Quilt and the quilt makers:
Sandy Evans, Kathleen Bond, Kathy Beeson
and Kay Wentworth

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXHIBIT

Come and enjoy the new display of Patriotic 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



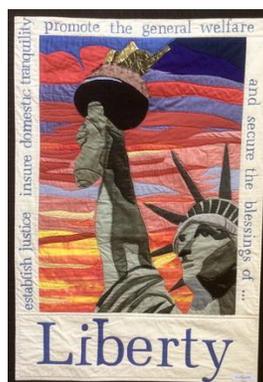
Kay Wentworth



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Kay Wentworth

PRESCOTT COMMUNITY CENTER

Ahhhh... The lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer continue. Isn't 'summer in the city' (Prescott) just GRAND! Be sure to get on over to the Adult Center at 1280 Rosser Street to see the g.r.e.a.t. exhibit of red/white/blue patriotic quilts! It will make you feel good! It will make you want to salute! It will make you feel proud. These quilts will be up through Labor Day.

After that, we'll want to hang a collection of FALL quilts. Check out what you have in your collection to see what might blend into a FALL display, and to see what you can loan to this theme. Let us know if you have a quilt to share! FYI, your "Hanging Team" consists of Jane Holland, Marti Harbour, Paula Pilcher, Carol Sweeden, and me. Let one of us know.

Quilt Sizes Needed:

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

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

Carolyn Edwards, Community Center Quilt Coordinator

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

A new friendship group has just started: **Machine Embroidery**. They are meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at Central Sewing in Prescott Valley at 10:00 AM. The first meeting is Tuesday, August 2nd. Please contact Mirta McKay in your directory with any questions. If you are interested in machine embroidery, please join this new group!

Laura Stone Friendship Group Coordinator

TBQ 2017 OPPORTUNITY QUILT:
“PRESCOTT ROSE GARDEN”

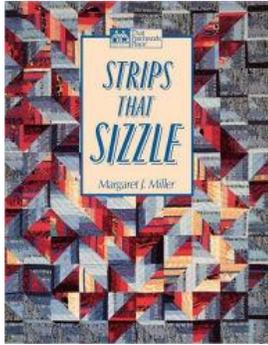
(submitted by Carolyn Edwards)

Once upon a time, about a year ago, a quilter's guild wanted to make an Opportunity Quilt for their 2017 Quilt Show. This seemed like a fairy tale, but with persistence and dedication the impossible was achieved. The pattern was selected-, “Sunshine Rose Garden” designed by Kathy Nakajima from the Quilters Newsletter Cover Collection, copyright 2007. The fabric was purchased and the project was underway. The work manager was Carolyn Edwards. The color and fabric manager was Susan Smith. Paper Piecers for the nine 23" Mariner's Compass blocks were Chris Anders, Kathy Beeson and Lorraine Owen. Applique Manager was Barbara Merkel. Appliquers, working in the Pearl Pereira applique style, were Kathleen Bond, Maryann Conner, Carolyn Edwards, Jean Ehlers, Barbara Merkel, Carol Miller, Alice Obrenovich, Shirley Pichoff and Marilyn Thompson. Hand appliquers were Anne Abrams, Lynn Beck, Kathleen Bond, Rosemary Carr, Angie Christy, Carolyn Edwards, Jane Holland, Pat Hopgood, Shirl Kelliher, Jackie McDonald, Barbara Merkel, Carol Miller, Karla Morrision, Lorraine Owen, Shirlee Smith and Marilyn Thompson. And then the Work Manager cried in dismay, and Karla Morrision (the accountant) stepped up and said, "I'm used to meeting deadlines. We can do this." And she pushed with all her might, and the quilt TOP was finished at 3 p.m. the day before the Quilt Show set-up for Mountain Top Quilters Guild.

That overwhelming feat was followed by the question: Is it possible to sell opportunity quilt tickets on a quilt TOP only? Well...the answer is YES!! Opportunity Quilt income at the MTQG Quilt Show was \$330! Our 2017 TBQ Opportunity Quilt has so far led us down a weird and wonderful quilting path. What fun we are having! And how gorgeous she is!!!

Big big THANK YOU's to everyone who has worked on this quilt. Big big THANK YOU's to Sandy Evans and Susie Opdahl who volunteered to 'market' our beautiful Prescott Rose Garden. When they ask for TBQ'ers to help sell tickets, please raise your hands! It's a fun thing. It's enchanting. And we all do want to live 'happily ever after'.

DVD LIBRARY



DVD of the Month: Strips That Sizzle by Margaret Miller

Margaret Miller teaches her foolproof technique for creating original quilts. Make the basic Strips that Sizzle blocks using quick-and-easy rotary cutting and strip-piecing techniques. Use the blocks to explore design possibilities following Margaret's clearly illustrated, full-color design exercises. Look for design and color inspiration in the 40+ quilts pictured throughout the book. Step-by-step instructions for four featured quilts are included.

The DVD Library is missing:

#31: Fearless Quilting Finishes

#45: 100 Expert Quilting Tips from Fons & Porter.

Please return these ASAP . . . others would enjoy watching them. Thanks.

Linda Craig & Nancy Lefler
Coordinator

COMPANY STORE

The Company Store started out this year with 5 ladies that were willing to pull it all together, but because of some unforeseen circumstances, they have lost some of their helpers. If anyone else could help them out for this year, it would be very much appreciated. Contact Pam Jones or Carol Peters if you would be able to step up.

Their Immediate need is someone who can "transport" the company store inventory to the meetings.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Our Community Service project this year is "Handmade Hugs." We will be making quilts and pillow cases for foster children in the area. When a child is in an abusive or neglected home situation, Child Protective Services will take them into custody. The children are placed with foster families until it's safe to return home or they are adopted. Often they show up at their foster parents' homes with just the clothes on their back and are in a state of emotional turmoil.

Quilters have lots of love to give and lots of fabric they need to use up. A quilt can't take away the pain of everything these children are going through, but it could bring them a little happiness or comfort.

The quilt represents "comfort and safety." To give a handmade quilt, is to give a gift of love. It also gives them the comfort in knowing that they are loved by someone who doesn't even know them. These quilts will be especially important to the foster children because in many cases they can be moved around a lot during their young lives and the quilts can be a keepsake that belongs to only them.

St. Luke's has graciously offered us the use of their classroom on the 4th Monday of each month to work on our quilts and pillow cases. Of course, we can also work on them at home.

If you would like to make a quilt, pillow case, or even a single block to comfort a child, please join us in our Handmade Hugs project. I'll have more specific information at our upcoming meetings.

Maryann Conner,
Community Services Chairman

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Anne Abrams Advertising Contact Person

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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.

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

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