



THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

April 2013

Next TBQ Meeting: Monday, April 8, 2013 9:30am at American Evangelical Church

# April Birthdays

Anne Abrams
Gloria Bess
Rosemary Carr
Nancy Delmar
Rosalie Durham
Sandy Evans
Maxine Everaert
Linda Hill
Lynda Kinnear
Jennifer Mees
Carol Miller
Pam Peters
Susan Sweet

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.

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Susan Perry Birthday Drawing Comm.

# President's Message



If you read our High-Five Promise of Membership Commitment, part of the first promise is to participate and enjoy our activities. Our Guild provides the opportunity to expand our quilting skills and this is accomplished through our lectures. workshops. special events and Friendship Groups. Like the many pieces of fabric that are sewn together in our quilts, our members are joined together in lasting friendships. These friend-

ships are formed when we get involved in various activities. That involvement provides a catalyst to meet new people and share and develop new ideas. The obvious rewards are the opportunities to expand our quilting skills and the inspirations we get from each other to produce quilts we may not have even thought we were capable of creating. However, the subtle rewards are the friendships we have made in the process.

Take advantage of every opportunity that is offered by our Guild. Get involved. Don't be an "invisible" Guild member. Volunteer to help our Guild and the end result will be incredibly rewarding for you.

Hugs and Stitches, Maryann

P.S. You know you're a quilter if you find your husband pawing through the carpet and, when you ask what he's doing, he says "I have a splinter and I'm looking for a pin."

# April Hostesses

Sandy Mitchell
Linda Gergen Moran
Karla Morriston
Joan Moss
Sherry Mundt
Susan Noyes
Brenda Norris
Alice Obrenovich
Tommie O'Sullivan
Lorraine Owen
Nyla Paulsen
Evelynn Pelletier
Carol Perry

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**

There will be no mentors table for the month of April.

Look for us in May.

Mary Andra Holmes & Barbara Merkel Mentors

## March Program



Last month in March, *Pat Sloan* and her husband Gregg were with us. Pat's lecture was fun and crazy! Knowing what an accomplished designer and quilter she is, it was hard to believe those "first" quilts were hers. It's funny how we all start as beginning quilters, even Pat Sloan. I loved the very first quilt that had the blue thing on it that didn't belong. I thought it was a patch, but no, it was the backing showing through after her dog ate a piece of the quilt! And she just stitched right around the

edges to tack it down, and was perfectly happy!! Pat and Gregg were a real treat for us.

# April Program

In April *Kay Wentworth* will be lecturing on "Making Quilts in a Series". Kay has been "working in a series" for 12 years. Her series include: 29 reproductions of famous paintings, 42 dresses and her recent series of trees. Kay will tell us what working in a series means and show us her unique way of constructing quilts with all three layers at the same time. She doesn't sew a stitch until the entire quilt sandwich is pinned and looks finished.



Sandy Holderness Program Chairman

## Community Service

I recently read an article explaining research that indicates volunteering provides health benefits. This research has established that there is a strong relationship between volunteering and health. Those who volunteer have lower mortality rates, greater functional ability and lower rates of depression than those who do not volunteer. :o) See you Monday.

Kathleen Bond Community Service Committee

## Workshop News

### Stack and Whack Workshop - May 2013

Monday, May 13, 2013, four hours "Stack and Whack", with Betty Foley. Learn Betty's method for creating beautiful Stack and Whack quilts. We all "ooh" and "aah" every time she brings a quilt to show!, so this is your chance to take a class from Betty and learn her secrets.



### Sandy Holderness, Workshop Coordinator

## **DVD Library**

Come and take a look at our collection of instructional and informative quilt related DVDs. You can check them out and learn all you can before returning them in a month to let someone else borrow them. Enjoy!

**Carol Peters, Coordinator** 

## Sharlot Hall Quilters

We're having an 'old-time quilting bee' on Thursday mornings (10:00am-Noon) at Sharlot Hall Museum!

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.

### **Carolyn Edwards**

## Company Store

The Company Store will have a prize giveaway at the July 2013 Birthday Party. The Prizes will be:

- 1- \$25.00 Gift Certificate from each of the following:
  - Seam Sew Right
  - Central Sewing
  - Quilt and Sew Connections
  - Cloth Plus

There are 2 ways to qualify for the drawing:

- 1. Make a donation to the company store with a value of \$5.00 or more (company store value not retail value).
  - --or--
- 2. Spend \$5.00 or more at the company store.

You will be given a raffle ticket from the Company Store staff. Put your name on the back of the ticket and return it to the staff for the drawing.

Good Luck to everyone.

**Donna Kauffman, Company Store Chair** 

## Newcomer News

Wool You Join Us?

Another Newcomer Studio Tour and Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, April 30th. This time we will gather at Barbara Merkel's house in Prescott Valley. Many of you will recognize Barbara from teaching at the mentor table during our monthly TBQ meetings. And others of you will recognize her beautiful appliqué! Barbara has been quilting since 2003 and collecting ribbons on her quilts from local and state quilt shows since then. Her favorite technique is hand appliqué, especially on batiks. She loves making children's quilts because they are fun, colorful, and quick and she donates many of them to charity.

Barbara will be giving a demo on wool appliqué and talk about documenting your quilt for posterity. This will be a fun day of learning a new technique and some quilter "musts". Once again, we will be drawing a couple of non-newcomer names to come join us. Wool you be one?

Maggie Keller, Newcomer Coordinator

## Quilt Show 2013

June 14 & 15, 2013 Prescott High School 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### RED and WHIITE Quilt Challenge?

When Mary Andra was sharing Fran Bagley's quilts, she mentioned that I had issued a Red and White Quilt Challenge. Indeed I did...do you remember that?

TBQ hung 10 GORGEOUS red and white quilts at the Adult Center on January 13th, <u>2012</u>, for two months, and I issued a challenge to the TBQ membership to make a red and white quilt for TBQ's next quilt show. Well...guess what? Quilt Show is right around the corner. Have you got one in the works? Fran Bagley got her top done. Many, <u>many</u> people have a Red and White quilt in the works! Quilt Show Hanging Committee needs to plan for a barrage of Red and White quilts! Woo hoo!

If you need to again get jazzed about Joanna Rose's 2011 *historical* display of her 652 red and white quilts, there is still a link on our website! Go to the Miscellaneous page, and plan on at least 30 minutes of heaven!!! And I'm pretty sure you will be delighted to know that for Joanna Rose's NEXT birthday, her niece organized a quilting party to make Joanna a red and white **Dear Jane** quilt! You can read about it in the December 2012 issue of The Quilt Life.

#### **Carolyn Edwards**

### Vignettes For 2013 Quilt Show

This year's quilt show will have a different theme. Seven quilters will be showing their own gallery of quilts which they have made or have in their collection. In previous years the vignettes were designed around a theme, such as "Prescott loves....", rooms in the home, etc. This year each of the quilters will decide their quilt choices, and arrange them as they want. If any guild members have props they think may be appropriate, such as old sewing tools, whatever, please let them know.

Now who are the quilters? They are: Kathy Beeson, Carolyn Edwards, Betty Foley, Bonnie Hawk, Maggie Keller, Shirl Kelliher, and Kay Wentworth.

The vignettes are what set us apart from most other shows! Can't wait to see their displays.

#### Pat Armstrong, Vignette Chair 2013

## Got your Quilt Show Pin?

The pins are gorgeous (just like the quilt), and feature the center of the quilt. If you don't have one, you sure need one! They cost \$5.00 each. And when they are gone, they're gone! We will not be re-ordering. They are HOT! Get' em NOW!

## **Quilt Show Projects**

Refer to the January 2013 Threadlines for all available information

### **Chairman Positions**

Quilt Show Co-Chairs - Iris Lacey and Sandy Holderness
Co-Chairs for Vendors - Lorraine Owen & Barbara Merkel
Chair for Opportunity Quilt - Carolyn Edwards
Chair for Entries - Sherry Mundt
Chair for Marketplace - Roni Barron
Chair for Check-In and Check-out - Mary Scherer
Co-Chairs Viewer's Choice - Shirley Kelliher & Jackie McDonald
Chair for Hostesses and Angels - Sue Weishaupt
Chair for Vignettes - Pat Armstrong
Chair for publicity - B Johnson
Chair for Hanging - Dave Lacey
Chair for Admissions - Mary Andra Holmes

# Opportunity Quilt 2012-2013

### **Magical Midnight Garden**



### **Opportunity Quilt News**

Our Magical Midnight Garden quilt will be going over to Cottonwood on April 9th for three weeks. She will be helping the Quilters Quarters quilt shop celebrate their 11th birthday! If you have a chance, plan a Quilter Girlfriend's Road Trip, and take a beautiful drive over to Cottonwood and help them celebrate!

### Check her out!

Is there an event in your life, quilting or non-quilting, where you can 'check out' our Opportunity Quilt and sell a few tickets to your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers? Let me know...

### Pins, Pins, Pins!

With your badge holder and your Quilt Show pin, we can plaster your chest with our gorgeous Opportunity Quilt!! :-) If you don't have one, you sure need one! They cost \$5.00 each. And when they are gone, they're gone! We will not be re-ordering. We only have 30 left! Don't miss the chance to add this pin to your collection!





### Did you get your Badge Holder?

There are several spectacular quilt views to choose from--pick out your favorite! It is a very unique item. Get yours now! The cost is \$5.00 per badge holder. I'll have them at the Ways & Means table with the Opportunity Quilt. Come see me!

### **Member Ticket Sales**

Member ticket sales are doing very well. THANKS to so many of you who have gotten your ticket stubs and money returned to me. Woo hoo! If you need more ticket packs--I've got 'em! If there are friends and family you'll send birthday cards to before June 15th, be sure to tuck in an Opportunity Quilt ticket or two!

#### Red & White Boot Pin

Hey! If you're in love with all things red and white, and if you're making a red and white quilt for our Quilt Show, you may be interested in adding a red and white boot quilt pin to your collection. These are leftover from our 2007 Quilt Show. I'll have them available at the Ways & Means table for \$1.00!! Come see me!

Carolyn Edwards, Opportunity Quilt Marketing

## Prescott Community Center Exhibit

We're gathering up a bunch of basket quilts for the upcoming "A Tisket, A Tasket" display at the Adult Center, but the scenery hasn't changed just yet. You have plenty of time to swing on by 1280 Rosser Street to check out the "Sampling of Quilts" now hanging. Be sure to tell all your friends about the on-going (free) Quilt Show that happens every day at the Adult Center! The quilts will likely be changing before our next TBQ meeting, so get on over there! The display of ten gorgeous quilts in the beautiful Atrium will lift your spirits and make you smile...

I welcome ideas and suggestions from all of you for future display themes. We can always feature works of a mini-group, or spotlight a "One Woman Quilt Show". Let me hear what you're thinking!

And for now, I'm thinking that the display after baskets, and for the summer, will be red, white, and blue, and anything patriotic, 4th of July, and apple pie!

### Quilt sizes needed:

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

SMALL--at least 45" wide, but not wider than 55", any length. (Need FOUR.)

Carolyn Edwards
Community Center Quilt Coordinator

## Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

Don't miss our exhibit at the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center, 117 W. Goodwin Street.

Carolyn Edwards
Community Center Quilt Coordinator

## Friendship Groups

Susan Sweet, Shirley Kelliher and Jackie McDonald want to start a new Friendship Group. It will be an **Art Quilt/Applique Group**. They would like it to have very little structure and just let the members' creative juices flow. If you are interested in this group, please see Susan, Shirley or Jackie at the next meeting

On March 13, 2013, I visited the <u>Scattered Threads Friendship Group</u>. They meet at the POA building in the Prescott Country Club on the first Monday of each month. The group is open to anyone that wishes to attend and their mailing list has 33 people on it! They say that people come and go, but there is a core group of about 20 people. They refer to their meetings as a 'Chat and Sew' (or Stitch & Bitch - depending on the mood, I suppose).



Originally, this group was part of the Applique Society in 2005 but 3 years ago they decided to give up their membership as a chapter of TAS. The name was chosen by Margaret Mecca - one of the original members who has since moved away. They still work on their applique projects, but the group is pretty free form and the members work on anything they want to bring at the meetings. They usually stick with hand sewing, but they wouldn't turn anyone away that showed up with a sewing machine.

They begin arriving at 9:00am and members just come and go throughout the day, staying as long as they are able. They each bring a lunch and just sit and enjoy each other's company. There is a general movement around the room where ladies go and observe what each other are working on and discussing their own projects. They bring Show & Tell and share their quilts with

the group during the meeting. They say the main focus of the group is friendship and for raising their quilt addiction levels.

They don't do any group projects and don't travel together to events, but are content to just have a place to go to get together and talk about quilting (or whatever comes up!).

The ladies in the 'core group' are Kathy Barrett, Sandy Mitchell, Mary Andra Holmes, Gloria Bess, Carolyn Doyle, Lynn Gray, Carolyn Edwards, Earlene Springs, Kathleen Bond, Marily Thompson, Suan Perry, Joan Carrell, Julie Dodd, Lynn Beck, Anne Abrams, Neva Franks, Karla Morriston and Maryann Conner. Thank you, Scattered Threads, for letting me come and visit!

### Kathy Beeson, Friendship Group Coordinator









### Catherine Ericsen 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. Nonmembers can advertise guilt related items for sale in our newsletter for \$15 per month.



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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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