Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

<u>August 2013</u>



Next TBQ Meeting: Monday, August 12, 2013 9:30am at American Evangelical Church

2013-14 Officers

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<u>August Birthdays</u>

Chris Anders Pat Armstrong Shirley Burns Diane Hieb Maggie Keller Connie Massner Melodie Merino Joan Moss Paula Pilcher Vickie Sawyer Shirlee Smith Mary Jane Steinhilpert Nancy Stewart Ann Stowell

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 some-thing 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

As I write this newsletter we have not yet had our first executive meeting. It is planned for the first Monday of the month. Our new committee chairs and I are looking forward to a busy and enjoyable year. At our first meeting I expect there will be a lot of discussion about our upcoming quilt projects for the families of the 19 hotshots and the Yarnell families. We will be asking for your help piecing and quilting for this project. If the first request that went out to members for the quilts for children is any indication of your generosity, I expect our goals will be easily met.

On Friday July 12 a group met to stitch labels onto the quilts members donated to the children of the 19. We packaged them in nice gift bags with tissue and delivered them to the fire station to be delivered to the children of the Prescott Hotshots. I know two of these quilts were donated by grandmothers that had made these quilts for there grandsons and donated them. A heartfelt thank you to you both and to all the members who stepped up and donated when asked given such short notice.

We still have a committee chair position open for Friendship Groups. It is a great way to get to know many members and what different projects the group is doing. By visiting the group you will be amazed by the projects each group has going, or just relax and visit to become acquainted with all of us.

Quilt Happy,

B. Johnson, President

Chuckle for the day:

Stressing figuring how much fabric to buy? Just skip the math and buy the bolt.

<u>August Hostesses</u>

Kate Browne Carol Brownlow Shirley Burns Betsy Bykerk Pam Calhoon Rosemary Carr Fran Chadwick Lynne Chamberlain Arlene Comon Maryann Conner

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

Kathleen Bond will be at the Mentors Table this month and will demo the Sew Easy Guide. Stop by and learn a quick way to make snowball blocks and sew diagonals with this easy tool.

> Susan Perry Mentors

Community Service

At the transition meeting of new committee members, we decided on several items for our Community Service projects for this upcoming year.

It's with great appreciation that I write to you. With your cooperation and quick response, our first request for quilts was for the children of the fallen firefighters, and we had an excess of the quilts needed for the children. Those were promptly labeled, packaged, and delivered to the appropriate fire station on Friday, July 12.

There were several quilts that were not given to the children as we had such a great response. These quilts will be used in one of the following endeavors.

The second request for your help is to produce quilts for the families of the firefighters. If you have one or many that you would like to contribute, please bring them to the next TBQ meeting, August 12. I will have labels for the quilts at the meeting and if any of you would like to sew on labels, please bring: needle, thread and thimble (if you use). Hopefully, these quilts can be taken to the fire station following the meeting.

Our third request for quilts are those that we plan to give to the Yarnell displaced residents.

We also want to make pillowcases and supply with pillows to the Yarnell residents.

Any and all help that you can supply will be appreciated not only by our guild, but also the recipients.

Kay Papa Community Service Committee

Company Store

Looking for an idea? Looking for deal? Looking for a few scraps of fabric to enhance your quilt or accessories to add to your collection? Stop by the Company Store and see what's happening.

Also accepting your usable discards:

When in doubt - <u>don't</u> throw them out.

Shirley Pichoff Company Store Chair

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Lynn Beck Program Chairman and Workshop Coordinator

July Program



Maryann Conner and her beautiful President's Quilt.

August Program & Workshop



Our August speaker is our own rising star, **Cindy Phare**. She promises to share some of her quilting secrets, play a few games and share some stories. Her "Big Bag" workshop will be on Monday following the meeting. The large tote is the perfect thing for carrying all your supplies to classes and

Cindy Phare

workshops. It also works beautifully for bringing quilts to guild for show and tell.

Workshop:

Monday, August 12, 2013 4 hrs. Cindy's "Big Bag"



We've had many requests for this Big Bag project to be taught and Cindy Phare is going to teach you how to make this gorgeous and very useable bag!

<u>September Program &</u> <u>Workshop</u>

In September we will have **Thom Atkins**. His lecture is titled "My Quilts, Start to Finish." He has a book out titled Beading Artistry for Quilts. The workshop is "Beads I, Bead Embroidery for Quilters."

Workshop:

Monday, September 9 & 10, 2013. "Beads I: Bead Embroidery for Quilters."



Thom Atkins

We will take a look at beads, their shapes, varieties of finishes, and their

use on quilts to create texture and color changes in the surface. We will learn the basic stitches for applying beads, and what they do to the surface of the quilt, and how the application of beads quilts the surface. This class is a process class. The student should have some prior knowledge of hand sewing and hand quilting.

October 2013 - Iris Lacey

October brings us a trunk show by our talented Iris Lacey. There will not be a workshop in October.



<u>DVD Library</u>

Check out the DVD Table . . . Informational & instructional DVD's are available to check out each month.

Doris Robak Coordinator

Our Opportunity Quilt Winner of 2013

Magical Midnight Garden goes home... (Submitted by Carolyn Edwards)

We were thrilled and honored to be able to present the Opportunity Quilt winner, Sunny Lutz, with her prize at the TBQ July meeting! And she was thrilled to get it! She admitted that she hadn't really remembered what the quilt looked like when she got our message that she was the winner, but as soon as she saw it, she fell in love with it all over again! It was a joy to witness her excitement over her \$5.00 quilt! She had purchased tickets at the Fort Verde Days Quilt Show last October.

Thanks again to all TBQ members for your hard work in selling tickets, and a special thank you to Designing Women for contributing a year of your lives to the quilt-making! Your efforts are appreciated!

A note from Sunny:



Hello Thumb Butte Quilters~

I'm so happy with this quilt and so thankful to all of you. So much work and creativity went into this project and I still can't believe it's mine. This quilt will forever be among my most

precious and prized possessions. One day I will pass it on to one of my daughters-in-law, but not for a long, long time. (and they might have to out bid each other for it! ha!)

My husband and I are remodeling the home we recently purchased in Cornville. Part of the design of this remodel will include a prominent place for this beautiful work of art.

I am inspired by your artistic talents, the creativity of a group working together and the graciousness of all of you.

Thank You.

Sunny Lutz

Congratulations, Sunny Lutz!

YARNELL FIRE QUILT PROJECT



Our Board met yesterday and proposed making quilts for the children of the firefighters who have been left fatherless. I sent an email to our members last night to let them know what we discussed. We are also planning on providing quilts for the families of our 19 heroes and a Memorial Quilt for the Firehouse where these men were stationed.

In addition, we would like to start making quilts for the Yarnell families who have suffered such devastating loss. They are such a small community (650 people) and most are retired and a number are disabled. The response from our Guild members has been overwhelming. We will be collecting the quilts for the children at our meeting on Monday, July 8. From the responses I've already received today, it looks like we may have them all on Monday. One of our member's husband is a Prescott firefighter and he has indicated that 19 firefighters have been designated as liaisons to the 19 families. He is going to make sure that our quilts are delivered by these designated firefighters to the 19 families. We have a wonderful group of women and they are so moved by this project and being able to help in some way. At the meeting, I will be requesting the additional quilts for the firefighters' families and a group to coordinate the Memorial Quilt. We will also begin making the quilts for the Yarnell families.

I know that we will have the quilts for the children and firefighters' families and the Memorial Quilt. If you are not a member of Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild and would like to make a quilt for one of the displaced families or donate fabric or batting, that would be greatly appreciated.

You may contact me at tbqpres@cableone.net if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Maryann Conner President, TBQ (2012-13)

Prescott Community Center Exhibit

Carolyn Edwards, Community Center Quilt Coordinator

Celebrate Summer! Celebrate all things patriotic! Celebrate your love of this great country we live in! Go see the "Yeah! Yeah! USA!" display of red, white, and blue quilts now hanging at the Adult Center (1280 Rosser Street in Prescott). It'll make you want to march to the music and sing "God Bless America"! BIG, big THANK YOU's to our quilters who have loaned quilts for this display: Chris Anders, Pat Armstrong, Fran Chadwick, Maryann Conner, Arlene Franz, Tina McCowan, Barbara Merkel, Sandy Mitchell, and Sue Weisshaupt. We're so glad you have shared! On hanging day, the Adult Center Staff told us that they play the "Which quilt is YOUR favorite?" game with each other and with the spectator public whenever there are new quilts. I cannot tell you enough how tickled they are to spend their days surrounded by quilts! Who wouldn't be, huh?! And after the quilts were hung, I went straight home and dug out the patriotic quilt project I started making a couple of years ago! "All sew!"

The red, white, and blue quilts will hang for a couple of months--through Labor Day. Up next will be PINK quilts. It wasn't my idea...but, of course, I liked it!! We will hang PINK quilts to encourage and spotlight Breast Cancer Awareness. If you have a PINK quilt that we can include in this display, please let me know!

<u>Quilt sizes needed:</u> LARGE--from 60" to 90" wide. (Any length.) SMALL--at least 45" wide, but not wider than 55". (Any length.)

Sharlot Hall Quilters

Carolyn Edwards, Coordinator



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 guilt frame and quilting has begun. The winning ticket was passed to Phoebe Ritter, needles are dancing along her marked lines...and the happy guilters 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 guilt frame! The guilt 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.

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