

Threadlines



Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild, Inc.

October 2009



Mark Your Calendar

Next Meeting – Oct. 12, '09

9:30am at Am. Luth. Church

Executive Committee Meets

Yavapai Hills Clubhouse

Newsletter Deadline

Oct. 20, 2009

October Hostesses

Please bring a snack to share

Kathleen Bond
Beverly Bowe
Charlotte Brennan
Kate Browne
Anne Burnham
Shirley Burns
Sally Buxton
Betsy Bykerk
Joan Carrell
Fran Chadwick
Lynne Chamberlin
Ruth Clarkson
Jeanne Sellers

October Birthdays Happy Birthday!

Betsy Bykerk
Susan Deal
Carolyn Edwards
Judy Eppler
Sara Fossett
Linda Gergen
Sandy Holderness
Mary Andra Holmes
Sandy Mitchell
Lorraine Owen
Sally Plummer
Connie Sieh
Caroly Stewart
Joanne Storer

President's Message

Welcome to October--- time for fall quilts, and fall and Halloween decorations. When my husband and I were B&B owners/operators, we had a guest from Australia who was attending a week long weaving class. She couldn't get over the fact that I made cob-webs and spiders and decorated the inn for Halloween. She took many photos to show her family what Americans do. They don't celebrate Halloween like we do. She said they had lots of cob-webs and spiders in their barn, and here I was spending time to make them!

Our September speaker had some really outstanding landscapes to share. I am sorry I had to leave early but I am looking forward to seeing some exciting show and tells from the workshop. We really do have some fantastic, creative ladies in TBQ and I for one always look forward to Show and Tell.

I would like to thank Lynn Rubel for volunteering to chair Quilt Camp that will be held in Spring 2010 and her committee.

We still need someone or someones to volunteer to make our next Opportunity Quilt for 2011. The lucky winner will be announced at the Quilt Show. I know it sounds like such a long time away, but having worked on one in the past, I know the sooner it is started the better off we will be.....more time to sell raffle ticketsmore time to bring in more money. However, no volunteers, no Quilt, it's as simple as that! Also, look around your sewing space. Do you have projects you will never finish, patterns and books that you wonder why they are in your house?..Good News!! We will be having a Silent Auction in January! You may bring things to Sandi Hoffman at meetings prior to January.

Another tidbit, you can go to the Prescott Library and make your own copy of Threadlines so you have your own copy or pick one up at the next meeting. We will have some available to give to visitors at our meetings.

Something else from our last board meeting. We decided that our guest speakers will be allowed to sell items, ie., books, fabrics, kits, etc., AFTER OUR MEETING --so they won't compete against the Company Store.

In August I found a book, Dresden Flower Garden, that someone left on the floor by her chair. I'll bring it to the next meeting.

See you on October 12th, following my trip to Seattle to celebrate 70th Birthdays with 4 friends from high school days.

Happy Creating, be it quilting, Art quilts or Fiber Arts!! Keep on Smiling!
Joanne Storer, Pres

September Program

(Submitted by Bunny Troup)

I hope you all enjoyed our guest last month, Barb Janson. I know I did. I heard several positive comments from our members during her presentation. I know, for me, it's always interesting to hear someone with an art background as they take me beyond the fabric selection, cutting, piecing and general mechanics of quilting to really looking at something with new eyes. And, with my limited art background that's always refreshing. Barb's hosts Jane Holland and hubby Al invited me to dinner to meet Barb on Sunday night before our meeting. I found her to be interesting and funny as we shared stories of our lives. I agree with one comment I heard that she had much information to share and I hope you all learned something from her visit.

Barb is this month's featured quilter for the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame. You can see her bio on arizonaquiltershalloffame.org. You will find her under Gallery/Featured Quiltmaker.

October Program

(submitted by Bunny Troup)

Susan Schrempf will be here in October to teach us silk ribbon embroidery by machine. Susan will only teach one project during the workshop—the crazy quilt. Those attending should have their crazy quilt patterns now to complete before the workshop; if not, contact Chris Anders for your copy. Susan will bring a generous supply of beautiful ribbons and other things to purchase. There will not be a kit fee for this workshop. She will also share the pattern for the tea towel so you can make it later if you wish.

Membership Musings

(submitted by Betsy Bykerk)

We have three new members to welcome to Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild:

Helen Manion, Kay Apodaca, Evelyn Pelletier

If present, we will introduce them at the October meeting.

Kay and Helen have been quilting about 10 years and

Evelyn 15 years. We currently have 142 members

Newcomer News

(submitted by Carol Peters)

Newcomer luncheon information will be announced at the meeting

Friendship Groups

We have been able to identify 19 mini-groups, as follows:

Appliquettes, Crazy Quilters, Creative Threads, Design Divas, Designing Women, Featherweights, Gad-A-Bouts, Hidden Stitches, Quilt History Bee, Quilt 'n Chicks, Quilting to the Nines, Roadhouse Quilters, Sassy Stitchers, Scattered Threads, Sharlot Hall Quilters, Stitchin' Sisters, Woolies, Yavapai Hills Quilters, and Zoo Group.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to e-mail me or feel free to call.

After looking over the list presented, it is possible you may know of another group that we don't.

If so, please call me to let me know who isn't included, and then add the name to the list above.

Workshop News

(submitted by Bunny Troup)

October 2009 Workshop: Susan Schremf teaches silk ribbon embroidery on your home sewing machine. She will be doing a 3 hour workshop the day of the meeting and a 6 hour class the next day. More information to come.

I've certainly learned a lot of teachers' names in the world of quilting lately. I've been in touch with a number of them to set up dates and I hope you enjoy the offerings. I'm torn between people thinking I'm being secretive and filling your newsletter with too much information too soon so I'll just say that I have now booked programs through next October so far and there are some interesting folks coming. Our programs will range from a lectures will include quilts of the 20th century, a children's quilt book author, color play, hand appliqué and fabric folding for texture. Workshops will include color play, hand appliqué, mini quilt portraits, dimensional quilting, and perhaps some wearable art techniques.

I hope you all are enriched or inspired by someone during our year of programs. Even if you don't try a particular style or technique, I hope you'll enjoy seeing what others out there are doing to keep time honored quilting traditions alive while also helping to introduce quilting to new audiences by highlighting ideas that may be fresh and new. Quilters love to share with others so the larger the quilting population the more sharing that can be done.

Prescott Community Center Exhibit

(submitted by Carolyn Edwards)

You still have time to see the "Black and White and Red All Over" quilt display at the Prescott Community Center! Head on over to 1280 Rosser Street in Prescott--you'll be glad you stopped by!

"Quilting in Circles" will be the next happening! If I haven't called you yet about your quilt, I will be!! I'm looking for quilts with circles, strips n' curves, Dresden plates. If your quilt is 'going in circles', c'mon, let's join the party!!

The display that will hang over the holidays will be "Trees, Trees, and More Trees". Please let me know if you have quilts to share. I'm also extending an invitation to any and all mini-groups who might want to hang a group display. Your mini-group's quilts can shine in the "Quilter's Spotlight". Put your heads together, and let me know if your group would like to be featured!

Quilt sizes needed are:

Large--from 60" to 90" wide, and any length. We need SIX.

Small--at least 45" wide, but no wider than 54". Any length. We need FOUR.

And, I have a Featured Quilter on the schedule to begin the New Year in the "Quilter's Spotlight"! Stay tuned to find out WHO! If you, too, would like to have your own personal quilt show, talk to me! How about sharing ten of your quilts over your birthday, or anniversary, or during a family reunion? Give me a call!

Downtown Quilts

Have you noticed the downtown quilts yet? We are lucky to live in an area that attracts lots of tourists. And when friends and family come to visit, it usually includes a trip downtown to walk around the Square.

Since April, thanks to Augustine Barron who volunteers in the Chamber of Commerce Tourist Information Office on the south side of the Square, a couple of quilts have been on display. Originally, two wallhanging size quilts were shared by Barbara Merkel and myself to publicize TBQ's Quilt Show, along with Quilt Show posters. When the Show was over, Robert Coombs, (Visitor Information Manager for the Chamber), expressed disappointment in no longer having quilts hanging. In discussions with Robert and Joanne Storer and Sam Logan (MTQ President), it was agreed to continue to display a couple of wallhanging size quilts at the Chamber of Commerce Tourist Information Office. Information is posted naming Thumb Butte Quilters and Mountain Top Quilters, along with contact names and phone numbers. Current quilts hanging have been shared by Joan Carrell and myself. Joan and I will be leading this 'quilters guild publicity' effort. Quilts will hang approximately two months, and are hung high, in no danger of being touched. If you have a small quilt (approximately 30" to 50" square or rectangler), please give us a call.

Also, have you seen the beautiful mural directly North of the Granite Street City Parking Garage? On the eastern end of that mural is a larger-than-life QUILTER! So...next time you're downtown, be sure to see the Quilts!

Company Store

(submitted by Cindy Phare)

There will be Company Store this month at the November meeting. There will be no Company Store at the November or December meetings. Remember to bring items to donate!

Monthly Block Raffle

(submitted by Susan Perry)

The latest winner of the Monthly Block raffle is (drum roll): Darlene Gatewood. Darlene won all the wonderful blue and brown stars created by Jeri Teisl. Everyone seemed to have fun and at least one quilter made a template so she can do even more of those wonky stars. Triple nine patch kits designed by Carolyn Edwards were sold in September; be sure to bring them back for the October raffle. October blocks will be square in a square in greens and pinks kitted by Sandie Hoffman and Susan Perry. Bring your \$2.00 as you won't want to miss out.

Community Service

(submitted by Sandy McGarry)

Just want to let you know that there are two new DVD's at the library for you to see. They are Ann Fahl Teaches You with Thread and Sally Collins Teaches You Precision Piecing. I hope you like them.

Susan and I will have some kits for at the next meeting hope you can help.

Upcoming Programs

October 2009 - The speaker for October is Susan Schremf. She is a designer of embellishment arts for the sewing machine and owner of Victorian Venture, a company dedicated to the preservation of the beauty of sewn embellishments through education and quality products. Susan loves to challenge the limits of technology with her creativity. "If it can be done by hand, certainly it can be done by machine", she says. She has been featured in several national publications. Her website is www.victorianventure.com. She will conduct a 3-hour class the day of the meeting and a 6 hour class the following day.

November 2009 - Monica Gonzales of Monica's Quilts and Bead Creation will again bring us "What is New At Market"

December 2009 - Christmas Party!

January 2010 - P.I.G. program and Gail Van Horsen lecture on "Quilts of the 20th Century"

Gail is a member of the quilt history group that Pam Jones belongs to. She live in PV and I thought she'd be a good choice as we have a shorter time than usual for a speaker due to the last dying gasps of the PIGS. There will not be a workshop with this program.

February 2010 - Heidi Pridemore of the Whimsical Workshop from Phoenix doing a lecture and workshop on Color Play. She will be bringing along fat quarters for all workshop participants to choose from and we'll learn about how colors work, or don't. I attended a three day quilt camp in Greer once where she was the teacher. .she's full of enthusiasm and fun.

March 2010 - Nancy Amidon from Poway, CA will do a trunk show and then have a workshop on hand applique using a bluebird design to teach techniques. This should be a good learning experience for folks as I understand Nancy is a very good teacher

Ways & Means

(submitted by Sandie Hoffman)

Don't forget, the Silent Auction will be held during the January meeting! We have our first donation! You will love it! I look forward to your donations and will accept them anytime. I will even pick up if need be.

This month we will be offering the opportunity for you to win a beautiful quilter's tote donated by Sara Fossett. It is black and gold. The bag measures 21 x 26 x 7. It has pockets inside and out. It will hold two completed quilts and then some. The set includes 4 utility bags to contain your sewing tools or notions. one 7" x 8", two 7 1/2" x 11", and one 16" x 21". Tickets will be available before the meeting and at break. A special thanks to Sara for her contribution.

Mentors

(submitted by Tina McCowan)

Mentor's will be demonstrating miter borders for quilts. If you have a special way for making your miter borders on your quilts, please bring a sample and show us. We are always willing to learn from our members.

At last month's meeting Alice learned from, Elizabeth Brown, a special way to fold your quilts to avoid a permanent vertical or horizontal crease when stored. She will demonstrate this awesome technique. Carol also learned a way to fold quilts from a Mountain Top Quilter she hosted and she will tell you about that technique as well. Again, if you have a special way of folding your quilts, please share it with us.

Practice your Color Confidence - @ breaktime - outside the front door: This month the color is BLUE! - sometimes a real challenge to match. Primary blue is frequently used in child's fabrics, but in most remaining quilting fabrics, blue is blended with black or white, red or yellow - which makes for a great big, sometimes-confusing color assortment to pick from. Stop by our display, bring your fabrics from home, and see how good your eye is in matching up BLUE.

Advertiser's Corner

(submitted by Julie Nanke)

TBQ Members, be sure to check out our advertisers' specials for this month 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.

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A new fabric collection has arrived called The Haunted Hallow by Red Rooster for your Halloween fun. It features a panel and all the coordinating fabrics to go with it.

Item for Sale

Pfaff Grand Quilter sewing machine, Inspira Quilting Frame & Stitch Regulator

\$1,750.00

The Pfaff GrandQuilter is a semi-industrial sewing machine designed for the home sewer. Sew up to 1600 stitches a minute. The Inspira Quilting Frame comes with the Quilter's Cruise Control Stitch Regulator. Machine includes automatic thread cutter, needle up/down, electronic adjustable speed control, large reverse lever, knee lift and more! Also included is a 18" x 24" extension table which converts the sewing machine to a table top model.

Contact Susan Gates Harms
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Odegards is having a 25% off special on thread. There is an unlimited purchase - one day only during the month of October.

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Looking ahead! National Quilter Lisa Maki of Crooked Nickel Quilts will be coming Monday, November 13th. She will be doing a workshop including a trunk show. Get your reservations in early if you are interested

Advertising on the TBQ Website:

Any member or vendor may place a camera-ready display of their business card on this website. The cost would be \$10.00 per month or \$108.00 for one year, prepaid. Prepaid ads include a 10% discount.

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 25 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 Jane Holland.