

Threadlines

Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild, Inc.



January 2011

Next TBQ Meeting-
Monday, January 10th, 2011
9:30am at American Lutheran
Church
Executive Committee Meeting-
December 6th, 2010 at Kathleen
Bond's house
9:30am

Birthdays December

Sunni Allensworth
Lynn Beck
Kathleen Bond
Kate Browne
Vera Flores
Marti Harbour
Jane Holland
Wanda Hughs
Barbara Hyslip
Pam Jones
Shirley Kelliher
Shawn Stencil
Bette Smith
Sue Weisshaupt.

Kathy Barrett
Birthday Drawing Committee

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Sandy Evans
Lani Fagen
Vera Flores
Sara Fossett
Arlene Franz
Marti French
Cindy Freshley
Susan Gates-Harms
Darlene Gatewood
Linda Gergen
Diane Grayson
Marti Harbour

Karla Morriston
Refreshments Committee



President's Message

Hello Quilters,

January is the month of New Year's Resolutions and New Beginnings. Many of us have committed ourselves to becoming a "better me." This may include improving our personal, family, spiritual, professional and artistic lives.

Personally, I have resolved to "being kind instead of right," and artistically finishing all of my quilt projects. Let's face it...we all want to be right, and we all have too much fabric and too many ideas.

I will begin by taking an inventory of my current quilt projects arranged by the order in which I want to finish them. By the way, if I can finish a quilt per month, I will be done in 2024. Eventually, I might even get down to my WOMBATS which means the quilts that were a Waste Of Material Batting And Time.

To celebrate their completion, I will begin an album of photos with a short note about the inspiration for each quilt I make, the fabric and technique selected, the dimensions, when it was completed, for whom it was made and why I liked it.

Are you inspired?

Remember, the Quilt Show is only six months away. So, you have plenty of time to complete a quilt in time for The Show.

I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous NEW YEAR!

Until our seams cross again,

Kathleen

P.S. Smeld – verb. – Sewing your project to your clothes (not a good way to begin the NEW YEAR).

December Program



What a great Christmas party we had! Congrats to Sam Logan and her team for a great job. There were beautiful angels for every table and games to be played. The food was delish with plenty for seconds.

Entertainment was provided by the chorale group "Classic Sounds" and they sang Christmas carols from around the world. The group includes our own Fran Chadwick they were excellent and received a standing ovation. The Classic Sounds are members of the Master Chorale from Yavapai College. They sing as Classic Sounds during the Christmas season for Acker Night and any other parties or club meetings.

Every one came dressed in festive attire and brought their jingle bell moods and their merry voices to sing along with our entertainment. A good time was had by one and all.



January Program

Gina Perkes has been winning 1st place and Best of Show awards in quilt competitions every year since 2003. Gina is a resident of Payson AZ. She has won numerous prestigious awards across the country including IQA's "future of quilting" top award in 2008. She has appeared and demonstrated her techniques on both "Linda's long arm quilting" and Ricky Tims' & Alex Anderson's "The Quilt Show". In 2007, Gammill invited her to be their National spokesperson and feature her in their ads. Most recently her "Tuscan Sun" quilt was on the cover of Quilters Newsletter magazine. Gina's Tuscan Sun quilt landed her the 2009 Future of Quilting Award at the 2009 Quilt Festival in Houston, Texas. Her trunk show will be a spectacular event not to be missed! Stop by the workshop table and ask to see her awards list it is a long one.

B. Johnson
Vice President

Membership Musings

TBQ's membership is now 139 members. We have room for 160. There is room for you to invite friends and neighbors to join us in all the interesting meetings and classes.

Betsy Bykerk
Membership Committee

Workshop News

February 2011 - Mary Lou Weidman.

Day 1 - 3 hr class: This workshop introduces new friends to the technique called "Hoochy Mama" which uses 4" strips of fabric to make wonderful traditional blocks wonky and fun. These blocks can make any everyday block into something interesting, exciting and fun and even better, once you get the hang of this technique and style, you can make a quilt in much less time. For baby quilts, hangings and gifts this is the perfect class. Come prepared to learn about color, value and a new way to make fabulous, funky blocks. Smiling and laughter is a part of this experience too.



Day 2 - 6 hr class: This class is for those students who know how to do the Hoochy Mama blocks or who have taken classes before and want to stretch even farther. We will be exploring "things" made of Hoochy Mama blocks, wild wild geese, flowers, cats and hats and more. This is for students to who want to get out of the box even farther...maybe even jumping high out of that box. If you want to stretch your creativity, this class is for YOU.



Programs preview for 2011

February 2011

Mary Lou Weidman is a professional quilter, spending about 6 months a year flying around the country giving lectures, demonstrations, workshops, to her publisher (she's written three books), and she has her own fabric line. Sort of the Martha Stewart of textiles. She started doing Story quilts with a folk art style that took the fancy of Museums and Galleries. It wasn't until later that quilters and shops enjoyed and understood her happy, whimsical style.

She has written three large books "Whimsies and Whynots," "Everyday Angels," and "Quilted Memories." Along with that she owns a pattern company that she does booklets and patterns for. Hoochy Mama quilts and Flower Power are two publications and technique books that are popular as she travels and teaches how to's.

Lecture -

"Quilted Memories and Celebrating YOUR life"

Lecture covers ideas of going back and considering how your life is different from other people's lives. What is important to say in a quilt and what will people know about you in years to come from your quilts? Lots of inspiration and lots of exciting colors and ideas.

Classes -

Mary Lou is a delightful, caring, kind, talented and sharing lady. She has a calm manner and gets the creative juices flowing – whether you are creative or not!

Hoochy Mama Quilts One of Mary Lou's favorite piecing methods produces blocks that are surprising and free in their form and color. She calls this technique "hoochy mama" piecing in honor of an 87-year-old student who would yell "Hoochy Mama!" each time she completed a block.

March 2011

Wilma Hitterman is a specialist in featherweight and treadle sewing machines. She will provide a lecture in the art of the treadle machine and quilting with this machine.

She comes from Payson and has a passionate interest in preserving these machines and the art of treadle machine quilting. She helped develop a separate judging category at the Rim Country Quilt Show for treadle machine quilting. Even if you do not have a treadle I believe you will find her knowledge of these machines fascinating. She will bring several machine heads and share the history of the treadle as well.



April 2011 Susan Cleveland

DVD Library

As you may know plans are in work for TBQ's very own Quilting DVD library. The goal is to have DVD's ready for member check out in January. What DVD's are you interested in? Do you have particular titles to recommend or subjects? Do you have any you'd like to donate? Perhaps you'd like to donate the cost of a DVD and have a special recognition label placed on a DVD of choice. We want to hear from YOU! Please contact Catherine Ericson, Jane Hofbauer or Susan Perry with your ideas. Thank you

Susan Perry
Coordinator



May 2011 Cindy Brick of Brickworks



June 2011 To be announced

July 2011 Birthday Party

August 2011 David Taylor

September 2011 Anita Shackelford will be coming.

October 2011 To be announced

November 2011 Linda Visnaw

December 2011 Christmas Party

Opportunity Quilt



The Opportunity Quilt was shown at the Stocking Stuffer Bazaar! Wow there were a lot of people coming through. We did very well. We also made the second page of the Courier on the following Monday! A picture from the entrance was taken and we were the first thing that was seen and we certainly stood out with our beautiful quilt in plain site!



they received. Hopefully, all of you can come forward and we can finalize the guild responsibilities on the Opportunity Quilt.

The invitation is still extended that you are able to send ticket stubs and money to Jeri Teisl at 4846 Comanche Trail, Prescott, Arizona 86301.

We are still hoping to be able to show the quilt at the Phoenix Colliseum at the end of the month, but still have not gotten the go-ahead yet.

If anyone needs extra tickets, please be sure to see Jeri Teisl to obtain them.

Jeri Teisl
Coordinator

Ways and Means

Nippers (two types) and retractable scissor holders with the TBQ logo are still available. Come and see me!

Thann Tolman
Ways and Means

Newcomer News

With the combination of New Year's celebration and the weather, it's probably best to skip the Newcomers' Luncheon for January. Hopefully, we'll get on track again in February. Mark your calendar for February 7th!

Maryann Conner
Newcomers Committee

Friendship Groups

Friendship Groups has nothing to report for this month.

Jean Ehlers
Friendship Groups Coordinator

Community Service

Community Service has nothing to report for this month.

Carol Perry
Community Service Committee

Mentors

Betty Foley will be demonstrating the Stack 'n Wack technique at the Mentor's table this month. This is her simple process of making those spiral designs she uses in all of her quilt backgrounds. Betty will make it seem so-o-o easy to use this same technique in your own quilts.

Carol Miller
Mentors

Company Store

Company Store is open for business! Come check out our bargains.

Hope you had a great Christmas.

Prescott Community Center Exhibit

The Christmas Quilts have been hanging at the Adult Center since November 22nd. I sure hope all of you have had a chance to stop by 1280 Rosser Street in Prescott to see them and soak up their Christmas joy and holiday spirit!

Next up will be quilts dancing to a theme of "Home Is Where The Heart Is". We're looking for quilts with house blocks, and quilts with heart blocks, and quilts with both houses AND hearts blocks! If you have a quilt to share along this theme, let me know! I'll be collecting them at January's TBQ meeting--January 10th--and we'll be hanging them at the Adult Center that week. They'll hang for two months--way, way up high where no one can touch them.

Quilt sizes needed are:

Large--from 60" to 90" wide, any length. (Need SIX.)
Small--at least 45" wide, but not wider than 55", and any length.
(Need FOUR.)

(Just so you know...I ask for these sizes and this many quilts, because that's the space that is available at the Adult Center. It's a magnificent place to display quilts! And it's TBQ's own private continually running Quilt Show! Plus...there is a lotta love laid on all quilts displayed there!)

If you have quilts to spare and quilts to share...call me!

Carolyn Edwards
Community Center Quilt Coordinator



Sharlot Hall Quilters



TBQ's Sharlot Hall Quilters loaded a new quilt into the hand quilting frame at Sharlot Hall on September 30th, and the quilting has begun!

The latest drawing for a 'hand quilting' took place at TBQ's September 13th meeting...and the winning ticket was held by Carolyn Edwards. Oh no! Can you believe that?! After all those tickets I bought for the March 8th hand quilting drawing and Karla Morriston held the winning ticket! Last time, I really wanted to win. This time, I just bought a few tickets to add some money to the 'income' pot! Well...what goes around, comes around! So, this time, I gave my winning ticket to Karla Morriston!

After much scrambling, Karla was able to get her quilt marked and basted on a timely basis! She was able to keep the Sharlot Hall quilters in business, and on 'living history' display, in record time! New rules are being formulated and will be distributed before the next hand quilting drawing takes place...but we have some time now until that happens! Karla's magnificent quilt top is a new one--a Ricky Tims pattern: "Rhapsody Reverie"--all hand appliqued. And now to be hand quilted! What a happy ending that will be! Stop by the Transportation building at Sharlot Hall Museum any Thursday morning between 10 a.m. and Noon. Check it out and/or add a few stitches! Karla is a fairly new appliquer, and look at this beauty she has created! She even added her hand quilting to her quilt on the day we loaded it into the hand quilting frame--her first time hand quilting in a big floor frame! Woo hoo! Hand quilting is alive and well!

Quilt Show 2011

Marketplace

The Creative Threads mini-group is busy producing a range of items for the Marketplace (the TBQ boutique). We are counting on member participation as well. What can you do? Make an item and bring it to TBQ to place in the donation bucket, donate materials (list below), make a muslin backed strip block (instructions below), or volunteer to take one of the unfinished items we bring to the monthly meetings. Thanks for your help!

Materials to donate: Embellishments (for small embellishment bags with lace, beads, yarn, buttons that will be sold at the show), polyfill (to stuff DD dolls and anything else we come up with) and Bali pop remnants.

Vignettes

Happy New Year! Happy Quilt Show Year! Happy New Quilt Show Theme! Happy New Quilt Show Chair! Wow! Did you catch all that? It's January 2011, and we are only FIVE MONTHS AND TWO DAYS away from this year's TBQ Quilt Show!!

Okay...so we had a little false start earlier. Just checking to see if you were paying attention! :-) Here's the real deal: TBQ's 7th bi-ennial Quilt Show is scheduled for Friday, June 3rd, and Saturday, June 4th, 2011, at Prescott High School. Set-up day will be Thursday, June 2nd. Mark your calendars! Save the dates! And don't be late!

The NEW Quilt Show theme is: "***Prescott Loves Quilting!***"

The following Vignette themes have been suggested:

Prescott loves Holidays ~
Prescott loves The Old West ~
Prescott loves The Arts ~
Prescott loves Home and Family ~
Prescott loves Antiques ~
Prescott loves Gardens ~
Prescott loves The Great Outdoors ~

If you and/or your mini-group would like to design one of these Vignettes, let me know! If you and/or your mini-group have another idea that you'd like to develop, let me know! The Show gurus are saying that we have space for more than seven Vignettes if we have enough able and willing designers!

Vignettes are a part of our TBQ Quilt Show where we feature small, room-size areas set up within the Quilt Show space. Go to the 'Quilt Show' icon on our website, and look at past Quilt Shows. There have always been Vignettes to tickle the fancy of the Show spectators.

Each Vignette needs a leader--a Designer--an organizer who will rally a friend or two, or her mini-group, to say "We can do that!" When you agree to be a Vignette Designer, you will bring together site decor around the Vignette theme of your choice. You will have about 20 quilts to arrange and display within your Vignette space. You do not have to gather up all the quilts for your Vignette. TBQ members will enter quilts according to the Vignette themes. Quilts entered in a Vignette category may have hung in previous TBQ Quilt Shows.

So...what do you think? Can I count on you to be a Vignette Designer? I'll be waiting to hear your enthusiastic shouts of "Yes! Yes, I want to be a Vignette Designer!" Woo hoo! Call me! Don't be afraid, you can call me!!

Past Presidents and Their Quilts

The following are photos of Past TBQ Presidents and the quilts they have received.

Enjoy!

1995 - 1996

Tren Conner and Bette Smith
Founding Co-chairpersons



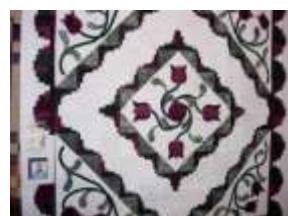
1996 - 1997

Susan Smith



1997 - 1998

Judy DeVault



1999 - 2000

Jan Strecher



2000 - 2001

Sandy Evans



2001 - 2002

Kathy Beeson



2002 - 2003

Sara Powers



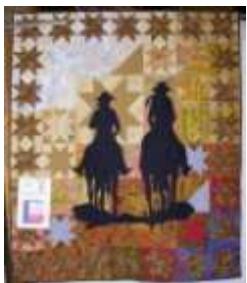
2003 - 2004

Jean Ehlers



2005 - 2006

Candace Tomlinson



2006 - 2007

Margaret Mecca



2007 - 2008

Carolyn Edwards



2008 - 2009

Linda Gergen



Jennifer Eakman



2010 - 2011

Joanne Storer



2011 - 2012

Kathleen Bond



Advertiser's Corner

**Joanne Storer
Advertising**

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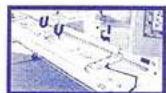
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