# **Threadlines**

Thumb Butte Quilter's Guild, Inc.

April 2008



## Mark Your Calendar Next Meeting - Apr. 14, '08 9:30am at Am. Luth. Church Executive Committee Meets Apr. 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am Yavapai Hills Clubhouse Newsletter Deadline April 20, 2008

## **April Hostesses** Please bring a snack to share

Jane Holland Mary Andra Holmes B. Johnson Pam Jones Hazel Karatov Maggie Keller Shirley Kelliher Marge Larimer Sam Logan Beverly Markham Susie Martin Kay Massa

#### **April Birthdays**

Jamie Bennett Gloria Bess Elizabeth Brown Ruth Clarkson Linda Coppola Carolyn Doyle Sandy Evans Lani Fagan Nan Hawley Dorothy Henry Linda Hill Carol Miller Jean Norris Mary Ogle Pam Peters **Lorraine Pickering** Sheila Smith Susan Sweet Gale Willcox

#### **President's Message**

April is the fourth month in the Gregorian calendar and it has remained at 30 days since the Julian calendar reform of 46BC. The derivation of the name, which is "Aprilis" in Latin, is uncertain. The Latin word "aperire" means "to open", which refers to its being the season when trees and flowers begin to open. Since most of the Roman months were named in honor of divinities; and as April is suggested to be sacred to Venus, it has been thought that "Aprilis" was originally her month. The Anglo-Saxons called April "Oster-monath or Eostur-monath", the period sacred to the pagan Saxon goddess of spring "Eostre or Ostara", from whose name is derived the modern Easter.

All in all, flowers and trees seem to be the theme for the month, and that sounds great to me for a quilt. At every meeting I have attended lately, flowers and flower patterns seem to be everywhere. Bring all those lovely floral quilts to our April Show and Tell!

Also, all of those wonderful and talented winners at the AQG show, bring your quilts and ribbons for Show and Tell!

Our April program will be Dennis Jones, a quilt designer, quilt maker and long-arm quilter.

We also have an exciting event coming in April with the Quilters' Silent Auction. Be sure to print an entry form off of the website, and bring your "stuff "to Alice at 8 am, before our 9:30 April meeting, if you haven't given them to her already. The time is important, as the committee hopes to have the items ready for bid by 8:30. This is a great time to clean out your sewing room. Remember, we are marching on into spring, new beginnings and fun new projects. Those projects could very well be your quilting friend's spring project. If the item does not "sell", it will be yours to take home. All of the proceeds will go towards our wonderful speakers, classes and fun times at TBQ. The committee is requesting "checks" for payment, so they do not have to be concerned with making change.

Don't forget to buy your tickets for a chance to have your quilt hand-quilted by the Sharolt Hall Quilters. Linda Hill, Ways and Means Chairman, will have tickets available.

"Sunshine and Smiles" to Jeri Teisl and the friendship group of Creative Threads. A great article and photo by Phyllis Myers was featured in the March 2008 <a href="Homesteader">Homesteader</a> newspaper, which is mailed to many new home owners, and serves the towns in the Tri-City area. Sue Weisshaupt and Jeri Teisl have agreed to co-chair our 2009 Quilt Show. Although new to us, they are by no means new to quilting! They will do a wonderful job. Please remember to give them all the support you can, and when they ask you to help, HELP!

"Sunshine and Smiles" to Tony Comon, Arlene's husband. Tony donated his talent and tools and repaired our hand quilting frame at the Sharlot Hall Museum. If you have not stopped by the Carriage House at the Museum on Thursday mornings between 10 am and 12 noon to watch or participate in this wonderful TBQ endeavor, please do. Hand quilting will also be featured by TBQ at the Prescott Folk Art Fair.

#### Notes:

- 1 Hopi Quilts will be on display at the Smoki Museum in Prescott through June 15, 2008.
- 2 The Adult Center exhibit of quilts has changed to "Gone to Pieces". Check it out! It will remain on display until May 2, when the display will change to "Welcome to My Garden". Great job Carolyn and Mary Andra!
- 3 Quilt Camp is set for June 10 and 11. Sign up now, as there are not too many openings left!
- 4 Membership dues of \$30.00 are due by June 15! Jane Hofbauer, Membership Chairman, will be accepting checks at the April meeting. Be sure and get your dues in! I am sure none of us wants to lose our membership!

Please enjoy our wonderful upcoming spring with all of the flowers and lovely weather!

Taking one stitch at a time,

Linda

## **April Program**

(Submitted by Alice Obrenovich)

Are you ready for the silent auction at the April guild meeting? Over 30 items were turned in and many of you lucky ladies have a chance to purchase completed quilt tops, patterns and sets of blocks. The items will be ready for bids by 8:30 AM on guild day until the end of the break. At the end of the meeting winners of the bids will be announced. Don't forget to bring your checkbooks, I know there is something in the auction that you just MUST have. Thank you so much to all who contributed something for the auction.

Also in April we welcome Dennis Jones who will talk about his life as a quilter, share some of his beautiful quilts he designed, made and machine quilted. I think everyone will enjoy his visit with us.

## March Program

What a treat it was to have Sharyn Craig one last time before she retires! Her lecture and trunk show was entertaining as well as informative. Everyone who attended her workshop said it was one of the best they had ever taken. She was a gracious lady and everyone who got to know her enjoyed her.

# Membership Musings (submitted by Jane Hoffbauer)

Membership renewals will begin at our April meeting. Membership renewals are due **before** June 15. Avoid the last minute rush! I will be happy to take your \$30 membership renewal check in April near the membership table.

As always, please remember to send me an email with any changes to your home address, email address, or phone number.

#### Newcomer News

(submitted by Joan Carrell & Susan Perry)

After our March meeting, 14 of us enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Prescott Brewing Company. We were all busy sharing plans to finish those loose blocks after hearing all of Sharyn Craig's ideas and looking at her beautiful quilts. After our April meeting we will be gathering at Murphy's and we invite all long time members to get to know the newer members. Please raise your hand at the meeting when we take a count to see how many will be joining us. Hope you can come!

# Silent Auction Planned for April Guild Meeting

Was your P I G not chosen for the first or second time at the January meeting and now you don't want to finish it? Did you purchase that kit and just never got around to making that quilt? Have you started a project and for some reason lost interest in completing it? There is a solution to at least one of these unfinished projects!

The Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild is sponsoring a silent auction at the April 14 guild meeting. Any unfinished "quality" project you no longer want would be a most welcome donation. You may no longer want it but to someone else it might be a "TREASURE".

Please look through your closet, your chest of drawers or sewing room for any such "quality" project and consider donating it to our silent auction. Any "quality" started project, new project, or kit is needed. If you have the pattern, fabric to finish the project, or a complete kit, that would be a bonus.

There is a copy of the form needed to submit your project to be completed on the website. You may turn in your project and form to me at the March meeting, or bring both to the April meeting before 9:00 A M. If you want to turn them in at the April meeting, please phone or e-mail me before the meeting. This will tell me how to plan for the silent auction. There will be possible projects as examples shown at the February guild meeting and more explainations given.

This will be fun, so I hope many of you who have unwanted, unfinished projects will help them find an new happy home.

## **Workshop News**

(submitted by Alice Obrenovich)

In May our program will be a lecture by **Lynn Kough**, titled, "How Did I Get From There to Here?" Her workshop, Adventures in Black and White, is not full so I know you will want to see Chris and sign up. Chris can show you what you will be learning and making in an article with photos in the American Quilter magazine. Let's fill that workshop soon.

June brings our very own **Susan Deal**, her program titled, "The Design Process, A Personal Viewpoint" I know everyone will want to be there for this program presented by one of our most talented members.

July, our **Birthday party**theme is A Picnic in the Park.
You are encouraged to dress
as if you were going to a real
picnic. The food will be
delicious, the entertainment
excellent. You will be glad you
went!

Spring is almost here, so enjoy with renewed interest all of those unfinished projects, or start a new one!

## **Community Service**

(submitted by Jennifer Eakman)

It's hard to believe April is upon us already and spring is blooming. This is the month to turn in our list of books to the library!

This is what is on our list:

- 1. Fabric Leftovers by D'Arcy-Jean Milne
- 2. Creative Sketch Books for Embroiders & Textile Artist by Kay Greenless
- 3. **Quilting the Garden** by Barb Adams & Alma Allen & Ricki Creamer
- 4. Quilting: The complete Guide by Darlene Zimmerman
- 5. **DVD: At home with the Experts** by Ann Fahl #6
- 6. **DVD: Precision Piecing at home with the Experts** #5 by Sally Collins
- 7. **DVD: Beading on Fabric at home with the Experts** #4 by Mary Stori
- 8. **DVD: Stitched with Love a mothers fabric legacy** by Robyn Pandolph
- 9. **DVD: Appliqué the Piece of Cake Way** at home with the Experts #1 by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins
- 10. DVD: Carol Doak teaches Paper Piecing at home with the Experts #2
- 11. **DVD: 9 Patch Stars book & CD** by Carol Doak
- 12. **DVD: Beginning Quiltmaking at home with the experts** #8 by Dians McClun and Laura Nownes
- 13. DVD: Joyce Becker teaches you landscape quilting at home with the Experts #3
- 14. **DVD: Simple Steps Dynamic Art Quilts at home with the Experts** #7 by Katie Pasquini Masopust
- 15. **DVD: Machine Embroidery Makes the Quilt** This is an 80 page book & CD 6 projects &26 designs by Patty Albin
- 16. DVD: Mariners Compass 24 paper piece blocks & 9 easy Quilt projects
- 17. **Feather weight 221 The Perfect Portable Expanded** 3rd Edition by Nancy Johnson-Srebro
- 18. Machine Embroidery & More Ten Step by Step Projects Using Border Fabrics & Beads
- 19. Mastering Machine Applique 2nd Edition by Harriet Hargrave
- 20. 9 Patch Pizzazz by Judy Sisneros

I HOPE THE \$300 WILL BUY ALL OF THESE......
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE!

Thanks to the many that came to me last month and volunteered to do bindings on the VA lap quilts!

June's delivery is just around the corner and thanks again for making those machines hum and your fingers fly!

## **Prescott Community Center Exhibit**

(submitted by Carolyn Edwards)

There's a new display of quilts at the Prescott Adult Center! Stop by 1280 Rosser Street to check it out!

With a theme of "Gone to Pieces", we asked for quilts with a zillion million pieces. Thanks to Chris Anders, Kathy Beeson, Susie Martin, Sandy McGarry, Barbara Merkel, Sandy Mitchell, and Lorraine Owen, the quilts now hanging have a total of 16,999 pieces for you to feast your eyes upon!

These quilts will hang until May 2nd, when the new theme will be "Welcome to My Garden". We'll be looking for quilts with birds and bees and flowers and butterflies. A Sunbonnet Sue would be a good addition to the garden, as well as picket fences and birdhouses. Let me know if you have quilts to show and share!

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.

## **Upcoming Programs**

**April 2008** Dennis Jones, quilt designer, quilt maker, and long arm quilter. Dennis will share with us how he got started quilting and will share some of his quilts with us.

**May 2008** Lynn Kough will be doing a lecture and workshop. Her topic will be "How Did I Get Here From There?" The workshop on Tuesday will be "Adventures in Black and White".

**June 2008** Susan Deal will be doing a slide show and trunk show for us.

July 2008 Installation of new officers and Birthday Party. The theme of this year's party is "A Picnic in the Park".

**August 2008** Jean Ehlers & Kathy Beeson will be doing a program on Ergonomics and Quilting.

**September 2008** Colleen Wise will be here in September. She is the author of Casting Shadows. You can see her quilts and more information about her at www.colleenwise.com

**October 2008** Bren of Brensan Studios in Scottsdale will be with us. She will present a trunk show of wearable art she designed and created. Her patterns will be available for purchase after the meeting.

**November 2008** Monica Gonzales of Monica's Quilt and Bead Creations in Palm Desert, CA. Her topic will be, "What is new at Market?" New items will be available for purchase after the meeting.

December 2008 Christmas Party!

## **Advertiser's Corner**

(submitted by Jane Holland)

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



INBRO will be coming soon to 21<sup>St</sup> Century Sewing! This is a single Needle multicolored, automatic threading embroidery machine and the trace is done with a laser!



You'll get 20% off fabric with blue in it on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, when you show your TBQ name tag or membership card.



From March 25<sup>th</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup> 50% off selected fabrics, kits, & Patterns. Now carrying Jinny Beyer 'Coventry' fabric.



During April you can get 25% off one book. This offer is good one time only.



A Quilter's Dream has 'Free Sew Mondays' where you can Sew all day without interruptions. Monday is Quilter's Day where there is 10% off regularly priced merchandise.



Wanda would like TBQ members to stop by her shop if you're in the Yuma area and say Hello!



You'll get 30% off an in-stock notion item. There is a limit of one per customer

## Can you help......

Peggy Harmon is looking for applique block patterns called 'Flourishes' by Piece O Cake that were from an applique class taught by Tren Conner. If you can help her with this, please contact her.

### 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.

# **Company Store**

(submitted by Susie Martin)

Hi y'all, The Company Store may not be selling things this next meeting, but we will be accepting donations, especially fabric. So rummage through your stash, because we all have what is known as "boyfriend fabric." That is fabric that you love and adore... initially. But after a while, you wonder what you were thinking in buying it. So give it a fond last kiss goodbye and pass it along. Someone else just might see what you saw when you bought it! Thanks to everyone for supporting the Store.

## Library Quilt Display 2008

(submitted by Susan Perry)

Have you been to the Prescott Library to see the wonderful TBQ quilt display? The quilts will be hanging through April. Many thanks to Betsy Bykerk, Tren Conner, Jennifer Eakman, Florence McLean, Susie Martin, Lorraine Owens, Nyla Paulsen, and Candace Tomlinson for lending their beautiful quilts for everyone to enjoy.

## **Quilt History Bee**

Do you have a yearning for knowledge of quilt history? So do we! And we'd love to have you join us!!

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Cloth Plus, 6479 E. Copper Hill Drive in Prescott Valley.

We show and share antique quilts and study favorite quilt history topics. Come learn with us!

If you have questions, contact Carolyn Edwards.

## Quilt Camp 2008

(submitted by Kathy Beeson)

**Date:** June 10 & 11, 2008

**Place:** Quality Inn in Prescott, AZ

Speaker: Cindie Biar from Mesa, AZ

**Class:** Square In A Square Technique - This technique uses a special ruler designed by Jodi Barrows who has written many books with patterns and instructions for lots of different blocks. Cindie will be teaching as many different techniques for using this tool as we can fit into the 2 day camp.

**Cost:** \$120.00 (includes food). Quality Inn has offered us a special rate for people that would like to stay overnight. Rooms would be \$89.00 for double occupancy (plus tax). Please consider staying overnight. We have had rooms held to complete our contract with Quality Inn and the rooms must be paid for by the guild even if they are not rented.

The Square In A Square ruler must be obtained for the class so if you don't already have one, you can get one from the Quilt Camp Committee for \$10.00.

Rulers are normally \$20.00!

Fun: GREAT!