

Threadlines

THUMB BUTTE QUILTERS' GUILD, INC.

March 2014



Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, March 10, 2014
9:30am at
American Evangelical Church

2013-14 Officers

President - B. Johnson
Vice President - Lynn Beck
Secretary - Betty Foley
Treasurer - Lynne Gray

March Birthdays

Pam Calhoon
Fran Chadwick
B. Johnson
Sandy McGarry
Kay Papa
Patti Taber
Bunny Troup

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.

Mary Andra Holmes
Birthday Drawing Committee

President's Message



Have you seen the Downton Abbey fabric Collection "The Women's Collection." I confess I am a Downton Abbey super fan; I've watched this PBS TV series from the beginning. The period costumes are the first things that hold my attention, they are so absolutely beautiful. They were the inspiration for the new fabric collection by Kathy Hall for Andover. Each of the four main aristocratic women's characters have their collections named after them and reflect their taste and fashion style.

The main character Violet Crawley, the Dowager Countess, is the bold and elegant family matriarch and the fabric named after her are prints and paisleys as large as her presence. The gray, purple and black shades come straight from her wardrobe and the patterns reflect her flair.

Lady Mary is a breathtaking beauty. Mary's fabrics reflect her poise, strength and style with jewel tones in burgundy, blue and green.

Lady Edith is avant-garde in her sense of taste. Edith's collection features fashion-forward colors and designs from the post-Edwardian era, suggestive of the transition toward art deco; this shows in the stylized floral patterns.

Lady Sybil bold geometrics and large florals in her collection reflect Sybil's kindness, cheer and dynamic character. Her colors are dark seafoam and blue gray, as well as mauve and purple.

I am definitely going to be making a Downton Abbey quilt. I have looked at the fabric and find it difficult to make a choice which collection I will go with or how to put together the patterns and colors. The decision is challenging because I know the characters so well having been a fan of the series for so long. I have narrowed my choices down though to either the collection of the Dowager Countess played by Maggie Smith or the beautiful Lady Mary's collection. So go to the fabric store and check this collection out it may inspire you as well.

Until next month my Quilty Friends

B. Johnson, President

March Hostesses

Tommie O'Sullivan
Lorraine Owen
Kay Papa
Nyla Paulsen
Carol Perry
Susan Perry
Carol Peters
Pam Peters
Cindy Phare
Shirley Pichoff

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 Morrison
Refreshments Committee

Mentors

Thanks so much to Betty Foley and Lynne Gray for sharing their methods of bling at February's meeting. If you missed the information (or, like me, don't remember if you don't write it down), here's the scoop:

Betty uses Liquid Stitch to hold all sorts of embellishments (even the heavy medallions). She also uses Tulip Glitter to paint on her quilt tops.

Lynne gets her crystals

from <http://www.designbydawn.com/beads.htm> or <http://www.firemountaingems.com/>

This month Gloria Bess will demonstrate Big Stitch hand quilting. It's a great way to add some pizzazz to your small quilt projects and goes faster than the more traditional hand quilting. Come see Gloria at the Mentor's Table.

Susan Perry, Mentor

February Show & Tell of the Month by Sharon McAllister



Reimbursement Forms

There are forms available on-line for committee members that need to be reimbursed for purchases made for the guild. If you do not have internet access, the Treasurer can help you.

Company Store

Do members of your family ever feel neglected by the time you spend quilting?

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Shirley Pichoff & Lorraine Owen
Company Store

Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Lynn Beck, Program Chairperson
Chris Anders, Workshops Chairperson

February Program



Sandy Klop came to our guild in February to do a trunk show and tell us about her wonderful quilts. She has such a sense of color and fun in her quilts which were a complete joy to see and hear about. Over the years I've seen many of the fabrics she has designed and always enjoyed the memories they brought back of vintage style

prints and children's story books. She incorporates all of her fun fabrics beautifully into her fabulous quilts. All of the quilts she brought were photographed and you can see them here. If you weren't able to attend the meeting, I'm sure you will enjoy seeing her quilts on Flickr.

You can also see pictures of the two workshops she offered to the guild.



March Program



This month we have Charlie Odegaard coming to talk to us about our machines. He has agreed to pick up machines for servicing. If you would like to have Odegaard's service your machine, bring it to the meeting. Charlie is also bringing store gift certificates that will be given as door prizes. Don't

miss the meeting!

April Workshop

Bari J. Fabric Collage

Bari J. will join us in April. Bari J. is an author and pattern designer living in Scottsdale. She will be teaching a half-day class on fabric collage.



I love fabric collage. I think it works on just about anything. I've done wall hangings, pillows, embellished sweaters, quilt edges, jeans and lots more.

Bari J.

For more information on Bari J., Visit her website here:

www.barijdesigns.com/

May: Larry Gonzales of Retro Clean will be speaking about caring for vintage textiles. His wife Mindy will be teaching us how to make presentation bags for special gift quilts.

July: Birthday Party!

August: August's speaker will be Gina Halladay of The Threaded Pear Studio.

Ways and Means

Anne Abrams, Ways and Means Chairperson

Two Vintage Quilts



February 2014 saw the first drawing for vintage quilts take place and the winner is (rolling drums)... Kathleen Bond!

Kathleen chose the "Crazy Fans" quilt and took home her newly acquired treasure to love and cherish.

At our March meeting, the next winner will be drawn and she'll choose between the "Tied Diagonal Brick Road" and the "Thom Atkins" quilts. The winner will be announced on our webpage the following month.



Raffle tickets are sold 3 for \$2.00 and 7 for \$4. Increase your chances to win!



NEW Fund raising!!!! Mug with spoon!!!!

Don't you feel like a healthy dose of caffeine or your favorite drink to boost your energy levels when you sew?

Here come our Thumb Butte Guild mugs to help you sustain your sewing efforts!

Each mug with its own personal spoon sells for \$8.00. Make sure you have yours and why not buy a second one as a gift?

For all the ladies purchasing their mug(s) at the March meeting, there will be a **little surprise gift** ☺



Get rid of your UFO's!!!

Thumb Butte Guild is organizing a silent auction for your UnFinished Objects. This will give you the opportunity to clear your sewing room by bringing to the Guild the projects you realize you won't complete.

The auction, taking place in July 2014 will be a lot of fun, thanks to you all – some amazing UFOs have landed in my care and can't wait to be finished.

Aha... this gives me an idea... but I'll speak about it at our March meeting.

Thimbleberries Village: Block of the month project, complete with the 12 blocks, out of which 3 have already been made. Each bag includes the pattern and fabric. Will be auctioned as a whole.

Party with Patrick: 3 small projects:

- For the Birds: 8" x 24 ½" banner
- Garden Gal: cover for 14" pillow
- Let them eat cake: 8" snack/mug mat

All three complete with pattern and fabrics. Auctioned separately.

I Spy Quilt top: fit for a single bed 61" x 82 ½". The top is finished, all you need is the batting and backing of your choice to make a little boy happy!

Angels: Seven appliqué blocks are at different stage of completion, and there is background fabric for 3 more blocks. Let your inspiration do the rest to assemble the blocks as they are of varied sizes (from 10 3/8" x 10 ½" to 10 ¼" x 14 ½"). Comes with fabric, templates and pattern.

Landscape: pretty much done, needs some embellishments and/or finishing touches. Size is 50 ¾" x 34".

Dresden baskets: another appliqué project where each block measures 12" square. Template, fabric and pattern are included.

Mariner's compass: 3 individual blocks, as is. Maybe for a pillow cover?

*I am still looking for more UFO's –
the more, the merrier!*

Thank you!!!

YARNELL FIRE QUILT PROJECT



Quilts for Yarnell Families and Prescott Fire Fighters' Widows, Children and Surviving Fire Fighter

We are at the finish line for the Yarnell quilts. We have 8 quilts left to be quilted. Several quilted quilts have been picked up and are in the process of quilting, binding and labeling. We thank all members of both TBQ and MTQ Guild for all their dedication and hard work on this project and we will let you know when we have completed the process. The final workshop on is on the 28th of February at Seams Sew Right and an email will be sent out to confirm or cancel this workshop.

If you have a quilt you are finished with please contact me and I will pick it up or bring it to Seams Sew Right on the 28th.

B. Johnson, TBQ President

Community Service

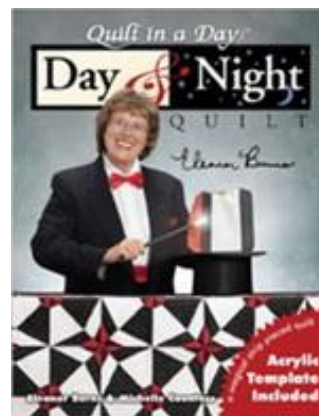
We have lots of sewing left to finish the quilts for the Yarnell residents. We need help from 'ALL' of our members to complete this monumental task. Plan to attend a workshop; bring your sewing machine and sew while there.

Remember, this is a Thumb Butte Quilt Guild project and everyone is encouraged to participate.

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!!!!!!!!!!

B. Johnson, Community Service Committee

DVD Library



Quilt In A Day/ Day & Night by Eleanor Burns

Eleanor Burns performs magic as she simplifies a formerly difficult pattern with ease. Day & Night will mystify, enchant and entertain you. She adds two additional projects; Mini Star Quilt and Spider Web Quilt made from the cut-away scraps.

Doris Robak, DVD Coordinator

Prescott Community Center

Hopefully, you'll all have a chance to roll on over to see Grandma's Quilt Collection at the Adult Center (1280 Rosser Street). Check out our current display of roly-poly quilts while they are still hanging! (Did you know that Ruby McKim did a collection of Roly Poly Circus Quilt patterns? Yup! Look for her embroidery designs--originally published in 1923!)

New and fun quilt exhibits will be coming up soon. We are now collecting for "Hoppy Spring"! If you have a quilt of soft pastels, flowers, bunnies...anything that reminds you of Spring...we'd like to include it in our next display. Let me know if you have a quilt to share. We'll be changing the quilts probably during the third week of March. Bring your Spring quilts to the March TBQ meeting. (Haven't we been lucky to have had such a Spring-like 'winter' while the rest of the Nation is buried under three feet of ICK?!)

When Spring quilts come down, we'll want to hang RED, WHITE and BLUE patriotic quilts for the summer holidays--Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day. And shouldn't we end a long, hot summer 'fanning ourselves'?! Next, look for a FAN quilt display of both New and Antique Fan quilts.

So...that's what's coming up. Let us know if you have quilts that we can include as part of any one of these gorgeous quilt displays at the Adult Center. The more participation we have, the more variety we have! Call me!

Quilt sizes/quantity needed:

LARGE (6): from 60" to 90" wide, any length.

SMALL (4): at least 45" wide, but not wider than 55".

Carolyn Edwards
Community Center Quilt Coordinator

Chamber of Commerce Exhibit

With the New Year, five new little quilts are now adorning the walls of the Prescott Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. They were made by some of the Crazy Quilters friendship group members: Jan Adams, Kathleen Bond, Carolyn Edwards, Pat Folsom, and Geo Mickelson. So, if you're downtown, walking around the Square, peek into the Visitor Center!

Quilts at the Visitor Center publicize the Quilters Guilds in the area and have continually been on display since April of 2009. This is a joint project shared by Thumb Butte Quilters and Mountain Top Quilters Guild. Because of the space, the quilts are small (no bigger than 30" x 30"), and they're up high enough that they are very safe.

Current quilts will be up for a couple of months. Then we'll be looking for a few little Spring quilts. If you have any that will 'fill the bill', let me know!

**Carolyn Edwards, Coordinator for
Chamber of Commerce Exhibits**

Sharlot Hall Quilters

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

Maryann Conner, Coordinator



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Catherine Ericson, Advertising

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