

THREADLINES

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Mark Your Calendars

Next Meeting August 13, '07
NEW LOCATION!!

The American Evangelical
Lutheran Church.

Directions please see page 2.

Executive Committee meets
August 14, '07 - 9:15 a.m.
Yavapai Hills Clubhouse

Newsletter Deadline
August 20, 2007

August Hostesses
Please arrive by 8:00 a.m.
Deborah Rose Salazar
Vickie Sawyer
Georgia Scimeca
Beverly Sesow
Bettie Setz
Connie Sieh
Bettie Smith
Judy Smith
Sheila Smith

Happy Birthday!

Chris Anders	Kay Harlan
Pat Armstrong	Peggy Harmon
Shirley Burns	Maggie Keller
Joan Carroll	Melodie Merino
Joan Newton	Jennifer Eakman
Paula Pilcher	Vickie Sawyer
Judy Smith	Mary Jane Steinhilpert
Nancy Stewart	Nancy Stone
Rose Tuttle	Ann Stowell

President's Message – August 2007

August.....named in honor of the Roman Emperor Augustus Caesar, because many of the important events in his life happened around that time of year. And, so it is for me.

As I began this TBQ year as your President, I want to thank the many of you who “stepped up” and became part of my team for the coming year. I am a very lucky lady, and quilter, to have you with me!

Next I want to thank all of the members who have congratulated me and offered support and well wishes, both in the presidency as well as in my personal life. I am feeling much better, and plan to continue to do so in the upcoming weeks and months.

“Sunshine and Smiles” to the wonderful Luau Committee that planned the special event for our 12th Birthday! Did you know that two of our committee have strong ties to Hawaii? (Actually there are three. Margaret Mecca thinks she was born there in another life.) Barbara’s Merkel’s mother was born in Hawaii, and Lani Fagen was born and raised there. She came to the States to complete some of her high school years and college.

“Sunshine and Smiles” to our wonderful ladies who quilt at the Sharlot Hall Museum! They are almost finished with the current quilt, and are looking forward to quilting another one. What a wonderful group to have our TBQ name connected with! So many children, adults and tourists enjoy seeing the quilters work their magic. What an incredible piece of history to keep alive!

Don't forget, we have a new meeting place on August 13. We will be at the American Lutheran Church on Scott Drive in Prescott. There is an informative map and directions on the TBQ Website thanks to our Webmaster, Kathy Beeson, and Carolyn Edwards, who did a drive-around. There is a new Newsletter procedure. If you want to receive a hard copy of the current TBQ Newsletter, you must provide our Newsletter Editor, Sheila Smith, with a self-addressed and stamped envelope and she will send it to your home. It will be safer to include the postage for a 2 oz. letter, which is 58 cents.

Be sure to buy your tickets for the hand-quilting raffle by the Sharlott Hall Quilters. August will be your last chance to purchase a ticket, and the drawing will also be held at that meeting. Be sure to make a stop at the Adult Center on Rosser Drive.

Patriotic quilts are on display currently; and the next theme will be Fall and school house quilts. What a wonderful way to show our community spirit! For further information, contact Carolyn Edwards.

The Yavapai County Fair will be September 20 through September 23, 2007; and Jennifer Carpenter and Linda Hill are looking for volunteers. Give them a call if you can help. Also, don't forget to enter your quilts, sewing, hobbies or baked goods. What a wonderful old-time tradition!

In closing, I want you to know I am looking forward to a fun, educational and special year to come!
Taking one stitch at a time, Linda

NEW MEETING PLACE - DRIVING DIRECTIONS

American Evangelical Lutheran Church

1085 Scott Drive, Prescott, AZ

(928) 445-4348

Effective August 13, 2007, Thumb Butte Quilters will hold monthly meetings at the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, which is located in the vicinity of Prescott High School. Directions are as follows:

Approaching from the South, take Prescott Lakes Parkway, turn left onto Hwy 89, then right onto Rosser. At the Rosser and Demerse 4-way stop, turn left. Go to Scott Drive and turn left.

Approaching from the South through Prescott, take Whipple Street. At Ruth Street, turn right. Go to Scott Drive and turn right.

Approaching from the West, take Iron Springs Road/Whipple Street. At Ruth Street, turn left. Go to Scott Drive and turn right.

Approaching from the North and East, take Hwy 89 to Rosser, and turn right. At the Rosser and Demerse 4-way stop, turn left. Go to Scott Drive and turn left.

On Scott Drive, (pass by the Mormon Church), go to 4-way stop sign, and turn left. When you see the American Evangelical Lutheran Church sign on the right, turn right. Proceed up and around to the East side of the Church. There are plenty of parking spaces. Enter the Church at the "Fellowship Hall" entrance.

When leaving the Church, if school is in session, it may be easier to go to Ruth Street via Scott Drive, and then turn right. Proceed to Rosser...and find your way home! ☺

Vice president news

Hello everyone, I am looking forward to working with the new Executive Committee this new guild year, as well as booking the very best and most interesting speakers for us. Some wonderful speakers and workshops have already been booked through March of 2008, thanks to Barbara. I know we are going to enjoy them and be inspired to try something new or hone your skills. Our speaker for August is Kendra Maclean from Phoenix. Her company is called KLM Trade Co.. Kendra designs quilts for small spaces and has published books as well as many patterns. Do check out her website, KLM Trade Co. She will tell us all about how she started her company and why. Right now her "card quilts" patterns, which are keepsakes as well as mailable cards, are the best sellers. Kendra will be bringing her latest books and patterns to sell. They are reasonably priced so I know you will want to bring your checkbook or cash.

Members with August birthdays need to bring their Birthday Raffle gift to the August meeting. Remember, it is a new gift worth at least \$10 and quilting related. Something you would like to receive yourself is always a good item. Birthday Raffle Committee: Sandy McGarry & JoAnne VanLiere

PROGRAMS

August 2007 - Kendra Maclean, a designer from Chandler, AZ, will present a program and trunk show on miniature and small quilts. She has just released a new book entitled "Quick & Easy Quilts for Small Spaces".

Sept. 2007 - Mary Stori will do a lecture on Monday, Sept. 10th, and a half day workshop on 'Improving your Quilting Stitch' after our meeting. She will also be doing a full day workshop on Tuesday, September 11, which will be 'Beading Basics and Beyond'. There will be a required bead kit available at the workshop for \$10.00.

To see more information about Mary Stori's classes, [click here](#).

October 2007 - Pattie Krause, from The Quilters Store in Sedona, will do a lecture and trunk show on collages at our meeting, and a half day workshop on Monday, October 8, and a full day workshop on Tuesday, October 9. You will need to participate in both workshops for this class. Monday's class will be choosing fabrics and cutting out patterns and Tuesday's class will be the actual construction of the collage.

Patty's description of the lecture is as follows: "Free yourself of rulers and pointed triangles. Learn how to design a quilt around a motif, create scenes or simply play with color. Let your collages reflect your humor, fantasies or dreams. The rules are few; the experience is self-directed. As a side benefit, your free-motion quilting will improve overnight with this technique.

The creative concepts incorporate Patty's experiences working with paper collage as a career counselor and with fabric collages as a quilter. The collage technique present is adapted from Rosemary Eichorn's book, *The Art of Fabric Collage*."

November 2007 - Susan Smith will present a program on color and fabric selection.

December 2007 - Our annual Holiday Party.

January 2008 - The P.I.G. (Project in a Grocery Bag) challenge quilts are due this month. Bring your "finished" project or you'll have to make a community quilt to donate.

February 2008 - Lennie Honcoop, "The Dutch Quilter", has a technique featuring "easy no-sew appliqué". She creates appliqué pieces with Steam-a-Seam2 and finishes the edges with Hot Ribbon

March 2008 - Sharyn Craig will be here to do a lecture, trunk show and workshop. Details will be forthcoming

Show Your Stuff!! Calling all School House and/or Fall Quilts!

You have until September 7th to check out the beautiful display of patriotic and red/white/blue quilts now hanging at the Prescott Community Adult Center. On that day, we'll be hanging School House and/or Fall Quilts. Do you have one or more to share? Quilt sizes needed are:

Large (can be from 60" to 90" wide, and any length!) – We need SIX large quilts for the display.

Small (at least 45" wide, but no wider than 54", and can be as long as 75") – Need FOUR small quilts.

Call me if you have a quilt or two to hang in this display. The quilts are hung very high, and are very safe. Sharing our quilts by hanging them in the Community Center is part of Thumb Butte Quilters' service to the community of Prescott.

Carolyn Edwards, Adult Center Quilts Coordinator

One last note from 2006/2007 President, with a big smile on her face...

A BIG Thank You! to the quilt-makers who spent hours on the planning and construction of my President's Quilt!! I am filled with joy and excitement! It is soooooo breathtaking!!!! I don't have it hanging yet, as I am still in 'drag and brag' mode! But I do have a special spot...just waiting! And you're all invited over to visit 'my beauty' whenever you want!

The quilt label reads:

Designed by Susan Smith and Mary Andra Holmes.

Blocks appliquéd by Chris Anders, Jane Holland, Mary Andra Holmes, Maggie Keller, Susie Martin, Tina McCowan, Margaret Mecca, Barbara Merkel, Sandy Mitchell, Alice Obrenovich, and Susan Smith.

Pieced by Margaret Mecca and Carol Miller.

Decorative Applique by Mary Andra Holmes.

Machine Quilted by Maggie Keller.

Binding, Pocket, and Label by Kathy Beeson.

Painting by Beverly Bowe.

Thanks to all of you beautiful Quilters! And another special thank you to every single TBQ member for a G-R-E-A-T year together! I had a ball, and I hope you did, too!!!

Carolyn Edwards J

Attention: Very-Very Beginner Quilters! A series of quilting classes is being scheduled to teach Beginner-Beginner Quilters the basics of 'how to quilt'. Class size is 8--and only a couple of slots remain open. Susan Smith will be the leader. Classes will begin in September and will meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Susan's house. If you are interested, please contact Chris Anders, Workshops Chr.

Prescott Pines, a Prescott chapter of The Questers, is sponsoring an antique quilt show on Sept. 14 and 15, from 9 AM to 4 PM at the old Antelope Hills Clubhouse, 1989 Clubhouse Drive. The 50 vintage quilts are from the private collection of Ann and Virgil Culler. The proceeds from the show and raffle will go toward the restoration of the inner lobby of the Elk's Theater here in Prescott.

A very special "Mahalo" to everyone who brought in Hawaiian and Tahitian quilts for the display/show and tell at the last meeting. It was so great to see so many wonderful quilts and certain added to the theme of the party! Margaret Mecca

One of the quilts will be raffled. Entry tickets to the show as well as raffle tickets will be available at our August guild meeting. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Entry tickets are \$7 or \$8 on the day. They are also available by contacting spreadthejoy1@msn.com.

At the show will also be demonstration, speakers, and a sales table selling quilt books and small items made by the members. Other raffle items will be a \$400 golfing certificate at the Talking Rock Ranch, as well as needlework items. Do come along and see these wonderful quilts and take advantage of the raffles and the talks and demonstrations.

Thank You for helping with the July Luau "Birthday" party!

Committee Members: Carolyn Edwards, Lani Fagen, Linda Gergen, Jane Holland, Margaret Mecca, all helped plan the party and also helped make all the pincushion party favors.

A special thank you to Maryann Conner who obtained the thread from Jo-Ann's for us at a great discount, and gave us all the golf tees for the pincushions.

Thank you Lani Fagen for arranging the entertainment - the Casa Belle. Thank you to Linda Gergen who donated most of the ingredients for the cookies.

Thank you Jane Holland for making all the iced tea, and providing the lemons to go with it.

Thanks to our local quilt shops: A Quilter's Dream, Cloth Plus, and Quilt n" Sew Connection for donating door prizes. Please support these businesses and thank them for their generosity in donating to our guild.

Thanks to guild members Jennifer Eakman, Jane Holland, Susie Martin, Margaret Mecca, and Sandy Mitchell for their door prize donations.

And certainly a big thank you to our July Hostesses who arrived early to help set up and stayed late to help take down.

Thank you all so much for **ALL** your help - it made my job so much easier and I certainly could not have done it alone. You're the greatest!!

- **Barbara Merkel**

These are the dates for the Community Sewing for the VA Hospital. Jan is letting us use her store, Quilt N Sew Connection on these dates.
8-22 Wednesday, 9-20 Thursday, and 10-18 Thursday
All sewing times to start when the store opens at 10 a.m. I will have more times

*We have a new meeting place for The Appliqué Society Meeting of the "Spooling Around" Chapter. It is listed under "Misc" in the Newsletter. We are meeting at The Bonn-Fire Restaurant, 1667 South Highway 89, Chino Valley. The times are still 9-3, the fourth Monday of the month, and I am still the contact.
Thank you both so much! - Linda Gergen*

Your chance to have your quilt hand quilted by Sharlot Hall Quilters!

Do you have a quilt top that will be completed on or before our August meeting that you would like to have hand-quilted? The Sharlot Hall hand quilters are almost ready for another quilt to work on! You can buy one chance for \$1.00 or six for \$5.00 for the August 2007 meeting drawing. Please remember that the quilt must:

- (1) Be no larger than queen size,
- (2) Be marked for quilting,
- (3) Have the batting, backing and thread provided by the owner/winner,
- (4) Have no deadline date for completion, and
- (5) Be basted, or properly loaded into TBQ's 3-rail quilt frame."

Friendship Group News!

FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS (submitted by Joan Carrell and Susan Perry)

Did you know that the color "Turkey Red" has nothing to do with a large bird served at Thanksgiving but everything to do with the country where the dye originated? Well, if you belonged to the Friendship Group Quilt History Bee, you would learn this and many other interesting facts about quilting and fabric history. This group meets on the third Thursday of each month from 9:30-11:30 at Cloth Plus in Prescott Valley. The emphasis of the group is studying quilting as it relates to national and international events. Some past topics have been presidential quilts, patriotic quilts of WWI, WWII and 9/11, quilts of the Oregon Trail and signature quilts. Some upcoming topics are symbolism in Baltimore quilts, the significance of the letter "T" in quilts and striped quilts. At each meeting members share show and tell which may be a quilt someone has inherited or an interesting book found on e-bay. Membership is open, and with all the new members who have just joined the guild, this group would welcome any new members who have an interest in any part of quilt history!

NEWCOMERS' GROUP (submitted by Joan Carrell and Susan Perry)

We did not meet in July as we were all enjoying the birthday luncheon! We will be meeting for lunch after our TBQ meeting on Monday, August 13. We are looking for all of the many new members as well as those of you who would like to join in on the fun and camaraderie. Please raise your hand at the meeting when we take a count of who will be joining us. We are looking forward to getting to know our new quilting friends!

Community Service:

As the new Community Chairperson I am so excited to start the projects for this new term!

The main thrust will be to honor our veterans at our local VA Hospital with lap quilts and walker bags.

As I have Lots of red, white, and blue fabric, all we need to do is set up a time to get together and SEW!

Kay Harlan has graciously offered to help me deliver these items. I am hoping to fill up my van with goodies for our veterans with a label on each item that reads:

Thank you for serving your country! We applaud you. Thumb butte Quilters Guild

I hope many of TBQ'rs are excited to honor our military service personnel.

Jennifer Eakman

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