

Threadlines



Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild, Inc.

February 2011

Next TBQ Meeting-
Monday, February 14th, 2011
9:30am at American Lutheran
Church
Executive Committee Meeting-
December 6th, 2010 at Kathleen
Bond's house
9:30am

Birthdays February

Jennifer Bossom
Beverly Bowe
Carol Brownlow
Maryann Conner
Betty Foley
Juliette Kellerhals
Gretchen Paustian
Ruth Peterson
Kathie Rieder
Mary Sherer



Kathy Barrett
Birthday Drawing Committee

Hostesses

Kay Harlan
Colleen Harlow
Kathy Harrison
Linda Hill
Jane Hofbauer
Sandie Hoffman
Sandy Holderness
Jane Holland
Mary Andra Holmes
Wanda Hughs
Barb Hyslip
Velma Jamison
B. Johnson



Karla Morrison
Refreshments Committee

President's Message



Happy Valentines Day, Thumb Butte Quilters, 

Recently I received this email: Once there was a woman who woke up one morning, looked in the mirror, and noticed she had only three hairs on her head.

"Well," she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today!" So she did, and she had a wonderful day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that she had only two hairs on her head. "Well," she said, "I think I'll part my hair down the middle today." So she did and she had a grand day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that she had only one hair on her head. "Well," she said, "Today I'm going to wear my hair in a pony tail." So she did, and she had a fun day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that there wasn't a single hair on her head, "YEA," she exclaimed, "I don't have to fix my hair today!"

Attitude is everything! 

So, when you get out of bed in the morning, decide to be optimistic and remember...every day something good happens!

I'll see you at the February Meeting on the 14th!

 Kathleen

P.S. I was piecing a block earlier today and realized I had sewn one piece of

January Program

Gina Perkes gave an amazing trunk show. It was so exciting to see her award winning quilts. I personally was excited to see her final quilt of the appliquéd grape harvest as I have seen it displayed at shows. For those of you who took Gina's class you know it was just not enough we all wanted more. In class Gina reviewed many of our quilts and shared several of her design methods and how she gets her inspirations for creating quilting designs. We will have her back possibly for quilt camp.



February Program ♥



I want to let you all know about our February class with Mary Lou Weidman. She is a national teacher and she has agreed to teach two classes for the price of one in February. What a great deal two for one price \$45 and in@yahoo.com less time.

Day one is "Hoochy Mama How To" will prepare us for day two "Flower Power" the project. Mary Lou promises the classes will be lots of fun and laughter.

There are two supply lists attached open them to see the colorful project. You will need the fabric amount of each class supply list to complete the "Flower Power" project. If you want to sign up call workshop chairs Chris Anders or Carolyn Edwards.

♥ 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.



March - 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 - Susan Cleveland 's enthusiasm for quilting is said to be contagious! Students enjoy her upbeat attitude, well-written instructions, and one-on-one attention included in every workshop. Her quilts have been shown in international-level competitions since 1997 and have received many awards. Judges comment on her fine workmanship and appreciate her original style. She bases her designs on traditional patterns then adds specialty threads, prairie points, piping, and great binding techniques. Susan is inventor of the Groovin' Piping Trimming Tool which is used to trim piping seam allowances and inventor of the Prairie Pointer pressing tool. She is proud to have been named 2010 Minnesota Quilter of the Year!



Opportunity Quilt



Jeri Teisl
Coordinator

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

Membership Musings

The membership of Thumb Butte Quilters is happy to welcome three new members in the month of January, Pat Dotseth, Cheryl Boquet and Pat Lerberg. Let us help all of them find a happy, creative home in our organization.

Betsy Bykerk
Membership Committee

Company Store

The Company Store is open for business! We received a donation of Halloween and Christmas decoration. These items will be on sale this month. Make an offer and it is yours! We also have 2 mystery boxes this month for sale. One box costs \$2.50 and the other costs \$2.00. Each box is filled with fabric and quilting items. Remember only 2 mystery boxes.

We are also taking names for the Best Press Starch gallon bottles, so if you are interested stop by and sign up.

Carol Peters
Company Store Chairman

Community Service

We have now donated 47 pillowcases to FROM HOME WITH LOVE. I'm in the process of making patriotic pillowcase kits to distribute at our next meeting. If you haven't tried one yet they're very easy and very quick. Thanks for all your support.

Carol Perry
Community Service Committee

Friendship Groups

Check out the Friendship Groups page. Some photos have been added.

Jean Ehlers
Friendship Groups Coordinator

Ways and Means ♥

Please be sure to stop by the Ways & Means table to check out the items for sale. *The Side Hopper Jump Stitch* scissors have been a hot item. They were featured in *McCall's* magazine "Fresh Picks" - May/June 2010.



Thann Tolman
Ways and Means

♥ Newcomer News ♥

The Newcomers' Luncheon will be held at The Olive Garden on Monday, February 7th, at Noon. It's a great opportunity to meet your fellow quilters and start new friendships. We'll have a group of "old-timers" there to answer any questions you may have. If you plan on attending, please notify Maryann Conner ASAP so reservations can be made.

Maryann Conner
Newcomers Committee

Mentors

Joan Carrell will be joining me at the Mentor's Table this month. I asked her to bring along and demonstrate a sewing tool that has helped her elevate her quilt-making ability more than any other. Stop by to see what makes her quilt block making so easy and accurate

Carol Miller
Mentors

Chamber of Commerce Exhibit ♥



New quilts went up at the Prescott Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center on Tuesday, 1/11/11. The left quilt belongs to Carolyn Edwards, and was made by her bestest Iowa friend--Kris Peterson! The right quilt is machine pieced, hand appliqued, and hand quilted by Carolyn Edwards.

The staff and volunteers were once again thrilled at having new quilts

Prescott Community Center Exhibit

A new set of quilts has been hung at the Adult Center...and you need to know that "There's No Place Like Home!" This collection of quilts has been loaned by Chris Anders, Kathy Beeson, Joan Carrell, Colleen Harlow, Tina McCowan, Barbara Merkel, Lorraine Owen, and Eve Pelletier...and what a great collection it is!! We have school house block quilts, house quilts, Eve's Yavapai County Courthouse, and Kathy Beeson's and Joan Carrell's 'around town' quilts. Thank you, Ladies!! The display looks G-R-E-A-T!! These quilts will be up for a couple of months. Be sure to get on over to 1280 Rosser Street in Prescott, and bask in the warm atmosphere that this display of "There's No Place Like Home!" can create for you! You can't help but go away happy. The receptionist at the Adult Center says the quilts always lift her spirits!

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.)

Carolyn Edwards
Community Center Quilt Coordinator

Quilt Show 2011

Quilt Show News

(submitted by Carolyn Edwards, Quilt Show Reporter)

Quilt Show Dates: Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4, 2011

Quilt Show Set-up Date: Thursday, June 2

Quilt Show Location: Prescott High School, 1050 N. Ruth Street, Prescott, AZ 86301

Quilt Show Theme: "Prescott Loves Quilting!"

At TBQ's January meeting, Quilt Show Chr, Susan Smith, asked everyone to take the Quilt Show High-Five Promise. Can you commit to do FIVE things that will contribute to the Quilt Show's success?

****Make your list of Quilt Show entries. Plan to enter a MINIMUM of TWO! With new creations of quilts and wearables and vignette entries, we will need approximately 400 quilt entries!

****Email 30 friends. Yes, we have Sandy Holderness as Quilt Show Publicity Chr, and she will be hard at work. To help out, send a personal email to 30 of your friends that says, "Save this date! Mark your calendars! There's going to be a Quilt Show, June 3 and 4 at Prescott High School. I'll be in touch!".

****Help somebody do something! A list of the Quilt Show Steering Committee will follow. (The Steering Committee is meeting after TBQ's general meetings to talk 'Quilt Show'.) Make a couple of calls to ask how you can help!

Quilt Show Steering Committee:

Kathleen Bond - Hanging

Betsy Bykerk - Hostesses

Carolyn Edwards - Vignettes

Darlene Gatewood - Admissions

Sandie Hoffman - Marketplace

Sandy Holderness - Publicity

Karla Morrison - Quilt Check-In

Lynn Rubel - Vendors

Thann Tolman - Ways & Means

Susan Smith - Quilt Show Chair

Bunny Troup - Quilt Show Co-Chair & Administration

There are others who have volunteered to help. Next month's Quilt Show News will have more information. But until then, make some calls...help somebody do something!

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

"What is a Vignette?", you ask. It's a small, room-size area set up within the Quilt Show space with a designated theme to accent the Quilt Show theme! What is the Quilt Show theme? "Prescott Loves Quilting!" TBQ has a reputation for enhancing its Quilt Show with "those cute little Vignettes scattered throughout the Show". We've done it for every Quilt Show to date...and we're going to do it again!

And a BIG thank you goes to Vignette Designers who have stepped forward, willing to 'build' or design a Vignette. Here's what we have so far:

Prescott loves Holidays - Designer: Roni Baron
Prescott loves The Old West - Designer: Catherine Ericson
Prescott loves The Arts - Designer: Eve Pelletier
Prescott loves Antiques - Designers: Featherweights friendship group
Prescott loves Gardens - Designer: Joanne Storer

There are a couple more themes that need your designing expertise. Who will accept the playful challenge of either of these Vignettes?

Prescott loves Home and Family - (Here are some teasers--house quilts, children's quilts, alphabet quilts, schoolhouse quilts, storybook quilts...)

Prescott loves The Great Outdoors - (Some ideas--log cabin quilts, lodge quilts, bears, fishing, trees, mountains...)

Can you or your friendship group adopt either of these last two Vignette themes? If so, please tell Carolyn Edwards the very first chance you get! It'll be fun! And just so you know, when you agree to be a Vignette Designer, you will bring together site decor around your Vignette theme. This will be on Quilt Show set-up day--that's Thursday, June 2. You do not have to gather up all the quilts for your Vignette (but you can gather up some of them if you want!). We hope for about 20 quilts per vignette. Your job as a Vignette Designer is to decide how to display them in your Vignette space. TBQ members will enter quilts according to the Vignette themes. Quilts entered in a Vignette category may have hung in previous TBQ Quilt Shows. How easy is that?!

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 Morrison 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 Morrison!



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!

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Joanne Storer
Advertising

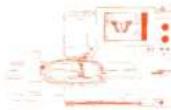
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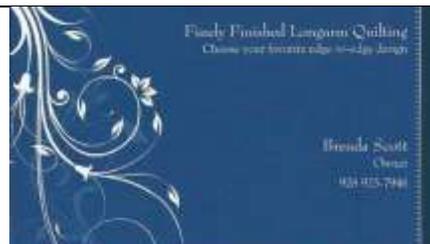
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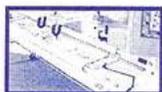
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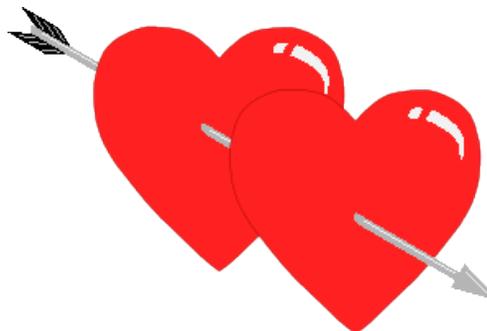
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