

THREADLINES

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Mark Your Calendar!

Next TBQ Meeting:

Monday, September 10,
2007. 9:30 am at The
American Lutheran Church

Executive Committee
Meeting:

September 12, 9:15 am
Yavapai Hills Clubhouse

September Hostess

Elizabeth Brown
Hildy Smith
Mary Jane Steinhilpert
Jan Stevens
Nancy Stone
Joanne Storer
Ann Stowell
Beverly Strissel
Susan Sweet
Sherrilyn Tapp
Jeri Teisl
Maria Thomas
Lou Thompson

Happy Birthday to all of the September Ladies!

Pat Folsom
Arlene Franz
Jackie McDonald
Florence McLean
Barbara Merkel
Adrienne Morrison
Laura Myers
Alice Obrenovich
Carol Peters
Hildy Smith
Lou Thompson
Beverly Williams

**Please bring a wrapped
gift suitable for a
quilter, with a value of
at least \$10.00, to the
September meeting.**

President's Message – September 2007

Caligula, Roman Emperor, 37 - 41 A.D., attempted to rename the month of September "Germanicus" after his father. I, for one, am glad he didn't succeed.

If you attended the August meeting, you probably remember the speakers "jog" to the stage and podium. So, here's a question I have been debating, "Does quilting make you fat?" I have been trying to account for some of the pounds that I have put on in the last couple of years. I am considering a list of factors that have had a possible effect on my new chubby figure, and I can't rule out quilting as one of the culprits. Quilting isn't exactly an aerobic activity.

I really can't blame quilting entirely. In fact, there are a couple of guys by the names of Ben & Jerry, who have probably added to a few of these extra pounds.

In a few spare minutes while trying to get the ironing caught up; I came up with a few ideas to get quilt makers moving, and our heart rate up:

- Put all of our fabric on the top shelf of our closets or under our beds. For a complete cardiovascular workout, put some in both places. Just think, stretches and bends at the same time.
- So that we can sew and exercise our lower body at the same time, we can replace all of our fancy machines with a treadle machine.
- Move our rulers to one room, our cutting mat and cutter to another room, and our needles, pins and thread to a third room. Start off by walking, and soon you will be jogging down the hall for a needle.

See, with a few changes in the way I approach quilting, I could be well on my way to melting away those unwanted pounds. Or not.

"Sunshine and Smiles" to our wonderful Company Store team! I think the beautiful new signage, great organization and room to shop were exceptional! Thank you so much to Susie Martin, Dawn Valanas-Moser and Kay Wentworth! We even had free peaches, yea! Please don't forget a fat quarter to donate for sale at The Company Store. Quilter's quality cotton and a nice pattern that you like, would be appreciated. I don't know about you, but I certainly wouldn't miss a fat quarter from my stash, every month. The monies will come back to the members in the wonderful speakers,

workshops, and our great new meeting place. Don't forget to bring in your other quality quilting items that you don't need or use anymore.

“Sunshine and Smiles” to our wonderful refreshment Committee of Arlene Franz, Kathleen Bond, Nan Hawley and Elizabeth Brown! They were able to successfully provide us with great coffee, tea and goodies for our break, in an entirely new environment. This is always a challenge. Please remember to check which month you are responsible for a “goodie” for the break! It is listed on the website, as well as in your Membership Directory.

- *Sue Weissaupt*, one of our new TBQ members, has just submitted her fourth quilt to the Quilts of Valor program. Her first quilt went to Walter Reed; the next to an air base in New Mexico, where women veterans are stationed who have psychiatric needs; the third to 29 Palms Naval Air Station; and this last one to the Pentagon Summit Conference with 300 wounded veterans in attendance. Anyone wanting further information can contact Sue. She is looking forward to maybe getting a Friendship Group together around QOV.
- *The Prescott Pines Questers Antique Quilt Show* will be held September 14 and 15, from 9-4, at The Old Club House at Antelope Hills Golf Course, 1989 Club House Drive. Over 50 antique quilts will be on display. There will be demonstrations; and our own TBQ ladies, Nyla Paulsen, Alice Obrenovich and Jan Gallo, along with others, will be speaking. This event is a benefit for the Elks Opera House Restoration.
- *The Prescott Valley World Arts Festival* will be held September 15, from 10-6, and September 16, from 10-4. The event will be held at the Prescott Valley Civic Center on the First Floor. Judy Lapp is the Chairman. She can still use quilts, wall hangings and wearable art to display. She can also use people to help set up the display on September 14, beginning at 3 p.m. Anyone who would like further information on dropping off items or other information, can call 632-5509, or myself.
- *The Skull Valley Historical Society* will host their annual Art and Quilt Show, which includes a Pie and Ice Cream Social, on September 15, 11-4, at the Skull Valley Historical Society and Museum. There will be something for everyone. The quilt show will feature antique quilts and current works. This event is sponsored by the Material Girls Quilt Group of Skull Valley. There will be ticket sales for an Opportunity Quilt, monies from sales to benefit the Historical Society. And, if you want to take the guys, there will be antique cars, works of art by area artists, the Railroad Museum to enjoy, and pie and ice cream while listening to live music.
- *The Yavapai County Fair* will be held 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!
- *The Winslow High Desert Piecemakers Quilt Guild* is presenting their 4th annual Quilt Show, September 28 and 29, 10-7, and September 30, 10-4, at the El Gran Garage, across from La Posada on 2nd Street.. The show will feature quilts of many sizes, and a quilt raffle on Sunday. For information call 928 289-3030 or 928 289-2065.
- *For the Love of Quilts Show*, hosted by Quilters of the White Mountains, will be held September 29, 9-5, and September 30, 9-3. The address for the event is the Blue Ridge Middle School, 1200 W. White Mountain, Pinetop-Lakeside. There will be over 150 quilts, a Country Store, Vendors, Merchants Mall and Raffle Quilts. Quilt Appraiser, Nora Mohr, will be on site. The Annual Fall Festival will also be going on at the same time with a car show, antiques, arts and crafts, concerts, golf and a 10K run.

In closing, with all of these wonderful shows and events coming up, no quilter should be bored or uninspired. Let's go and see, maybe even shop!
Taking one stitch at a time,

Linda

Vice President's Message

Kendra Maclean thanked us for including her business presentation in our August program. She said she had a fun time with all you talented ladies and really enjoyed seeing your "Show and Tell" quilts. Judgings from the sales of her patterns, we should soon see lots of small quilts made by our members.

September brings international quilter and teacher Mary Stori. Her talk and trunk show is titled "Let it Shine". She will also be teaching two workshops, one a half-day workshop on Improving your Quilt Stitching on September 11; and a full day workshop on beading on September 12. At this time both workshops are full. We are very fortunate to be having such a wonder speaker and teacher.

Going ahead a bit, I want to remind all members who accepted the P.I.G. Challenge last January that the project is due at the January 2008 TBQ guild meeting. Those members not completing the challenge are required to make a charity quilt as a penalty. If you haven't completed your project there is still time before January.

Please be thinking about whether or not you are interested in beginning another P.I.G. challenge in January of 2008 to be completed in January of 2009. There will be a vote by the membership at the October guild meeting to decide if we want to continue this challenge another year. For those interested, a "sew day" can be scheduled for you to bring your P I.G. to sew, and complete it with friends.

Alice Obrenovich

Community Service

Although I have a lot of red, white and blue fabric, we are still going to accept donations of fabric to help this great cause. We also need donations of your time and skills to make this project a great success!!!

Please, Please donate your time If you can not attend one of the sew days at the Quilt and Sew Connection, I have fabric and or patterns for you to sew on your own. Every item will be extremely appreciated!

Dates for the Community Sewing for the VA Hospital:

9/20 Thursday, and 10/18 Thursday

All sewing times to start when the store opens at 10:00 a.m.

Jan is letting us use her store, Quilt N Sew Connection on these dates.

Jennifer Eakman

Please bring your “**Show and Tell**” quilts to the table on the right side of the stage before the meeting. Any small quilts will be hung on the quilt frames/drapes on the stage for everyone to enjoy during the meeting. The quilts will be displayed on the stage, held by two "tall" members, and taken to a table on the left side of the stage where you can pick them up during the break or after the meeting.

Barbara Merkel

From the Mentors:

There was a discussion at the August meeting (in the refreshment area, of course!) about the differences between a Mola, made by the Kuna Indians of Central America and Pa Ndau, made by the Hmong of Viet Nam (etc.). While at first glance they do look similar, there are marked differences. The primary difference is the design. The Hmong use more geometric designs cut like a snowflake (think Hawaiian) or overall geometric patterns repeated. The Kuna use the influences of their surroundings and of course whatever anyone will pay for...Santa Claus, military patches, cola drinks, whatever is in "vogue". Molas are rarely symmetrical. Pa Ndau are always symmetrical.

They are constructed differently also. The Pa Ndau are cut like snowflakes then placed on the layer of fabrics giving perfect symmetry. The Mola is layered first then the design is sketched on the top layer of fabric, giving almost no chance at symmetry; however, the designs are very well balanced. A Mola is more free.

If anyone out there has an example of Hmong reverse appliqué, please contact me. I would love to have both examples at a meeting to show the differences/similarities. I am so glad this came up as I learned something researching this! Thanks Candace and Elizabeth! **Margaret Mecca**

Source: Creating PA NDAU Applique by Carla J. Hassel

Newcomers

We had a wonderful lunch after the August meeting at Gurley Street Grill. Twelve of us met, got further acquainted and enjoyed some good conversation and food. The group included a mix of newcomers and more long time members of TBQ. We welcome all the new members and anyone interested in a lunch out with fellow quilters to join us after September's TBQ meeting at The Office (128 N. Cortez). Please raise your hand at the meeting when we take a count of who will be joining us. See you there!

Joan Carrell and Susan Perry

FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS

A number of the quilter's that were on the waiting list to join TBQ, began to meet for lunch in January under the name of "Ladies in Waiting" (Earlene Hanson cleverly named the group). This was a wonderful idea as everyone got to know each other as well as the members of the Board that were able to come talk about all the wonderful things happening in the Guild. Now that the wait is over, the ladies have happily joined TBQ and decided they still want to enjoy time together and share talents as a mini-group. This latest addition to the TBQ mini-groups is without a name, but they have a list of plans for two years worth of monthly meetings! The soon to be named group meets the third Friday of the month at the Yavapai Hills Clubhouse. Gatherings will vary from open sew days to learning new techniques. Everyone is interested in sharing new ideas, the latest tools, and learning a technique they haven't tried. Of course, meetings include simple potluck lunches; who can resist a day of sewing and eating with fellow quilters? In September, the group will be creating postcards; won't they be fun with some Halloween fabric! Membership is currently open, and anyone interested can call Susan Perry.

Thanks all,

Susan Perry

Membership Musings

Wasn't our new facility great? We were happy to welcome seven guests at our August guild meeting. Four of those guests asked to be added to our wait list. Watch for those "smiles" on some membership badges. If you see one, introduce yourself and welcome a new member.

Please help us keep track of our attendance numbers by signing in at the membership table at each meeting. If you were not at the July meeting, please ask us for your copy of our new directory.

Remember if you make any changes to your address, phone number, or email address, please fill out a change slip for me so I can update our master file.

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, see the TBQ website.

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. She will do 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."

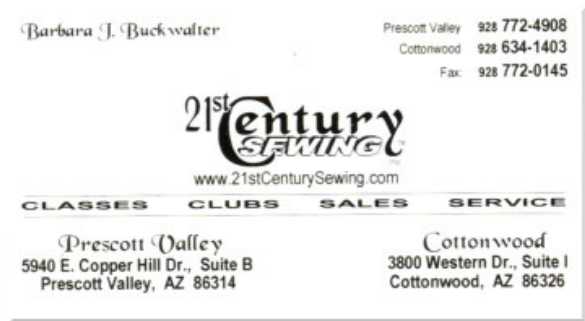
November 2007 - Susan Smith will present a program on "Color and Fabric Selection"..

December 2007 - The 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.



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