THE SUMMIT – NOVEMBER 2021

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Quilters,

2021 is drawing to a close. Are you like me, hurrying to finish up UFOs or holiday gifts before the end of the year? So many quilts, so little time! If you have some extra time on your hands, please consider working on a Community Quilt or a Block of the Month quilt for our Guild. Whatever you may be working on, please bring and share at our November meeting's Show & Tell.

Wherever you are spending your holidays, stay safe, enjoy, and keep on quilting!

Maureen Carr, President MTQG

The deadline for the November newsletter is Wednesday, **December 8, 2021,** at noon.

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Please reserve the seats in the front row for those who have hearing and visual challenges.

Program

Erin Sullivan and Diane Short

November 15, 2021, Swan Amity will be speaking on her applique technique. She brings to us 18 Years of quilting experience, with a background in piecing, applique, fusing, machine quilting, hand quilting, thread painting, art quilting with decorative machine work, and pattern design. She worked in a local quilt shop for 3-1/2 years, giving her hands on experience with customer service and the business side of quilting.

November 16, Swan Amity will teach a class**. Decorative Stitches are for Everyone**

This 4–5-hour class is designed to show students how to fuse a simple project and then use their decorative stitches to complete the applique of the piece. Students will learn how to evaluate their stitch options, resize them, and use the various machine functions to mirror them and improve their quality. Students will also find out about how to stack different types of stitches to create wider stitching samples. For those students with machines that make many decorative stitches this is the perfect class to explore what their machine can do and how to approach future projects with those abilities
in mind. $35
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December Holiday Party with details coming soon. Sign ups at the November meeting.

January will be a very interesting Lecture from Deb Gansberger with her EZ Piecing Methods, she will also be teaching a full day class Tuesday following the meeting, more information to be announced and shown and signups taken at the November meeting.

Community Quilts

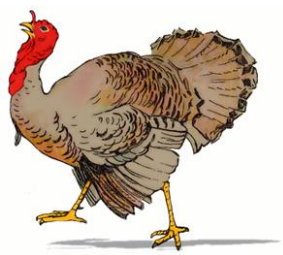
Diane Stockhaus and Kathy Hofmeister

With repairs on the Elks Lodge continuing, the November workshop for Community Quilts is cancelled. And since most of us will be with family in December, we are hopeful we can resume workshops in January.
At our regular monthly meeting, we will have kits and bundles available for members to take away, and to work on as time permits. We will also collect completed items for further distribution. Several members have asked about quilt sizes, so let me provide the following as guidance:
Baby quilts should be around 36” wide x 45” long, but no larger than 40” wide x 50” long.
Lap quilts should be around 42” wide x 60” long, but no larger than 50” x 62” long.
These are the most requested sizes right now. Occasionally, we are asked for twin sized quilts, and we will let everyone know when these requests come in.

Members who signed up for the Quilt Show Community Quilts Panel Challenge should be working on your submission. Backing fabric, binding and batting is available from the Quilt Shop in Diane’s Garage; just contact her when you are ready to pick out the rest of your quilt. And remember, you can contact Kathy Hofmeister if you need help with the final quilting of your entry. Finished quilts will be displayed at our April 2022 monthly meeting, so that members can vote for the top three most loved quilts, with prizes awarded! And then, all submissions will be displayed at our biennial quilt show in June 2022.

We have been contacted by an interested quilt lover to commission a custom quilt. If you are interested in helping this person out, please contact Diane Stockhaus, and an introduction will be made. Any possible compensation must be negotiated between you and the interested party; MTQG will not be involved in this process.

Happy quilting!



ECHOS (Education, Challenge, Help, Opportunity, Social)

Nancy Hall

Just in time for the holidays, learn how to light up your art quilts, wall hangings, table toppers, and Christmas tree skirts! Jan Walls will be demonstrating this skill immediately following the November 15 guild meeting. Please join us for this short demo.

After the January meeting, Marcia McMullen will explain “quilt start” kits, and help us unlock our creativity. Please start saving remnants and scraps to use and share with others in this class. They can be as small as 2-inch strips and 5-inch pieces. We also need a few people to bring rotary cutters and mats.

Thank you to Bobbie Turnbow for inspiring us to try quilting on our domestic sewing machines! She shared tips and valuable information during the October ECHOS.

Opportunity Quilt

Suzy Davidson & Peggie McKenzie

Our Opportunity Quilt, Arizona Sunrise, is really turning heads everywhere it goes. We have already made over $2000 on this amazing quilt. Thank you again to everyone who has participated in the making and marketing of the quilt. Do not forget to purchase your chances at the next guild meeting. Our next event will be the Lonesome Valley Holiday Boutique on Friday November 12 and Saturday November 13 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Prescott Valley. We could still use some help on Saturday afternoon. Let us know if you are available.

Fall Quilt Camp

Nancy Hall and Janice Zolnierowicz

Fall Camp was held October 5-8 at Chapel Rock in Prescott. It was a full camp, with eighteen campers. The staff was very accommodating, rooms and meals were good, and we enjoyed our time together. Campers worked on many personal projects, as well as 26 Community Quilts. It was a fun week with good friends!

Budget Reminder

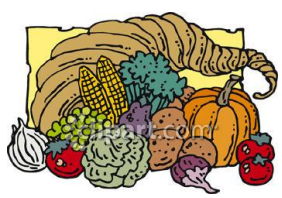
Suzy Davidson

Just a reminder, if you are a committee chairperson, please be sure to follow the budgeted amounts for your area. If you have any questions or feel the amount is not adequate let me know and I will take your concerns to the board. A year-to-date budget is attached to the grapevine for your review.

Elks Toy Drive

Diana Ramsey

We are collecting toys for the Annual Elks Christmas Party for needy children. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child aged 5 – 12, any gender, to the November meeting. Cost should be under $20. The toys will be given to the Elks the first week in December for wrapping and labeling.



Quilt Show

Help us distribute Bookmarks for the 2022 Quilt Show

Carolyn Wright & Barbara Stein

Fellow quilters…in preparation for our June 2022 Quilt Show, the Publicity team is looking for volunteers to distribute our 2022 MTQG Quilt Show bookmarks to quilt shops OUTSIDE of our quad-city area (anyone going to Payson, Flagstaff, Phoenix, Tucson, Nevada, New Mexico, CA, etc.). So, for those of you planning any upcoming travel this winter and spring (Jan-May), please contact Carolyn/Barbara with the following information:

1) Your Name and contact info
2) Area you are traveling to and what quilt shops you will be visiting
3) When you plan to travel

This will enable us to keep track of areas covered and shops visited so we do not double up with travelers. We will also connect with you before you go to give you bookmarks.

Also, if you know of any local quad-city businesses that you think might like to advertise in our Show Program, please also share those ideas with us so we can reach out to them. Please provide business name, location (city) and phone or email if you have it.
THANK YOU



November Birthdays

Pat Little
Beverly Markham
Martha McLellan
Ann Novak
Barbara Phiel
Veronica Sandoval
Maureen Sinkiewicz
Erin Sullivan
Sandra Tuttobene
Sharon Watt



Carolyn also does long arm quilting

For Sale

Baby Lock long arm with Pro-Stitcher.18" throat and 10 Ft table on lock rollers. Zipper on top leader (makes it easier to load quilt) or can be used without.
Net underneath for catching batting so it is not on floor or can be put on the pole. Red snappers, rulers, and blue snappers or free flow. Bobbin winder included.
$10,000. Buyer moves. Pro Stitcher still under warranty. Excellent condition, contact **Kay Hoff, 928-759-9288**

Mountain Top Quilters Guild Quilt Show

June 3rd & 4th, 2022

Friday 9 AM- 5 PM

Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM

Admission $5

Findlay Toyota Center, Prescott Valley



. **MTQG Guild Meeting Minutes October 18, 2021**

Meeting began at 9:32 a.m.
President Maureen Carr thanked everyone for coming and reminded everyone to turn off cell phones and noted the restroom location She noted the seats in the front row are reserved for those with sight and hearing impairments.
August Minutes: Dona Speights moved to approve the minutes, Jan Walls seconded and unanimously approved.
Sunshine: Today members may stop at the back table to sign a card for Bunny Autrey who is fighting cancer. Susan Ryan is your contact if you know of a club member who needs a get well or sympathy card.
September and October birthdays: Maureen read the names of those with September birthdays and Hildy Smith won the drawing. Continuing, Maureen read the names of those with October birthdays and Janice Zolnierowicz won that drawing. If your birthday has been missed, please let Susan Ryan know.
Announcements: Dona Speights noted a Shoe Drive is sponsored by the new Prescott Valley Kiwanis Club who will recycle them. Bring your used shoes, paint stains and all, to the November meeting. Ivy Chase noted a new project to make quilts from old military uniforms. Contact Ivy to donate or for information.
Membership/Guests: Donna Domino introduced four guests: JoAnn Aldridge, Val Stodeloff, Kathy Sprouse, Debbie Jones and one new member Janalee Tennyson. Donna also noted that members may pick up the new directory today.
Fall Quilt Camp: Nancy Hall noted there were eighteen attendees who enjoyed four days of sewing and made 26 community quilts. The Spring Camp will be held in March
ECHOES: Bobbie Turnbow will demonstrate domestic quilting today following the meeting.

Programs: Erin Sullivan reviewed upcoming programs which include:

- Today: Suzy Parron with Barn Quilts and a class to paint a quilt sign tomorrow.
- November: Swan Sheridan will present a fusible applique class using decorative stitches.
- January: Deb Gansberger from ezpiecing.com
- February: Rummage Sale

Quilt Racks: John Ramsey noted that fourteen quilt poles had been damaged during the Windfall Sale and twelve of those have been repaired while two need to be replaced. The 2022 Quilt Show will be larger with use of the rotunda area and display of 40 Panel Challenge Quilts. MTQG will need additional poles, base plates and telescoping drape supports. Thumb Butte Quilters does not need these items since their quilt show is smaller and will not be participating in this purchase. A July quote for these items was $744 which includes shipping. An updated quote which should be under $1,000 will be requested. Bobbie Turnbow made a motion to approve this purchase costing under $1,000, Jan Walls seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Elks Lodge Update: John Ramsey noted the Elks Lodge renovations should be completed in December noting some of the improvements including fans, solar, and a new parking lot.

Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales: Suzy Davidson noted ticket sales are about $2000. Members are expected to buy 12 tickets for $10. Four future ticket sale scheduled events include:

- Cottonwood Quilt Show: October 15 – 16
- Lonesome Valley Boutique in November 12 - 13
- Holiday Stocking event at the Armory on December 18
- Wickenburg Quilt Show in January

Quilt Show: Diane Short noted the theme is “On A Quilting Path Again” and will be held on June 3 and 4, 2022 at The Findlay Toyota Center. The contact with the arena has been signed and bookmarks and pins are available.

Quilt Show Publicity: Barbara Stein and Caroline Seagraves-Wright asked for suggestions for advertisers who might want to advertise in the program.

Quilt Show Small Quilt Auction: Members are welcome to submit entries for the auction. Maximum size is 30” x 30”.

Quilts With a Story: Joan Carroll noted there are 8 Quilts with a Story from last year and members may submit additional entries for the 2022 show.

New Member Group: Carol Cooley invited new members to the next meeting to be held November 9 at Carol’s home. The topic will be “Your Favorite Tool.”

Block-of-the-Month: Peggy MacKenzie showed this year’s 9-month project which will make a lap quilt or wall hanging. Additional information is available at the www.persimmonquilts.com website. Fabric requirements are 2.5 yards for the background and various fat quarters or scraps for color. She also noted her favorite new tool is a wool pressing mat.

Community Quilts: Diane Stockhaus reviewed the Panel Challenge program which includes 40 completed panel quilts 42” x 52” in size. These are due April 2022 and will be voted on by the guild with ribbons and prizes awarded. Then the quilts will be displayed at the quilt show.

All the Christmas stockings have been completed and returned. Sufficient crocheted or knitted hats and scarves have been received to meet the Elks’ needs. CASA has enough quilts for the November adoption ceremony but needs boys’ quilts for the May adoption. Kits are available today.

Barbara Phiel won the September community quilt drawing and Nancy Hall won the October drawing. Community quilt sizes are about 42” x 52”; the 3-yard quilts usually come out 48” x 60”.

Show and Tell: Quilt items were shown by Sherri Hubbs, Kay Wentworth, Velia Glazier, Suzy Davidson, Carol Miller, Linda Marley, Vicky Hall, Norma Jarrels, Barbara Phiel, Jan Adams, Peggie MacKenzie, and Barbara Sweeney.

Meeting adjourned at 10:39.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Chapman, Secretary

Things to Remember

Remember
Return Library books at November meeting.

General Meeting
Monday November 15 - 9:30am
Miller Valley Baptist Church.

Quilt Show & Shop Resource: Quilters- please note the following website https://ronatheribbiter.com - it is a great resource for quilt show information, quilt shops by state and quilt museums!!! Check it out. We have added our show for 2022 to the list.

Community Quilts Workshop
Cancelled for November. Pick up projects at November General Meeting.

Board Meeting
The December MTQG Board Meeting is Monday, December 6 at 9:30 am at Maureen Carr's home. All members are welcome to attend. Please contact Maureen Carr if you plan to attend.

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