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## 2020 Quilt Arizona!

February 27-29, 2020

Mesa Convention Center

## Desert Stars



The quilt show is this month! The entries are complete, the Special Exhibit is curated, the Speakers are lined up, the kits are cut for Build-A-Quilt and the vendor mall sold out! Don't miss what promises to be a spectacular event. There will be over 350 quilts to view and over 210 judged quilts. The quilts will be judged February 24-25 by Christine Brown and Carol Butzke, certified by the National Association of Certified Quilt Judges and the National Quilting Association. Please see **Page 11** for judges bios.

### Quilt Entry Drop-off

**Sunday, February 23, 2020** – ENTRIES MUST BE DELIVERED BETWEEN **10am** and **2pm** at the Mesa Convention Center, 201 N. Center Street, Mesa AZ 85201. Be sure to read all the directions in your entry packet on sleeve size and placement, and how to affix your entry number to your quilt and CLOTH quilt bag.

### VOLUNTEER – Get in FREE

There are still positions available for quilt show volunteers. Over 400 volunteers are required to make the quilt show a success. Is this the place where you can give -back and show your support for AQG? Not only do you get in free to the quilt show the day you volunteer, you also get a free "AQG Desert Stars" volunteer pin.

**Directions to sign-up:** Click [Here](#). It will take you "Sign-Up." It may take several seconds for the program to load. Scroll through the days; choose your desired job; choose the time slot. You will need to enter your email address and phone number. You will receive a confirmation email, and a reminder just before the quilt show.

## From the President ...



I am writing this before the voting is completed, but I have full confidence that we will continue with some changes that we greatly hope will put the guild in a much healthier position.

Your board is very interested in seeing the guild become re-energized with more members taking responsibilities for our future. "Ask what one thing you can do for the guild." Many hands will make light work.

We have received many thoughtful suggestions for the board to consider. Thank you to all of you who took the time to let us know your thoughts. They are greatly appreciated.

I hope that since we are now a month away from the holiday rush that you have been able to quiet your schedule and spend more time quilting. I completed a Quilt of Valor for my brother who served in the Navy in Vietnam and it brought lots of memories back to him and our family. It was good to celebrate his sacrifice with the family in northern California. It also provided a time for my husband and me to unwind and see some beautiful sites in the Gold Country of the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains, Lake Tahoe, Yosemite and other sites along the Sacramento, American, San Joaquin and Merced Rivers. It is really beautiful country. I am a 4<sup>th</sup> generation Californian and it was good to go

### MEMBERSHIP HAS SPOKEN!!

The Arizona Quilters Guild will continue! About 1/2 of our membership voted. 83% of those voting chose to re-organize. Now the process of re-organizing will begin. Please note: changes will take some time so we will continue as we are until we can efficiently and effectively make the changes. Changes will be done incrementally to provide for a smooth transition. We are looking forward to a bright and successful future.

I wish you all the best in the coming month and am looking forward to seeing our chapter leadership at our meeting in February.

Please don't forget our Quilt Show and our spring meeting.

Both will be wonderful opportunities.

Blessings,

*Charyl Garman*

*Happy  
Valentine's  
Day*

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**Please check the [calendar](#) for the current schedule**  
No advance notice is required to attend. However, special circumstances can sometimes alter meeting dates and times. Calling ahead is recommended.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Arizona Quilters Guild is based on a fiscal calendar running from July 1 through June 30. Current member renewal dues are accepted beginning April 1 for the following membership year and must be postmarked by June 30 to avoid a \$5 late fee charge.

**Annual Membership Dues**

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For those members who do not have internet access, please request a copy from your Chapter or Members-at-Large can contact the AQG Communications Director (info at left) or the office at 480-827-8458. A copy will be printed at the AQG Office and mailed to the member.

**CHATTER DEADLINES**

*The Patchwork Chatter* is published 10 times a year by AQG (no June or July issues). For more information or to submit articles and reports, please contact the AQG Communications Director through the office or as listed on this page.

**Next Chatter Issue = March 2020, #313**  
**Deadline for submissions = February 12, 2020**

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# Board Shout Outs

## Rippers of Mesa

By Charyl Garman

I had the opportunity to visit the Rippers of Mesa Chapter and discuss some of the details of the vote for the future of AQG. After this discussion, Judy, chapter chair, continued with the meeting which was very impressive with all the activities (programs) they had going on. Interspersed within the meeting they presented all the quilts that were made for their fat quarter challenge, members voted on the winners and ribbons were presented; they spoke of a charity project opportunity to assist the animals affected by the Australia bush fires; they announced plans for classes taught by members and took sign-ups for their Mad Hatters Birthday Tea in February.

Following the remaining business discussions, they held an auction of items donated by members with proceeds being designated for future chapter activities. The final action was a show and tell.

All the members were involved and excited about being together. It was a joy to attend.

I just wish I had time to visit all the chapters.



# AQG Teacher Network

## Education at Quilt Arizona! 2020

It is with great pleasure to announce AQG will be offering 4 lectures and a class at Quilt Arizona! 2020.

All three days will offer opportunities to learn or brush up on one's quilting skills.

**Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> a class from 9:30 – 3:00** is offered for the first 22 participants. Topic: Quilt Coloring Fun by Laretta Crites. Always wanted to give your quilt a bit more pizzazz? This technique will show how to enhance your quilts by using ordinary colored pencils and let your inner child come and play. Discover the joy of effortless creativity and have a beautiful washable mini-quilt at the end of class. Cost: \$45 for AQG Members/\$55 Non-AQG. Kits: \$20 **Location: Delta Marriott Hotel**, adjacent to the Mesa Convention Center. Look for signup opportunities on the AQG website after 12/25. Please [Click Here](#) to sign up for classes during Quilt Arizona! 2020.

## All lectures will be held in the Mesa Convention Center Auditorium at the following days/times:

**Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>: 9:30 am – CREATE: Keys to Unlocking Creative Power** by Laretta Crites

What if... creating everything and I do mean EVERYTHING was as fun and easy as making a quilt? In this program you'll learn the AMAZING power hiding in your passion for quilting. Prepare to be transformed by this empowering look at CREATE!-ing. Laretta brings her quilts, personal experiences and information pulled from the latest scientific research to get you having way more fun and looking at your quilting in a whole NEW light.

### **Biography – Laretta Crites**

Laretta Crites is an award-winning art quilter and pattern designer. After graduating from California Institute of the Arts (CalArts) with a degree in Costume Design, she spent several years with Center Theater Group creating elaborate costumes for major Los Angeles theater productions followed by 10 years with the Los Angeles Opera as the Assistant Costume Director traveling and working on exquisite productions in some of the most celebrated theaters in the world. Her love of textiles and costume merged into art quilting where she frequently gets to "costume" the characters in her quilts, playing once again with silk and satin along with quilting cotton. Laretta loves to help others unlock their unique creativity. She has won awards at IQA Houston, The Road to California, PIQF and other quilt shows. Her work has appeared in Quilters Newsletter Magazine, IQA Journal, Quilting Arts and The Quilt Show Newsletter. When not in her studio she tours the country speaking and teaching about creativity and how quilting can quite possibly save the world.

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**Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm** – Breaking the Rules – Making it Work Your Way – Bonnie Bobman

This is an exciting presentation of Bonnie’s design work which illustrates her spontaneous interpretation of quilting with a contemporary twist. Promised to be an inspiring and energy-led time getting up-close and personal with how she transforms the fabric and thread to make quilting relaxing, stress-free and fun!

## **Biography – Bonnie Bobman**

Bonnie is a true maker. Her creative process is “spontaneous”. Sometimes her work starts with a sketch, but usually it changes into something completely different. Even when guided by a pattern, it’s only a suggestion. She teaches the excitement of sewing first - stitching skills second. When not in the studio, you can usually find her on a bike, skis, yoga mat or sewing out in a campground.



**Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am** - “What Was She Thinking?!”- the Weird , the Wild , the Wonderful! – Anne Hodgkins/Lenna DeMarco.

There have always been quilters who didn’t follow the rules. In this presentation we examine a collection of quilts from the 19th and 20th centuries that are original, unique, stunning and often, just bizarre! What was the maker thinking and why did she do that? A look at quilters who marched to a different drummer.

## **Biography – Anne Hodgkins**

Dr. Anne V Hodgkins, a retired mathematics professor, loves researching American quilt history and sharing her collection. Lenna DeMarco and Anne are quilt partners in L&A Quilt History and they offer a variety of quilt history lectures, classes and workshops. Anne is a past president of PAQA, served on the Arizona Quilt Centennial Committee (2010-2013) and assisted with the Arizona Centennial Quilt Exhibit at the Arizona Historical Society museum in Tucson. Currently Anne serves on the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame board, is on the Arizona Quilt Documentation Museum team and MAL of AQG.

## **Biography – Lenna De Marco**

Lenna DeMarco is a former professional dancer and choreographer and a retired college professor. She currently is an active quilt history scholar, and both lectures and publishes on quilt history. For several years she co-authored with Anne Hodgkins, VINTAGE VIEWS, for Quilting Quarterly. Additionally she, Anne and Lynn Miller authored FOLLOW THE THREAD - QUILTS OF THE DESERT CABALLEROS WESTERN MUSEUM. She currently writes a history column for the AZ Quilters Hall of Fame Newsletter. She is the former national president of the American Quilt Study Group, the founder and facilitator of the AZ Quilt Study Group and a past president of Phoenix Area Quilters Association. She served on the board of the AZ Bicentennial Quilt

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Project, and currently is a board member for the AZ Quilt Documentation Project and the AZ Quilters Hall of Fame. Additionally, she does quilt restoration for museums, antique dealers, collectors and private individuals. In 2016 she was inducted into the AZ Quilters Hall of Fame and in 2017 she was featured in QUILT-FOLK Magazine. She has an extensive collection of 19th century quilts that she loves to share.



**Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm -Not Your Grandmother's Quilts – Marla Hattabaugh**

This lecture will discuss Marla's techniques to create unique and fabulous quilts. Marla's quilts feature unique hand processed fabrics. She delights in using surface design techniques such as screen printing, deconstruction, dyeing, discharging, painting, etc. etc. Her hand stitching adds another element for visual interest. Come and be amazed.

## Biography – Marla Hattabaugh

Marla has been a quilt maker for 45 years and past president of AQG. She loves surface design and making unique fabric by dyeing, silk screening, discharging, and painting white material. Her home workroom provides lots of space for the stash that permits her to make a quilt without leaving home. The use of giraffes in her pieces is an identifying icon. That's because she thinks their skin/fur/outer covering is so beautiful. The shape can be molded to project her contemporary ideas. She started quilting after sewing clothing for herself and her children. After her husband bet her \$10 she wouldn't finish a kit, her fate was sealed.

Please [Click Here](#) to sign up for classes during Quilt Show.

## Up Coming Classes



**Elizabeth Granberg-Jerome**, custom quilter, teacher, designer, and owner of Gypsy Dreamer Quilts, is a native Californian, who considers herself a Kansan after living here for over 30 years. She started quilting in 2006 while caring for her elderly father and quickly made the transition from a lifetime of sewing to becoming passionate about quilting. Her quilts have a flavor all their own as she creates unique layouts and color play for one-of-a-kind quilts. Her classes teach the Panel OBW.

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE: Liz is the Spring meeting teacher and is teaching the week of 4/27. There are 2 days open for chapters to host her class. 4/29 & 4/30. Please add these dates to your calendars.**



# Quilt Shows & Events



## Quilt Arizona! 2020

February 27-29, 2020

- Volunteer Form due = February 16, 2020
- Entry Drop-Off = Sunday, February 23, 2020 10am-2pm
- Entry Pick-Up = Saturday, February 29, 2020 6:30p-7:30pm

## Spring Meeting

April 25, 2020

*Please mark your Calendars.*



The Copper Country Quilters present

## Pieces of Friendship

### XXX

## Quilt Show

Globe, AZ

March 2 to March 29, 2020



Exhibiting quilts by guild members and community members

Admission Free  
Donations appreciated

Mon - Sat 10am - 5pm  
Sun Noon - 4pm

Cobre Valley Center for the Arts  
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# Quilt Arizona! Show Judges



## Bio – Christine N. Brown

Christine Brown, from Castle Pines, Colorado, is a quilt judge certified by the National Association of Certified Quilt Judges and the National Quilting Association. She is qualified to judge nominated Masterpiece Quilts. A quilter for over 35 years and a quilt judge for 24 years, she most recently served as editor-in-chief of American Quilter magazine, published by the American Quilter's Society, Paducah, KY. Christine continues to write articles, design patterns, and judge quilt shows while volunteering time and expertise to quilting organizations. Her own quilts have won awards in national and regional competitions, and many have been published in magazines and books. In 2017 the Colorado Quilting Council republished The CQC Competition Handbook, a comprehensive booklet on quilt judging aimed at show entrants and organizers, which Christine authored for CQC previously. You can follow her blog on Facebook by searching, "Christine Brown, Certified Quilt Judge."

In describing her quilt judging philosophy, Christine states: "Because I answer the call to both innovative and traditional styles in my own work, I have appreciation for the myriad techniques and designs being used by today's fiber artists. I believe a well-qualified quilt judge should provide helpful feedback to show entrants—via specific written and oral commentary—on both workmanship and design."



## Bio-Carol Butzke

Carol is an American Quilter's Society Certified Appraiser, a judge certified nationally by the National Association of Certified Quilt Judges, teacher, lecturer, researcher and quilt maker. She began quilting in 1980 and has won numerous awards at National, State and Regional shows. Her quilt, "Bright Hopes, Bright Promise", was the Wisconsin representative in the Great American Quilt Festival in Honor of the Statue of Liberty Centennial. It was one of seven quilts in the contest to receive special recognition and traveled for three years with the Folk Art Museum of New York to Japan and across the United States. Other national awards have included the Grand Showcase Award (Best of Show) at Quilters Unlimited, Kansas City, MO and a first place award at the American Quilters Society Show, Paducah, KY

Carol currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts as collections representative and volunteers as a consultant for the museum's collections. She has served on the Board of Directors of the National Quilting Association and Wisconsin Quilters, Inc., and as a panelist for the Twentieth Century's Best American Quilts which was exhibited at the Houston Quilt Festival. She has served a two-year term as Judging Coordinator for the National Quilting Association's national shows, as recording secretary to the Board of the Wisconsin Quilt History Project and as a reviewer for scholarship applications for the Museum of the American Quilter's Society. She has appeared with Nancy Zieman on public television's Sewing with Nancy in a three part series called Very Easy Vintage Quilts. She currently serves as a program instructor and board member for the American Quilters Society Appraisal Certification Committee and is a member of PAAQT (Professional Association of Appraisers of Quilted Textiles). She has served on the faculty of National Quilting Association's Quilt Judging Seminar, which is a two-day course to familiarize judging candidates with the judging process. Two published articles written by Carol called Ins and Outs of Quilted Textile Appraisal and an article on packing and shipping quilts were published in an issue of \$100,000 Quilting Challenge Magazine produced by Reality Publishing.

Her quilts have appeared in: American Quilter, Quilter's Newsletter Magazine, All Flags Flying, Great American Quilts 1995, Quilt Art Engagement Calendar, The Quilt, Beauty in Fabric and Thread, America's Glorious Quilts, Pine Tree Quilts, One Quilt, One Moment: Quilts that Change Lives and on the cover of a college history text book.

# Chapter Reports

## Calico Cut-Ups of Northwest Valley

submitted by Margaret Simmons, Webmaster

Calico Cut-Ups members are starting 2020 with their new board in place and committee chairs selected for programs throughout the year. Patti Pearce presented her delightful Turn Show to demonstrate how those beautiful, precious linens can be preserved as quilt or quilted wall hanging. Click [HERE](http://www.calicocut-ups.org/photos.html) (<http://www.calicocut-ups.org/photos.html>) to see pictures from the presentation as well as member show and tell.



The 2019 year was a productive year for Service projects by Calico Cut-Ups members. Click [HERE](http://www.calicocut-ups.org/service.html) (<http://www.calicocut-ups.org/service.html>) to see the projects and scroll to the bottom of the page to see how many items were donated. Members also had the pleasure of presenting a quilt to a female veteran.



Several Calico Activities, which are programs that span several months, like the Secret Sisters, Block Exchange, and UFOs continue to engage members. The UFO prize drawing was held in December and member Ardell was the winner of over \$100. Click [HERE](http://www.calicocut-ups.org/calico-activities.html) to see all the Activities (<http://www.calicocut-ups.org/calico-activities.html>).



## Copper Country Quilters of Globe/Miami

submitted by Janice Pederson

Projects, Classes, Retreats, Travel.... what else is there to say? It has been a busy year! It's Quilt Show time once again.

CCQ will be celebrating Pieces of Friendship XXX quilt show at the Cobre Valley Center for the Arts in downtown Globe, opening on Monday March 2, 2020 and running through Sunday March 29, 2020. Tickets for our Opportunity Quilt will be available and we will have a small quilters boutique each day. Drawing for the quilt will be on the last day of the show. Member Maria Melendez has quilted our Opportunity Quilts for a few years now and this fall she had the privilege of also quilting the CCQ Opportunity Quilt from 1999.

Maria was awarded the Mayor's choice award at the Gila Co Fair in September. She and Marge Imperatrice also won awards at the AZ state fair. Jan Pederson received the AZ Quilter's Hall of Fame award at the Gila Co. Fair.

For many years now members have enjoyed Ritter Ranch Retreat in Herford, Az. July 2019 was the first year we enjoyed a week at Somewhere to Quilt in Pinedale, AZ.

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## Copper Country continued

Jan P. and Anne Foster went to the Eastern Caribbean in late April to learn from quilt teacher Jean Biddick. Maria M. and Ruth Meyer accompanied Jan P. on a quilt cruise to the Mexican Rivera in December with Helen Frost as the educator.

In April CCQ celebrated our birthday with Millie Burgheimer, president of American sewing guild of AZ and a winner at Quilt Fiesta in Tucson. Millie is a fiber artist that did a trunk show for us. Maude Medlin-Brown came up from Tucson to teach two bag classes, one simple, one not so simple.

CCQ members are involved with several community events which keep us all busy. The break over the holidays, after a lovely Christmas lunch at the newly restored Magma Hotel in Superior, gave us a chance to recharge and get ready for the new year.

If you are in town or passing through on a the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, stop by to say hi at the First Christian Church on Broad Street. We are right across from the Pickle Barrel trading post which offers many unique items for sale.



## Delightful Quilters of Scottsdale

submitted by Jane Wilcox

The DQ's had a DELIGHTFUL year end brunch with a formal presentation of over 500 Christmas Stockings for the Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health. James and Jaqueline Sabata were representatives receiving the stockings, which were sure to make some kiddos VERY happy.

The brunch was a delicious combination of breakfast casseroles, breads, fresh fruit and sweet breads. After eating, we were able to have our quilts photographed by Wayne Barker, member Gretchen Barker's husband. A wonderful display of show and tell, and a couple of really fun games concluded our Holiday Party. January will have us choosing charities, issuing challenges to the members and planning a retreat in July at the Embassy Suites Scottsdale. If you are interested, please send an email to [INFO@delightfulquilters.com](mailto:INFO@delightfulquilters.com)

The year is starting out promising, energetically, with us all looking forward to the show in February.



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## Delightful Quilters continued



## Mavericks of Tempe

submitted by Barb Wills

The first meeting of 2020 will be Wed., Jan. 15, we will meet from 10 am to noon at the Tempe Friends Meeting, 318 E. 15th St., Tempe. It will be the Roundtables meeting. Three different 20-minute presentations will be given as the audience moves from table to table to learn great techniques.

This year, we once again have three great presenters.

- \* Marla Hattabaugh will show us bojagi techniques, the piecing technique from Korea that makes seam allowances part of the finished look. Marla studied with Chungi Lee who is well-known for this style. It yields a very contemporary look, despite being steeped in tradition. One recent book published on the subject is [Bojagi: Design and Techniques in Korean Textile Art by Sara Cook](#).
- \* Judy Rickard is teaching a botanical dyeing technique. She has an inventory of papers that she created with this technique and will share how she created them and ideas on how to use the intriguing results.
- \* Roberta Bowen and Lynnita Knoch are teaming up to demonstrate various fabric manipulation and stitching techniques. Lynnita will demo ruching and another fabric manipulation technique (surprise!) and Roberta will show couching, bouillon knots and drizzle stitch. Examples will bring the techniques to life.

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## Mavericks continued

Come enjoy the camaraderie this meeting provides as well as the chance to learn new techniques.

We also will issue challenges at this meeting. Members can issue a challenge, and present it to the group. If you would like to try your hand at running the challenge as an exhibition, all the better!

The meeting will end with show 'n' tell.

## Quilters Anonymous of Goodyear

submitted by Meredith Stucky

Supporting our veterans is a high priority for our quilters and a significant part of our community service. One of the organizations we support annually is the **Veterans Medical Leadership Council** from here in Maricopa County.

Founded in 1999 the VMLC's mission is to ensure quality medical and personal services that fall outside of VA, Federal and State resources. Their annual January "Stand Down" provides homeless vets in Maricopa County with medical and dental care, needed clothing, food, and help for their pets. They have opened Mary Ellen's Place as a safe environment for the homeless women veterans. On a daily basis they provide suicide prevention, Hospice care, immediate help with utility bills, car repairs, food, and clothing.



Their annual fundraising event is the "Heroes Patriotic Luncheon" held every year in November. We are proud of the quilts that have been donated for the raffle at this luncheon. Over the years our quilts have brought in thousands of dollars.

This quilt's title is: Salute. It represents the five services and salutes those who served.



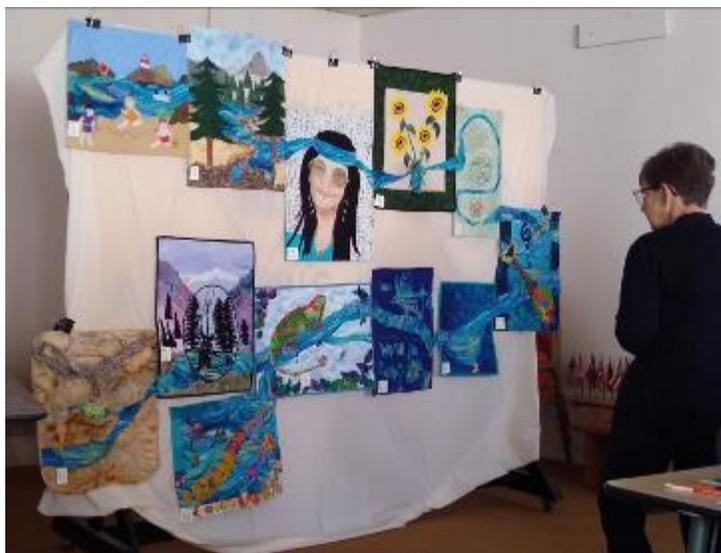
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## **Ajo Piecemakers of Ajo**

submitted by Deb Contreras

Happy 2020 to all our fellow quilters. Our group is starting off very well. We had a great Christmas party and then a few weeks off for the holidays.

Our annual fabric Challenge has taken place this past Wednesday. We chose a fabric that was reminiscent of water and did the Ribbon Runs Through It theme as seen on Pinterest and Facebook. Twelve ladies did wall hangings. The size was 18x24 inch and each piece needed to have 3 inches on both sides, where the ribbon was attached with each hanging. The pictures below will show the effect. There were 4 categories for winners. Viewers Choice, Best Use of Fabric, Interesting Use of Fabric and Fun Use of Ribbon Color. Viewers Choice and Best Use of Fabric winner was Deli Parker and she had created a limb with a lizard on it. Interesting Use went to Fran Pritzl. She had designed a beatnik and Fun Use was Deb Contreras, using a row by row kit from Hawaii from 2018 with music theme. Congrats to our winners,



We have a class coming up January 21<sup>st</sup> with Nancy Goldsworthy explaining how to use threads, needles and bobbins. Should be a fun and informative class.

Our quilt show is gearing up for Feb. 7 & 8<sup>th</sup>. We have 2 commercial vendors and 7 local vendors. Should be a great show. It includes a bed turning with 10-12 antique quilts and over 65 quilts. We have Rita Fishel coming at the end of February for our annual 3 day class. This class will be on the pattern NOVA. Several ways to lay out the quilt so have a look for everyone to enjoy.

As you can see we have been and will be busy for the next few months.

Come to the Quilting in the Sonoran Desert quilt show next month. Hope to see all of you.

## **Cholla of Mesa**

Submitted by Patti Kupferer Photos by Diane Belliveau

At Cholla, we are hitting the ground fast and furious. A wonderful lady from Infinity Hospice presented information on this charity for vets at our first meeting of the new year. Susan S. then presented her with four of our just completed charity quilts. We inducted our officers for 2020 – some new faces and some familiar faces and people signed up for our volunteer positions.

Exciting upcoming programs were described for 2020. These included our monthly demos which were chosen based on Diane B's interest survey, and a member-conducted Block of the Month in which different members will present a 12-inch finished block and directions. Diane B. presented several of her finished quilts that were done in this fashion in other quilt groups. At least 18 of us are already signed up.

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## Cholla continued

Our Third Friday classes were also chosen based on the survey. In January, we will be doing block printing on fabric. A vintage hearts and flowers class is coming in February with many more exciting classes to come such as curve piecing and strip joint quilt.

Carol K. presented her 2020 President's Challenge due in November. It's 20-something – make a quilt that represents 20 – perhaps 20 blocks, or 20 colors, or 20 buttons, or ??? In fact, it might be the 20-20 challenge in that we are encouraged to put a second 20 inspired something in our project in addition to our first 20.

Pam Sh. did our first demo of the year with glue basting binding technique. Her “king-size” examples and information were great and many of us will be trying this technique in the near future.

Everyone is so excited to be continuing our quilting journeys together with all the projects, classes, demos and charity work being planned. A little late by the time this is published but – Happy New Year!



## Sundown Quilters of Northwest Phoenix

submitted by Katie Huxford

The Sundown chapter celebrated the holiday season at our December meeting. We had a wonderful potluck with a variety of yummy food. We all thank Denise who coordinated the evening which included a fun gift exchange, games and friendship. We are eager for you to see our chapter challenge display at the AQG quilt show. Sundown Quilters is truly blessed to have such a great group of talented women and we look forward to our 2020 activities.

# Chapter Reports

## Daisy Mountain Quilters of Anthem

submitted by Susan Thomas

Our year ended with an elegant Christmas Luncheon at Anthem Country Club. Included were games of quilt bingo, Right, Left, Center, an exciting look into our coming year, gifts and prizes with our excellent Lunch. January 3rd. Val Foster taught 16 quilters the construction of "The Mountain Block". Resulting in Blocks available for the construction of 3 charity quilts. This also introduced our Block of the month of this pattern to be completed in White, Blues and Purple. A side event was attended by several quilters at the Pioneer Living History Museum "Fabric Fair". Enjoying demonstrations in knitting, quilting, crocheting, tating, weaving and spinning. Also included was a demonstration of 18th century era clothing. Our Chapter is ready for a creative and exciting new year.



## Nimble Thimbles of Chandler

submitted by Melissa Bickham

Our Winter Wonderland holiday party was a success! We enjoyed wonderful food, lively chatter, and fun holiday games.

Our prolific quilters are at it again. This time we made bags for the Red Cross. When people are displaced they have nothing to carry their belongings in. The bags are given to them. Made with sturdy fabric and handles the bags are made to last. Our last batch we gave 35 bags!

Opportunity for open sewing. TGIF as we call it! Held the 2nd and 4th Friday each month. The downtown Chandler Library opens up the Cooper Room for the public to come and quilt.



# Chapter Reports

## Nimble Thimbles continued

Bring your own projects and enjoy meeting other quilters. The room has great tables and lots of light! We would love to have you join us. The last Sunday of the month we also have the use of the Chandler Police Department, across from the library in downtown Chandler, to sew with other quilters. 8a.m. -8p.m.

Quilt Camp -Spring Camp 3/26-3/29/2020 will be held in a new building that has the sewing room, sleeping rooms and bathrooms all in the same building. Cost is \$100.00 for two nights and \$120.00 for three nights. There will be three people to a room with a limit of 24 people. Debbie Ament is taking reservations – full payment allows you to pick the sleeping room.



We are all about building community and serving the community for 2020. We have revamped our blog and facebook pages. Please check it out:

[Nimblethimblesblogspot.com](http://Nimblethimblesblogspot.com)

Facebook page: Nimble Thimbles Chandler, AZ (Public information) We post public events from this page.

Facebook group: Nimble Thimbles A Chapter of the Arizona Quilters Guild (must ask to join this private group)

**Email: [Nimblethimbles@gmail.com](mailto:Nimblethimbles@gmail.com)** if you have any questions about us!

## Rippers of Mesa

submitted by Liz Schiavo

HAPPY 2020! Can you believe we are in the second decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. My, how time flies.

What an exciting January 2020 the Rippers have had. Last year our group decided to do some interesting challenges, and our first one was the January fat quarter challenge. Back about August we signed up if we wanted to participate and paid our fee. The object was to take 4 fat quarters (everyone received the same fat quarters prints) and create something, with the stipulation you could use an additional 1/2 yard of fabric if needed. WOW, what creative people we have in our group. All members who were present voted on the categories of most unique, best use of fabric, best quilting and best overall. Prizes were awarded for each category with each winner receiving a ribbon and a \$25 gift certificate. As always, we look forward to the next challenge.

We concluded our business meeting with a Rosie's Live Auction, where various members donate items to be raffled off. This has proven to be a great way to make some extra money for our group.

A big THANK YOU to Ruth Guinn, for sharing information on the Australia Wild Fires and encouraging us to make pouches and liners to keep joeys in who have lost their mommies.

Until next time, Happy Sewing, Quilting, Embroidering and Creating. (See next page for pictures)

# Chapter Reports

## Rippers of Mesa...Continued



## Kingman Quilters Guild of Kingman

submitted by Sally Bradley

In December we had a great Christmas celebration with Brown Bag Challenge exchange, Secret Santa, supplied by Sally C., and a tasty potluck with lots of goodies.

We continue with our classes, Pashmina Shawl taught by Laura B. Some beautiful pieces were made. Also Spiral Table runner taught by Margie.



## Strawberry Patchers of Pine

submitted by Joy Gregory, Correspondent

The Strawberry Patchers would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!

The last three months flew by in a flurry of activity. Kris Lovetro led a three-day Sew-a-thon in October, getting backing, batting and binding ready for dozens of Community Service quilts that members have worked on throughout the year. We are so lucky to rent a wonderful sewing and meeting room from our local Library.



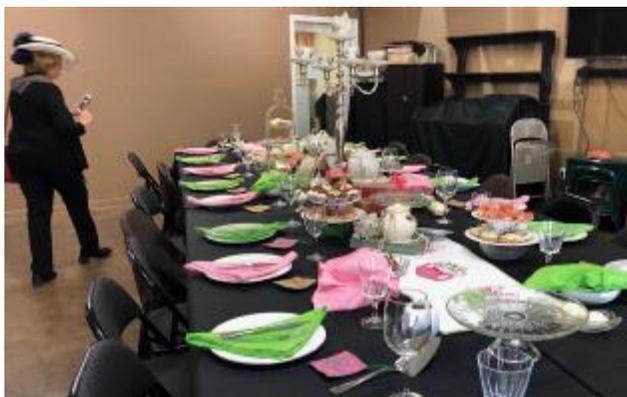
# Chapter Reports

## Strawberry Patches continued

In November, the Strawberry Patches Secret Sisters Party was a little different. Instead of having the party at the Library Annex, our Secret Sister Planner, Leslie Peacock booked another location and made it a beautiful Tea Party. What a lovely surprise! Joanne Bahr and Leslie are seen here sporting their tea party hats. The table was elegantly set with two table runners that Leslie embroidered and gave away at the end of our party. The rules of our Secret Sister party remained the same. Each member brings a gift in a paper bag with 3 clues about the person giving it. Once the person receiving the gift guesses who the person is that gave it, she can open it up. Sometimes it takes all 3 clues before that person guesses who the giver of the gift is. Lots of fun! Did I mentioned our lunch was catered and very, very well done!? Thank you to Leslie for a great Secret Sister Party.



December brought the Strawberry Patches annual Christmas Party which was held at member Kathy Hunt's cheerfully decorated home. Everyone brought a wrapped, handmade gift and placed it under the Christmas Tree. We had a delicious lunch, thanks to our host committee, Kathy Hunt, Tamara Morcken and Lori Ohmart, then gathered into a circle and took a number. Starting with number one, that person picks a gift and opens it up. Then the number two person either picks a gift and opens it, or she can steal the first gift that was already opened. The stealing of a gift can happen up to two times before it's out of play and safe from sticky fingers. Lots of fun and lots of laughs!



January through March will be more busy months for the Strawberry Patches with Demo Days, Community Service Days, and Quilt Camp. After that, we're gearing up for our 24th Annual Quilt Show on June 12 & 13, 2020. We'll have vendors, drawings, demonstrations, door prizes, a bake sale, and new twists throughout the show. Mark your calendars to come visit us for a cool day in Pine.



# Chapter Reports

## Havasu Stitchers of Lake Havasu City

submitted by Susan George

Sew, how are ya'll? We are GREAT!

As I write, we are halfway through the month of January and are sew moving forward. We hit the ground running this year with two special events...Quilting at the Lake (QAL) and the Balloon Festival.

Let me start by telling you about Quilting at the Lake (QAL). This annual event was again held at the London Bridge Resort, where quilters gathered to learn a variety of new techniques from various national teachers. Teachers this year included Jackie O'Brien, Cindy Seitz-Krug, Vanessa Fromm, and Jackie Kunkel. It was a great event with lots new stuff to learn. Jackie O'Brien graciously presented a trunk show demonstrating various options to constructing a One Block Wonder quilt. Wow! It was sew amazing to see the variety of quilts she shared. Thanks to the QAL committee for showing us SEW MUCH FUN.

Now, on to the Balloon Festival. Thanks to Judy Justus and her team and despite the cold and windy days out by the lake, our participation in the event was quite successful. We had the opportunity to share information about our quilting community with the public and sell some mighty fine quilted hot air balloon treasures. Judy made a stunningly beautiful balloon quilt for raffle, which generated a lot of interest and sales. This event, too, was SEW MUCH FUN.

We hope your year has started off with a bang and that your quilting adventures will bring you SEW MUCH FUN.

Til next time...may your bobbins always be full as you put your pedal to the metal in creating your next quilted masterpiece.

PS – The pictures are of Jackie O'Brien's trunk show One Block Wonders



## Vulture Peak Patcher's

Submitted by Suzanne Cabala

What is a "Sewial"?

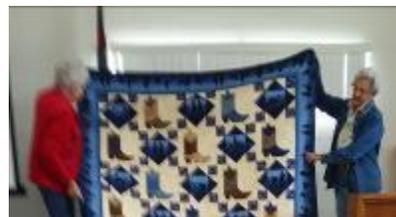
Our current Vulture Peak Patcher President, Kathy Anderson, when she was program chair, conjured up the new term "Sewial".

For our Vulture Peak Patcher members it means members sewing and socializing together at a meeting. Sometimes there is more of one or the other.

Pictures have a little of both at one of our "Sewial" meetings. (See next page)

# Chapter Reports

## Vulture Peak Patcher's Continued



## Night Owls of Phoenix

submitted by Penny Liston

Getting together in January is always a joy. It's always great to see each other after our Holidays. The Owlies were busy working on our Block of the month, that is given to one or two members who create a quilt for themselves.

We had a sign up for a Spring Retreat that will last a full week. It will be awesome to stitch with members for that amount of time. We began our Monthly UFO challenge and showed charity quilts and then our own quilts.

Our program this month was a presentation by Irma Jean Coulter from the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame providing a historical and interesting look at the living conditions and challenges of women in the 1900's.



# Affiliate Member Spotlight



## A History

In 2003, Tucson quilter Jeannie Coleman decided to make a contribution in the fight against breast and gynecologic cancers. With encouragement from friends, she organized a Quilt Auction in November 2003. Little did she know the impact her idea would have in our community. Quilters throughout Arizona and other western states donated a total of 208 quilts to be auctioned off, raising \$53,000. After that success, Jeannie couldn't stop, so Quilt For a Cause was incorporated in 2004 as a 501(c)3 organization and has continued since then with diverse fundraising events and efforts.

Quilt For a Cause has focused on displaying quilts for sale on our web site as well as in Tucson and surrounding communities. Other efforts have included trunk shows, fashion shows, writing grant requests, and bus trips to out of town quilting events. Large local quilt auctions have been held every three years, and we are thrilled to announce that over \$1,000,000 has been raised since 2003.

Proceeds from fundraising efforts are distributed in Southern Arizona. Early recipients included the Tucson Medical Center's Joel Childers, M.D. Fund, and the American Cancer Society. More recently, revenues have been awarded to Tucson Medical Center Foundation, St. Elizabeth's Health Center, El Rio Health Center Foundation, and several other local non-profit organizations that support our mission.

Our all-volunteer Board of Directors strives to keep the administrative expenses at less than five percent. The success of Quilt For a Cause would not be possible without the generous donations of hundreds of quilters, many of whom have been personally touched by the devastation of breast and gynecologic cancers. We are so very grateful to all who advance our worthy cause with their hours of dedication to the art of quilting.

**Our mission:** To use the art and business of quilt making to pursue medical advances against breast and gynecologic cancers. Funds will be raised for research, to continue the education of medical professionals, and to support clinical organizations that raise awareness, offer detection, and provide treatment to all women.

Here's how you can help:

- Donate a quilt to us
- Become a financial supporter
- Purchase one of our beautiful quilts or patterns
- Share with others about us, including on social media

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