

The Patchwork Chatter



Best of Show

Sue Maitre

"Grape Nuts"

"After purchasing this pattern I realized there were 1800 three quarter inch circles to be prepped and stitched. At this point, the quilt named itself!"

From the President ...



Happy Spring!! It's here and I am enjoying the warmer weather, the sounds of birds in the trees, the greening of grass and trees and flowers budding.

Currently, many of us are at the Mesa Convention Center preparing for the 2020 Arizona Quilts-“Desert Stars” that will be over by the time you read this. We are anticipating a wonderful show that many will enjoy. The quilts are stunning and if you missed them, I am sorry. Our “Special Exhibit” of the “Best of Show” Quilts for the last 20 years is “jaw dropping.”

We are in the process of forming the committee that will work together to plan for the future. I am excited about the number who stepped forward to tackle the task. I have great hope that with the work of many, AQG will be stronger and more effective. We will keep you informed of our progress.

Have a great month and I will be in touch in April.

Blessings,

Charyl Garman



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your address has been updated.

Board Shout Outs

Rippers

Submitted by: Darla Orndorff and Kathy O'Brien

We want to give a shout-out to Rippers for their “Curiouser and Curiouser” Birthday Party. We went to explain their quilt show volunteer job as Prize Patrol. We were invited to stay for their 18th Birthday Party with an Alice in Wonderland theme. The decorations and party favors were out of this world and the finger food was fabulous. All aspects of the day followed their Wonderland theme, from the name tags to the challenge quilts. I'm sure there will be a more complete accounting in their Chapter Report. We felt privileged to join in with this joyful Chapter. Invite us again next year!



Dear Aunt Quiltie - Advice Column

Question: After visiting the AQG Quilt Show and seeing all of the award winning quilts, what recommendations would you suggest for a beginning quilter in preparing a quilt for next year's AQG Kaleidoscope of Quilts show?

Answer: Thank you so much for your question. One area that I would highly recommend is to make sure that your binding is flat, straight, full of batting and the same width. Judges inspect the binding on a flat table and also upright and can observe waves in the edges. Blocking a quilt is a great way to straighten and flatten the edges.

Sincerely, Aunt Quiltie

If you have a question and would like it to be answered in future Chatter publications, please send in your question to newsletter.aqg@gmail.com You may win a small prize from the Co-Publishers, if we use your question.





2020 Spring Membership Meeting

Saturday, April 25, 2020

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

LOCATION:

Wickenburg Community Center
160 N. Valentine St.
Wickenburg, AZ

COST: \$33.00 per person

FINAL date for registration APRIL 11

NO REFUNDS issued after APRIL 11

HOSTED BY:

Vulture Peak Patchers, Calico Cut-Ups
Sunset Quilters, Daisy Mountain Quilters,
Surprise Quilters

Agenda for the Day:

9:00 AM to 9:30 AM	Registration Continental Breakfast Vendor Mall Open
9:30 AM -10:00 AM	Welcome
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Guest Speaker Elizabeth Granberg-Jerome
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch and Vendor Mall
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Business Meeting
1:45 PM – 3:00 PM	AQG Updates & A look ahead Questions & Answers Raffle Basket Drawings

Featuring Elizabeth Granberg-Jerome

A custom quilter, teacher, designer, and owner of Gypsy Dreamer Quilts. She is a native Californian, who considers herself a Kansan after living there for over 30 years. Her quilts have a flavor all their own as she creates unique layouts and color play for one-of-a-kind quilts.

Presidents Challenge

Complete a quilt, wall-hanging or other project that includes lettering, whether by hand, machine, applique, etc.

Registration Form – AQG 2020 Spring Membership Meeting

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AQG Teacher Network

Up Coming Classes



Elizabeth Granberg from 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 is 1 day open for chapters to host her class, 4/29. Please add this date to your calendars. Signup for classes will be available at the Spring Meeting.**



LOST & FOUND at AQG QUILT SHOW

We have 3 earrings, a water bottle and an apron that were left at the Show Please contact Nancy Laswick at 602-793-1627 or agg.presidentelect@gmail.com if you lost any of these items.

Quilt Shows & Events

AQG Teacher Network Upcoming Classes—



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Spring Meeting—April 25, 2020

- ◆ Wickenburg Community Center, Wickenburg, AZ

Please mark your calendars



The Copper Country Quilters present

Pieces of Friendship

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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

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2020 Quilt Arizona! Show Winners

Best of Show #2006 Sue Maitre		
Exemplary Machine Quilting Professional 2205 Jessica Jones	Exemplary Machine Quilting Non-Professional 1007 Martha Sivetz-Baltram	Exemplary Machine Quilting Computer Guided 2605 Mike Corbett
Exemplary Hand Quilting 407 Catherine Cuthbertson	Laurene Sinema Award for Outstanding Workmanship 509 Beth Norris	Excellent Use of Color 1307 Cindy Seitz-Krug
NACQJ Award of Merit 1504 Alicia Sterna	Judges Recognition - Christine Brown 1106 Sue Rathjen	Judges Recognition - Carol Butzke 208 Carol Collett

100 - Art/ Abstract

First 106 Betty Hahn
 Second 107 Linda Engstrom
 Third 102 Carol Collett

200 - Art/ Innovative

First 210 Sandra Branjord
 Second 203 Laura Grissom
 Third 207 Jane Rua

300 - Group Quilt

First 303 Pam Gagnier
 Second 302 Elaine Putnam

400 - Hand Quilted

First 405 Donna Moyer
 Second 407 Catherine Cuthbertson
 Third 406 Bev Lawrence

500 - Kit Quilt

First 509 Beth Norris
 Second 506 Sally Hatfield
 Third 502 Anita Blain

600 - Machine Embroidery

First 607 Joyce Strassburg
 Second 608 Bruce Swinton
 Third 606 Brenda Dickinson

700 - Other Entries

First 704 Lexi Burg
 Second 702 Caryl Spenny
 Third 701 Wanda Seale

800 - Pictorial

First 813 LeAnn Hileman
 Second 811 Pearl Sceviour
 Third 805 Krista Dyelle

900 Theme Quilt

First 911 Lois Wendling
 Second 909 Penny Boese
 Third 906 Karen Crowe

1000 - Appliqué, Solo

First 1007 Martha Sivetz-Baltram
 Second 1001 Margarete Jones
 Third 1004 Karen McCarty

1100 - Mixed Technique, Sm Solo

First 1107 Sandra Branjord
 Second 1106 Sue Rathjen
 Third 1105 Elizabeth Heurlin

1200 - Mixed Technique, M/L Solo

First 1204 Martha Sivetz-Baltram
 Second 1202 Jo Ann Kilgroe
 Third 1203 Penny Morris

1300 - Modern, Solo

First 1307 Cindy Seitz-Krug
 Second 1305 Claire Victor
 Third 1304 Barb Tatera

1400 - Paper Pieced, Solo

First 1401 Mary McElvain
 Second 1402 Karen Peelen
 Third 1403 Ginger Wolf

1500 - Pieced, S/M Solo

First 1504 Alicia Sterna
 Second 1507 Penny Boese
 Third 1502 Elaine Larsen

1600 - Pieced, Lg Solo

First 1601 Jo Ann Kilgroe
 Second 1605 Georgia Coffelt
 Third 1604 Penny Dimick

1700 - Scrap, Solo

First 1702 Wanda Dix
 Second 1701 Darla Orndorff
 Third 1705 Beth Shay

2000 - Appliqué, Duet

First 2006 Sue Maitre
 Second 2007 Susan Cox
 Third 2003 Brenda Stanway

2100 - Mixed Technique, S/M Duet

First 2104 Brenda Stanway
 Second 2101 Debbie Corbett
 Third 2106 Judy Getch

2200 - Mixed Technique, Lg Duet

First 2205 Gail Witt
 Second 2202 Diana Jones
 Third 2203 Sally Hatfield

2300 - Modern, Duet

First 2303 Janet Grant
 Second 2301 Jane Wilcox
 Third 2302 Melissa Griggs

2400 - Paper Pieced, Duet

First 2406 Kathy DeMuro
 Second 2404 Mary McElvain
 Third 2408 Barb Celaya

2500 - Pieced, Sm Duet

First 2507 Maggie Nichols
 Second 2505 Marcie Hammond
 Third 2512 Marcie Hammond

2600 - Pieced, Med Duet

First 2605 Mike Corbett
 Second 2606 Andrea Williams
 Third 2609 Cindy Miller

2700 - Pieced, Lg Duet

First 2705 Joyce Strassburg
 Second 2709 Barbara Ludtka
 Third 2710 Gail Witt

2800 - Scrap, Duet

First 2808 Nancy James
 Second 2805 Judy Birchett
 Third 2801 Judy Locke

2020 Quilt Arizona! Show Winner Photos



Exemplary Machine Quilting
Professional
Jessica Jones



Exemplary Machine Quilting
Non Professional
Martha Sivetz-Baltram



Exemplary Machine Quilting
Computer Guided
Mike Corbett



Exemplary Hand Quilting
Catherine Cuthbertson



Laurene Sinema Award for
Outstanding Workmanship
Beth Norris



Excellent Use of Color
Cindy Seitz-Krug



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Sue Rathjen



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Carol Collett

Chapter Reports

Calico Cut-Ups of Northwest Valley

submitted by Margaret Simmons, Webmaster

Calico got off to a good start in January with members Red, Jeri, and Doreen spending some time manning the AQG booth at the Rusty Barn Craft Show.

One of our very talented members, Lexi showed her prize winning art quilt that traveled in exhibits for 3 years, and as far away as England, in the "Personal Memories" category of the Fly Me to the

Moon art quilt collection. Learn more about the exhibit on the Calico Photos page. Link:

<http://www.calicocut-ups.org/photos.html>



And, Calico is planning a new type of retreat for the members, a Stay and Sew Retreat. If you are looking for new retreat ideas for your Chapter, check out the details on our Calico Events page. Link: <http://www.calicocut-ups.org/calico-events.html>



Delightful Quilters of Scottsdale

submitted by Jane Wilcox

Our January meeting kicked off the new year with the exciting announcement of our Charities that we will support by donating quilts and other items. Pam Green presented our first Challenge of 2020, "Ugly Fabric". Participants are given a fat quarter of fabric that, well – isn't real perty.... There are rules and guidelines to incorporate a MINIMUM of 50% of the fat quarter. We certainly look forward to April when they will be presented to the Guild for judging.

We are also looking forward to our first Quilt Retreat in July. Wanda Seale has been coordinating the efforts for it, and the way it's shaping up it looks to be a huge success! It's almost full! Christmas Quilts in July!

Thank you to AQG President Charyl Garmin for coming by and speaking to us! We learned more about the upcoming quilt show, volunteering, and other AQG things. We look forward to the Show, and all the magnificent quilts to be on display!

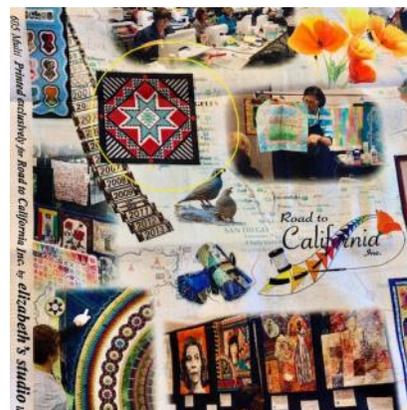
We learned that Cindy Stohn has one of her quilts in the 25th Anniversary commemorative fabric for Road to California. Congratulations, Cindy (photo attached). After a *Delightful* show and tell, we concluded our first 2020 meeting.

February brings our annual fundraiser to the guild. We are looking forward to it! Happy Quilting!



Chapter Reports

Delightful Quilters Chapter continued



Shoofly Quilters of Payson

submitted by Rhonda Teghtmeyer

Many great projects from the ladies, getting ready for a busy year, classes, food, sew days, food, shop hop, food! We are gearing up for classes, new projects at our local quilt shop, Copper Needle. It is still cold in Payson so the ladies are staying warm sewing up a storm literally.



Chapter Reports

Shoofly Quilters Chapter continued



Quilters Anonymous of Goodyear

submitted by Meredith Stucky

Our quilter Martha Sivetz-Baltram won Best of Show at AQG 2019 with Flying High.

Martha was an AQG award winner in 2018, receiving three awards for her two quilts "Wonky Houses" and the little mice in "Tales of Many Colors" (Viewer's Choice).

Then in 2019, Martha's quilt "Flying High" won Best of Show! Martha explained that "Flying High" is an original design that was inspired by the many birds that fly around their house and make their nests in their garden. It took 9 months for her to execute this quilt. In her stash, she had 4 unfinished sunburst blocks that she wanted to use. Taking the colors from the sunbursts, she created 4 more large blocks of appliqued flowers. After arranging them all in a square, she needed to make one more block for the center, which were the 2 birds making a nest.

At this point, the quilt started to take on a formal feeling. Instead, she wanted to convey an informal feeling of blue jeans. Hence, the color of the border where she fussy cut stars (which were so much fun for her to make!) Then she took the opportunity to applique more birds, ladybugs and bees for the corners. At the last minute, she added 8 gray flying birds into the empty white spaces ----
- creating a feeling of a sky.



Chapter Reports

Quilters Anonymous Chapter continued

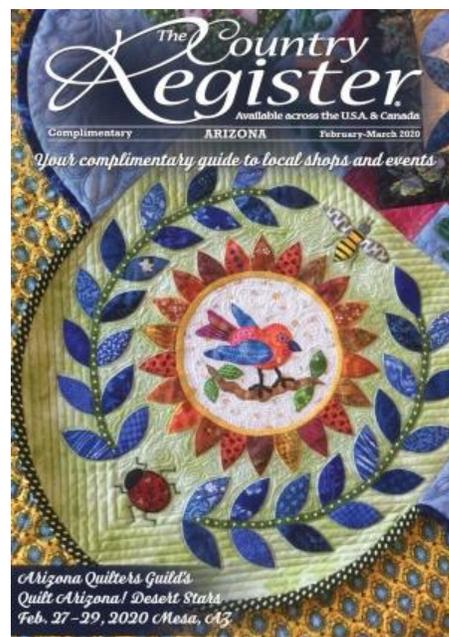


Unfortunately, at the time, she only had enough black and white fabric for the binding in the corners. Since Martha does not buy fabric anymore, she only uses what she has at home. So, she ended up using a plain navy blue for the rest of the quilt on the scalloped borders. The black and white fabric, unintentionally, made the corners stunningly stand out!

I think her advice to quilters is worth repeating: "Every time I make a quilt, I ask myself what do I want to learn? I usually end up learning 5-6 new

techniques per quilt. I encourage other quilters to do the same, yet, find their own style at the same time. Challenge themselves, get out of their comfort zone, and be open to new ideas".

Each year the Country Register prints a photo of the Best of Show from the year before to advertise the Mesa AQG Quilt Show. When the publisher wanted more pictures of the quilt, Martha stepped up to send them a dozen photographs. She was especially pleased that they used the close up of a corner.



Ajo Piecemakers of Ajo

submitted by Deb Contreras



Here we are in February already. Happy Valentine's Day to all of you.

We have had our 24th annual Quilting in the Sonoran Desert Quilt Show this past weekend. It was a great success. Many compliments on our display of quilts, our vendors and the general atmosphere of our show. Thanks to all my fellow Piecemakers and all the public that came to our show to make it a success.

Our People's Choice winner was Elaine Murray with a queen size, all hand appliqued quilt with various flowers and animals. The background was black with all the beautiful colors displayed. She did a fabulous job. Picture is below.

The winner of our Opportunity quilt with the southwest theme was Julie Burkhardt. She is a winter resident in Ajo. She and our People's Choice winner will be on the front page of our Ajo Copper news.

Chapter Reports

Ajo Piecemakers continued

Congratulations to both our winners. Our annual 3 day class with Rita Fishel will be Feb. 26-28th. Our pattern this year is called NOVA. Should be a fun class. It is like a small in town retreat. One of our members, Fran will be teaching us how to dye fabric in March. Hopefully we all will get some warm weather coming our way.

Cholla of Mesa submitted by Patti Kupferermer

We had a very full schedule for our meeting in February. One of the highlights was honoring our beloved member, Betty S., who has been an active member of Cholla for over 25 years and of course, Betty had a wonderful joke for the occasion. There is a lot of excitement about our upcoming classes including Vintage Hearts and Flowers in February by Susan S. and Zippers in Bags by Karen W. in March. We are getting very eager for our annual retreat in March. We have started a Giving Basket in which members bring quilting items they no longer want and can select among the treasures for ones they do. We just started our member-led Blocks of the Month program- there were so many participants that there will be two blocks each month to make. Patti K. then taught how to make piping, custom-designed scallop edges and to use both to make a binding that involved two separate rows of piping. She even prepared samples of the steps for each person to keep. Our Third Friday class in January was on block printing by Patti K. Participants easily carved their own blocks and then used the blocks to print on fabric. There was a great variety of designs and everyone had great fun.



Daisy Mountain Quilters of Anthem

submitted by Susan Thomas

Meeting was attended by a record breaking 37 members. As a bonus with the great attendance were 30 to 40 completed of charity for "Veterans First" a organization that assists Veteran Women/children who are homeless. Report on Fiber Fair results were encouraging with members encouraged to consider attendance again next year and suggestions on how to better use facilities. Planning for our March meeting were finalized with volunteers bringing quilting supplies and equipment to complete the favors for the Spring meeting. Our meeting will be an all day event including a salad lunch and lots of fun working together.

Chapter Reports

Daisy Mountain continued



Havasu Stitchers of Lake Havasu City

submitted by Susan George

Howdy! Sew, how ya'll doin'? I'm just sitting here thinking of all the things I want to share with you about Havasu Stitchers. It's been a great month and we have had lots of fun happenings.

1st...One of our own, the very talented Sarah McNary, will be hosting some Handi Quilter You Tube instructional videos that you may find interesting. Check out her take on Color Theory. It's sew informative.

We had a great February meeting. Martelli's was in the house to share some of their fabulous products. They are well known for their ergonomic tools – rotary cutters and rulers to name a couple. The tricks and techniques they shared are sure to make our quilting life a little easier. I, for one, think the multipurpose table was the most innovative thing I've seen in a very long time. Its height can be adjusted for use as a cutting table, ironing/pressing surface, or even a sewing table. It was fabulous. If Martelli's is ever in your little corner of the desert (or neck of the woods) check them out. You'll be sew glad you did. Anyhow, our 2021 Quilt Show Committee headed by Lisa Mousel, has begun planning for this awesome event. Hope to let you in on some of the secrets of this event in upcoming reports. Our Quilt Show is always a fantastic quilting adventure that no one should miss. It is a lot of work, but sew much fun is had by everyone.

By this time next month, we should know our nominees for officers. The committee, Sheri Ashford, Barb Math, Marcia Davis and Lisa Mousel have been busy recruiting candidates to run for these positions. They have been sew diligent in their efforts to find us the best of the best, that we should be a sew very successful Chapter of AQQ.

I'm sure there is something I've missed, but I'll have to catch ya'll up on Havasu Stitchers happenings again next time. Sew, until then, HAPPY QUILTING!!!

Chapter Reports

Nimble Thimbles of Chandler

submitted by Melissa Bickham

January we got back into the swing of things as we kicked off the new year! Joyce Holley, of Noah & Her Sisters Quilt Co., was our primary Speaker. She demonstrated the use of the Deb Tucker Studio Ruler.

We also had a surprise guest. Tina Hilton, Turtle Hand Batiks, stopped by on her way to Road to California. She gave a brief presentation on the technique of Batiks. We enjoyed getting to see and purchase some of the beautiful fabrics.

February was started with a parade of quilts. We paraded the over 87 quilts for charity that Nimble Thimbles had completed! The leaders walked each one across the stage and by the membership. We are so excited to present these to the Red Cross, Veterans Groups, and Women's organizations, just to name a few. Thank you to all those that organized, cut, pieced and quilted all these beautiful quilts. The pictures show a sample of these quilts.

Our speaker for the February 4th meeting was our own Jill McCaughy. Jill shared tips and tricks of fast and efficient methods for piecing. We heard many oohs and aahs as members heard new ideas or remembered back to some of the basics that are important in quilting.

Remember, Nimble Thimbles meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings at 7:00p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran church in Chandler. We would love to have anyone stop by and say hi! You can also find us on Facebook at Nimble Thimbles, A chapter of the Arizona Quilters Guild (private group) and Nimble Thimbles, Chandler AZ (Public group). Happy Quilting!



Chapter Reports

Mavericks of Tempe

submitted by Diane Howell

Our annual roundtable meeting was in January. At this meeting, attendees split into three groups to see three presenters demo a technique for 20 minutes; then the audience groups shift to the next presenter until everyone has seen all three presentations. It is a quick, fun way to learn something new or to see a new approach to a technique. Many thanks to our presenters this year: Marla Hattabaugh, who showed the Korean bojagi piecing technique; Judy Rickard, who shared the process to boil botanicals to create dynamic papers; and the team of Roberta Bowen and Lynnita Knoch, who inspired us with samples of stitching and fabric manipulation.



In February, Tove Sondergaard led a demonstration on how to make fabric portraits. And in March, we will have our popular Fix This Mess session, where members bring in projects for advice to help them to the next step in a project; the March topic is open to change, so please check our website for updates: mavericksart.com

Our *Out of This World* member challenge, led by Wanda Seale and Margot McDonnell, will be installed at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Paradise Valley. Other quilts by Mavericks members join the challenge quilts, which were displayed at the AQG show in February.



Vulture Peak Patchers of Wickenburg

submitted by Suzanne Cabala

In December to advertise the Vulture Peak Patcher quilt show, Vulture Peak Members had their wall quilts hung in 72 businesses around Wickenburg. Most of them had a Western theme to go with the theme of the quilt show. January found our members preparing for the quilt show. Newly sewn projects were made for our bazaar area and included quilts, place mats, table runners, luggage tags, pot scrubbers, pot holders, and many other items.

Members priced their gently used or new items for our "Attic" sales area. There also were consignment items for the bazaar and attic area. Sewing machines went for dramatically reduced amounts.

Our quilt show had over 130 entries on display. Over 1000 people attended the show. VPP asked attendees to participate in selecting their favorite items in several different categories.

Chapter Reports

Vulture Peak Patchers continued



Sundown Quilters of Northwest Phoenix

submitted by Katie Huxford

Our January meeting was our community sew meeting. We are up to 30 members and welcomed 2 visitors for the January meeting. We continue our charity work supporting Devereaux, Ryan's Cases for Smiles and Park Meadow Elementary School where we hold our meetings.

A majority of our members are participating in our challenge project that will be displayed at the AQQ Show this spring. We voted on the format for our 2020 UFO challenge. We will continue what we did in 2019. Rather than a monthly challenge where you list 12 projects you want to finish and bring a completed project to the meeting each month, we list 4 projects and bring one in quarterly. This allows us to hopefully finish 4 larger projects than a monthly challenge offers. We usually have a prize drawing for those who have completed all UFOs.

Our block of the month program will continue for 2020 as well. Work on our chapter assignments for the AQQ spring meeting continues. Fabric requirements for the 2020 Mystery Quilt were discussed and Denise our MQ guru presented some sample color choices.

Chapter Reports

Night Owls of Phoenix

submitted by Penny Liston

We had a fellow “Owlie” Lois Wendling present her beautifully detailed and framed works of quilted art. She shared her love of quilting and inspired us to create. Lois has won awards for her artistry. Thank you for sharing your beautiful quilts with us.

Our UFO projects are beginning to be completed. Those of us participating are very excited to be revisiting older projects that need to get out of bags and boxes and find a new home. Thanks Mary for encouraging us.



Hearts were the block of the month. Cindy always has a challenging project to make. A lucky night owl gets picked to have all the blocks to make their own quilt. Next month will be shamrocks.

We are looking forward to sharing our Real Simple Challenge at the quilt show. Thank you Jeannie and Barbara for heading up this challenge. We have so many talented quilters.

A big shout out to Catherine and Beth for the Photos.



Chapter Reports

Rippers

submitted by Liz Schiavo

GREETINGS TO ALL!

What an exciting February the Rippers have had so far. WOW. We celebrated our annual birthday this month. Our theme was Mad Hatter Tea Party. The party committee provided the most interesting recipes to replicate an actual English tea party and our group of wonderful members prepared some of the most delectable to grace our palettes. We had a wide arrangement of mini sandwiches, salads, dips, fruit, desserts, and of course tea complete, with china tea cups and tea pots. It was amazing. Thank you Dawn Funkhouser and your committee members (Delores, Ruth, Susan, Gerri, and Maddy) for making the Rippers 2020 Birthday a day to remember.

During our regular business meeting, we had a couple special guests...Kathy O'Brien and Darla Ocndorff from AQG who presented information on the upcoming quilt show taking place at the end of February. As always, it is great to have AQG represented, and we hope to see you are the quilt show.

This fun group of quilting ladies also finished up the 2019-2020 quilting challenges with the Alice In Wonderland Tea Party challenge. The challenge was to create a quilted item that best represented the Tea Party theme. The judging was limited to four categories, and each winner walked away with a \$25 gift certificate. Of course, everyone at the party was a winner because the Tea Party committee made sure every member went home with a handmade pin cushion and water bottle

cozie, as well as a flamingo stuffed with a fat quarter.

Until next time, Happy Sewing, Quilting, Embroidering and Creating.



Affiliate Member Spotlight

Phoenix Area Quilter's Association (PAQA) is celebrating their 25-year anniversary this spring! PAQA is focused on education of quilters. We offer a variety of educational demos, speakers and classes. We have recently started social groups for longarm quilting and machine embroidery. In 2020 we are hosting four retreats. We also offer special challenges for our members like mystery quilts, an ongoing PhD (Projects Half Done) challenge, and more.

Our charity focus is Aid to Adoption of Special Kids (AASK). Last year we provided approximately 200 quilts for children in the foster care system. This year we are also providing eyeglass cases to Banner Thunderbird for their surgery department.

Our main event this year is our **QUILTAPALOOZA 2020** quilt show. It will be held on Friday, April 17th and Saturday, April 18th Living Streams Church on the NW corner of Glendale Ave and Central Ave in Phoenix. Admission will be \$5.00. We will have 150+ quilts on display and will also have a variety of vendors. This year we will have a Boutique offering handmade items created by our members. We will also have a Quilter's Attic for gently used quilt-related items! We invite you all to attend. If you are in the market for a quilt appraisal, you can sign up for one at our show. Visit Quiltapalooza on our website for information on setting up an appraisal.

We invite guests to visit our meetings. We meet the first Thursday of the month at Faith United Methodist Church, 8640 N 19th Ave, Phoenix 85021. Our educational demos run from 6:15 – 6:45 and then we start our meeting. After our monthly program we always have an amazing Show and Tell from our members. The first two meetings are free, and our membership fee is pro-rated thru 6/30/2020. Our annual membership year begins again 7/1/2020 and dues are \$30 annually.

For more information on PAQA, please visit our website at www.paqa.net or email us at info@paqa.net.



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Bernina Connection Retreat

Do you love to sew and have endless unfinished projects? When sewing at home do you constantly get pulled away by laundry and other responsibilities? This sewing retreat is the perfect opportunity for you to get away and get some projects finished! There will be fun, games, prizes, and great friends! Come prepared to sew, sew, sew and have a great time. Meals will be provided but you are welcome to bring snacks. If you would like to stay at the hotel, use our link www.berninaconnection.com for 15% off your room. Tell all your friends and sign up early!

Register online or call 602 553 8350

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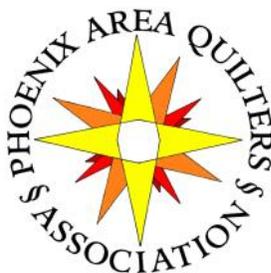
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