

American Flag Quilt Tutorial

July means it's time for a heavy dose of patriotism here in the US as we get ready to celebrate Independence Day (aka the 4th of July).

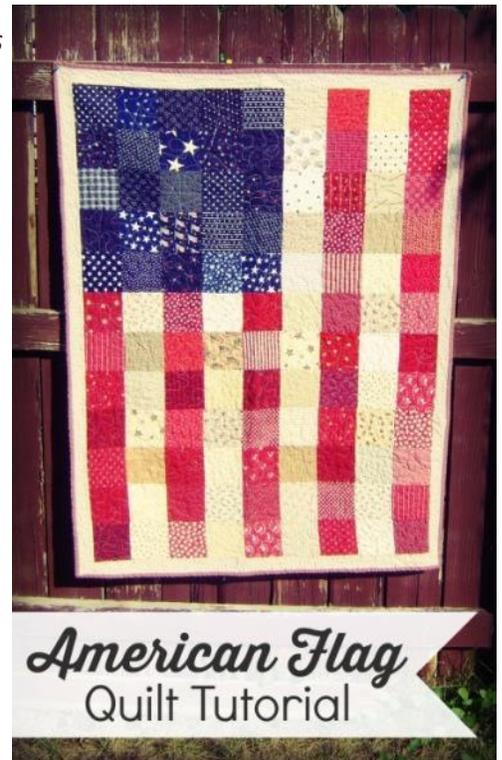
The words of Erma Bombeck pretty much sum it:

"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism."

While you are getting ready to celebrate the 4th of July, we thought you might like to make this patriotic American Flag quilt.

This quilt measures 39" x 51" and is made with 4" x 4" finished squares (4 1/2" x 4 1/2" unfinished) and a little bit of yardage for borders and binding.

Click [HERE](#) for the complete tutorial.



From the President ...



Dear AQQ friends,

This is my last President's Message. As of June 30, I will be walking into the sunset with some wonderful memories and friends to cherish.

Thank you for your support and encouragement during my time of president. It has been a challenging and rewarding experience.

I leave you in good hands with Nancy Laswick. She has been a great help to me as President-elect and I know she will serve you well.

Blessings on all of you,

Charyl Garman



Hello AQQ Members,

It's been quite a year to date. I hope you are all remaining safe and healthy. We quilters now have the time to work on our stash. And maybe get to those home projects we've not had time for with our busy lives.

I'm looking forward to being the President of the Guild. We are currently working on the restructure of our bylaws and meeting every week. There are 7 people on the restructure committee, and we are working hard to get this done. Thank you to all that filled out the survey. It will help the incoming board decide what to concentrate on for the future of AQQ. A special thanks to Debbie Ament who will step in to be the President-Elect.

I hope you are enjoying the new website. Be sure to check out our classified ads. We are adding new ads every day.

Happy Quilting,

Nancy Laswick

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the AQG office and leave a message clearly stating your name and address changes. You should receive confirmation when
your address has been updated.

Chapter Reports

Chapter Calico Cut- Ups of El Mirage

submitted by Jeri Pfister, President

Calico Cut-Ups have been busy making over one thousand face masks and wipes for the following recipients: church, family, Honor House, hospitals, children's hospitals, friends and family. Members include: Marti, Norma, Jeri, Diane, Helen, Marlene, Barbara, Judy, Marian, Mary, Doreen, Winifred, Karen, Lexi, and Paula.

Daisy Mountain Quilters of Anthem

submitted by Robin Wheat

In addition to making face masks, Daisy Mountain has been busy making prayer quilts which are given to members of their congregation who are hurting or grieving. In addition they have made Hope Kid quilts given to children's hospital for kids with serious conditions.



Prayer Quilts

Hope Kid Quilts



Chapter Reports

Busy Bees of NW Phoenix

submitted by Louise Grant

12 members of the Busy Bees have made over one thousand face masks during this down time. Masks going to Banner hospital, family and friends, Phoenix Children's Hospital, HIV/AIDS center, County Hospital, Navajo Nation, elderly friends and Amazon workers, doctors offices, neighbors, Delta flight attendants, eye doctors, animal clinic, security guards, power plant, restaurants, and various other medical organizations, They also donated 3 large containers to the AZ Broadway Theater for their sewing masks outreach.



Cholla Quilters of Mesa

submitted by Carol Kraay

Cholla have been busy making Crocheted Ear Protectors donated to the VA Hospital Phx, Scrub Caps for Healthcare workers at St. Joe's in Phoenix, and nurses in AZ & MO and Face Masks.

The masks were donated to the following organizations: Mesa First Responders, Show Low Fire Department, Mesa Police Department, Maricopa County Correction Department, Mesa CARES, Doctors Offices, Banner Hospitals, St. Joseph's Hospital, Mercy Gilbert Hospital, Social Services Groups, Days for Girls, Shut ins, Food Pantry Ministry @ Red Mtn UMC, SRP Garage, Navajo Mission, Navaho Outreach Airlift (fabric & sewing machines to make masks), Families, Friends, and neighbors in at least 10 States (AZ, CA, CO, IN, IO, ME, NJ, NY, WA, & WI);

Chapter Reports

Nimble Thimbles of Gilbert

submitted by Penny Boese

Nimble Thimbles has been staying in contact through Zoom. In May, we shared show and tell at our first Zoom meeting, testing the waters and finding it to be quite fun. After a couple of months apart, it was really nice to see everyone's faces and hear what kept them busy. Our second meeting in May was devoted to sharing sewing spaces. Linda Jenkins, Merci Apodaca, Kathy O'Brien, Jill McCaughey and Penny Boese spoke about their spaces while sharing photos in a PowerPoint presentation. Jill joined us from Canada!

On June 2, we hosted our first outside speaker via Zoom and invited Cactus Patchers and Desert Threads to join us. Karen G. Fisher -- author, quilt designer, quilt embellisher, award winner, lecturer, and president of the Tucson Quilters Guild -- shared her quilts and her journey as she has built her skill set over time. Karen said when she finds something she wants to do, she also finds a way to do it. Karen has an art and science background – teaching both subjects until her retirement. You can find pieces of both art history and science in her work. Karen has designed much of her work and talks about the process of designing with grids in her book, *Easy Grid Quilts*. Karen showed pictures of her kaleidoscope quilts and spoke about building on a particularly large kaleidoscope quilt as she pieced.

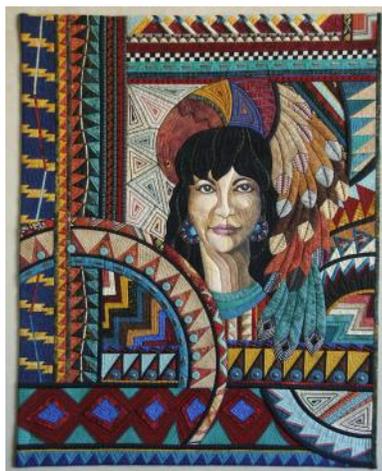
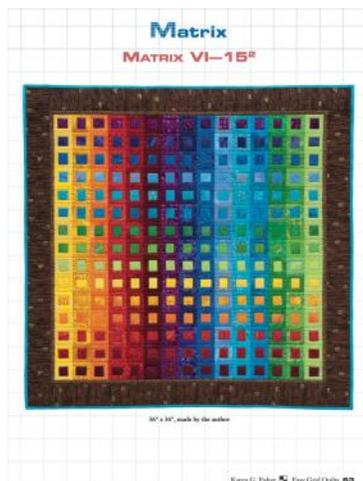
Karen creates dimension in her quilts, using various fibers, beads and buttons. She showed a purple and yellow quilt from her Complements series where she cut the yellow quilt apart and added a purple quilted piece to the



trimmed away section. She showed gorgeous quilts representing the rich history of Arizona and Tucson, and honoring the work of architect and designer Mary Colter and artist Helen Hardin. Listening to Karen makes a quilter want to try new things, explore new avenues of quilting, add dimension and embellishments, and work outside the usual parameters we set for ourselves. Karen graciously shared some of her pictures with us so that we could share them with you.

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Nimble Thimbles of Gilbert Chapter continued



Strawberry Patchers of Pine

submitted by Jane Wilcox

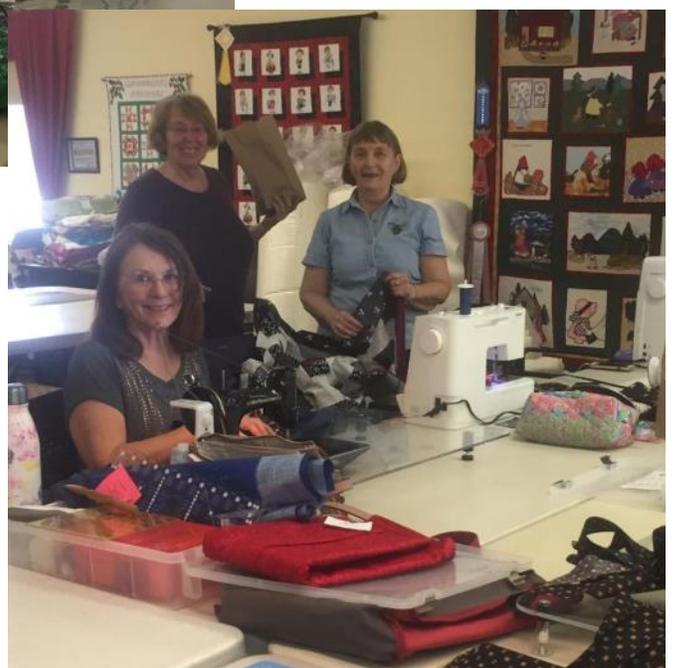
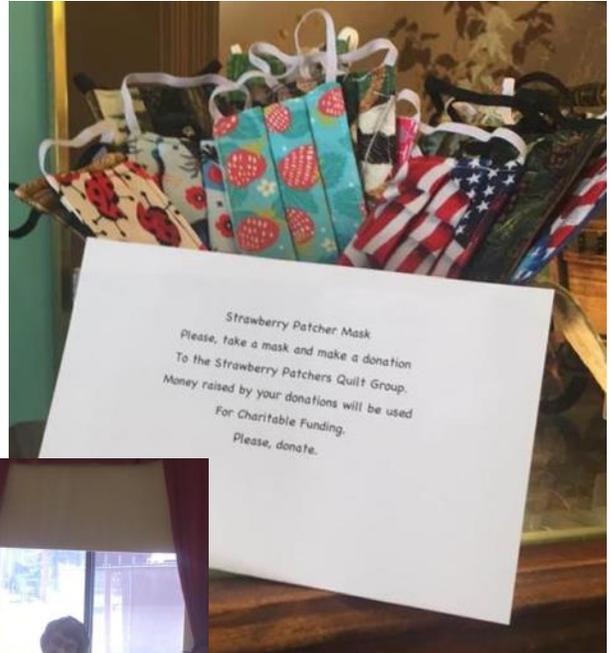
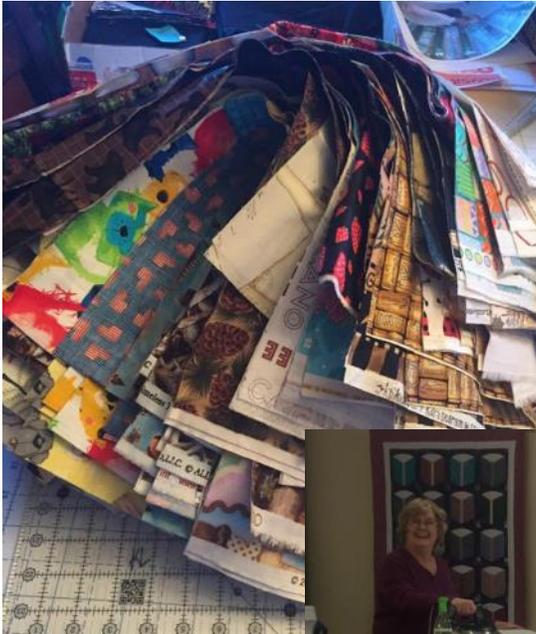
The American Way

The Strawberry Patchers place a lot of importance on giving back to our community. Together, we are able to do so much more than we could as individuals. Whether we are putting on a quilt show for the joy of the art, or making comfort quilts, disbursing monetary gifts to local non-profit organizations, or providing Covid19 masks, we participate in our communities as a force of good against the trials of life.

Years ago, The Strawberry Patchers made small quilts that were given to First Responders to give to mostly children that may have been in an accident or worse. Over the years the program evolved, and it has turned into what we now call our “Comfort Quilts.” These beautiful quilts are made by our group or donated to us by other quilters who know of the program. Our Comfort Quilts are given to people who need to know that there are other people who are praying and sending good wishes to them in their time of mourning, sadness or sickness. Each Comfort Quilt is delivered with a letter explaining why it is being given to them. Each quilt has a label with the Strawberry Patchers’ name and the year presented. Under the label floats a heart that represents all our thoughts and prayers. Each quilt is a labor of love from all the hands that cut, piece, sew, quilt and bind.

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Strawberry Patchers continued



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Desert Threads

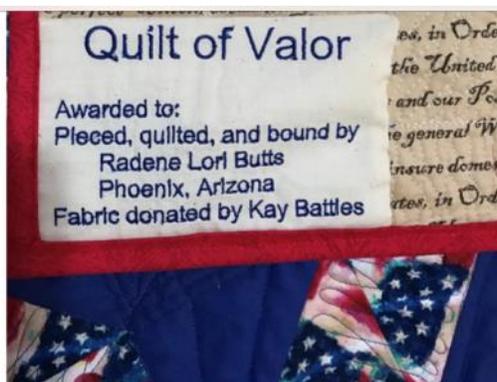
submitted by Diana Jones

Desert Threads have been making thousands of face masks. Members include: Karen, Pam, Chris, Terry Barb, Kathy, Diana, Blanc, Nance, Cathleen, Ann, Carla, Stephanie, Pat, Milly, Mary, Ann, Mary Lee, Laurie, Karen, Eva, CC, and Martha. The masks have been donated to essential workers, US Vets, Banner Health, Volunteer Fire Department, Unity Church, Alta Mirada Neighbors, 1st responders Fire Department, Holy Trinity Church, Sun Lakes Fireman, co-workers, teachers, Social Services County, and family and friends.

Quilters Anonymous of Goodyear

submitted by Julia Baldwin

A few of QA members have made hundreds of masks and donated to some local and out of state hospitals, the Navajo nation, and family and friends here and out of state. Members include: Julie, Sherry, Teresa, Debra, Susan, Helen, Naomi, and Judi. A Quilt of Valor was also finished by Lori during Covid19.



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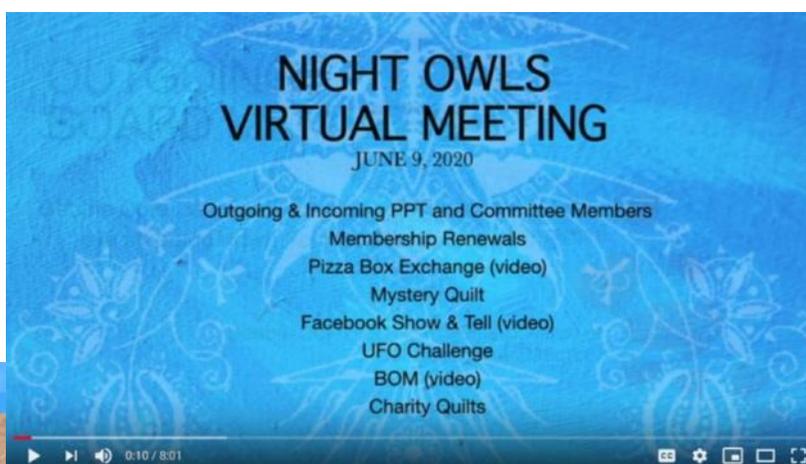
Night Owls of Phoenix

submitted by Penny Liston, Chatter Reporter

Remember when—We met at St. Paul’s Catholic Church and were able to have our monthly meeting—that was last March! Our wonderful speaker was Heather Bailey (local quilting designer extraordinaire). She present her trunk show and talked about her creative process in developing her business! We are so fortunate to have such talent living in Arizona.

So now, during Covid19 Gina Miller has created the following 8 minute Virtual Night Owl Meeting to keep our membership informed. Watch till the end for the awesome bloopers! Happy Sewing!

https://youtu.be/OAayuxr2R_c



Shout Outs

Darla Orndorff, the 2020 Quilt Show Director, gives a shout out to all AQG members who participated in the Build-A-Quilt community service project. Eight finished quilts were turned in at the quilt show and seven were completed at the quilt show. A big SHOUT OUT goes out to the following members for stepping up to quilt and bind quilts after the quilt show. There are now 181 quilts ready to be delivered to the Department of Public Service when conditions warrant.

Number of Quilts	Name	Chapter
2	Diane Pitchford	Nimble Thimbles
2	Cindy Stohn	Nimble Thimbles
3	Dee Angus	Calico Cut-Ups
3	Lynn Miller	Member at Large
4	Celeste Johnson	Night Owls, PV Piecers, Sundown Quilters
5	Susan Samuel	Cholla
5	Pam Green & JoAnn Bergdoll	Delightful Quilters Delightful Quilters
6	Beth Shay	Quilters Anonymous
14	Debbie Ament & Leslie Schneider	Nimble Thimbles Nimble Thimbles
22	Penny Boese & Darla Orndorff	Nimble Thimbles Nimble Thimbles

Dear Aunt Quiltie - Advice Column

How to fix a Bleeding quilt.....

My red and cream tree skirt had water spilled on it and the red fabric bled into the surrounding cream fabric. Ouch!!!

It was bleeding in several large areas and I didn't expect a full recovery. I put enough VERY hot water into the bathtub (enough to cover the tree skirt), then I added the magic ingredient: Dawn dish soap, about 1/3 cup.

I let it soak for 6 hours (If it's a larger quilt you will want to let it soak for 12 hours.) I think the Dawn dish soap suspends the fabric dye in the water. Another reason to keep Dawn around!

I rinsed it really well in warm water and then I put it through the washing machine on a light cycle with no detergent. It came out perfect!

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 prize from the Co-Publishers.





Quilt Arizona! 2021

Kaleidoscope of Quilts

Kaleidoscope of Quilts is a lot of bright colors that have come together, broken apart on impact, and burst into a variety of patterns and colors that are featured in our quilts.

When: March 25 – 27, 2021

Where: Mesa Community Center

The process of getting ready for an AQG Quilt Show starts 15 months prior to the actual show. It's a labor of love, just like making the quilts. It's fun, it's rewarding, and come show time, it's very satisfying to know that you contributed to the successful celebration of your favorite hobby. Please consider joining our team.

Introducing the 2020-2021 Volunteer Quilt Show Team:

Entry/Intake/Return – Kimm Murray, Lead

Hang / Take Down – Karen Crowder, Lead

Judging – Diane Pitchford, Lead

Photography – Cindy Stohn, Lead

Publicity - Pam Gagnier, Jane Wilcox and Robin Wheat

Show Book – Gina Miller

Speakers - Penny Hulse

Vendors – Co-Leads, Eva Kilgore and Amanda Jeffrey

Volunteers – Co-Leads, Dee Angus, Ginnie Parker and Penny Liston

More volunteers are needed for the Publicity, Sign and Sponsorship Teams. Please contact any of us to learn more and join our team.

Debbie Cole

Quilt Show Director

Celeste Johnson

Deputy Quilt Show Director



What's New on the Web.....

Check out our new website. We are very excited about the new format and hope you will be too. It is easier to navigate, so have fun checking it out!

With the new website, the Board Meeting minutes and the Treasurer's Report will be available on the *Member Only* portion and no longer in the Chatter.

Have you looked at the Classified Ads on the new website? Take a look. You may find what you've been looking for. We have new and old machines and even the "big board" for your ironing board. Some of the items have pictures to give you a better idea of what you are buying.

Think about that machine you've had in the back of the closet. What is it worth? Sell it and use that cash to add to your fabric stash.

Again, take a look at the Classified Ads or send one in yourself!

Also, if you have a suggestion for the website, let us know by sending your idea to webmaster@aqgmail.org.



AQG Classified Ads

Have you recently purchased a new machine during the great Covid-19 sales or have cleaned out your sewing room and found notions/supplies you no longer need? We have an answer for you. Check out the Classified Ad page on the AQG Website under the Resources link. Here are the instructions.

As a resource for the Arizona quilting community, we invite our AQG members and general public to list any Quilting related item in our Classified section. All arrangements to exchange or purchase items should be made directly between the Listing Member and the interested parties.



AQG membership is NOT required to list an item on the AQG Classifieds Pages, however your association with a Chapter will be noted with your contact information. ***AQG reserves the right to edit, refuse, reject, or cancel an item listing at any time. AQG shall not be held liable for any loss or expense that results from an error or omission in a listing. All listings are subject to approval before posting. AQG reserves the right to edit, refuse, reject, or cancel an item listing at any time. AQG shall not be held liable for any loss or expense that results from an error or omission in a listing.***

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- A very short description of the item - we can advertise the prices of your items.
- Optional: Maximum of four photos in JPG format.

You will be contacted with notification that the listing has been posted and a link to the item. The items are listed with the oldest one first.

Please contact AQG via email to provide notice when your item has sold and the advertisement can be removed. Unless we are instructed to remove the entry, it will remain posted until the end of the quarter following the quarter it was submitted. (January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1).



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