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In October, we're offering a lecture and a workshop

by nationally known quilter Tara Faughnan.

Both are focused on using color in quilts.

The workshop is "Color Interaction" on Saturday, October 22 from 9am - 3pm. Via Zoom.

From the President ...

Hello quilters. Here is my newest completed project - Pansy Patch by Annalee Leonard. I am determined to find time to quilt between working full time and volunteering for AQG.

This past week I got a call from the husband of a former AQG member who had passed. He was donating her craft room and wanted help with cleaning it out. I spent 12 hours working on this project with my daughter and sister. It made me very reflective on what is in my own quilt room that someone will have to go through someday. I made myself a list of things to do.

- Look at my unfinished projects. If I no longer am interested in finishing, donate to another quilter, turn what is finished into a finished project, or save what can be used for something else and let the rest go.
- 2. Look at my unstarted projects. I have plastic bins with fabric matched with patterns. I took a look and found at least one that I am no longer interested in doing. it is time to give it away or put the fabric back in my stash.
- 3. Purge through my stash. Does your stash threatened to take over your room like the blob from that horror movie? If you don't love the fabric anymore, donate it to someone else who does have a use for it.
- 4. Purge those scraps. In another donation I worked through this year, the quilter had saved a little baggie of small scraps from every project she had worked on. I give you permission to throw those away or donate to a scrappy quilter. At the last fun day event, one of the speakers said she is a scrappy quilter and will find bags of scraps thrown into her front yard..that just makes me laugh..a drive by donation.
- 5. Purge my notions. Am I ever going to use that thread? How many rotary cutters do I need? And don't get me started on templates I have bought and never used. It is time to go through and declutter those things that I have had for years and not used.

Debbie Ament AQG President



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Renewals postmarked by July 1st	\$25
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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 send reports and jpeg photos to newsletter@aqgmail.org.

Next Chatter Issue = November, #340

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Lose yourself in a Canyon of Colors,
the spaces and places, near and far,
so vibrant from sunrise to sunset,
with textures perceived through all senses.
Oh, the possibilities!

Quilt Arizona! 2023

Quilt Entries

Chapter Challenges Applications

Opportunity Quilt Applications

Open on 1 October 2022

AQG Education

Welcome to fall, October at last. Did you get the chance to attend some of the recent events hosted by AQG? We had a lecture with Timna Tarr in August. Her book Stitched Photo Mosaic Quilting comes out this month. Or try her on-demand class on Creative Spark. In September we had Kate Colleran helping us to "smash our stash" with organizing and project tips. And then the Global Quilt Connection Sampler platter. Did you see someone on the sampler platter that you'd like for AQG to bring in for a lecture and workshop? Let us know, or better yet, join our team and help pick the teachers you want to see.

We have Tara Faughnan coming in October for a lecture and workshop on color. She rocked my color approach by helping me to trust my color intuition.

In November we will explore English Paper Piecing with Lesley Visutsiri. Or treat yourself in December to a live class on the Studio 180 Hunter's Star with Joyce Holley.

We have teachers lined up for you for January (a machine stitched valentine), February and March... more information next month.

Check out the Events tab on the AQG website. You just need to log in, then you can register for all lectures for free, or register for a workshop at the member rate. AQG offers all workshops "at cost" so you get great teachers at a great price.

Did you know that you can cancel your registration for a lecture if you find you can't attend? Just select the lecture and click on the "already registered" text on the left side below the Register button. When the registration screen comes up you can click on the "Cancel Registration" button if you need to cancel. We hope that doesn't happen, but it's nice to know you can cancel if you must. Try the link to "add to my calendar" so that you will have a calendar reminder of the lecture.

See you soon at an AQG lecture or workshop!

Victoria Nelson for AQG Education Committee



Happy Birthday

Congratulations on Nimble Thimbles Chapter turning 40th.



You are coordinately invited to their Birthday Party.

When: Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Time: Between 7-9pm

Where: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Address: 739 W Erie Street in Chandler

Join us for prizes, food, and quilt related fun.





Dear Aunt Quiltie - Advice Column,

Instead of a question from one of our members, Aunt Quiltie thought you might like an opportunity to hear questions that have been sent to the AQG Board for answers.

Question: What is the insurance coverage through AQG?

Answer: AQG pays for liability insurance each year. Liability insurance helps to cover third-party claims of property damage or bodily injury. For example, if your chapter does a sew in and a member drops their iron and burns the carpet, this insurance would cover the carpet damage. This coverage does not cover the AQG member if they are hurt.



Question: When do I need to request insurance?

Answer: You do not need a certificate if the site for the meeting or event does not request one. A Certificate of Liability coverage is only a "picture" in time showing proof of insurance coverage. It is not providing coverage it is just showing that you do you have coverage for a location that requests it.

Question: If my location is requesting proof of insurance, how do I obtain?

Answer: Request a certificate of insurance by filling out the form on the AQG website under Resources > Documents > Insurance requests.

Do you have a question for the board? Send your question to president@aggmail.org.

Sincerely, Aunt Quiltie

If you have a question and would like it to be answered in future Chatter publications, please send in you question to newsletter@aggmail.org You may win a prize from the Co-Publishers.

Wanted—Chapter Reporters

Do you enjoy taking photos and reporting on your Chapter's activities that could be reported in the AQG Monthly Chatter newsletter? We are looking for a few quilters who would be interested in sharing their Chapters news. One could call it bragging rights.

Text—Just include a Word file with a few paragraphs or if you don't have Word, just type the report in the email. If you send a Word file, you can use Calibri text with a 12 point font. Do not send pdf files.

Photos— Just attached 5 to 7 individual photos as jpgs to the email. You can sent quite a few at a time. Feel free to crop any of the photos. If you want us to include a first name, just use their name as the file name. When you send 20+ photos, its hard for the publishers to pick which ones you would want to share.

Remember reports are due by the 15th of the month in order to be included in the following month's publication. We do not publish in July or August so no reports are due in June or July since we are one month behind in submittals. So you can take part of the summer off!! Our email is: newsletter@aqgmail.org

Any questions, please let us know.

Cactus Patchers of Tempe

submitted by Jane Wilcox

It is with heavy heart that we announce the passing of one of our long-standing members, Lanna Sullivan. She battled pancreatic cancer for 2 years, and on August 18th, her poor soul lost her fight.

Lanna was such a big part of the quilting community. She inspired us. She introduced the Strawberry Patchers to "Quilt Camp!" She made it possible for us to enjoy Quilt Camp at Camp Tonizona as she was an alumni member of ASU. We grew out of camp Tonizona and have moved on to other quilt camp sites, but if not for Lanna many of us would not have been able to enjoy something so special. Every year for the last 13 (give or take a year or two) years she has made us a quilt camp pin. It is a collection that reminds me of her love for quilting and her quilter friends.

Lanna also served on the AQG Board as Director of Education, which she fit perfectly as a former teacher. She loved teaching new ideas and experimenting with new techniques. Her recent endeavor into oils and acrylic painting was just another example of her extraordinary gifts.

What will we do now, without her? We go on. We think of her often. We talk about her as much as we can. We know she takes up a part of our heart as she was our friend. Her Family is the best. We are lucky to say she made her Husband, Pat Sullivan, a dear friend to all of us. Please keep Pat, her daughters and Grandsons in your thoughts and prayers as they navigate through this huge loss in their lives.







Cholla Quilters of Mesa

submitted by Diane Belliveau

Cholla has continued to continue quilting along over the spring and summer. Our meetings ended, officially, with the June class. However, members kept us busy with their offerings of classes, sit & sews, and charity sew-ins! These July and August meetings were held on Zoom allowing those traveling to check in along the road. Thanks to all who planned and implemented the classes. We even had members attend on their travels! When one has passion for her art, that passion thrives, no matter the calendar schedule!!





Our summer Zoom classes included a lesson on how to create fabric notebook covers for our newer Cholla notebooks. We also worked on creating tiny, quilted pillows to fill little nooks and crannies—bowl fillers!

Cholla continued to support our numerous charity projects over the summer months. A few Zoom meetings were ear-marked for getting together and working on some of these projects. Thanks

to a generous donation of

solid-colored fabrics, members are working on creating rainbows of stars to work together in numerous charity quilts. Others added to our collections of quilts, stitched and needlework projects. One such collection was delivered to the Ronald McDonald House.



Cholla Quilters Continued



During the earlier part of the year, in-person classes focused on numerous hand-stitching techniques that greatly add to the individualism and creativity of a finished project. Some of these classes worked on specific projects, then collectively enhanced a culminating project. Members really exhibited their talents as they finished up the Cholla bag collection during the June class.

Summer is a time to hit the road...and Cholla members did it in style! They found the time to snap some photos and share them on our Facebook page. Look closely and you may see

a very famous quilter! Other may not have traveled far from home, but still enjoyed the camaraderie, a hallmark of our Cholla Guild!



As summer ended, Cholla is charging ahead with plans and projects to finish up the calendar year. We are so pleased to have added new members to our group, and we are eager to meet and share our ideas and talents.















Nimble Thimbles of Chandler

submitted by Jill Eskew

At our July 19, 2022, zoom meeting, Michele Fraiser, our program chair, found several you tube speakers demonstrating the best way to "Quilt Tops to be Quilted". A lot of great ideas were presented. Then at our August 2, 2022, meeting, she continued her workshop demo on "Quilt Tops to be Quilted", with demonstrations from members of Nimble Thimbles. The following ladies brought in their machines to allow members to try the different forms of quilting.

Hand Quilting Demo - Diane Pitchford & Darla Orndorff
Free-motion on domestic - Heather Notham
Walking foot on domestic - Jill Eskew
Sit down Mid arm - Melissa Bickham
Ruler work on a domestic - Michele Frasier
Long arm/mid arm on Cutie portable frame - Michele Frasier
It was lots of fun and learned new ways to Quilt our Quilts!





At our August 16th zoom meeting, speaker was Jennifer Houlden, from Quilts with Jenn came and spoke about her own creation of one-of-a-kind art quilts, modern & traditional quilts, memory quilts as well as design patterns and custom quilts. Her love of color, texture and movement are elements that make my art come alive. She strives for



illusion of movement within work along with a careful balance of lines, hue and value. This is achieved by using both traditional and non-traditional techniques well as a variety of textiles, fibers and other embellishments. An excellent zoom program.



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Nimble Thimbles continued

On September 10th, 2022, was the big celebration day for the Quilts of Valor event! 10 veterans received quilts and certificates honoring their services. It was an honor to experience this day of celebration amongst family and friends! Thank you, Melissa Bickham for this President Challenge, of 2021-2022 and the ladies of Nimble Thimbles that made this possible! A history day in the making!





Last but not least, show and tell! Our members are so talented! Here are a few of the pretty quilts they showed us.





Upcoming events: Oct 4th, 2022, is our Annual Auction Fundraiser for Nimble Thimbles, all are welcome!

Check out our blogspot at Nimblethimbles.blogspot.com



Foothills Quilters of Glendale

submitted by Carol Paul



At our August meeting, we had an update on the progress of our Opportunity Quilt. All blocks have found a home and many have been completed. The deadline for getting them all back is August 31. Assembly will begin in early September.

Our guilts for Ukrainian

children should be completed by the end of August. We discussed possible ways to get them to Tucson for transport or shipping them if we aren't able to get them down to Tucson.



Lynn Pinda reported that she had delivered the signed quilt to Judy Decker and Judy loved it.

Discussion was held regarding programs for the coming year and what members had the most interest in. We will check into the possibility of having a class with Louisa Smith on her strips and curves process.







There is also a great deal of interest in doing a mystery quilt and that will be introduced at the November meeting. In the meantime we will do a "1 yard challenge" and members are asked to bring one yard of their favorite floral, batik, or modern fabric to the September meeting. We will then divide into groups based on the fabric we bring. Each member will keep half a yard of their fabric and pass the other half around to the others in their group. As the fabric is passed along, each member keeps half of the piece they

receive. When each fabric has made its rounds each person will have several different fabrics to make into an item of their choice. Deadline for completion of this challenge is the November meeting.





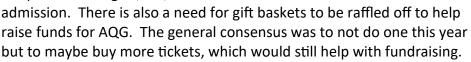
Foothills Quilters continued

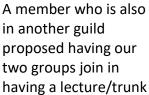
Our September meeting saw a new member and a couple of visitors. Guess word must be spreading about our happy, sometimes zany, bunch of stitchers.



The big discussion topics this month were the coming AQG quilt show and the possibility of joining with another guild for a Studio 180 lecture/trunk show and workshop.

The quilt show discussion centered around the need for volunteers and the perk for doing so, i.e., free





show and workshop presented by a certified Studio 180 instructor. There was quite a bit of interest and the ensuing discussion regarded location(s) and cost estimates. We agreed to pursue this possibility further.





Following break,

we started our "1 yard challenge" by dividing into groups of five or six people, depending on the fabric they had brought. There was a lot of ripping before each person had the fabrics for their project.

Some ended up with fabrics that should be easy to work with but others will be more challenged to make their fabrics work. Finished projects are due at the November meeting.



Desert Threads of Sun Lakes

submitted by Pat Sinclair

The quilters of the Desert Threads chapter met on September 14 in the newly renovated Phoenix Room at Cottonwood. There was lots of chatter as everyone was happy to start the year and renew friendships. Throughout the summer members worked on UFOs as part of the chapter challenge ending in December. Community Service has prepared kits for quilts, refugee bags and cuddle quilts.

Members brought donations for the raffle baskets for the AQG Fun Day this October. Go to AQG to sign up if you haven't already.

The program was about the ins and outs of entering a quilt in a show. Kimm Murray, AQG Quilt Show Entry Coordinator provided many tips to make entering more accessible from the first intention to the final judges presentation. All entries are given a are given an acknowledger ribbon and a detailed letter from the judges. Terry Allen, Nancy Bonngard and Blanca Sanchez, members of Desert Threads, along with AQGs Debbie Cole, Quilt Shows Chairman shared her experience with entering quilt shows.



The October meeting program is focused on "Getting to Know You" with lots of time for members to socialize. Our education chair is hoping to set up a One Block Wonder class and a class to learn Quilt as you Go. We continue to meet for several sew days in the community room at Oakwood.



Sunrise Stitchers' of Scottsdale

Our group has been busy this summer; August found us sewing all day to make charity quilts, using the fabrics donated by our beloved member, Gretchen. Thus

ew-in day

Some of the guilts are shown below.

far we have donated 13 quilts for AZ blankets for kids and 5 quilts for Hospice of the Valley.

One of our members who sews for Ryan's Case for Smiles asked members to make a pillowcase this month to donate to Ryan's.

Each year the group tries to make "Miles of Pillowcases (MOPS)" Our members made 47 pillowcases! What a great group.



The one with the 12 blocks was very interesting. 12 friends participate in a "box" project each year. The past year Christiane was the lead and wanted her friends to learn of the desert in Arizona where she lives much of the time. She presented a saguaro and let each one use their imagination and/or research on the saguaro. Each person creates a block, puts it in the box and passes it on to the next person. Christiane received the box with 12 blocks and put it together. You can see all the creativity!!

We are planning to have a sew-in day with Carol Colette, a 4 patch kaleidoscope quilt in November. One fabric is the focus and is cut in many ways and comes out in a surprise—oh my!

Members showed their projects including some completed and some in progress.









submitted by Nancy Cisar









Kingman Quilters of Kingman

submitted by Sally Bradley

At our September 19th meeting we celebrated our 27th Anniversary as a Guild. In celebration we had a potluck luncheon with lots of sweets.

The start of our meeting was a Quilt of Honor presentation to three Veterans.







Sally B. had an Ice Dyeing class where lots of pretty fabric was produced with the looks of batiks.









Here are some of our recent Show and Share pieces.















Quilt Shows & Events





Splendor Quilt Show
 — Friday, Oct. 21-22 (9 AM—4 PM)
 College Park Church Community Bldg.
 1990 Jaggerson, Kingman, AZ
 (Quilts, Vendors, Opportunity Quilt and Boutique)

The AQG office gets requests from the public for quilters who are willing to 'repair' quilts or are willing to make a quilt (example a t-shirt quilt). If you are willing to do either of these services, consider putting in a classified ad on the website under

<u>Resources > Classified Ads</u> or emailing <u>president@aqgmail.org</u>.



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