



Patchwork Chatter

ISSUE 348 SEPTEMBER 2023 WWW.AZQUILTERSGUILD.ORG

Welcome to a new fiscal year! There have been some changes to the Board and Committees and you may notice the Chatter looks a little different, but don't worry all the information you've come to expect will still be here!



"Put on Your Sunglasses" by Marianne Nowacki
2023 Quilt Show 3rd Place Pieced Small Solo

"Sedona Temperatures 2021" by
Karin Scanlon
2023 2nd Place Pieced Small Solo



Keep reading to find a message from our new President, important dates for the 2024 quilt show, and lots of other great things going on in our quilting community!

SAVE THE DATE:

October 21, 2023 is AQG FUN DAY

Being held at St. Pauls Church,

330 W Coral Gables, Phoenix

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Speakers are Gina Perkes and Sarah Thomas •

www.sariditty.com

Registration begins Sept 2.

Only \$15.00 for members. \$25.00 for non-members

In this Issue...

President's Message	2
Contact Us	3
AQG Education	4-6
AQG Quilt Show	7
Chapter Reports	8-19
Community News.....	20-21
Community Events	22
Affiliate Members	23-26

From the President:



Hello Quilters!

First of all, as your new AQG President, I think it would be nice to tell you a little about myself. I was born and raised in Cliffside Park, N.J. My mother was a teacher so it is not surprising that I earned a Bachelors and Masters Degree in Education and taught high school science for several years. When we moved to Columbus, Ohio, I discovered computers and computer programming. By good fortune I was hired and trained at Nationwide Insurance to be a programmer. Ten years later I moved into management in the Finance IT Department and managed multiple people and systems until I retired in 2005.

That's when my real life began. I suddenly had the time to learn to quilt (something I always wanted to do) and I have never looked back. I joined Sunrise Stitchers and eventually became their Chapter Chair. If you have attended the AQG Quilt Show, you may have seen me there as a vendor co-chair for the show for the last 5 years.

Believe it or not, I am actually excited to be AQG President and hope to meet many of you over the coming year.

The new AQG Board has hit the ground running and is already working on our three main priorities: (You will hear more about these in the future.)

- Evaluating the best option for the AQG Quilt Show in 2025 and beyond
- Developing classes and workshops to encourage quilting in the next generation.
- Doing a better job with serving chapters and members outside of Phoenix

Right now we are planning for the September 16th Leadership Meeting and our annual Fun Day on October 21st. Details on both events will be shared in September. Fun Day is open to all AQG members and it is truly a FUN event. I hope to see all of you there.

AQG President

Eva Kilgore

2023-2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President:	Eva Kilgore president@aqgmail.org
Vice President:	Rob Schultz vicepresident@aqgmail.org
Secretary:	Melinda Sobraske secretary@aqgmail.org
Treasurer:	Pattie Johns treasurer@aqgmail.org
General Directors:	Jo Setliff jo.setliff@aqgmail.com Diana Anderson diana.anderson@aqgmail.org Judy Hood judy.hood@aqgmail.org

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT	OPEN
EDUCATION	Audrey Longhurst, Victoria Nelson education@aqgmail.org
FINANCIAL REVIEW	Pat Weddle weddlpk@gmail.com
FUN DAY	Nancy Laswick nancy.laswick@aqgmail.org
MEMBER-AT-LARGE	Mal Nason memberatlarge@aqgmail.org
MEMBERSHIP	Diane Pitchford membership@aqgmail.org
MINI GRANT	Celeste Johnson celeste.johnson@aqgmail.org
NEWSLETTER	Katie John newsletter@aqgmail.org
NOMINATION	JoAnn Bergdoll joann.bergdoll@aqgmail.org
QUILT SHOW	Debbie Cole (520) 240-0897 quilt_show@aqgmail.org
RUSTY BARN	April Small april.small@aqgmail.org
TECHNOLOGY	Nancy Laswick, Debbie Ament technology@aqgmail.org

BOARD MEETINGS

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

Renewals postmarked by July 1st	\$25
New memberships and renewals postmarked after July 1st	\$30
Affiliate Membership (business)	\$75
Affiliate Membership (non-profit)	\$45
• Memberships are not pro-rated.	
• AQG mailings are not delivered to non-USA addresses.	

IT IS THE POLICY OF AQG NEVER TO SELL A LIST OF OUR MEMBERS TO ANYONE. THE ROSTER IS PROVIDED AS A COURTESY TO OUR MEMBERS FOR THEIR PERSONAL USE ONLY.

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 send reports and jpeg photos to newsletter@aqgmail.org.

Next Chatter Issue - October, #349

Deadline for submissions - September 15, 2022

ADDRESS CHANGES • ADDRESS CHANGES • ADDRESS CHANGES

Please help us keep our records up to date. You can (1) submit address changes using our Online Membership system at <https://arizonaquiltersguild.org/Sys/Login> or (2) e-mail address changes to membership@aqgmail.org or (3) call the AQG office and leave a message clearly stating your name and address changes. You should receive confirmation when your address has been updated.



Education events are a benefit of your AQG membership. Lectures are free to members. Workshops are offered at attractive prices.

We've got lots of wonderful lectures and workshops planned. Check them out and join us!

Upcoming Events



September 14 - The Judging Process

Zoom Lecture

Diane Pitchford

6:30 – 7:30pm

Complimentary with your AQG membership

Have you ever wondered how a Quilt Show is judged?

Do you know what the Judges look for when evaluating a quilt?

Have you ever wondered why one quilt received a ribbon and another one didn't?

Join us as we take a trip into the judging room with AQG member and NQA Certified Judge Diane Pitchford.



September 23 & 24 - All-Star Sampler Platter

Live, Online event

Global Quilt Connection

Noon – 3:00pm

\$47 for AQG Members

The All-Star Sampler Platter will feature 18 Global Quilt Connection teachers, each presenting a 15 minute demonstration.

This event is put on by the Global Quilt Connection. AQG is registered as a guild which will allow all of our members to participate.

You may watch live or watch a recorded version which will be available for 48 hours after the event.



Continued...



October 17 - Every Last Crumb – An Adventure in Scrap Quilting Zoom Lecture

Brita Nelson

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Complimentary with your AQG membership

This is a fun, informative and inspirational trek to find the best way to handle a mountain of left-over fabric. Brita had over 30 years worth of accumulated scraps which threatened to take over her sewing room. She had to do something. Some of you may have the same problem.

Here is how Brita managed to make some room in her fabric closet. With over two dozen quilts and projects, Brita will demonstrate some great ways to use that secret treasure hiding in your house.



October 28 or November 4

Crumb to Quilt

Zoom Workshop

Brita Nelson

9am - 1pm

\$28 for AQG Members

Have you ever thought about making your own fabric?

In this class we will discuss tint, tone, shade, value and scale to take your tiniest scraps and turn them into one-of-a-kind textiles.

Brita's simple, organized method for assembling your curated crumbs results in fabric that is part planned, part free-form and totally fun!

During the workshop you will use this new fabric to make a simple tulip block, but once you master this technique, there is no limit to what you can create. Workshop fee includes the pattern.

This 4-hour workshop will be offered twice. Choose the date you prefer.

AQG Education



Continued...



December 4 - It's Not a Quilt 'til It's Quilted

Zoom Lecture

Becky Goldsmith

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Complimentary with your AQG membership

You've made a beautiful top, but how do you decide how to quilt it?

I'll share with you what I have learned (both the good and the bad!) from quilting my own quilts over the last many years.



December 9 – Featherweight Maintenance

In-Person workshop in Gilbert AZ

Terry Pyland

9am – 3:30pm

\$65 for AQG Members

Students will be instructed about basic maintenance which includes how to clean, oil, and lubricate their machine.

Get more details and register for events on the AQG website: <http://arizonaquiltersguild.org/events>

Can You Help?

AQG education events are organized by a small group of AQG members. We're looking for a few more. Can you spare a few hours a month to help us?

We need help with finding teachers, writing contracts, moderating lectures and workshops. We meet via Zoom, no in-person meetings are required.



Quilt Show 2024



March 21-23 at the Mesa Convention Center

Open and Close Dates:



Event	OPEN	CLOSE
Vendor Online Registration	5/3/2023	1/16/2024
Chapter Challenge Entries	10/1/2023	1/6/2024
Chapters will be notified how much space they have after all entries are in and space is calculated		
Chapter Opportunity Quilt Entries	10/1/2023	1/6/2024
Quilt Online Entries	10/1/2023	1/6/2024
Volunteer Online Registration	1/5/2024	3/15/2024
Entrants Receive Electronic Entry Packets	2/18/2024	2/24/2024
Entry Quilt Intake at MCC	10:00 AM 3/17/2024	1:00 PM 3/17/2024
Awards Ceremony (by Invitation Only)	3:30 PM 3/21/2024	5:00 PM 3/21/2024
Quilt Show	5:00 PM 3/21/2024	4:00 PM 3/23/2024
Quilt Pick Up at MCC	6:00 PM 3/23/2024	7:00 PM 3/23/2024
Receive Purchased Entry Photos	4/01/2024	4/13/2024

Chapter Reports



Nimble Thimbles of Chandler

submitted by Jill Eskew

Julia Graves started her quilting business, Special Occasion Quilts LLC, in 2007 and teaches, lectures, designs patterns, makes commission quilts, longarms for others, sells & services APQS longarm machines and writes for the APQS Blog. She won Best Longarm Machine Workmanship Wall Quilt Category at the 2016 Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival, has had quilts published in books by Gloria Loughman, Katie Pasquini-Masupust and MJ Kinman, was an Artist in Residence at Empty Spools in 2019, and taught at Empty Spools Seminars in 2022 and 2023 is scheduled to teach there again in 2024.

Julia's presentation of her "Life Adventures" was very fascinating. It was a pleasure to experience her adventures by presenting the beautiful quilts she made.



At our June 6th meeting, Linda McCurry demonstrated a Mini Workshop for Soy Wax Batiking. In this mini-workshop we will explore some of the ways we can apply soy wax and paint to fabric to create batik fabrics. Each participant will have the opportunity to create a unique piece of fabric and try out some of the tools, both improvised and formal, for applying wax resist to fabric. We will discuss process and safety as well. All the members who attended had so much fun! We are going to do a workshop on a Saturday in the near future, If interested please contact Jill Eskew, sewchic29@yahoo.com.



The members presented their Crayon Challenge. 3 Gift cards were given. 15 members presented. See the pictures

Community Service updates

We had a successful 5th Tuesday Sew In with 13 people. We were able to piece 14 backs and had enough fabric to include backing (that still needs to be pieced) with 25 other quilts. We have eight additional kits that need backing fabric. As we have donations of fabric, we will make them available to all of you to pair backings with kits you already have and these last few kits.

Please help us out Tuesday by taking the remaining 47 kits and giving them a home. Take as long as you need to complete these kits, but please take them.

For additional information about our group , please refer to our Facebook page and nimblethimblesblogspot.com



Thank you
Jill Eskew



Chapter Reports



Daisy Mountain of Anthem

submitted by Sue Thomas



Great time at our June Meeting with our speaker Gerry Fischer. Gerry privileged us with a Trunk Show of her Ribbon winning quilts many from needle turn applique. These Beautiful quilts were inspiring and adored. Gerry quilts have been shown in the AQG Quilt Shows for the last 20 years. Her attention to detail shows what an excellent example she is to us all.

The summer fun begins with our "Daisy Mountain Summer Cruise challenge was presented

by Chair Cindy Fonseca. Those attending our Sew Day June 12th will begin this exciting journey. Instructions of choosing the value of a fabric was explained. June 12th arrived and 13 Ladies attended the Cruise and had a good time designing their quilts from fabric cuts directed by Cindy. We at Daisy Mountain are working thru the summer on two projects. The summer Cruise and Quilts of Valor.



Remember when it's HOT outside, SEW!

Sue Thomas



Chapter Reports



Sunrise Stitchers of Scottsdale

submitted by Kerry Marksbury



We have had a busy summer here at Sunrise Stitchers. At our June meeting we had Sherri Oxley give her presentation called Holy Scraps. She shared many of her scrap quilts, some useful tools, and taught us three different ways to organize our scraps. It was a great presentation, and her quilts were beautiful!

Sharing their projects were Debbie with a Bonnie Hunter Serpentine Quilt, Melody with a fun Scrap quilt, Mary with a quilt called color maze. Dee

also shared a Sashiko quilt, Cross stitch quilt, and a Memory Quilt. Pam and Tracy shared bags that they had made.

July and August found us at Scottsdale Shadows for Sew-ins. In July it was a sew whatever you wanted, and in August we worked on Charity projects. Mary Sartori brought Christmas stockings all cut out and ready for us to sew together. They will be donated to Devereux, here in Arizona. We also welcomed new member Barbara!



Our sharing in August included Stacy with her curved quilt, Mary with 3 quilts that will be given to Gretchen's Family, and Tracy with a cute fabric notebook.

Congratulations go to Eva Kilgore, who just became the President of AQS! We know she will do a great job and wish her all the best.



Chapter Reports



Desert Threads of Sun Lakes

submitted by Sue Bart

The first meeting for our new year 2023-2024 will be Wednesday, September 13 in the “Lecture Hall” located in the Cottonwood ‘Computer Training Center’. This is a new location for Desert Threads meetings and provides a larger room for our gathering. Meeting starts at 9:30 but doors will be open at 9:00 for sign-in and socializing. We encourage everyone to come check out our new location, our new board and the upcoming activities.

During the heat of summer, members keep busy quilting for our fund raisers and charity projects. There will be Open Houses in Sun Lakes at which the large variety of clubs and activities are available to talk about their groups. Desert Threads will be at the Cottonwood Open House on October 7 and the IronOaks Open House on October 14. We will be selling tickets for the new Opportunity Quilt. Also, a Bazaar is being held at the Sun Lakes Country Club in the Navajo Room on Saturday November 4. We will be selling a variety of quilts for beds, lounging, table tops, walls and large tote bags as well. Opportunity Quilt tickets will be available also.

Desert Threads board members met this summer to define activities for our new year. Diana Jones will lead a Block-of-the-Month activity. Diana says this is great for everyone, including beginners, novice and advanced quilters, to learn new block designs and best practices for sewing beautiful quilts. Cindy Templeton arranges for our meeting lectures with some fascinating topics planned. You won’t want to miss the monthly meetings. Maryellen Swanson has lined up classes for us, including free-motion quilting by Mona Adams at the 35th Avenue Sew and Vac shop on November 16 and an all-day class by Peggy Morris on rough edge applique in the IronOaks Sewing room on October 21. The chapter has a couple of quilting challenges too. Come to our meetings to learn how you can complete quilts to enter the challenges and win prizes.

For more information send email to info.desertthreads@gmail.com or to desertthreads.president@gmail.com. We welcome everyone regardless of where you live. Guests are welcome.

Several members show some beautiful Community Service quilts they made for various charity organizations Desert Threads supports.



Chapter Reports



Cholla Quilters of Mesa

submitted by Deborah Chapman

Cholla Quilters have been busy throughout the spring and summer. We are excited to announce a location change that meets our needs and our growing membership.



Some of our classes included a “Cathedral Window” Quilt, a “Sea Glass Quilt” with an exciting array of ideas and “Convergence Quilts” which challenged our minds as well as our artistic abilities. We had a great demo from Ginger at Blue Magic quilts using various rulers and quilting items.

We continue to have charity sewing days and still donate to Infinity Hospice, Helen’s Hope Chest, A New Leaf, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Ronald McDonald House, and Sewing for Foster Kids. One of our big all-member donations went out to Infinity Hospice.



Zoom has been a big contributor to our cohesiveness as a group and has been a connection over the summer while people are still quilting and sharing no matter where they are! Also, our Facebook account keeps us up to date with facts and humor.



We have been given a “President’s Challenge” where each member is given a piece of the same material to incorporate into their own block design. Can’t wait to see the finished project this fall when volunteers have completed piecing and quilting.

Looking forward to the Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival at Scottsdale Westworld at the end of August. Hope to see you all there!



Chapter Reports



Night Owls of Phoenix

submitted by Theresa Baethke



Night Owls rocked the summer! During our June meeting, we enjoyed a wonderful potluck and a rousing game of Left, Right, Center with Jelly Roll strips. Norma Suckle won the Best Owl shirt (not really a thing, but doesn't she look great!?!). We celebrated the many years of service of our outgoing Charity program manager, Janet Kraus. It was a great send-off for us to enjoy our summer!



Night Owls host a retreat each August during the second week of the month to coincide with our monthly meeting. We had 85 retreaters! The event sold-out months ago. It was quite a sight to see to walk into our venue and see row after row of machines, fabric, sewists and so many quilts on design walls! Night Owls provided dinner from Pork on a Fork to all retreaters and meeting attendees. It was so yummy!

After dinner, Teresa Darling presented the outcome of Ms. Barb's Youth Camp 2023. Each day the students learned something new, starting with safety and learning about the machine, to creating a four-patch pocket to stitch to an apron. The kids creating their own reversible book tote, a log cabin potholder, pillowcases, and a mug rug. They even participated in a scavenger hunt. The kids really enjoyed themselves. A huge thank you to Justine Bishop from Modern Quilting for providing the classroom.

Cindy Boyd reported she received 92 new pillowcases. She was able to deliver 15 quilts this past month. She said we have many more, but it is just too hot to hand out quilts right now. It might be more comfortable to snuggle under an ice pack right now. She said she would start delivering more soon.



Mary Lynott discussed our upcoming challenge: manipulated fabric. She outlined the rules. Mary invited Barb Jansen, Wanda Serle and Erica Warren to present their 3-dimensional quilts and explain their methods and inspiration. Barb showed several pieces and explained her method of using heat and bond to manipulate the fabric. Wanda's creations demonstrated the properties Terial Magic and what it can do to create a quilt that pops. Erica uses couching and artificial flowers and stems to create unique pieces of artwork. Kate Morgan also showed several of her quilts using traditional quilt blocks and an interesting way of folding the fabric to make it stand out.

Any Night Owls wanting to participate should bring their finished quilt to the December 12th meeting. Night Owls will vote on their favorite.

Night Owls has a lending library! You must sign up to get a "library card". Books can only be checked out for one month and returned at the following meeting. See Penny if you have any questions.

We got to see so many beautiful quilts and table runners during Show and Tell. There were black and white quilts, an illusion quilt, and a quilt made from horse ribbons. We had quilts made with minky, quilts made from scraps cut with a Accuquilt, and a throw made from Mexican embroidered squares. We had panels, hearts and lightning bugs. We have a very talented bunch!

Our next meeting will be held on September 12 at 6:30.

Chapter Reports



Havasu Stitchers of Lake Havasu City

submitted by Susan George

Hi, ya'll!!!! It's Havasu Stitchers' Time, don't ya know? And I'm here to share our summer quilting adventures. Can you believe this summer season? Wow!!! Record breaking temperatures has meant record breaking time in our sewing studios (fancy term for sewing room). Which has brought record breaking quilted works of art. Great summer.

I'd like to introduce you to our new board of directors – Barbara Withers (President); Tanya Braun (1st VP Education); Kelly Beman (2nd VP Membership); Eileen Johnson (Treasurer); and Janice Richardson (Secretary). These ladies have graciously volunteered to lead us on a variety of new quilting adventures. It's gonna be SEW much fun!!!



OOPS, let me back up a little and thank our outgoing board for their fabulous leadership. This last year has been filled with sew many things... quarterly sewcations; member trunk shows; national teachers; and sew much more. Ya'll are truly GREAT Leaders. Thank you, Laurie Bevans, Sherry Ashford, Judy Justus, Lisa Mousel, Bonnie Carrington, Eileen Johnson, and Roseanne DiMarco-Burnham. Your leadership has inspired us to challenge ourselves to be the best quilters we can be. Thank you SEW very, very much.

Community Service Day was held at the Aquatic Center in July. Carolyn Foreman and Michaelene Stevens lead the Community Outreach crew in a All Day Sew-in. Carolyn and Michaelene made up kits for quilts, walker bags and a few other items for the "crew" to complete. The day was considered a GREAT success, as many completed projects are now ready to be distributed to the community. Thanks ladies, your efforts are greatly appreciated not only by us, but the community, as well.



Now, let me tell you about the most recent Sewcation. As you may know, its our local quarterly retreat...usually 3 days and held at the Aquatic Center. What a great sewing event. Each participant works on a project of her choice. (I don't know how many are completed, as there is an abundance of sewcializing, sharing, chatting, eating, etc. But it's ALWAYS sew much fun.) Take a look at the attached pictures to see all the smiling faces.

One last thing...Our quilt show. Mark your calendars for FEBRUARY 2 & 3, 2024. Tanya Braun and Barbara Withers are leading the charge to a wonderful display of quilted treasures. It should be the best show ever. Check our website (havasustitchers.com) or our Facebook page for more information.

Thanks for listening to my chatter. And remember, each quilt is the result of a great quilting adventure.

Happy Quilting....

Susan George



Chapter Reports



Foothills Quilters of Glendale

submitted by Carole Paul

A large part of our August business meeting was devoted to various charity projects. In addition to our third quarter charity, Quilts of Valor (which we are still assisting), we were asked if we would be interested in assisting the Sundown Quilters with their charity, which is making “Christmas” stockings to give children as they go into foster care. When given to the kids, the stockings are filled with basic personal care items they need and, once the stockings are emptied, the children then have something of their own they can store items in and take with them if/when they are moved to other homes. The stockings can be made of Christmas fabrics or any others that would be fun or cheerful for children. Sundown Quilters usually provides 200 of these stockings a year but this year they have been requested to provide 300 – which is where Foothills comes in. Leslie, our Charity Chair and the mother of a Sundown member, introduced us to this need and brought a bunch of kits that had been assembled so our members take them to sew. Completed stockings need to be turned in to Foothills no later than October 25 so they can be provided to Sundown Quilters by November 1, their deadline.



The September meeting will be the mystery quilt reveal. Those who have their quilts completed and labeled will qualify for a drawing to see who gets the prize. Flimsies are welcome for those of us who don't have our quilts done by September.

The August “program” was an ice cream social with various ice creams, sauces, fruits and other toppings. Not to be left out were root beer floats. This was such a hit it was suggested that it become our annual August program and no “nays” were heard. Looking forward to August, 2024!



Chapter Reports



Card Tricks– White Mountains

submitted by Cheryl Holtz

The CardTricks have had a busy summer.

In June besides our regular meeting, we had a retreat at the Bear Cabin Inn. Always lots of sewing, good food and making friends.



In July our member, Cathy Clark, presented a lecture at the White Mountain Nature Center. She has been an artist in residence at: Montezuma Castle, Petrified Forest & Painted Desert, and Apache Sitgreaves National Forest. She gave a demonstration of how she makes an art quilt

Our big event was our August Quilt Show, For the Love of Quilts, on August 10 & 11th. About 130 quilts were judged and displayed for show with vendor booths and raffle quilts. This is an annual show - come up to the cool pines and see our great show.



Chapter Reports



Strawberry Patchers of Pine, Payson, Strawberry & Happy Jack

submitted by Jane Wilcox

Well, that was fast! Where did the summer go???? July was packed with fun after the 4th, our business meeting laid out a fabulous report on our quilt show and the success it was. Thank you so much to everyone that came up to Pine in June for our show, and voted on your favorite quilt. Our vendors and sponsors ensured that there was a great variety for everyone!

We are now looking forward to working on the Rim Country Quilt Show to be held November 3 & 4, 2023 at the Matazal Casino in Payson, AZ. This is a judged show, and entries are open now; closing on October 15th, 2023. If you have a quilt you'd like to enter, please go to the Rim Country website: www.quilttroundup.org This is the Northern

Arizona Regional Show. We will be listing drop off locations for you, but you are responsible to pick up your quilts! Rules and entry categories are listed on the site.

We welcome new leadership positions to our chapter. Leslie Peacock passed the gavel of Chapter Chair to Marjorie Brakefield. Treasurer is Christine Mahon, the role of corresponding secretary is Jackie Smith. Nancy Bragg is in charge of membership.

Our October Charity Sew Days are the next thing we have planned. 3 days of sewing binding, borders, getting backing ready for quilt tops to go to our wonderful long arm quilters that donate their time and efforts. We are SO proud of

our Comfort Quilt program, and receive so many accolades for it! Many thanks to Kris Lovetro for organizing these sewing days that benefit our Rim Country communities.

If you would like to join us, we meet the first Thursday of the month at the Pine Library Activity Center. We gather at 9:00am, and our meeting starts at 9:30. The 3rd Thursday of the month is for classes, sewing, and special demonstrations we reserve for members only! Be sure to join so you won't miss out on ANYTHING!



We hope you all had a great summer!

Chapter Reports



Copper Country Quilters of Globe/Miami

Submitted by Ellen Kretsch

So what do you do during what seems to have been the hottest longest summer ever? For the Copper Country Quilters, that meant heading to the high country. Several members enjoyed retreats in Pinetop Lakeside and in Payson this summer.

As always, Arizona Creative Connections, was a true hit with scrumptious meals on the menu each day. Hostess Frances never fails to delight visiting quilters at her Pinetop retreat. The Quilters Nest in Payson doesn't provide meals, but who needs them when you have so many good cooks in the membership! But no worries, we found plenty of time for quilting at both venues, along with trips to the delightful local quilt shops. The photos will give you a sneak peek at what I'm sure will be entries in our annual show in Globe in February, and later at the state AQG show.

While we cut back on meetings this summer, we're now ready to get back into the business of county fairs, community service quilts and putting on the Pieces of Friendship quilt show in February. But first order of business will be the Gila County Fair, coming up Sept. 21-23 at the Gila County Fairgrounds. We have a huge display of quilts and homemaking arts, so maybe a road trip is in order for your guild!

At our August meeting, one of our original guild members Johnette Shoberg??? came to visit. She had moved to Michigan but has returned to the desert, living in the Phoenix area. During show and tell, she displayed a scrap quilt she made from donated squares. The huge quilt will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Congratulations to Maria Melendez, who showed of the 1000th, yes you read that right, the 1000th quilt she has quilted on her long arm.



When Maria Melendez of the Copper Country Quilters starts something, she jumps in with both feet. This is the 1000th quilt she has finished on her long arm machine. She quilts for herself and friends and is in high demand with her beautiful work.



Johnette Shoberg returned to visit friends in Globe at a recent Copper Country Quilters meeting. This quilt is one she made for Habitat for Humanity from donated squares.

Chapter Reports



Kingman Quilters of Kingman

submitted by Sally B.

We meet throughout the summer every Monday, and have continued to have classes. One project that had a lot of participation was the plus blocks that were made and exchanged. They are due soon, but some ambitious quilters theirs already completed.



Another class was rope bowls/baskets taught by Cindy's Sister.



We continue to make Comfort quilts as our charity outreach program, and had Monday sew day where several tops were completed.



Extra: Quilting News

Ms. Barb's Quilt Camp

When a quilter is finished on earth and enters quilt heaven where all projects are complete and there are no UFOs, how can her legacy live on? Bara Spitalny the 2016 AQG Member of the Year and active member of Night Owls, passed away in 2022. After 25 years of teaching children and piecing and quilting numerous charity quilts for Night Owls, her creative ability of teaching our younger generation and quilting lived on by Ms. Barb's Youth Quilt Camp.



During the week of July 17th, seven youth from the age of 8 thru 13 attended a 3 hour camp at Modern Quilts in Phoenix. Some of the youths had a little experience while others didn't know how to sew. For this initial camp, there was no fee for the youths since we all have stash that can be turn into treasures and the classroom was donated.

With the assistance of 9 quilting buddies (I won't mention their ages), the youths, girls and one boy, learn how to quilt. Each day was a different project starting with a 4 patch place on a prepare apron, a 9 patch bag, a log cabin pot holder, and finally a fussy cut mug rug. We even made a few pillowcases and diaper bag charity blankets for Luke Air Force Base. A quarter inch theme was our target each day. In addition, the young quilters started four separate quilts that will be entered into AQG 2024 Quilt Show "Hip to be Square" Youth Category. The youth category will honor Barb Spitalny with four new youth awards.



From this experience, Night Owls Chapter would love to share our experiences with other AGQ Chapters to teach the next generation the joys and creativity of quilting. If any chapters are interested in learning more, please contact Teresa Darling at tbds@vcx.net. We would love to meet in a zoom meeting and share our planning/implementing information with you and your chapter.



Extra: Quilting News

DAISY MOUNTAIN QUILTS OF VALOR

submitted by Cindy Fonesca

Quilts of Valor Foundation (QOVF) is a national organization whose mission is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. There are currently over 600 QOV groups in the United States. One of the newest Groups to form is in Anthem Arizona, named Daisy Mountain Quilts of Valor (DMQOV).

DMQOV formed in March of this year after having the Prescott Group give a presentation at a general meeting for Daisy Mountain Quilters. The group currently consists of about a dozen quilters with affiliation to the Arizona Quilters Guild - Daisy Mountain Quilters and Foothills Quilters.

DMQOV presented their first quilt on Armed Forces Day, May 20, 2023. The quilt was awarded to Master Sgt Summer C., on the anniversary of her 20th year with the United States Air Force. In June, our Group coordinated with another Group in Maryland to present our second QOV. In July, one of our members traveled to Texas and presented four additional quilts.

Our Group is dependent on volunteers as well as donations to purchase all the supplies needed to create these quilts. We have participated in a couple Farmer's Markets local to us in Anthem to spread awareness of our Group. We held a Quilt Raffle at these Farmer's Markets to generate funds. We are collecting printer ink cartridges for recycling. Our leadership has given presentations at general meetings for Daisy Mountain Quilters, Foothills Quilters, and Busy Bees. If your AQG group is interested in hosting a presentation, please contact Tona at DaisyMountainQOV@gmail.com.

How can you help? Being a new Group of QOVF, Daisy Mountain QOV would appreciate any new fabric donations. If you are a quilter, or know of one, who would like to donate fabric to our Group, please reach out to DaisyMountainQOV@gmail.com.

Financial donations are also highly appreciated. There are many costs involved with the production of quilts, as you know. There are also costs associated with administration, this includes brochures, business cards, and venue fees in our local area to bring recognition to our Group. Please use QR Code as shown to donate. Nominations are welcome. Anyone can nominate a living service member or veteran that has been touched by war so we can wrap them in comfort and thank them for their service. "Touched by War" may be direct or indirect; from direct combat no matter where or when, caring for casualties either in the field or in hospitals overseas or stateside, serving in harm's way by providing support or supplies, being wounded, providing casualty assistance to families of the fallen, ministering and supporting those who struggle with the demons that interfere with their life after war.

Nominations can be made at www.QOVF.org/nominations-awards. Volunteers are always welcome. Volunteers are needed in many areas even without the ability to sew; being an extra set of hands during Group sew time, awarding Quilts, and fundraising. DMQOV meets monthly for a Sew Day to work as a Group on quilt tops, in addition to working individually throughout the month. We also have an informal monthly general meeting to plan fundraising and coordinate presentations.

Please visit www.QOVF.org/whos-in-my-area to find the nearest QOV to you and join. If you are interested in joining or donating to Daisy Mountain Quilts of Valor #89949, please contact Tona at DaisyMountainQOV@gmail.com. Or use the QR Code as shown. We are on Facebook as Daisy Mountain QOV. DONATE, VOLUNTEER, or be a SUPPORTER OF Daisy Mountain Quilts of Valor. Thank you.



Community Events



Upcoming Quilt Shows & Events

♦ August 31– September 2 Scottsdale Quilt Craft and Sewing Festival

\$8/members for all 3 days

WestWorld of Scottsdale 16601 N Pima Rd. • Scottsdale, AZ 85260

HOURS: Thursday & Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm / Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

www.quiltcraftsew.com

♦ October 20-21 Quail Country Quilters “A Covey of Quilts”

Verde Valley Fairgrounds, 300 E Cherry St. Cottonwood *Free parking*

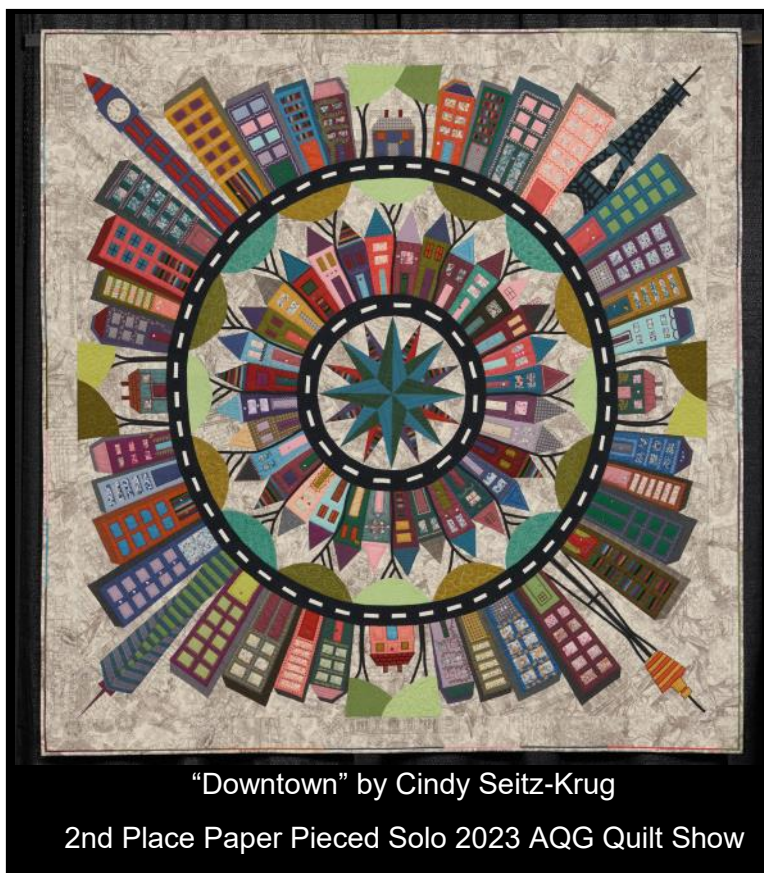
Friday 9-4, Saturday 9-3 Admission: \$5 adults, \$2 ages 9-18, under 8 and over 80 FREE

For More Information: MaryBeth Groseta (928)300-9288

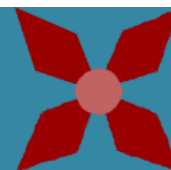
♦ November 3-4 Rim Country Quilt Roundup Quilt Show- \$5 admission age 13 and up

Mazatzal Hotel and Casino Exhibition Hall, Payson, Arizona

<https://quiltroundup.org>



Affiliate Members



Northern

3548 W Northern Ave

Phoenix, AZ 85051

(602) 841-5427

Hours: M-F 9a-6p Sat 9a-5pSun 10a-4p

Chandler

4939 W Ray Road

Chandler, AZ 85226

(480) 961-7363

Hours: M-F 9a-6p Sat 9a-5pSun 10a-4p

El Mirage

12213 NW Grand Ave

El Mirage, AZ 85335

(623) 583-0070

Hours: M-S 9a-5p

www.35thavesewandvac.com

info@35thavesewandvac.com



Create and rejuvenate in the White Mountains where you can sew, knit, crochet, craft, eat and sleep. No cleaning, no cooking, the quilted moose has your back!

480-797-8499

mamallama2058@gmail.com

<https://quiltedmooseretreat.com>

SEACRET

World Class Skin Care from the Dead Sea

Joy Olcott

www.seacretdirect.com/joyolcott/en/us

JoyOlcott@yahoo.com



Bring Your Friends & Family for A Great Time!

Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festivals

August 31-September 2

Westworld in Scottsdale

16627 N 94th St

Scottsdale, AZ 85260

North Hall

<https://quiltcraftsew.com>

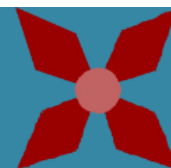
AZ House of Creative Retreats

24246 N. 43rd Ave/Glendale, AZ 85310

Just the place for your next event!! Perfect for a craft/art/quilt class/retreat or your next business team building retreat! If you are interested in joining us, please email to be added to our mailing list or to inquire about availability!

azhouseofcreativeretreats@gmail.com

Affiliate Members



Quilty Pleasures Long Arm Quilting

29383 W Whitton Ave

Buckeye, AZ

www.quiltypleasureslaq.com

tara.tucker@quiltypleasureslaq.com

The Patriotic Pincushion

20101 E Superstition Dr

Queen Creek, AZ 85142

Phone 480-490-4268

www.thepatrioticpincushion.com

The Patriotic Pincushion focuses on providing American Made and patriotic fabrics. We offer a quaint community sewing space for clubs, classes, and meetings at our fun family barn-like shop in Queen Creek, AZ. We are proud supporters of The Quilts of Valor Foundation, Puppies Behind Bars, and The Gary Sinise

Quilters Nest

A place to sew and rest

606 E Evergreen St, Payson AZ

Phone: Linda Jones 480-415-3578

<http://quiltersnestaz.com>

Email: linda@quiltersnestaz.com

Come enjoy the cooler temperatures where you will be tempted to drink your morning coffee on our front porch or back deck. Where laughter and fun echo through the work-space. And where you just might see an elk out for a stroll!



Pinetop Star Quilt Shop

103 W Yeager Lane,

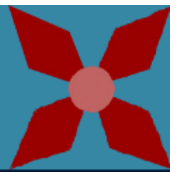
Lakeside, AZ 85929

Phone 928-367-1709

Email info@pinetopStar.com

Website: www.PinetopStar.com

Affiliate Members



16th
Rim Country
Quilt Roundup
November 3 & 4, 2023

Mazatzal Casino
Exhibition Hall
Hwy 87 at Milepost 251
Payson, AZ

Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm
Saturday 9:00am to 4:00pm

Admission \$5.00
12 and under are FREE

Quilt Entry Deadline is October 15, 2023

Regional Quilt Show ♦ Quilts & Fabric Art ♦ Vendors
Vendor Shop Hop ♦ Daily Demos ♦ Special Exhibits

For more Information
www.quiltroundup.org **928.978.3464**



Mimi Designs

5350 E Deer Valley Drive #2417

Phoenix, AZ

mimidesignsart@gmail.com

Noah & Her Sister's Quilt Co.

939 W. Palma De Pina

Tucson, AZ 85704

[NoahandHerSisters/facebook](https://www.facebook.com/NoahandHerSisters/)

Non-Profit Affiliate Members



P.O. Box 39693

Phoenix, AZ 85069

Email: info@paqa.net

Web: <https://paqa.net>



Quilts wanted for the 2025 auction cycle!

Information on how to donate a
quilt can be found at:

QuiltForaCause.org

Facebook.com/QuiltForaCause

QFaC is a 501c3



Recycling Artworthy Materials for Creative Minds

Usual Hours Wed 11-5 & Sat 10-2

910 South Hohokam Dr, Suite 105, Tempe AZ 85281

artresourcecenter.org

Questions? artresourcecenter@gmail.com

Like us on [Facebook](#)  Follow us on [Instagram](#) 

When you are shopping, please thank our affiliate members for supporting AQG.