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### **Quilt Show Reminder:**

Quilt Entry continues until January 7, 2022

Your quilt does not have to be complete by that date. It can be a flimsy (top only, not quilted), it just needs to be done enough for the committee to see the design.

# The AQG Board wishes all of you a Safe and Happy New Year!!



### From the President ...



Happy New Year! This year is going to be even better, I feel it.

Here are a few of my resolutions for this year.

Sew more.

Finish UFO's (unfinished objects).

Finish PHD's (Projects half done).

Make Scrap quilts.

Take a walk every day.

Now that my sewing room is done, I should be able to sew lots of projects next year.

Looking forward to the Quilt show. Make sure to enter your quilts by the deadline of January 7, 2022. I'm sure that there are lots of beautiful quilts out there.

The deadline for volunteering is March 18, 2022. Volunteer now to get the spot you want. You will get into the show for free.

AQG FUN DAY was fun, this year everyone got a door prize. Thanks to all of you who came and joined us for the festivities.

Happy Quilting,

Nancy Laswick

**AQG President** 



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#### **Annual Membership Dues**

Renewals postmarked by July 1st\$	325
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#### **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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@aqgmail.org">newsletter@aqgmail.org</a>.

Next Chatter Issue = February 2022, #333 Deadline for submissions = January 15, 2022

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#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

Please check the <u>calendar</u> 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.

#### 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 <a href="https://arizonaquiltersguild.org/Sys/Login">https://arizonaquiltersguild.org/Sys/Login</a> 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.

### **AQG Education**

### **An Evening Presentation**



Assembled a group quilt but once completed, the results were less than stellar? Come and join us as Tina will show some of her favorite group quilts (and some not so great) plus share tips, tricks and best practices for group quilt success!

Thursday, January 6, 2022 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm (AZ)

Zoom

A complimentary event as part of your 2021-2022 membership!

Registration ends 01/02/2021

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

01/04/2022	Joy of Group Quilts	Tina Craig	(Free-Morning Lecture)
01/06/2022	Joy of Group Quilts	Tina Craig	(Free-Evening Lecture)
01/10/2022	Salvage Your Selvages	Tina Craig	(Morning Workshop)
01/13/2022	Salvage Your Selvages	Tina Craig	(Evening Workshop)
02/01/2022	Confessions of a Fabric Whisperer	Ellen Lindner	(Free-Evening Lecture)



### AQG 2022 Quilt Show March 24-26, 2022

Theme: Kaleidoscope of Quilts

#### It's time to sign up to volunteer at the Quilt Show.

Job Duties available are described below:

**Quilt Intake Team:** Collect quilts and coordinate delivery of quilts to the Mesa Convention Center on the Sunday before the show.

Hanging: Assist with displaying show items in an assigned area.

**Volunteer Check-In:** Monitor the Volunteer Room; assist other volunteers to find their assignments.

Floaters: Assist wherever necessary.

**Photography:** Assist by hanging quilts for the photographer, or moving quilts in and out of the room. (This position may not be available every year.)

**Admissions:** Receive money; distribute tickets and programs to visitors.

**Sales:** Sell AQG opportunity quilt tickets, AQG promotional items, show bags, and show pins.

White Glove: Monitor exhibit rooms, answer questions, display quilt backs when requested.

**Security:** Assist with traffic flow, collect tickets, stamp hands, direct patrons, keep food/drink away from exhibits, and monitor doors.

**Take Down:** Assist with retrieving, bagging, and returning show items from your assigned areas; collect various hanging hardware.

**Vendors:** Assist the vendors with various tasks as requested.

### **AQG's First Fun Day Was FUN!**

#### By Jo Ann Bergdoll

Seems like a silly title, doesn't it? I mean, you would expect to have fun at an event with such a name, right?

BUT... AQG never held one before. AND Covid is still a "thing." AND many of our members are still becoming adjusted to meeting in person. What was the AQG Board thinking?

Well, it seems like more than 135 of us were willing to try out this new experience.

Meeting at Venue 8600 in north Scottsdale, just off the 101 Freeway, members enjoyed a day of

opportunities to do what many quilters enjoy doing. Hanging out with other quilters. Meeting people in person! (Not just as talking heads on ZOOM.) Shopping the vendors. Buying tickets for 10 amazing raffle baskets. Bidding on vintage quilts in a silent auction. Playing games hosted by our president, Nancy Laswick, who not only went through "costume changes" but ensured that everyone, yes, EVERYONE, won a door prize of her choice of fabric bundles. Enjoying 2 dynamic speakers, watching their

trunk shows and coming away inspired. Thank you, Jessica Dickinson the "Scrap Mama" who took us on her <u>Journey Through Scrap</u>
<u>Mountain</u> and Cindy Lohbeck, who not only

shared her <u>Diary of a Dyehard</u> but actually demonstrated her fool-proof process for hand dyeing fabrics while keeping us in giggles throughout her presentation.

Members mentioned other things that added to their fun. The cell phone case lanyards were pretty and practical. (Thank you, Daisy Mountain Quilters.) Enough door prize bundles ensured that all participants went home winners. The contents of the raffle baskets were amazing. All held at least the equivalent of 9 yards of fabric, and one contained 170 fat quarters of 30's reproduction fabrics!

Yes, the AQG Board took a risk putting this event together, hoping that if we held it, you would come. We held it. You came. And, you had fun! Thank you, members! The AQG Board had fun, too. Let's do it again sometime.



Dear Aunt Quiltie - Advice Column,

How can I be more creative in designing my quilt border? At AQG Quilt Shows, I have seen scallop and wavy borders and they are beautiful. Are they hard to design?

Scallop and wavy borders are easy to create and there are numerous YouTube videos and templates to help in designing borders. I have found 4 different techniques available on YouTube that are easy to do.

#### 1. Quilt in a Day Scallops, Vines, and Waves #2019 Template

This is my favorite technique. The template comes with an instruction booklet which includes three quilt edges.

- a. Measure the sides of your quilt. Subtract 4 inches. Example: 84 inches 4 inches.
- b. Divide the measurement by 7, 8, 9, or 10 or look at the chart in the instruction booklet to determine the length of the scallop. In this example, 10 scallops will be used with a length of 8 inches.
- c. Mark diagonal lines on the corners. Knowing the length of your scallops and with the template, mark off the select measurements.
- d. Place the corner of the template on the diagonal line and with using chalk or a marker draw the curve. The booklet has diagrams and it is a lot easier to understand.
- e. Mark the remaining edge. Top stitch the curved edge.
- f. I usually add the scallops after the entire quilt top has been quilted but you can also do it before quilting.
- g. After adding bias binding, scallops can be trimmed 1/8 inch from the marked line.

#### 2. The Sewing Channel No Math No Ruler Scallops

- a. Draw a circle such as 7 ½ inch. Use a magic marker to draw the edges of the circle so they will be dark.
- b. Keep two full circles for the corners. Copy additional circles for the edges. Fold and cut circles in half.
- c. Place on the quilt edge overlapping the circles. Measure the overlap so all of the circles are spaced evenly. Adjust as necessary and pin in place.
- d. Trace the fabric around the curve and stay stitch the curves. Cut to each point.
- e. Sew on bias binding. You can even use a zipper foot. Cut remaining curved fabric.

#### 3. Bosal Scallop Placemat Batting

Bosal has batting specifically for making place mats with a scallop edge. Shabby Fabrics has a video on this technique.

#### 4. Missouri Star Darlene Zimmerman Waves

Darlene Zimmerman has a series of templates that can be adjusted based on the width of the quilt and how many scallops or waves you would like.





### **Cholla Quilters of Mesa**

submitted by Patti Kupferer

### Winding Up the Year in Style!

So much is happening as the year slowly (or quickly) winds to an end. We will be elected new officers at the December meeting and saying goodbye to some retiring officers. We are very thankful for everyone who has served as an officer or in a

volunteer position this past year.

The 2021 President's Challenge, Hope for the Future, was a huge success and some of the quilts appear here. Even with all the challenge quilts presented, we still had plenty of Show and Tell quilts/items and a lot of charity quilts.



The Navajo Christmas Airlift was a huge success this year. Four different quilt groups, our own AQG Cholla Quilters, Las Sendas Quilters, Terravita Resident Quilters and AQS Sunrise Quilters, participated. Many thanks to Pam S. for coordinating all four groups, arranging drop off site and organizing the transport of the items to the hanger. and contacting the pilots again this year. It was quite a party atmosphere in the parking lot when we dropped off our donations. It took 8 large vehicles to take all the goodies to the hanger at Falcon Field. The pilots estimated that it took 10 airplanes to deliver the donations to SWIF, Southwest Indian Foundation in Gallop for distribution on the reservation. Our retiring pilot drove a pickup in the truck and trailer caravan truck up to Gallop to deliver the two sewing machines in cabinets and other bulky items that were donated by our groups. It is humbling to be part of such generous groups.







### **Cholla Quilters** Continued

We had our charity sew day last month and were able to see many of the finished products this month. Four were made from left over orphan blocks. These quilts are wonderful and are donated to such worthy causes!







Let's not forget the holiday table runner class that Kathie taught. Everyone had so much fun while learning! We're looking forward to seeing some finished runners at the next meeting. Lucelle did an impromptu demo on quilt mats too. This certainly was not a class to miss.

At this time, we are looking forward to the hybrid holiday party the "party gnomes" are preparing so carefully for us. Happy Holidays to Everyone!











### **Daisy Mountain Quilters of Anthem**

submitted by Janet Schrey

The Daisy Mountain Quilters held our Holiday Party at the Ironwood Clubhouse in the Anthem Country Club.

After some socializing and lunch, President Susan Thomas called the December 2021 meeting to order,

Janet Schrey reported that during 2021, 200 items were donated by the Membership to Veteran's First, VA Hospital, Project Linus and the Humane Society.

Daisy Mountain presented Susan Thomas with a quilt made of Tree blocks by the Membership.

Various fun games were enjoyed, followed by Show and Tell.











### **Shoofly Quilters of Payson**

submitted by Susan Nafziger

The November quilt show was a rousing success! December is quite busy as well. Our members celebrated the season with a potluck luncheon and party. We participated in the Payson Christmas Light Parade...such fun. Lots of quilts, walking Christmas trees and so much joy. We will be back in regular session January 3, 2022 meeting at 9:30 a.m. at the VA on Hwy 260. There are lots of plans for a great year of sewing, quilting, and supporting charities and one another. Check out our Facebook page Shoofly Quilters for more pics from the Christmas Parade.



### **Cotton Patchers of Coolidge**

Coolidge Cotton Patchers would like to announce that we have two new members to add to our chapter. A very warm welcome to Joyce Wold and Nancy Zales. During the final business meeting of the year we elected new officers. The 2022 President is Jacque Hendrie-Henry, Vice is June Batty, and doing double duty as Treasurer and Secretary is Becky Ruiz.

We've been very busy distributing our Comfort Quilts all over our community. Recipients are Against Abuse in Casa Grande, Hope Women's Center in Coolidge, Coolidge Police, Fire, City Hall and Magistrate, and the City of Florence Police and Fire Departments.



#### submitted by June Batty





### **Cotton Patchers Continued**

During the presentation at the Coolidge City Hall Officer Adam Seils was presented with a Quilt of Valor by Liz Davis.



This is the QOV Liz Davis in red is the Presenter, Officer
Adam Seils is the recipient, Mayor Jon Thompson of Coolidge is on far left and Vice Mayor Jacque Hendrie
-Henry is in pink on far right



The Coolidge Cotton Patchers "Arizona Speaks to Me," quilt show is Friday through Sunday-February 25, 26, 27 & Friday through Sunday-March 4, 5, 6, 2022. Location:

Coolidge Women's Center 240 W Pinkley Ave. Coolidge, Arizona 85128

### **Night Owls of Phoenix**

submitted by Penny Liston, Chatter Reporter

So many awesome activities. The best is, we are meeting in person. Our meeting began with making centerpieces at the tables. Then we voted on our favorite. We also had a napkin folding lesson and how to fold a square napkin into a rose taught by our fabulous Secretary Beth Norris. And lastly we made a warm winter fleece scarf to keep our necks cozy. Charity quilts were shown. We proudly completed over 300 quilts,620 pillowcases, 800 eyeglass cases, and about 40 lbs. of toiletries under the leadership of Janet Kraus. Night Owls also had a two year challenge to complete our UFO's led by Mary









### **Desert Threads of Sun Lakes**

#### submitted by Pat Sinclair

At their December meeting Desert Threads members and guests celebrated the Holidays! Bring and Brag at the end of the meeting featured many holiday themes and new techniques. In addition we had a postcard exchange. One of our members commented that 3 of the post cards

highlighted snowmen- for people who live in the desert!









### **Desert Threads** continued

Jared Platt, son of Mary Platt, was the speaker at the December meeting. He is a professional photographer and started his presentation discussing the three most important things to consider in photography. They are composition, light and texture. Texture is what defines color. Color is affected by the direction and distance of the light source. Color also changes with highlights and shadows . Light can be warm or cold pending on the source. He showed many of his photos to illustrate his presentation. In addition, he gave tips and pointers on the many options available on modern smartphones.

Everyone is looking forward to 2022 and our program chairs are busy scheduling programs for our monthly meetings. In addition there is an all day class scheduled in January on how to make bargello quilts. Each month we will learn a new technique and work on charity quilts.

### Strawberry Patchers of Pine, Payson, Strawberry, Happy Jack

submitted by Jackie Smith

T'was three weeks before Christmas, when all through the meal, there were Strawberry Patchers preparing to steal. The presents were placed by the eggnog with care, all wrapped in their glorious Christmassy flair. Each time a fabulous present was picked, a Grinch of a Patcher made sure it was nicked. They tugged, and tussled, and tangled with laughter, until no gifts at all were left after.

Ok, I'm no poet, but we did have a lot of fun. Members attending brought lovely handmade gifts to exchange—the catch is the mischievous *Dirty Santa* way in which we exchange those lovely gifts. Thanks go to the Christmas Party Committee for hosting and cooking: Kathy Hunt, Lori Ohmart and Tamara Morken. Thanks also to Monika Hancock for the cute cookies she always makes, and to Leslie Peacock, Margie Brakefield and Chris Mahon for ornaments and door prizes.



### Strawberry Patchers continued



#### Nothing is certain but change

In the actual meeting part of the "meeting", Linda O'Dell announced that she will be moving out of state. Linda is a homegrown educator, having completed her own education in Arizona, she served the educational community for more than 45 years. Linda began her career as a teacher and moved through the ranks of educational leadership to Program Administrator, then

Superintendent of the Pine Elementary
School District before becoming the Gila
County Superintendent of Schools where she
served over 12 years before retiring—three
times. It's heartwarming to see that
wherever Linda goes in the community there
are appreciative young people coming up to
her for hugs. Linda always remembers their
names and always has encouraging words.
She is a testament to the heart of education.
The community thanks you, Linda, and we



### **Card Tricks Quilters of Pinetop**

#### submitted by Becky Gibson

The Card Tricks Chapter met for our annual Christmas Party and Potluck on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at noon. The potluck meal was delicious and enjoyed by all attending. This chapter has welcomed many new members over the year, what fun to gather for fun, food and laughter.

The next item was a donation presentation to the executive director, Margaret Heath, of the non-profit organization, Walking Down Ranch. More than 650 veterans have received assistance at the Ranch since 2014.

With the funds the WDR provides transitional housing, food, clothing, medical transportation and other services as needed to assist veteran. It was our

pleasure to contribute to the WDR.



Margaret Heath receiving the funds from Card Tricks Elaine Mahaffey (red jacket) President,

Results of ice dyeing demonstration in November by Cathy Clark



### **Card Tricks** Continued

The meeting room was nicely decorated and had lovely table decorations and place settings. Our party included sewing themed games, Christmas music, a door prize and Secret Sister gifts. There was time for Show and Tell and then a wonderful Trunk Show by Sandy Wagner. What a wonderful afternoon.



Show and Tell photos:



### **Card Tricks** Continued

Sandy Wagner -- Trunk Show

Sandy shared many beautiful quilts. Several quilts were made by her Mother and were quilted by the Luna Lunatic Quilt group. Also she shared many quilts she has made and the stories that go along with each quilt. Photos for six of the wonderful quilts that were viewed in the trunk show presentation.



### **Havasu Stitchers of Lake Havasu City**

Howdy!!! It's me again, reporting from glorious shores of Lake Havasu. Hope your holidays were great and you were able to finish those lovely, quilted gifts in time for Christmas. With our quilt show over and done, we have moved on to new adventures. As I write, we



have just celebrated the season and events of the past year with our annual Christmas Luncheon at Shugrue's. It was a great time. The Christmas Party committee out did themselves. (Thank you, -150

submitted by Susan George



TERRIE ELLER, for leading the way.) I don't think the committee missed a stitch...there were games, prizes, entertainment and of course, great food.

### Havasu Stitchers Continued

We also celebrated the announcement of our MEMBER OF THE YEAR. Historically, this honor is awarded to the member who has contributed most to our quilting mission of educating and promoting the appreciation of quilts to our membership and the community. And, this year, the honor was bestowed upon MINDY HOIUM. Mindy has contributed greatly to our guild. She has been the past 1<sup>st</sup> VP of Education and 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of Membership. She has also been actively involved in the Quilt Show(s) as the Chairperson of Quilt Registration. Mindy's current task is that of coordinating a quilt retreat to Missouri Star in August 2022. (And boy howdy, are we looking forward to that.) Mindy is always stepping up to help whenever and wherever needed and we appreciate all of her efforts. CONGRATULATIONS, MINDY on receiving this award.

Well, the new year is looking bright for us. The Education Committee (Sherri Ashford, Lisa Mousel and Judy Justus) has already scheduled a number of terrific quilting adventures in which we can participate. The first will be a Mystery Quilt retreat on New Years Day. (I can't wait till next time to tell you of its success and reveal the mystery to you. Sew, stay tuned.)

Well, I know there's more I can say, but I won't. I'll save it for another time because, if you were to spend time reading my masterpiece, you would certainly miss out on creating your own quilted treasures. Sew, I bid you adieu at this time and pray that 2022 brings you happiness, good health and of course... quilting adventures galore.

TTFN (Ta Ta For Now) and Happy Quilting



### Sunrise Stitchers' of Scottsdale

#### submitted by Nancy Cisar

Our group celebrated our December meeting with a Christmas Party. We all looked forward to this meeting since we could not have the party last year due to the pandemic. Our members each bring a dish to share, including meats, salads, and many desserts. It's a great time to share favorite recipes with each other.

Our planning committee set the room with Christmas tablecloths ,napkins, centerpieces, and a candy treat shaped as a Christmas Tree or Santa's sleigh for each one.

Once the meal was complete, our wonderful leader, Eva, led us in a fun game with balloons.

Then Margarete and Martina had us draw a Christmas tree without looking at what we were drawing—that exercise certainly brought a lot of laughs when we could look at our finished product—What trees??? Last we had a gift exchange with a lot of steals so all had lots of oh no and not again! Needless to say the party was a success.



Sunrise Stitchers Show & Tell December 2021

We shared our show and tell of members creative projects:

We are happy to be able to meet in person once again and welcomed our returning Canadian member. We look forward to our new year when we will once again start on our UFO's and hopefully complete some of them!! Quilters always have many projects——











### **Nimble Thimbles of Chandler**

Helen Godden of Australia dazzled us with her art quilts in her lecture during our November Zoom meeting. Helen's innovative art quilt techniques include painting with bleach, painting with acrylic on fabric, painting with dye and salt, and free-motion yarn couching. She recently completed a 6.5 x 1.5 meter (that's more than 21x4 feet!) quilt depicting her Australia. Helen's journey through quilting was fascinating to hear.

We are not meeting in December, but will continue an in person meeting and Zoom meeting combination in January.

#### submitted by Penny Boese



Community service continues to warm hearts with the delivery of quilts to our community partners. In October, Kathy O'Brien delivered 54 quilts and 12 afghans: Gathering Humanity, 7 quilts; VA Moms and Babies, 19 quilts; Hospice of the Valley, 5 quilts; Pregnancy Care Center, 22 quilts and 12 afghans. Thank you Kathy and Judy Locke for all you do to help Nimble Thimbles serve the community, and to all of the Nimble Thimbles members who keep CS vibrant with your donations of time, talents and fabric.













### **Kingman Quilters**

#### submitted by Sally Bradley

In November we held our annual presentation of Quilter of Honor to Mohave County Veterans. It was held at the Mohave Museum of History and Arts. Quilts made by members were received well by those present.

Our Christmas Meeting was a very festive event. The tables were decorated by Sally C. and members were asked to bring additional placemats and decorations for their seating area. She also made goodie bags for each of our members. She is so generous. We conducted our business meeting and then moved on to the more fun events. The **Brown Bag** secret event, where items were made from one orphan block from a quilter's stash. The variety returned was surprising. We also had an ornament exchange which was done with a reading of **A Quilter's Night Before Christmas.** We then moved on to Show 'N Share followed by a fabulous potluck with lots of goodies and roast turkey and all the fixings. What a fun way to celebrate the Season. Merry Christmas, Seasons Greetings and Happy New Year!



















### **Affiliate Member Spotlight**



When: January 27-29<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Where: Arizona State Fairgrounds in Phoenix.

Tickets: will go on sale January 1, 2022 through the AQG website

Tickets, purchased through AQG, will continue to be \$8.00 for this event and are good for all 3 days.

For each ticket sold, AQG will receive \$2.00 from Rusty Barn

Multiple tickets can be purchased through the website.

It is not necessary for all members of the party to attend at the same time as long as the person picking up the tickets has the buyer's information.

Will call will be set up outside of the main entrance.

Pick up hours for this event will be from 9AM until 2PM.

We look forward to seeing you there.

April Small & Celeste Johnson

**AQG Rusty Barn Chairs** 



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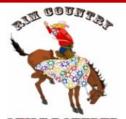


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