

Quilters 2 Newsletter #150 - January 2015

General News

Class schedules and signup sheets are posted on the mirror in the Palo Verde room. You can view and/or print your own copy on the Quilters 2 website (under the Classes & Events tab):

http://www.quilters2.com

Emails are being sent on a regular basis with reminders, classes, meeting agenda items and other useful information. Not receiving them? Please check the Membership List to be sure your email address is correct or contact Kris Curtis to update your information.

The list of Coordinators has been updated to show who has a set of keys to the Palo Verde and HQ rooms. The list is on the Bulletin Board in the Palo Verde room as well as on the website.

Coordinators' News

Announcing: Anne Gloeckler has volunteered to serve as Education Coordinator and Norma Kindseth has volunteered to serve as Fabric/Closet Coordinator. Thank you from all of us.

The Nominating Committee - Elaine Vanier, Tami Albrecht, Joan Lichtenberg and Billye Reynolds - is looking for candidates for next season's Coordinators. Quilting skills are not a pre-requisite! Organizational and managerial skills are an asset when it comes to running a group. It's not too late to "raise your hand". The Committee will present a slate of candidates by Feb. 9 and voting will occur on Feb. 16. The success of our group depends on all our members actively participating.

Quilt Show Entries

Mark your calendar – Monday, February 23rd is the date for this year's Quilt Show. We are looking for quilts, wall hangings, wearables, and household items made within the last year by members of Quilters 2. We always enjoy seeing items made in classes, team quilts, and antique quilts. Entry Forms and Guidelines will be available at the Quilters 2 meeting on January 12. Master copies of the forms will be available in the Quilt Room next to the copy machine. Entry Forms are to be returned to Mary Adams or Kris Curtis by February 9 at 5pm.

Charity Quilt Production and Distribution

Alice Kelly, Charity Coordinator, reported that 20 quilts were donated to the Candlelighters for distribution at their Christmas party. They sent a nice thank you letter to Quilters 2. Alice also passed along from thank you the Voyager Nimblefingers for allowing them to use the Palo Verde room during Q2 regularly scheduled time, for a blanket-making workathon. Nimblefingers reported that 129 fleece throws were made for the Salvation Army Christmas drive.

We had a successful 9.5" block Quiltathon on December 27th. Thank you to Audrey Young who organized the event and the 20 quilters who attended and made a remarkable 240 blocks! There was a follow-up Quiltathon on December 31st to make quilts from all those blocks.

2015 Raffle Quilt
"Reflections of the Southwest"



Last Spring the Raffle Quilt Committee -Billye Reynolds, Susie Johansson, Norma Kindseth, Fran Walthall, Maureen Herran and Adrienne Bortell - decided on a southwest theme for the 2015 Raffle Quilt. The fabric was chosen and packets containing some of the color choices, (not every packet contained the same colors) were distributed to those who wanted to participate. The guilters were instructed to use only the fabric in the packet and choose from four sizes of squares and to use either a pieced or appliqué technique. For the squares requiring a pattern, we were given permission to use the saguaro pattern from Southwest Memories by Arlene Walsh and any block from Echoes of the Past by Elizabeth Dawson. The Raffle Committee designed the quilt top from the blocks received and it was quilted by Maureen Herran.

This stunning quilt will be raffled off at the end of March. Tickets will be sold at Saturday Morning Coffees, Market Daze and the Quilters 2 Quilt Show. Adrienne

Bortell and Donna Camp are in charge of raffle ticket sales and will need volunteers to help sell tickets at the above listed events.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

There will be a Team Challenge in January. Hopefully this will start with the first January meeting giving each team an opportunity to complete an entry for the Quilt Show. Each team will choose a packet of fabric from which to design a quilt.

Ongoing projects:

- <u>Placemats</u> (12" x 18") for charity. Feel free to choose fabric from the closet.
- Small drawstring bags for the Salvation Army Christmas give away. Hundreds are needed and it's a great way to use up your scraps. Please see Alice Kelly for details.
- Quilt for a Cause needs quilts for their 2016 auction. Quilts can be any color, theme or design. Minimum size is 18". Maximum size is 90". No tied or used quilts please. The deadline is Aug 1, 2016. Donation forms can be found at: QuiltForACause.org.

Voyager & Tucson Area Quilt Events

Jan 19, 2015. Voyager Quilters I Quilt Show & Sale; 9-3:30 in the Ballroom.

Jan 23 - 25, 2015. Tucson Quilt Show at Tucson Convention Center: 9-5 Friday & Saturday; 10-4 Sunday tucsonquiltersguild.com for details.

Feb 28-Mar 1, 2015. Quilt Show in Sierra Vista; 9-5 Saturday; 10-3 Sunday hummingbirdquiltguild.com for details.