

Quilters 2 Newsletter #147

January 2014

A new year and a new format for our Newsletter! Lots of events and classes still to come. Don't miss out. Check the Calendars which are posted on the mirror in the Palo Verde Room or view / print your own copy on the Quilters 2 website (under **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 or contact Kris Curtis to update your information.

General News

Pat Davis designed and made a gorgeous label for the raffle quilt - THANKS PAT!!!! Gorgeous work. Karen Anderson has already put the label on the quilt.

There are three teams participating in this season's Team Challenge. All three teams have selected their packet and are busy working on their quilts. Goal is to have these three quilts entered in next month's Quilt Show.

Coordinators' News

Nominating committee for next season's Coordinators (Billye Reynolds, Jan Tuttle, Gloria Colgrove, and Margo Berenberg) will present a slate of candidates by February 12. Voting will occur on Monday, February 17. The success of our group depends on our participation.

At the Coordinators' meeting, the decision was made to raffle the two velvet quilts that Audrey Young finished and displayed.

One will be raffled at the upcoming Quilt Show; the other one in November / December. Proceeds from these raffles will be used to support the maintenance of the HQ machine.

Decision was also made NOT to appraise any of the raffle quilts beginning now.

Bylaws are being reviewed and changes will be recommended by the Coordinators, and then presented to the whole group for voting later.

Susan Prentiss will be updating the Quilters 2 Minutes Book and creating a new section titled "Decisions".

Quilt Show Items

Patty Bennett wants people to be thinking of and putting together "mystery" boxes for the mini-raffle at the Quilt Show. Any new items may be donated. Maybe you have an unused pattern or sewing gadget taking up space in your sewing stash.

Entry Forms and Guidelines were distributed at the January 13 meeting, along with Adrienne Bortell's demonstration of how to prepare the sleeve. Adrienne and Suzy Johansson are available to "mentor" sleeve development!

Additional Entry and Guideline Forms are available in the Quilt Room next to the copy machine. Forms need to be returned to Kris Curtis by February 10 at 5pm.

A visual pillow case with the paper label sewn or pinned in the middle at the bottom was also shown.

Signup sheets for hostesses and other volunteers needed for the Quilt Show will be circulated at the January 20 meeting. Please contact Elaine Vanier if you need a sit down job due to health reasons.

A work session will be held on Saturday, February 22 to iron tablecloths and fold programs.

Hints

Maria Brower: A lint roller is your best friend. Not only will it pick up stray threads on your project, floor and table; it picks up pins, glitter and small beads!

Bette Corneliuson: To organize your scraps, cut into 2 1/2" strips or 2", 3 1/2" and 5" squares. Store in clear plastic shoe boxes organized by either theme or color.

Karen Anderson - Cut off the selvage edge of fabric with color circles. Use this to match or coordinate fabric when you're in the fabric store.

Upcoming Events & Classes

Class schedules and signup sheets are posted on the mirror in the Palo Verde room.

Auction is scheduled for Monday, March 3. It will follow the successful format as last year.

Amazing!

At the Monday, January 6 meeting, Audrey Young demonstrated a "small picture block" pattern and then handed out cutting instructions to anyone interested in participating in the sewing workshop on Saturday, January 11. At the workshop, Audrey provided sewing instructions and the participants used the squares and rectangles that they cut to make a quilt top. They came to cut and/or sew, brought their lunch; and, most importantly had FUN!!!!

On Monday, January 13 they displayed the amazing results in such a short time!



The Next Installment

Diane Williams demonstrated a picture frame star block for the "Block of the Month" at the Monday, January 13 meeting.

Quilters are getting together on Wednesday, January 29 for a Quilt-a-Thon and Potluck. This Quilt-a-Thon is being promoted as a good opportunity for making these blocks. The plan is to have the blocks completed and returned by February 15 to make twin size quilts from them.