



# Quilters 2 Newsletter

## #151 - February 2015

### Coordinators' News

Elections were held for the Coordinators for next season at the Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> meeting with the following results:

Head Coordinator	Anne Gloeckler
Assistant / Program Coordinator	Susan Prentiss
Fabric/Closet Coordinator	Norma Kindseth
Recording / Corresponding Secretary	Cari Secord
Charity Coordinator	Margo Berenberg
Education Co-Coordinators	Adrienne Bortell & Christine Cooper

The following individuals agreed to serve in the following positions:

Treasurer	Julie Young
Assistant Treasurer	Joan Lichtenberg
Raffle Quilt Production Coordinator	<b>Open</b>
Raffle Ticket Sales Coordinator	Donna Camp
Membership Coordinator	Kris Curtis
New Member Coordinator	Marion Rathwell
HQ Long-Arm Coordinator	Audrey Young (with HQ maintenance assistance from Jan Tuttle)
Communications Coordinator	Mary Adams & Kris Curtis
Librarian	Joan Lichtenberg & Vel Gregory
Photographer/Historian	Kathy Peters
Quilt Show Coordinator	<b>Open</b>
Purchasing Coordinator	Carol Young & Sarellen Loomis
Social Coordinator	<b>Open</b>

Susan thanked the Nominating Committee - Elaine Vanier with Tami Albrecht, Joan Lichtenberg and Billye Reynolds for their hard work.

### In House Raffle Quilt

#### "Offspring of Southwest Reflections"



When the 2015 Raffle Quilt was made this year, there were extra blocks that didn't fit into the final design. Fran Walthall and Norma Kindseth used these blocks along with extra fabric to assemble this striking quilt. It was quilted by Adrienne Bortell.

The members were in agreement that it should be raffled in house with the drawing to be done at the meeting on March 16. The March 16th meeting will feature the Auction event headed by Lynne Jensen.

Mary Adams and Elaine Vanier agreed to organize the raffle and will be selling tickets during the meetings before March 16. Price for tickets: \$2 each or 5 for \$3. Profits from the raffle will go into the Quilters 2 treasury and be used to buy supplies for future Charity Quilts.

### General News

- At the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, members were randomly formed into 4 teams. Each team was given a packet of fabric and challenged to design and create a quilt in time for the Quilt Show on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>. All four teams have their quilts in the Show.

Many commented on the enjoyable experience working together and the quilts are amazing! Check them out at the Show or on our website after the Show. The Teams are:

Team #1: Christine Cooper, Mavis Gaines, Jeanette Hooper, Norma Kindseth.

Team #2: Adrienne Bortell, Connie Maley, Jolene Steppe, Caroll Zobrist.

Team #3: Mary Adams, Donna Camp, Katie Galli, Anne Herman, Billye Reynolds.

Team #4: Tami Albrecht, Joan Cavers, Anne Gloeckler, Maureen Herran.

- Ann Gloeckler, Education Coordinator, planned another successful **Quiltathon** on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Over 200 raw edged hearts blocks were made using fabric from the closet! Anne precut the hearts and the blocks. Other attendees made backings for the 18 quilt tops that were languishing on the closet shelves.

- At the Jan 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, there were several suggestions and tips about **making backings**:

- Audrey Young said that backings should be at least 2 inches larger than the quilt face to aid in mounting the quilt on the long-arm quilter. This also allows for shrinkage due to the quilting.
- Maureen Herran suggested 3-4 inches.
- You don't need to make the binding until after the quilt is bound. You may have enough fabric in the leftover strips from the quilting.
- Carol Monthei commented that if you are piecing in a fabric for the backing, be sure it is straight.
- Barbara Salazar said that before you stitch you should square up the fabrics.

- Press the seams open on the backing, use ½ to 5/8<sup>th</sup> inch seams, and shorten your seam length.

### **Program / Demo**

Vel Gregory demonstrated the Jelly Roll / Parking Lot Quilt. Use 2 ½ inch strips of different fabrics of equal or varying lengths. Sew the short ends of the strips together. (You may add squares or parallelograms of various colors between the strips.) If you are using a jellyroll, you will end up with a 2.5-inch strip about 1600 inches long. Put the two ends together and sew them together. You now have an 800-inch strip. Continue sewing the strips together.

### **Voyager & Tucson Area Quilt Events**

Feb 23, 2015: Quilters 2 Quilt Show; 9 - 4 in the Ballroom.

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

### **Education**

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>