

Quilters 2 Newsletter #153 - April 2015

Charity Quilt Raffle

The drawing for this year's fabulous quilt titled "Reflections of the Southwest" was held on Saturday, March 21 at the Voyager Morning Coffee. The winners, Phyllis and Alan Cohen, attended the March 23rd Quilters 2 meeting. Phyllis read a poem honoring Quilters 2 written by her husband and told some of their history as a couple. As quilters, they were very appreciative of the quilt. They live in Tucson and came to the Quilt Show on the recommendation of their friend who was staying at the Voyager. Maureen Herran, who did the quilting (totally free motion), relayed the design process which everyone enjoyed hearing.

This year's raffle quilt raised \$2,514. Here is a picture from the March 23rd meeting.



In House Raffle and Auctions

Both auctions were held on March 16th at the Quilters 2 meeting. The winner of the quilt made from the unused Raffle Quilt blocks was Jean Hegna. This raffle raised \$304.

Once again, Lynne Jensen was the auctioneer for the "surprise" auction. This auction of donated quilting related items raised \$838. All the monies collected from the auctions are used to purchase supplies used in making charity quilts.

2014 - 2015 Charity Distributions

Charity Coordinators, Alice Kelly and Bev Polito, would like to say a big THANK YOU to all who donated tops, finished quilts, placemats and pillowcases. The April distribution went to a total of 11 Tucson charities that have been vetted for our group:

Aviva (Child Protection Agency)
DaVita Dialysis
Emerge (Women & Children Assistance)
Gospel Rescue Mission
Heads at Ease (Quilter's Market)
Primavera Foundation – Las Abuelitas
Salvation Army
TMC Children's Clinic
TMM (Tucson Metropolitan Ministries)
UMC Children's (Cancer Patients)
Veteran's Hospital

The total distribution of 360 items for the 2014 - 2015 season is as follows:

- ♣ 300 quilts (47 Halloween, 20 for Candlelighters, 105 in first distribution, 128 in April one)
- 59 placemats (12 in first distribution, 47 in April one)
- 1 pillowcase (April distribution)

Summer Challenge

As part of her closing remarks at the March 30th meeting, Susan Prentiss challenged Quilters 2 members to make two items over the summer to donate to charity. The sizes needed are:

Baby quilts 36 x 36
Crib quilts 45 x 45
Lap quilts 48 x 70
Wheel chair 42 x 42
Twin 63 x 87
Place mats 12 x 18
Halloween quilts 40 x 60



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2016 Quilt Show

JoAnn Washa has agreed to be the Quilt Show Coordinator for 2016. At the March 30th meeting, she asked that all seasonal members bring back quilts (antique or your current efforts) to put in the show. She challenged every member to have at least one item in next year's show and is aiming for 100% participation!

JoAnn also sent around an informal survey to help decide the voting categories for the different quilt sizes (small-medium-large).

Classes & Programs

There are no Classes or programs scheduled for April. Quilters 2 will continue to meet on Monday mornings, but the meetings will be informal. Please join your fellow quilters and bring a project to work on or just visit. We have the Palo Verde room every Monday morning and all day Wednesday.