

Newsletter #61, Week of February 9, 2009

The Quilters II Newsletter is published weekly during the season, and monthly during the off season.

The purpose of the newsletter is to provide information, in advance of the Monday meeting, to reduce the amount of announcements and discussion at the meeting. Submissions for publication in the newsletter can be made through the Newsletter Submission form located in the Members Only section of the website.

The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the relevant week. The newsletter will then be placed on the website as soon as possible thereafter.

From the Coordinator(s)

From Joan:

Minutes of meeting February 2, 2009

We welcomed Marion George from California who will be here for part of the winter.

Fran announced that it was time to pick our new Committees and Coordinators for next year and asked the following people to be on the Nominating Committee:

Jan Vesely
Ann Jacobucci
Jan Gruber
Elaine Vanier
Anne Herman
MaryLou Knearam

QUILT SHOW

Reminder -- Entries for Quilt Show are due February 9th to Sara Nichols and Elaine Vanier

Karen Anderson has requested 5 more "white glove ladies" for the quilt show and Susie Johanson needs a few more greeters at the door.

PHOENIX QUILT SHOW

Remember -- if you wish to go on the bus to the Phoenix Show --- be sure to sign up

EDUCATION:

February 9th we will be having Round Robin Demos -- don't miss them -- Fran has some special ones scheduled

Next Quiltathon will be Saturday, February 14th -- Anne Herman needs a committee

Sue Patch -- needs some suggested classes to be scheduled for the latter part of February and March

CHARITIES: Julie Young reported that we will be delivering 48 quilts and 28 pillows to 8 charities this week, along with 59 placemats for Meals on Wheels and Salvation Army.

Joanne Beaufait has informed us that they will not be needing quilts for the MedWagons until further notice. The firm that was making them is no longer doing it.

MISCELLANEOUS: Voyager Chapel Committee have requested some special banners --- need to be completed by October 2009

Pat Wade and Joan Lichtenberg won the Fat Quarters this week.

Show and Tell will be March 4th

Fran introduced the Block of the Month – Seminole Quilting

From the Members:

From Julie Young –

Charity Distribution:

Thank you all who picked up the quilt packages for distribution. I appreciate your willingness to drive all over Tucson to make the deliveries.

So far this season we have given 76 quilts, 21 pillows and 59 placemats. We will have a second distribution later in the spring.

The charities we have given to so far are Pio Decimo, Fisher House, Central Womens Pregnancy Center, Aviva, UMC Cancer Center, La Paloma, Tucson Womens and Children Center, VA, Villa Maria, DaVitta Dialysis, and placemats to Mobile Meals and Salvation Army.

Thanks again to all who helped decide which quilt for each charity, picture taking and distribution.

Stay tuned for further information on the Habitat families. I really would like a couple more larger quilts (twin) for young girls 6 & 8 years old.

From Elaine Vanier –

The Nominating Committee has already met for a total of 6 hrs to date. The committee has formulated the following proposal to help make the leadership role of this very active Quilting Group easier and more enjoyable for all. We are proposing FOUR COORDINATORS SHARE THE JOB with ONE COORDINATOR overseeing the functioning of the group. KEEP IN MIND THIS IS ONLY A PROPOSAL.

QUILTERS 2 COORDINATOR

RUNS MONDAY MORNING MEETING WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE FOUR COORDINATORS WHO FUNCTION AS HER ADVISORY BOARD. ANYONE OF THESE COORDINATORS COULD RUN THE MONDAY MEETING IF NEEDED. TREASURER WOULD REPORT DIRECTLY TO QUILTERS 2 COORDINATOR.

FOUR COORDINATORS SHARING THE JOB WITH QUILTERS 2 COORDINATOR WOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING GROUP HEADS REPORTING TO THEM.

1.PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Regular Monday morning program Agenda
Education
Saturday Quilting

2.FABRIC COORDINATOR

Cupboards & supplies
WORK WITH TREASURER TO MAKE NEEDED PURCHASES
History & Photos

3.PRODUCTION COORDINATOR

Charity
HQ Machine
Quality Control

4.EVENTS COORDINATOR

Raffles
Quilt Show
Publicity
Potlucks
Christmas Party
Show & Tell

GOAL WOULD BE TO INVOLVE AS MANY AS POSSIBLE WITH THE LEAST AMOUNT OF WORK FOR EACH PERSON.

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO WRITE DOWN YOUR IDEAS. THEY CAN BE RETURNED VIA E-MAIL OR IN HAND TO ANY NOMINATING COMMITTEE PERSON OR COLLECTED AT THE FEBRUARY 9 MEETING. THERE WILL BE NO OPEN DISCUSSION ON THIS MATTER. THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL REPORT THEIR FINDINGS AT THE FEBRUARY 16 MEETING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP -----NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Jan Gruber

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Ann Jacobucci

Vel Peters recommends a web site which presents two very interesting fiber art projects. A description of the projects can be found at www.internationalfibercollaborative.com

From Alice Kelly –

Due to numerous requests since the Couple Potluck, please find the recipe for:

White Chili - from Sandra Lee's Crockpot Recipe book

2 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, cut into 1/2 inch pieces

2 cans (15 oz) cannellini beans, drained and rinsed

1 can (15 oz) pinto beans, drained and rinsed

1 can (15 oz) cream style corn

2 cans (4 oz) diced mild green chile peppers

1 cup chopped onion

1 cup reduced sodium chicken broth

2 packets (1.25 oz) white chicken chili seasoning mix (McCormicks)

Optional: shredded cheddar cheese and chopped green pepper

1) In a 4 qt slow cooker, stir together chicken, beans, corn, chile peppers, onion, chicken broth, and chili seasoning mix until combined.

Cover and cook on LOW for 6 to 8 hours.

2) Serve with cheese and peppers if desired

ENJOY!!!