



# Quilting Threads

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## President's Message

First, I would like to give out a big "THANK YOU" to all of you who came to the Christmas in July charity sew. It really warmed my heart to see so many of you there having a good time sewing, visiting, and working together! I've never really thought of myself as an out-of-the-box type of person, but when I went to the out-of-the-box bee last month, I discovered that it could put some new interest into different things that I do. It was fun to see the projects that each of them brought to show on the challenge that they were given the month before. They ranged from pillows to wall hangings and each one unique. Sue Norris brought a learning challenge and taught us how to make hot glue stencils. It was great seeing all the new and creative designs. So, if you would like to do something just a little different than the rest and get those creative juices flowing, check out the OOTB bee sometime. Hope to see you at the August meeting for fun and games!

JANELL DUNCAN

## Upcoming Meeting and Workshop

### Thursday, August 17

No program. Fun and games, bring a fat quarter, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

### Friday, August 18

No workshop. Sit and Sew, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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General Meetings start at 1:00 p.m. the third Thursday of each month

Lutheran Church of the Risen Savior

555 S. LaCanada, Green Valley

Fellowship Hall entrance is through the courtyard behind the church. *Come at Noon for the opportunity to fellowship...bring lunch and you'll be finished eating when the meeting starts at 1:00 p.m.*



The Board has voted to allow members to place ads for quilting related items in the monthly newsletter. The ads must be 25 words or less and there will be a fee of \$5.00 per each issue the ad appears in the newsletter. The ad must be e-mailed to Suzy Moshier, [suzymosh@gmail.com](mailto:suzymosh@gmail.com), the newsletter editor by the 25th of the month to appear in the next month's issue. The ad must be paid for in advance.

The fee will be collected by the Treasurer. Please send the check to: Sue Norris, 1937 East Orinda Lane, Green Valley, AZ 85614. The treasurer will notify the newsletter editor when the ad has been paid for.



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## Happenings!



**Non-members are invited to sign up for workshops at an additional \$10.00 per person providing there is space available 60 days prior to the event.**

**Thursday, August 17**, program will consist of game playing and we have a fun new game for everyone to play. It requires that you bring a fat quarter to the meeting with you.

**Friday, August 18**, no workshop. "Sit and Sew" between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. Come as early or as late as you wish and work on your own project or a charity project. If you plan to be here during the lunch period, bring your own lunch. Also, bring your project, sewing supplies, and plan for a fun day getting to know fellow Guild members better.

**Thursday, September 21**, Karolyn "Nubin" Jensen will present a program entitled "Working with Wool and Dimension" involving her expertise with Sue Spargo type designs and a trunk show.

**Friday, September 22**, "Nubin" will be leading a workshop entitled "Wool and Needles". This is a hand embroidery project using wools, linen, silk, and mixed material fabrics. This project is based on Sue Spargo techniques and involves the use of a kit. Further details will follow as soon as possible.

**Thursday, October 19**, Jean Biddick presents a "50 Years of Quilting" trunk show.

**Friday, October 20**, Jean Biddick teaches "Feathered Star".

### **PROGRAMS COMMITTEE NOTES:**

1. Please bring lunch to all workshops.
2. Workshops must be paid for at the time of sign up. Refunds will be given up to 10 days prior to the class.

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## Charity Report

Christmas in July was bigger than ever this year. Thirty-four members and guests showed up to sew, cut, iron, sort, and count Christmas stockings. Between the stockings sewn on Thursday and donated that day, we had 255 stockings. That is a lot of stockings, but it isn't enough for our planned giving, so keep sewing those kits at home. Thanks so much for all your effort and time.

In addition to all that was done for Christmas in July, 8 members donated 13 quilts, 6 receiving blankets, 12 totes, 2 quilt tops, fabric, toiletries, pull tabs, and 67 stockings. The fabric was used to make stockings, the pull tabs given to Ronald McDonald house, and the other items were divided between Hands of a Friend and St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. Next month we hope to get some quilts suitable for the Veterans.

Jane Smith, for Nancy Moshier, Beverly McQueen, and Janie Schott

## 2018 Quilt Festival

All the teacher proposals are now in. The committee will be reviewing the submittals and making their decision on which classes will work best for our group.

The flyers and bookmarks have been printed and will be distributed to various vendors statewide. We do have one vendor coming in from Utah. Also, the web page will have the flyer information available. A full catalog of classes will be available to be put on the web page for review.

You will be able to print any portion or all of the catalog once it becomes available. We will not be able to do on-line registration. For the very few members who do not have access to a computer, a catalog will be available at each meeting until registration closes. Also, registration forms will be available at the monthly meetings for anyone who would like to register. We will not be able to accept credit card payments, but will take cash or checks.

We will be having four different Make and Take activities going on during the two-day event – one each morning, and one each afternoon.

Unfortunately, we will not be having the boutique, but we are still planning to have the mini-affle and the quilt raffle. Janell Duncan will be in charge of the mini raffle. Members are requested to donate items for the mini raffle. Items should be given to Janell.

Janell is also quilting the quilt for the quilt raffle. As soon as is done, it will be brought to the monthly meetings for display and ticket sales will begin. Tickets will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00.

**Have a Play Day...**  
**I set aside a couple of days now and then to make a series of tiny collages. Start with a 5" x 7" area. Simply cut out shapes in a spontaneous way and play with the design and color. This never fails to get ideas flowing to launch a new project. Arrange a "play day" with a group of quilting pals with the aim of sharing new techniques and working on a small quick project like artist's trading cards or postcards. It is very inspirational!**  
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**100 Tips from Award Winning Quilters**



**Ideas and Suggestions are always welcome for the Newsletter or our Website. Just contact Suzy Moshier at [suzymosh@gmail.com](mailto:suzymosh@gmail.com)!**

We will also appreciate any volunteers who will be willing to offer some of their time at the event. This will not require these people to be on the committee. The names of the volunteers will be listed in the catalog to credit them for their time. Sign-ups will be at the August and September meetings. Volunteers will be asked to serve for a 2-hour timeframe and will have an opportunity to sign up for the area they would like to work.

The event is only 7 months away. The committee has been working hard to make this happen and I appreciate all they have done so far. I can't wait until everyone gets to see all that we have to offer at this event!

Peggy Schultz – 2018 Quilt Academy Chair

## Lunchtime Mini-Demos

The Valley Quilters Guild has started something new and fun!– Mini-Demos at lunch time, beginning about 12:30 prior to the meeting each month. Different members have offered to share some tips on different subjects. Last month Jacquelyn Morris-Smith shared binding tips and Karen Laird showed us how to do a bindless edge with facing.

In August, Janie Schott will share some of her tips about pressing. It is a very important part of quilting and any sewing project and often overlooked by many quilters and hardly ever mentioned in pattern directions. Come and listen while enjoying your own lunch and maybe even offer some of your own ideas. See you then.

Anyone else who would like to participate as a future presenter, please contact Jacquelyn, [jacquelyn@thestitchinrn.com](mailto:jacquelyn@thestitchinrn.com).

## Charity Share & Learn

Nancy Moshier is now chairing Charity Bee and Nancy and Suzy have set up a Share & Learn to be held on the first Thursday of each month at Friends-in-Deed in Room C from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. We will be sharing a new pattern and emphasizing fabric selection, measuring, cutting, squaring, bordering, and binding. The cost is \$10.00 to cover your lunch, printing and door prizes. Our August 3<sup>rd</sup> pattern is Diamond Dash from Missouri Star Quilt Company.

## Charity Workshop

A Charity Workshop will be held each Friday after the monthly General Meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Our goals are the same as the Share & Learn. We will be introducing a new pattern. Cost will be \$10.00 and this will cover door prizes and printing. You are to bring your own lunch. Quilts created with Charity fabric



1. Wear your name tag to all events.
2. Silence/vibrate cell phones during all events.
3. Come to General Meeting at Noon for fellowship. If you bring a lunch, you'll have time to finish before the meeting.

will be donated back to Charity, if you use your own fabric you may keep the quilt. We will be having a Jelly Roll Race on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Charity Cut & Kit

A Charity Cut & Kit will be held the first Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Nancy Moshier's house, 1500 S. San Luis. Email [nmoshier@cox.net](mailto:nmoshier@cox.net) and let me know if you are coming, bring your own lunch, no cost for this. We will be cutting kits for the new patterns we are introducing. Our first Cut & Kit is Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

You can sign up for these Charity events at our general meeting. **If you were not at the July General Meeting and you wish to attend the August 3rd Share & Learn, where we will be introducing the Diamond Dash pattern, please email Nancy Moshier at [nmoshier@cox.net](mailto:nmoshier@cox.net) and she will send you a supply list and you can pay at the door.**

## Calling all Tipsters!

You've noticed that I include quilting tips from a book in each newsletter. Do you have a tip you'd like to share? Submit it to [suzymosh@gmail.com](mailto:suzymosh@gmail.com) and I'll include it in our newsletter! Thanks!

Here's a tip from Jacquelyn Morris-Smith:



I learned a way to keep my bobbin threads from becoming tangled. Our machine provider for our Quilt Retreat at Sea cruises had them on his hundreds of bobbins and I stole his idea. I use the itty-bitty baby hair wraps. I color code them to the color of the thread on the bobbin and stash

them in my bobbin holder, but the threads don't come loose or off. If the 'pony holder' frays or gets out of shape, cheap enough to trash it and get another. There are 88 to a package, found in baby section at Walmart (that's where I saw them).

## From Your Programs Committee...

Sit-and-Sew is a time to sit and sew in air-conditioned comfort for the whole day. Think of it as a day retreat we will host on Fridays when we have no monthly workshop planned. You may work on anything you wish; a great opportunity to get on that UFO list or you can work on charity projects. This is NOT a charity function but an opportunity to get together with other members, share, and have fun. Please bring your lunch and whatever you need to work on. Let the Program Committee know if you need an iron, ironing board, etc.

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## Bees

**Charity Bee** - Thursday, July 10, 9:00 a.m. to Noon (bring lunch). Enjoy working on Charity projects? The Charity Bee prepares tote kits, Christmas stocking kits, and quilt kits for members to take home and complete.

**Embroidery Bee** – There will be no Embroidery Bee in August. We will resume in September. Contact: Katie Templeton, [quiltingkatie60@gmail.com](mailto:quiltingkatie60@gmail.com) or call 399-9236.

**Out of the Box Bee** – The next OOTB meeting will be at Friends in Deed, Room C on Tuesday, September 12th, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. We will not have a meeting in August. Each month we have a new quilt challenge and a learning experience. The challenge due in September will be an Improv Challenge. This is a great group to join to learn new ideas and get energized to take your work to a new level of creativity. Contact: Karen Laird, 208-863-0626, [k.laird@att.net](mailto:k.laird@att.net)

**Quilt Addicts Bee** - Quilt Addicts will meet on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, in Room C at Friends-in-Deed from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We will be working on our Snippets Christmas theme quilts. Bring what you have accomplished so far and we will finish them. If you wish to have instructions, please email me and I will send them to you. All members of the guild are welcome to come and see what we are doing. Contact person is Nancy Moshier, [nmoshier@cox.net](mailto:nmoshier@cox.net).

**Round Robin Bee** - Round Robin will meet again in September, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month from 10:00 a.m. at Nancy Moshier's house. Contact: Nancy Moshier, [nmoshier@cox.net](mailto:nmoshier@cox.net).

**Starlight Stitcher's Evening Bee** - Thursday, July 20, 5:30 p.m. Perfect for working people or anyone who cannot make the daytime meeting. Bring whatever you want to work on or come with questions and tell us what you'd like to learn. Bring a snack.

**UFO Contest** - The 2017/2018 UFO contest is on. You should have received a copy of the new contest rules as well as an entry form via email. Please find your current UFOs and list them on the form. You may submit the form with a one-time entry fee of \$5.00 whenever you are ready. (see the Contest Rules for details) We look forward to another fun year of completing projects. The Contest Rules and Entry Form are also available on our website on the Bees page. Contact: Sue Norris, [norris201@gmail.com](mailto:norris201@gmail.com) or 520-398-7150.



**NOTE:** Friends in Deed has asked that we enter through the front door unless we are bringing in equipment, in which case we can load supplies through the back doors. Open the back doors as little as possible when bringing in supplies. You do not have to check in at the front if you know where you are going. Our contract with Friends in Deed states that we must leave the room as we found it---clean and all chair pushed up to the tables with three chairs in between the table legs. Thank you for your attention to this!

## August 2017

**Thursday, August 3,** Charity Share & Learn, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Saturday, August 5,** Charity Cut & Kit, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Nancy Moshier's House.

**Monday, August 7,** Board Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Tuesday, August 8,** Out of the Box Bee, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Tuesday, August 15,** Quilt Addicts Bee, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Thursday, August 17,** Charity Bee, 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

**Thursday, August 17,** General Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. No program. We will be playing some quilting related games. Everyone should bring one fat quarter.

**Thursday, August 17,** Starlight Stitcher's Bee, 5:30 p.m.

**Friday, August 18,** No workshop. Sit and Sew, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Friday, August 18,** Charity Workshop, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Church Fellowship Hall.

**Tuesday, August 22,** September newsletter articles due to Suzy Moshier.

## September 2017

**Monday, September 4,** Board Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Tuesday, September 5,** Out of the Box Bee, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Thursday, September 7,** Charity Share & Learn, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Friday, September 8,** Round Robin, 10:00 a.m., Nancy Moshier's House.

**Saturday, September 9,** Charity Cut & Kit, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Nancy Moshier's House.

**Monday, September 18,** Embroidery Bee, Katie Templeton's House.

**Tuesday, September 19,** Quilt Addicts Bee, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friends in Deed, Room C.

**Thursday, September 21,** Charity Bee, 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

**Thursday, September 21,** General Meeting, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Thursday, September 21,** Starlight Stitcher's Bee, 5:30 p.m.

**Friday, September 22,** "Wool and Needles" Workshop, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Church Fellowship Hall.



The Charity Bee recently received a lot of print fabrics, but we are still in need of solid white fabric and batting.

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**Friday, September 22**, Round Robin, 10:00 a.m., Nancy Moshier's House.

**Monday, September 25**, October Newsletter articles due to Suzy Moshier.