



Fiesta News!

Business Meeting Wednesday, April 2, 2014 9:30 AM

General Meetings Tuesday, April 8, 2014 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 9, 2014 9:30 AM



Weeks Ringle

Weeks Ringle is a quilter, author, fabric designer, teacher and blogger.

Weeks is a co-founder with Bill Kerr of ModernQuilt Studio in Oak Park, Illinois. Since 1999 they have brought a modern twist to the great American Quilting tradition using decades of quilt making experience and graduate design degrees.

In 2011, they launched **Modern Quilts Illustrated**, the first magazine dedicated exclusively to modern quilting. Their books include **Transparency Quilts, Quilts Made Modern, The Modern Quilt Workshop** and **Quiltmaker's Color Workshop**.

They have been featured in many national articles. There is more. They have designed original fabrics and developed bedding and tex-

tiles.

Weeks lectures and teaches design and quilt making internationally. On her blog, Craft Nectar, she writes about craft and creativity.

Weeks Workshop, Thursday, April 10th will be "Working with Large Prints." We love large-scale prints, but find them challenging to combine them effectively with other prints. Students will learn design concepts behind using large-scale prints and how to show them off to their best advantage.

Friday, April 11th, the workshop is titled "Improvisation Piecing". Students will learn different techniques for piecing. Students will be guided by Weeks through a strategy that will have them making design decisions as they go.

Respond to me, sekmet73@cox.net, with a comment, question or thought, with regards to anything in the newsletter and be eligible for one of the great prizes Mary Meserve has at the meetings! You won't get rich, but there are some pretty cool things!

Five (5) winners, random selection...

President's Message

Well, here it is April already! Before we know it, our snowbirds will be flying back to their northern homes and we'll be heading into another Tucson summer. Here in the guild we keep busy with our summer projects and getting ready for our 2015 Quilt Fiesta.

There will be some additions to the newsletter. We're adding a section to let membership know any decisions made at the business meeting. The minutes of the business meeting are always posted a month late as they have to be approved before they can be published. Most months there is nothing significant that you need to know, but when there is, like this month, it will be posted in newsletter article. The meeting minutes are always available on the website for members. I've started another new feature in the Newsletter; an interview with an interesting member of the guild. I hope to interview someone each month and anyone who wants to get in on it with me... welcome! Read the newsletter to find out this month's profile!

Happy Spring, Happy Easter, Happy Passover, Happy Quilting!

TQG Annual Quilt-A-Thon

It's time again to gear up for TQG annual Quilt-A-Thon. I would like to thank David and Nancy Landon, Cactus Quilt Shop, who have graciously offered their shop, on Sundays, for cutting parties!

We'll have some kits available, at the May meeting, so members may take them home to work on and bring them back for the next month's meeting(s). The more we are able to make now the further ahead we will be in August.

I am asking TQG members to please consider joining our cutting parties which will continue through July. We need to make kits for approximately 130 quilts. Specific dates will be discussed at the April meeting, and sign-ups will continue through July.

Mark your calendars and join in the fun! The annual QAT will be held at St. Francis Cabrini in the meeting room on Tuesday, August 12th and Wednesday, August 13th, 2014.

Paula Zidel

A big thank you to all the Guild members from "Dress-a-Bear" and Hospitality who helped make 65 children very happy this Christmas with the Bears you ladies dressed. The Bears were donated to the Erik Hite Foundation. The Christmas raffle was also a great success. The quilt was won by Jolene Albaugh and the three quilt ladies—Carol Zupanec
Special thank you to Cathy Dargel for support. The raffle brought in \$890.00 that was donated to the Community Food Bank.



Guest Profile of the Month

by Reilly Zoda

We have so many really talented people here in our Guild and I'd like to know more about them! So I've started a new monthly article that will feature a profile of one of our Guild members.

Our first profile is of Lynda Luiten, Quilter and owner of The Quilter's Market.

When you walk into The Quilter's Market on Speedway Boulevard in Tucson, one of the first things you'll notice is how bright it is; bright fabrics with colors dancing in the light and bright and cheerful greetings from the employees bustling around the shop! The whole atmosphere is reflective of the personality of the shop's owner, Lynda Luiten.

I've always been impressed with Lynda's marketing skills and wanted to know more about who she is and how she got where she is.

Lynda was born in Houston and traveled around a bit before settling in Phoenix at the age of 7. She and her younger brother were raised in Phoenix and she went to the UofA here in Tucson for her college education, where she earned a BS in Nutrition and Food Science, an MS in Animal Science, and an MBA in Marketing .

Married to John, Lynda went to work after graduation as a pharmaceutical representative, working in corporate America for 17 years while raising her children, son Ken and daughter Rebecca. Both are gone from the nest now; Ken married and Rebecca in grad school in California.

Lynda, like many of us, comes from a sewing background rather than one with generations of quilters. She entered the quilting world in kind of a sideways way. With her background in sewing clothing, she joined a 'Wearables' class at Precious Hands when she was 40. She'd had to put sewing aside for many years while raising the kids, but got back with a vengeance! The 'wearables' led to other types of quilting, and she was off!

Sandy Triebel was the president of Tucson Quilters Guild at the time, and she convinced Lynda that she had to join. She did, and ended up taking many classes and becoming involved with different committees. At first she didn't know what it meant that she needed "lights" and "darks" for a project, but anyone who's seen her work knows that she's come a long way!

When Precious Hands closed, Lynda casually mentioned to her husband John, "Maybe I should open a Quilt Shop." She was a bit surprised when his answer was, "Maybe you should!" One can only imagine the amount of work involved, but The Quilter's Market opened in January, 2004. At that time Lynda had a partner but after a year she became the sole proprietor. Sidekick Bonnie Wilson has been there from the beginning, using her talent to create wonderful displays and help anywhere she's needed.

When I asked Lynda what her philosophy for her shop was, there was no hesitation in her answer. "I wanted a place that people could come to explore their creativity, and have the joy of making things with their own hands. It is a business, but I wanted it to be a place that was an 'open door' for people to come and socialize with others that were involved in the same craft."

What does Lynda enjoy most about the quilting process? Piecing and machine work! She loves the cutting process and choosing fabrics for a project. Her quilts are scrappy, bright and colorful, often featuring batiks.

Any goals left? Lynda's happy with her shop. Sure, she'd like more room, but she's happy with her location. She wants to continue to be a 'gathering place', a kind of 'club house' for her customers. Above all, it's to be a safe environment for any level of quilter to ask any question and receive respectful help from the staff. She would like more time to improve her web site and hopes to attain this goal in the future.

I asked Lynda what she gets out of her affiliation with the Guild. Again, as with her business, no hesitation in her reply! "The speakers! Best deal in town!" In addition, the fellowship, being together with like-minded people.

I really enjoyed learning more about one of our outstanding members. But I'd like to interview some of you who are less visible too! We all have a story to tell... let's do it!

Any ideas for next month? Let me know! sekm73@cox.net

2015 Quilt Fiesta!

PRIZES!!! PRIZES!!! PRIZES!!!

I am hoping to have the Raffle Ticket packets ready for member pick-up at the May 2014 meetings.

Please take the time now to think when and where you can sell your tickets. Are you on a bowling league, do you sing in the church choir, do you belong to a book club or needlework group, do you work in an office, do you exercise or walk with friends? These are just a few examples of places you might show the picture of the quilt and sell a few tickets.

This year we will be giving prizes for the most tickets sold by a member in a month, as well as the end of the year prizes for total sales.

Remember, the money from these ticket sales goes to provide you with all that you love about this Guild...Thank You.

Patty Kruse, RAFFLE TICKET CHAIR.

Quilt Fiesta! Quilt Show meetings are at 10 AM at the Tucson Police Substation at 22nd and Alvernon, NW corner. The upcoming date is March 28th. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Volunteer requested to assist 93 year old woman with quilt related tasks 1 to 2 hrs per week. Her group only meets once a month, so that leaves a lot of lonely time in between. East Side near Pantano and Golf Links.
Call Pat 405-7517

Viking Quilt Designer \$400.00
Purchased 2003; well maintained; very good condition; walking and 1/4 inch feet included; extra design cards included.
Contact Debbie Bishop 331-3542



The submission deadline for articles for the May Newsletter is Friday, April 18, 2014.
Articles should be sent to:

newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com
Newsletter Editor: Joey Nakagawa

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\$50 1/4 page
\$100 half page

Tucson Quilters Guild

PROGRAM NOTES

Program Co-Chairs are Connie German and Janet Rupp. We encourage you to go to the website under Future Speakers to see all the exciting speakers coming to our Guild for the remainder of 2014 and for 2015. There is information on the dates that each speaker will be lecturing and teaching at the Guild along with the workshops offered. Each speaker's website is listed. You can just click on the website address and it will take you directly to their website where you can look at the workshops in detail. Most websites will also have the Supply Lists needed for the class. The 1 day classes are \$50 and the 2 day classes are \$100. The classes are from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM each day and they are held at the St. Francis Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio, Tucson, AZ 85716 in the large multi-purpose room (the same location as the lectures). These workshops are a great opportunity for you to learn new quilting skills at a very reasonable price from professional quilters from all over the United States!

Upcoming Programs:

April: [Weeks Ringle](#)

April 8th & 9th Lecture - "Quilts Made Modern"

April 10 Workshop - "Working with Large Prints" 15 spaces available

April 11 Workshop - "Improvisation Piecing" 5 spaces available

May: [Jane Sassaman](#)

May 13th & 14th Lecture - "Jane's Textile Treasure Garden"-new lecture

May 15th & 16th Workshop - "Pattern Play 0 spaces available

June: [Susan Else](#)

June 10th & 11th Lecture - "Off the Wall: Quilting in 3 Dimensions"

June 12 Workshop - "3-D Adventures in the Garden" " 13 spaces available

June 13 Workshop - "Free Form Fabric Collage" " 15 spaces available

September: [Cathy Geier](#)

September 9th & 10th Lecture - "Trunk Show"

September 11 Workshop - "Landscape Quilts Made Easy"

September 12 Workshop - "Forest Scenes"

Signups open at the April 2014 Business Meeting

October: [Carol Ann Waugh](#)

October 7th & 8th Lecture - "How Did I Get Here From There?"

October 9 Workshop - "Stupendous Stitching"

October 10 Workshop - "Stitch and Slash"

Signups open at the May 2014 Business Meeting

November: [Rena Allen](#)

November 11th & 12th Lecture - "Skillbuilder Trunk Show"

November 13 Workshop - "Quilting Feathers Skillbuilder"

November 14 Workshop - "Quilting Design Skillbuilder"

Signups open at the June 2014 Business Meeting



Tucson Quilters Guild and Tucson's Quilt Fiesta! is now on Facebook! Since this is FREE publicity for our Guild and our show, ask your friends to 'like' the page. What can be better than free?

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tucson-Quilters-Guild-Tucson-Quilt-Fiesta/121887434544473>

Tucson Quilters Guild

The Guild Basics	
Who:	All Members
What:	<p>Business Meeting—First Wednesday of every month in the Church Classroom.</p> <p>General Meetings - Second Wednesday of the month in the morning or the Tuesday evening preceding the second Wednesday - in the Parish Hall.</p>
When:	<p>Business Meeting — 9:30 AM ~ 10:30 AM</p> <p>General Meetings: Tuesday Evening—7:00~9:30 PM</p> <p>Wednesday—9:30 AM~12:00 PM</p>
Where:	<p>St Frances Cabrini Church</p> <p>3201 E. Presidio</p> <p>Near Fort Lowell and Country Club</p>
(How): Parking	<p>Guild members are asked to refrain from parking in the spaces in front of the Parish office; the Church wants these spaces to remain open for Church members who have business to attend to in the office. This is the small building to the east of our meeting room.</p> <p>PARKING NOTICE: Tuesday evening attendees: The Church's Family Classes are in session again, so PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE FRONT LOT. Use the side or back lot.</p>
Why:	Come to get involved with all aspects of the Guild, to make new friends, learn new quilting skills, share, but most of all, to have <i>FUN</i> .
Cost:	Members (\$30/year, due in March) and Guests (\$5.00/meeting with guest speaker)

Of interest at the last business meeting...

We've had some interest for quite a while from Evening meeting members that wish the business meetings would be held at a time that they can attend.

The board and committee heads decided at the last meeting to change the time of the business meeting to the last Saturday of the month, for a two month trial. At the end of the trial, it will come up for discussion again and will be re-voted on.

Therefore, the dates of the next business meetings will be:

Wednesday, April 2, 2014, 9:30 AM (For April Guild Meeting)

Wednesday, May 7, 2014, 9:30 AM (For May Guild Meeting)

Saturday, May 31, 2014, 9:30 AM (For June Guild Meeting)

Saturday, June 28, 2014, 9:30 AM (For July Guild Meeting)

This is contingent of course on the church venue being available for these dates.

Reilly

EMAIL LIST: The Guild now has an email list for easy communication with the members. Please log into the protected area of the website and put your name and email address into the box at the top of the page. After doing this, you will receive an email. You must click on the link after making the link into one long line. If this works, you will receive another email saying you were successful. If you have any problem with this, email me at quilter@tucsonquiltersguild.com. Meg Silvern

BEES, BEES, BEES—Updated!

CENTRAL AREA:

Art Quilters Contact: Barbara Hall, 622-9268, or rbarber21@cox.net

Where: Bella Quiltworks; When: Third Wednesday at 10 AM

Himmel Park Contact: Ruth Campbell, 792-1639

Where: Himmel Park Library, When: Third Wednesday at 6:30 PM



EAST SIDE:

Evening Eastside Bee Contact: Connie Weigel, 760-7728 or xuxala@msn.com

Where: Unity Church of Peace, 1551 S Eastside Loop

When: First Thursday of the month 6:30-9PM

Siesta Bee Contact: Nelle Starr, 886-4123

Where: Members' homes (Northeast) call for directions, When: 3rd Tuesday of the month 1pm

GREEN VALLEY:

Hexies Bee - English Paper Piecing, Contact: Carole Sullivan, 520-762-8652

Where: Friends Indeed Community Center, Green Valley, AZ.

When: First Wednesday of each month, noon-3:00pm.

North of the Border Contact: Babs Phillips, 393-6557

Where: M & I Bank 270 W. Continental Green Valley, When: Thursday 9:30 - Noon

NORTHWEST:

Quilting for Others Contact: Mary Bazzano, 295-9576

Where: Cactus Quilt Shop, When: Third Wednesday, 9:30 – Noon, Theme: Tucson Charities

Quilting After Dark: Call Karen Fisher at 572-8825 or email her at karen@karenfisherartquilts.com to get more details.

Art Quilt Bee: Lynn Parker announces the formation of a new art quilt bee on the Northwest side.

The bee meets on the fourth Friday morning of each month at members' homes. Contact Lynn

Parker at 520-818-3674 or at lynnquilts@outlook.com.

Southwest Side: Marie Morris invites quilters to her bee that meets at Grace Pointe Church – Valencia campus, 2555 W Valencia Road, Tucson. This bee meets for a spring and fall semester each year. The current semester began in late January and continues through March 24, 2014. Marie designs a quilt that is made for a community project. Also, bee participants will complete quilts from a previous semester still in need of a bit of work. This Southwest side bee meets on Monday nights, 6:30 – 8:00 PM and is open to all. Contact Marie Morris for further information: 520-403-6208 or 520-623-0123.

Tucson Quilters Guild is always looking to update information about the bees in which our members participate. If you are a member of an "open" bee (listed in TQG's monthly newsletter) and you note old or incorrect information please contact me. If you belong to a "closed" bee, we would still like to have record of your bee. Please contact me to update Guild lists. All bee members do not need to be Guild members for your bee to be included in our Guild list. Contact Beekeeper, Ruth Martin, sa-quaroquilts@gmail.com or 520-682-3846.

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Tuesday Evening Meetings: Open from 5:30 PM to 7 PM only.

Wednesday Morning Meetings: Open from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM and during the break.

To renew books: Call Donata Pfisterer the day before the meeting at 733-9557 or email her at: donatap@photonengr.com

Piecepatchers raffle quilt

The winner of the "Rescued Dresdens" raffle quilt will be announced at the April 9 Guild meeting. This quilt was made by the Piecepatchers Bee and the proceeds will be donated to Quilt For A Cause, to help in the fight against women's cancers. Don't forget to buy some tickets (\$1 or 6 for \$5) --you don't need to be present to win, and this quilt would make a lovely gift!

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Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame
P. O. Box 26064
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Next Benefit Auction Now Scheduled

Our first Benefit Bidding auction was so successful, that the Board of the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame has now scheduled a second auction! So mark your calendars for these dates.

Calling all charitable minded quilters who would wish to make a small quilt that the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame could use in this auction. We want quilts no larger than 120 inches on the perimeter (which would be 30" wide X 30" long or some such configuration). Any theme, any color, any technique will do-something that you believe the rest of the world would want in their private collection of quilts! Go to our website to download an entry form and submit your mini-masterpiece by September 1.

Mark your calendars for October 21 through October 31, 2014-this will be the scheduled auction time. To make a bid on our quilts, go online to www.benefitbidding.com and register, then bid. Very simple! All money will be used by the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame to continue or non-profit work in recognizing the contributions of Arizonans, and our Quilt Shops to quilting in our great state.

Thanks for your support!



Arizona Quilt Documentation Project – Tucson

The next public documentation is at the **Arizona History Museum on April 5th**. The Museum is located at 949 E. 2nd St, Tucson. For an appointment, contact azquiltloc@yahoo.com or call Kate Clark at 520.742.1000. There is no fee, however, donations are appreciated. The quilt owner first signs a release of information and completes as much as possible of the three pages of owner information; then the team gets to work.

They carefully examine the quilt and enter the information obtained on to a seven page form. Photographs are taken of the quilt. The owner receives a cloth label with a number, unique to that documented quilt. The data ultimately is entered into the Quilt Index, an online database for quilts.

If you have questions about quilt documentation or would like to join the Tucson team, please call or email Tucson liaisons Sue Franklin, (520.490.4721; suevette63@comcast.net) or Terry Gryzb-Wysocki, (520.749.9326; terry-gw@mindspring.com). New members are welcome. Training sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month, from 9:30 until 12:30 at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center on Ruthruff Road.

At the March session, the group learned about fabric variations over time from fellow team member, Linda Laird. What a stash of vintage fabric was shared! The group then documented three quilts.



Pattern of the Month - April 2014

By Evelyn George

Stars for the Quiltathon!

Would you like to make some blocks for this year's Quiltathon? We need LOTS! And we'd love to have them ahead of time. Here's how you can help, whether you'll actually be here for the Quiltathon in August, or not!

—Make a block (or several) using the following pattern, or any star block (12½" unfinished size).

(Maybe you already have some "orphan" blocks you'd like to donate?)

—Bring your blocks to the April, May or June meetings and we'll incorporate them into the Quiltathon kits for our "Stars and Squares" twin size quilts! Our goal is 55, half for women and half for children. Hopefully we'll be able to donate 55 quilts to Emerge! Center Against Domestic Violence.

—Bright colors and juvenile prints make fun, scrappy stars for kids, and pretty prints would be nice for the women's quilts.

Fabrics for each block:

Light Background (white, cream, beige, etc.) – cut eight 4½" squares

Bright Prints (assorted is fine, for a scrappy look) – cut one 4½" center square and 8 assorted 2½" squares (for star points)

Make the Star Block

Place a 2½" print square on top of a 4½" background square, **right sides together**, lining them up at one corner.

Stitch diagonally across the small square, as illustrated. →
(You could draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the small square first, if that's helpful.)

Trim off the corner, leaving a ¼" seam allowance.

Press the seam toward the corner.



Place a second 2½" square on a corner next to the first one, stitch diagonally, trim and press as you did on the first corner. This makes one Star Point Unit (it has two star points on it).



For each star block, make a total of 4 Star Point Units, using either all one color, or a scrappy assortment.

↑
Star Point Unit

Arrange four **Star Point Units** around the four sides of each 4½" center print square, with the star points next to the center Square, as shown in illustration, right. →

Use 4 plain 4½" light squares for the 4 outer corners of each block.

Using ¼" seams, stitch together like a 9-patch:
first sew into 3 rows, then join the rows to complete the block.
(Press seams the way they want to go—away from star points.)



Please turn in your blocks to Paula Zidel, Quiltathon Chair, or Evelyn George, Pattern of the Month, at the April, May or June meetings so they can be used in the Quiltathon kits!

Thanks!

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