



THREAD TALES

from TQG

April Calendar

Business Meeting:

Wed., April 5, 9:30 am

General Meetings:

Tues., April 11, 7:00 pm

Wed., April 12, 9:30 am

SPRING BOOK SALE!

REMEMBER your Library books!

Newsletter Deadline:

Submission deadline for the

May Newsletter:

Wed., April 19

Articles should be sent to
Newsletter Editor
Diane Hartman at

[newsletter](#)

@tucsonquiltersguild.com

2018 Quilt Fiesta!

Show Committee Meeting

will be held **Friday,**

April 28 at 10am at

the police station on the
NW corner of Alvernon and
22nd Street. We welcome
new people!

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April Speaker: Gyleen Fitzgerald



Gyleen Fitzgerald makes quilts that blend color, pattern, and texture to provide a contemporary essence in traditional quilting. Her strength as a quilter is demonstrated by the infusion of engineering tools and innovative techniques to simplify visually complex quilts. She shares her enthusiasm for quilting through interactive lectures and workshops. As a writer, Gyleen centers on haiku poetry, quilt project books, magazine articles and children's books.

An avid quilter, Gyleen has earned Best of Show honors and as a publisher, she is a Gold Medal winner for *Quilts: Unfinished Stories with New Endings*. She is best known for inspiring *Trash to Treasure Pineapple Quilts* and the creation of the **Pineapple Tool** by Gyleen. She has appeared on The Quilt Show and Lifetime TV promoting a contemporary spirit in traditional quilting.

For Gyleen, dreams hold no limits. Ray, her husband, is her shining light and quilting is her passion; together they color her world in a very special way. She is a Philadelphia, Pennsylvania native, who spent her formative years in Taiwan and Japan.

Lecture: "Quilts, Unfinished Stories with New Endings"

Gyleen will present only ONE WORKSHOP on Thurs., April 13. "Trash to Treasure Pineapples" [Supply List](#) There are openings!

Contact Program Directors:

Karen Fisher, email: Karen@karenfisherartquilts.com or call 520-572-8825
Denise Withrow, email: quiltiden@gmail.com or call 520-429-3936



Did you notice the new
Newsletter Name?

THREAD TALES
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Janet Pugh suggested it and won
the free workshop.
Congratulations!

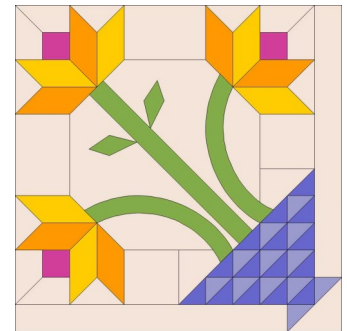
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Tucson Quilters. I am honored and excited to begin my term as President of the Tucson Quilter's Guild. As many of you have heard me say, I got involved with the Guild because I was so impressed with the work—the monthly programs, the annual show, the charity quilting—and with the smart and friendly members who make it all happen. My first priority over the coming two years will be to sustain the quality of this excellent organization.

I hope also to leave the Guild in even better shape than I found it. I have a few ideas to start. A committee has been formed to plan an update of our website. In addition to simplifying the structure of the site, we expect to add an online payment function. We also need to continue to work on publicizing the work and events of the Guild to attract new members and to increase attendance at our events. Social media may be an important vehicle for this effort. If you have experience in any of these areas, please let me know.

I would also love to hear your ideas about how to improve the experience of Guild members overall and how to attract new members. The best way to reach me is by email. I promise a prompt response and a fair hearing for all ideas. I look forward to getting to know you and to working with you over the next two years.

Elaine Romanelli
president@tucsonquiltersguild.com

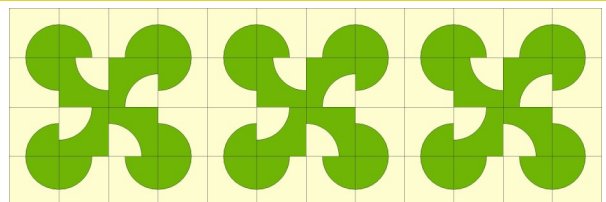


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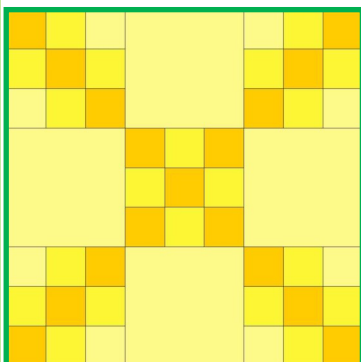
APRIL 2017

April 11 & 12 Meetings

SPRING BOOK SALE



FYI: UPCOMING QUILTING SHOWS AND EVENTS



CELEBRATE! QUILT CAMP
June 14-17, 2017 Flagstaff, AZ
<http://www.celebratequilts.com/>

QUILTS, THE PROMISE OF JOY
Invitation from Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild
June 2 & 3, 2017 Prescott, AZ
www.tbqguild.com.

Check out
the
websites!

2018 Quilt Fiesta!

Quilt Fiesta Co-Directors:

Helen and I are very excited to be co-chairing the 40th Anniversary of the Tucson Quilt Fiesta! We hope you're aware of the Red and White 'challenge' that we're having for our Ruby Anniversary. If you chose to make one of these quilts, (and we hope you do!) you can enter it for judging if you wish, in the appropriate category, or in the non-judged category. See additional information below.

Each year we try to improve the show. Now is the time for you to voice any ideas you have. We will consider each and every one at the monthly Show Committee meetings, and get back to you. Remember, you're welcome to attend the meetings, even if you aren't on one of the committees.

This year we've decided to add another category which will accommodate clothing, dolls, and other quilted items. We hope members will want to make and enter these fun projects.

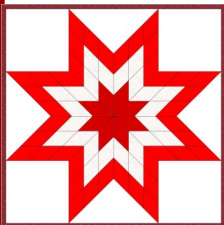
Speaking of committees, we have four openings this year: Publicity, Demos, Signs, and Hostesses. It's a lot of fun! If you're interested in one of these, please get in touch with us to find out more. It's a great way to get to know more people, and you'll have all the help you need. It speaks well for the committee experience that so many chairs and committee members return for another year.

Please get in touch with us with any comments, suggestions or questions.

Reilly Zoda sekmet73@cox.net

Helen Frost helenyoungfrost@comcast.net

Red and White Quilt Challenge for 2018 Quilt Fiesta



In 2018, the Tucson Quilter's Guild will have their **40th Anniversary show**. To honor our longevity, we are asking members to make "Ruby" quilts for a special display within the show. We want to give you plenty of time to make your quilts, so here are the rules.

Color: if it reads as RED, it's RED. White can be white through cream.

Size: no minimum, but big enough to hang. Up to 90" x 90" to fit on the hanging panels.

All techniques and styles: piecing, applique, whole cloth, cathedral window, Redwork, embellishing, and all combinations. If you know others, go for it! Make it Traditional, Modern, Art, Crazy, Landscape, Pictorial, etc., etc., etc.

Individual, two-person, and group quilts are all welcome.

Enter as non-judged, or in the appropriate judged category.

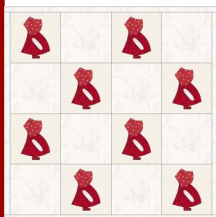
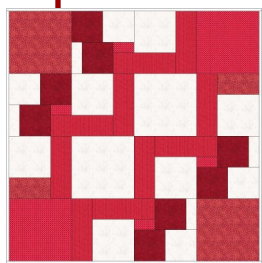
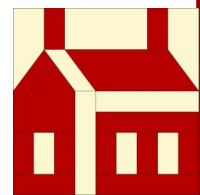
Categories are generally based on technique(s) used, and/or number of people who made it.

Older, previously exhibited red and white quilts may also be entered for display only, not judging.

The hanging committee will gather all the red and white entries to hang all of them together in our special exhibit.

Last Rule: Have fun with this! I can't wait to see what we all make!

Karen Fisher



2017 Quilt Fiesta! Wrap-Up

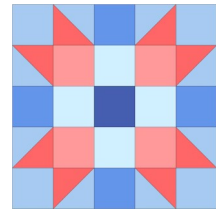
Quilt Show Pins!!!

Why not take a few minutes to go through your Tucson Quilt Guild Show Pins to see which ones you still need to finish your collection? Remember, Quilt Show Pins from all years still in stock will be available for purchase at the April meetings. The newer pins will be \$5 each, and the older ones will be \$2. Check your collection and see which ones you need to buy! The new Guild pin is in the works, and hopefully will be available; if not in April, then it will definitely be here in May. See you then.

Sue Burns, Show Pin Committee

Quilt Appraisals

Bobby Aug reports that she is almost done with all the quilt appraisals. She has had some family business to contend with, but she expects to complete all appraisals within the 30 day stated deadline. Your patience is appreciated.



Vintage Quilt Turning

Quilt Fiesta and the Vintage Quilt Turning! It could be said that the quilts are slumbering until needed for the 2018 *Quilt Turning*. If that is true, what do you suppose comprises their dreams? Perhaps they include visions of lovely old red and white quilts that might be in next year's turning. If not that, the dreams might include memories of other quilts, their owners and the fun experienced when they were newly pieced, appliquéd and quilted.

Whatever shape *your* dreams take, think about what quilts you may have, or search for on your travels that could be used in the vintage quilt turning. What exciting possibilities!



Door Prizes Report

A humongous thank you to all the Guild Members who gave donations for the Door Prizes. We gave out 246 prizes over the three day show. Without your generosity we could not have made so many people happy. – Roberta Sipes

Judging

We want to thank all the members who volunteered to help out with the judging days. We had so many wonderful, experienced helpers who truly made the process run smoothly. Thanks in particular to Susie and her "pillowcase brigade", Nancy and Lois – the "table moms" - and to all the scribes who worked so hard this year. All your efforts are greatly appreciated. We want to thank you all for your feedback and hope to streamline things so they run even better next time. We also wanted to thank all the members who had their quilts judged this year. Without all your beautiful quilts, we would not have such a wonderful show!

Karen Kelter & JoAnn Hinchliffe

Tucson Quilters Guild

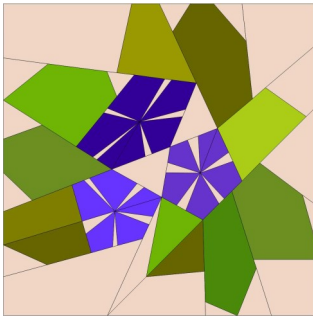
PROGRAM NOTES

Click on the website address to look at the workshops in detail. Most websites will also have the Supply List needed for the class. The 1 day classes are \$50 and the 2 day classes are \$100. We can now accept credit cards. 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!

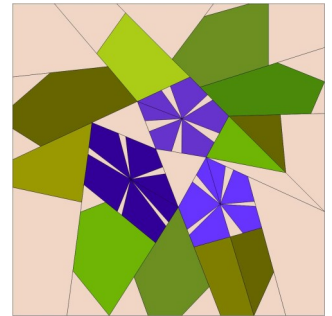
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Upcoming Programs



May 2017

[Debbie Jones](#)

May 9 & 10 Lecture: "Fabric Scraps Become Fine Art"

May 11, Thursday Workshop: "Fabric Landscape Decollage" [Supply List](#) 14 openings

May 12, Friday Workshop: "Silk Fusion"- new [Supply List](#) 12 openings

Signups open: Now

June 2017

[Pat Yamin](#)

June 13 & 14 Lecture: TBD

June 15, Thursday Workshop: "Joseph's Coat" [Supply List](#) 20 openings

June 16, Friday Workshop: "Spinning Stars" [Supply List](#) 20 openings

Signups open: Now

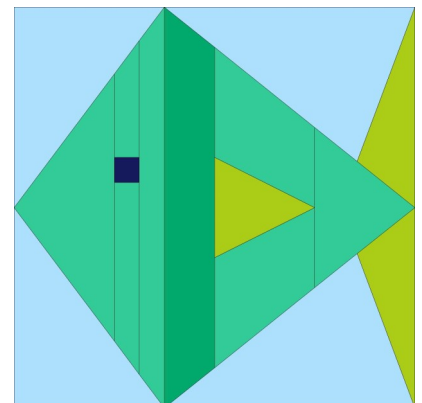
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July 11 & 12 **ROUND ROBIN PRESENTATIONS**

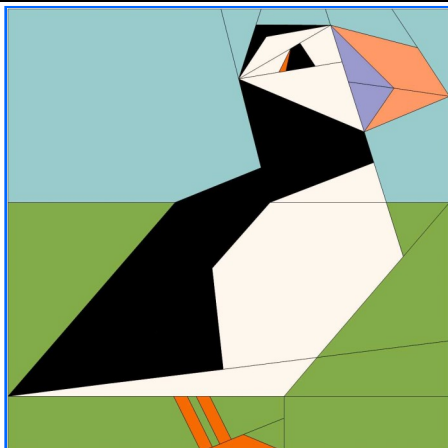
August 2017

August 8 & 9 **QUILT-A-THON**

See page 6 for more information.



QUILT-A-THON IS COMING!



The TQG traditional Quilt-a-thon has been occurring annually since 1997. During our regular August meetings, we get together, enjoy the air-conditioned comfort at St. Frances Cabrini Church, and complete as many quilts as possible. Last August, we made approximately 120 lap-sized/crib quilts that we donated to 3 local groups.

Although August seems far away, it will be here before you know it. Our most important near-term task is to decide who gets the quilts. For practical reasons, most of the quilts we produce range from 36" to 42" in width (so we don't have to piece backs or batting). These sizes are nice quilts for children or lab robes for the elderly. If you know of an organization that could make

use of these types of quilts, please let us know. With all of our membership, there have to be a lot of good ideas that our small group might not consider.

Please contact Barbara Heiman (bjheiman@hotmail.com) for more details, with suggestions for quilt recipients or to volunteer for the QAT Committee.

Tucson Quilters Guild and Tucson's Quilt Fiesta! have a Facebook page!

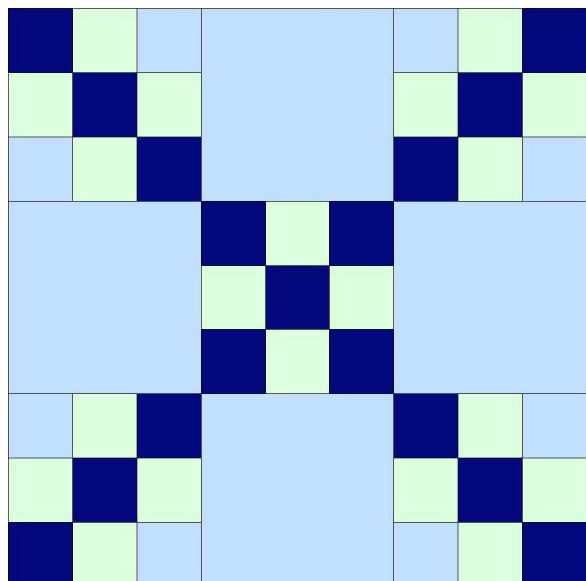


Since this is FREE publicity for our Guild and our show, ask your friends to 'like' the page. What can be better than free?

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

FOR SALE

Pfaff Quilt Expression 4.0 with plastic case, all original feet & manuals. Has electronic knee lift & IDT for even stitches. Recently serviced at Cathey's. Has always worked great! Original price \$2500. Asking \$700, OBO
Roberta Sipes 520-234-7164 Will deliver.



Celebrate Quilt Camp

In the cool mountain pines of Flagstaff, AZ

Daily classes with national and regional teachers.

June 14-17, 2017
At the Doubletree Hotel and Odegaards Sewing Center



Check the website for teachers, classes, registration, and other information.

www.celebratequilts.com

Special events include:

*Meet and Greet
Keynote speaker
Show and Tell
Quilt Challenge with prizes
"Quilt-til-you-wilt"
Pajama/Pizza party
Door prizes
Free Sewing Machine Give-Away*

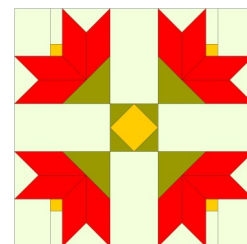
MEMBERSHIP

April is the beginning of the membership year. If you have not already done so, please drop by the Membership table at the April meetings, or print the application from the website and mail it in (including a stamped self-addressed envelope). The membership fee remains unchanged at only \$30. We take cash, checks, AND credit cards now.

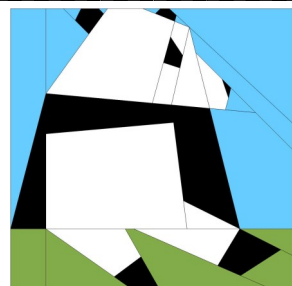
This year, we have decided to collect some statistics on our membership so we can track and make course changes if needed. Please do not ignore the 4 questions under the address information. If you don't know when you joined the guild, I can estimate that for you but we really want to know your age (don't be shy, there are 450 other members in exactly the same boat), meeting preference, and quilting style.

Hope to see you at the membership table soon!

Kathy Barton - Membership Chair



LIBRARY NEWS



SPRING BOOK SALE

New Batch of Books!
Bring some cash—not a lot—Prices are fantastic!
Proceeds buy new books for Library.

YOUR MEMBER AT LARGE IS LISTENING

We serve as your representatives and liaisons to the Board of Tucson Quilter's Guild. If you have questions, comments, suggestions about the Guild, please contact us by email, or drop a note in the Idea Box (at the Pattern of the Month table at our meetings). We have received some interesting and challenging notes from you over the last year, and hope that you are finding this column with questions and answers helpful. It's a big Guild, there's a lot going on, and there's much to learn; we hope you are exploring, learning, and having fun! Let us know your thoughts!

Evelyn George (Wednesday meetings) - quilter4ever@cox.net

Kay Hendricks (Tuesday meetings) - khendricks@cox.net

Newsletter Advertising

Members: \$5.00 for small want ads for Quilting/sewing related items
Quilt related-businesses: \$25 business card size, \$50 1/4 page, \$100 half page
For additional information and to reserve space in the next newsletter,
email the newsletter editor: newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com

Arizona Quilt Documentation Project – Tucson

In March, the Tucson team learned from Sue, Terry, and Joyce, about the fabulous AQSG regional study day in Phoenix, held February 25. Guest Sharon Waddell enchanted all with her lecture on New York quilts of the 19th century. Sharon brought a few examples as well as lovely slides. AQSG member, Anne Hodgkins showed her collection of Bicentennial quilts; it was an impressive number.

Finally, AQSG member Jean Carlton amazed the group with her talk and examples of thinking small. Jean demonstrated how she made many varied little quilts from one quilt top, with more possible! In fact, she so inspired Sue, that Sue went back to the silent auction table and got the winning bid on a “sad” top that someday may be deconstructed and then made into tiny quilts. This was Joyce’s first study day; she is “hooked” and it won’t be her last.

Continuing Education, “Quilts, last quarter of the 18th century through 1840” was presented by Sue. Sue focused on three key topics: 1) Textiles in Revolutionary America, 2) John Hewson; Revolutionary War Printer and Hero, and 3) Quilt Styles in Early America. Details of this program are available on the AZQS web site www.azquiltstudygroup.org/.

Quilts documented included the following: Of interest, each are crib quilts and all belong to Sue! Of course, that is partly because Terry gave Sue two of them that morning. The oldest quilt documented was *Ladders*, circa 1890, a quilt Sue bought last September in Tempe at the *American Quilt Study Seminar*, from vendor Julie Silbers. The unique pattern was unlike anything she had ever seen. It has lovely hand quilting!

Next, were the two quilts Terry gave to Sue. Both are likely Bucilla kit quilts from the 1960s. The first, called *Balloons*, is a happy scene of balloons waving cheerily from various spots on the quilt. The other, *Summertime*, depicts fun things to do during the summer. These were done on pre-quilted fabric and either appliquéd, embroidered or cross-stitched.

The final quilt, *Amish Diamond in a Square*, Sue bought it at the recent *Quilt Fiesta* from vendor James Carroll. This quilt is circa 1980s.

Anyone is welcome to visit our meetings! We **love** guests. For questions about either quilt documentation or joining the team, please either call or email Tucson liaisons Sue Franklin, (520.490.4721; suevet-te63@comcast.net) or Terry Gryzb-Wysocki, (520.749.9326; terry-gw@mindspring.com). New team members are welcome. Monthly training sessions are held from 9:30 until 12:30 at the *Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center* on Ruthrauff Road.

Information about quilt documentation teams throughout Arizona may be obtained from Lynn Miller at either 480.632.2819 or azquilt doc@yahoo.com. Lynn also needs people familiar with the computer to aid her with data entry for the *Quilt Index*. Lynn does distance training which takes about two hours.

Sue Franklin

QUILT FOR A CAUSE

Announcing a Quilt For a Cause Partnership Event

Quilt For a Cause is pleased to donate an opportunity quilt, "Time is of the Essence," to Arizona Oncology Foundation to be raffled at their "Cheers to Health, Healing and Survivorship," a wine-tasting event on Friday, April 7th, 6:30 - 10:00 pm at St. Philip's Plaza, 4280 N. Campbell Ave. Funds raised from the event will benefit cancer patients in Tucson and Green Valley; and in accordance with the QFaC mission, funds from the quilt raffle will be used specifically to provide integrative and support services to women who have been affected by breast and gynecologic cancer. A wide variety of services is available, including mastectomy bras, a wig loan program, classes, support groups, and other assistance as needed. For more information about the event and to purchase tickets, visit ArizonaOncologyFoundation.org, or go to QuiltForaCause.org and click on the link on our home page.

Tucson Quilters Guild Basics

Who:	All Members
What:	Business Meeting —First Wednesday of every month in the Church Classroom. General Meetings - Second Wednesday of the month in the morning or the Tuesday evening preceding the second Wednesday - in the Parish Hall.
When:	Business Meeting — 9:30 AM ~ 10:30 AM General Meetings: Tuesday Evening —7:00~9:30 PM Wednesday Morning —9:30 AM~12:00 PM
Where:	St Frances Cabrini Church 3201 E. Presidio Near Fort Lowell and Country Club
(How): Parking	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. 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.
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 FUN . But please, do not wear fragrance to meetings .
Cost:	Members (\$30/year, due in March) and Guests (\$5.00/meeting with guest speaker)

Reminder: Use of Cameras at Guild Meetings

As Roberta announced at the September Guild meeting the Board has had a discussion concerning the use of cameras for both still photography and video during our guest speaker presentations. Due to copyright concerns, photos may be taken only before the meetings, during the breaks, and after the meetings. No photography or videos will be permitted during the guest speaker presentations.

SH-Hh-h-h Phone App for TQG Meetings

<http://shushapp.com> The shush app allows you turn the volume of your ringer off for whatever amount of time you want. At the end of that time your phone's ringer will be turned on again. It is handy for those of us who forget to turn on the ringer again.

Remember: TQG Meetings Are Fragrance Free

Please remember to be kind to fellow members with allergies to scents and perfumes. Please attend the meetings fragrance / perfume free. It means another member can attend.

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

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CENTRAL AREA:

Himmel Park Contact: Ruth Campbell, 520-792-1639
Where: Himmel Park Library; When: Third Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

EAST SIDE:

Art Quilters Contact: Laura Steiniger, 520-465-9100
Where: Eastside City Hall, 7575 E Speedway (just west of Quilters Market); When: Third Wednesdays, 10 AM to Noon

Charity Bee for more information call Susan 520-747-8458

Where: Quilters Market
When: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm

Evening Eastside Bee Contact: Arlene Svenson [520-822-8515](tel:520-822-8515)
Where: Unity Church of Peace, 1551 S Eastside Loop

When: First Thursdays, 6:30 – 9 PM
The Evening Eastside Bee does not meet during the summer.

UFO Bee (Bring your own UnFinished Objects) Contact: Mary Meserve, marymes@aol.com

Where: Quilters Market
When: Tuesdays, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Pacific Rim Quilting Bee Asian fabrics, donation quilts

Contact: Annette Meyer, shelbyme-eraz@cox.net; Susan Owara

Where: The Quilt Basket When: First Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. – noon

GREEN VALLEY:

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

Where: Friends Indeed Community Center, Green Valley, AZ
When: First Wednesdays, Noon – 3PM

North of the Border Contact: Babs Phillips, 520-393-6557
Where: M & I Bank, 270 W Continental, Green Valley; When: Thursdays 9:30 – Noon



SOUTH:

Quilts of Valor Bee Contact: Char Gasker. 520-749-0723

Where: Eagles Wings Quilting, 3949 E. 29th Street, Tucson, 85711
When: Second Thursdays, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

SOUTHWEST:

Southwest Side Bee All are welcome. Contact: Marie Morris, 520-403-6208 or 520-623-0123.

Where: GracePointe Church, 2555 W. Valencia Rd., Tucson

When: Mondays, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

The closed Bees list is on the TQG member website.

Bee coordinator—Margaret Newman
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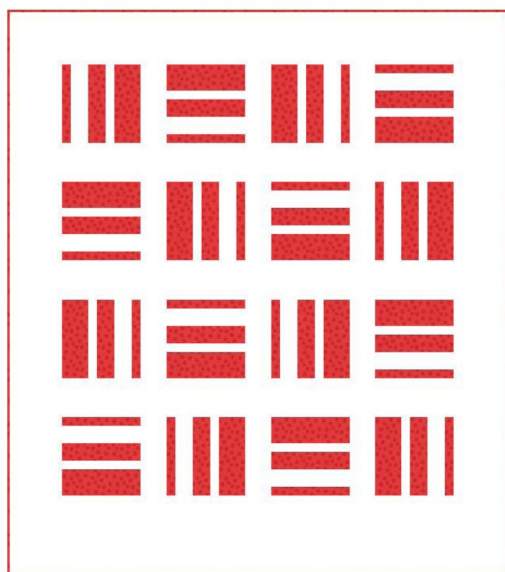


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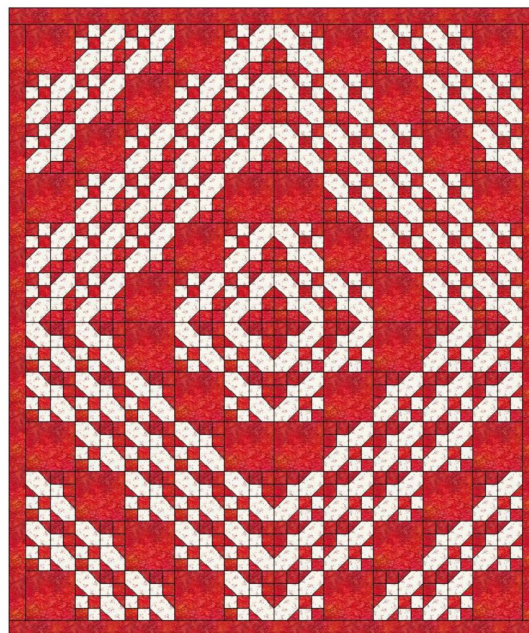
"More Red and White Ideas from Pattern of the Month"

By Evelyn George

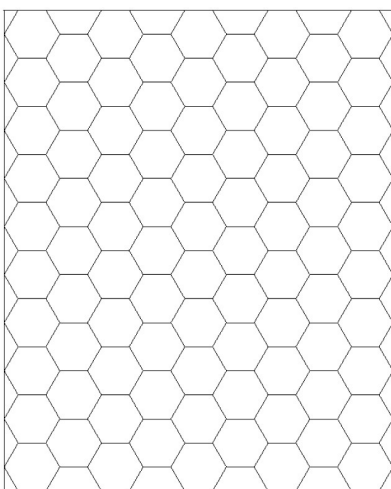
*Cont'd from last month -look for these in the Pattern of the Month section of the TQG website.
--Remember to pre-wash red fabrics separately before cutting them for a red and white quilt!*



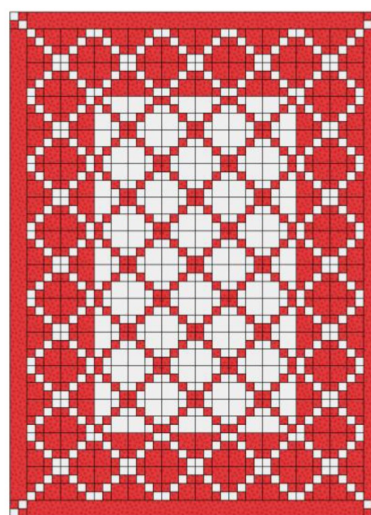
*A Look at Modern Quilts
Pattern of the Month May 2013*



*Fly Away Four Patch
Pattern of the Month August 2014*



*Charm Quilt - all red and white prints
Pattern of the Month January 2015
(Maybe a good group quilt?)*



*Double Four Patch Chain
Pattern of the Month October 2016*

Coming Next Month: Scrap Saver's Stars; a fun, easy pattern to use up lots of scraps!