

# THREAD TALES

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Quilters,

Hope all of you are healthy and finding positive ways to stay busy. It's kind of bizarre to watch new commercials and online stuff where people are inventing odd new things to keep themselves busy, AND keep small kids engaged. Thank heaven for quilting! I am now working hours each day on four or five ongoing projects that are living in my head—maybe I'm NOT staying completely sane?

In the meantime, my husband and I have been re-visiting memories of being vaccinated for polio. Our memories are different of course, but we both do remember being in a long line of all the other students and getting vaccines. He remembers both times—the shot, and the later oral version—my memories have less detail. I was a little younger, so that might explain it. He also had a friend, someone he played with, who got polio—he still remembers his friend's name all these years later. My sister and I remember having dozens of shots, presumably against all sorts of things, as our Air Force family prepared to move to France in 1959.

Another random, newer hunk of personal memory was taking a biology class to keep my teaching certification current. Each student in the class had to do a presentation on some aspect of biology. It was during the SARS outbreak, and I chose to learn about the 1918 Influenza Pandemic. As our current COVID19 progresses, there are all the same steps and concerns, and weird twists. So it has been like revisiting an event I already knew—except for the constant barrage of information from multiple news outlets.

So, where was 1? Ah, yes, quilting and personal sanity! My cat Tinker is talking to me about a snack, please, and he is definitely a comforting, happy piece of my everyday activities. Of course, that also means that all my quilts have at least a little bit of fur on them, but I cannot imagine being without a cat or without quilting, so I just buy lint-rollers in multi-packs. We all find our own way through!

Yours in Quilting,

Karen G. Fisher, TQG President

#### June Calendar

**Business Meeting:** 

June 3, Zoom meeting

**General Meetings:** 

**CANCELLED** 

June Workshop:

**CANCELLED** 

## July Calendar

**Business Meeting:** 

July 1, Zoom Meeting

**General Meetings:** 

**CANCELLED** 

July Workshop:

CANCELLED

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## TQG PROGRAM SCHEDULE

# JUNE PROGRAM JACKIE KUNKEL

Lecture: Getting To Know Me

## CANCELLED

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

July 7 and 8

**Program Chairs Choice** 

Due to the COVID19 pandemic this program has been canceled.

August 8 and 9

**Guild Quilt-A-Thon** 

We are currently planning for this fun-filled day of tying charity quilts! We will keep you posted as to whether or not this event will take place this year.

All upcoming Programs are still in the works. We will let you know whether this calendar of events needs to change in any way due to the ever changing protocols set forth in response to the COVID19 pandemic.

September 8 and 9

**Trish Sargent** 

Lecture and Workshop

October 13 and 14

**Karen Combs** 

Lecture and Workshop

November 2020

Michelle Watts

Lecture and Workshop

#### PROGRAM NOTES

Visit the Guild website to learn more about these programs. Workshop fees: One day classes, \$50 and 2-day classes, \$100. **We can now accept credit cards.** The classes are from 9 am - 3:30 pm each day and are held in the large multi-purpose room at St. Frances Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio Rd. 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! Contact the *Programs Director* to sign up.

If you have any questions or suggestions about speakers or workshops, please contact our **Programs Director:** Kathy Barton at *programs@tucsonquiltersguild.com*.

#### GUILD NEWS

## Member Access to Website

The password for 2019-2020 will be changed on June 1 to the new password for 2020-2021. If you have not renewed your membership you will no longer have access to the "members only" sections of TQG's website. It is never too late to renew and it is quite easy to do online! Click here to renew your membership today!

## RENEW

## Small Quilt Auction 2021

Hope everyone is staying healthy during these unusual times and completing many quilting projects - no more UFOs!

While you are working on projects, please keep the Small Quilt Auction (SQA) in mind. The auction is a wonderful means of turning your leftover blocks, trial designs, or challenge pieces into support for a worthy cause. We should proceed optimistically regarding the 2021 Quilt Fiesta and adapt as necessary as the time approaches!

The 2020 SQA was a huge success resulting in a \$3700 donation to EMERGE!, provider of support to victims of domestic abuse. Unfortunately, we were unable to present the funds to EMERGE! at our Guild meeting as planned, but the funds were delivered to support the agency in this time of need. EMERGE! was extremely thankful to receive the TQG

donation especially in these times of sheltering in place when domestic abuse incidences increase.

As many of you know, EMERGE! provides an emergency hotline, emergency shelter, and access to counseling, education and legal advice. More information is available online at

www.emergecenter.org.

With the 2021 SQA in mind, please submit any recommendations you may have for a recipient of the funds raised. Hopefully we will be able to conduct a vote to determine final recipient for 2021. Thank you all for your continued support of the SQA!

Please submit ideas for SQA beneficiaries to Wendy at aksk8wmn@gmail.com.

## Membership Update

The Tucson Quilters Guild is growing - 30 New Members have joined us. There are now new friends to meet and to stitch with. The time will come when we will see each other face to face. The next time we gather when you see someone you do not know speak to that person with a smile and words of welcome. Ah but I will be wearing a Mask you say - a good thing - Let your eyes be your smile! This is the best greeting in these days of practicing Social Distancing. Let your eyes of joy and words of kindness be your greeting to one another. In Stitches - Joyce H. Membership Chair.

Joyce Holley, *TQG Membership Chair* 

#### FOR SALE

\$2,700 for Tin Lizzie 18 in long arm with 12 Ft frame — Easy to use 18-inch throat space Tin Lizzie machine. 12 ft frame for big and small quilts. Purchased as "used" at Cathey's Sew and Vac. lust had it serviced and it still has 2 cleanings left on service agreement. Agreement will transfer. I have had it 2 years without issue. Includes all books, cd, and many extra leaders. Reversible handles and laser pointer for pantograph work. Also has regulated and constant speed both adjustable for every user to have their favorite settings. Easy to assemble. Moving across country and don't have space in the truck. This is an exceptional deal for a beginner or intermediate that can't afford a more expensive model. I am asking \$2,700 but willing to entertain offers. This machine is in "perfect" working condition. Questions... please contact Michelle at 520-449-6122.



#### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE 2020

## GLASSIG FAMILY MOVIES

### Disney's Snow White and the Seven Dwarves and/or The Wizard of Oz

Using any techniques (and embellishments!) you choose, make a small quilt that is inspired by either of these movies, or even combine pieces of them together.

I can visualize Dorothy and Snow White being scared together in the dark forest, a battle between the two evil witches (with light sabers—oops wrong decade and theme!), or perhaps a sports competition between the dwarves and the munchkins.

Maximum size is a 100" perimeter, and it needs a hanging sleeve when it is finished. Quilts must be turned in at the November meeting.

Your quilt will be displayed at the December meetings for a first round of voting and at the January meetings for final voting. Winners will be displayed at our Quilt Fiesta 2020.



## OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH TQG



## Arizona Quilt Documentation Project

#### June 2020

Tucson Region

#### By Susan Franklin, PhD

Hello Life continues to be uncertain for the documentation team as well as for much of the country and the world due to Covid19. Terry Grzyb-Wysocki and I have decided to delay holding another meeting until at least July. I will continue to keep the group posted of any change.

I imagine our team, as well as most Guild members, have been busy working on either new or long neglected projects. For me, it's been a long neglected one, a Baltimore Album Pot of Flowers quilt, from a class taught by Mary Lou MacDonald a number of years ago.

Recently, Christine Nelson, a fellow Guild member, sent me a book, Carrie Hall Blocks. It includes over 800 historical patterns from the collection of the Spencer Museum of Art, University of Kansas, for use with the documentation team.

It includes an Untitled poem by Cynicky Phin that I think you'll appreciate.

"My neighbor is washing her windows And scrubbing and mopping her floors But my house is all topsy and turvy And dust is behind all the doors.

My neighbor, she keeps her house spotless And she goes all day on a trot But no one would know in a fortnight If she swept today or not.

The task I am at is enticing-My neighbor is worn to a rag I am making a quilt out of pieces I saved in a pretty chintz bag.

And the quilt, I know my descendants Will exhibit and credit to me-"So lovely – my grandmother made it Long ago in 1933."

But will her grandchildren remember Her struggles with dirt and decay? They will not – they will wish she had made them The quilt I had made them today.

My message to you is "Keep Quilting." My 11-year-old granddaughter made me a birthday present of popsicle sticks glued together and painted in red white and blue. Its message is "Just Quilt It." So that's what I plan to do; how about you?

#### Quilt for a Cause

A Quilt for a Cause has launched a new and improved web site,

#### https://www.quiltforacause.org.

The site now has much improved photographs and categories of quilts with search options.

If you missed our two new patterns at the Quilt Fiesta in February, they can be purchased on the website. One is for a quilt, Sun Face Sand Painting, and the other is for placements or a table runner, Native Runner and Placements. Both are Southwest themed, and both are designed by Lisa Fryxell.

If you'd like to make a quilt to donate to *Quilt for a Cause*, we are currently in need of quilts with a Southwest or University of Arizona theme, as well as table runners or toppers. We also need baby quilts.

As always, we are pleased to receive your quilts with any theme to continue our Cause.

Finally, we have a new quilt donation form that is available on our website. Please use the new form for your next quilt donation. Thank you so much!

Tucson Quilters Guild now has a

Facebook Page!



Please be sure to visit and "Like" our page!

https://www.facebook.com/ TucsonOuiltersGuild

## TUCSON QUILTERS GUILD BEES

#### Eastside

#### 1492 BEE

Lisa Fryxell — (575) 590-5472 Columbus Library 4350 E 22nd Street 1st Monday, 10 AM to 2 PM

#### **EAGLE WINGS QOV BEE**

Char Gasker Quality Quilterz 8421 E Broadway Blvd 4th Thursday of the month

#### **EASTSIDE QUIET BEE**

Vicki Moore 748-7219, 241-7290 Ask Vicki for location 1st Thursday, 6:30 PM

#### **HIMMEL QUILTERS**

Ruth Campbell — (520) 792-1639 Himmel Park Library 1035 N Treat Ave 3rd Wednesday, 6 — 8 PM

#### **NORTHEAST 9 PATCHERS**

Janice Jones Members Homes 1st Friday, 9:30 AM

#### PACIFIC RIM QUILTING BEE:

Susan Owara — 520-572-9231 The Quilt Basket 6538 E. Tanque Verde #130 1st Tuesday, 10 am

### Eastside, con't.

#### **TUCSON ART QUILTERS:**

No contact person at this time Eastside City Hall 7575 E. Speedway, 3rd Wednesday, 10 am — Noon

#### **UFO BEE**

Mary Meserve
The Quilters Market
7601 E Speedway Blvd
Every Tuesday, 9 – 11:30 am

#### **Northwest**

#### **MATERIAL GIRLS**

Cindi Huff — (623) 225-6109 members homes 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 1 — 4 pm

#### MONA LISA BEE:

Debbie Sileven (520) 954-9265 Foothills Community Church 3301 W Overton Rd 3rd Monday, 9:30 — 11 am

#### **PIECE PATCHERS:**

Evelyn George Members homes

#### **NORTHWEST NEEDLERS:**

Evelyn George – Members homes

## Southwest

#### MONDAY NIGHT QUILTERS:

Marie Morris
403-6208, 623-0123
Grace Pointe Church
2555 W Valencia Rd.
3rd Monday, 6:30 — 8 pm
Sept – Nov and Jan – March

### Green Valley

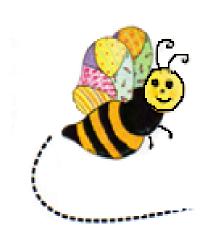
#### NORTH OF THE BORDER:

Patty Goodsell — 989-1754 Ask Patty for location info Every Thursday - 9:30 AM — Noon

## Bee Keeper

For more information about any of the Bees listed or how to start you own bee, please contact our personal beekeeper.

Elizabeth Sonnenfeld, beekeeper@tucsonquiltersguild.com



## TUCSON QUILTERS GUILD BASICS

The mission of the Tucson Quilters Guild is to perpetuate the art of quilting, encourage the practice of quilting, and to stimulate interest in this art form.

Who:	All Members	
What:	<b>Business Meeting</b> —First Wednesday of every month in the Church Classroom. <b>General Meetings</b> - 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	
Where:	St Frances Cabrini Church 3201 E. Presidio	
(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	
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) Guests — \$5/meeting	

#### 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.

#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

Submission deadline for the next newsletter is the Tuesday following the Wednesday General Meeting. For the June Newsletter, deadline is Tuesday, June 16. Please send you articles/ads to the Newsletter Editor at

newsletter@tucsonguiltersguild.com.

#### USE OF CAMERAS AT GUILD MEETINGS

Due to copyright concerns, photos may be taken before the meetings, during the breaks, and after the meetings.

No photography or videos are permitted during the guest speaker presentations.

### SHH-HH 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.

## TQG BOARD AND COMMITTEES

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Finance	OPEN	
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Guild Publicity	OPEN	
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Record Keeper	Chris McCollum	
Website	Pilar Dougall	website@tucsonquiltersquild.com



# PATTERN OF THE MONTH MAY 2020

#### POM CHAIR NEEDED

## "Confused Geese"

by Karen Fisher, Guild President

This I originally designed this block many years ago to make a raffle quilt for the Food Bank. The bee I was in at the time made all the blocks, \*then we assembled it with sashing and cornerstones to set off the design in each block. The same basic design could be done with 1/2-square triangles, but I like using the bigger triangle of the "goose" to show off themed fabrics, such as the florals in the sample I made. This design could also work nicely for an "I Spy" quilt. Staying with very tightly coordinated colors will take it in a modern direction.

Cutting directions for one 12 ½" block (will finish at 12" with sashing)

- 1 4 ½" x 4 ½" square for center, dark value
- 4 8 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles for "geese", dark value
- 8 4 ½" x 4 ½" squares for triangles on "geese" corners, light value
- 1. With a pencil, draw a corner-to-corner line on the back of each light square.
- 2. Place one light square on one end of each rectangle, and stitch on the diagonal line
- 3. Press the square back on itself to create triangle
- 4. Trim corner away to reduce bulk. \*\*If you trim all your corners evenly, you will have LOTS of ½-square triangles to begin another project.
- 5. Re-press seam so that rectangular shape stays true
- 6. Attach second corner to each rectangle, and finish above steps. The center top points of the two corners WILL overlap
  - After all "geese" are made, assemble block.
- 7. Attach center to rectangle A. line up one side of rectangle with one corner of center and stitch most of the way across.
- 8. In order, attach rectangles B, C, and D to center and previous side. Close remainder of seam between A and D.

Press center seams out toward edge. One nice thing about this block is that it does not have the bulky corners of a design where lots of 1/2 - square triangles are coming together.

- \*Without sashing and cornerstones, the blocks will create an interesting diamonds and squares negative space arrangement.
- \*\*I trim my seams to ¼" with a ruler. One block gives me 16 little triangles.

If you wish to make smaller blocks, this design reduces very easily to a 6" or 9" square. And if you have a different favorite method of making Flying Geese blocks, just go for it, then do the final assembly with the center.

Please next page for line drawings for sewing "geese," assembling the block, and block examples.

