



Quilt Chatter

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President's Message



Traditionally the first part of January has the coldest temperatures of the winter season. So to warm everyone up we're using a picture of Patricia Ruppert and Ribbons (yes, we have her permission for this). This picture was taken the day that they took the blue in their category (Second Level Adult Amateur) at the Cooper Ranch 2014 Dressage Championship Competition, a form of horse Olympic Competition here in Las Vegas, NV. Yes, my mind went, "What?" when I first heard about this competition. Horse competitions are an actual part of the summer Olympics and most of its present day format began around 1912.

The table topper is the gift that I presented to Patricia for working towards this goal, she was the envy of all her peers. She and Ribbons are now working on the next "level". Sounds like a musician, maybe even a quilter. How can that be you ask?

Ribbons and Patricia were graded by a judge. The judge had set standards for the level being judged. Because of the view factor there were actually two judges at different locations. Now musical competitions, at least when I did those, only had one judge. Our quilt show has one judge for everything but dolls. Dolls, due to their specialty nature, have their own judge.

Many of the physical movements that are a part of the horse Olympics are repetitive in nature; lots of practice, practice, and more practice. Musicians use scales. We quilters have practice pieces where we try out old and new techniques. For example, the jelly roll race is a fun thing designed to teach quick straight seams. The uneducated think that they have received the most artistic thing ever. If you've given someone one of these perhaps you could invite them to our quilt show. I'm sure that we'll have some amazing things for people to see. It's definitely not what my grandmother did, how about you?

What are some of repetitive aspects of quilt judging? Well, there is the overall visual impact of the design, how well do the colors work together. How about overall workmanship, the binding, is this work square? Then there are the seams they should be straight or neatly curved. Does the quilting accent or hurt the design? How do you get good at these things - by practice, practice, practice! Sounds like a competition, sounds like an Olympian.

Olympians know how to set up their objective timetable. They want to go from point A to point B. They know how to do planning and execution all the while learning how to be better and coaching helps them a lot. The quilters coaching staff consists of show judging critiques, quilting classes and fellow quilters who can help you get better in whichever area you need help in. Are you willing to learn? Are you willing to do what it takes to be an Olympian/master-quilter? Only you can decide what you will and can do.

See you soon,
Christine

Quilt 'Til You Wilt Proposals

Quilt Til You Wilt Proposals will be reviewed at the February 2, 2015 Board Meeting which begins at 1:00 pm and is held at Humana Green Valley Guidance Center, 1000 N. Green Valley Parkway Henderson, NV 89074-6170

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Schedule of DQN Board Meetings

DATES: Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 2, Apr. 6, May 4, Jun.1, Aug. 3, Sept. 14, Oct.5, Nov.2, Dec.7.

TIME: 1:00 PM

Humana Green Valley Guidance Center, 1000 N. Green Valley Parkway Henderson, NV 89074-6170

Meetings are held the 1st non-holiday Monday of each month and are open to all interested members.

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**Desert Quilters of Nevada Board Meeting
November 3, 2014
Humana Green Valley Guidance Center**

The November 3rd DQN board meeting was called to order by Christine Dunn at 1:12 pm at the Humana Guidance Center, Henderson, Nevada. There were 20 members in attendance: Christine Dunn, Patsy Musaraca, Kim Kohorst, Marge Bowen, Jeanne Spala, Laurel Trant, Sandy Rogers, Chemene Blockey, Joyce Mc Collum, Bobbie Stoner, Yvonne Higgins, Kathy Farris, Anne Correia, Gerda Hanson, Bonnie Kulwin, Mary Sprenger, Kathy Adkins, Helene Prosser, Susan Beall and Sandra Johnson.

Minutes: Minutes from the October meeting were read. Bobbie Stoner moved to accept the minutes as written and Yvonne Higgins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Marge Bowen presented the income statement and current balance sheet. The current balance is \$60,811.68. Kathy Farris motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Bobbie Stoner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Membership: The directory is coming along. We currently have 335 confirmed members. The listing for the Chatter will be smaller than this number because the printing began 10 days ago and we have more members sign up since that date.

Sunshine: During the month of October Cory Allender sent cards to the family of Deanne Milkes, Martha Wright, Ruthie Kerr, Anita Brechler, Sandra Johnson, Jody Cotton, Bobbie Stoner and Annie Lockhead.

Volunteer Recognition: Pins were awarded to members at the Annual meeting. If you did not receive your pin, you may pick it up at the January quarterly meeting, after that it will be mailed to your address.

12-4-12: Kathy Farris has begun sign-ups for next year. The 30th of November is the last day to sign up for 12-4-12 2015. You may register on-line. The rules can be found on the www.DQNV.org website. We are quilters, but we are more than just quilters, we are fiber artists. There will be some leniency in the rules for non-tradition quilting projects. We only have two members with pending projects to finish this year, to bring us to 79 members who finished their 12-4-12 projects. We already have 50 members signed up for next year.

Quilt Chatter: Gail Griffin's next deadline for our newsletter is December 10th.

Opportunity Quilt: Helene Prosser and Sandra Johnson will be at the Christmas Goose Thursday and Saturday during the Las Vegas Shop Hop. They attended the Anthem Art Walk but the weather hindered the length of their stay and their location hindered visitors from finding them. They will be visiting the Pahump Fiber Arts Show in February.

Quilt Las Vegas 2015: Bobbie Stoner is the chair for Quilt Las Vegas 2015. The registration booklet is off to the printer. It will be mailed and on-line by the first of December 2014. January 15 is the deadline for membership to DQN and January 28, 2015 is the deadline for registering for the quilt show.

Sales: Sandy Rogers had sales of \$88.00 at the annual meeting.

Retreat 2015: Chemene Blockey and Joyce McCollum will be co-chairing the event at the Primm Valley Resort September 18, 19 and 20. The theme is "Bling it On". The first meeting will be in January.

Website Team: Blue Star Mothers of Henderson and Boulder City are collecting items to stuff hundreds of holiday stockings for soldiers. The information is on-line. We need white socks for men and women soldiers. The entire list of possible donations can be found on our website. Please come and join this group in helping our soldiers celebrate the holidays.

Programs: Laurel Trant is taking registrations for January's classes with Sandra Bruce. Registration is also on-line at www.DQNV.org.

Studio Strut: Teri Duffy is signing up members for the studio strut on November 15 from 10-2p.m. The studios this time are all in the Sun City Summerlin area.

Old Business: Teri Duffy has requested reimbursements for the Program chair. Any meals and mileage above the

IRS stated allowance are considered by the IRS to be wages. We are not set up at this time to pay anyone for their time and services to the guild. Request denied. Properly documented mileage may be submitted to Marge Bowen for reimbursement.

New Business: Shall we give the 2010 Ronald McDonald House Plaque to Bobbie Stember? She views it as the guild's, but she will receive it as a gift if we give it to her. A unanimous vote by the members present makes it very clear that we would like the plaque to go to Bobbie Stember. The plaque will be given to Bobbie at the January quarterly meeting.

Jaine Vaughn would like to order more pins for volunteer recognition before the price goes up. The item is in the budget under Membership. We will table this until we get more information from Jaine as to how many we have and how many we need.

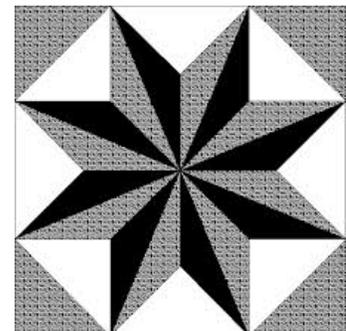
Mary Sprenger has 2 quilts that were given to Ronald McDonald House that are in need of some attention. They may need to be requilted. Finishing Stitchers will take a look at them and see if they are worth salvaging. For historical note this is the 2nd time that our guild has done quilts for Ronald McDonald house and they do use them!

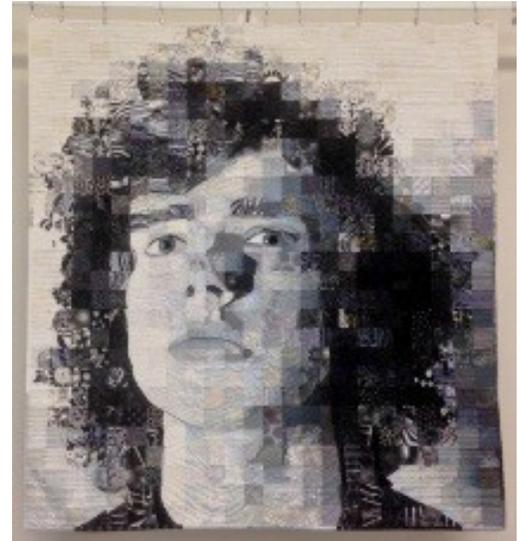
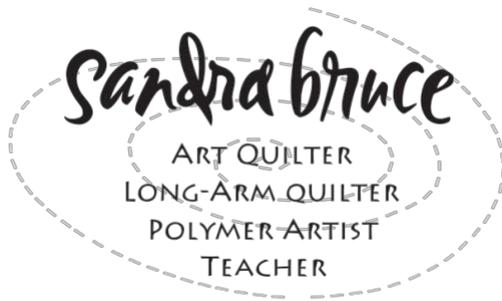
Adjournment Motion: Came from Gerda Hanson and was seconded by Bobbie Stoner at 1:57pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Kohorst.

**Desert Quilters of Nevada
Quarterly Meeting Notes
October 16, 2014, 7:00 p.m-9:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to order and Christine Dunn welcomed new members
- II. Approval of minutes from last meeting-Kimberly Kohorst
- III. Treasurers Report/ Audit report/ Marge Bowen
- IV. Membership/ Jeanne Spala - is a quorum present for voting? Total number of members 135 which is a quorum. Membership due tonight for inclusion in 2015 directory coming out earlier this year--December
- V. Sunshine/ Cory Allender
- VI. 12-4-12 Kathy Farris Applaud completers for this year-- sign up for next year
- VII. Quilt Chatter/ Gail Griffin/ Next Deadline December 10th glad to hear your ideas for the chatter
- VIII. Opportunity Quilt/ Helene Prosser & Sandra Johnson-\$1,260 so far. This weekend in Summerlin's Art Walk Festival—Shop Hop will be at Christmas Goose
- IX. Quilt Las Vegas—Bobbie Stoner-registration mailing, membership due by and registration due by and volunteer sign ups!
- X. Sales Sandy Rogers
- XI. Volunteer recognition—stand for applause pick up award during break
- XII. Website: Karen Garth
- XIII. Voting of new slate of officers—Karen Garth
- XIV. Presentation of Presidents gifts: Christine Dunn
- XV. Reminder: 2015 Challenge—Anita Brechler has lots of packets to sell to you (\$4.00); sign up for January classes with Laurel Trant; sign up for Studio Strut Nov 15th. \$5.00 Tickets for Yvonne Fisher quilt- Thank you for Hospitality—Delores Verwey and friends: Adjournment—Break
- XVI. Speaker Intro Judy McNeel
- XVII. Speaker Susan Bruebaker Knapp
- XVIII. Show & Tell—Door Prizes
- XIX. Door Prizes





I began sewing as a child and got interested in quilting when I became neighbors with the quilter Therese May in the early 80's. She and I began a group and my enthusiasm continued when I moved to the Sierra Foothills in 1990. I have been an illustrator and letterer for over 30 years and my love for drawing and letterforms carries over into my quilting. In addition to my graphics career I also have a long arm business. I am currently teaching and lecturing my technique I call, "Material Matrix", inspired by the painter Chuck Close. I am also a polymer artist and teach polymer classes. I belong to Mountain Art Quilters, Sierra Wearable Art Group, SAQA, NCQC, Artistic alchemy, and my local guild, Pine Tree Quilt Guild.

My Lecture:

My lecture is a "slideshow" of my life's work (so far!) and how I came to develop the technique I call "Material Matrix". It is full of images from many disciplines and hopefully will inspire you to go in a direction you haven't considered before. I also bring show and tell and polymer buttons for sale. I think you will find it entertaining and creative! Approximately 50 minutes.

My Workshops:

MATERIAL MATRIX: This workshop is a technique class, where you will learn how to interpret a photograph using a grid. I will provide you with a photo ahead of time, already gridded, either a "sewing still-life" that will become a wall-hanging for your studio or sewing room called "Sew Ready", or, a coffee cup image entitled, "Wake Up Cup". The supply list is short and sweet. My goal is for you to leave class able to finish your piece. I will give you notes and finishing instructions. We will talk about: what makes a good image to interpret, how to grid, color & value, curved piecing (some experience is helpful but not mandatory), and ideas about quilting.



This is a useful process to learn, it's about seeing in a different way!

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The registration form is on the next page.



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Member discount (coupon must be enclosed) \$10 discount _____
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Total Enclosed \$ _____

If you did not provide an e-mail for confirmation and supply list(s), please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Registration fees are **non-refundable**, unless your selection is filled.
 For questions, contact Laurel Trant 1_trant@yahoo.com
 Make check payable to DESERT QUILTERS OF NEVADA, and send with registration form to:
 Laurel Trant 8072 Marbella Circle, Las Vegas 89128

Quilt Las Vegas 2015 - Silent Auction

The Quilt Show for 2015 is in the planning stages, and as the volunteer in charge of the Silent Auction, I would like to ask our members to consider selling some of their things here. The item(s) should be quilt or craft related, and a full description plus a photo should be submitted to me by Jan. 28. The form can be submitted online at www.dqnv.org/registration.

Members who wish to sell their items will receive 80% of the amount paid, while 20% will go to DQNV to cover the costs of the space. A reserve price may be stated on the form (the amount you **MUST HAVE** in order to part with your item). I will allow participants to bid as they like however, and you will have the final say as to what it sells for if at all.

Additionally, if anyone has an interest in volunteering for this event, I would love to hear from you, or you may contact Judy McNeel who is in charge of volunteers. It's a lot of fun, and a good place for those of us who like to talk with people. Mary Ashcraft, 702-566-6288 or 702-743-7000, maryashcrafts@hotmail.com.



Chatter Editor Needed

Would you like to be the new editor of the Chatter?
 This is a great volunteer opportunity for someone who likes to be involved and know what's going on with the DQN!
 You'll have fun and meet many new people.

Contact Christine Dunn if interested at dunnchristine@cox.net or 702-456-6928

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

The Annual Quilt Show is Quickly Approaching

Hear Ye!! Hear Ye!! Volunteers are needed! Oh my, the Quilt Show is coming! And we need EVERYONE to volunteer. There are many jobs available all week, Monday thru Sunday. Different parts of the day, sit down, stand up, walking, all types of jobs.

Monday March 16th is check-in, Wednesday and Thursday are quilt hanging time, and the doors open on Friday. Check-in needs help receiving the quilts, and organizing them for judging and photography. Wednesday and Thursday lots of hands are needed to hang all those beautiful quilts. Friday thru Sunday we will need lots of floor walkers, door tenders, basket ticket sellers, etc. We need many hours from all members of the guild to make our Quilt Show successful.

We will have the sign-up chart at the January meeting on the 15th, and you can select the times and jobs you would prefer. We do need to fill all slots, so if we have an overabundance for one job and/or time, we will be calling to ask people to accept different opportunities. You can also contact Judy McNeel at 951-212-1180 or email her at judysbluequilts@yahoo.com to volunteer.

I hope to see all of you sometime during show week helping to make this show the best one yet.

You may be asking yourself "How do I benefit since I am not putting a quilt in the show this year"? The time spent volunteering gives you inside knowledge of how the show operates. The money we earn from the show benefits all members of the Guild, as it is the money used to pay for the rental fees of the Convention Center for the meetings and classes held there, and subsidizes the teachers that we bring in.

We want our show to be a successful representation of Desert Quilters, and it takes all of us to do this.

Bobbie Stoner, Show Chair

Website Update

You can now submit your quilt show registration, silent auction and boutique entry forms online! Go to the Quilt Las Vegas registration page at www.dqnv.org/registration for instructions.



The Desert Quilters of Nevada is a non-profit organization formed to encourage, promote, and preserve the art of quilt-making by developing an appreciation of quilts, sponsoring and supporting quilting activities, teaching quilt-making techniques, and the history of quilting and quilt-making.

Membership is open to anyone who is interested in quilts and quilt-making. Annual dues are \$25, with membership beginning October 1st and running through the following September 30th.

The Annual Guild Meeting is held each October. At least three other General Guild Meetings are held during the year, as well as shows, workshops, classes and retreats. In addition, Circles meet more frequently (see Circle schedules).

Member Benefits include a copy of the Roster and By-laws, discounted workshop and excursion fees, and your subscription to the **DQN Quilt Chatter**. The **Quilt Chatter** is issued six times yearly to members the first week of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

NEXT DEADLINE: February 10, 2015

Please send input to:
Gail Griffin at lvgg1@yahoo.com

BLING IT ON 2015 DQN ANNUAL QUILT RETREAT

EXCITING NEWS READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Happy New Year to you all! We hope the new year finds you all well and in good spirits.

We are so excited for the 2015 retreat. This year we will be at a new location this September and we are really excited about the venue and the staff we will be working with at Primm Valley Casino and Resort. Dates are September 19, 20 and 21, 2015. So mark your calendars.

They have a beautiful ballroom and we will have separate classrooms and dining room. We are even thinking of having a Pajama Party since we can sew into the late night if we want.

The first meeting for the retreat committee will be January 27, 2015 at 6:00pm at Joyce McCollum's home 1633 Luna Vista Place, North Las Vegas, NV 89084. If you are interested in helping out contact Chemene Blockey at cblockeyais@gmail.com by phone 702.521.1084 or Joyce McCollum alwaysstitching.joyce@gmail.com by phone 907.242.0242.

We have been having so much fun coming up with ideas for the retreat. We can't wait! So start telling your friends to save the date.



2016 Opportunity Quilt

We are developing a marketing committee for the 2016 Opportunity Quilt.

The Black Mountain Quilters are working hard to get it finished for unveiling at the end of the 2015 DQN show. We need your assistance, sign up with Patsy Musaraca (702-568-1172) to help.

Patsy Musaraca



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12 - 4 - 12 Update

There are currently 90 people signed up for the 12 -4 - 12. Whoooohooo!

Kathy Farris

Happy Birthday To You!

January

ADREZIN	Maurine	2
CHRISTENSEN	Judith M.	2
ODDO	Karen	2
OLDENBURG	Patricia (Trish)	2
ROGERS	Sandy	4
McCALLA	Michelle	7
STEWART	Matilda	7
COOK	Brenda	8
MOTLEY	Aletha	9
STROECKER	Linda	9
NORMAN	Lora	11
SEIFRIED	Rickie	11
KEENAN	Pam	12
PAGE	Linda	12
FULLER	Aimee	13
MATULICH	Clarissa	13
STANTON	Linda	13
ALTON	Louise	15
GRATOPP	Karen	15
McELHERNE	Jean	17
LITTLE	Diana	18

January

MARINO	Judy	18
MORTENSEN	Larue	18
RIMPAU	Patricia (Pat)	18
BILLHIMER	Ruth	21
JOHNSON	JoAnn	21
KATZ	Marcia	21
KEIZER	Rita	21
KOHORST	Kim	21
RUST	Sandra	21
CONNELLY	Geraldine	24
DROMETER	Lyla	24
STANBRIDGE	Marjorie	24
LORES	Barbara	25
GOODE	Nancy M.	26
CLAPP	Jeannette L.	27
TOMAS	Barbara Jean	28
BOSTIAN	Barb	29
DUNN	Christine	29
MILLER	Eva	29
HOLLAND	Elizabeth	30
KEENAN	Tom	30



Happy Birthday To You!

February

STONER	Bobbie	1
JUNGE	Judi	2
ALLENDER	Cory	4
ASHCRAFT	Mary	4
GREENAWALT	Patti	5
TOBEY	Georgia	6
ETTINGER	Marilyn	7
CARRELL	Denise	9
JORGENSON	Sibyl	9
CHURCHILL	Jan	10
DeMUNDA	Anita	10
DONCH	Micki	11
BRADSHAW	Sara	12
McKEEVER	Veronica (Ronnie)	13
GRIFFIN	Gail	14
STRATTON	Artie	17
VAUGHN	Jaine	18
COHEN	Carol	19
BARNHART	Wendy	23
WILLIAMS	Bev	23
HOLLEY	Susan	24



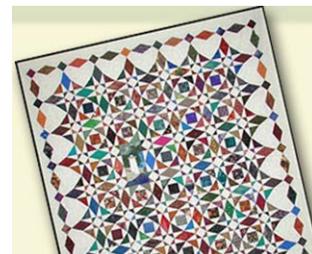
May 2015 Speaker Wendy Mathson

Brief biography of
Wendy:



I had an early interest in crafts and tried my hand at knitting, needlepoint, cross-stitch and, yes I must admit, even macramé. But when I made a baby quilt for my first child in 1982 I discovered my real passion. Finally, an excuse to buy some of that lovely fabric without having to figure out how to wear it! Sewing had always fascinated me, but I am not, nor have I ever been, known for my fashion sense. The big plus with making quilts is that they don't need to fit.

I am an author, teacher, designer, inventor, illustrator, guild speaker and general quilt fanatic. My book is entitled: *A New Light on Storm at Sea Quilts*. More information about me can be found at www.quiltsbywendy.com.



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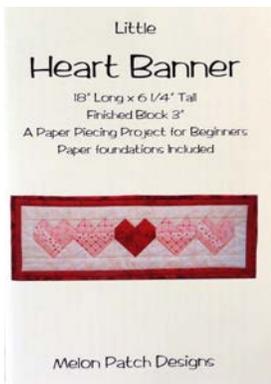
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Love is in the air, everywhere I look around, love is in the air . . .

Sung by John Paul Young 1977, written by George Young and Harry Vanda

Ah, love is in the air, as in Valentine's Day. I love heart quilts and there are many places to find inspiration. In 2007 I took a class to make a small raw edge heart quilt at Teacup Quilts with our own Georgi Shalhoob. The charm pack used was beautiful and it was the first time I tried raw edge applique. I enjoyed the technique enough to do an entire quilt with it several years later.



Here's a cutie! Maxine Parker gave permission to show the cover of this pattern (left) *Little Heart Banner* which would make a charming Valentine gift for someone you love. I bought the pattern at Christmas Goose.

A new pattern by Maxine (Melon Patch Designs) is called *Follow your Heart*. The pattern has placemats and table topper instructions. Can you see the hearts stitched in the middle of the placemat?



Type in Valentine quilt on Pinterest and you may be overwhelmed by all the inspiration! On Google, type in free Valentine quilt pattern or free Valentine quilt block and you'll get many more ideas. This blog has many heart-inspired ideas from quilts to pillows and links to some free patterns: <http://quiltinspiration.blogspot.com/2014/01/free-pattern-day-hearts-and-valentines.html>.

Riley Blake designs has a modern take on hearts that is very attractive: <http://www.rileyblakedesigns.com/cutting-corners/2012/02/13/i-applique/>.

Spread some quilted love this Valentine's Day!

Gail Griffin



Membership Update

Watch your mailboxes for your 2015 Membership Directory! It is being printed and should be in the mail by the end of December.

As of today, we have 373 members in the Guild!

A reminder - when you need to make any changes to the information on file for you, it must be submitted in writing - you can send it to me via email at jspala@cox.com or via snail mail at: 4458 Via Bianca Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89141. Written copies ensure that your record remains accurate.

Jeanne Spala

Circle Reports

Bluebirds

On November 10th we Bluebirds enjoyed a potluck luncheon honoring veterans at Parkdale Community Center.

Our December Christmas Party was enjoyed at Gary and Bev Williams' beautiful home. It was very much appreciated by everyone attending, and that was 18 by my count. Their home and tables were adorned so carefully which matched the delicious food. Thank you again Bev and Gary for hosting another memorable gathering. Bev was presented with a memory quilt made by the Bluebirds. It encompassed 22 blocks with purple as a predominant color, and the blocks were patterned after a Christmas ornament. At the end of our gift exchange and show and tell, Yhudira Valencia presented everyone with no-cal popsicles. They looked good enough to eat but were actually made of fabric. Fun gift!

In January we will get back to the block-of-the-month. A jelly jar pattern is promised by Gail And, we will be cutting fabric for future charity quilts. That will prepare us for making those quilts in February. Also, by February we hope to be finishing our Basket of Goodies for the quilt show.
Marjorie Stanbridge

Green Valley

The Green Valley Christmas/Holiday party will be on December 11th at the Boulevard Cafe. We always have a fun and lively gift exchange. Many exciting classes are being planned for 2015.

Judy McNeel

Loose Threads

Loose Threads Quilting Circle Project to Help Others in 2014

This year our group project was the "I Spy" quilts for children in the local valley hospitals. It ended up to be a big hit again with the hospitals. It's going to be hard to top the "I Spy" quilts in 2015, but we are going to try. Our plan in 2015 is to use children fabric panels and soft storybook panels and turn them into quilts for children in hospitals.

We made 138 children's quilts in 2014 that were divided between A Child's Life at Sunrise Hospital and Children's Miracle network at St Rose Sienna. I would like to thank all the ladies that donated time, hard work and money that went into the making of all the quilts this year.



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I Spy Quilts

December Holiday Party

We did a fun white elephant fabric gift exchange game. Susan Beall made lovely centerpiece/runners and ornaments for all the girls and everyone brought a board game or two

for St. Terese Center for HIV children. We sure had good time!

Bonnie Kulwin, 702-524-3936, Bonniekulwin@aol.com

Lone Mountain

We have been quite busy this past year with our charity projects. The Rescue Mission received over 200 quilts and 170 toys plus 296 goodie

bags (full of soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste etc.) About 50 dog beds a month went to several different animal shelters. Over 60 small quilts (wheelchair and lap) was delivered to several Senior centers for xmas presents for Seniors without family. Our main charity this year was Title 1 Hope (homeless teens). We did over 630 xmas stockings, over 500 Hats and scarves, \$340 in \$5 gift cards and \$200 cash. A whole lot of toys were done for the children's hospital. We also were involved with the military baby showers and any project the church has (where we have our meetings).



At the January meeting we will decide what other charities we need to look at.

Yvonne Higgins

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Twenty ladies enjoyed a Christmas/Holiday potluck Dec. 1st, hosted by the Lone Mountain Circle. Both groups have been working on Christmas stockings for homeless teens. The proceeds from the party will be used to fill the stockings. Each person brought a \$5 fast food gift card and additional funds were raised with a silent auction and a fabric square bingo game. The fabric squares will be made into a charity quilt.

Silver Threads has donated a total of 42 quilts to Project Linus in 2014. Many of our members also donate items to Lone Mountain's various charities.

Bobbie Stember will be teaching a class in early 2015. Leaders, Judy McNeel and Pat Conway, have a lot of plans in the works, so come join us! Bring your machine, hand sewing, or just come and socialize.

Judy McNeel

Vegas Quiltin' Bees

The Vegas Quiltin' Bees had a very productive year with our support to the following charities: We made 62 little dresses and 6 shorts for the Center for Spiritual Living - Greater Las Vegas, for them to send to their sister center in Kenya. We also made about 25 scrappy quilts for them. We completed a special project to make quilts for every ALS patient registered in Nevada; we presented 81 quilts to their representatives at one of our meetings.

In support of the Homeless Teens project, we made a total of 350 bags and stockings, plus we collected gift cards, pounds and pounds of soaps, toothbrushes, new shoes, socks, hats scarves, and a couple of jackets and sweaters. Our thanks to all who participated.

Jan Verden

**Desert Quilters of Nevada
MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Dues are \$25.00/year for 2014-2015 and includes a Subscription to the Quilt Chatter

Renewals are DUE by September 30 for the following Oct. 1 to Sept. 30 membership year and are not prorated.

RENEWAL _____ NEW MEMBER _____ Are you a member of: NQA _____ AQS _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

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Please let us know if you have any of these skills:

- Do you know how to use Microsoft Excel or another spreadsheet? Beginner? _____ Intermediate? _____ Advanced? _____
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- Do you know how to use Microsoft Publisher or another publishing software? Beg? _____ Int? _____ Adv? _____
- Do you do know how to use Photoshop Elements, Corel Draw or a similar graphics program? Beg? _____ Int? _____ Adv? _____
- Have you done any website design or maintenance? Beginner? _____ Intermediate? _____ Advanced? _____
- Do you have any experience with bookkeeping? Beginner? _____ Intermediate? _____ Advanced? _____
- Would you like an opportunity to learn or improve any of the above skills?
- Which one(s)? _____

For renewals, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with this membership form to receive your new membership card. New members do not need to send a SASE.
Make your \$25.00 checks payable to Desert Quilters of Nevada

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DESERT QUILTERS OF NEVADA Circle Contacts & Schedules

Subject to change due to special plans, holidays, seasonal changes, roving locations, etc. More Information is available at dqnv.org, including a map showing all the circle locations. You may wish to confirm the time & location before attending a meeting.

A Different Doll

Boulder City Library
701 Adams Blvd., Boulder City, NV 89005
3rd Saturday ~ 11 am
Mary Ashcraft (702) 566-6288 ~ maryashcrafts@hotmail.com

Art Quilts, Etc.

Christ Church Episcopal
2000 S. Maryland Pkwy., Las Vegas, NV
3rd Wednesday ~ 10 am
Deb Lara (702) 656-5860 ~ teadrinkingdeb@gmail.com

Black Mountain

Hobby Lobby
625 North Stephanie Rd., Henderson, NV 89014
2nd Wednesday ~ 6 pm
Kathy Farris (702) 565-9065 ~ qltkit@aol.com

Bluebirds

Parkdale Community Center
3200 Ferndale St., Las Vegas, NV 89121
2nd Monday ~ 12:00 Noon
Chair Gail Smith (702) 451-2949 ~ nannynvegas@gmail.com

Boulder City Cut-ups

Boulder City Library
701 Adams Blvd., Boulder City, NV 89005
2nd and 4th Tuesdays ~ 9 am
Sandy Crawford (702) 293-4220 ~ iquiltinbcnv@yahoo.com

Crazy Threads

2452 Tour Edition Dr., Henderson, NV 89074
3rd Tuesday ~ 10 am
Karen Bristow (702) 260-0403 ~ mcburger@cox.net

Fashion Divas

Humana Building,
1000 N. Green Valley Parkway
Henderson, NV 89074
2nd Wednesday ~ 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Mary Ashcraft (702) 566-6288 ~ maryashcrafts@hotmail.com

Finishing Stitchers

Sew Little Time
5325 S. Fort Apache Rd., Ste. E, Las Vegas, NV 89148
1st Wednesday ~ 12 pm
Jean Schantol (702) 436-1679 ~ qcbyjean@cox.net

Green Valley Quilters

Green Valley Evangelical Lutheran Church
1799 Wigwam Pkwy., Henderson, NV
2nd Thursday ~ 10 am
Kim Kohorst (702) 454-6429 ~ kakorst@aol.com

Lone Mountain

Mountain View Presbyterian Church
8601 Del Webb Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89134
2nd & 4th Monday ~ 9 am
Yvonne Higgins (702) 914-7638 ~ Yvonne@Tyhome.com

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We recommend that you call the person listed here before attending your first meeting, to confirm the time and location.

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Hobby Lobby
625 North Stephanie Rd., Henderson, NV 89014
Last Thursday ~ 10:00 am
Bonnie Kulwin (702) 524-3936 ~ Bonniekulwin@aol.com

Modern Quilters

Sew Little Time
5325 S. Fort Apache Rd., Ste. E, Las Vegas, NV 89148
Second Saturday ~ 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
Yvonne Higgins 702-914-7638 yvonne@tyhome.net
Bobbie Stoner 702-985-4285 bstoner@juno.com

Quilt Craziess

8670 West Cheyenne #105., Las Vegas, NV
1st and 3rd Wednesdays ~ 1 to 3 pm
Joan Briggs (702) 658-5432 ~ jvecchies@cox.net
Co-chair Lynne Keeton (702) 871-4572 ~ yarncollector@cox.net

Rainbow

Redrock Baptist Church
5500 Alta Drive, Las Vegas
4th Wednesday ~ 1 pm -3 pm
Faithe Finley (702) 655-3832 ~ fmfinley@cox.net

Scarlet Bonnets

Location: Various restaurants in the valley.
1st Saturday every other month ~ 11 am
(Feb, Apr., June, Aug., Oct., Dec.)
Make reservations with:
Mary Sprenger (702) 644-4354 ~ meslv7777@aol.com
Co-chair Dolores Verwey (702) 458-5305

Silver Doll-ers

Glazier's Food Marketplace
8525 W. Warm Springs Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89113
1st Saturday ~ 10 am
Terri Duffy (702) 417-3477 ~ taduffy@aol.com

Silver Threads

Mountain View Presbyterian Church
8601 Del Webb Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89134
1st and 3rd Mondays ~ 9 am
Judy McNeel (951) 212-1180 ~ judybluequilts@yahoo.com

Snowbirds

Parkdale Community Center
3200 Ferndale St., Las Vegas, NV 89121
Every Tuesday ~ 10 am
Chair Gail Smith (702) 451-2949 ~ nannynvegas@gmail.com

Threads of Fellowship

CornerStone Christian Fellowship
5825 W. Eldora Ave., Las Vegas, NV
Every Thursday ~ 6:30 pm ~ Rm. 201
Chemene Blockey (702) 521-1084 cblockeyais@gmail.com

Vegas Quiltin" Bees

Hollywood Recreation Center
1650 W. Hollywood Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89142
Jan Verden (702) 641-6378 ~ janverden@hotmail.com

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DQN Calendar of Events: Mark Your Calendar

January 15, 2015 Quarterly Meeting with Sandra Bruce
January 16, 2015 Material Matrix "Wake Up Cup" with Sandra Bruce, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Henderson Convention Center
January 17, 2015 Material Matrix "Sew Ready" with Sandra Bruce 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Henderson Convention Center
January 22-25, 2015 Road to California
February 20-22, 2015 Pahrump Quilt Show, NV Treasure RV Resort, 301 Leslie, Pahrump, NV 89060
March 13 -14, 2015 Pasadena Convention Center, 300 East Green St., Pasadena, CA 91101
March 20-22, 2015 Quilt Las Vegas 2015, Henderson Convention Center
April 17 & 18, 2015..... Dixie Quilt Guild Show, www.dixiequiltguild.com, St. George, Utah
May 14, 2015 Quarterly Meeting with Wendy Mathson: "Storm at Sea: From Traditional to Contemporary, an Ocean of Design Possibilities", 7:00 pm
May 15, 2015 "Storm at Sea Class/TRIMplate Piecing" with Wendy Mathson, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
May 16, 2015 "From Black and White to Brilliant, an Art Quilt Workshop" with Wendy Mathson, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
July 16, 2015 Quarterly Meeting with Annual Swap Meet and Annual Challenge
July 18, 2015 Quilt Till You Wilt
October 15, 2015 Annual Meeting with Mary Lou Weidman
October 16-17, 2015 Workshops with Mary Lou Weidman

Next deadline for Chatter February 10, 2015

The Board Meeting Schedule is on Page 2.

Unless otherwise noted, the quarterly meetings and subsequent classes will be held at the Henderson Convention Center, 200 S. Water Street, Henderson, NV.