



Peace by Piece Quilters Newsletter

February 2019

A New Start...

During the January bee it was announced that I will be stepping away from my responsibilities with Peace by Piece Quilters. This month there has been a round table meeting with people who stepped forward expressing an interest in keeping the group alive and functioning.

An outline has been generated listing the responsibilities and tasks needed to keep the group viable and productive. Each responsibility and task has an overview description and has been broken down with the number of volunteers needed to make each task manageable without being overwhelming.

The outline will be presented and discussed at the next bee for everyone interested in learning how the group will move forward. There will also be a sign up sheet available of responsibilities and tasks, both large and small, for volunteers wanting to be part of Peace by Piece Quilters future.

Hygiene Drive Update

Please note: Mission del Sol no longer holds an annual hygiene drive for Kyrene Foundation. So we will NOT be collecting items unless someone knows of another organization that could benefit.

Bee Report

During the January Bee...

- 33 quilts were completed. 6 of those were Valentine themed.
- 19 tops were sewn together.
- The raffle raised \$51.

What you'll find at the February Bee...

- The kit basket is filled to the rim with kits.
- Layered quilts will be waiting to be quilted.
- Tops and backs ready to be layered for quilting & tying.
- There will be a pile waiting for binding.
- Remaining in the Peace by Piece closet are 184 tops waiting to become real quilts.

Quotes & Tidbits

This is the sixth installment of "The Dedicated Quilter" survey. So far we've learned who the dedicated quilter is, her fabric, thread, batting, book and magazine buying habits. This month we'll learn about her sewing machines.

- About 95% of Dedicated Quilters own a sewing machine, up slightly from 2014.
- 86% own a traditional machine, 45% own a serger, 18% have a longarm, and 14% a midarm. Those owning a longarm machine are up from 11% in 2014.
- In the past 12 months, 26% purchased a new traditional sewing machine for an average of price of \$2,212.
- 9% plan to purchase a sewing machine in the next 12 months.

Calling All Quilters !!! Annual Gilbert Quilt Show Update

Last year several Peace by Piece Quilters entered quilts in the annual quilt show at the Gilbert Historical Museum. It is a quaint show that displays a variety of quilt types from antique to modern. This is their 14th year exhibiting the quilts of quilters in our community! The show is a pet project for me. I've been entering quilts in their show for many of their 13 years and have sadly watched the number of quilts exhibited dwindle significantly over the years. For the last couple of years I have solicited quilters to enter their quilts in this show to help it stay alive.

Here's the important info:

- The quilts are to be delivered to the museum between January 29 - February 13 during normal museum hours.
- Quilts will be hanging on display for 3 months, February 26 - May 27.
- Click [HERE](#) for additional information and entry form. If you cannot download or print the entry form let me know and I will bring a copy to the bee for you. Must have one entry form for each quilt.
- They accept any quilts entered (please no odors or pet hair).
- There is not a limit to the number of quilts you can enter.
- This is NOT a judged show.

If you plan to enter quilt/s in their show you can bring them to this months bee with the completed entry form and I will deliver and pick them up for you (of course, you can deliver and pick up your own quilts). Any quilts I pick up will be available at the June 6 bee. Your quilts will be in my possession the afternoon of May 27 so if you want them before the June 6 bee you can pick them up at my house.

Act of Kindness

This man who missed his train helping this older lady with her bags.



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Upcoming Bee

The next *Peace by Piece Quilters* bee in on Thursday, February 7.

We WILL be collecting petbeds for Lost Out Home Shelter,
we NO LONGER accept ANY scraps for petbeds.

Please note: We are NOT currently accepting ANY fabric.

There will NOT be a free table this month.

Please send homework requests to info@creativequilting.biz.