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Blanket Coverage

Blanket Delivery Update

Thank you Volunteers!

Your generous donations have made it possible for AZ Blankets 4 Kids to distribute 4,929 blankets to various agencies that assist seriously ill and traumatized children during the months of October 2015 thru April 2016

Total deliveries from inception to date are:

97,733!!

Our first Bee of the year was held at **Weavers Needle** in Apache Junction. A record number of quilters attending - ninety six!!!!



AZ Blankets 4 Kids President Jeanette Baetsle presents our host Sharon Lowenberg with an appreciation award for their 9th annual Bee. What a group!

It's a pleasure working with the Weavers Needle Quilters. They welcomed us with the room all set up and even provided an outstanding salad buffet to everyone for lunch.



The beautiful Door Prize Basket was won by Karen Shanker from the Papago Buttes Church in Scottsdale.

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The 50/50 Raffle is split between the winner and the host group. Our president Jeanette won the prize and here she is presenting the host groups share to Sharon's Weavers Needle Group.

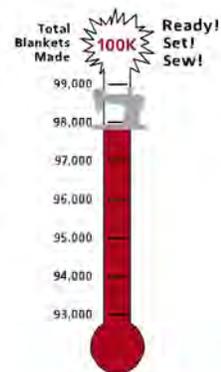
Raffle tickets were sold for the two quilts seen behind Jeanette and Sharon. The tickets for the Vintage one on the left will be drawn at the June Bee. The quilt on the right was made by the Weavers Needle ladies and was won before the winter visitors left.

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We are so excited to be near this incredible achievement of 100,000 blankets made since our inception in 2001. We believe 2016 is the year this will happen, but it will take extra effort from all our amazing volunteers. Please join us on our road to 100k!

Las Palmas Grand

An Appreciation certificate was presented to Joan Most leader of the Las Palmas Grand



Quilters. Joan’s group sews all year, winter and summer. They meet on the 2nd Thursday for “Sewing Day” and on the 3rd Thursday for kit cutting day.

All are welcome! This group is open to anyone interested regardless of quilting ability, on both sewing and cutting days. So bring your sewing machine (Sewing day) or rotary cutter (cutting day) and come on over to LPG and join the fun.

Las Palmas Grand
2550 S Ellsworth Rd
Mesa

Las Palmas Grand held it annual appreciation Luncheon On December 10, 2015. Over forty member of their sewing group attended the event, sewing in the morning and enjoying a wonderful lunch.

This group started in 2001. It continues to grow and had provided thousands of blankets to ill and traumatized kids through the years .

They handed in **2,038 blankets in 2015**. What an awesome group.

Thank you ladies and gents.

Outstanding job!



Joan thanking the group for their contribution.



Joan presenting the door prize basket to the winner Joan Reeves from the Lost Dutchman Park

Holiday Village Bee

On January 23rd another successful Bee was held at Holiday Village. Sixty-seven quilters had a wonderful time visiting, sewing and tying quilts. The weather was wonderful and everyone enjoyed a tasty pizza lunch.



Left: President Jeanette (right) presents the appreciation Certificate to Sally Tucek of Holiday Village in recognition of their 9th annual Bee

Below: Door Prize went to Phyllis Horbul (right) of Holliday Village presented by Donna Hubar



Quilt winner was Connie Schall (left) of Holiday Village

Right: Winner of the 50/50 Raffle was Joan Most of Las Palmas Grand. The Sally Tuck of Holiday Village, collects the other half as the host group.



Kelli Nemec and Leilani Jordan get ready to layer a beautiful kids quilt on batting



All of the tying ladies hard at work finishing lots of quilts

La Hacienda

Another outstanding Bee at La Hacienda in Apache Junction on February 23. Seventy three quilters attended and 111 blankets were completed. Lunch was another great Pot Luck Salad buffet



Fabric Raffle won by Sandy Ellsworth of La Hacienda (this was a big hit)



Quilt Raffle was won by AZB4K Board member Nancy Gilman



President Jeanette presents the Appreciation Certification to Peg Wier and Hilda Tanner



50/50 was won by Joan Hagarty from Caring Circle

Door Prize Basket was won by Beverly Zabkinwicz,



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Sunland Springs Village Bee

April 23 was a beautiful day for our 8th annual Bee at Sunland Springs Village. Seventy two quilters attended the Bee. 100 blankets were completed at the bee and another 373 were turned in. A total of 473 out for distribution to our agencies.

It was great to see old friends and new friends chatting as they worked to complete children's comfort quilts. We had a wonderful group of people working away at all stages of quilt making from putting together kits, to those sewing on labels the final step in making the quilt complete.



Door Prize winner: Val Chapman of Sunland Springs Village
 Raffle quilt winner: Val Chapman of Sunland Springs Village
 (Not a typo error she won both)



Visiting and enjoying a wonderful lunch



The 50/50 Raffle was won by Tim Most of Las Palmas Grand. (above) receiving his share from Letty Fowell. Jeanette presents the host groups share to Linda Schuler, SSV's coordinator for the Bee





It was a marvelous Monday, March 14th at Queen Valley. What a great group of ladies. In attendance were 6 board members and 14 ladies of the Queen Valley Sharing Circle quilt group. They produced 60 quilts during their time here this winter. Another 6 quilts were completed and a number of quilts were in progress. They provided us with a nice lunch and were very appreciative to our being there.



Letty made a gift basket for a door prize and Rita James won it.



An Awesome morning visiting with the ladies from Palmas Del Sol. 38 ladies attended the mini bee and 23 Blankets were completed.



Helen Foix of Palmas Del Sol won the door prize basket



Another group visit was made when Letty Fowell delivered a roll of batting to the Greenfield Sew & Sews.

They were delighted to receive our donation. The leader of the group is Sue Baker and she is the lady on the right with the green top.





How do we change the world?

One random act of kindness at a time. That's what happens each time a quilt is completed for the children. Multiply that by all the outstanding volunteers who cut kits, sew, tie, spray and deliver all those wonderful quilts.

Maybe those random acts of kindness will make a child remember that someone cared to make something special for them when they most needed it. Maybe they will, in turn, years from now, do something special for someone else.

We are having a tremendous year aiming to reach the goal of 100,000 blankets and if we don't make it this year, next year will be a piece of cake. Stay cool over the summer and remember, one way to do that, is stay inside and SEW!!!

My heartfelt thanks for all you do.
Jeanette Baetsle

January 8, 2016

Weavers Needle

Apache Junction

96 - Attendees

182 - Total Blankets

January 23, 2016

Holiday Village

Mesa

67 - Attendees

113 - Total Blankets

February 27, 2016

La Hacienda

Apache Junction

73 - Attendees

111 - Total Blankets

April 23, 2016

Sunland Springs Village

Mesa

72 - Attendees

473 - Total Blankets



Blanket Drop off Locations:

35th Ave. Sew & Vac

4939 W. Ray Rd. #27
Chandler (480) 961-7363

3 Dudes Quilting

5053 E Elliot Rd
Phoenix (480) 598-8601

A Quilter Oasis

9963 E Baseline #105
Mesa (480) 354-4077

Mad B's

7514 E Southern #108

Mesa (480) 964-8914

Cutting Edge Quiltworks

64 San Marcos Place
Chandler (480) 857-3443

Mulqueens Sew & Vac

3716 E Main St
Mesa (480) 545-0778

Mulqueens Sew & Vac

7838 N 59th Ave.
Glendale (623) 934-008

Scottsdale Quilts

15444 N. 76th St. #105
Scottsdale (480) 951-8000

Quilter's Ranch

1721 E Warner Rd
Tempe (480) 838-8350

QuiltZ

3851 E Thunderbird #B107

Phoenix (602) 482-4141

Scrapbook Etc,

2820 E University #111
Mesa, AZ (480) 854-2303

Sun Valley Quilts

9857 W Bell Rd
Sun City (623) 972-2091

Upcoming Bee

Saturday, June 18, 2016, 9:00 - 3:00

Las Palmas Grand, 2550 S Ellsworth Rd, Mesa

Saturday, October 8, 2016, 9:00 - 3:00

Chandler Police Department, 250 E Chicago St, Chandler,

This is a tentative date, please check our website for updates

Ongoing Events

3rd Thursday each month, 9:30 -2:00

Las Palmas Grand, 2550 S Ellsworth Rd, Mesa,

1st Thursday each month, 10:00 to 4:00

Peace by Piece at Mission del Sol Presbyterian Church.

565 E Warner Rd, Tempe, AZ (just W of McClintock)

Every Monday except the 2nd Monday 10:00 to 3:00

Palmas del Sol - Scrap Happy Quilters 6209 E McKellips Rd, Mesa

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