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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 3,068 blankets to various agencies that assist seriously ill and traumatized children during the months of April thru October 2014

Total deliveries from inception to date are:

85,698!!

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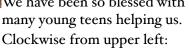
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## BIG Smiles! BIG Hearts!





- Samantha Stubbs has been at numerous Bees
- Tyler Tobin with the quilt he made as a service project. Tyler is the grandson of AZB4K's first Treasurer, Jo Tobin
- -Kylie Barney and Abby Arnett joined us from Mountain View High School in June.
- -Board member Carole Willsey's two grandchildren Caleb and Abigail Willsey are frequent visitors.









## Sunland Springs Village - April 26, 2014







Carole Willsey (upper left) presents her lovely gift basket to Angie Post winner of the door prize. Angie is from Las Palmas Grand.

Angie also won the quilt raffle (lower left). The World Map quilt was beautifully quilted by Rita Vautrin of Sunland Springs Village.

Allie Watkins (above) is our expert Free Motion quilter. Allie is always willing to share her expertise and her big smile.



April 26th was a cold and windy day but inside over 60 quilters gathered to meet and sew for the kids.

Tim Most (left) our quilter "extraordinaire" had another highly productive day. He gives his machine a real workout.

Fay Ganzerla (right) has a big smile after winning the 50/50 raffle.



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### Las Palmas Grand Bee June 21, 2014



A wonderful way to enjoy a summer day inside. Lots to do! Visit with Friends Great food and Prizes



Nancy Gilman (left) at our Welcome Table. Donna Hubar (right) with plenty of work ready to hand out!

## Raffle prizes and giveaways







Raffle Prizes:

Jan Bennet giving away bundles of fabric to Donna Hubar and to Marge Romano from Fountain of the Sun

Barbara Staufenberg presents wall hanging she made to Raffle winner Jenny Clemenshaw, both from Las Palmas Grand.

Joan Most of LPG sharing the 50/50 proceeds with Barbara Davenport from Fountain of the Sun





Door Prize was won by June Reeves from Sun Valley Piece Makers

## October Bee in Chandler Oct 11, 2014



The Door Prize basket, made by Carole Willsey presented to the winner Marge Romano from Fountain of the Sun.



The winner of the quilt raffle was Chris Reece from the Tiara Sew-n-Sews Group.



Sandy Howell the lucky winner of the 50/50 drawing.



Allie Watkins and Linda Christensen each won two beautiful micro baskets made by Carol Petits



A full house.



### Two ways to help the Kids

# Reduce your Arizona taxes by Donating to AZ Blankets 4 Kids, Inc

A donation to AZ Blankets 4 Kids could give you a dollar for dollar reduction in your state taxes.

Arizona offers a Tax Credit for CASH donations to qualified charitable organizations. We qualify!

Taxpayers filing as "married filing joint" may claim a maximum credit of \$400. Taxpayers filing as "single," "head of household" or "married filing separate" status may claim a maximum credit of \$200.

Mail your donation by December 31st to AZ Blankets 4 Kids, Inc, PO Box 11206; Tempe, AZ 85284-0021 or use our PayPal link on our web site: <a href="https://www.AZBlankets4Kids.com">www.AZBlankets4Kids.com</a>.

# Shop Amazon Smile and Amazon gives to your favorite charity



Shopping at Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way to support AZ Blankets 4 Kids.

Go to smile.amazon.com and select AZ Blankets 4 Kids in Tempe as your organization of choice.

Shop through the Amazon Smile web site, same low prices and same selection as the regular Amazon and Amazon will send 1/2 of one percent of your purchase to AZB4K.

Thank you for your support!

#### Alpha Delta Kappa making fleece blankets for AZ Blankets 4 Kids







At the November meeting of Alpha Delta Kappa, the Lambda women completed ten of the twenty blankets they have donated to AZ Blankets 4 Kids. Alpha Delta Kappa is an international teachers sorority.

The woman bought the very colorful and fun fabric, cut it, and tied it to make the twenty soft and huggable blankets. This was a very enjoyable evening for us as we combined fellowship with a worthwhile activity!



## Newly elected Board of Directors AZ Blankets 4 Kids, Inc















At the November Annual Meeting a new Board of Directors were voted in.

Front Row: Barbara Middleton, Treasurer; Gloria Wood, President; and Jeanette Baetsle, Vice President.

Back Row: Karen Johnston, Newsletter; Donna Hubar, Bee Coordinator; Letty Fowell, Kit Coordinator; Peg Adams, Volunteer Records/Roster, Mary Duennes, Distribution; Kelli Nemec, Webmaster; and Mary Stolze, Distribution.

Missing from Photo: Nancy Gilman, Secretary, Cheryl Freeman, Laura Alexander and Linda Christensen: Distribution; and Kerensa Nielson, Assistant Bee Coordinator,



A Special Thank You to Carole Willsey who is leaving the Board after many years of active involvement with AZB4K.

Carole was an original member of AZB4K and has served as President, Vice President, Secretary, Bee Coordinator and Distribution Chair. She also make all the beautiful Baskets given as Door Prizes at all the Bees.

Carole has been the guardian of our organization, and will be truly missed.

New Board Members:

Linda Christensen will be the Distribution Chairman and record keeper.

Kerensa Nielson will be the Assistant Bee Coordinator.



Linda Christensen



Kerensa Nielson

## President's Message



#### Happy Holidays and Welcome to the 2015 Bee Season

Welcome back to all of our winter visitors. Without you we would not have the success that we have.

It has been a wonderful year. New friends, old friends young and old have helped to make this year very productive. "Thank You" to all who helped create wonderful quilts for our children that are hurting emotionally and physically. Sharing your talents, time, and love by making blankets for seriously ill or traumatized children is most rewarding.

In February we received an email from Towers Watson asking if they could make fleece blankets for us. It was a service project that the Minneapolis company would be doing during a training conference in Tempe. Low and behold they turned out 104 blankets. What a wonderful donation. Donations big or small collectively make our mission a success.

In the end we made and distributed over 6,500 blankets in 2014.

Thank you one and all. See you at the next Bee.

"Friends are the threads of gold in the guilt of life." **Anonymous** 

> Gloria Wood President

April 26, 2014 **Sunland Springs Village** Mesa

64 - Attendees





June 21, 2014

**Las Palmas Grand** 

Mesa

65 - Attendees

51 - Total Blankets

October 11, 2014

**Chandler Police Dept** 

Chandler

49 - Attendees

195 - 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

7143 E Southern Ave #135 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) 934-0084

Quilter's Bee

7549 W Cactus Rd Peoria (623) 334-9359

Quilter's Ranch

1721 E Warner Rd Tempe (480) 838-8350

QuiltZ

13825 N 32nd St 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

Help us thank these shops for their support by giving them your patronage. Let's go shopping!!

#### **Upcoming Bees**

Friday, Jan 9, 2015 9:00-3:00

Weavers Needle; 250 S Tomahawk Rd., Apache Junction

Saturday, Jan 24, 2015 9:00-3:00

Holiday Village: 701 S Dobson Rd, Mesa

Saturday, Feb 28, 2015 9:00-3:00

La Hacienda RV Resort, 1797 W 28th St Apache Junction

Saturday, Mar 21, 2015 9:00-3:00

Fountain of the Sun; 540 S 80th St, Mesa

Saturday, Apr 18, 2015 9:00-3:00

Sunland Springs Village, 2240 Springwood Blvd, Mesa

#### **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 EWarner 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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