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Shopping with Purpose: Lura Turner Homes' 41st Annual Bazaar Returns Nov 6th & 7th

A longtime Phoenix holiday tradition returns this November as **Lura Turner Homes for Adults with Disabilities** hosts its **41st Annual Bazaar & Craft Fair**, Friday, Nov. 6, from noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Crossroads United Methodist Church, 7901 N. Central Avenue in Phoenix.

For more than four decades, the Bazaar has brought together local artisans, volunteers, families and community supporters for a festive shopping experience with a purpose. Visitors can browse handmade crafts, artwork, jewelry, seasonal and holiday items, pet products and an assortment of homemade baked goods, jams and treats.

While the event offers an opportunity to find unique holiday gifts, its greater purpose is supporting the work of Lura Turner Homes and the adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities it serves.

The organization traces its roots to 1965, when Lura Ann Turner recognized that adults with developmental disabilities had few options for living outside institutional settings. With limited resources and a strong belief in dignity and independence, she opened a Phoenix home where residents could learn everyday skills, become more independent and experience the sense of belonging that comes from being part of a community.

That vision continues more than 60 years later. Today, **Lura Turner Homes** provides residential, social and vocational opportunities designed to help adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities reach their greatest potential. Under the leadership of Executive Director Max McQueen, the organization continues to grow while maintaining the personal, family-style approach established by its founder.

In 2026, **Lura Turner Homes** celebrated its 61st year of service and another important step forward with the groundbreaking for two additional homes, expanding its ability to serve members of the community.

The annual Bazaar is one of the ways supporters help make that work possible. It also provides something increasingly rare during the holiday season: an opportunity to slow down, meet the people behind handmade items and know that shopping locally can have a meaningful impact.

The weekend will also include the Dar & Jack Adams Memorial Walk-A-Thon, a Phoenix Bird Civitan fundraiser held in conjunction with Saturday's activities.

For additional information, volunteer opportunities or to make a donation, visit www.luraturnerhomes.org or call 602-943-4789.

Festival in the Mountains Coming to the North Mountain Visitor Center this Fall!

On Friday, November 6 through Sunday, November 8, North Mountain Visitor Center will host their second annual **Festival in the Mountains**. The weekend is shaping up to be fun for the whole family. Here is a taste of just some of what is happening:

On Friday night the festivities will kick off with Pat McMahon, the beloved entertainer best known for *The Wallace and Ladmo Show,* whose decades in television, radio, and community life have made him a true Arizona icon. Join in as Pat shares his story and the remarkable journey that shaped the Valley's history and character.

Throughout the weekend enjoy live music from local favorites: Glen Gardner, Eric Ramsey, George & Georgia, Mark Bishop Evans and Nancy Elliot. You can also join guided hikes, check out geology demos and keep the kids busy with desert-themed story times and crafts, plus bring your pup along to enter the Dog Costume Contest.

Get a jump on your holiday shopping at The Market, where you'll find unique jewelry, ceramics, children's books, ornaments, plus photography and art. Coffee and baked goods will be available to keep you fueled while you browse. (A few vendor spots are still open for Sunday—see contact info below if you're interested!)

Rattlesnake Garage will also be on hand on Saturday morning, offering the chance to safely meet some of our desert creatures up close.

In addition to a silent auction with fun baskets and valuable items up for bid, you can enter a drawing for a Dierks Bentley autographed guitar.

The **Festival in the Mountains** is a community event and a fundraiser for the Save Our Mountains Foundation (SOMF), whose mission is to acquire and preserve land to assist in the expansion of the Phoenix Mountains Preserve. SOMF supports the Mountains Preserve with education, conservation and research and maintain operations at the North Mountain Visitor Center in collaboration with the City of Phoenix.

The North Mountain Visitor Center is open daily and is located at 12950 N 7th Street. See the website calendar for more event information, hours and to learn more about the Visitor Center at https://northmountainvisitorcenter.org/ If you are a local artisan, crafter or vendor interested in participating in our Market, please email finance@saveourmountains.org.



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Celebration of Art, Craft and Giving Back at 2026 Mission Marketplace

Valley Presbyterian Church will host its annual **Mission Marketplace** and the *Straight From the Heart Art Show* on Saturday, November 14, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All are invited to the church campus at 6947 East McDonald Drive in Paradise Valley. This festive event lets shoppers find unique holiday items while directly supporting vital charitable causes.





The **Mission Marketplace** will showcase handmade items across three main areas: the Crafters' Boutique, Kitchen Treasures and the Jewel Box. Local crafters spend months sewing, knitting, crocheting, beading and quilting unique ornaments, linens, kitchen items, clothing and wall décor. Attendees can buy ribbon-wrapped pins by resident crafter Jan, whose designs were featured in the *Arizona Highways Magazine Gift Guide*. The market also features premium costume jewelry alongside fresh baked and canned goods.

This year, **Mission Marketplace** again shares its space with the *Straight From the Heart Art Show*. This traveling exhibition features powerful artwork created by incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals, primarily from the Perryville Women's Prison. The exhibition connects communities through art, showcasing the resilience and humanity behind each artist's story. Visitors can also stop by the church's Awaken Café to enjoy a specialty coffee and connect with neighbors.

The true joy of the **Mission Marketplace** is transforming these treasures into financial blessings for outreach missions. The 2025 **Mission Marketplace** donated 100 percent of its proceeds to several deserving organizations:

- **Sunshine Acres:** A desert sanctuary providing a home to more than 2,000 children since 1954.
- **Audrey's Angels:** A program bringing enriching music to over 1,400 elderly residents.
- **Helping Hands for Single Moms:** Funding emergency AAA towing for 33 single mothers.
- **Ministry of Hope:** An organization providing high school scholarships for girls in Malawi.
- **Monte Vista Homes:** A facility supporting the memory care unit for retired pastors.

Organizers look forward to matching or exceeding those contributions this year. For more information, visit vpc.church/marketplace or contact the church office at 480-991-6424.

Paradise Valley UMC Prepares for 5th Annual Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair on Nov 14th

The Paradise Valley United Methodist Church will host its **5th Annual Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair** on Saturday, November 14th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on its spacious 10-acre campus at 4455 East Lincoln Drive.

More than 40 vendors will fill 6,000 square feet of indoor space, spilling out into an unlimited outdoor space, offering handmade arts and crafts, gourmet foods, chocolates, baked goods and holiday gifts. Shoppers looking to check names off their holiday lists while supporting local charities will have many choices.

Visitors can wander the booths at their own pace, enjoy live music and entertainment, and grab a coffee at the Perk.

There's still room for a few more crafters and artisans who'd like a booth — anyone interested can email the.bazaar@pvumc.org to learn more.

What sets the **Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair** apart is where the money goes. A portion of every vendor's booth rent is donated to charity and shoppers get to choose which causes their purchase support:

- **UMOM** — provides food, shelter and services for people experiencing homelessness.
- **P.E.O.** — funds scholarships, grants and loans to help women pursue education.
- **Audrey's Angels** — brings music to elderly residents of small group homes.

According to organizers Meg Wolfe and Sandra Caldwell, the bazaar raised more than $8,000 for the three charities last year alone, and over $28,000 over the past four years.

Beyond the vendor booths, guests can browse a silent auction and enjoy live entertainment throughout the day. Admission is free, and the church offers easy parking and full-service indoor restrooms.

Community partner and Sponsor of the **Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair**, Keegans Grill, located nearby at 3114 E Camelback Road, is a great stop for lunch or dinner before or after the fair.

Paradise Valley United Methodist Church is a "faith community seeking fellowship and love that crosses all barriers and embraces all people." For more information about the **Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair** or to become a sponsor, contact Serendipities Gift Shop at (602) 840-8360 or giftshop@pvumc.org.


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Handcrafted Treasures at the 21st Annual Holiday Boutique in Mesa – November 6th & 7th

A beloved East Valley seasonal tradition returns this November as the **Red Mountain Crafters** host their **21st Annual Holiday Boutique**. Held on Friday, November 6, and Saturday, November 7, this highly anticipated event brings together local craftsmanship and community spirit at the Red Mountain United Methodist Church in Mesa. The boutique doors will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. both days.

The members of **Red Mountain Crafters** spend the entire year donating their time, talents and materials to create a diverse marketplace of high-quality, handmade goods. Beyond offering a premier holiday shopping experience, the boutique serves a vital community purpose: 100% of the event's proceeds are directly dedicated to supporting Children and Youth Ministries.

Shoppers perusing the boutique will find an impressive array of curated items, ranging from practical home goods to seasonal decorations. Highlights of this year's inventory include beautifully sewn quilts, placemats, table runners, hot pads, embroidered towels and convenient microwave bowl holders. For those looking to decorate their homes, the selection features festooned wreaths, wall hangings, floral arrangements, unique gourd art and intricate wood crafts. One-of-a-kind handmade jewelry, custom greeting cards and original art pieces will also be featured throughout the space.

Families shopping for little ones will find handcrafted baby clothing, toys, plush stuffed animals and highly popular cloth books in the children's area. Even pet owners can find something special for their "fur friends," including handmade toys, leashes and cozy pet beds.

In addition to the craft booths, the **Red Mountain United Women of Faith** will host their annual bake sale, offering a delicious assortment of homemade treats for shoppers to enjoy.

Guests can also browse a large selection of gently used puzzles available for purchase near the entrance.

Red Mountain United Methodist Church is located at 2936 N Power Road in Mesa. For more information, community members can visit the church website at rmumc.com.

Building Harmony

The Bugs

by Jeff Cappis

I consider myself a nice guy. I try to do what's right, as I'm sure most people do. Because of that, I have an extra healthy respect for all God's creatures- both big and small.

So, you can imagine how I felt the other night when I spotted a small beetle walking across my floor. I was comfortably watching TV with my dog when I spotted it. It was just walking along. I heaved a bit of a sigh because I knew I'd have to get up, catch it and throw it out the door. (In a humanely way of course).



So, I did. Cupped in both hands, I carried that little guy to the entry, opened the door with my nose, swung it open with my knee. I set him outside into the night and went back to my comfortable couch to cradle my bowl of popcorn. I wished it well. Maybe I was even feeling a little smug because I'd spared a life. On TV they were playing a late night monster movie in black and white. It was a good one.

At the beginning of the movie a monster emerges from somewhere in the ocean. It looks around then slowly sinks back into the water- all to some sinister music.

After a few minutes something else caught my eye. It was another beetle. Yup. Walking across my floor. Crap. Now I'd have to get up and do it all over again. But I did. I put my popcorn off to the side and got up. What an inconvenience. This time when I threw the beetle outside I noticed it had begun to rain.

"Oh well, good luck," I said to it as I closed the door.

Back to the couch with my dog. Back to the popcorn. Back to the movie. In the movie they spot the monster and start deciding what to do. The movie was starting to get a little tense. I started to eat my popcorn faster- and that's when I noticed it.

There were 2 beetles walking across my floor. Damn. Again, I got up and caught these guys with a sheet of paper and went through the routine. As I tossed them from the house,

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St. Raphael's Annual Craft, Art & Bake Sale

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Tucson Miniature Society Celebrates 50 Years at Annual Show & Sale

During the 1970s, DIY crafts like macramé and crochet were booming across the United States. Right alongside them was the hobby of miniatures, which ranked as the country's largest hobby next to stamp and coin collecting. Local enthusiasts quickly sought out spaces to share their passion, leading to the birth of the **Tucson Miniature Society** in 1976. Now celebrating its 50th anniversary, the society is preparing for its milestone Annual Show & Sale on October 24 and 25, 2026.

A Legacy of Community Care

From its earliest months, the club focused heavily on community outreach. In 1977, early members worked to introduce miniatures to schools to illustrate historical events and teach kids how to craft using everyday "found materials". As the club grew and affiliated with the National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts, it turned its annual showcase into a charitable force. For over three decades, proceeds were donated to local children's organizations, including the Casa de los Niños Crisis Nursery.

Following the closure of their long-term charity partner in 2016, the club transitioned its financial support to The Mini Time Machine Museum of Miniatures. This partnership has thrived; club members frequently serve as museum docents, the museum helps promote the annual show, and show attendees even receive a complimentary admission ticket to the museum.

Show Highlights: *"Life is Better at the Beach"*

Today, the Tucson Miniature Society remains highly active, welcoming everyone from beginners to professional artisans. This year's anniversary show features the playful theme ***"Life is Better at the Beach"***. Visitors can explore a large sales room filled with nationwide vendors, alongside a dedicated display room featuring custom-built Tiki Bars crafted by club members.

The public will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite general exhibits. The first, second, and third place "People's Choice" winners will have their intricate projects displayed directly at the museum.

Families will also find a specialized sales table designed just for kids, featuring miniature items at pocket-money prices. To mark the 50th-year milestone, the club is also hosting a special drawing for a $50 gift certificate to MicroMark hobby supplies.

The **Tucson Miniature Society's Show & Sale** will be on Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 10a.m. to 5p.m. and Sunday, October 25, 2026, from 11a.m. to 4p.m. Located at The Tucson Woman's Club, 6245 E. Bellevue Street in Tucson, AZ. General Admission is $7, Children ages 4 to 12 $3, Age 3 and under free. Admission is good for both days and includes a complimentary admission ticket to The Mini Time Machine Museum of Miniatures.

For more information visit tucsonminiatures@gmail.com or call 520-954-4835.

The Bugs, continued from page 7...

I noticed the rain was starting to come down harder. "Sorry guys. Good luck."

Back at the couch with the dog, the popcorn and the movie: The army was getting its soldiers together and plotting the next move. Things were beginning to heat up. I was munching my popcorn when I noticed more beetles walking across the floor.

"@#$%&!" I walked around with the paper and gathered them up. This time I just flung them out into the pouring rain. "Good bye."

I just sat down when I spotted a few more. The TV monster was getting really agitated and so was I. This time I grabbed a dust pan and started scooping them up. After flinging a bunch of them out into the rain I yelled "Get lost." Then I turned around. Dozens more. Even the dog sat up on the couch to take notice.

I started running around, scooping them up and flinging them out the door into the driving rain. Still there were always more. I couldn't believe it. I couldn't tell where they were coming from. I grabbed a broom and started sweeping them into piles but I couldn't keep up. Outside there was lightning and thunder.

In the movie the monster was running amok. Soldiers were flying everywhere and trucks were getting stomped.

I was fighting a battle of my own! I grabbed a vacuum from the closet and turned it on the little buggers. After a feverish moment I realized I was gaining on them. "Aha! Take that you little demons!" A laughed a mean laugh as I sucked them up. Then the vacuum clogged.

Now I had no choice. Grabbing a broom I managed to sweep a path back to the couch. (By this time, the dog was perched on the head rest and barking). Thunder and lightning were going off outside.

I climbed onto the couch just ahead of them. Now they swarmed the entire floor and were starting to make their way up the couch.

On TV the monster was kicking the crap out of a city with the army firing cannons at it and dropping bombs.

I grabbed my popcorn and climbed up on the headrest with the dog. The godless beetles were climbing up towards us. I screamed. The dog howled. The beetles were all clicking. I pelted them with popcorn but they kept coming. Closer and closer. Soon they surrounded us, crawled up our legs and torsos. I looked at the dog for one last time and just as we were about to be totally covered with bugs...

Poof. I woke up. The movie was over and the dog was eating my popcorn. I've got to admit I was very relieved. Not a bug in sight. "That's the last time I gorge on popcorn and fall asleep watching a monster movie," I said to the dog. He belched but ignored me and just kept on eating.

I settled in to watch another movie with the dog (maybe a gangster movie this time), and that's when I saw it, a beetle walking across my floor.

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Trash to Treasure: Upcycling Workshops Come to Downtown Phoenix This Fall

Phoenix's fall craft calendar just got a little greener. **Fashionably Green 1**, a leading name in resale fashion, is launching its Upcycled Trash to Treasure Vintage Workshops this season at GenuWine, a woman-owned self-pour wine bar at 888 N. 1st Avenue near Roosevelt in downtown Phoenix.

The first session, an Upcycle Vintage Charm Bag Chain workshop, runs Saturday, Sept. 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. Two more follow on Oct. 10 and Oct. 24, same place, same time.

The premise is simple: one person's broken, discarded jewelry becomes another's treasure. Pre-made charms and chains are ready to go, so crafters simply choose their pieces and connect them. The intermediate-level class is built to make under-consumption feel like a style choice rather than a sacrifice.

Fashion carries one of the heaviest environmental price tags around, organizers note, so the invitation is to come learn how to turn castoffs into something worth talking about. All supplies, hardware and on-site tools are provided.

Admission is $25, or $20 for those who bring their own crafting tools, two pairs of pliers required.

"We believe fashion is a form of self-expression, and our new events let everyone showcase their personality while learning a creative skill," said Anna Marie, owner of **Fashionably Green 1**. "Living in a desert makes conservation everyone's issue. We hope you'll join us in reclaiming style without waste."

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This massive event, in its 22nd year, brings together unique treasures from every era. Explore an unmatched selection of fine antiques, period furniture and mid-century modern pieces, alongside architectural salvage and repurposed decor. You will also find rare pop culture collectibles, nostalgia, vintage clothing from the 50's thru 90's and authentic Western and Native American jewelry, rugs and baskets. Whether a casual shopper chasing a bargain or a serious collector, this is the ultimate autumn destination for timeless style.

Who's Behind the Prescott Antique Show and Vintage Market?

For more than 20 years, the local Thumb Butte and Yavapai chapters of THE QUESTERS (a 501(c)(3) organization) have jointly presented the market, where 100% of profits are donated to historic preservation and restoration in and around Yavapai County. Area museums, historical societies, heritage centers and municipalities have all benefited over the years. Significant donations have been given to projects ranging from renovation of historic buildings and sites, artifact purchase and the restoration and purchase and/or repair of commemorative markers. More recently, thanks to corporate and individual sponsorships that have boosted profits, the budget for historic preservation has increased.

Who Are THE QUESTERS?

The Questers is an international non-profit organization founded in 1944. Members share a passion for studying antiques, collecting historical knowledge and funding historic preservation, restoration and education. They always welcome new members and invite you to join their "heritage keeping" cause to preserve local history and customs. For more information about membership in the organization, visit the website The Questers or email arizonaquesters@gmail.com.

Welcome Shoppers of All Ages

The customer base is rapidly changing as younger individuals seek sustainable vintage items rich in heritage, character and design. While they represent a multitude of diverse backgrounds and ages, they share one commonality: all have eclectic tastes! The 60-80+ group are looking for traditional antiques to add to their collection; the 50-70 group is seeking all things nostalgic; Gen Zers and Millennials (20-45) are all about mid-century vintage and 1990's/Y2K.

All ages will enjoy the newly added feature…. the Country Market. This is a new section of the show located under the canopy of the Grandstands incorporating several unique vendor spaces. Shoppers will enjoy this niche market where artisan crafts, homemade food and specialty treats can be found. If you are a vendor interested in selling your specialty artisan goods at our event, please contact the show organizer at prescottantiqueshowytb@gmail.com.

The event is fun for the whole family and everyone is bound to find a take-home treasure when they visit the **Prescott Antique Show & Vintage Market 2026!** Come early to snap up your prized find before it disappears.

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Friday, October 9th - Early Bird: 12:00–2:00 PM ($15).

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Sunny Autumn Teatimes

by Lydia E. Harris

Tea and sunshine make the perfect blend. But we don't need a sunny climate to brighten others' lives. Good thing, because in Seattle, "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head." Even on gray days, we can bring sunshine to others with tea. Here are ways to brighten cloudy days.

Tea-Tray Sunshine

When my neighbor, Karen, became immobile because of foot surgery, on her birthday I brought her a light supper on a tea tray. I purchased tea, rye bread and a garlic-ring sausage at a small European grocer and prepared Abendbrot, German for supper, literally "evening bread." Swiss cheese slices, triangle-shaped cucumber-and-cream-cheese sandwiches with dill, fruit and a birthday cupcake added to the menu.

I brewed my favorite tea and poured it into a quart jar with a lid for transporting. A soft ice chest (without ice) was the perfect way to carry the tea, teapot and teacup.



Karen enjoyed sipping the fragrant blend of black tea with rose petals and safflower. "This is just perfect," she kept saying as she ate her supper. Since she lives alone, I stayed to visit and then gave her a parting hug. She saved the cupcake and a cup of tea for later.

Another evening, I brought Karen a tea tray with asparagus strata, chicken broth with noodles, olives stuffed with cream cheese, homemade yogurt scones with lemon curd, a chocolate cookie—and, of course, tea. I tore petals from my rose bouquet and sprinkled them on her tray for an added touch.

"How lovely. This is so delicious," she repeated again and again. We chatted and then prayed together before I left.

Tea-tray meals hit the spot for my convalescing neighbor and brought a ray of sunshine to her life.

Doorstep Sunshine

Another neighbor battled cancer and was put on a restricted diet. Occasionally, I left fruit or flowers on her doorstep to add "sunshine." One time I prepared a small plate with a doily, flower petals and a cupcake liner filled with pomegranate seeds and tucked a probiotic herbal teabag on the side.

Other times I left fresh flowers or a small plant along with an encouraging note. Sometimes, I brightened the bouquet by adding colorful, foil-wrapped teabags fastened to floral picks or toothpicks.

Later she e-mailed, "You always know the way to a neighbor's heart."

You're the Sunshine

No doubt, you've heard or even sung, "You Are My Sunshine." I've certainly appreciated the sunshine others added to my life during gray times. Now it's my delight to seize opportuni-TEAS to bring cheer to family and friends.

Do you know individuals who are walking through a rainy season of life? If so, won't you join me and bless others with tea and sunshine?

Lydia E. Harris enjoys serving tea to family and friends. Her books for grandparents are: Preparing My Heart for Grandparenting, In the Kitchen with Grandma, *and* GRAND Moments: Devotions Inspired by Grandkids. *All are available at amazon.com or can be ordered through local bookstores.*

From Lydia's Recipe File: Asparagus Strata

Easy to make and share. Delicious for any meal.

6 slices of bread (white or wheat)
3/4 pound of fresh asparagus spears, woody ends removed
2 cups grated cheese (cheddar, Swiss, or both)
1 cup chopped cooked ham
3 eggs, beaten
1 1/2 cups milk
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1/4 teaspoon pepper
Tomato slice for garnish



1. Add one teaspoon oil to a 9 x 13-inch baking pan. Add washed asparagus spears and bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

2. Reserve eight 4-inch asparagus spears to decorate top. Cut the rest into one-inch pieces.

3. Cut bread into cubes. Place half into a deep 9-inch pie pan sprayed with non-stick spray.

4. Layer half the ham, asparagus and cheese on bread.

5. Repeat layers of bread, ham, asparagus and end with cheese.

6. Beat together the eggs, milk and seasonings. Pour over strata ingredients. Push the bread down into the liquid mixture.

7. Arrange reserved asparagus spears like spokes on top. Add tomato slice in the center.

8. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 to 45 minutes until strata is firm but still moist.

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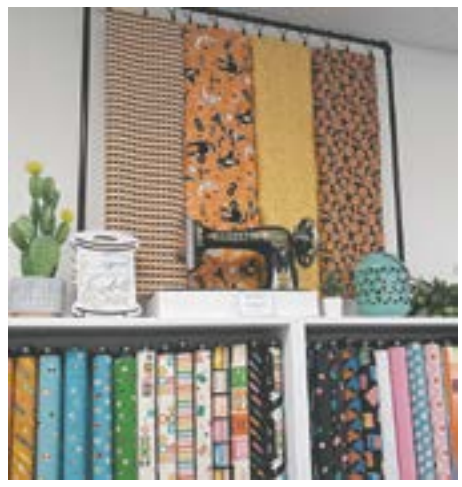




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Community and Creativity Meet at Prickly Pearadise Quilts in Goodyear



Nestled just south of Interstate 10 on Litchfield Road in Goodyear, a vibrant new hub for fabric lovers and creators is flourishing. **Prickly Pearadise Quilts** has spent the last two and half years weaving together a creative community, filling a void for crafters in Goodyear, Buckeye, Litchfield Park, and the surrounding West Valley towns.

The shop is the brainchild of owners Heather and Mark Haake, who relocated to Buckeye from Washington state after retiring from careers in the medical profession. Faced with the challenge of leaving her quilting circle behind, Heather was determined to recreate that vital sense of connection in her new home state. *"Where Creativity and Community Come Together"* became the shop's guiding philosophy, as the Haakes envisioned a welcoming space where visitors could gather, share ideas and explore their creative boundaries.

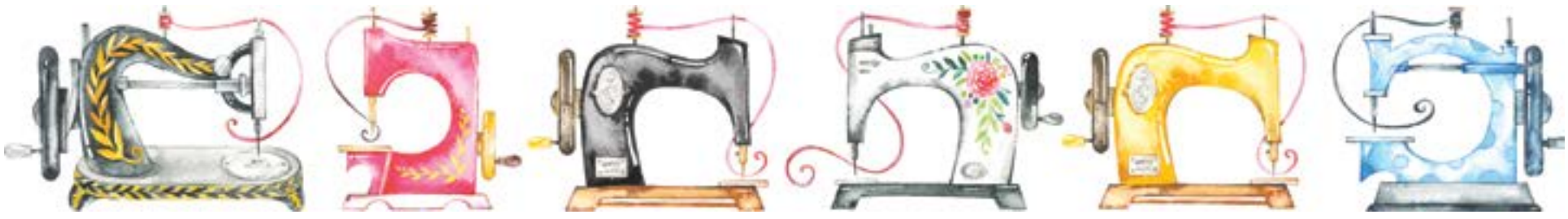
Building the business has also been a journey of personal growth for the couple.



Heather has expanded her expertise to include Kimberbell Embroidery, launching popular classes and an exclusive "Kimberbell Mistletoe Mystery" quilt. Meanwhile, Mark stepped into the quilting world with no prior sewing experience. Today, he is not only proficient at constructing quilts, but he has also developed an exceptional eye for color, making him a trusted guide for customers searching for the perfect fabric combinations.

Prickly Pearadise Quilts boasts a wide selection of fabrics, patterns, notions, and specialized kits for both quilting and embroidery. They also offer machine sales and servicing. More than just a retail store, the shop's dedicated classroom frequently transforms into a lively social space. Regular open-sew events keep the community connected throughout the month,

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• **Sew Fun Friday**: Held twice a month for social crafting.

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The business is already preparing for its next chapter of growth, with future plans including longarm quilting services and expanding class types. Stay tune for more to come!

Whether you are an experienced quilter or looking to pick up a new hobby, the creative community at **Prickly Pearadise Quilts** welcomes you. The shop is located at 319 N Litchfield Rd, Suite 101, Goodyear, AZ, and is open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, community members can call 623-233-2124 or visit their website at pricklypearadisequilts.com.







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Piecing Life Together

Snake!

by Barbara Polston

Finding myself alone for a week, I invited two of my quilting friends to spend a few days with me. We planned to work on creative projects and visit all the quilt shops in my community. We were having a lovely time.

After a long day of shopping and an indulgent dinner of ice cream sundaes, we settled down to watch a movie. I thought my dogs should go outside to "take care of business" to avoid any interruptions. While my pups were poking about the yard, I heard a vibrating sound which repeated several times. It tends to be quite windy in our area, so I thought something on the patio was probably vibrating with the wind and making the sound. Curious, I looked to my left, and there it was. A rattle snake coiled up against the house, angrily letting me know it was there with his rattle. My first concern was for the dogs. Fortunately, they seemed unaware and came in when I anxiously called.

Coming back into the house, I announced, "There's a rattle snake on the patio!" Wanting it to be gone, I jumped on the internet to find a highly rated, 24-hour rattle snake removal service. I called one with a high consumer rating and they assured me they could be at my house within an hour. I was told to keep a safe distance but watch our visitor carefully.

All three of us went out to keep an eye on our unwelcomed guest. He was gone! One of my brave friends walked around the yard but could see neither hide nor hair of Mr. Rattler. Finally, the doorbell rang, announcing the arrival of the snake wrangler. He looked about how you might expect. Cowboy hat and boots. Long grey hair and beard, styled like the members of ZZ Top. Too many tattoos to count. I explained that, in the time it took for me to call his company and arrange his visit, Mr. Rattler had moved on to parts unknown. It was already dark, but the wrangler said he would look.

Using a flashlight, the wrangler made a thorough sweep of my fenced yard but found no snake. Then, he went outside the perimeter of the fencing, turned the corner and shouted, "Found him!" Mr. Rattler was quickly corralled and secured in a bucket with a screw-top lid. Although I'm sure he grows in length every time I recount this story, the snake was probably somewhere in the neighborhood of 18 inches long. When asked what would happen with the snake, we were told he would be released into the nearby national park. The wrangler and snake departed and, after everyone's heartbeats returned to normal, we watched the movie. The wrangler's fee was gladly paid.

I don't think I would have done anything differently had I been alone but was glad my friends were here to offer support. We're counting this as a quilting adventure! Would you?

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Who Knew That Quilting Could be Dangerous?

by Deb Heatherly

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But who knew this passion could be dangerous?

I am very aware that a rotary cutter must be treated with respect. Having once dropped one that impaled itself in my wood floor only inches from my bare foot, I am extremely cautious with this tool. In fact, it's probably why I have not sewn barefooted in years.

This type of situation stays in your memory bank and apparently when I am teaching, I tell this story and stress this fact a lot. So much so, that I once had a beginner student ask timidly after I opened the class with a short introduction of safety precautions, if she could just use scissors.

This was a 4-week class and it took at least one entire class to reassure her that all would be well. She finally understood that I would not only teach her to quilt but would also teach her proper precautions for this handy tool. Soon she became a confident rotary user and was cutting up a storm. My next task was getting her to realize that learning to make a 4-patch did not make her an expert quilter and that we had many new things to learn. Getting her to try half square triangles took several more classes. She said she was perfectly content to make 4-patches forever.

And then there were my sweet girls in kids club. I did not let these students, age 8-10, use a rotary cutter. Instead, I had them focus on basic sewing skills using fabric I had precut for each class. They learned how to thread their machines, clean out the bobbin area, wind a bobbin and how to sew a straight line. My goal was that they learn to follow my written instructions, see pinning as not a chore but a helpful step and to sew slowly and accurately. They learned to sew pillowcases and small, useful projects that could be completed in a single class. The thrill of accomplishment was what I was striving for as I hoped to instill in each of them a lifelong love for sewing.

But I apparently over stressed that sewing over a pin could be dangerous. I explained that the needle could break if it hit a pin and fly up into their faces and that this very thing had happened to me in the past. My first hint that maybe I had overdone that lecture was the next class when 3 of them showed up in goggles.

Speaking of pins and needles, my first husband swore that I dropped them in the carpet at just the right angle so that they would inflict the most pain as they found their way into his feet. He once asked, while pulling a needle from his foot that contained green thread, if this was a reminder to buy lettuce, peas or some other green food item when he went to the store. He thought he was being funny. (Maybe that's why he was husband # 1.)

My response was, "If you stay out of my sewing room you won't have this problem." While I did not booby trap that room as he accused me of doing, thinking back maybe it was not a bad idea.

That brings me to my most recent dangerous activity. It's one I am sure I will tell about in a future class and haunt some unsuspecting student.

Picture it. A quiet day, the TV playing and me happily stitching. What could be better? Yes, I was on a deadline sewing a sample for a new ruler release and yes, maybe I was stitching a little faster than normal, but progress was being made and I was a happy quilter. I was actually pressing my very last block and had picked up the iron to press the final seam when something being said on the TV caught my attention. I must have glanced away just long enough that the iron did not come down on my block, but instead on my left hand. By the time I could move the iron, two blisters appeared. There may have been some technical language when the iron hit my fingers but my sister assured me that it was okay because in times like this, "Oh crap," just does not do it.

Then adding insult to injury, when I googled "what to do when you burn your hand with an iron," I learned that the cold water I immediately placed my hand under was not the preferred method of treatment. I also learned that the ice I had tossed in a Ziploc bag to place on my aching hand was another no-no. Who knew that medical experts say lukewarm water is preferred over anything cold?

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The Amish Quilt Gathering

by Shelby Kottemann

I have Amish friends. They're lovely people who, without the allure of modern technology, know how to hold a long and easy conversation, be present and write longhand letters. With them, I've helped watch the children, make homemade noodles and even do laundry the old fashioned way. But what I want to share with you is the time I got to sit in on an Amish quilt gathering.

When I walked in, the home was filled with quiet conversation. The young girls all socialized around the kitchen table while every woman had a seat around the quilt, placing hand stitches with ease. Classic Amish colors of blue, green and black splayed out over the wooden quilt frame in an intricate formation.

When finished, this quilt was going to be auctioned to help pay a family's medical bills in the community.

After some time, one of the girls named Verna, hurried over to her mother, quietly whispering in her ear. Katie stood up, looked out the window and back at the group. All of the animals were out of the barn! The women all stood and peered through the windows out into the field. One horse, two pigs, three cows, four goats and one worried dog were out there grazing and wandering. As the girls ran out to fetch them, the creatures scattered. Chaos ensued. Even the farm dog didn't know what to do.

But along came one of the husbands. His buggy came to a stop in the distance, down the road and we watched him calmly walk out into the pasture toward the horse. The horse didn't run. The husband took the horse by a lead and slowly walked it toward the barn. To my amazement, every species of farm animal followed suit. What a sight! Walking in a line, like kids in a school, came one horse, two pigs, three cows and four goats, in no particular order. Peace was restored on the farm. The women and girls went back inside as I looked on in wonder. All the other animals trusted and followed the horse's lead! I'll never forget it. As for the husband who came home early to see the chaos, you could say he was in stitches!

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My thought… maybe whoever wrote that little bit of wisdom had never been on a deadline and ironed his hand while sewing.

Stay safe my stitching friends! Stay alert to all of the dangers in your sewing room but keep on stitching. There's someone out there just waiting for your next fabulous creation.

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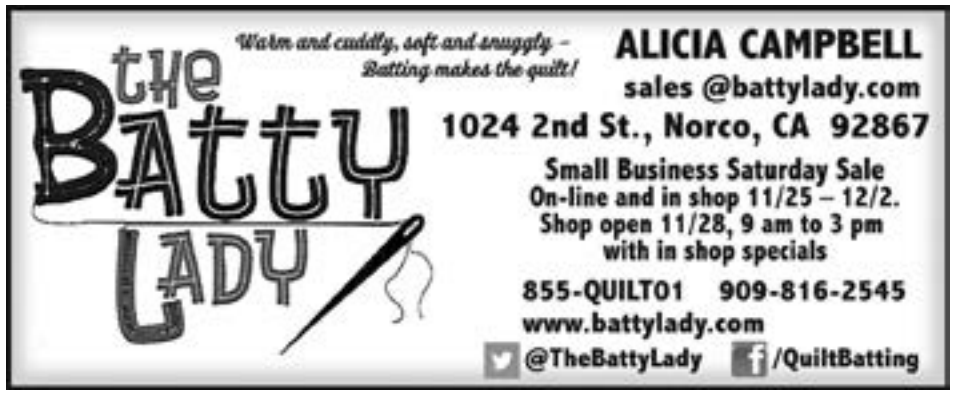
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