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**Who does Molli Bryn look like?  
Grandma or Grandpa?**

### **Welcome Molli Bryn**

Our son Brandon and daughter-in-law Meaghan blessed us with our first granddaughter on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at about 2:11 am. (Our daughter Tellie and her husband Tom have blessed us with Andrew – age 13, Zachary – age 11, and Grant – age 9).

Molli Bryn Jones came into the world very stubbornly (I can relate to that with Brandon), much to the dismay of her mom and dad, but all are doing fine now.

Molli Bryn weighed in at 8 lbs. 7 oz. and 20” long.

Many of you can probably relate to being “remote” from your grandchildren. Not what we grandmas would prefer, right?

We’ll be going back to Iowa in early December to see our first grand-daughter and other family, and I can’t wait.



*At this time of year, we think about what we are thankful for.*

*Among the things I am most thankful for are the wonderful clients we have been privileged to serve over the years.*

*I am proud to say that many of our clients have become **much more** than clients...they have become friends.*

*To ALL our clients over the past 10 years, we want to express our deep appreciation for the confidence you have placed in us and for your business.*

*We would not have become the success we are today without your support and referrals.*

**THANK YOU !**

*Betty Jones*

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR REVIEWS**

***Thanks to those who recently provided wonderful Angie’s List Reviews for us...***

**Lynne Wagoner – Kathy Campbell – Linda Mullins**

**Alison Parks – Sarah Nadeau – John Alfson**

# Drapery Ideas

One of the things we are known for at Interior Expressions is our unique drapery designs. In fact, we have a rule that we will never duplicate a client's drapery for another client...no matter how hard they might beg.



## Flag valance

We used Southwest looking napkin rings to create this red & gold flag valance. The red and gold really made the blue draperies pop.

We look on drapery as the “icing on the cake” for a room, and want the drapery, valance, rods, finials and any other embellishments to really make a WOW statement when you walk into the room.

Here are a few of the unique designs we've done over the years...enjoy!



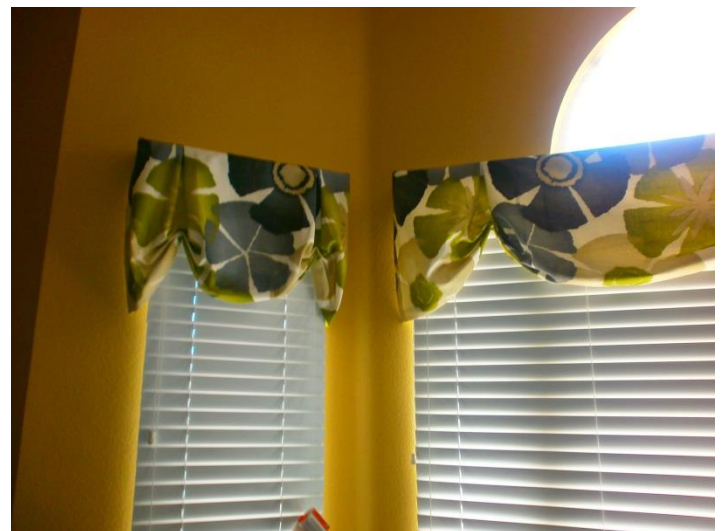
## Pots Print Valance

Our client fell in love with this Southwest pot fabric we found. The rod is wrought iron for a more rustic look and feel, and the finials were custom made by a local metal artisan. The valance is laced onto the rod with a rawhide cord.



## Saguaro Ribs Valance

Our client, new to Tucson, wanted a Southwest feel to her home. We created a cornice using saguaro ribs with a Navajo blanket fabric to create not only the look she wanted, but a great conversation piece.



## Mock Roman Valance

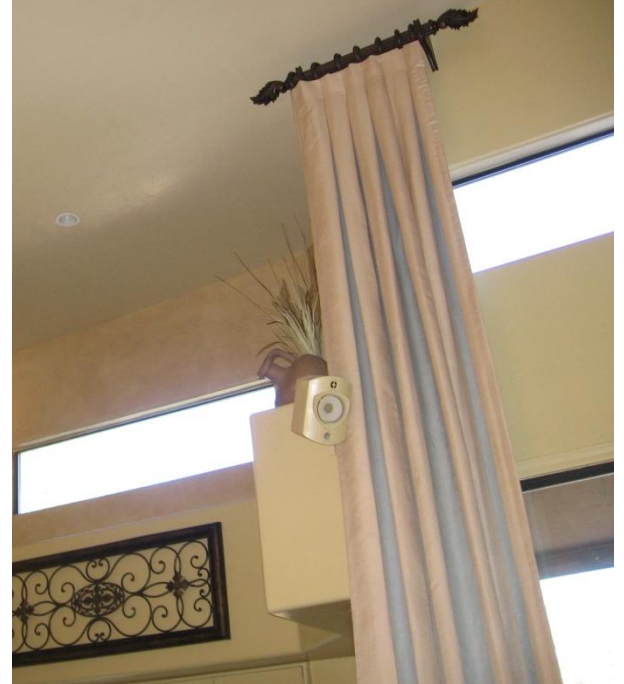
To dress up the Sonoran 2" faux wood blinds in this bay window we created a valance made to look like a roman shade pulled up. The contemporary floral and leaf print really compliments the overall color scheme we created for the house.

# Drapery Ideas continued...



## Triple Pleat with Some Transparency

The intense Arizona sun was interfering with TV watching, but our client didn't want black-out lining. So we chose a lining to provide just the right amount of light control.



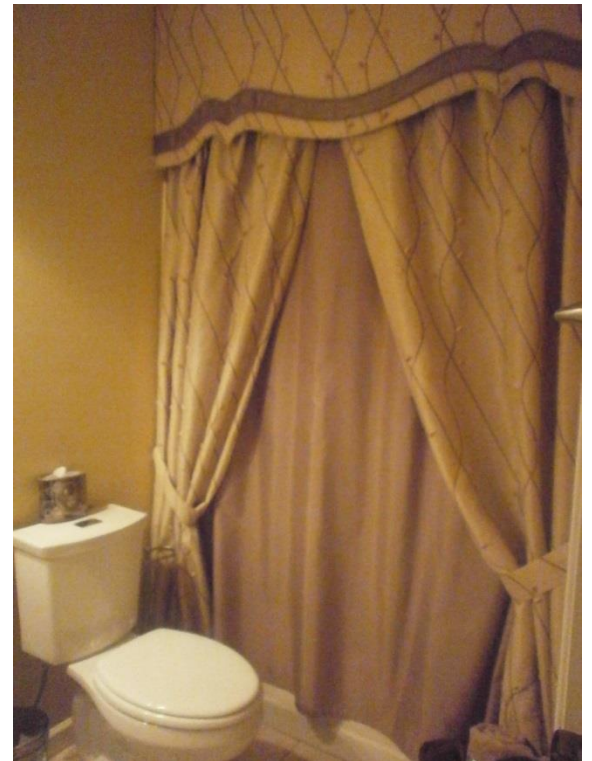
## 14 Foot Stripe

When the perfect stripe for this 14 ft. drapery could not be found, we had two different fabrics sewn together to create the perfect stripe.



## Round-Top Window Challenge

These dining room windows from our Street of Dreams home were a big challenge. We and our window installer devised an ingenious method for hanging the draperies so no hooks or rings were visible.



## Elegant Shower Curtain

We created this elegant shower curtain with a scalloped valance to hide what the homeowner thought was an ugly cultured marble shower.

# **THANKSGIVING...FACT or FICTION**

## **Test Your Knowledge**

### **1. Fact or Fiction: Thanksgiving is held on the final Thursday of November each year.**

**Fiction.** In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln designated the last Thursday in November as a national day of Thanksgiving. However, in 1939, after a request from the National Retail Dry Goods Association, President Franklin Roosevelt decreed that the holiday should always be celebrated on the fourth Thursday of the month (and never the occasional fifth, as occurred in 1939) in order to extend the holiday shopping season by a week. The decision sparked great controversy, and was still unresolved two years later, when the House of Representatives passed a resolution making the last Thursday in November a legal national holiday. The Senate amended the resolution, setting the date as the fourth Thursday, and the House eventually agreed.

### **2. Fact or Fiction: One of America's Founding Fathers thought the turkey should be the national bird of the United States.**

**Fact.** In a letter to his daughter sent in 1784, Benjamin Franklin suggested that the wild turkey would be a more appropriate national symbol for the newly independent United States than the bald eagle (which had earlier been chosen by the Continental Congress). He argued that the turkey was "a much more respectable bird," "a true original Native of America," and "though a little vain & silly, a Bird of Courage."

### **3. Fact or Fiction: In 1863, Abraham Lincoln became the first American president to proclaim a national day of Thanksgiving.**

**Fiction.** George Washington, John Adams and James Madison all issued proclamations urging Americans to observe days of thanksgiving, both for general good fortune and for particularly momentous events (the adoption of the U.S. Constitution, in Washington's case; the end of the War of 1812, in Madison's).

### **4. Fact or Fiction: Macy's was the first American department store to sponsor a parade in celebration of Thanksgiving.**

**Fiction.** The Philadelphia department store Gimbel's had sponsored a parade in 1920, but the Macy's parade, launched four years later, soon became a Thanksgiving tradition and the standard kickoff to the holiday shopping season. The parade became ever more well-known after it featured prominently in the hit film *Miracle on 34th Street* (1947), which shows actual footage of the 1946 parade. In addition to its famous giant balloons and floats, the Macy's parade features live music and other performances, including by the Radio City Music Hall Rockettes and cast members of well-known Broadway shows.

### **5. Fact or Fiction: Turkeys are slow-moving birds that lack the ability to fly.**

**Fiction (kind of).** Domesticated turkeys (the type eaten on Thanksgiving) cannot fly, and their pace is limited to a slow walk. Female domestic turkeys, which are typically smaller and lighter than males, can move somewhat faster. Wild turkeys, on the other hand, are much smaller and more agile. They can reach speeds of up to 20-25 miles per hour on the ground and fly for short distances at speeds approaching 55 miles per hour. They also have better eyesight and hearing than their domestic counterparts.



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