



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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February 2011

Guild meetings are held at the Sierra Vista Community United Church of Christ unless otherwise noted.

February Calendar

2/2	9:30am	Program Meeting - Joyce Larson /Signups Begin for Bus Trip/ Picture Day
2/7	6pm	Program Meeting—Joyce Larson/ Deadline for submitting quilt Show entry form/Picture Day
2/9	9:30am	Quilting Bee
2/9	10am	Quilt Show meeting for all committee chairs
2/15		Final payment for March retreat Is due
2/16	9:30am	Community Quilts
2/23	9:30am	Quilting Bee/Judged quilts Brought to church fellowship hall 9:30-11am
2/25	4-5pm	Non-judged quilts brought to Buena High School
2/26-27		HSQG Quilt Show “Sew Many Quilts”
2/27	3:30-4:30	All quilts picked up at Buena High School

A Message From Our President



Amid all the work to be done to get our show ready, I'm getting excited to see all the quilts again. It sounds like we're going to have another beautiful show this year. There are so many new ideas to look at, so many beautiful quilts to see. And, of course, vendors to visit with new gadgets and more fabric.

If you haven't sent in your entry forms yet, there's still a little time to get them to Sue Lee. I hope all of you will consider showing at least one quilt, and entering it to be judged. Every year, the comments I get back on my quilts keep me trying to make the next one better. I give my quilts to lots of people who aren't quilters and who love the quilts, anyway. But comments from our judges have helped me focus on things to make better, and encouraged me that I'm doing some things right. And it's just plain fun to hang all our quilts, and invite our friends and community to see them.

There are still a few blank spots on the volunteer sign-up sheets. My favorite is to be a white glove person because I get to spend time really looking at the quilts, and talking about them to visitors. Sign up somewhere and join the fun!

Susan Ritter



Welcome New Members

Anita Cox
Betty Folkner
Sandy Varley
Cynthia Waskiewicz



Sew Many Quilts

- ▣ There will be a quilt show meeting Wednesday, February 9 at 10am for all committee chairs. Bring your task time line.
- ▣ PICTURE DAYS at the day and night program meetings. Bring your quilt entry forms and quilts to be photographed and get a picture to complete your entry form. Pictures \$.50 each.
- ▣ Lots of volunteers still needed, all times and days. Sign up at any meeting.
- ▣ Quilt Show Entry Forms are due February 7.
- ▣ HSQG members with nametags may enter the quilt show free. Spouses that help set-up/take-down may also enter free.
- ▣ This is all about selling lots of tickets for the quilt that will be raffled off at our show. If anyone has not seen the quilt, it is hanging at the Squirrels Nest behind the cash register. There are to be no ticket stubs, cash, or unsold tickets turned in during the quilt show! Please turn in before the show. I would like to have everything returned to me by Wednesday, February 23. If you are unable to make it to the meeting, either email or phone me and I will pick them up. Doreen Dolan
- ▣ Vintage quilts and aprons wanted. Please contact Joyce Larson. She will help with the selection and dating.
- ▣ Sue Hausmann (America Sews) will be our featured speaker and will be doing presentations at 10:30am and at 2:30pm on Saturday, February 26.



March 4-7 Retreat

Place: Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp
 Cost: \$125 for members and \$150 for non-members. We will be making a finish-as-you-go table runner taught by Pat Hoard. The final payment is due February 15. Contact Shirley Auchincloss for information.

2011-2012 Officers

The following officers were elected at our January Business Meeting:

President	Susan Ritter
1st Vice President	Vacant
2nd Vice President	Vacant
Secretary	Laura Keiller
Treasurer	Wendy Seals

New Member Profile - Kathy Baker

- ▣ Kathy Baker heard about HSQG through many of our members (Ruth Akins, Gail Staples, Carol Stearman, Linda Fulford). She has been quilting about 6 years. Ruth Akins helped Kathy learn to quilt, walking her through step-by-step while making her first quilt. She has also taken a few classes. Kathy enjoys choosing the fabrics and piecing the quilt top. She is married and is a retired elementary teacher. Kathy is a native New Mexican but has lived in Sierra Vista for 31 years. She enjoys reading, gardening, genealogy, and her grandchildren.

Dates for Your Information

1/27-2/23	Tombstone Quilt Show
2/12	Rincon RV Quilt Show, Tucson
2/26	Fiesta Grande Quilt Show Casa Grande, AZ
3/5-6	Sun City Quilters, Oro Valley, AZ
3/10-12	AQG Show, Mesa, AZ (azquiltersguild.org)
3/18-19	Splendor in the Desert, Green Valley
4/27-30	AQS Show, Paducah, KY

**Please wear your nametag to
HSQG meetings and to the
Quilt Show**

Our Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Sally Calhoun on the death of her son.



AQG Quilt Show Bus Trip

Mark your calendar! Our annual bus trip to the show in Mesa is Saturday, March 12th. The subsidized cost is \$25 for guild members payable by cash or check. Sign up starts Wednesday, February 2nd. We leave Sierra Vista at 6:30am and return about 7pm. Additional pickup points at Mustang Corners and Benson Gas City if needed. Non-members will be able to sign up Wednesday, March 2nd for \$40 if there is space left. **All payments are non-refundable.** Contact Susan Lee for information.



HSQG BLOTTO

- ▣ January Winners— 65 blocks were turned in. Congratulations to the following winners:

Kathy Baker	Juanita Toresdahl
Jan Bowie	Jill Wallace
Terry Markstrom	

- ▣ Irene Violette has prepared another great block “Bouquet on Point” for the BLOTTO due April 6.



Perinatal Grief Program

This banner was prepared and assembled by JoAnn Vandine for the 2010 Sierra Vista Regional Health Center’s Perinatal Grief Program. Each block represents a baby that did not survive.



Thank You

Diane Erickson and Mildred Revels gave HSQG two boxes (approximately 100 cones) of thread donated by American Sew & Vac. Thank you very much.

January Raffle Winners

Ruth Hoskins	Kathryn Tyler
Candy Jennings	Nancy Whaley
Vivien Lemoine	



Workshop—April 9

Time: 9am - 3pm

Place: Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

Karen Horton will teach her easier way to make Ricky Tim's Rhapsody quilt.

Penny Lupo, Chair



HAA Gallery Show

Special thanks to all the members who helped hang/take down quilts or act as docents at the Huachuca Art Association gallery. The HAA was very pleased with our Challenge Quilts. They have expressed interest in participating with us next year for the Arizona Centennial.



I'M LOST OR WAS I FOUND?

At the January night meeting, I left a bag near the BLOTTO box and forgot to take it home with me. I am hoping someone found it! It was opaque, soft plastic with gel handles. It belongs to Irene Violette and must have a severe case of homesickness. Please call Irene or me if you rescued her favorite bag. Sue Lee

New Member Profile - Mildred Revels

Mildred quilted for about 3 years, quit for 10 years, and is now starting again. She learned to quilt from TV and heard about HSQG when she donated several boxes of scraps. Mildred has lived in Sierra Vista for 10 years, moving here from Montana. Mildred's favorite quilting technique is Stack and Whack. She also makes doll dresses. She has boxes of original doll dresses for 31" slender dolls and is interested in selling them.



Community Quilts

We received thank you letters from the following organizations: Catholic Community Services Foster Care Program, Sierra Vista Domestic Violence Shelter, and the Cochise County Children's Center. The Foster Care Program letter included the following story:

"A little girl, two years old, received a quilt with little carousel animals imprinted on some of the squares. She squealed with delight when she first saw it. She ran toward the blanket and give it a big hug. She does not travel without her quilt and every night she makes a little space in her bed so her quilt can accompany her. To her, that quilt of love makes the world of difference and created a wonderful memory for her."



REMINDER: Please notify Jill Holsonback by the end of February if you want to sign up for the 2011 Guild Challenge.

2011 Guild Challenge “Celebrate Arizona’s Centennial”

Challenge Rules

- ❑ Make a wall hanging reflecting Arizona history, people or places.
- ❑ Your quilt must have a perimeter of no less than 80 inches and no greater than 160 inches and no side smaller than 20 inches.
- ❑ The quilt must have encased edges, 3 layers and be quilted.
- ❑ The title of your quilt, a short write up (no more than 75 words), and the length and width measurements of your quilt will be due to Jill Holsonback by October 15.

General Rules

1. You must be a current member of HSQG to participate.
2. Participants must sign up by the end of February. No late sign ups will be accepted. If you do not sign up at the program meetings and wish to sign up please notify Jill Holsonback by phone or email.
3. All quilts must be completed—no quilt tops.
4. Quilt can be made of any fabric and made with any techniques.
5. All quilts must have a label.
6. There will be one Viewers Choice Award with each guild member getting one vote. The winner will receive a prize.
7. All participants who complete the challenge may be considered for challenge prizes.
8. There may be other prizes awarded during the challenge for participation. Check your newsletter for details.
9. Quilts are due at the November 7 program meeting and must be shown at both the November 7 and November 9 meetings. Quilts not at both meetings cannot be considered for the Viewers Choice Award or a prize.
10. Quilts that do not meet the Challenge Rules cannot be considered for the Viewers Choice Award or a prize.

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild
Financial Statement
April 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010

Income

Interest	\$10.00
Donation	224.00
Membership 10	2,595.00
Membership 11	15.00
Nametag Fines	27.00
Newsletter Ads	88.00
Retreats (net)	50.00
Raffles	<u>419.00</u>
Total Income:	<u>\$3,428.00</u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$394.00
Blotto/BOM	236.00
Challenge	53.00
Charity	991.00
Historian	56.00
Insurance	755.00
Library	37.00
Meeting Room	480.00
Membership	237.00
Newsletter	362.00
Programs	818.00
Storage	630.00
Workshops (net)	<u>610.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u>\$5,659.00</u>

Cash Balance December 31, 2010

Checking	\$2,029.00
Savings	<u>8,613.00</u>
Total	<u>\$10,642.00</u>

Quilt Show 2011 Expenses to Date (net)
\$136.00

Minutes

Hummingbird Stitchers' Quilt Guild
January 3, 2011

President Susan Ritter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Jill Wallace moved and Sue Lee seconded that the minutes of October 6, 2010 be corrected to show the date for the bus trip to the AQG show in Phoenix will be Saturday, March 12. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report from April, 2010 through December, 2010 showed income of \$3,428 and expenses of \$5,659. We have a total of \$10,642 in savings and checking. Clara Billock moved and Karen Horton seconded that we accept Wendy's report. Motion passed.

Ruth Akins moved and Candy Jennings seconded that we amend our bylaws to a one-year membership only. Motion passed.

Sue Lee moved and Karen Horton seconded that because we have no more than one candidate for each office, we dispense with mail-in ballots. Motion passed.

Maryann Lepic moved and Jill Holsonback seconded that we vote by a show of hands. Motion passed.

Jane Bourne moved and Clara Billock seconded that we accept the following slate of officers:

President	Susan Ritter
1 st Vice President	Vacant
2 nd Vice President	Vacant
Secretary	Laura Keiller
Treasurer	Wendy Seals

Motion passed.

Nancy Whaley moved and Doris Wells seconded that we adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Dalmer
Secretary

**How Many Raffle Tickets Have
You Sold?**

Website News

- ▣ Blue Moon Patterns are now available on the MEMBERS ONLY section of the website.
- ▣ The revised Bylaws are available on the website.

Upcoming HSQG Calendar

3/2	Program Meeting - "Something Old, Something New"
3/4-7	Retreat*
3/7	Program Meeting - "Something Old, Something New"
3/9	Quilting Bee
3/12	AQG Bus Trip to Mesa
3/16	Community Quilts
3/23	Quilting Bee
3/30	Blue Moon Wednesday
4/4	Program Meeting
4/6	Quarterly Bus Meeting/BLOTTO Due
4/9	Workshop—Kaleidoscope
4/13	Quilting Bee
4/20	Community Quilts
4/27	Quilting Bee
8/24-28	Retreat*
10/7-10	Retreat*

*Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Please feel free to submit articles, suggestions, patterns, or want ads to buy or sell anything quilt related. We do not promise publication of all submitted items. We will, however, endeavor to publish all items that are applicable to the Guild's charter within a reasonable time frame. All items must be written in an e-mail or on paper. The editor cannot take responsibility for verbal requests. Request deadline is the second Wednesday of the month. Please send all contributions to the Newsletter Editor.

We do not publish phone numbers for our members in respect for their privacy. If you need to contact a member by phone, please refer to your current Guild roster.

Guild Webpage: www.hummingbirdquiltguild.com

February Birthdays

Happy Birthday

2/1	Sonja Matthews
2/2	Diane Cratsenburg
2/5	Shirley Fogle
2/6	Donna Blackburn
2/9	Janice Stewart
2/10	Debra Guilmette
2/10	Starr Rose
2/12	Mildred Revels
2/14	Neva Chun
2/14	Anita Cox
2/15	Judy Byrnes
2/15	Shirley Gray
2/20	Virginia Fleming
2/24	Pat Guarrera
2/25	Susan Ritter
2/26	Sally Calhoun
2/26	Mary Ann Dover
2/27	Caroll Jones
2/29	Juanita Toresdahl

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Website of the Month

www.tucsonquiltersguild.com/quiltshow.htm (see pictures of the Best of Show, Viewer's Choice, and Raffle Quilt and a list of ribbon winners)

Tip of the Month

Do You Have a Tip to Share?