



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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April 2011

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

April Calendar

4/4	6:00pm	Program Meeting - Sandy Varley trunk show
4/6	9:30am	Quarterly Business Meeting/ BLOTTO Due/Bylaws Amendment Vote
4/13	9:30am	Quilting Bee
4/20	9:30am	Community Quilts
4/27	9:30am	Quilting Bee

April 6: Bylaw amendments will be voted on at the Business Meeting. The purpose of these amendments is to create a Board of Directors which will be responsible for setting policy and advance planning. Other changes will be to re-structure the position of Second Vice President and create the standing committee for Hospitality. With nearly 200 members and as many activities as we provide, we need a more representative Board, and we need to be able to plan schedules farther ahead.



The January BLOTTO is due at the 6 April business meeting.

A Message From Our President

Wow! How is it that every year our show gets better and better? Thanks go to many, many people for their hard work putting it together. I especially want to thank Sue Lee and Lynne Bie for the wonderful job they did as co-chairs. Things went as smoothly behind the scenes as they did for the visitors.



And then we had the Phoenix show, and the Green Valley show. So many new ideas for quilts – where to start?

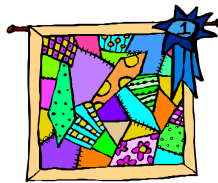
Next to the moment when the last stitch goes in (often a sigh of relief for me, rather than a victory dance!), the best part of the quilt process is the beginning. Sitting in my workroom, surrounded by my stash, my notebook, patterns and tools, the possibilities are endless. Usually, I don't start cutting until I can "see" most of the quilt in my head. Often the quilt changes as it comes together. But at the moment I start, **anything** can happen. This could be, might be, the best quilt I've ever done.

And it's also spring outside, the time of beginnings and renewals, too. So I'm doubly energized to get down to planning another year of quilting adventures.

Susan Ritter

Welcome New Members

Nancy Bernard	Peggy Lanning
Anne Blohm	Christa Pumphrey
Joy Bradley	Shari Ward
Lee Brewer	Denna Viitanen
Sandra Dow	Patricia Wick
Debbie Gunning	



Sew Many Quilts February 26-27, 2011 Ribbon Winners

Best of Show

Linda Erickson - Twisted

Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame

Niva Chun - Margarita Lime

Judge's Choice

Susan Ritter - Mama Says

Arizona Rangers' Choice

Sharon Raymond—Shoot for the Stars

Viewer's Choice

Shirley Gleave - Tom's Mexican Stars and Borders

Small Appliqué

1. Helga Trapp Wiltse - Sunflowers and Currents
2. Lois Bloom - Marathon Shopper

Small Pieced

1. Vangie Knowles - Rosebud Garden
2. JoAnn Vandine - Pieciful Sewing
3. Dorthy Goulding - Poinsettia

Small Mixed Technique

1. Irene Violette - Serenity
 2. Jill Holsonback - A Christmas Story
 3. Gail Fisher - Under the Sea
- Honorable Mention: Patricia Holley - American Apple Pie

Medium Appliqué

1. Helga Trapp Wiltse - Happy Anniversary
2. Dot Rhodes - Friends

Medium Pieced, Professionally Quilted

1. Lynne Bie - Pinching Pennies
 2. Susan Ritter - Mama Says
 3. Patricia Holley - Rainbow Sherbet
- Honorable Mention: Candy Jennings - Equinox

Medium Pieced, Non-Professional Quilted

1. Linda Erickson - Twisted
2. Karen Horton - Kaleidoscope

Medium/Large Mixed Technique

1. Marie Karr - Rainbows and Lollipops
2. Helga Trapp Wiltse - Molly
3. Patricia Holley - Medallion Serenade

Large Pieced, Professionally Quilted

1. Martha Riedmiller - Mixed Up, But Not Crazy
 2. Vivian Lemoine - Majestic Sunset
 3. Nancy Freauff - Boise Sunflowers
- Honorable Mention: Ethel Corbin - A Structure of Colors

Large Pieced, Non-Professional/Hand Quilted

1. Shirley Gleave - Tom's Mexican Stars and Borders
2. Yuki Pais - Flying Geese Over the Rose Garden
3. Neva Chun - Margarita Lime

Art

Tied First Place

1. Linda Erickson - Bubble Hive 2
1. JoAnn Vandine - Home Sweet Home
3. Marilyn Creathbaum - Gray Matters

Miniature

1. Linda Erickson - Interwoven
2. JoAnn Vandine - Arizona Copper and Turquoise
3. Joyce Larson - Night Star

Other

1. Jill Holsonback - A Year Going Crazy With Wool

Machine Embroidery

1. Pauline Granstrom - Fall Medley
2. Irene Violette - A Kickin' It Country Chickens

Challenge

1. Margaret Dalmer - Portrait of a Tree
 2. Jill Holsonback - A Portrait of My Quilting Self
 3. Lois Bloom - Proud to be a Quilter
- Honorable Mention: Susan Ritter - Portrait of a Quilting Family
- Honorable Mention: Gail Fisher - Gypsy Queen

Apparel

Honorable Mention: Pauline Granstrom - Christmas In July Challenge Vest

For Sale

HQ 6ft or 10+ ft HandiQuilter QuilTable for an HQ16. Includes casters, table, frame, rails, leaders, track, and instructions. Three years old. If new, \$1400. Asking \$700. Contact Joan Bates.



Sew Many Quilts

▣ A BIG THANK YOU to all members who helped with the quilt show.

We both would like to thank all the committee chairs and other volunteers for their hard work with the quilt show. The show could never take place without all of you! In spite of a 'minor' glitch Being kicked out of the gym at the last minute ... the show went off without a hitch. It looked great, the quilts were beautiful and we had lots of compliments from those that attended. So give yourself a big pat on the back and remember that no one can put on a quilt show without the help of the members! Thanks, again.

Sue Lee and Lynne Bie

- ▣ Anna Lisa Frank of Tucson won our raffle quilt.
- ▣ The four members who sold the most raffle tickets are:

Clara Billock	312	Karen Horton	144
Candy Jennings	144	Linda Yauchzy	142

Also thanks to the staff of the Squirrel's Nest for their efforts in selling 214 tickets.

- ▣ We had 755 paid attendance at the show.
- ▣ Pictures of the ribbon winning quilts are now on the HSQG website.
- ▣ CDs showing all the quilts entered in the show plus the vintage quilts are now available for \$10. All proceeds go to the Guild. Contact Shirley Gray to purchase your CD.



March Blue Moon

We had a big turn out for March Blue Moon. A lot of sewing was accomplished. The pattern is now available on the website in the MEMBERS ONLY AREA or copies will be available for those without internet service. Thanks, Linda Yauchzy, for all your work.

New Member Profile - Wanda Lee Mealey

Wanda Mealey heard about the guild from Gail Fisher and by visiting quilt shows. She will be attending morning meetings. Wanda has been quilting less than a year and is self-taught. She has lived in Sierra Vista for 43 years and retired from Fort Huachuca 22 years ago after 35 years of government service. She enjoys crochet, needlepoint, art (oils and acrylics), gardening and jewelry design. She also grows and decorates gourds, does the Farmer Market in spring and fall, and has done Art in the Park for 27 years. Wanda is a widow, is a member of HAA and attends Country Estates Baptist Church. Welcome, Wanda!



2011/2012 Officers/Chairs

President /Board of Directors	Susan Ritter
Treasurer/Board of Directors	Wendy Seals
Secretary/Board of Directors	Laura Keiller
Programs/Board of Directors	Debbie Griffin
Membership/Newsletter/ Website/Board of Directors	Shirley Gray
Member-at-Large/Board of Directors	Candy Jennings
Workshops/Board of Directors	Penny Lupo
Community Quilts Chair	Coni Tiefel (Committee: Doreen Dolan (stash mgr), Joann Van Oosten (stash & kits), Janet Wilcox (quilt storage & distribution))
Retreats	Shirley Auchincloas
Blotto	Irene Violette/Sue Lee
Challenge Committee	Jill Holsonback, Debbie Griffin, Margaret Dalmer, Paula Thomas:
Raffle Quilt 2012	Clara Billock, Ruth Akins, Jane Bourne, Pat Hopkins, Pat Wettack
Raffle Quilt 2013	Dorothy Goulding, Debi Guilmette, Sandy Varley
Historian	Shirley Fogle
Librarian	Kathy Tyler
Hospitality Co-Chairs	Marrietta O'Brien/Diane Cratsenburg



Left to Right: Wendy Seals, Susan Ritter, Laura Keiller

Listed above are the positions we have commitments for as of today. There are some big gaps. Here are the positions that need people:

Quilt Show Chair/s (probably better with two people)

(There are also a couple of major subcommittees available if we do the show)

Member-at-Large BOD (meet monthly)

Publicity (month to month notices in local newspaper)

Caring (send cards to ill/bereaved members)

Hall of Fame Representative (work with statewide Board usually by e-mail with occasional meeting)

If you even THINK you are interested and available for any of these positions, please contact Susan Ritter to discuss details.

Quilts for Kids

Quilts for Kids needs quilts for boys. For information go to www.quiltsforkids.org.

Speedy Recovery

Sue Lee is recovering from surgery, we wish her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to our March Raffle Winners

Yvonne Bryant

Shirley Fogle

Nancy Freauff

Stephanie O'Neill

Cowgirl-Up Quilts



Laura Mucci, Owner
520-586-1616

344 E. 4th St
Benson, AZ 85602

Now carrying Embroidery Floss & Sewing Supplies!

NOW OPEN - 9 to 5 Monday thru Saturday

FABRICS
NOTIONS
PATTERNS
AND
BOOKS

The Arizona Centennial Challenge fabric will be arriving in April.

Dates for Your Information

- 4/27-30 AQS Show, Paducah, KY
- 6/10-6/12 Strawberry Patchers Show, Pine, AZ
(strawberrypatchers.com)
- 7/29-31 Intl Quilt Festival, Long Beach
(www.quilts.com)
- 9/24-9/25 Quilters Hall of Fame Weekend
Prescott, AZ
(www.arizonaquiltershalloffame.org)
- 11/3-6 Intl Quilt Festival, Houston
(www.quilts.com)
- 11/11-12 Fiber Arts Festival, Silver City, NM
(scfiberartsfestival@gmail.com)

New Member Profile -

Peggy Lanning

Peggy heard about the guild from Lynne Bie and will be attending the morning meetings. She just started quilting and is just learning. Peggy has lived in Sierra Vista for 6 years. Her other hobbies include gardening and crocheting. Peggy has 4 children, 16 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and was a special ed teacher prior to retiring in 2010. Welcome, Peggy!

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Karen Horton on the death of her mother, Virginia Erickson. Virginia was a long-time member of HSQG.



Workshops

Date: June 18
Time: 9am-3pm
Place: Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp
Cost: \$15 (including lunch)

Beth Hawkins of LizzieBCre8ive will present a workshop. Sign-ups will start May 2. Mark your calendar.

Penny Lupo

Upcoming HSQG Calendar

- 5/2 Program Meeting - Hand Appliqué Techniques (Hands-On Applique)
 - 5/4 Program Meeting—Hand Appliqué Techniques (Hands-on Applique)
 - 5/11 Quilting Bee
 - 5/18 Community Quilts
 - 5/25 Quilting Bee
 - 6/1 Program Meeting - Ruth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive)
 - 6/6 Program Meeting - Ruth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive)
 - 6/8 Quilting Bee
 - 6/15 Community Quilts
 - 6/18 Workshop (LizzieBcre8ive)*
 - 6/22 Quilting Bee
 - 6/29 Blue Moon Wednesday
 - 8/24-28 Retreat*
 - 10/7-10 Retreat*
- *Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Possible New Meeting Location

Those of you with e-mail already know the Guild may have to move this summer. The church where we meet has leased space to a new charter school to start in August. While the church would like us to stay, space for our meetings and storage will have to change. They will be remodeling to accommodate the children and we will be reviewing their plans when they are finalized.

Meanwhile, the Guild is also looking at other possibilities around Sierra Vista. We last looked at space needs about 7 years ago, so anything that has been added or changed since then is being assessed. Thanks to all the members who have contributed ideas. **There is at least one good alternative** to the church where we meet now, and I'm sure we will find more as we go down the list.

So, to sum up:

1. Don't worry – We WILL have a meeting place
2. Any move will be easier with less stuff to move, so we are trying to thin down the stash, too.
3. Stay tuned – we'll need help to do this.

Susan Ritter

Quilt Show Boutique 2012

It's time to think about next year's show and boutique. Let's try to double our fun this time.

What sold: wall hangings, small quilts, pillow shams and cases (when we finally displayed them properly), kitchen items, table runners and toppers, hot-pads, dishcloths, some placemats, some vests, a dinosaur toy, and a stuffed ball.

What did **NOT** sell: pincushions, bag accessories, pillows, unquilted tote bags, and non-quilt related items.

Beginning at the first meeting in April we will have kits of orphans to take home and complete. Thank you ladies and gentlemen.

Maryann and Gail

Congratulations, Sue Ann

Sue Ann Vannoy won 2nd place for her Harvest Spice quilt and Honorable Mention for Oklahoma Appliqué at the Green Valley "Splendor in the Desert" quilt show. She also won a \$300 gift certificate from Hearts and Hands for volunteering at the show.

Relay for Life Quilt

Raffle tickets are available from Clara Billock, Ruth Akins, or Pat Hopkins. The quilt was donated by Georganne Weydemeyer. Tickets are 6 for \$5, 13 for \$10, or 30 for \$20. The entire proceeds are donated to Relay for Life. Our team is the Odds and Ends and everyone is invited to join our team. Thanks for your support.

Clara Billock



It is time to renew your membership. Please remember that once your new membership has been processed the year and your membership number will change to enter the MEMBERS ONLY area of the website.



Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Membership April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Summer Address _____

Do you want to receive your newsletter via E-mail? Yes No E-Mail Address _____

Dates Summer Address To Be Used _____ Birthday (Mo/Day Only) _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Check all that apply:

New Membership Renewal

Adult Membership \$15.00 Junior Membership \$7.50

I will primarily attend day meetings I will primarily attend night meetings

I can't often attend meetings, but want to enter a quilt in the quilt show

I understand that the primary goal of the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild is to promote interest in and appreciation of quilting and fiber arts and to contribute quilts to the community. To achieve this goal, the Guild has quilt shows, various yearly projects, and monthly programs. By being a member of this Guild I will uphold this goal and pledge my cooperation by working on the Guild's projects, shows and programs. I will share my time and talents as generously as I can for the betterment of the Guild.

Signed _____

For Guild Use Only	
Membership Number	
Check Number/Cash	
Amount Received	
Date Recorded	

Please make check payable to **HSQG** and mail to:

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Or deliver to the Membership Chair or Treasurer at a HSQG meeting

(www.hummingbirdquiltguild.com)



Sew Many Quilts

Photos by Glenn Gray



April Birthdays Happy Birthday

4/4	Janis Leavitt
4/4	Bernice Muniz
4/5	Ingrid Kluegel
4/5	Jackie Rippa
4/6	Doreen Dolan
4/10	Patricia Phagan
4/11	Joan Hanset
4/11	Cynthia Waskiewicz
4/12	Ruth Hoskins
4/12	Christine Hoyt
4/12	Virginia Sciarrino
4/13	Sue Lee
4/16	Geordy Tashiro
4/22	Ruth Akins
4/30	Florene Preston



March 4-7 Retreat

The quilters who attended the Spring '11 retreat had a wonderful time making Pat Hoard's reversible table runner, which is quilted as you go. Everyone received a fat quarter from Bella Quilt Works and The Quilt Basket. Cowgirl-Up, Desert Patch, The Quilters Market, and the Squirrels Nest all donated prizes. PEPSI and COCA-COLA both donated soda and water.

I would like to thank Paula Thomas and Jill Wallace who made gifts for every participant and Shirley Gleave and Shirley Fogle who picked up all the donations. Thanks also to Paula for making the nametags. In addition, a thank you to all the ladies who carried the heavy items and helped set up and take down (Shirley G, Shirley F, Christie K, Joan L., Joe G, Candy J to name just a few). Also, photos taken by Roberta Watson are now on the website.

The next retreat is Wednesday, August 24, through Sunday, August 28, 2011. Cost will be \$160 for members and \$185 for non-members. It is another UFO retreat! Sign up early! Check the website for future retreat dates.

Shirley Auchincloss

Thanks to Shirley Auchincloss for all the work she does planning and running our retreats

Website/Membership News

- ▣ Please remember that when you pay dues for the new year, your password will change to enter the MEMBERS ONLY AREA.
- ▣ If your picture does not appear on the roster in the MEMBERS ONLY AREA, please see Shirley Gray to have your picture taken.

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.

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Website of the Month

Thanks to Linda Erickson for sharing these websites:

- ▣ <http://www.nfb.ca/film/quilt> (watch this spectacular quilt block film)
- ▣ <http://www.themarthatblog.com/2011/03/infinite-variety-three-centuries-of-red-and-white-quilts.html> (Martha Stewart's blog with 37 photos from the American Folk Art Museum in New York presenting "Infinite Variety. Three Centuries of Red and White Quilts.")