



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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May 2011

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

May Calendar

5/2	6:00pm	Program Meeting - Hand Appliqué Techniques (Hands-On Appliqué)/Important Vote (see below)/Cowgirl-Up Quilts Visit
5/4	8:30am	Board of Directors Meeting
5/4	9:30am	Program Meeting - Hand Appliqué Techniques (Hands-On Appliqué)/Important Vote (see below)/Cowgirl-Up Quilts Visit
5/11	9:30am	Quilting Bee
5/19	9:30am	Community Quilts
5/25	9:30am	Quilting Bee

Important Votes at May Meetings

Events are moving quickly and the Guild needs to make some big decisions at the May program meetings. We have looked at a lot of possible meeting sites in Sierra Vista and will be ready to present the Board's recommendation to the membership. We will be taking a vote at both evening and daytime meetings in May. We also have volunteers for the Quilt Show Chair position and are ready to take a formal vote on holding a quilt show in 2012.

Community Quilts

The following quilts were distributed in April:

La Hacienda	8
Cochise Children's Crisis Ctr	8
Cochise Foster Care	5
Forgach House	8
Cochise Oncology Center	8
Total	37

Janet Wilcox

A Message From Our President



Here it is almost May and Mother's Day again and I'm remembering my mother and grandmother with affection and admiration. The older I get, the more I miss them and their sense of humor, that oddball take on the world. They survived world wars and the Great Depression, as well as the personal illnesses and struggles most women face. My mother was a chemist in the 1950s, up to then a man's profession. And they did it all without a lot of fuss, unsung heroes.

We all can name the public heroes, our police and firefighters, our husbands, children and friends stationed overseas on a mission for their country. But there are many more unsung heroes among us, people who quietly go about doing things that need to be done, just because it's the right thing to do. These are people who contribute to our community, comfort the unfortunate, or ease someone's troubled heart, often at considerable cost to themselves. This week I had a number of angry calls from someone who wanted me to solve their quarrel with a third party. I was getting quite irritated at both of them until I heard news that changed everything – one of them had a new diagnosis of cancer. I know there will be many unsung heroes who step forward to help.

Look around you this month – I'll bet you can find these people in all kinds of places, quietly being unsung heroes. Try passing on a smile, thanks, or a prayer – better yet, make them a quilt!

Susan Ritter

Personal Shopping (with delivery!)

Laura from Cowgirl-Up Quilts will be at both day and evening May meetings with a selection from the store. Please visit the shop website (www.cowgirl-upquilts.com) for a moment. If you see anything you might like, call Laura and she will be happy to bring it down for you.

Cowgirl-Up Quilts

Laura Mucci, Owner
520-586-1616

344 E. 4th St
Benson, AZ 85602

Now carrying Embroidery Floss & Sewing Supplies!

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Update: 2011/2012 Officers/Chairs

President*	Susan Ritter
1st Vice President, Publicity*	Jane Bourne
Treasurer*	Wendy Seals
Secretary*	Laura Keiller
Az Quilters Hall of Fame** Representative	Sue Ann Vannoy
Blotto	Irene Violette/Sue Lee
Board of Directors Members-at-Large*	Margaret Dalmer/Candy Jennings
Caring	Janet Murphy/Jan Bowie
Challenge Committee	Jill Holsonback, Debbie Griffin, Margaret Dalmer, Paula Thomas
Community Quilts	Coni Tiefel (Committee: Doreen Dolan (stash mgr), JoAnn Van Oosten (stash & kits), Janet Wilcox (quilt storage & distribution))
Historian	Shirley Fogle
Hospitality	Marrietta O'Brien/Diane Cratsenburg
Librarian	Kathy Tyler
Membership/Newsletter/ Webmaster*	Shirley Gray
Programs*	Debbie Griffin
Quilt Show 2012 Co-Chairs*	Clara Billock/Pat Hopkins/Coni Tiefel
Raffles	Candy Jennings
Retreats	Shirley Auchincloss
Raffle Quilt 2012	Clara Billock, Ruth Akins, Jane Bourne, Pat Hopkins, Pat Wettack
Raffle Quilt 2013	Dorothy Goulding, Debi Guilmette, Sandy Varley
Workshops*	Penny Lupo
*Board of Directors	

****We still need a Hall of Fame liaison beginning in September. Please contact Sue Ann Vannoy for job description.**

Revised Bylaws

The revised bylaws are now on the website. If you want a hard copy, please see Shirley Gray.

Congratulations, Peggy Kenny

Peggy recently won 1st place in the Benson quilt show for her A-Maizing-Southwest quilt.

Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild Revised Financial Statement (cash basis) April 1, 2010 - March 31, 2011

Income

Interest	\$13.00
Donation	224.00
Membership 2010	3,008.00
Nametag Fines	35.00
Newsletter Ads	110.00
Quilt Show 2011	6,240.00
Retreats (net)	125.00
Raffles	<u>641.00</u>
Total Income:	<u>\$10,396.00</u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$717.00
Blotto/BOM	303.00
Challenge	153.00
Charity	1,011.00
Historian	56.00
Insurance	755.00
Library	37.00
Meeting Room	660.00
Membership	311.00
Newsletter	757.00
Programs	893.00
Raffles	9.00
Storage	840.00
Tours (net)	853.00
Workshops (net)	<u>463.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u>\$7,818.00</u>

Cash Balance March 31, 2011

Checking	\$7,550.00
Savings	<u>8,617.00</u>
Total	<u>\$16,167.00</u>

Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild Budget For the Year April 1, 2011 - March 31, 2012

Income

Interest	\$12.00
Membership	3,000.00
Nametag Fines	30.00
Newsletter Ads	0.00
Quilt Show 2012	3,000.00
Raffles	450.00
Retreats	2,500.00
Savings	3,338.00
Tours	750.00
Workshops	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Income:	<u>\$14,580.00</u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$600.00
Advertising	0.00
Blotto	350.00
Challenge	200.00
Charity	650.00
Education	0.00
Historian	50.00
Insurance	1,000.00
Library	50.00
Meeting Room	640.00
Membership	250.00
Newsletter	600.00
Programs	2,000.00
Retreats	3,250.00
Storage	840.00
Tours	1,600.00
Workshops	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u>\$14,580.00</u>

April Raffle Winners

Kathy Baker
Janet Murphy

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Revised Financial Statement (Cash Basis) Quilt Show 2011

Income

Admissions	\$3,778.00
Boutique	2,545.00
Donation	83.00
Member Quilt (net)	17.00
Member Vendor Fees	180.00
Show CDs Sold	190.00
Raffle	3,492.00
Silent Auction	250.00
Vendor Fees	3,300.00
Vintage Auction	<u>460.00</u>
Total Income	<u>\$14,295.00</u>

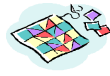
Expenses

Admissions	\$28.00
Advertising	591.00
Boutique	111.00
Check In/Out	0.00
Education	33.00
Hang Tags	31.00
Hanging System	0.00
Hospitality	293.00
Judging	455.00
Miscellaneous	46.00
Printing	646.00
Raffle Quilt	452.00
Ribbons	397.00
Sales Taxes	257.00
Security	810.00
Set-Up	434.00
Speaker	379.00
Tables	525.00
Vendor Expenses	35.00
Venue	2,334.00
Vintage Auction	<u>198.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$8,055.00</u>

Net Profit \$6,240.00

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Lucy Ellen Brown on the death of her husband.



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

6/1	Program Meeting - Beth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive)/Board of Directors Meeting
6/6	Program Meeting - Beth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive)
6/8	Quilting Bee
6/15	Community Quilts
6/18	Workshop (LizzieBcre8ive)*
6/22	Quilting Bee
6/29	Blue Moon Wednesday
7/4	<u>Holiday - No Meeting</u>
7/6	Program Meeting/Board of Directors Meeting
7/11	Quarterly Business Meeting/ BLOTTO due
7/13	Quilting Bee
7/20	Community Quilts
7/27	Quilting Bee
8/24-28	Retreat*
10/7-10	Retreat*

*Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Minutes
Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild
April 6, 2011

President Susan Ritter called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes: It was moved by Karen Horton and seconded by Jill Holsonback to accept the minutes of the January 3, 2011 business meeting as published in the newsletter. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The 2011 quilt show brought in an income of \$14,295.00. Expenses were \$8,063.00 with a profit of \$6,232.00. The financial statement for April 20, 2010 to March 31, 2011 showed an income of \$11,248.00 and expenses of \$7,818.00. There is a balance of \$16,264.00 in the savings and checking accounts.

Old Business: Lynne Bie moved and Kathy Tyler seconded a motion to accept by-law amendments as published. Motion passed.

New Business: The proposed 2011-2012 budget shows an income and expenses of \$14,580.00. It was moved by Jane Bourne and seconded by Penny Lupo to accept the budget as presented. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Candy Jennings and seconded by Sue Ann Vannoy to increase dues to \$25.00 for the 2012-2013 year. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Nancy Tucheck and seconded by Lynne Bie to donate a community quilt to Village Meadows School to be auctioned at their 50th Birthday Celebration, proceeds to benefit the school. Motion passed. A quilt made by Linda Erickson was presented.

Nancy Tucheck, Janet Murphy, and JoAnn Van Oosten volunteered to pursue a project for a reproduction quilt for the National Park Service.

It was moved by Caroline Frank and seconded by Clara Billock that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Keiller, Secretary

New Member Profile - Sandra Dow

Sandra heard about HSQG by attending quilt shows in Sierra Vista and Tucson show for about 10 years. She has been quilting off and on for about 25 years. Her first seminar was a disaster and it took her a couple of years to return. She learned to quilt from classes and friends. She has a couple of old quilt pieces (unfortunately not quilts) from ancestors who were long gone before she was born. Her favorite technique is color coordinating and piecing, but her husband would say that "buying fabric" is her favorite technique.

Sandra has lived in Sierra Vista for 12 years (4 years full time). Although born in Michigan, plus a few years up in the 4 corners area, Sandra spent 40+ years in Wyoming. She liked the area after visiting with old dear friends, liked the altitude, and highly diversified and interesting people in the area. Being a bird watcher was another asset. Her other hobbies include genealogy, reading, traveling, and fly fishing.

Sandra said, "I have been fortunate to have had some classes and travels with some great teachers. Also, a great group of quilting friends in Wyoming and we attended "Quilting in the Tetons" seminars most of the years it has been held. Now that "Quilting in the Tetons" is ending with the 2011 session, it is time to realign my focus to this area."

Her favorite fabrics are batiks, Japanese, and Kaffe Fassett, and trying to find ways to use them. She likes making baby quilts with batiks and is drawn to geometric patterns.

Sandra said, "Although I am gone a lot, I look forward to being challenged by "the hummingbirds." You seem to be an eclectic group of great quilters. Thanks for letting me join you." Welcome, Sandra!

Wishing You Well

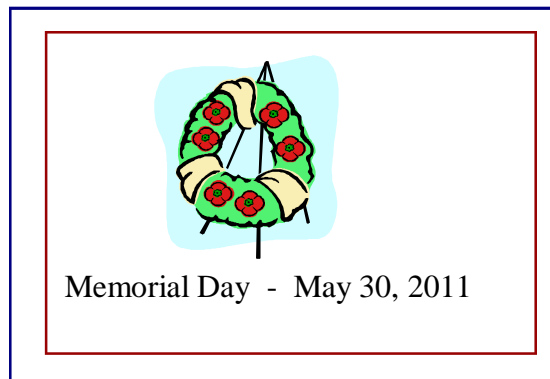
Lynne Bie
Olga Fannin
Pauline Grosch

Kaleidoscope Revisited

Karen Horton will be teaching a Kaleidoscope class at The Squirrel's Nest on June 4th. This is a Ricky Tims technique, simplified. Cost is \$20. Contact The Squirrel's Nest to sign up.

Quilt Show CDs

Quilt Show CDs are still available for \$10. All money goes to the guild. Please see Shirley Gray to purchase your CD.



Are You Working on Your Challenge Quilt?

New Member Profile - Joy Bradley

Joy wrote:

"I heard about HSQG back in 2007 when I worked with Carlene Helsing, a former guild member. She took classes through Thimbleweeds and always had beautiful items to show us at work. She always spoke highly about the guild and how much she loved to quilt.

I will primarily attend morning meetings as often as I can. Looking forward to helping as much as I can with my "free time" since I'm officially retired but working part time at the Squirrel's Nest, taking classes whenever I can, and taking care of my two kitties and hubby - gotta keep him happy by spending time together in the evenings.

I have been quilting since Feb 2009 when I took my first ever class - intro to piecing - at the Squirrel's Nest. Never heard of a rotary cutter or cutting mat before that, as I grew up sewing clothes, home items and using scissors to cut fabric. I took more classes, some at the Squirrel's Nest and some at Thimbleweeds. It all started as a dare to try it - thanks to Carlene again. She said once I tried it I'd be hooked and guess what - I really am! I love machine piecing and am starting to design a few things on my own for personal use. I'm not very good at the actual quilting yet - can do some curves and straight stitching, but FMQ frustrates me a lot. I know it just takes practice and some day I'll be able to do my own quilts hopefully. Usually I send anything bigger than a baby quilt to my favorite long-arm quilters.

I have lived in Sierra Vista since 2002 and never want to leave. I fell in love with AZ in 1976 when I visited here for the first time - it felt like home and I vowed to some day live here. My roots are in NJ as are my 2 children and some family members, but they have to settle for traveling here as I really don't enjoy the weather back east enough to visit very often. I am an avid reader and have been most of my life. I've just added quilting magazine to my massive library, and read them cover to cover when they arrive. I also like to play word games online, and am always on the lookout for free patterns online - must have ideas to keep my stash happy.

That's my story for now. Maybe HSQG will add another dimension to the wild and zany life we all lead."

Welcome, Joy!

May Birthdays Happy Birthday

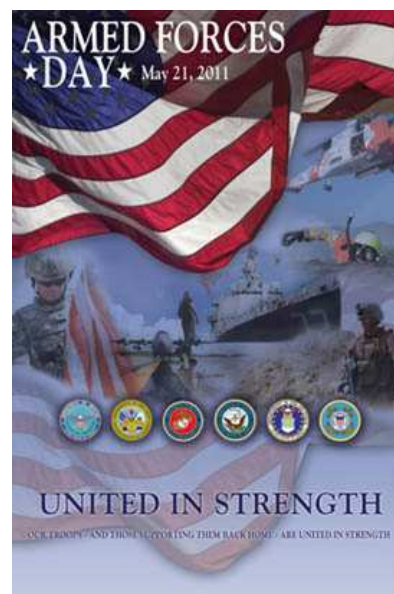
5/1	Lindsey Atkinson
5/1	Jackie Jenkins
5/6	Coni Tiefel
5/11	Linda Erickson
5/11	Debbie Griffin
5/16	Shirley Herrmann
5/17	JoAnn Vandine
5/18	Lucy Ellen Brown
5/20	Barbara Schwartz
5/22	Julie Hill
5/24	Rebecca Wallace
5/24	Jean Tucker
5/25	Marilyn Creathbaum
5/28	Brenda Shipman
5/28	Margo Carlisle
5/28	Janice Cathey
5/31	Alice Henderson

BLOTTO

Wow! 82 blocks were turned in for the January Blotto. The nine block winners were:

Connie Cook	Candy Jennings
Millie Fehrenbach	Sue Lee
Virginia Fleming	Vivian Lemoine
Ann Hanson	Susana Solano (2)

Shown below is the April BLOTTO which is due on July 11.



Membership Reminder

If you have not paid your HSQG 2011-12 membership dues, this is the last newsletter you will receive.

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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Websites of the Month

- ▣ Treadle machine information and a video showing “How to Use a Seam Ripper - Another Way”
<http://www.youtube.com/treadlelady>

- ▣ You will be inspired by the blind quilter: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7lfaSmDxVZQ>