



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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June 2011

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

June Calendar

6/1	0830am	Board of Directors Meeting
	0930am	Program Meeting—Trunk Show (Beth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive))
6/6	6:00pm	Program Meeting—Trunk Show (Beth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive))
6/8	9:30am	<u>Pack and Clean</u> (see below)
6/15	9:30am	<u>MOVE TO NEW LOCATION</u> (see below)
6/18	9:00am	Workshop (LizzieBcre8ive) (see page 4)
6/22	9:30am	Community Quilts **New Meeting Location
6/29	9:30am	Blue Moon Wednesday **New Meeting Location

A Message From Our President

The month of May is quickly turning into June with all of its graduations, weddings, and new babies -- each event needing a quilt to mark the occasion. Odd how so many endings and beginnings are in June. Even our late spring has finally changed into summer. It's the season of change and growth.

So it is with our quilt guild, too. We are beginning something new with the move to our new space. And, like all beginnings, we don't know exactly what is on the other side. There's a tremendous opportunity for growth and depth in what our guild does. We'll have more space for everything (imagine what you could do with a whole new room added on to your quilt studio at home!). There will be things we can do, that we haven't even thought of yet.

In the meantime, we will have some dislocation while we actually make the move, and get everything set up in the new place. Please note the dates for packing and moving this month. We want to be fully functional in the new space by the end of June. We will need help from many people. There will be sign-up sheets and more details at the June meetings. See you there!

We Are Moving!

It was voted on and approved unanimously at both the day and evening May meetings that we move to:

**Apache Middle School
3305 E. Fry Boulevard,
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85646

The school is located immediately east of Veterans Memorial Park (a map is on the website).

The revised HSQG 2011-12 budget is on page 3.

We will be packing up and cleaning on 8 June and moving on 15 June. Doreen Dolan will have sign-up sheets for various jobs at the June 1 and June 6 meetings. Please plan to help us move.



Susan Ritter

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Debra Kawakami on the death of her mother.



Flag Day is June 14



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RETREATS AVAILABLE**

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If you lost a pattern at the admissions table during the quilt show, please contact Peggy Kenny.

Tip of the Month

Thanks to JoAnn Van Oosten for sharing this article showing how to best cut fabric for quilt backing.



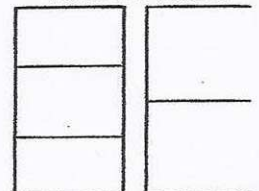
Save big bucks on backing fabric

Why buy expensive cuts of extra-wide fabric, when you can stitch together affordable 44- or 45-inch prints instead?

Here's how!

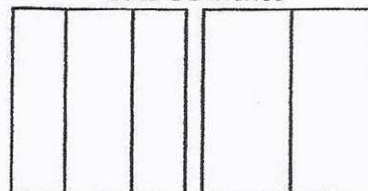
If your quilt is 40 to 60 inches wide, use horizontal seams to save on yardage.

40 to 60 inches

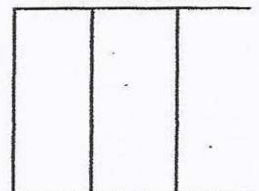


If your quilt is wider than 60 inches, use vertical seams.

61 to 80 inches



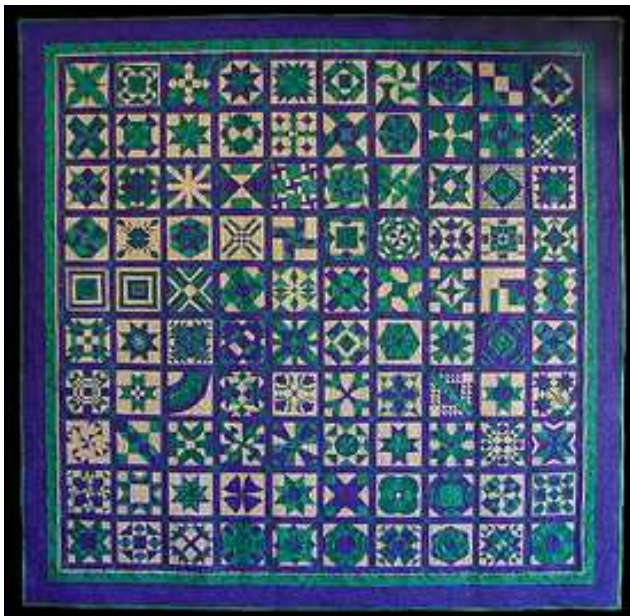
81 to 120 inches



Don't forget! Add 6 inches to both the length and width of your backing fabric to allow for fabric that is taken up during quilting and for stabilization when using a quilting frame.

“Quilts! A Centennial Heritage”

It's Official! It was voted on and approved unanimously at both the day and evening May meetings that we have a 2012 quilt show. Mark your calendars for February 25-26, 2012. A big thanks to Clara Billock, Pat Hopkins, and Coni Tiefel for volunteering to co-chair the show.



2012 Raffle Quilt

“States and Capitals Sampler Quilt”

2012 Raffle Quilt Committee: Ruth Akins, Clara Billock, Jane Bourne, Pat Hopkins, Pat Wettack.

Quilted by: Vivian Lemoine

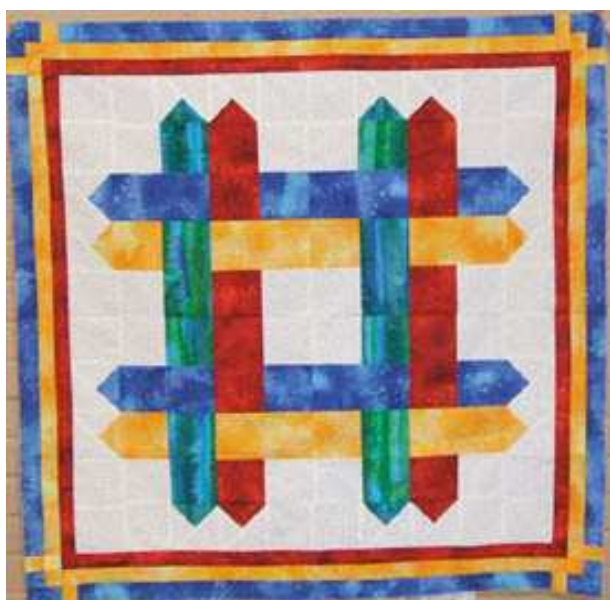
Raffle Quilt 2013

The 2013 raffle quilt committee (Dorothy Goulding, Debi Guilmette, Sandy Varley) is already hard at work. The fabric has been bought, and members are asked to make a 6", 9", or 12" star block. You may use your own star pattern or a pattern will be provided. Kits will also be available. A few blocks are shown below.



June Blue Moon Wednesday

Join us on June 29th for Blue Moon Wednesday. JoAnn Vandine will provide instructions for Woven Ribbons.



This revised budget reflects the rent at our new location. The figures show a conservative estimate of our income and the possible full amount of rental costs. Although we have discussed several possibilities for making trade-offs to offset the actual cash outlay, none of them is finalized yet. The revised budget was discussed and unanimously approved at both May meetings.

Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild Budget (Revised)

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	8,136.00
Tours	750.00
Workshops	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Income:	<u>\$19,378.00</u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$600.00
Advertising	0.00
Blotto	350.00
Challenge	200.00
Charity	650.00
Education	0.00
Historian	50.00
Insurance	850.00
Library	50.00
Meeting Room	5,888.00
Membership	250.00
Newsletter	600.00
Programs	2,000.00
Retreats	3,250.00
Storage	540.00
Tours	1,600.00
Workshops	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u>\$19,378.00</u>



Workshops

Date: June 18

Time: 9am-3pm

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

Place: Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Beth Hawkins (LizzieBcre8ive) will be the program speaker both Monday and Wednesday and will be teaching the workshop on June 18. It is applique. You will be able to see the quilt at the June program meetings. Beth also has her own line of fabrics, and kits will be available. The amount of each fabric will, of course, be available if you do not wish a kit. The workshop will be held at Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp and lunch is provided.

Penny Lupo



Did You Know!

Pictures of our Show and Tell quilts can be found on the HSQG website. Go to the website, choose Events and then chose Show and Tell.



Retreat - August 24-28

The next retreat is August 24-28, 2011, and it is a UFO retreat. The cost is \$150 for members as of April 1, 2011 and \$175 for non-members. Deposits need to be in by June 1st (\$25) with the balance due by July 15th. Bring your machines and the projects you want to work on. **THEY DO ALL THE COOKING.** (We will be giving Cheryl and Dan, the managers of the camp, their quilt!) Call Shirley Auchincloss for more info and to reserve your space!



Upcoming HSQG Calendar

- 7/4 **Holiday - No Meeting**
- 7/6 Program Meeting - Lynda & Bonnie
(The Quilt Market)/Board of Directors Mtg
- 7/11 Quarterly Business Meeting/
BLOTTO due
- 7/13 Quilting Bee
- 7/15 August Retreat Deposit Due
- 7/20 Community Quilts
- 7/27 Quilting Bee
- 8/1 Program Meeting - Sue Lee (Judging)
- 8/3 Program Meeting—Lena Tsuruda,
Quilt Basket (Threads, Stabilizers,
and Feet) /Board of Directors Meeting
- 8/10 Quilting Bee
- 8/17 Community Quilts
- 8/24 Quilting Bee
- 8/24-28 Retreat*
- 8/31 Blue Moon Wednesday
- 10/7-10 Retreat*
- 2012
- 4/20-23 Retreat*
- 8/22-26 Retreat*
- 2013
- 4/12-15 Retreat*
- 8/21-25 Retreat*
- 10/11-14 Retreat*

*Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

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.



June Birthdays Happy Birthday



6/3 Pat Wettack



6/5 Jan Bowie



6/7 Maryann Lepic



6/8 Roberta Watson



6/10 Dottie Bianco



6/10 Peggy Kenny



6/16 Connie Cook



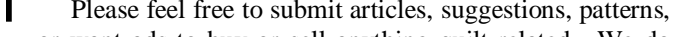
6/18 Kathryn Tyler



6/23 Betty Merkel



6/26 Pauline Grosch



Dates for Your Information

6/10-6/12 Strawberry Patchers Show, Pine, AZ
(strawberrypatchers.com)

7/29-31 Intl Quilt Festival, Long Beach
(www.quilts.com)

Board of Directors Meeting

The following items were discussed at the May 4th and May 18th Board of Directors Meetings:

- Quilt Show 2012
- Move to new location. Doreen and Dick Dolan in charge of move—how to best accomplish the move
- Future programs and retreats
- How to better make new members feel welcome
- Ways to make additional revenue for HSQG
- Blue Moon Wednesdays

Congratulations to Donna Viitanen

Donna won Best of Show at the Federated Women's Club state convention in New Mexico. The pattern was "Affairs of the Heart" by Aie Rossmann.



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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

- ▣ Check out the Paducah winners: www.americanquilter.com
- ▣ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFonyVEmBUQ> Thanks to Jill Holsonback for sharing this video showing how to make an appliquer's knot to use when stitching with silk thread. This knot prevents the silk thread from slipping out of the eye of the needle.