



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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Guild meetings are held at Apache Middle School located at 3305 E. Fry Blvd., Sierra Vista unless otherwise noted.

A Message From Our President

Well, this has certainly been an interesting month! Sometimes, “interesting” in the sense of the old Chinese curse, “May you live in interesting times.” But, the update on our move is -- WE’RE IN!!!

Our heartfelt thanks go to Doreen and Dick Dolan who coordinated the entire move and made sure everything we started out with ended up in the new stash room. Many thanks also go to all the people who helped pack, helped unload, cleaned the band room; we couldn’t have done it without everyone working together.

And then, as many of you know our room was used for an evacuation center during our wildfires and we had to find everything again. But a few of us actually worked there on the 22nd, trying out the equipment, power, and storage areas. Opinions so far range from “fantastic” to “wow.”

Wednesday June 29 we hosted our first full work session as we started this quarter’s Blue Moon project. Come to a meeting soon and enjoy the air conditioning in our new space.

Susan Ritter



July Calendar

7/4	HOLIDAY—NO MEETING
7/6	8:30am Board of Directors Meeting
7/6	9:30am Program Meeting - “Square Me Up” Lynda & Bonnie from The Quilters Market
7/11	6:00pm Quarterly Business Meeting/ BLOTTO Due
7/13	9:30am Quilting Bee
7/15	August Retreat Deposit Due
7/16	9:00am Workshop with Beth Hawkins
7/20	9:30am Community Quilts
7/27	9:30am Quilting Bee

Welcome New Members

Pam Knight
Joanne Presher

Community Quilts

The following quilts were distributed in June:
Life Care Center - 8 quilts

Janet Wilcox



The April BLOTTO is due at the July 11 Quarterly Business Meeting.

Moving Day

Thank you to all the members and spouses/friends (Larry Bourne, Dick Dolan, Glenn Gray, and Lee Pimple) who helped clean, pack, and move HSQG from the church to our new location at Apache Middle School. A very special thank you to Doreen and Dick Dolan who planned, organized, and helped execute this move. Their efforts made the move run smoothly. Additional pictures are available on the HSQG website.



For Sale

I have a Grace EZ3 Fabri-Fast quilting frame for hand quilting that I would like to sell. It is in great condition and the price is \$80.

Shirley Fogle

Quilting Songs

Maryann Lopic passed along this info about a couple that sings quilting songs. They are interested in producing a CD and are soliciting donations for their project. Donors get a free gift. Check out this website: <http://kck.st/jQjnEU>.

Monument Fire

The Monument Fire affected all of us in one way or another. We are extremely sad that HSQG member, Yuki Pais, lost her home. Other members had damage to their property. Many members were evacuated from their homes, many hosted evacuees, and many donated supplies to the shelters/firefighters.

A quilt has been started for Yuki. While insurance covers most possessions, Yuki lost her finished quilts and her fabric stash. She would appreciate fabric donations and Baltimore appliqué patterns.

The Guild is considering ways we could help our community in this huge loss. Being quilters, the comfort of a quilt gift for those who have lost homes, might be the best way we can help. If you have another idea, please send an email to Susan Ritter at swilcox3@mindspring.com.



Workshops

The workshop with Beth Hawkins has been rescheduled for July 16 from 9am-3pm at Apache Middle School. Please bring your machine and sewing supplies. Beth will show us an accurate way to cut our fabrics and then sew them. Lunch will be provided. PLEASE bring your own drink! I believe Beth will bring a few kits if you want one and didn't get it.

There is room available for more people than we had at the campground so see me at the meetings if you would like to join us or if you cannot make the July 16 date and have paid for the class.

Mark your calendar for these future workshops:
 September 10: UFO workshop
 November 19: Sandy Varley - An easy way to paper piece

Penny Lupo

Dog Beds

Donate a dog bed and receive a small gift from Diane Cratsenburg. You will also receive a ticket for a drawing to be held later in the year.

Raffle Quilt 2012

We collected \$130.00 in ticket sales at Quilter's Market on Saturday, June 18. The quilt will hang there for six weeks and then be moved to the Quilt Basket for more ticket sales and viewing. The Tucson quilters were quite interested in the quilt as well as the fires so I dare say we got quite a few "pity" sales.

Jane Bourne



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FOR SALE: A wooden spool case that opens in the back and in the front. I bought it at an antique store, but I have nowhere to put it in the new house. I paid \$100 for it and will sell it for that amount. It does have some spools in it. Happy Quilting!

Jane Davis



July Birthdays Happy Birthday

- 7/1 Linda Fulford
- 7/4 Nancy Bernard
- 7/7 Kandy Killberg
- 7/8 Vivian Lemoine
- 7/12 Yuki Pais
- 7/18 Helga Trapp Wiltse
- 7/19 Merrie Haynes
- 7/21 Gail Staples
- 7/24 Sheila Ritter
- 7/26 Joyce Larson
- 7/27 Anne Blohm
- 7/30 Roberta Sipes
- 7/31 Judy Farris
- 7/31 Kay Nallin



Retreat—August 24-28

The August retreat is still scheduled for Huachuca Oaks Camp. It is a UFO retreat, and the cost is \$150 for members as of April 1 and \$175 for non-members. \$25 deposits need to be paid to Shirley Auchincloss by July 15th and final payment by August 1. Contact Shirley Auchincloss to sign up for this fun retreat.

Are You Working on Your Challenge Quilt?

Help Wanted

I plan to make a quilt with the printed selvages, and I would appreciate any you could save for me. 3/4" to 1" would be great. Also if anyone has cards that work in a Janome 5700 machine, I might be interested in buying them or sharing the ones I have.

Betty Folkner

Congratulations, Linda Erickson

Linda recently won two awards at the Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta in Silver City, New Mexico. She won 3rd Place in the Art—Small category with her "Bubble Hive 2" (which won 1st in our Art Quilts Category this year). She also won a Judge's Choice Award in the Miniature Quilts category with "Mini Sunshine" (which won 1st in our Miniature category last year). Congratulations!

Upcoming HSQG Calendar

- 8/1 Program Meeting—Sue Lee (Judging)
- 8/1 Final Retreat Payment due
- 8/3 Program Meeting—Lena Tsoruda, Quilt Basket (Threads, Stabilizers, and Feet)/Board of Directors Meeting
- 8/10 Quilting Bee
- 8/17 Community Quilts
- 8/24-28 Retreat*
- 8/31 Blue Moon Wednesday
- 9/7 Garage Sale/Board of Directors Meeting
- 9/10 UFO Workshop
- 9/12 Program Meeting - Cactus Quilts (Nancy/Dan Landon)
- 9/14 Quilting Bee
- 9/21 Community Quilts
- 9/28 Quilting Bee
- 10/7-10 Retreat*
- 11/19 Workshop—Sandy Varley—An Easy Way to Paper Piece

2012

- 4/20-we Retreat*
- 8/22-26 Retreat*
- *Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

Raffle Quilt 2013

Our 2013 quilt is growing, but we need all those blocks returned by the Guild members by the end of July or sooner if possible. We may need additional blocks made, but we have to assess what size, etc. Thanks for all your help. Each block, large or small, has been well-made and is beautiful. I think we will have a uniquely stunning quilt when in is finished.

Dorothy Goulding
2013 Raffle Quilt Chair



Board of Directors Meeting

The following items were discussed at the June 1 Board of Directors meeting:

- The move to Apache Middle School
- Workshops/Programs
- Judging
- 2012 Quilt Show

Dates for Your Information

- 7/29-7/31 Intl Quilt Festival, Long Beach (www.quilts.com)
- 9/24-9/25 Quilters Hall of Fame Weekend Prescott, AZ (www.arizonaquiltershalloffame.org)
- 11/3-11/6 Intl Quilt Festival Houston (www.quilts.com)
- 11/11-11/12 Fiber Arts Festival, Silver City, NM (scfiberartsfestival@gmail.com)

Survey

HSQG received the following E-mail request. If you would like to participate, please respond personally.

“Hello, my name is Tami Oxenrider and I would like to ask your guild for help with a research paper. I am writing a paper on quilting in America for college. The title is “Quilting: is there a comeback”. I would appreciate it if you could put these questions in your newsletter.

1. Over the past five (5) years would you say that the interest in quilting has decreased, increased or remained the same?
2. How many years have you been quilting?
3. That type of quilts do you like to make – Art quilts or traditional?
4. What size do you regularly make – wall, baby, bed size, table runner or other?
5. About how many quilts do you make per year
6. Do you quilt your own or take it to a long arm quilter?
7. Do you hand sew/quilt any of your quilts?
8. What would you say the age range of you guild is?
9. What state do you live in?
10. Do you do any quilts for charities?

For the Long arm quilters:

1. Do you quilt for others?
2. Do you have a store front or do you quilt in your home?
3. About how many quilts do you quilt in a month?
4. When would you say the busiest time for quilting is and do you have a cutoff date for Christmas quilts?

You can either mail the answers to:

Tami Oxenrider
502 Providence Drive
Bryant, AR 72022

Or E-mail decox@yahoo.com.

Please place ‘Quilt Research’ in the subject line.

Thank you for all your help.”

Tami Oxenrider

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

Websites from Beth Hawkins for LizzieBcre8ive:

- ▣ www.LizzieBcre8ive.com
- ▣ wwwDreamLaughCreate.blogspot.com (newest e-Magazine to hit the creative world)