



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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August 2010

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

August Calendar

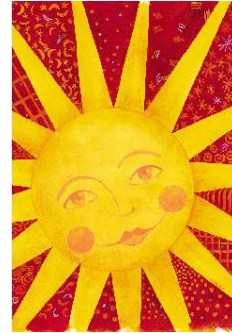
8/2	6:00pm	Program Meeting
8/4	9:30am	Program Meeting
8/11	9:00am	Pillowcase work session/ BOM-POM
8/18	9:30am	Community Quilts
8/25	9:30am	Quilting Bee/Strips & Scraps
8/25-8/29		Retreat at Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp

August 2 and August 4 Program Meetings:

Carol Jones loves the Japanese embroidery technique called Sashiko. She will show us several examples of this work and how easily it can be applied to many different projects. She is in the process of preparing samples to show while teaching at the International Quilt Festival in Houston this coming November.

August 11: We will be working on pillowcases for soldiers.

August 25: Arrive for the retreat on Wednesday, August 25 at 2pm and have meals through breakfast on Sunday, August 29. Also, the swimming pool will be open. Contact Shirley Auchincloss for information.



A Message From Our President

How nice to be quilting indoors listening to the sound of rain on my wonderful, new roof! Actually, it seems I'm spending more time on the computer this month than at the sewing machine. My new copy of EQ7 is here and I'm getting my feet wet going through the lessons. Wonderful stuff, if I can get fluent in this new "language."

At the urging of a relative who said I could see all his family photos, I signed up for Facebook this month. This may have been a step too far into the techno-world for me. I want to stay connected with what's happening out there. But how do you keep enough time for your own creativity to develop?

Aha, back to the skill of time management from my old corporate life. Budget my time, compartmentalize tasks, and set aside blocks of time with no interruptions. Step back once in a while to get the "big picture." Don't get too hung up on a design problem; work on something else for awhile. The design problem usually resolves itself when I wake up at 2:00 in the morning. Always match my colors in true sunlight. And never, ever, use my rotary cutter when I've had a second cup of Starbucks!

Sewing happily,
Susan Ritter



Congratulations, Betty Merkel

In September, Betty Merkel will be inducted into the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame Class of 2010. The description of Betty's accomplishments posted on the website reads:

“Elizabeth (Betty) Merkel, Sierra Vista. Betty played a significant role in founding Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild in 1978. She owned and operated a quilt shop, The Quilter's Outpost, from 1981 to 2003. It has been said that Betty taught Sierra Vista how to quilt and was honored as the 1995 Winter Arts Festival Artist of the Year by her community.”

It would be wonderful if as many people as possible come to support Betty and see her receive this honor.



2010 Induction Luncheon

DATE: Sunday, September 26
TIME: Noon, Registration Opens 1:00 p.m., Luncheon Served
LOCATION: Fiesta Resort & Conference Center, Tempe
TICKETS: \$40 per person

Inducting the Class of 2010
 Carolyn O'Bagy Davis, Tucson
 Elizabeth (Betty) Merkel, Sierra Vista
 Darlene Reid, Gilbert
 Sharon Schamber, Payson

Honoring Friends of the Year
 Lenna DeMarco, Sun City
 Sally Hatfield, Globe
 Arizona Quilters Guild

Hall of Fame Award Quilt Exhibit
 Door Prizes

**Purchase tickets at www.arizonaquiltershalloffame.org
 Click on "Donate or Shop" to reserve and pay with credit card.
 Tickets available NOW! Friends receive preferred seating!**

Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild
Business Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2010

The business meeting was called to order by President Susan Ritter at 7:15 pm.

Minutes: A motion was made by Karen Horton to approve the April minutes as published, seconded by Penny Lupo. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was presented by Wendy Seals for the period of April 1-June 30, 2010. Please refer to the full report in the August newsletter.

Old Business: none

New Business: The 2012 raffle quilt pattern was presented by Ruth Akins and Jane Bourne. There are 100 blocks, 1 each for 50 states and 50 capitals. The blocks can be done by piecing, paper piecing or appliqué. The fabrics will be purchased by the guild for an estimated \$483 which includes top, batting, backing and pattern. The fabric will cost less than retail due to negotiations with several quilt shops. The patterns and fabrics should be ready to hand out in early fall. A motion was presented by Coni Tiefel to accept this plan with a maximum budget of \$600. Motion seconded by Irene Violette. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Karen Horton and seconded by Ruth Akins. Motion was passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Lee, Acting Secretary

April BLOTTO Winners

40 blocks were turned in for the April BLOTTO. Nora Eaken won 20 of the blocks, Dorothy Goulding won 10, and Juanita Toresdahl won 10 blocks. Congratulations!

Cowgirl-Up Quilts

Laura Mucci, Owner
520-586-1616

344 E. 4th St
Benson, AZ 85602



FABRICS
NOTIONS
PATTERNS
AND
BOOKS

Now carrying Embroidery Floss & Sewing Supplies!

NOW OPEN - 9 to 5 Monday thru Saturday

Look for the new Halloween and Christmas fabric that is coming into the shop.



Pillowcases for Macy

I want to thank everyone who came and worked hard for the "Pillowcases for Macy." We made 65 cases so far. If you have pillowcase kits still out, please return them to me as soon as possible. Thank you for always coming to the need.

Mary Kay Holcomb

2012 Raffle Quilt

A mock-up of the pattern voted on at the July 12 Business Meeting is shown below.



Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild
Financial Statement
April 1, 2010 - June 30, 2010

Income

Interest	\$3.00
Donation	214.00
Membership 10	2,393.00
Nametag Fines	11.00
Newsletter Ads	40.00
Retreats (net)	1,525.00
Raffles	<u>200.00</u>
Total Income:	<u>\$4,386.00</u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$194.00
Blotto/BOM	140.00
Challenge	53.00
Charity	670.00
Historian	45.00
Insurance	0.00
Library	0.00
Meeting Room	160.00
Membership	111.00
Newsletter	128.00
Programs	450.00
Storage	210.00
Workshops (net)	<u>3.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u>\$2,164.00</u>

Cash Balance June 30, 2010

Checking	\$2,233.00
Savings	<u>11,606.00</u>
Total	<u>\$13,839.00</u>

Quilt Show 2011 Expenses to Date
\$1,122.00

July Special Treasurer's Report

Not only did our Treasurer, Wendy Seals, present her report on her famous cardboard, but she also had the cardboard embellished as well. What a way to encourage us to actually read the information!

**Double Adobe Quilters**

Sue Ann Vannoy has delivered several truck loads of fabric and supplies to the Double Adobe Quilters. They are extremely appreciative for all the donations. Contact Sue Ann if you have other donations.



Shown L to R: Mary Price, Sue Ann Vannoy, Cheryl Mammano (Manager of the Quilt Gallery in Benson), Lee Garren, Evelyn Walsh, Peggy Atkinson, Ester Jensen, and Sarah Huckaby



August Block of the Month / Project of the Month



A tote bag from JoAnn Vandine.

Community Quilts

For the month of July, 30 quilts were donated to:

- Cancer—8 La Hacienda—8
- Life Care—8
- Village Meadows Special Needs (to Mary Kay in preparation for school next month) - 6

Janet Wilcox

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Happy Birthday
August Birthdays

*	8/1	Bonnie Clark	*
*	8/1	Laura Keiller	*
*	8/1	Sue Ann Vannoy	*
*	8/11	Linda Yauchzy	*
*	8/13	Sue Fleming	*
*	8/13	Candy Jennings	*
*	8/16	Wendy Seals	*
*	8/17	Judy Major	*
*	8/18	Cheryl Herrman	*
*	8/19	Janet Wilcox	*
*	8/25	Marge Carrithers	*
*	8/31	Carol Stearman	*

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1 Million Pillowcase Challenge

The Squirrel's Nest is participating in the American Patchwork & Quilting challenge on August 21st from 10am to 4pm. Contact the shop for information.

July Raffle Winners

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| Virginia Fleming | Gail Lund |
| Peggy Kenny | Nancy Whaley |

Upcoming HSQG Calendar

- 9/1 Garage Sale
- 9/6 **NO NIGHT MEETING**
- 9/8 BOM-POM
- 9/13 Program Meeting
- 9/15 Community Quilts
- 9/18 Workshop - Arlene Walsh
- 9/22 Quilting Bee/Stripes and Scraps
- 9/26 Arizona Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon
- 9/29 Blue Moon Wednesday
- 10/2-3 Art in the Park
- 10/4 Program Meeting
- 10/6 Qtrly Business Mtg/BLOTTO
- 10/13 BOM-POM
- 10/15 Quilt Challenge—Title of your quilt and a short write up due
- 10/20 Community Quilts
- 10/22-24 Retreat **
- 10/27 Quilting Bee/Strips and Scraps
- 11/1 Quilt Challenge
- 11/3 Quilt Challenge
- 11/10 BOM-POM
- 11/17 Community Quilts
- 11/24 Quilting Bee/Strips and Scraps
- 12/1 Holiday Party
- 12/6 Holiday Party
- 12/8 BOM-POM
- 12/15 Community Quilts
- 12/22 Quilting Bee/Strips and Scraps
- 12/29 Blue Moon Wednesday

**Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp

July Program presenter, Maura Grogan, suggested checking out these blogs for more color inspiration:

- www.colourlovers.com/blog
- www.peppermintcreative.com/blog



I was recently honored by having my "barn quilt" block design selected by AccuQuilt company as the winner of their block contest. This week we flew to Nebraska for the unveiling which was a great time.

Here's a link to the Fremont newspaper article about the unveiling.

http://fremonttribune.com/news/local/article_abcd774-94e2-11df-a040-001cc4c03286.html

You can see a couple more photos by following this link and scrolling down the page:

<http://www.thequiltshow.com/os/blog.php>

Everyone that works at AccuQuilt has to make at least one quilt (even the forklift driver); the CEO says they need to understand the business they are in. In addition to the trip for 2 to beautiful downtown Fremont, Nebraska, I won \$1000 of AccuQuilt products.

Cheers, Linda



Care Committee

Jane Davis is recuperating from surgery and Sharon Clarke recently had a pacemaker put in. We wish you both well.

Upcoming Class

- ▣ Class: Border Stripe Quilt based on the book Wonderful 1 Fabric by Kay Nikols
- Date: Friday, August 20 10am to 4pm
- Place: The Squirrels Nest
- Cost: \$30
- Taught by: Coni Tiefel

July BLOTTO

Our July BLOTTO is called Martha Washington's Star and is due at our October Business Meeting. Thank you to Cactus Quilts who gave the Guild a discount when they learned the fabric was for our BLOTTO.



MEMBERS ONLY AREA

You can enter the MEMBERS ONLY AREA on the HSQG website, using the following information:

Your Name: last and first name in lower case, no space. Example: doejane

Your password: 10 (year), plus your membership number using 3 digits; Example:

10001 (membership number is 1)

10016 (membership number is 16)

10150 (membership number is 150)

Please contact me if you have any problem entering the MEMBERS ONLY AREA.

Shirley Gray
HSQG Webmaster



Workshops

September 18 with Arlene Walsh

This workshop will be at Our Lady of the Mountains Church with Arlene Walsh who will share her "Bead Embroidery" techniques with us. A kit will be available for only \$10 and additional supplies will be available at the class. You are welcome to bring your own supplies. The class is from 9am to 3:30pm. Lunch will be provided and the cost is \$15.

Penny Lupo
Workshop Chair

Library News

Two new books have been added to our library and are available for checkout: Harriet Hargrave and Carrie Hargrave Quilter's Academy A Skill-Building Course in Quiltmaking, Volume 1—Freshman Year and Volume 2—Sophomore Year.

Also, the Library List has been moved to the MEMBERS ONLY AREA of the website.

Garage Sale - September 1

It is time to start thinking about the HSQG garage sale. So start cleaning your sewing room and see what you discover that you can sell to other members.

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



Sew Many Quilts

Education Position Filled! We are pleased to announce that JoAnn Vandine has volunteered to be in charge of education for the quilt show. We would like everyone to be thinking about what skills/tips/techniques you can offer to demonstrate at the show in a 45 minute time slot. JoAnn will be looking for volunteers. Thanks, JoAnn!

Sue and Lynne



Dates for Your Information

- 9/9-9/11 Quilt Expo - Madison, WI
- 10/6-9 AQS Quilt Show, Des Moines
(AmericanQuilter.com)
- 11/4-7 International Quilt Festival
Houston (www.quilts.com)
- 11/6-13 Southern AZ Great Fabric Round Up
Shop Hop
- 11/12-14 Rim Country Quilt Roundup
(www.rimcountryquiltroundup.com)

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Website of the Month

Pauline Granstrom is sharing the following websites for machine embroidery:

www.designsbyjuju.com

www.bunnycup.com

www.secretsof.com

Do You Have a Website to Share?