



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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August 2011

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

August Calendar

8/1	6:00pm	Program Meeting - Sue Lee (Judging)
8/1		Final Retreat Payment Due
8/3	8:30am	Board of Directors Meeting
8/3	9:30am	Program Meeting—Lena Tsuruda, The Quilt Basket (Threads, Stabilizers, and Feet)
8/10	*****	Quilting Bee
8/17	*****	Community Quilts
8/24	*****	Quilting Bee
8/24-28		Retreat (Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp)
8/31	9:30am	Blue Moon (see page 2)

*****Since we are renting our meeting room in 4-hour increments, you are welcome to come from 8am to noon on non-program Wednesdays.

Community Quilts

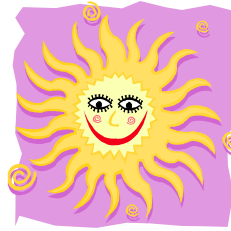
One quilt was given to a cancer patient during the month of July.



Retreat—August 24-28

The August retreat is 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. Contact Shirley Auchincloss for information.

A Message From Our President



Today I was driving home on the Interstate when a sudden down-pour overtook me. I crept along for a couple of miles, but the rain kept getting heavier – a real “frog-strangler” as my Texas cousins would call it. Along with dozens of other cars, I pulled off to wait it out. This is the desert, after all, it never lasts long. I unclamped my knuckles from the wheel, took a drink of water, and looked around. Torrents of water gushed down the slopes, heading for the wash at the bottom, already running a couple of feet deep. Thank heavens, the monsoon season finally came, I thought. Then I saw a flicker of movement out of the corner of my eye and focused more closely. Under a mesquite tree, sheltering from the rain, was a coyote. With his face turned up to the sky and his mouth open a little bit, he looked like he was grateful, too. I watched him, sharing the moment, until the rain lessened, and he moved off on whatever errands coyotes have.

There used to be an old commercial with the tagline, “the pause that refreshes.” I can’t remember now what they were advertising, but the tagline was partly effective because it stuck in my head. That short, involuntary pause to look around was refreshing. I sometimes think it doesn’t happen often enough. So today, I’m going to make sure I pause in the park with the dogs, write a note to a cousin, call a friend, enjoy the sound of the rain on the roof. Maybe I’ll come back to my design wall with just that little speck of an idea that makes it all come together.

Susan Ritter

Blue Moon Wednesday - August 31

Join us on August 31 for Blue Moon Wednesday and learn to make this fun pattern provided by JoAnn Van Oosten.



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DAY AND WEEKEND
RETREATS AVAILABLE

WWW.RITTERRANCHRETREAT.COM

Yeah!!! July Raffle Winners

Donna Blackburn
Merrie Haynes
Laddie Nichols
Florene Preston

September Garage Sale

Have you cleaned your sewing area lately? Our annual garage sale is on September 7. It is time to start thinking about the items you would like to sell.

Speedy Recovery

We wish Candy Jennings well as she recuperates from surgery.

Quilts for Monument Fire Victims

We plan to provide quilts to families who lost their homes during the Monument Fire. We need 60 quilts and have already collected 20. We need large lap to twin-size quilts. We also have a need for long-arm quilters to help finish completed quilt tops!

A special thank you to Quilters Desert Patch. They donated some fabric and also gave us a huge discount on other fabric to use in making these quilts for fire victims.

Additional Roster on the Website

There are now two rosters available on the HSQG website in the Members Only Area. One roster shows pictures of members. The second does not have the pictures so it can be easily printed out.

Board of Directors Meeting

The following items were discussed at the July 6 Board of Directors meeting:

- Quilt Show
- Quilts for Fire Victims (large lap and twin-size quilts preferred)
- October Program Meeting



Update on Macy

Macy is slowly improving after her kidney transplant. We can always use more pillowcases to send her for her "Cases for Kids" project. If you have pillowcases to donate, please contact Mary Kay Holcomb.

Upcoming HSQG Calendar

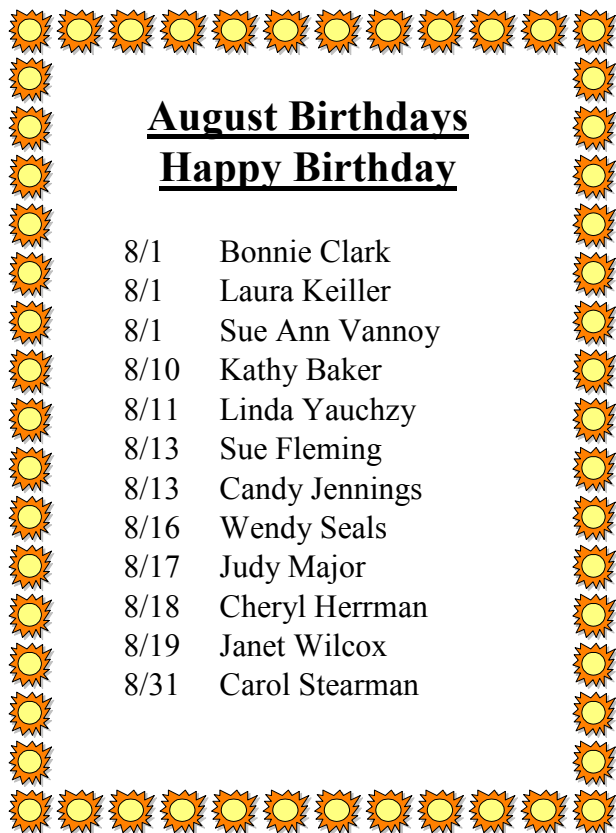
- 9/5 **HOLIDAY - No Meeting**
 9/7 Garage Sale/Board of Directors Meeting
 9/10 UFO Workshop
 9/12 Program Meeting - Cactus Quilts
 (Nancy/David Landon)
 9/14 Quilting Bee
 9/21 Community Quilts
 9/28 Quilting Bee
 10/3 Program Meeting
 10/5 Quarterly Business Meeting/Board of
 Directors Meeting/BLOTTO Due
 10/7-10 Retreat*
 10/12 Quilting Bee
 10/19 Community Quilts
 10/26 Quilting Bee
 11/19 Workshop—Sandy Varley—An Easy Way
 to Paper Piece

2012

4/20-23 Retreat*

8/22-26 Retreat*

*Huachuca Oaks Christian Camp

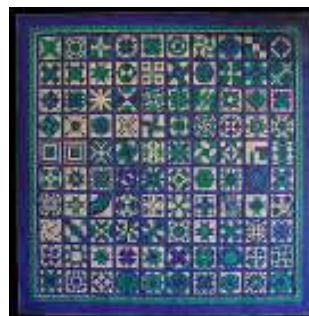


August Birthdays Happy Birthday

- 8/1 Bonnie Clark
 8/1 Laura Keiller
 8/1 Sue Ann Vannoy
 8/10 Kathy Baker
 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
 8/31 Carol Stearman

Raffle Quilt 2012

Our 2012 Raffle Quilt spent July at The Quilters Market and will move to The Quilt Basket for the month of August. Raffle tickets will be available for members to pickup August 1st.



Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame Weekend

The Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame Weekend in Prescott is scheduled to start on Saturday, 9/24, with a shop hop. The luncheon will be on Sunday, 9/25. Check out their website for the full details planned for this special weekend:

www.arizonaquiltershalloffame.org

Dates for Your Information

- 9/8-10 Nancy Zieman Quilt Expo
 Madison, WI (wiquiltexpo.com)
 9/24-9/25 Quilters Hall of Fame Weekend
 Prescott, AZ
 (www.arizonaquiltershalloffame.org)
 9/29-10/1 Rusty Barn Festival, Tucson
 (www.rustybarn.com)
 11/3-11/6 Intl Quilt Festival Houston
 (www.quilts.com)
 11/11-11/12 Fiber Arts Festival, Silver City, NM
 (scfiberartsfestival@gmail.com)
 11/11-11/13 Rim Country Quilt Roundup
 (rimcountryquiltroundup.com)

2012

- 1/19-22 Road to California
 (www.road2ca.com)

Upcoming Classes

Karen Horton will be teaching the following classes at the Squirrels Nest:

- ▣ Kaleidoscope Ricky Tims Simplified
Saturday, September 17, 10-3
Cost: \$30



- ▣ Swirling Leaves
Saturday, September 24, 10-3
Cost \$30



Raffle Quilt 2013

Have you returned your block for the 2013 raffle quilt?



Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Financial Statement April 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

Income

Interest	\$3.00
Donation	0.00
Membership 11/12	2,543.00
Nametag Fines	11.00
Newsletter Ads	40.00
Quilt Show 2012	0.00
Retreats (net)	900.00
Raffles	<u>78.00</u>
Total Income:	<u><u>\$3,575.00</u></u>

Expenses

Administrative	\$449.00
Blotto/BOM	91.00
Challenge	0.00
Charity	327.00
Historian	0.00
Insurance	9.00
Library	0.00
Meeting Room	100.00
Membership	142.00
Newsletter	60.00
Programs	609.00
Raffles	0.00
Storage	185.00
Tours (net)	0.00
Workshops (net)	<u>620.00</u>
Total Expenses:	<u><u>\$2,592.00</u></u>

Cash Balance June 30, 2011

Checking	\$6,856.00
Savings	<u>8,620.00</u>
Total	<u><u>\$15,476.00</u></u>

BLOTTO News

Over 80 blocks were turned in for the April BLOTTO. Congratulations to the following block winners:

Jane Bourne
 Joy Bradley
 Connie Cook
 Candy Jennings
 Peggy Kenny
 Sue Lee (2)
 Geordy Tashiro (2)

The July BLOTTO block is shown below and is due at the October 5 business meeting.



Workshops

The first workshop at our new location was on July 16 and was a huge success. Thanks, Penny and Debbie, for all your work organizing this workshop. Shown below are a few pictures - check out additional pictures on the HSQG website.



Photo by Penny Lupo



Photo by Jill Holsonback



Photo by Jill Holsonback

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

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

www.folkartmuseum.org (To view many of the quilts on display through September 25th, click on exhibits, then click on current exhibits, and then scroll through pictures of the quilts.)