



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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October 2009

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

October Dates to Remember

10/3-4	Art in the Park Booth
10/5 6pm	Program Meeting
10/7 9:30am	Quarterly Bus Meeting/ BLOTTO Due/Challenge Quilt Prize
10/14 9:30am	BOM
10/17 9:00am	Mystery Quilt Workshop #2
10/21 8:30am	Community Quilts
10/23-25	Retreat—Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp
10/28 9:30am	Quilting Bee

Monday, 10/5: Helen Frost and Cathy Skow from Tucson will be presenting “Measure Twice, Cut Once, and Other Lessons Learned the Hard Way.” Let’s have a good turnout for this special program. Please plan to attend.



The drawing for the BLOTTO winner will be held at the October Business Meeting, October 7.



A Message From Our President

Hi, y’all.

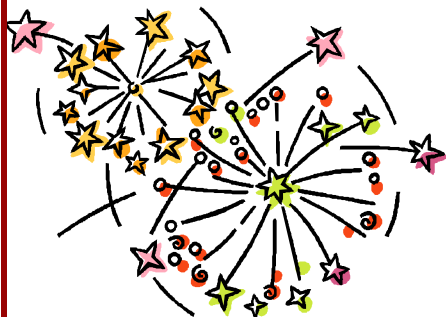
Has the touch of fall invigorated you to work on your current quilting projects? Or begin a new one?

I’m writing from Paducah and I’ve certainly been inspired by touring the National Quilt Museum today. What a fabulous array of quilts on display! There were master art quilts — some were stunningly realistic and some were stunning. The other large exhibit was wood or fabric quilts. Some of the artists worked in wood to design their quilts; many you had to look at closely to tell wood or fabric.

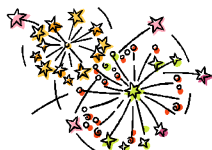
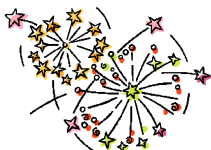
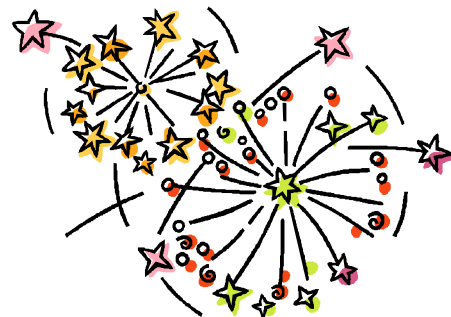
We’ll be on our way to Jim’s ship’s reunion in Indianapolis tomorrow and will be there four days. Then we’ll visit family and friends in Des Moines, Iowa.

I’m sorry I’ll miss the goings on at Guild but at this time of year, family and friends are first. I’ve brought projects to work on while here.

Still sewing happily,
Penny



“Celebrating Quilts” February 27-28, 2010



▣ **Volunteers Still Needed** to fill the following committee chair positions. Please contact Wendy Seals to volunteer:

Admissions: **OPEN**
Education: **OPEN**
White Glove: **OPEN**

▣ Valerie Boman will be the judge for our quilt show.

▣ You will find the entry form on page 9. The rules and definitions information are available on the Guild website or copies are available from Wendy Seals

Welcome New Member!

Ellen Pluta

Mystery Quilt Workshop

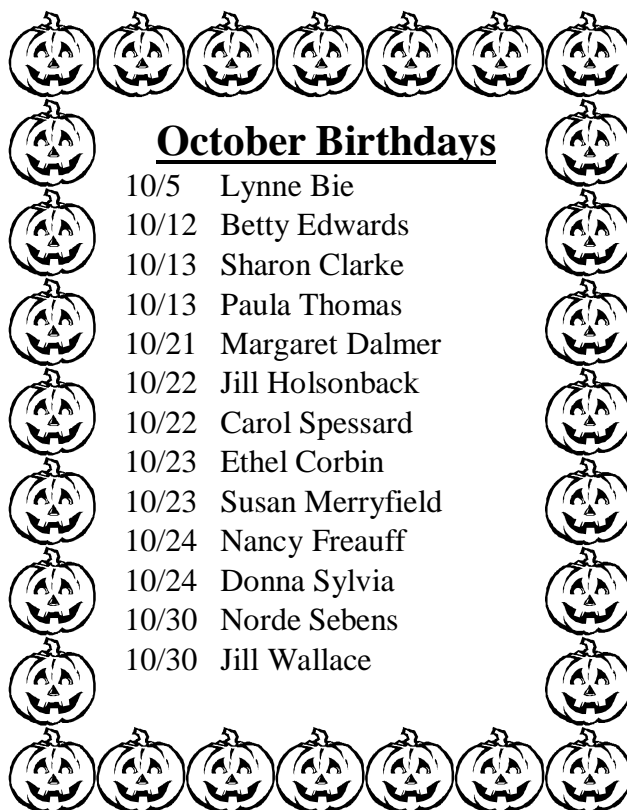


Date: Saturday, October 17
Time: **9:00am** to 3pm
Place: Our Lady of the Mountains

Jean Biddick and Jo Cady-Bull from Tucson will be teaching this final scrappy mystery quilt workshop.

ATTENTION OCTOBER 17TH WORKSHOP ATTENDEES!!!!

The start time has been changed to **9:00am** instead of the time previously announced. Please be there a little early to set up your machine and be ready to sew at **9:00am**.



October Birthdays

10/5 Lynne Bie
10/12 Betty Edwards
10/13 Sharon Clarke
10/13 Paula Thomas
10/21 Margaret Dalmer
10/22 Jill Holsonback
10/22 Carol Spessard
10/23 Ethel Corbin
10/23 Susan Merryfield
10/24 Nancy Freauff
10/24 Donna Sylvia
10/30 Norde Sebens
10/30 Jill Wallace

REMINDER:

HSQG still needs Raffle Items and Foster Care Items.



For Sale

Pins \$1.00

Tote Bags \$1.00

T-Shirts \$1.00

HSQG CALENDAR

11/2	Challenge Quilt Voting
11/3	Taste of Home Booth—Buena High School
11/4	Challenge Quilt Voting
11/11	VETERANS DAY—NO MEETING
11/18	BOM/Community Quilt Sew
11/25	NO MEETING
12/2	Holiday Party
12/7	Holiday Party
12/9	BOM
12/16	Community Quilt Sew
12/23	NO MEETING
12/30	NO MEETING
<u>2010</u>	
1/4	Quarterly Bus Meeting .BLOTTO due/ Election of Officers
1/6	Program Meeting
1/13	BOM
1/20	Community Service Sew
1/27	Quilting Bee
2/1	Program Meeting
2/3	Program Meeting/Quilt Show Entry Deadline
2/10	BOM
2/17	Community Service Sew
2/24	Quilting Bee/Quilts to be Judged brought To Fellowship Hall
2/26	Quilts NOT to be judged brought to Buena High School between 4-5pm
2/27-2/28	<u>HSQG Quilt Show, Buena High School</u>
2/28	All quilts picked up from Buena between 3:30pm and 4:15pm

Nominating Committee

It is time to select a committee of 5 adult members to nominate candidates for HSQG officers. The Nominating Committee will be chaired by the First Vice President, and the slate of officers will be presented at the January Business Meeting. New officers will serve for a year beginning 1 April 2010. If you are interested on serving on the Nominating Committee, please contact Jan Bowie.

From the Challenge Committee

Wow! Only ONE MONTH and your challenge quilts are due.

Gift certificates donated by Quilters Desert Patch and Cowgirl-Up Quilts will be given at the October 7 meeting (winner need not be present).

A **Big Thank You** goes to these two shops for supporting our Challenge Program. For a chance to win a prize, please give, mail, or email to Jill Holsonback to be received no later than Tuesday, October, 6:

1. The name of your quilt (based on your first and last initials).
2. A short statement (75 or less words) about your quilt. (Your quilt title and statement will be attached to your quilt at the challenge quilt show.)

Reminder:

1. Please bring your challenge quilts on November 2 to the church hall between 5:15pm to 5:45pm and on November 4 between 8:45am to 9:15am. We need time to set up.
2. The quilts are due at both November 2 and November 4 meetings. If you cannot attend both, please make arrangement for someone else to bring your quilt. Quilts not at both meetings cannot be considered for the Viewers Choice Award or a prize.
3. Please put a label on your quilt.

Jill Holsonback

Butterfield Stage Days Quilt Show/Raffle

The Art & Quilting Gallery in Benson will have a one-day quilt show on October 10th from 9am - 3pm at the park in Benson, AZ. in conjunction with the Butterfield Stage Days (October 9-11). The Gallery will be raffling off this 70 x 70 western themed quilt to help with ongoing renovations at the Gallery. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Raffle drawing will be at 3pm. There will be sewing and quilting demos during the day. The Gallery and Museum will be open also from 10am - 2pm on Saturday. The park is located on the north side of the RR tracks, turn left at the Old Benson Ice Cream Shop and follow the signs. Any questions, please contact Sue Ann Vannoy.



Thinking of You

Joyce Larson has had wrist surgery. Joyce, we hope you are on the mend.



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Halloween



2009 Block of the Month (BOM)



October is the start of the fall and winter season when our thoughts return to family and holidays. For many of us it means thoughts of the holidays in church. Here is a paper-pieced church to start the prayers and thanks.

Sharon Clarke

Art in the Park - October 3 and 4

Thank you to all the members who have volunteered to sell tickets for our raffle quilt at the Art in the Park booth. Please remind your family and friends to stop by our booth and buy a ticket.



Dates for Your Information

- 10/3 Quilt for a Cause Auction
TMC Marshall Auditorium
- 10/15-18 International Quilt Festival
Houston, TX (www.quilts.com)
- 2010
- 1/14-17 Road to California
Ontario, CA (www.road2ca.com)
- 1/22-24 Quilt Fiesta, Tucson, AZ
- 1/24-29 Quilting in the Desert
Phoenix, AZ (www.QuiltCamp.com)
- 4/15-18 International Quilt Festival
Chicago, IL (www.quilts.com)
- 7/23-25 International Quilt Festival
Long Beach, CA (www.quilts.com)
- 11/4-7 International Quilt Festival
Houston, TX (www.quilts.com)

END OF YEAR SPECIAL

Quilting On The Rim

A quilting and crafting retreat

Join other crafters relaxing, sharing and learning at our retreat in Show Low, AZ. We provide 10 individual beds upstairs, 10 tables & chairs, cutting tables, irons & ironing boards in our spacious crafting room. We provide delicious homemade meals for you to enjoy! We are open year round & during the week – not just weekends!!

\$170 per Guest - Rate includes:

4 day/ 3 nights lodging / 8 meals
Thursday Dinner to Breakfast Sunday
Minimum 6 guests, Maximum 10 guests
Day Groups Welcome!

Rate increase 1/1/2010

\$190 per Guest—Book a 2010 date,
pay deposits BEFORE 12/31/09
& only pay \$170 per person!

Special Incentive!

\$25 off for the Organizer
of a group of 10 if booked & deposit received before 12/31/09

For Reservations Call

602-618-6371

www.QuiltingOnTheRim.com

(Sue Ann Vannoy highly recommends it!)

Make it Mini

Do you have lots of ideas for quilts that you'd like to make? Are there bed quilts that you've always admired but can't commit the time and money to making? Are there so many quilts but not enough lifetimes to make them all?



Perhaps the answer is to make a miniature quilt. This year's HSQG quilt show has a new category for Miniature Quilts, so this is your opportunity to try something new. Miniature quilts look just like large quilts but don't require the time and money required to make a large bed quilt. Just about any full size pattern can be scaled down to mini size, but **the rules of the game are that the blocks cannot exceed 4" in size and the quilt dimensions cannot exceed a total of 96" (or 24" on a side if square)**. Miniature quilts are scaled down versions of full-size quilts, including pieced, whole cloth, and appliqué quilts.

Size does matter when you're making a miniature quilt. As you make a smaller quilt, it becomes even more important to cut and piece very accurately. Tightly-woven quilting cottons and a low loft batting are the best for miniatures, and smaller machine needles are helpful.

When choosing your fabrics, look for a little extra contrast since fabrics tend to blend together when you're using very small pieces. You may be able to use a print fabric to suggest a 9 patch or 16 patch, but make sure to look for a small scale to the fabric. It may help to cut a window template from cardboard to preview small patches. Paper piecing is a very accurate way to stitch complicated mini blocks that have very small pieces, and you can use a photocopier to scale down the block to the correct size. This is a great way to use up those beautiful small fabric scraps that you couldn't bear to throw away.

There are a number of quilt books specifically on miniature quilts. If you are looking for a pattern, here are addresses for two websites with some free PDF patterns for miniature quilts:

<http://www.terriesandelin.com/projects.html>

<http://www.qorsite.com/styles/mini/miniqlt.htm>

Have fun making your mini, and we'll look forward to seeing it in February!

Linda Erickson



Brown Canyon

We need your help! BROWN CANYON RANCH OPEN HOUSE is Nov 7 this year. We are asking anyone that does handwork – appliqué, quilting, knitting, crocheting or tatting – to please give us an hour (or more) at the annual Open House this year. We have our own room in the house to show off our skills and possibly interest someone else in learning.

Time starts at 9 a.m. and lasts until mid-afternoon. Come and enjoy the entertainment and scenery while you learn some more about the area where we live! Contact Peggy Kenny for information.

HSQG Retreat - Spaces Still Open

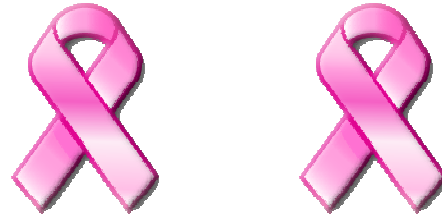


Date: October 23-25, 2009
Place: Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp
Cost: \$105 for HSQG members,
\$125 for non-members.

Voting for a project for the Spring Retreat (4/16-18) will take place. If you are interested in leading a project, please contact Shirley Auchincloss.

It's Fair Time

Please let the Newsletter Editor know if you have entered quilts in a local or state fair. Share your accomplishments with Guild members.



The Forgotten Pincushion



The pincushion. Do you ever think about it when beginning a quilting project? Bet you don't! For most of us, it is a staple tool that sits near our sewing machine while we sew, keeping our pins corralled. Some quilters do not own a pincushion, opting for the more modern pin catchers. Whatever your choice, this often overlooked sewing item has served a great purpose over the years.

The first recorded use of pincushions was during the Tudor era (1485-1603) in England. As it was nearly impossible to find the metal pins when they were misplaced, they were considered quite precious and therefore were kept in boxes of metal, bone, ivory or silver. The boxes themselves were highly valuable and therefore implied that the contents were also.

These boxes began to be replaced by small, stuffed and elaborately decorated shapes made of linen or silk, often with tassels or dangles. During the 18th century, with the advent of commercial production, these "pynpylloves" were carved into shapes from wood, ivory and silver. Many were produced as souvenirs depicting historical events.

By the Victorian era (1837-1901) pincushions were necessary in any woman's sewing kit; however they had also become an item to be admired. They were often part of the decor in a room; lavishly decorated with fanciful embroidery on luxury fabrics such as silk and velvet. Large pincushions would hold a lady's hat pins.

"Rich or poor, a lady's sewing tools were a reflection of her good taste," said Carol Wallace, author of the comprehensive book Victorian Treasures. "The thimbles and needle cases reflected the variety of materials possible for even the most mundane of tools. Objects like an acorn thimble case, and a shiny basket-like pin cushion, very often took the shape of something else, presumably to simply charm and bemuse the user."

Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims
Co-Hosts of The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims

The Quilt Show.com is an online interactive quilt guild open to quilters worldwide to learn, share, create and connect. Home to "The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims", become a member by going to thequiltshow.com.

Quilting in the Desert

Quilting in the Desert

 Phoenix, Arizona

January 24-29, 2010
 Phoenix, Arizona
www.QuiltCamp.com

Classes, Lectures & Special Events
 Featuring National Teachers

Melinda Bula	Libby Lehman
Grace Errea	Suzanne Marshall
Wendy Gilbert	Linda Matteotti
Harriet Hargrave	Sharon Schamber
Caroll Jones	Jean Wells

Info on the web page...
www.QuiltCamp.com
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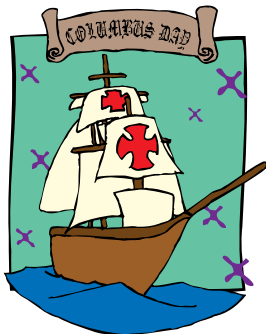
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Sue Ann Vannoy Joins the Hall of Fame Board

In July, Sue Ann Vannoy was voted into a board seat on the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame. She will replace Sue Lee and Lois Bloom, who completed their two-year terms on the Board. Sue Ann has a great deal of experience traveling all over the state of Arizona to various quilting events. She began her term on the Board in August and will serve until 2011. Sue Ann will represent the Southeast area of Arizona on the Board. The Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization that was founded to bring recognition to all of the wonderful quilters found in Arizona. Five new quilters were inducted into the Hall of Fame at the annual induction luncheon on September 27th. Friendships are tax deductible and available to all quilters in Arizona. Further information about the Hall of Fame can be found at their website:

www.arizonaquiltersshalloffame.org/



HSQG Contacts

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 someone by phone, please refer to your current Guild roster.

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**Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Show Entry Form for 2010
Entry Deadline February 3, 2010**

Your Name _____ Phone: _____
 Email Address _____
 Name of Quilt: _____
 Size: Width (as hung) _____ inches Length (as hung) _____ inches

Categories

(Circle the number that applies to your entry)

<u>Small (up to 167" perimeter)</u>	<u>Medium (168"-279" perimeter)</u>	<u>Large (280"+ perimeter)</u>
1. Appliquéd	4. Appliquéd	7. Appliquéd
2. Pieced	5. Pieced	8. Pieced
3. Mixed Techniques	6. Mixed Techniques	9. Mixed Techniques
10. Art Quilt	11. Art Quilt	12. Art Quilt
13. Miniature (perimeter 96" or less)		
14. Vintage	15. Apparel	16. Other _____

I would like to have my quilt judged: Yes _____ **No** _____

Who quilted this entry? _____

How was this entry quilted? (Mark the category that applies to your entry)

_____ Machine quilted by someone who provides this service for hire

_____ Hand quilted by someone who provides this service for hire

_____ Machine quilted by someone who does not provide this service for hire

_____ Hand quilted by someone who does not provide this service for hire

Should your quilt be hung with a specific group? Please name the group. _____
 (Example: Challenge, Round Robin, Block of the Month, etc.)

This quilt is for sale \$ _____. This quilt is not for sale. _____

Please attach a color photo of your quilt, either 3"x 5" or 4"x 6".

Please attach a hang tag statement of 75 words or less.

I understand that the HSQG will take every precaution to protect my entry during hanging, display and retrieval, but that the HSQG will not be held responsible for events beyond its control. Insurance against loss or damage is my choice and responsibility. HSQG has my permission to photograph this quilt and use the photos to promote the Guild, including website display and the sale of quilt show CDs.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Tip of the Month

A tip from Jean Biddick — use an index card to determine exactly where your 1/4” seam line is on your machine. Those lines are 1/4” apart.

Websites of the Month

www.sjqultmuseum.org

www.swdecoratives.com