



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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December 2009



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

December Dates to Remember

12/2	9:30am	Holiday Party
12/7	6pm	Holiday Party
12/9	9:30am	BOM
12/16	8:30am	Community Quilt Sew**
12/23	<u>NO MEETING</u>	
12/30	9:00am	Mini-Workshop (see page 2)

A Message From Our President

Happy Holidays to all. I hope you will be able to join us for one or both of our Holiday potlucks and fabric grab and steal which is always fun. Bring your favorite food to share will all.

I'd like to give a big thank you to Jill Holsonback and her committee for another challenge — well done. I hope it helped your quilting techniques to grow you in some way as it did me. We can look forward to another lively challenge and see what we'll learn from it.

We're making a change for January 13, 2010 only. Mary Kay Holcomb will demonstrate how to make pillowcases easily. The ones we make will be sent to our soldiers in the battlefields. So come prepared with a sewing machine or a serger and lots of fabric and we'll make a pile of pillowcases. You will need 3/4 yard of main fabric, 12 inches of coordinating fabric, and 3 inches for the trim of each pillowcase.

Happy to find time to sew,
Penny

HOLIDAY PARTIES

(December 2 and 7)

Join us for one or both of the HSQG holiday parties at our regular meeting location. Please bring your favorite holiday dish to share. All paper goods will be supplied by the Guild.

The morning party, 12/2, will be at 9:30am. The party will begin with our "Swap and Steal" fabric exchange followed by our potluck lunch/brunch.

The evening party, 12/7, will begin at 6pm with a potluck dinner. After our feast, we will have our "Swap and Steal" fabric exchange.

If you would like to take part in the fabric exchange, please bring 1/2 yard (not fat quarters) of new, wrapped fabric.



**Community Quilt Sew: Please bring your sewing machine, personal cutter, and any special supplies you might need. We realize everyone is busy with the holidays, but take a break for yourself and do some good work with quilts.

Slate of Officers for 2010

President: Susan Ritter
 1st VP: Candy Jennings (Publicity)
 2nd VP: Starr Rose (Education and Programs)
 Secretary: Margaret Dalmer
 Treasurer: Wendy Seals

Thank you to the following members for joining me on the nominating committee: Lynne Bie, Lois Bloom, Shirley Gray, and Sue Lee.

Please attend the January Quarterly Business meeting for election of officers for the April 1, 2010 thru 31 March 2011 period.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor only if the nominee is in agreement.

Jan Bowie
 First Vice President



Easy Steps Mini Workshop A Calorie-Free Alternative

Take a break from the holiday rush and get a jump on the New Year. Join us at 9am on December 30th, for Linda Erickson's mini-workshop on her "Easy Steps" quilt.

Community Services will provide the materials for these community quilt blocks. You can learn a fast technique for this easy block that has many possibilities while getting a head start on your New Year's resolution to help out with our community quilting efforts. All you will need is your sewing machine and some enthusiasm.

Welcome to New Members

Kathy De Koven
 Katharine Grahn
 Sheila Ritter

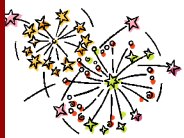
HSQG CALENDAR

- 1/4 Quarterly Bus Meeting /BLOTTO due/
 Election of Officers
 1/6 Program Meeting - Get Your Quilt Ready
 for the Show
 1/13 Special Sew - Pillowcases for Soldiers
 1/20 Community Quilt Sew
 1/27 Quilting Bee
 2/1 Program Meeting—"The Cotton Method"
 by Ann Hanson
 2/3 Program Meeting/Quilt Show
 Entry Deadline
 2/10 BOM
 2/17 Community Quilt 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 HSQG Quilt Show, Buena High School
 2/28 All quilts picked up from Buena between
 3:30pm and 4:15pm
 3/1 Program Meeting—"Machine Applique"
 By Betty Edwards
 3/3 Program Meeting
 3/10 BOM
 3/12 Bus Trip to Mesa—AQQ Quilt Show
 3/13 Workshop - - Jill McCloy
 3/17 Community Quilt Sew
 3/24 Quilting Bee
 3/31 Quilting Bee
 4/16-18 Retreat - Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp
 10/22-24 Retreat - Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp

FOR SALE

- A black feather weight with quilting attachment for \$350.
- Handi Quilter with Juki quilting machine \$900. Handi Quilter has stylus, front and back handles.

Contact Irene Violette for information.



“Celebrating Quilts”



▣ Taste of Home

Ruth Akins and Clara Billock did a wonderful job selling raffle tickets at Taste of Home. They sold 319 tickets for \$271 in 2 hours. Great job!

▣ Raffle Tickets

The time is flying by and the Quilt Show will be here before we know it. Members are asked to sell a packet of tickets for the quilt to be raffled at the quilt show. I have plenty of raffle tickets, please contact me for tickets to sell. We are behind last year at this time, so all of you who have not taken tickets should really start thinking about it. The raffle quilt is stunning!

Doreen Dolan

▣ Quilt Show Update

The show is just around the corner, so I hope everybody is madly quilting their entries. The challenge quilts will make a really nice display again this year. I need volunteers to do little demos for our Education section. Any aspect of quilting is good; for example: making miniature quilts, machine embroidery, binding, using EQilter, hand-quilting, etc. Please let me know if you are willing to help. It'll be a great show and I can't wait to see it!

A volunteer is still needed to fill the Education Committee Chair position.

Wendy

- You will find the show entry form on page 7. The rules and definitions are available on the HSQG website or copies are available from Wendy Seals.
- Linda Erickson has volunteered to chair Admissions and Penny Lupo will chair White Gloves.
- Items are still needed to sell at the boutique.

Quilting in the Desert



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
Carroll Jones	Jean Wells

Info on the web page...

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or contact the Directors

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December Birthdays

12/1	Grace Davidson
12/5	Dorothy Goulding
12/6	Lois Bloom
12/7	Glenice Marlowe
12/8	Cathy Brodniak
12/8	Joan Lichtenberg
12/9	George Frank
12/10	Stephanie O'Neill
12/13	Sue Roquet
12/13	Joan Thelander
12/18	Kari Zipf
12/26	Dianna Henderson
12/30	Nancy Whaley

Initial Yard Challenge

There were 38 quilts in the “Initial Yard” challenge. The challenge committee thought all 38 quilts were winners. Congratulations to the viewer’s choice winner Connie Cook and her quilt “Creative Colorist.” The winners of the two participation baskets were Peggy Kenny and Sharon Clarke.

Please remember to enter your challenge quilt into the February quilt show. There will be a special category for challenge quilts, and we know the quilt show attendees will enjoy seeing these quilts.

Sign up for the challenge will be in January and February. Read your January newsletter for all the details and rules.



Connie Cook, “The Creative Colorist”

A BIG THANKS to the following for their support of the challenge program:

Jill Holsonback, Chair	Cowgirl-Up Quilts	Quilters Desert Patch	ACE Hardware
Quilter’s Market	Cactus Quilts	Jo-Ann’s	Tuesday Morning
Debbie Griffin	Margaret Dalmer	Paula Thomas	Beverly Reaves
Kendel Griffin	Cameron Woolley		



Just in time to have your holiday gift quilts appraised

Appraisal Schedule

December 5th	Quilter's Market, 7601 E Speedway, Tucson, 520-747-8458
December 9th	Squirrel's Nest, Sierra Vista, 520-417-1070
February 13th	Hearts and Hands, 110 E. Duval Rd., Green Valley, 520-399-2050
February 27th and 28th	Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Show “Celebrating Quilts” Buena High School, Sierra Vista

Please call the quilt shop for an appointment or contact me if you have a question.

Appraisal fee is \$40. Punch card will be honored.

Joyce Larson

AQS Certified Appraiser of Quilted Textiles

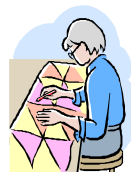
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AQG Bus Trip Date Change

Our bus trip to the Arizona Quilters Guild (AQG) quilt show in Mesa will be on Friday, March 12th. I realize that some members may not be able to go during the week, but we have a workshop scheduled for Saturday, March 13th. The trip will cost \$25 per person, and I will begin taking sign-ups February 1.

Sue Lee



March Workshop

The last workshop of the fiscal year will be March 13, 2010. It will be at Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church from 9am to 3pm. The cost is \$30 and will include lunch. We have invited Jill McCloy a quilter well known throughout the quilting world. Jill lives in Colorado Springs and travels extensively throughout the country giving workshops for guilds, quilt shops, etc. As part of the March workshop, Jill will design a pattern just for our guild which we will make during the workshop. I will have a sample at the January meeting.

Her patterns are for all levels of quilters, and she tells me that although her techniques may not be "normal," none of them are difficult. Several of us have had a demo from Jill and she is lots of fun and very informative. Most of us bought her patterns after the demo, because she was so positive and informative and ensured us all that we could complete them!

You do not have to purchase a pattern to take the class.....she plans on teaching the pattern that day. However, if you want to buy one, the cost is \$10 plus tax. Her patterns normally sell for \$12.95. So mark March 13, 2010 on your calendar and plan to sign up at the January meetings — both day and night. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Lynne Bie



2009 Block of the Month (BOM)



For December I was going to make a Santa's house and have all kinds of applique, but then sanity returned. Instead, I am finding homes for all those snowbirds that need them. I sure hope they like bright colors. (P.S. the block is paper-pieced and easy peasy, because we have our hands full with season preparations.) Happy Holidays!

Sharon Clarke

November Raffle Winners

Patricia Hopkins
Kathy Tyler

FOR SALE

- Bernina 440EQ with stitch regulator foot, walking foot, embroidery module, 2 hoops, magnifying glass for sewing machine. Asking \$2,700.
- Janome 300E embroidery machine with two hoops. \$550.

Contact Mary Kay Holcomb for information.

Community Quilts Report to Date

So far in 2009, quilters, we have given away 247 quilts to some very grateful recipients. Here's the breakdown:

County programs

Women and Infants (quilts for mothers who complete class)	21 quilts
Newborn Intensive Care program	15 quilts
Cochise County Children's Crisis Center	8 quilts
Cochise County Foster Care Children	12 quilts

Nursing Homes

Life Care Center, Sierra Vista	24 quilts
Hacienda Rehab. & Care Ctr., Sierra Vista, Alzheimer's unit	27 quilts

Veterans Hospital, Tucson	19 quilts
Sierra Vista Police Dept (quilts in patrol cars for children in trauma)	7 quilts
Forgach House Ctr. for Domestic Violence	27 quilts
Disabled American Veterans, Sierra Vista Chapter	19 quilts
CASA volunteers for neglected children in juvenile system	8 quilts
Village Meadows School, Special Education classrooms	19 quilts
Homeless Shelter, Sierra Vista volunteers (now defunct)	13 quilts
Cochise Oncology, given to each patient as they enter treatment	27 quilts

Plus, we gave one queen-sized quilt to the Church of Christ as part of our rent; and we have two queen-sized quilts set aside for completed Habitat for Humanity houses in Sierra Vista. We have also donated numerous scrap pillows to the Humane Society in Tucson and the Sierra Vista Animal Shelter.

Thank you for all your hard work this year!

Susan Ritter

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

Do you have a tip to share with HSQG members?

Websites of the Month

www.spoonflower.com

www.textilemuseum.org