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The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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December 2011

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

December Calendar

12/5	6:00pm	Holiday Party
12/7	9:30am	Holiday Party
12/14	8:00am	Board of Directors Meeting
12/14	9:30am*	Quilting Bee
12/21	<u>NO MEETING</u>	
12/28	9:30am*	Quilting Bee

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



A Message From Our President

How is it that we all start out with the same amount of time – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for most of a century if we’re lucky – but we always seem to be running out it? When I was a child, it seemed like Christmas would never get here, and now it whips through at supersonic speed?

Wouldn’t it make the most sense to spend the most time on the things that matter most? No one will ever give me the award for the cleanest kitchen floor in town. (I can hear you laughing now!) I’d rather be remembered for the good dinners, the flowers in my back yard, the quilts I made, and the time I spent helping my community.

Now those last two happened because I joined our quilt guild. And not only did I join, I volunteered. And one thing led to another. Now I could have just bumbled along by myself, making quilts. But how stimulating, how challenging to work alongside so many other people and so many other styles of quilting! I’m always amazed how 24 quilters in the same class can make such different quilts. I’ve been pushed way beyond the quilts I would have made by myself.

Sometimes I wonder how I got from cleaning out the stash room to leading meetings and attending the Hall of Fame lunch. But my life is infinitely richer because I jumped in. Here’s my hope that each of you jumps in this year!

Susan Ritter

HOLIDAY PARTIES

(December 5 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. Paper goods and beverages will be supplied by the Guild.

The evening party, 12/5, will begin at 6pm with a potluck dinner. After our feast, we will have our “Swap and Steal” fabric exchange.

The morning party, 12/7, will be at 9:30am. The party will begin with our “Swap and Steal” fabric exchange followed by our potluck lunch/brunch.

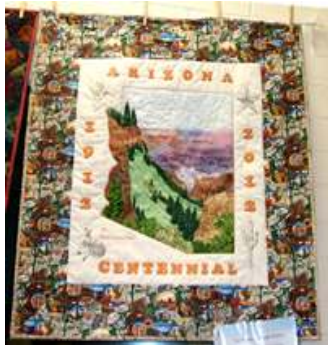
If you would like to take part in the fabric exchange, please bring 1/2 yard (not fat quarters) of new, wrapped fabric.

2011 Challenge “Celebrate Arizona’s Centennial”

Our challenge committee (Margaret Dalmer, Debbie Griffin, Jill Holsonback, Paula Thomas) did another outstanding job planning and organizing our 2011 challenge. Thank you for all your hard work. Also, a thank you to **Cowgirl-Up Quilts** for sponsoring our challenge again this year.

Photos of all the entries can be found on the HSQG website.

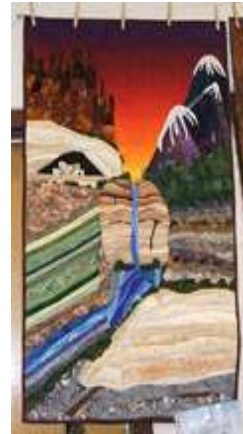
The winners were:



Best Interpretation of the Theme - Connie Cook



Originality - JoAnn Van Oosten



Design and Use of Color - Susan Ritter



Workmanship - Lois Bloom

Do You Need a Gift?

Run out of time before you finished all those holiday gifts? Company coming and you want something special? Traveling for the holidays and need hostess gifts? Check out the Guild’s holiday boutique at both December parties.

November Community Quilts

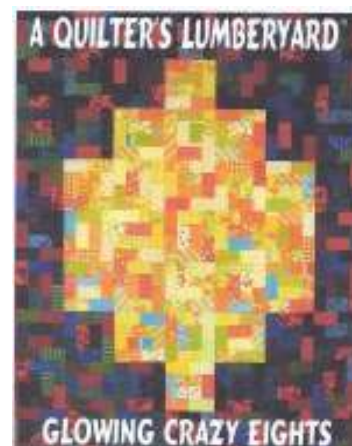
I delivered the following quilts for the month of November:

WIC Program	3
Cochise Oncology	10
Children’s Crisis Center	<u>10</u>
Total	23

Janet Wilcox

November Blue Moon

Join us on November 30 for Blue Moon. Clara Billock will be showing us how to make “A Quilter’s Lumberyard.”



Welcome New Member

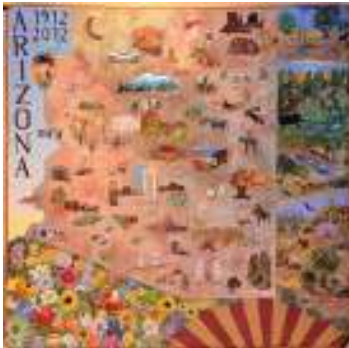
Jean Molloy

November Raffle Winners

Ethel Corbin
Shirley Gray

Merrie Haynes
Jill Wallace

Arizona Centennial Commemorative Quilt



The Arizona Centennial Commemorative Quilt has been donated to the Arizona Historical Society where it will become part of their permanent collection. It will be shown at various locations around the state and be part of the "100 Years 100 Quilts" exhibition February-December 2012. (www.arizonahistoricalsociety.org).

Cowgirl-Up Quilts

Laura Mucci, Owner
520-586-1616

344 E. 4th St
Benson, AZ 85602

Now carrying Embroidery Floss & Sewing Supplies!

NOW OPEN - 9 to 5 Monday thru Saturday



FABRICS
NOTIONS
PATTERNS
AND
BOOKS

Quilter's Christmas on December 17th from 1 to 5pm. Come for a cookie exchange, make-and-take Christmas ornaments, and bring a fun item from your sewing room for a white elephant exchange (or as I say a "deal-and-steal").



Arizona Quilters Guild Bus Trip

Date: March 10, 2012

Cost: \$45 for members and non-members
(includes a ticket to the show)

As the bus trip to Mesa now needs to be self-supporting, we need to have at least 45 paid passengers by the drop-dead date of February 15, 2012 or the trip will be canceled. The fee is non-refundable unless the trip is canceled, but you can always substitute someone if you have to cancel.

Website News

We now have a list of quilting terms and a binding instruction sheet (provided by Clara Billock) on our website.

**Are you working on your quilt for the
February show?**



Beginning Quilt Class

HSQG will be holding beginning quilt classes on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays starting in March. Sign-ups will start in January. Stay tuned for further details.



Upcoming HSQG Calendar

2012

- 1/2 Quarterly Business Meeting/BOD Meeting/BLOTTO due/Election of Officers
- 1/4 Program Meeting—Kay Crandall
- 1/11 Quilting Bee
- 1/14 Workshop - Kay Crandall
- 1/18 Community Quilts
- 1/25 Quilting Bee
- 2/1 Program Meeting
- 2/6 Program Meeting
- 2/6 Quilt Show Entry Form Deadline
- 2/8 Quilting Bee
- 2/11 Booth at Sierra Vista Centennial Celebration at Veterans Park
- 2/15 Community Quilts
- 2/15 Drop-dead date to sign up for AQG bus trip
- 2/22 Quilting Bee
- 2/22 Judged Entries to Apache 9:30-11am
- 2/24 Non-Judged Entries to Buena 4-5pm
- 2/25-26 HSQG Quilt Show (Buena High School)
- 3/10 AQG bus trip

December Birthdays

- 12/1 Grace Davidson
- 12/5 Dorthy Goulding
- 12/6 Lois Bloom
- 12/6 Pat Hoard
- 12/7 Grace Marlowe
- 12/8 Joan Lichtenberg
- 12/9 George Frank
- 12/10 Stephinie O'Neill
- 12/13 Joan Thelander
- 12/14 Donna Viitanen
- 12/18 Kari Zipf
- 12/25 Yvonne Bryant
- 12/26 Dianna Henderson
- 12/26 Laddie Nichols
- 12/30 Nancy Whaley

Board of Directors Meeting

The following items were discussed at the November 2 Board of Directors meeting:

- ▣ Election of Officers in January
- ▣ Additional quilt rack bought for guild
- ▣ Remaining fire quilts for families not found by Real Wishes can be used by Real Wishes for those in need
- ▣ Holiday parties
- ▣ March trip to AQG Mesa needs to be self-supporting
- ▣ Possible participation in the Sierra Vista Centennial celebration, February 11, 2012

Election of Officers

First Vice President, Jane Bourne, is collecting nominations for officers for 2012. The slate of officers will be presented at the January Business Meeting. New officers will serve for one year beginning 1 April 2011. Please contact Jane if you are interested in an office.

Slate of Officers for 2011

President	Vacant
1st Vice President (Publicity)	Shirley Fogle
2nd Vice President (Programs)	Vacant
Secretary	Wendy Seals
Treasurer	Jane Bourne
Board of Directors Member-at-Large #1	Doreen Dolan
Board of Directors Member-at-Large #2	Debbie Griffin

Also, many committee chair positions need to be filled. A list of positions is posted on the bulletin board at Apache Middle School.

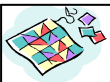
This is your guild and we need volunteers to keep our guild operating!

Help Wanted

Job Title: President
 Hours: Flexible
 Duties: Leadership of a large group of talented quilters for the coming year. Work with a strong Board of Directors to maintain all the various activities of the guild.
 Benefits: Rewards are extraordinary: meeting wonderful friends, participating with quilters of all types and skill levels, maintaining a high quality group as a quilting resource for quilters in our community, sharing our talents with the community.
 Action to Take: Talk to Susan Ritter, outgoing President; come to a Board meeting and see how it runs. *(The guild's activities are too numerous to list here, but all activities are running well.)*

Help Wanted

Job Title: Second Vice President – Programs
 Hours: Flexible
 Duties: With the Board of Directors, plan for and arrange 12 programs during the year. Coordinate with educational programs (workshops, retreats, classes, Blue Moon).
 Benefits: You get to meet some truly talented quilters! *(Here's the opportunity to explore different styles of quilting, people who create some of the best work in our area)*
 Action to Take: Talk to Debbie Griffin (currently serving), or any Board member about programs.



Workshop News

November Workshop

Thanks to Sandy Varley for a very informative workshop on the quick-strip easy paper piecing method. Only a few of the blocks made during the workshop are shown below. Pictures from the workshop can be seen on our website.



January 14 Workshop

Kay Crandall, a Certified Judy Niemeyer instructor, will be our workshop instructor. You may make a table runner or a quilt, your choice. Kay will bring Bali Pops to the program meeting if you would like to use the easier way to start on your project or you can provide your own fabric. The pattern (shown below) includes enough paper for an entire quilt - no need to have copies made. Judy Niemeyer has won numerous awards for her intricate quilts which can be seen on her website (www.quiltworx.com).

Time: 9am—3:30pm
 Place: Apache Middle School
 Cost: -\$30 for class
 -plus cost of pattern (TBD)
 -\$10 if you want lunch from Schlotsky's



Stepping Stones
(Judy Niemeyer
pattern)

Penny Lupo
Workshop Chair

Dates for Your Information

2012

- 1/10-14 Quilting at the Lake, Lake Havasu
- 1/19-22 Road to California
(www.road2ca.com)
- 1/20-1/22 Quilt Fiesta, Tucson
(www.tucsonquiltersguild.com)
- 1/22-27 Quilting in the Desert, Phoenix
(www.quiltcamp.com)
- 1/26-2/22 Tombstone Quilt Show
- 1/26-28 Phoenix Quilt, Craft & Sewing
Festival (quiltcraftsew.com)
- Feb-Dec 100 years of 100 quilts
Arizona History Museum, Tucson
- 3/8-10 Arizona Quilters Guild, Mesa
(azquiltersguild.org)
- 3/24-31 Shop Hop (So. AZ Quilt Shop
Assoc.)
- 4/25-28 Paducah Quilt Show
(americanquilter.com)

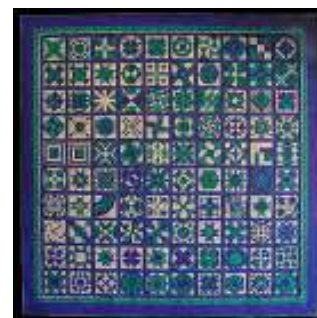
Websites of the Month

- Check out the winning quilts from Houston:
www.quilts.org/winners
Sharon Schamber (Payson, AZ) won
The Maywood Studio Master Award and
Viewer's Choice for Crimson Promises.
Terri Doyle (Gilbert, AZ) won 2nd Place,
Merit Quilting, Machine.
- Linda Erickson provided this website that shows
yardage fractions and amount of fabric a 40"
strip of fabric will yield:

<http://www.patchworktimes.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/Yardage.pdf>



“Quilts! A Centennial Heritage” February 25 & 26, 2012



- ▣ A huge thank you to everyone who has been working to sell our raffle tickets and boutique items at various venues. Setting up, manning booths, chopping and dicing at Taste of Home, etc. takes a great deal of time and effort. Great job!
 - Taste of Home. We made \$130 from boutique items and sold 413 raffle tickets.
 - Farmers Market: \$167 for raffle tickets and \$472 for the boutique.
 - Sierra Suites: 62 raffle tickets sold (\$57) and \$14 from the boutique.
- ▣ To date the three top ticket sellers are Linda Yauchzy, Roberta Watson, and Jill Wallace (not necessarily in this order). Have you picked up your packet of raffle tickets? Every member is asked to sell as many tickets as possible for our raffle quilt.
- ▣ AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser and HSQG member, Joyce Larson, has appraised our raffle quilt for \$2,350.
- ▣ Sign-up lists will be available in December for members to volunteer to work at the February show. Everyone’s help will be needed.
- ▣ Vintage Quilts and Hot Pads are still needed for the show. Please contact Joyce Larson.
- ▣ The judges for “Quilts! A Centennial Heritage” will be Jean Biddick and Jo Cady-Bull.
- ▣ See pages 8-9 for the 2012 quilt show entry form, entry rules form, and the definitions form. They are also available on the HSQG website and printed forms will be available at meetings.

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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Definitions for HSQG Quilt Show February 25 & 26, 2012

1. **Pieced:** A quilt that is greater than 50% pieced.
2. **Appliqué:** A quilt that is greater than 50% appliquéd.
3. **Mixed Techniques:** A quilt that contains a combination of techniques.
4. **Art:** A quilt created as a work of art, reflecting innovative construction techniques, subject matter, and/or materials.
5. **Miniature:** A quilt reflecting a REDUCED SCALE. The quilt must translate to a full size quilt, with the scale of blocks reduced to at least 1:4. The overall perimeter is 96" or less with each side measuring 24 inches or less.
6. **Other:** Any technique not listed including hand embroidery, yo-yo, crazy quilt and whole cloth. The quilt can be any size.
7. **Machine Embroidery:** Any size quilt that is more than 50 % machine embroidered.
8. **Apparel:** Clothing such as jackets and tops. Accessories are not eligible for judging.

Entry Rules for HSQG Quilt Show February 25 & 26, 2012

1. Deadline for submission of entry forms and photograph is **February 6, 2012. No late entries will be accepted.**
2. You must be a member of HSQG to enter a quilt.
3. You may enter only one quilt per category to be judged. This quilt must not have been judged in any HSQG show previously.
4. The photo of your entry must be 3x5 or 4x6 printed on plain or photo paper (cut to size) and in color. Write your name, the quilt name, and the measurements of the quilt on the back of the photo and staple to your entry form.
5. Any entry will not be accepted if it is not clean and free of smoke, odor and pet hair.
6. All quilts must have a 4" hanging sleeve sewn to the back of the quilt. A 2 inch sleeve may be used for miniature quilts.
7. Quilts must have a label with the name of the maker and the quilt name. The label must be sewn on. **If a quilt is to be judged the quilter's name must be covered with muslin secured by pinning or basting.**
8. *Judged Entries* must be brought to Apache Middle School on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 between 9:30am and 11am.
9. *Non-judged entries* will be brought to Buena High School on Friday, February 24, 2012 between 4pm and 5pm.
10. All quilts must be picked up at Buena High School on Sunday, February 26, 2012 between 3:30 pm and 4:00 pm.
11. The Judging Committee may combine the sizes in a given technique category if there are fewer than 5 quilts in that size/technique category and reserve the right to re-categorize any entry.
12. Entry forms are to be turned in to Sue Lee at any meeting. Forms may also be mailed to Sue Lee at home address (see HSQG roster).
13. **Please don't enter a quilt unless you're sure you'll have it ready to display in the 2012 Quilt Show.**

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Show Entry 2012
Entry Form Due By February 6, 2012. No late entries accepted.

Name of quilt maker: _____ Phone: _____
 Email: _____ Cell: _____
 Name of quilt: _____
 Size: width _____ length _____ perimeter (l + l + w + w) _____ inches
 Pattern or design source _____

Categories

Please circle the category for your entry.
Please see Rules (next page) for category definitions.

Small 167 inch or less perimeter	JUDGED Medium 168-279 inch perimeter	Large 280 inch or more perimeter
1. Appliquéd	4. Appliquéd	7. Appliquéd
2. Pieced	5. Pieced	8. Pieced
3. Mixed Techniques	6. Mixed Techniques	9. Mixed Techniques

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| 10. Art | 13. Machine Embroidery |
| 11. Miniature (perimeter under 97 inches) | 14. Apparel |
| 12. Other (see category definition #6) | |

NOT JUDGED

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| 15. Display Only (any size, technique) | 16. Vintage |
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Who quilted this quilt? _____
 _____ Hand quilted
 _____ Machine quilted by someone for hire (professional)
 _____ Machine quilted (non-professional)

This quilt is for sale at \$ _____

If this quilt is to be hung in a group (i.e. Celebrate the Centennial challenge), please name _____

*****Please attach COLOR photo, 3 x 5 to 4 x 6 only. Please cut to this size.**

Write your name, quilt name, length and width on back of photo.

*****Attach SHORT hang tag statement describing your inspiration for this quilt. The quilter's name and pattern are already included.**

I wish to enter the above item and agree to the rules as stated. I understand HSQG will take all reasonable precautions to protect my quilt but cannot be responsible for loss or damage during judging and the quilt show. Insuring the quilt is my 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 CD's.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Entry # _____

Show location: _____

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