



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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Guild meetings are held at Rothery Education Center located at 3305 E. Fry Blvd., Sierra Vista unless otherwise noted.

March

The clubhouse will be open as follows:

Regular Wednesday Hours:
8:30-11:30

Except March 19 CLOSED for Workshop

Regular Thursday Hours :
8:30-2:00



Reminder of these Special Dates

March

12th, noon, BOD meeting
18th, 9 am & 6 pm, monthly meeting
19th, 9-3, workshop, no open sew
27th, 11- 2, Badge Holder workshop

Apr

9th, noon, BOD
15th, 9am & 6pm quarterly meeting



Our sympathy to Peggy Kenney on the death of her brother,

to the family of SueAnn Vannoy on her passing,

and to Debi Guilmette on the loss of her aunt & her cousin.

***** President's Message *****

Quilting is a sport: it involves batting, running stitches, pumping iron, and hunting for fabric! (And volunteering at the recent Quilt Show!) Yay! We are athletes.

After our recent quilt show came to an end, I felt like a very tired, but fulfilled athlete! It was a wonderful show! I want to thank Kelly R, who got most everything lined up for the show and Virginia M for picking up the ball and running it to the finish. Without these ladies and their team of volunteers, we could not pull off such an impressive show. Thank you to all (and your families!) who helped this year! To those that entered quilts, whether judged or not, you are all winners. Congratulations to those that were awarded ribbons! Job well done. Wasn't it fun to have the new Mayor's Award this year?!!!

The new name badge holders turned out so nice. JoAnn V and Mary R did a great job finding a pattern, preparing materials and teaching many of us how to make them. There are a few patterns left, so if you want to make one, another class will be held in March. Let JoAnn know if you are interested.

Our February presenter, Barbara Blackmon-Gussak, shared some beautiful collage pieces she has made and held a very informative workshop. I am looking forward to seeing the finished pieces from our members! We are fortunate to have such interesting speakers, thanks to our Program Chairs!

This is my last official newsletter as your Guild president. It is hard to believe two years of newsletters, board meetings, monthly meetings and quilt shows have already passed. It has been a pleasure working with so many talented and helpful people during these two years. I can't begin to thank everyone who has supported me and all my 'house cleaning' and 'updating'. We are a very talented, creative, caring and hard working group of people. You have all become my 'team' and I am proud to have served as president for the past two years. Please continue to give your support to our incoming president, Georgia M, and board of directors. I would like to thank the board for all their support, without them, we would not have a Guild.

Lastly, it is that time of year to renew your membership! Please submit to Wendy S, when you are at the Guild or mail it in, so you can continue to be part of our wonderful organization.

Happy Quilting!
Signing off,
Debi G

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

March Program & Workshop

We've all done it – see something at a show, they demo it for you, and it looks so easy, you buy it. And there it sits on your shelf looking at you. We are all guilty – not making good use of the things we buy, I've bought quilting rulers on more than two occasions, and I still can't produce anything I was to be seen dead with! So, here's our chance for up front and close to seeing what and how an award-winning quilter does it.

Gina Perkes

Lecture: Tuesday March 18 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Workshop: Wednesday, March 19 9:00 to 3:00

Workshop: \$45; maximum of 20 students; sign-up sheet in clubhouse

Further information is available on Gina's website or her quilt shop The Copper Needle

April 2025:

In addition to our Annual Business meeting, we will have Emily Robles of Sew Easy discussing how we can help keep our machines running well and issues to consider when sending your quilt out to a long-armor.

Back By Popular Demand - Make A New Badge Holder



The Badge Holder Class will be repeated:

Thursday, March 27 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

The cost is \$3 and includes a pattern, batting, mesh, vinyl, elastic. (Sign up when you are at the guild.)

You bring 2 fat quarters and a 7"-9" zipper, and you will need your sewing machine with a standard foot and a zipper foot.

Mary R will print you a new membership card. The Badge Holder will proudly display your membership card and holds a cell phone and a credit card.

Please direct questions to JoAnn V at Vandine@Q.com



BLOTTO

January – April 2025 Blotto

This Way

This new BLOTTO points the way. The kits are available at the guild. The drawing for the No Cut block was held at our program meeting; Desiree C and Donna O each won blocks. Thank you for participating.

If you have any questions you can reach out to: Donna O (520-220-8851 or djotto@yahoo.com).



Birthdays

Wendy, H	Mar 2
Kimberly, S	Mar 2
Carol W, C	Mar 7
Tristen, R	Mar 7
Marie, K	Mar 8
Ovidia, S	Mar 9
Irene, V	Mar 13
Melanie, H	Mar 15
Debbie, L	Mar 22
Emily, R	Mar 22
Kelly, R	Mar 24
Frances, K	Mar 25
Pauline, G	Mar 26
Pat, R	Mar 26
Patricia, H	Mar 27
Donna, O	Mar 28
Katherine, A	Mar 30
Beth, H	Mar 31

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Donations for the Month of February

Cochise Oncology	5
Dialysis	5
Fresenius	5
Project Linus	39
S.A.H.A.R.A	5
WIC	11
TOTAL	70

Thank you

-to Wanda Dibble, former Guild President, for her donation of all her quilting materials. They'll start to appear at Guild after the Show. Wanda has moved into the Life Care Center. And we appreciate her daughter Suzanne bring it all to Guild last week!

Our best wishes to Janet Wilcox who is having back surgery on February 27,
and to a new member, Kelly Watkins (Krogh) who is currently recovering.

Member Spotlight: JoAnn Vandine

We moved to Sierra Vista in 1983. I was born and raised in Elkhart, Indiana (in Amish territory), went to college in Bourbonnais, Illinois, and lived in Racine, Wisconsin and Galesburg, Illinois before moving to AZ.



My husband's crippling arthritis was diagnosed in 1983 and we were advised to move somewhere warmer and drier. I taught kindergarten, first and second grade for 24 years in Sierra Vista (10 years in the Midwest) My mother taught me to sew at an early age and I made my first patchwork quilt about 55 years ago. I really got into quilting in 1995. I worked at Squirrel's Nest for several years until they closed, teaching a variety of classes. I love learning new techniques. My favorites are paper piecing and English paper piecing hexagons, also yoyo's. I love to add embellishments to my quilts and quilt-as-you-go. I also enjoy reading and crocheting.

FYI

Celebration of Life for Sue Ann Vannoy - Saturday, 15 March at 11am in Whetstone. Please RSVP to annelise.tinkcom@gmail.com or jessica.vannoy18@gmail.com by 8 March. In lieu of flowers, please bring a dish to share and a good story to share. (The obituary did not give an address.)

NO SMOKING

-on school property: To all Guild members, in order for the HSQG to continue to rent our facility, we must abide by the regulations set up by the Sierra Vista School District. If we don't, our agreement can be terminated and we will be asked to vacate the premises. In particular, there is to be NO SMOKING or use of any tobacco products on the District property, to include the parking lots. Please respect this rule.

Reminder:

Our facility is a 'Scent free area'. Please refrain from wearing colognes, perfumes, and scented lotions; even some laundry detergents and softeners have strong lingering scents. Some of our members have asthma and other health issues that are irritated by certain scents. Thank you for your cooperation.

What is the Member-at-Large?

This person is the liaison between the membership and the Board of Directors. This person is responsible for bringing the concerns of the individual members to the proper committee or to the BOD as needed. She is your voice at the BOD meetings. Currently JoAnn V holds the position and is there to listen to any concerns you may have.

Our 2026 Opportunity Quilt needs a Name!

Like last year, we will have a contest to name the quilt. Take a good look and come up with some ideas. You can send them to me via email and we will vote for the winning name at our April Membership Meeting!!

My email address is katwood3064@gmail.com

Can't wait to see all the unique names!

Thanks, Katie



Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Membership

April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025

Returning members: Please list your name and only the information that has changed

Last Name:	First Name:
Mailing Address:	City: Zip Code:
Birthday (Month/Day Only)	
Land Line Phone: ()	Cell Phone: ()
Email Address:	

Check All That Apply

New Membership

Renewal

Adult Membership \$35

Junior Membership \$17.50

Joining to enter Quilt Show

I understand that the primary goal of the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild is to promote interest in and an appreciation of quilting and fiber arts and to contribute quilts to the community. To achieve this goal, the Guild has quilt shows, various yearly projects, and monthly programs. By being a member of this Guild's projects, shows and programs I will share my time and talents as generously as I can for the betterment of the Guild.

I give consent for photos of myself and my property to be used in print media, on the Guild website, and on quilt show CDs for promoting Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild and its activities.

Signed: _____

Please make check payable to HSQG and mail to:

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Or deliver to the Membership Chair or Treasurer at a HSQG Meeting

For Guild Use Only	
Membership Number	
Check Number/Cash	
Amount Received	
Date Received	

In case of an Emergency, Please Contact: (this information is voluntary)

Name: _____

Phone Number(s): _____