



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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April, 2025

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

April

The clubhouse will be open as follows:

Regular Wednesday Hours:
8:30-11:30

Regular Thursday Hours:
8:30-2:00



Reminder of these Special Dates

April Board Meeting - 9th at noon
Business Meeting - 15th, 9am & 6pm



Our Sympathy to -

Edith Rampton who had surgery recently.

Donny Cathey & Family of Cathey's Sew & Vac. Donny's former wife and mother of their children recently passed.

To the family of our member, Pat Roark, who passed several months ago. (We recently found out.)

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lee Brewer as she recovers from surgery?

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

"Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold". I was raised as a Girl Scout and that song, often sung at gatherings, rings so true as I get older and friends (losing so many more each year) pass along. Like the silver growing on my head, I am so grateful for all of my new silver friends at HSQG. And, 'gold', just look at name tags to find the gold stars of our gold-star lifetime members! I cherish you all.

Heads up for the upcoming months, be sure to check our new speakers, classes and educational opportunities. Also look for a "pop-up" sale at the boutique at our April business meeting.

As I step into my new role as HSQG president I am being tasked to fill the shoes of many amazing past leaders and quilters! I look forward to your input, ideas and support and hope to serve you well.

- Georgia

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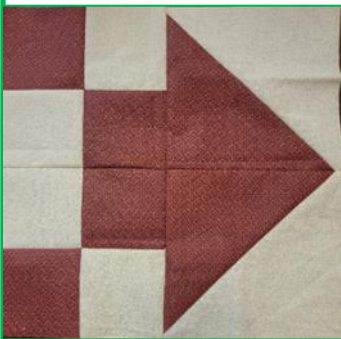
Wednesday, April 16, 11:30 am -2:30 pm Postcard Class

We will explore using designs built into our domestic machines, using a double needle, and overcasting foot. (For Brother and Babylock it is the G foot.) Our project is a postcard. Yes, it can be mailed! Or it makes a nice small art piece. Supply list and samples will be posted at the guild. No fee. Pre-registration suggested, so that we print enough info for all. For questions contact JoAnn V.

Thursday, May 22, 12:30 pm -2:30 pm Binding demos



Dorothy G. will share lots of binding ideas. Some will improve how you do regular binding, others will demo how to bind shaped quilts (special inside and outside corners), 2-color binding, "gallery" binding, adding a flange, and other elements such as prairie points. Lots of ideas! No pre-registration. No fee. Nothing to bring. This will be show and tell demos. The "gallery" binding is suitable for the 2025 Challenge. For questions contact JoAnn V.



BLOTTO

January – April 2025 Blotto

This Way

This current BLOTTO points the way. The kits are available at the guild. Be sure to bring your finished blocks no later than the April morning meeting.

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



PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

April 2025

April is our Annual Business meeting. We will be discussing, planning and voting on another exciting year of quilting. You'll meet our new officers and committee chairs and think about where you could help out.

There will also be a presentation by Emily Robles who owns the shop Make It Sew and is the former owner of the Sew Easy quilt shop. She will talk about what she is doing now. There will also some items for sale to us.

May 2025

Coni Tiefel will present a trunk show of her work. She has been a quilter and a member of Hummingbirds for 20 years. Coni is a gifted quilt designer and prefers making pieced quilts - not those scary applique quilts.

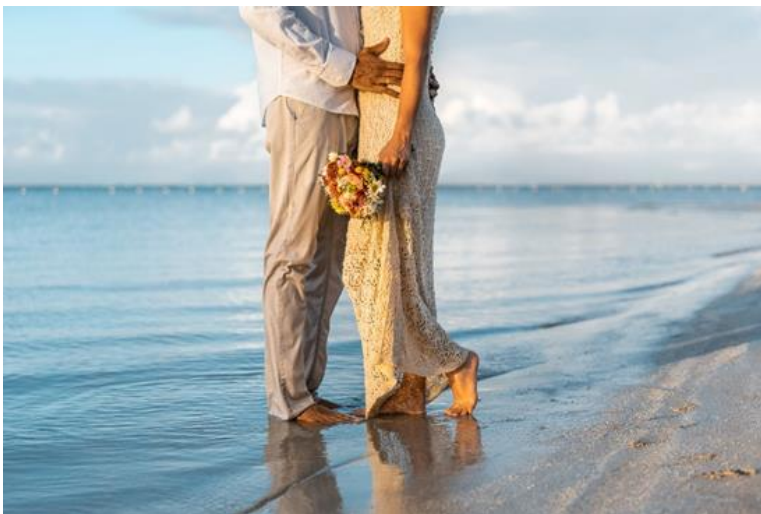
There is no workshop in May.

June 2025

Tuesday June 17 at 10:00.

We are having a Pineapple Party with a Hawaiian Twist. The idea is that you find an item of clothing that is FUN. And maybe a bit silly. Probably you have something shoved clear to the back of the closet (unless you're one of those people who clean your closet faithfully). It can be a Hawaiian print shirt or dress, even a necktie, shorts, etc. It doesn't even have to be your own, and not even a whole outfit.

There will be a nice prize for the craziest item of clothing!



April Birthdays

Irene S	April 5
Doreen D	April 6
Patricia P	April 10
Betsy W	April 10
Virginia (Ginny) S	April 12
Sue B	April 13
Maggie A	April 17
Dana R	April 27
Edith R	April 28
Janelle M	April 30
Florene P	April 30

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April is Membership Renewal Month! Time to renew your membership in the Guild. If you have already renewed, thanks! If not, the membership application is included in the monthly newsletter (Page 6). Please let us know of any address or contact information changes. You can mail the completed Membership Application and payment to the address on the form or bring both to the Guild any Wednesday or Thursday. We'll be happy to see you!

Updated Member Rosters and Member Directory with Photos will be available on the Guild's website when updates are completed. Please check to make sure your information is correct!

REMINDER! HSQG Website access to member only areas will be limited to Current Paid Members

POP-UP SALE

The boutique will have a sewing room sale after the Guild meeting on April 15th. We will be featuring jelly rolls, fat quarters, and fabric pieces at a discounted price. Come spend your tax refund!

Member Spotlight: Georgia M



I moved to Sierra Vista in the Fall of 2013. At the time my husband and I were splitting our time between Puerto Penasco (Rocky Point) Mexico and Pinetop AZ. I had always wanted to learn to quilt and called The Squirrels nest (so sad it's gone) to see if they offered classes. A lovely lady and guild member, Merri Haynes, said they did and I signed up soon after we arrived. Another lovely lady and guild member, JoAnn Vandine, was the instructor! I was addicted and soon after got 'sewing machine envy' and upgraded my little Brother 6000. Then I met guild member Nancy Banz at a motorcycle shop, who mentioned the guild! I came, joined and slowly got involved! What a joy to have learned so much and met so many talented, wonderful people! Now, as your incoming President I hope to meet many more.

Our 2026 Opportunity Quilt needs a Name!



Like last year, we are having a contest to name the quilt. Take a good look and come up with some ideas. Please send your suggestions to me via email or text by April 15th so I can have the list prepared for voting!!

My email address is katwood3064@gmail.com

My Phone is 909-215-6918

**There is also a jar on the table by the door to submit your entries.

Can't wait to see all the unique names!

Thanks, Katie

Karen Doolittle was the winner of this year's opportunity quilt presented by guild president, Debi Guilmette.



Quilts of Valor Foundation

QOV is a national program created by Catherine Roberts, who in 2003, sought a way to honor and support active and retired service personnel "touched by war". This phrase may mean they have been or are in combat, commanded combat, provided medical services or provided assistance and support to military families, being there to listen and minister to those struggling with the demons of war.

Why does our quilt guild make patriotic quilts to distribute to the community? The HSQG is the primary source of patriotic quilts made and donated to the Quilts of Valor Program in Co-chise County. Private and group presentations are made throughout the year using these lovely quilts. Specific guidelines for size and content of these quilts is available at the guild. Please consider working on one of these quilts to honor those in this county who have served or are serving our country.

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Hope this is helpful in explaining this part of the QOV program to our members. My husband and I have attended 4 different QOV presentations in the past year (17 quilts distributed) and are moved each time by the response from these soldiers (male and female). Thanks for any help you can give to promote this program.

Blue Moon

Our Blue Moon on April 24 will be quilt tops using Jelly Rolls. We have a number of them leftover from the Show so you can select whatever color or size you want. We'll have a variety of patterns for you to choose from.

We are ready to go from 8:30 am - 2 pm. Lunch is on your own.



Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Membership

April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

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:

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild
P.O. Box 1326
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

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): _____

2025 Quilts of the Huachucas – Award Winners

Category	Award	Quilt Name	Quilter
Small Applique			
	1st Place	200-Wool Garden	Ritter, Sheila
	2nd Place	253-Birds and Flowers	Karr, Marie
	3rd Place	126-Chandua	Hurt, Sherry
	Honorable Mention	212-AZ Pots	Vandine, JoAnn
	Honorable Mention	149-Spinning Galaxies	Holsonback, Jill
	Honorable Mention	166-Dresden Basket	Bloom, Lois
	Honorable Mention	205-Captured Sunshine	Tanner, Karen
Medium and Large Applique			
	1st Place	127-Paradise of Birds	Hurt, Sherry
Small Pieced			
	1st Place	163-Woven Stars	Dalmer, Margaret
	2nd Place	201-Tiny Surprise	McGuire, Lisa
	3rd Place	172-Chinese Coins	Vandine, JoAnn
	Honorable Mention	111-Star Flight	Warthan, Kay
Medium Pieced, Computer Assisted Quilting			
	1st Place	162-Crossing Paths	Dalmer, Margaret
	2nd Place	223-Sea Urchins	Mazujj, Nasrin (Nas)
	3rd Place	102-Time Management Around the Curve	Wilcox, Janet
	Honorable Mention	115-Whirligig	Hirsch, Wendy
	Honorable Mention	185-Turquoise Bars	Ritenour, Mary
	Honorable Mention	157-Lee Anne's Butterflies	Spurgeon, Mary Lou
Medium Pieced, Free Motion Quilting			
	1st Place	108-Bee My BFF	Shun, Kathi
	2nd Place	138-Squirt	McCabe, Virginia
	3rd Place	260-Bonnie Blue Quilts - Cotton Club	Herrman, Cheryl
	Honorable Mention	132-Log Cabins Gone Rogue	Bates, Joan
	Honorable Mention	117-Crown of Thorns	Carpenter, Carol W

Category	Award	Quilt Name	Quilter
Large Pieced, Computer Assisted Quilting			
	1st Place	120-Daniel's Sampler	Guilmette, Debi
	2nd Place	194-Vintage Rose	Harris, Melanie
	3rd Place	105-Interesting Eights	Banz, Nancy
	Honorable Mention	184-Venetian Lattice	Ritenour, Mary
	Honorable Mention	134-Stack-n-Whack 2	Ahearn, Eileen
	Honorable Mention	262-Storm Front	Tiefel, Connie
Large Pieced, Free Motion			
	1st Place	107-Go Ask Alice	Shun, Kathi
	2nd Place	249-Jubilation	Miles, Carol
	3rd Place	151-Starlit Skies	Herrman, Cheryl
	Honorable Mention	103-My Family Tree	Wilcox, Janet
Small Mixed Technique			
	1st Place	139-Not So Plain	McCabe, Virginia
	2nd Place	119-Colorize Hummingbird	Guilmette, Debi
	3rd Place	144-Simply a Stitch at a Time	Keiller, Laura
Medium and Large Mixed Technique			
	1st Place	124-Sweet Town	Hurt, Sherry
	2nd Place	152-Everlasting	Herrman, Cheryl
	3rd Place	116-Cottage Charm	Carpenter, Carol W
	Honorable Mention	130-Merry Christmas	Cartagena, Lina
Hand Quilted			
	1st Place	206-Summer Poppies	Tanner, Karen
	2nd Place	237-Baby Blocks	Lamberth, Gretchen
Machine Embroidery			
	1st Place	232-Christmas Village	Granstrom, Pauline
	2nd Place	270-Happy Birthday Robert	Tanner, Karen
	3rd Place	140-Feathered Star for Lois	McCabe, Virginia

Category	Award	Quilt Name	Quilter
	Honorable Mention	208-All Hallows Eve	Travis, Brenda
Modern			
	1st Place	187-Sunrise, Sunset	Ritenour, Mary
	2nd Place	121-3-D Modern	Rexroad, Dana
Group			
	1st Place	210-Scarlett Dreams	HSQG
	2nd Place	165-Bits-n-Pieces	Hurt, Sherry
	3rd Place	141-Wrapped by Friends	McCabe, Virginia
	Honorable Mention	207-Friends	Tanner, Karen
Other			
	1st Place	150-Field Journal Quilt	Holsonback, Jill
	2nd Place	167-Rattle-Rattle-Rattle	Larson, Joyce
	3rd Place	261-Snowman Lane	Herrman, Cheryl
	Honorable Mention	248-Illuminations	Shun, Kathi
Non-Traditional			
	1st Place	147-Charlie	Hopkins, Patricia

Specialty Awards		
Exemplary Computer Assisted Machine Quilting		
<i>Quilt Maker/Owner</i>	194-Vintage Rose	Harris, Melanie
<i>Quilter</i>	194-Vintage Rose	Harris, John
Exemplary Free Motion Machine Quilting		
<i>Quilt Maker/Owner</i>	249-Jubilation	Miles, Carol
<i>Quilter</i>	249-Jubilation	Kartchner, Kay
Exemplary Hand Quilting		
Best Use of Color	138-Squirt	McCabe, Virginia
Best of Show	124-Sweet Town	Hurt, Sherry
Judge's Choice	151-Starlit Skies	Herrman, Cheryl
Sheriff's Assist Team Award	184-Venetian Lattice	Ritenour, Mary
Viewers' Choice	138-Squirt	McCabe, Virginia
Viewers' Choice-HM	200-Wool Garden	Ritter, Sheila
Viewers' Choice-HM	194-Vintage Rose	Harris, Melanie
Junior Quilter	196-The Spotlight	Rambharack, Tristen
Judge's Special Award	200-Wool Garden	Ritter, Sheila
HSQG Heart Award	137-Waves of Tonga Paradise	Staples, Gail
Mayor's Award	123-Red Star	Guilmette, Debi
Featured Quilter		
	262-Storm Front	Tiefel, Connie