



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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October, 2023

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

October

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 in October:

- 07 Oct, Sat:** Guild Sewing Room Sale
- 07 & 08 Oct, Sat-Sun:** Art in the Park
- 11 Oct, Tue:** BOD, Guild Clubhouse, noon
- 13 Oct, Fri:** Barn Block Painting
- 18 Oct, Wed:** Quarterly Business/Program meeting, 9am & 6pm
- 26 Oct, Tue:** New Member Open House



Our sympathy to Candy J on the recent loss of her sister, Hazel.

Condolences to Mickey W on the loss of her brother.

As pet people, we mourn with Laura S who lost her Jack Russell to a snake bite

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

"I can't count how many quilts I've quilted for all the children and grandchildren. I ain't got nothing else to do, can't set and be idle." Melissa Myers (1836-1925) From the journal of my 2x great Grandmother.

I think many of us can identify with the above statement. Quilting is part of who we are and what we do.

Please review the survey results and responses in the email sent out with this newsletter. I truly appreciate those who made comments; I tried to respond to as many as I could. If you have any concerns or comments other than the ones addressed, please let me know.

What a fun class Kathi S presented on English paper piecing. Those of us that took it have definitely learned a new skill. Speaking of which, many have asked for member-taught 'small' classes, to learn new skills. We are working on starting a program where we can do that. At this time, we are looking for members to sign up to share their skills; then we will set up a schedule.

At the Oct Quarterly Business meeting, we will be voting on the proposed Bylaws changes. They were sent in the Sept newsletter email. If you have suggestions or comments, please be prepared to discuss them prior to the vote.

I want to thank Georgia M for volunteering to be the Future/Vice President!! It will be nice to have her on the BOD. Speaking of thanking people, I want to thank the following for always stepping up and going above and beyond to support the Guild: Wendy S (treasurer), Elizabeth P (newsletter), Mary R (membership), and Shirley F (caring)!

We have a busy fall ahead; check out the announcements in the newsletter and join in when and where you are able to.

Happy Quilting!

Debi G



Wishes for speedy recovery go to Dana R.



Aug- Oct 2023 BLOTTO
Tea Cup Party -FFP
 Drawing Oct 17

The drawing for "Izzy's Keyhole" block was held September 19. The winners were Debi G and Mary Lou S

The Blotto, Tea Cup Party, is now ready to pick up and sew, also. It is an easy, uncomplicated paper piecing. If you are new to paper piecing, this is the one to try. It's easy and fun for all. The dotted line is the ¼" seam allowance, so don't cut it off. The fabrics for the wood tabletop and cream background are provided this month. You get to pick the color and design for your cup and saucer. This drawing will be next month Oct 17.

Remember that for your block to be included in the drawing, it must have the type of fabric requested and also, measure to ensure it's the correct size that the pattern says.

If you have any questions, contact Donna O @ 520-220-8851 or d_j_otto@yahoo.com

HSQG members, the Bylaws review committee worked hard to revise/update our current Bylaws to better reflect our Guild. Please, take a few minutes and review the survey results. There will be a vote to adopt the changes at the Quarterly Business Meetings on 17 Oct. If you have questions, suggestions or comments feel free to contact me prior to the meetings. I want to thank Desiree C, Susan R and Bert C for their work on this committee.

Please refer to the email sent out by Debbie L for the actual document to review.

Thank you,
 Debi G
 HSQG President

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

We need volunteers to sign up for our "Art in the Park" booth selling tickets for the 2024 Opportunity Quilt, October 7th & 8th. Please check the sign up sheet for open times.

We also need volunteers to sign up for the "Rusty Barn" booth in Tucson, November 9th through the 11th. Please check the sign-up sheet on the table by the door.

Thank you and Happy Quilting!!

Donations for September, 2023

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|--------------------------|----|
| Cochise Oncology | 10 |
| Dialysis | 10 |
| Forgach | 15 |
| Maui Hawaii Fire victims | 12 |
| Private individual | 1 |
| Lori's Place | 15 |
| Project Linus | 4 |

Totals **67**

Thanks to all our members who are so generous with their skills and time, especially the member who will deliver quilts for fire victims to the Maui Quilt Shop. From the beginning of our fiscal year, April 1, 2023, to date, the Guild has donated 314 quilts to people and organizations in need.

Janet W



Birthdays

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| Cheryl M | Oct 5 |
| Margaret D | Oct 21 |
| Jill H | Oct 22 |
| Carol S | Oct 22 |
| Syldina B | Oct 24 |
| Virginia M | Oct 31 |

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The **2023-2024 HSQG Member Roster and Member Photo Directory** are available. Please contact the Membership Chair who can email you a copy. You must be a paid member to receive a copy.



Editor's Note:

I am, unfortunately, unable to work with a **.pdf or .jpeg** format. In the future, documents must be submitted in either **.xlsx** or **.docx** format to be used in the newsletter. Documents in **.pdf** format will be returned to the sender, hopefully for conversion and resubmission. Thank you all for your help and understanding in this matter.

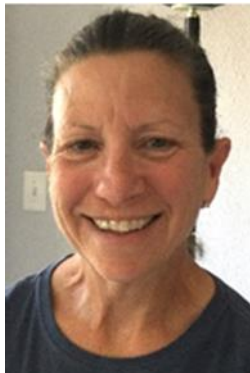
QUILT SHOW NEWS

A huge thank you to these ladies who have volunteered to be part of the Quilt Show Team.

Joann V. - White Gloves
 Mary R. - Security
 Marrietta O. - Member Vendors
 Kelly R. - 2025 Quilt Show Chair!

Look for the 2024 Rules and Entry Form on the HSQG website!

Melanie H
 2024 Quilt Show Chair



New Member: Meet Dana Eversole

I was born and raised in Tucson, a graduate of the University of Arizona in Music Education. I enlisted in the Air Force for the next 4 years. Spent some time in Nevada and Albuquerque and have been happy to call Sierra Vista my home since 2006.

I learned to quilt in Albuquerque in 2004. For the last 20 years I have spent a lot of time training for triathlons and other events. I enjoy exercising and staying in shape. I was a prior member of the SV guild with Sonja Mathew a while back but had to quit due to my work schedule.

Newly retired, I'm excited to get back to sewing and helping the guild with projects and other activities. It's great to learn from all the experienced ladies here!!



Quilts of Valor

All the 15 quilts awarded were made by HSQG members. Many thanks.



NEW CONTEST

NAME THE 2025 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

We need a name for this quilt – if you have a name you would like to enter into the contest, please send your suggestions to me at stitch-in-time@hotmail.com or text me at 909-215-6918. We will be accepting suggestions until October 10th and then voting at our October Membership meetings. Votes will be tallied and the winner will receive a \$25 gift card to either Sew Easy or JoAnn's.

Look forward to seeing all your ideas!!

Thanks,

Katie A – Ways & Means Chair



Marge C was visiting Bar Harbor Maine and Acadia national Park when she happened upon this quilt shop. Fabricate was a delightful store and she certainly enjoyed shopping and buying some lighthouse fabric.

Please Take Note!

Portapotty Etiquette:

We may not place anything except the company provided toilet paper (on the rollers inside). No kleenex, paper towels, sanitary products. They clean it weekly with a suction hose which gets clogged with any of these products.

Thank you for your help.

Challenge Quilt Guidelines:

1. Quilts can measure 12 inches wide by 18 inches long, 18 inches wide by 12 inches long or 15 inches square, (or smaller, but no larger than 60" perimeter). The quilt can have an irregular shape (i.e.: wavy or jagged edges). Measure the edge as best you can.
2. There are no subject requirements and you may use the quilting techniques of your choice (applique, piecing, embellishing, etc.)
3. All quilts must consist of a quilt top, batting, backing, "finished edge" label and sleeve.
4. Quilts must be **black, white + one pop of color**.
5. Fabrics do not have to be solid colors. Prints that are black with white design or white with black design are allowed. Only one pop of color allowed, although it can appear more than once in the quilt.
6. Sign up should have been completed by emailing JoAnn at vandine@Q.com by July 1.
7. **IMPORTANT:** For all entries, please email JoAnn at vandine@Q.com by October 15 with your name, name of the quilt and size of the quilt.
8. The challenge quilt viewing and voting takes place at the November guild meetings. More details will be released in October.

Estate Donations

The Guild loves to get donations; without them we would not have a wonderful selection of fabric for our many quilts and items for the boutique. But we are not in the business of 'doing' an estate sale. There is a process for the Guild to accept these donations. It should be prearranged for drop off by contacting the President, the stash control team or one of the Board of Director members. We prefer the items to be in clean condition and boxed, bagged or in reusable totes. The Guild does not go to the estate to sort, price, sell, pack and deliver things to be donated. The Guild only works with woven cotton fabric, no decorator, dressmaker or craft fabrics. In the past, individuals from the Guild have volunteered on their own time to help families of members clear an estate. But this was not a Guild activity. So please, if you know of members or their estates that want to donate to the Guild, pass along this information. We appreciate our donations, but members cannot commit the Guild to 'help' with the estate. Contacts are: Debi G, president (520)227-0381, Gail S, stash (520)236-7350 or reach us through our Facebook account The Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild website.

PASSWORD CHANGE: Members Only Tab

A benefit of being a member is access to information not available to everyone. Examples include Accuquilt information, patterns, board meeting minutes and membership rosters with contact information. This information is posted on our website under the Members Only Tab and is password protected.

Each year we change the password so only current guild members have the password. The Username and Password changed on 5 July 2023. So, if you have not renewed your membership, please do so quickly. We want to share all the joys of quilting with you. The new Username and Password should have been emailed to all current members only at the end of June with the July newsletter notification. You can also find out the new User Name and Password by contacting our secretary, Debbie, at hsqg@hummingbirdquiltguild.com or myself, Eileen, at web-site@hummingbirdquiltguild.com.

We'll check the membership roster and if you are on it, we'll email it back to you.

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

PROGRAMS

Tues, 17 Oct 2023 – Michele Markly - "My Muses & Wonderful World of Arts." She will have items for sale, including crystals.

WORKSHOPS

PLEASE PAY BY CHECK OR CASH TO THE HSQG THE MONTH BEFORE OR NO LATER THAN THE WEEK BEFORE. PAY BY CHECK OR CASH TO HSQG AND GIVE TO THE TREASURER. CLASS WILL START AT 9:00 AM AND WE REQUEST YOU BE SET UP AND READY TO START AT THAT TIME. IF AN EMERGENCY ARISES, AND YOU CANNOT ATTEND, CALL CLARA OR PATTI. TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE ON THE LIST OF MEMBERS. CALL CLARA AT 520-266-0575 OR PATTI AT 520-227-5747.

Wed, 18 Oct 2023 – Michele Markly, will be teaching us the techniques for creating an individually colored pattern of a hummingbird. The kit will cost \$65.00 (includes \$45.00 for the class and \$20.00 for the kit) and includes the hummingbird pattern below printed on fabric, and use of all her inktense pencils, fabric markers, and jell pens. Class participants will not have to provide their own.



Jan 3rd, through Jan 6th, 2024 – Deb Deaton will be giving her 4-day workshop. This is a daytime workshop. This is Deb Deaton's 4-day Fiber Arts Bootcamp. Strap in for a jam-packed 4 days of creating! The cost is \$295.00 plus \$25.00 kit fee if you want to do "Splendor" shown below. Paints will be provided as well as the use of instructor's mixed media supplies if you do not have your own. Stop in at the Guild and see the original "Splendor" fiber arts piece that Deb created. You can pick a picture of your choice, any scenery, animals, buildings, etc. If you think you might want to take the class but are not sure, or you aren't sure what design/picture to use, let me (Patti H 520-227-5747) know and I will provide Deb's contact information.



ECO-DYE CLASS

Lori Kovash let us know that she is having an Eco-Dye class on 21 Oct 2023 starting at 10:00. She currently has 3 spaces available. If any guild member is interested, email her at lori.lovash@yahoo.com.



Can you find these blocks on the Sierra Vista Barn Quilt Trail?



Barn Quilt **Paint-A-Thon**



Barn Quilt Paint-A-Thon

Please join us to paint Barn Quilt Blocks!

9:00am Friday, October 13

Make a block, or two, for yourself or to donate to the West End Barn Quilt Trail!
12"x12" plywood, 2'x2' plywood or 2'x2' aluminum sheeting

Where:

Melanie H's Backyard Garage Shop

3518 E Ojibwa St

Sierra Vista AZ 85650

(South on 92 to Choctaw turn right. Left onto Pueblo to Ojibwa. Mailbox on the left on Ojibwa. Parking by car garage or on the street.)

What to Bring:

A hair dryer is handy to help dry paint layers. There are also some available.

A yardstick or ruler

Pencil and eraser

Green or yellow Frog tape (yes, there is a brand of Frog tape for painting). Blue paint tape may work as well but was not as good as the Frog brand

Dress for painting and temperature. We do have disposable plastic gloves.

Bring a copy if you have a particular block design you want to paint. There will be design examples

PLEASE RSVP to Janet W. by October 6 so there are enough prepped boards



GREAT NEWS!!

We have new guild pins in stock!

\$5 each

I will have them available at the guild meetings and our Wed & Thurs sewing sessions.

See you soon! Katie A.

Anyone who finds a quilt shop while traveling,
please snap a pic and send it to the newsletter!
We're on the move!

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS! (OR EMBROIDERS!)

Opportunity for embroiders/crafters to make a bit of money! Some of the guild members would like to have an embroidered name tag. Make a sample and present it at a program meeting. You set the price

ANNUAL SEWING ROOM SALE

The annual Sewing Room Sale for the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild is Saturday, October 7 from 9am to 3pm; located at 3305 East Fry in the Rothery Education Center (Just east of Veterans' Park) in the Rothery Center's cafeteria, at the **opposite** end to the guild clubhouse building. This is a **NEW** building location for the sale.

Items include all types of sewing supplies, sewing machines, lots of fabric, fat quarters, jelly rolls, craft/sewing books & magazines, and patterns. Plus, there will be homemade items for your sewing or home needs: fabric baskets, scrubbies, machine protectors, microwaveable bowl protectors, table runners and toppers, small quilts and much more.

Cash or check preferred, but credit/debit cards are also accepted.

For directions or more information go to www.hummingbirdquiltguild.com. See you there.

Please remember to wear your name tag!

It helps new members and reminds older members. You can keep the name tag in your car so it is always accessible.

New guidelines for making backs for quilt tops: please make the backing at least 5" longer on each of the top & bottom edges and 4" on each side. This allows for ease in loading the backing without the quilter having to add an extra leader.

Also, please sew down any seam edges from piecing so the seam doesn't come apart in loading.

Every little bit helps our long-arms who volunteer time & thread!

WORK WITH US!

Maybe you're interested in working with Programs & Workshops and you are not sure what the duties are and how to fulfill them. You have thought about it, right? We would love to have 2 people volunteer to work with us (Clara & Patti) this year to learn the inner workings. Much of the stress will be gone when you take over the responsibility next year because you will have the upper hand! You will have gained all the knowledge needed, and you can add your own ideas to further enhance this position! Contact our guild president, Clara P or Patti H.

The Mourning Project

Many HSQG members donated baby booties to The Mourning Project, which was started by Mary Vaneecke, a member of the Tucson Quilt Guild. The very first exhibition of the whole collection of 20,000+ booties will be unveiled on Oct 21 at Children's Memorial Park in Tucson (4875 N. 15th Place). The installation is 38'x38'! Parking is limited, but there will be a golf cart shuttle. The installation will be unveiled at 10am by the UofA Wildcats, and a group photo of bootie makers is scheduled for 11:30 am. The event ends at 1pm. It will be a livestream on Facebook.



Why Do Quilts Cost So Much?

Cost for materials, construction, & finishing for
90" x 100" Queen Size Quilt

Materials for Queen Size Quilt

Fabric for the top:

15 Yds @ \$12.95 = \$194.25

8 ½ Yds backing @ \$12.95 = \$110.08

¼ Yds for Binding @ 12.95 = \$9.71

2 ¾ Yds Batting @ 12.95 = \$35.61

Pattern @ \$10.00

TOTAL cost of Materials = \$359.65 (not including sales tax or markup.

Markup is customary in any other business!)

Construction

Labor based on \$25.00 an hour (We are NOT Minimum wage, unskilled workers, but skilled Artisans with years of experience and large investments in equipment and training)

Making a Top

(Includes shopping for fabric, prepping fabric, cutting fabric, sewing blocks, sewing blocks together adding sashing and borders)

40 hours @ \$25.00 = \$1,000.00

(What would you expect to get paid working at a skilled job per 40 hour work week?)

Finishing

Long Arm quilting (All over Edge to Edge)

9,000 Sq inches @ .02 = \$180.00

Trimming Quilt @ \$15.00

Making Binding ½ hr @ \$25.00/hr = \$12.50

Sewing binding on and hand stitching the back

380 linear inches @ .30 = \$114.00

Total Finishing cost = \$321.50

TOTAL COST OF QUILT = \$1,681.15

Note: A larger quilt or more intricate pattern or Custom Long Arm Quilting will increase cost

Revised by Doug Sobel 1/3/2018

Did you know... From a fat quarter, you can cut:

99-2" squares

50-2 1/2" squares

42-3" squares

30-3 1/2" squares

20-4" squares

16-4 1/2" squares

12-5" squares

12-5 1/2" squares

9-6" squares

6-6 1/2" squares





Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild Membership

April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024

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

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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 Stitches 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 Stitches Quilt Guild and its activities.

Signed: _____

Please make check payable to HSQG and mail to:

Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild
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Or deliver to the Membership Chair or Treasurer at a HSQG Meeting

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| Membership Number | |
| Check Number/Cash | |
| Amount Received | |
| Date Received | |

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

Name: _____

Phone Number(s): _____