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The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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June, 2021

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

June

The clubhouse WILL be open as follows.

**Regular Wednesday Hours:
8:30-11:30**

**Regular Thursday Hours :
8:30-11:30**

Special Notes:

See page 9 for: **HSQG Board of Directors 2021-2022**

See page 5 for: **Proposal to Change HSQG Meeting Days and Times**



Also:

We've been working on our "I wanna be a" tubs to make up kits for wall hangings, table runners, & any variety of quilt! Stop by any Wednesday or Thursday to have a project ready when our summer heat begins next month.

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

Greetings to all our faithful quilters

I want to thank Susan Ritter for her service as our past President and for all her other contributions to our organization. I also want to thank all those members who helped to keep the Guild operational during the last difficult year.

As we return to a more normal existence, I would like to ask our members to consider volunteering for the various positions in the Guild. We need fresh blood to get involved in running our organization and learning how to run a quilt show. Have no fears, we will train you and help anyone who wants to undertake any of the positions. If you are interested in serving, just let me know!

I look forward to engaging with everyone, face-to-face.

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Condolences to Nora Eaken on the sudden accidental death of her younger brother Denis Johnson.

Blotto for May-August 2021

Congratulations to the winners of the May Blotto: Neva Chun, Dorthy Goulding, Maggie Allen and Merri Haynes!!!

Blotto for May-August 2021

Flower Power is the Blotto for May-August 2021!!! Have fun with this easy appliqué flower block which you can keep as simple as you like or be creative with embellishments. Choose one to three flowers for your block and an appliqué method of your choice. When you pick up your kits at the Guild see the four different methods that were used on the samples. If you have never done appliqué this is an easy block to try. The drawing for this Blotto will be Wednesday, August 4th.

If you have any questions call: Debi 227-0381 or Nancy 508-9044

Doris Wells will be doing a demo workshop on appliqué methods. Please see the notice in this newsletter for information regarding date and time**



Members Only Data Password Has Changed

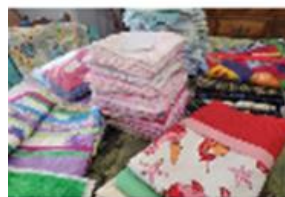
While the HSQG is all about sharing the pleasure of quilting and fabric, some information is intended for only Guild members. Examples include our membership rosters, board meeting minutes, past BLOTTO patterns and our library. Guild only information is posted on our the Members Only page of our website and links to the data are password protected. To keep our information secure and as a benefit of membership, our password changes annually. This year our members only password changed on May 18. If you have any challenges access the Members Only data, please contact the Guild (hsqg@hummingbirdquiltguild.com); we'll check your membership status and get back to you with the new user name and password. Happy quilting and website surfing.

Who are you?

Many quilters would like to know. We currently have 96 paid members in the guild, but only 70 members have pictures listed on the roster in the members' only area. Especially since we have not seen each other for a while, we may need a refresher regarding your beautiful face. Please send me (Ann Walker) a picture or have one taken at the guide.



Community Quilts



Just a thank you to SOME of the friends & quilters who have been spring cleaning and shared with us. It's been a banner month for the Free Table, Boutique, Stash & Kit table.

Sandy D, MaryAnn L, Mary, (who came in with a tub of flannel & went home with MaryAnn's box of scraps), Kimberly F from Bisbee with her grandmother's treasures, Dottie J's magazines (come get some ideas, Wanda M (and her friend who brought a serger) for backing & mostly made pillowcases, Shirley F, Stan W (for his wife's stash), Elfie (for a couple kits & a great little machine to use with the h.s. class in June, & Donna V.

Come by & stock up for those hot summer months!



2021 Challenge—Bring on the Blue!

Guidelines:

Quilts can measure 12 inches wide by 18 inches long, 18 inches wide by 12 inches long or 15 inches square. The quilt can have an irregular shape (i.e. wavy or jagged edges).

There are no subject requirements and use the quilting techniques of your choice (applique, piecing, embellishing, etc.)

All quilts will consist of a quilt top, batting, backing, "finished edge" label and sleeve.

Quilts must be **blue** and only **blue**.

Small amounts of neutral colors can be used. i.e. white, black, gray or cream/beige. For example, a blue fabric may have in it small black dots. The question to answer is "Does this fabric read as blue?" Also, neutral fabrics can be used in the quilt.

The question to answer "Is this a Blue Quilt?"

There are many colors that are combinations. For example, blue/green. If using one of these fabrics it should read as blue not green. If it reads as green do not use.

Please sign up for the Challenge by emailing Jill at holsonback@cox.net by July 1.

IMPORTANT: For all entries please email Jill at holsonback@cox.net by October 15 with your name, name of the quilt and size of the quilt.

The details of the quilt show and voting will be released in October.

Inspiration can be found in phrases, music, movies. Here are a few:

Once in a Blue Moon, Rhapsody in Blue, The Deep Blue Sea, True Blue, Blue Blood, Blue Velvet, As Cold as Blue Blazes, Like a Bolt from the Blue.

Also, inspiration can be found on the internet. Check out the Exhibit of Sapphire Quilts from Houston 2019 Quilt Show.

<https://www.quiltandtextilecollections.com/blog/the-sapphire-celebration>

Wanted: A quilter to take charge of the ribbons/prizes for the 2021 Challenge. No experience is necessary. Contact Jill Holsonback at the above email.

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

No programs are planned at the moment until further notice. Due to the coronavirus spiking in our county and the rest of Arizona, and to the uncertainty of travel and school closings, we are not scheduling any outside program speakers until further notice. We remain open on Wednesday and Thursday mornings for work sessions and drop-off/pick-up. We hope to be able to have our monthly meetings in some form. As soon as we know, notices will be posted on the Guild website, newsletter, Facebook, and e-mail. Thank you for your support.

Doing Good All Year Round!

Besides all the quilts we make for the community, there are more ways you can help others this year. See the note about Peaches' Pantry in December's issue. The thing to remember about Peaches is that even though school is closed, kids are still hungry and the faithful workers at Peaches are there delivering food every week to kids who wouldn't eat otherwise.

Also, as you do your everyday shopping, remember the SmileAmazon option. IF you shop on Amazon and IF you have not already chosen a charity, you may select the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild as your charity of choice. Google for SmileAmazon and follow the simple steps to choose a charity. Then each time you shop, log into Smile Amazon first – the website looks the same as before, but there will be a little button top left that shows your charity and tells you that they are donating a small percentage of your order.

Fry's Food and Drug Store has similar program. To use it, go to the Fry's website; look at the bottom of the page for the "Community Rewards" button. Follow the easy steps to set up a digital account and choose a charity. This does not conflict with the gas points rewards.



Birthdays

Jan B	June 5
Beth D	June 5
Jo G	June 5
Maryann L	June 7
Karen A	June 8
Roberta W	June 8
Peggy K	June 10
Lois K	June 11
Cathy N	June 11
Lucinda R	June 11
Susie W	June 16
Kathryn T	June 18
Alice B	June 21
Karen Z	June 21
Pauline G	June 26
Bobbi C	June 28
EulaMae T	June 30

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Donations and Quilt Sales report for May 2021

Quilt distribution for the month of May:

Buena Project Graduation	1
Forgach House	33
SW Cancer Ctr	10
Vietnam Vets	<u>1</u>
Total	45

Thanks to all who made this possible! Once again, if you hear of a need for a quilt please let me know. This month I've tried to add the Guild as a resource to the Red Cross, Sierra Vista Gives, and Southern Arizona Humanitarian Aid (S.A.H.A.R.A). Those organizations are the contact points for disaster/crisis relief here in Cochise County.

Thanks to all members! As usual, please let me know of anyone or organization in need.

Janet Wilcox
Community quilts Chair

Proposal to Change HSQG Meeting Days and Times

Rationale: Present meeting days sometime conflict with Tucson Guild
This affects about 6-7 members.

1. Change days to last (or 4th?) Monday and Wednesday of the month; same times with Tuesday for the workshop

Pro: Would avoid Tucson dates
Would remove conflict with Show dates early in March
Con: Would conflict with Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays
2. Change meeting days to Tuesday with a morning and evening program on the same day. Workshop day on Wednesday

Pro: Might save one night hotel expense for local speakers
Would put the programs first, so more people might sign up for workshop.
Con: Would still conflict with Tucson if we stay in first week of month
Speakers from a distance probably would still need to come the day before
3. Change meeting days to third Monday and Wednesday of the month; workshop stays on Tuesday

Pro: Would not conflict with any holidays
Would not conflict with Show dates and deadlines
Con: Would necessitate changing BOD meetings, newsletter deadlines and publication dates
4. Combination



Introducing "*Something Blue*"

Tickets are now available for the 2022 Opportunity Quilt! Money raised from ticket sales will be used to fund our growing Community Quilts program.

Something Blue is 72" x 72"; the pattern is by Dutch designer Jacqueline de Jonge.

Piecing was done by Melanie Harris and fabulous custom quilting by Virginia McCabe.

You may pick up tickets to sell at the Guild and start selling now! The drawing will be March 6th, 2022 at 2pm, the Sunday of our next quilt show. The Quilt will be on display throughout the year at Sew Easy Sewing in Sierra Vista as well as other events.

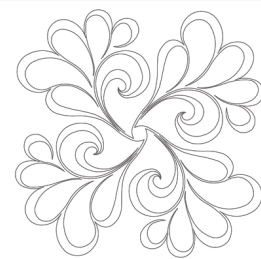
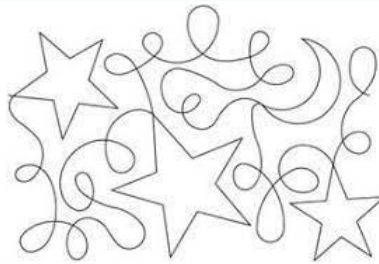
Summer Academy

OK, Hummers, we have a great opportunity this summer: a chance to teach some new young people about quilting. Maybe it will be some useful life skills for them, maybe some will develop a lifelong addiction to our fantastic hobby. Whatever, it's a chance to pass on our skills, like someone has passed them to us.

The pay-off? Aside from passing on our quilting fun to another generation, the guild will earn free rent for our clubhouse. How can we lose?

Details: The summer session runs from June 7 to July 16. Our class is scheduled from 11:30 to 2:30 every day. With lunch and breaks in that time, it's a two-hour class. We are booked for 8 students. We have two instructors certified by the District for this, sure could use some volunteers to help out one-on-one with the students. The catch is that anyone in Arizona who works with children under 18 must have a current fingerprint card. This is a fairly painless process but it does require a little time.

If you think you can be a volunteer for, say a week at a time, or every Monday, please call or e-mail Candy or Nas for details. The whole guild will be grateful.



New Blotto Block Session

The new blotto block is an applique block. For those who have not done a lot of applique, we have set up two workshop sessions to talk about some of the applique techniques that can be used to make this block. The second session is scheduled for June 3rd, in the Guild Hall from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. It will be a demo, rather than a hands-on session with a handout for you to take with you. No need to sign up; just come along.

Doris Wells

Library Corner

Not your usual Storm at Sea quilt. This week some generous person dropped off books for the library. Included was a *Better Homes and Garden Sampler Collection Volume I*. This contained the Storm at Sea Pattern with several blocks changed to the color red. These red blocks form a subtle red heart. Many of the Thursday quilters liked the pattern so I am sharing it at the Library table at the Guild. Stop by and look. Please do not take the book so others can look at it too.



Calling all Long-arm Quilters (and Embroiderers)

Please get your information in as soon as possible, so a list can be compiled, for everyone's benefit!

Our members have asked for a reference list of quilters willing and able to do long-arm quilting for others. Your personal information would NOT be on the open newsletter; it will be on the guild's website under **Members Only**.

There is a form to fill out and send to the editor, Elizabeth Polhans at ecr1950@yahoo.com. If you prefer to mail, the address is in the Roster.

Embroiderers can use the same form.

One more thing: if you are quilting for others, **please make sure your business cards are on the bookshelf at the clubhouse.**

Thanks!

Name _____ Phone _____

Alt Phone _____

Email _____

Quilting available for (Yes/No): Guild _____

Paid Quilting for Personal Quilts _____

Type of Quilting (Ex: Edge-to-Edge, Custom, Hand-Quilting) _____

Embroidery available for (Yes/No): Guild _____

Paid Embroidery for Personal Quilts _____



Got something to sell?

Remember to check the Newsletter section of our website for Advertising Guidelines, as well as the Members Only section for special member discounts.



Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Membership

April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022

*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 number _____ Cell phone number _____
 E-Mail address _____

Check all that apply:

- New Membership
- Renewal
- Adult Membership \$35
- Junior Membership \$17.50
- I am joining primarily to enter
a quilt in the Guild quilt show.

I understand that the primary goal of the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild is to promote interest in and 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 I will uphold this goal and pledge my cooperation by working on the 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 85636-1326

Or deliver to the Membership Chair or Treasurer at a HSQG Meeting
 (www.hummingbirdquiltguild.com)

For Guild Use only	
Membership Number	
Check Number/Cash	
Amount Received	
Date Recorded	

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

Name: _____
 Phone number(s) _____

May 2021 Special Ballot Results

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Publicity	Georgia Mastin
Stash Manager	Gail Staples
Raffle Quilt 2021	Dorothy Goulding/Debi Guilmette/Coni Tiefel
Raffle Quilt 2022	Melanie Harris/Virginia McCabe
<i>Arizona Hall of Fame has disbanded</i>	
Webmaster	Eileen Ahearn
Ways & Means activities	
Art in the Park	<i>vacant</i>
Tucson Quilt & Craft Expo	<i>vacant</i>