



# The Dangling Thread

~ HAVASU STITCHERS ~

Lake Havasu City, Arizona

An Affiliate of the Arizona Quilters Guild



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## Greetings From the President....

Happy New Year!

*It is now 2016. The beginning of a new year. Are you ready?  
More fun, and more excitement.*



*Quilting at the Lake is here! The committee is in full swing. The teachers are excited to teach you new patterns, and there are also the Sit and Sews. Take full advantage of this week of educational events. You will definitely learn something new.*

*Elections are coming! Elections are coming! Oh my.... someone ring the bell. Sherri Ashford will be Chairman of the Nominations Committee. Here is your chance to make a difference. Most of the current Board members have been representing this guild for more than 2 years. It is now time for you to step up and be counted. Sherri is going to need 3 more people on the nominating committee. Our by-laws which outline our governing rules are located on the website. You will also find four different articles in this newsletter explaining what the positions of Secretary, Hospitality, Membership, and Library do for this guild. Please read these articles and consider joining the Board. This guild could not operate if not for your volunteerism. If you cannot take a position, please consider volunteering your time to assist a committee chairman.*



*Congratulations to Linda MacKay on her 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary! You all know what that means! Bring in a fat quarter of gold fabric and deliver it to the Hospitality table at the January general meeting. A basket of fabric will be presented to Linda later in the meeting to mark the occasion. Happy Anniversary, Linda!*

*Many thanks are due to non-member Judy Kohrs for donating fabric and felt to the guild. These items have been divided into small packages and will be sold at a garage sale to be held during National Quilting Day in March. This is also a good time to mention that with spring cleaning coming up, there is a great opportunity to clean out your sewing room and bring slightly used items to the National Quilting Day event to help increase our education fund.*

*It is a new year with new ideas and great expectations. Come be a part of it!!!  
Sheri Ahrens*

## Filled Position: First VP/Education

The Board is happy to announce that Geri Larson has agreed to fill the open position of First VP/Education! We know that Geri will do a great job scheduling classes and finding quality instructors. Geri is no stranger to most of you, since she lives in Lake Havasu and has belonged to the Havasu Stitchers for a number of years. Look for Geri at the next general meeting when she is introduced as First VP/Education!

### LIST OF OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT: Sheri Ahrens**

**FIRST VP: Geri Larson**

**SECOND VP: Sherri Ashford**

**TREASURER: Adeline Reiten**

**SECRETARY: LeAnn Richey**

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## Scavenger Hunt Reminder

### THE CHALLENGE:

Use as many of the 30 items (identified in the December Newsletter) in/on your quilt as possible.

### THE REQUIREMENTS:

- Size: Your choice.
- You may complete your quilt in any manner you wish. But, you must have a quilt at the end of the day. (Meaning...you must have three layers held together by any means of stitching you deem appropriate to your "masterpiece".)
- The edges must be finished...no RAW edges.
- A label must be attached to the back of the quilt and shall include your name plus a list of the items you added to your quilt for this challenge.

Your interpretation is only limited by your imagination. Consider all your options...pieced blocks, embellishments, appliqués, quilting. The list goes on and on. Unveilings are scheduled for the March 2016 meeting. If you have any questions, contact June Trubia or Susan George.

## Open Position: 2nd VP/Membership

What an adventure! The person holding this position gets to meet everyone, collect money, make deposits, enter the information on a spreadsheet on the guild computer, and register the members into the website. WOW!

That's right, the 2nd Vice President/Membership has his/her own HP computer to record membership on. A simple spreadsheet has been created by Sherri Ashford for this purpose. If you are interested in this position, you are welcome to help Sherri from April to June to get the members renewed and the new members signed up. It can even be a few of you to see how this piece of the puzzle works. Please contact Sherri Ashford if interested in holding this position in the upcoming term.



**Remember to bring your Pennies to the  
General Meeting**



BOM



Shirley Johnson

As stated in the December Dangling Thread News-letter, you'll need to bring the following blocks and share them at the general meeting in **February**. (This will give some of our returning snow-birds a chance to catch up on the Vintage Farm Girl blocks.) If all your blocks are complete, you'll receive a maximum of 3 chances in the drawings for February:

December	January	February
Baking Day	Feed and Seed	Old Glory
Egg Basket	Fresh Pears	Sunday Morning
Farmhouse	Kitchen Window	Wooly Sheep
Scrappy Maple Leaf	Mama Hen	Patchwork Pumpkin

Our LQS vendors will also be back in February with some new fabrics and items to share with you.

And be prepared for February – in addition to our regular blocks, there will be a contest for all Havasu Stitchers with voting by our attending membership taking place at the March meeting. A very cool prize will be given to the winner. And here's a hint for you about the contest – what's the ugliest thing in your sewing room or studio? Hmmmmmm.

Thanks for checking in!  
Shirley Johnson

Sunshine



Joan Wurster

Please let the Sunshine Chairman know if you would like to have a card sent to one of our members. Please put Sunshine Lady in the Re: section of the e-mail.

Community Outreach

Wendy Howe

There were 7 sewers and 2 drop-ins at our last meeting at the library, 1770 N. McCulloch Blvd, Lake Havasu City. Next meeting--- **January 20, 2016 10am to 3pm**. Fun sewing projects will be done.

Feel free to stop by and check us out, visit, bring finished projects you have taken home to sew, pick up projects to take home. We do this to share our love of sewing with the community.

You can be as involved as you choose.... Come just once or each month. The projects may be one time or ongoing. What we currently do: lap, children quilts 40"x 48 to 60"max, fidget quilt, tie-on walker bags, adult, child, baby bibs, baby burp cloths, pillowcases. We keep a count of the puppy pillows taken by you to the Western Humane Society. In December we delivered: 30 quilts, 17 puppy pillows. WAY TO GO!

If you have any questions, contact Wendy Howe.

Open Position: Hospitality

This is a great way to meet all members. Hospitality is a voting position on the Board. You will have the opportunity to let the President know how many members are present so voting can happen properly. You'll also announce who the guests are, get to pick the cake for our Birthday party in October, help on any committee you wish to support, and come to Board meetings. Please contact Sherri Ashford, Chairman of the Nominations Committee, if interested in this position in the upcoming term.

**PLEASE BRING A GOLD FAT QUARTER**

**to the meeting for**

**Linda MacKay**

**who will celebrate her**

**50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

**IN JANUARY!**

**CONGRATULATIONS, GOLDEN GIRL!**



# Hospitality



Zola Stuart &  
Ruby Worrell

*Please sign up to bring snacks to the general meeting!*



Put another candle on your birthday cake!

Linda	Stone	1/3
Mona	Bolen	1/3
Stephen	Benson	1/5
Catherine	Stephan	1/6
Pat	Bennett	1/8
Kathleen	Gibson	1/9
Ruby	Worrell	1/9
Pat	Plum	1/10
Holly	Caruso	1/11
Jamie	Zimmerman	1/11
Debbie	LaBandz	1/13
Maria	Rhodes	1/14
Mary	Bryce	1/15
Judy	Jordan	1/15
Wendy	Howe	1/18
Theresa	McIntosh	1/20
Rita	McElhinney	1/22
Yvonne	Craig	1/23
Beth	Hoskins	1/24
Beryl	Rasmussen	1/24
Joyce	Kops	1/25
Diane	Corder	1/26
Marilyn	Craig	1/29
LeAnn	Richey	1/30
Jan	Heyboer	1/31

**Mark your Calendar for these TWO Friendship Social Events scheduled in January:**

*Connecting Threads invites you to a get together on Monday, January 11 at 10 AM Hosted by Marcia Davis and located at Sherri Ashford's home 2570 Sweetwater Ave., Lake Havasu City Please bring a fat quarter. RSVP with Marcia.*



*You're invited to a Friendship Social on Friday, January 29 at 10 AM to be held at the Crazy Horse Community Hall 1534 Beachcomber Blvd., Lake Havasu City The event is hosted by the Crazy Horse Quilters who are also Havasu Stitchers. Come see what your fellow Stitchers are up to at Crazy Horse!*

# Library



Sarah McNary

**THE NATIONAL QUILTING DAY GARAGE SALE WILL INCLUDE SALE ITEMS FROM THE LIBRARY. SARAH IS USUALLY VERY GOOD AT SUPPLYING OLD MAGAZINES AND BOOKS! AS ALWAYS, WE HAVE GENTLY USED PATTERNS (\$1), QUILTING MAGAZINES (5 FOR \$1 OR .25 EACH) AND BOOKS ON QUILTING (\$.50 EACH). WE WELCOME YOUR DONATIONS AND WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT NOT TO RESELL YOU WHAT YOU'VE DONATED!**

# Open Position: Secretary

This is a great way to be a silent partner! All you need to do is record the minutes to the Board meetings and the General Membership meetings. Oh Ya...if the Board makes a recommendation at their meeting, you will be the one presenting it to the membership. The President has a cheat sheet to help you know what to say. You will be part of the voting Board and will be expected to join in on the doings of the guild. Please contact Sherri Ashford, Nominations Committee Chair, if interested in being Secretary of the Havasu Stitchers for the upcoming term.

If your contact information needs to be updated, please submit the changes to Membership Chair Sherri Ashford. We want to stay in touch with all of you!

# QUILTING AT THE LAKE

Sherri Ashford



The **Quilting at the Lake Brochure and Registration Form** can be found on our Havasu Stitchers website: <http://havasustitchers.com/>.

All Classes with open seats are \$85, comes with a \$15 lunch.  
All Sit and Sews are \$20 and they also come with a \$15 lunch.

	Class	Seats Available
Tuesday, January 5	Sit and Sew	10
	Rough Cut Trees	1
Wednesday, January 6	Sit and Sew	7
	Flower Vase	5
	Rock That Quilt Block	10
Thursday, January 7	I Don't Believe That Machine Applique	3
Friday, January 8	Crazy for Hawaiian*	11
Saturday, January 9	Hunter's Star	8
	Tips, Tricks and Angled Techniques**	11
	No Nonsense Nine Patch	7

\*Crazy for Hawaiian— Teacher Jill McCoy tells us this class will teach the same info as "Fast and Fancy Footwork". You will work that machine in every way possible and end up with a crazy quilt!!

\*\*Tips Tricks and Angled Techniques— This class is a marathon sewing day with Five Different Clever Angled Techniques, all ready to sew in precut pieces. The project is a sampler of Lisa Moore's engineered angled techniques. The optional precut kits are brilliant, giving you time to sew, with no choosing fabric and no cutting. The focal fabric is beautiful McKenna Ryan Fireweed, available only in Alaska. The five different hands-on techniques are some of Lisa's engineered best! You will learn the following techniques: Photo Album, Three Blocks with a Twist, a Double Delectable Block, EZ Chevrons plus a very easy Angled pieced Border. The pre-cut kit is a bargain at \$50 with an option for outer fireweed borders at an additional \$10.

## VENDOR CLASSES OFFERED

### FABRICS UNLIMITED CLASSES

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#### All Star Quilt

Thursday 1/28, 2/25, 3/24  
9am-3pm

The new All Star Quilt by Eleanor Burns! Make 5 different stars in this beautiful quilt. The prize winning Feathered Star is as easy as a Bear's Paw with triangle pieced squares, strip pieced diamonds, and no set-in seams. Book & rulers required.



#### Art Quilt Sew-cial Workshop

4th Saturday Monthly  
9-3pm

Do you like Art Quilts and Fiber Arts? Are you a traditional quilter but are curious about art quilting? Come and check us out! Bring an art quilt or mixed media project to work on each month. This club is open to all skill levels of art quilters and fiber artists.



#### Beginning Quilting

Fri, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/19, 2/5  
9am-1pm

Have you been wanting to try out quilting but think it's too complicated? Learn simple techniques that will produce amazing results with this sampler quilt. Basic sewing experience is required. You will need to take this class before any other quilt classes if you have never quilted before.



#### Eve's Garden

Thu, 1/17/16  
9am-4pm

Featuring the Norme and Petite Leaves Galore templates. Although this pattern is suitable for hand applique, we will be fusing it in class. Once the pieces are cut with the Leaves Galore Rulers, it will simply be a matter of placement. Technique includes shading with Shiva Paintsticks to accent your applique and create a "glow" effect. Pattern and rulers required.



#### Judy Niemeyer Club

2nd Wed Monthly  
9am-3pm

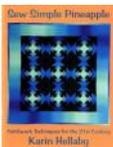
This club meets monthly to work on a different Judy Niemeyer project each month. Cost plus pattern and supplies, which will vary each month depending on the pattern selected.



#### Miniature Carolina Lily

Wed, 1/27 & 2/3  
9am-3pm

This 30" x 30" pattern is constructed without any Y-seams by using the Studio 180 Design Wing Clipper tool. Pattern and tool required.



#### Sew Simple Pineapple Quilt

Sat, 1/2  
11am-4pm

A unique technique for creating dramatic pineapple blocks that quickly build a stunning quilt. Book required.



#### Stargello

Wed-Thu, 1/6 & 1/14

9am-3pm This quilt uses Bargello piecing with 2 special tools. Simple strip sets are cut, then framed with solid pieces to continue the spiraling effect. Pattern and rulers required.

## VENDOR CLASSES OFFERED, CONTINUED

MONICA'S QUILT SHOP  
7737 Wagon Wheel Drive  
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404  
928-486-5583

COME IN TO THE SHOP AND SEE THE SAMPLES - Max 10, Minimum of 3 unless otherwise noted						
Teacher	Item	Day	Date	Hours	Must Tool	Notes
Linda Boerner, Certified Niemeyer Instructor	Tea Time Placemats, One Leaf design	Monday	Dec. 28 & Jan. 11	9:00 - 4:00	2 day class	Day 1—Pre cut and Day 2—Sew
Joyce Brown	North Star Table Topper	Tuesday	Jan. 12			New way to do the Crazy Eight — SO EASY!
Judy Bartlett	Whirlpool	Tuesday and Monday	Jan. 19 and Feb. 23			



### Havasu Stitchers

P. O. Box 2875; Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86405

**General Meeting** on the second Thursday of every month, 6:30 PM  
Quality Inn, Havasu Room

271 S. Lake Havasu Avenue, Lake Havasu City, AZ

**Board Meetings** are held the first Thursday of every month.

Mohave County Library, 6:00 PM

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## VENDOR CLASSES OFFERED, CONTINUED

MATERIAL OBSESSION  
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928-505-3612



Old Glory

January 7 and 14

Here is a stunning Flag Quilt to show your American spirit. Two day class - one for stars and one for stripes



Desert Whispers

January 16 and 30

This Block of the Month class will meet twice a month for a total of nine sessions. At each session you will receive 2 patterns.



Toothbrush Rug

January 11

Rug 18" x 36"

### Open Position: Librarian

The position of Librarian is in charge of the guild's books and rentals each month. As Librarian, you will get to visit with the members as they browse through the books and rulers available for purchase and rental. If you are interested in this position, please contact Nominations Committee Chair Sherri Ashford.

# HAVASU STITCHERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

December 3, 2015



We don't have much to report! The Minutes for the November meeting were approved. After that business was conducted, we enjoyed the annual Christmas Party. Read the article on the next page to hear about all the fun we had.

**The January General Membership Meeting will be held at 5:30 PM**

**at the London Bridge Resort Convention Center**

**located at 1477 Queens Bay off of Swanson Avenue.**

**Please note that we're meeting an hour earlier than usual and at a different location!**

Don't forget to bring a gold fat quarter for Linda MacKay for her 50th Anniversary. Congratulations, Linda!

And remember to bring your pennies. The rules have been finalized and the first drawing for \$19.63 will happen.

See you there!



## PENNY RAFFLE RULES



*When a new member joins the Havasu Stitchers, he/she must be granted "member access" to the website. In order to facilitate this process, a number is generated behind the scenes. We call these your membership numbers, and we currently use numbers 640 through 849. We've decided to use the membership numbers to conduct the Penny Raffle. You really don't need to know or remember your number, because we will have a master list of members at each meeting to conduct this raffle.*

*Here's how it will work: Your President will pull a number between 640 and 849. That number will be checked against the master list of members, and the winner will be announced. The winner must be present to win. If the winner is not present, the money gets rolled over to the next month. If the winner is present, he/she wins the amount. We start over again from zero each time a winner is present and the money is awarded. A minimum amount of \$10 will be given to the winner. Your penny contribution only enhances the volume of money available in the raffle, so **BRING YOUR PENNIES AND JOIN THE FUN!***

# Christmas Party Highlights

Chair: Judy Pedersen  
MC: Linda Ira

**Wow, what a GREAT Christmas Party we had!** Many thanks to Chair Judy Pedersen and MC Linda Ira for planning and hosting this festive event! Members were greeted by Loretta Filot, Linda Caringella and Susan George, while June Trubia and Lisa Mousel sold raffle tickets for baskets bursting with quilting goodies! Joan Wurster fashioned the awesome table decorations, and Susan George created "deer" little name tags! Shugrue's gourmet food was delish whether you ordered the steak, chicken, or fish entre, and the fruit-topped cheesecake was to die for! Many thanks to the local Bell Ringers for entertaining us with Christmas songs and good cheer! For those members who couldn't attend this year's dinner, we hope you don't hesitate to sign up next year! A good time was had by all... and we'd love to have you with us!



# Thanks to our local supporters...

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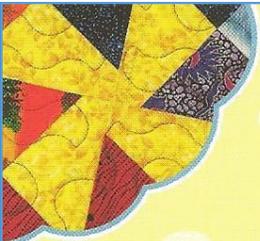
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## NEWSLETTER NEWS

- *The Dangling Thread* newsletter is distributed to members of the Havasu Stitches via email.
- A limited number of printed copies are made available at the monthly meeting for **members with email** for \$1.
- A limited number of printed copies are made available at the monthly meeting for **members without email and guests** for FREE.

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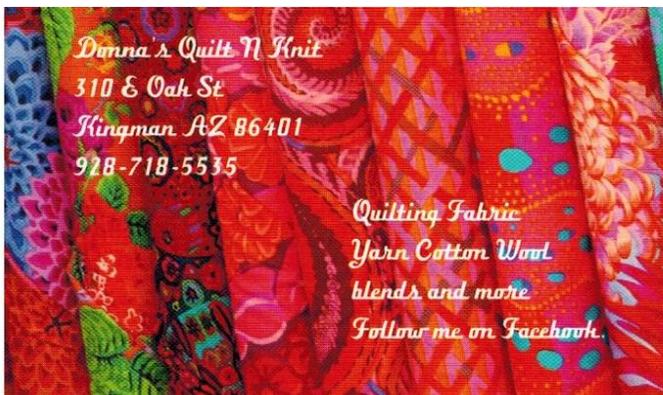
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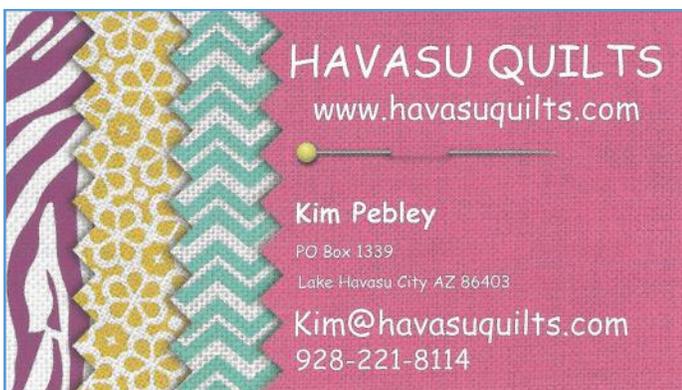


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