

S'QUILT (News and Views)

SARNIA QUILTERS' GUILD – promoting the art of quilting

Held at Redeemer Christian Reformed Church, 5834 Blackwell Sideroad (off London Line)

www.sarniaquiltersguild.org

October 2014

October 6th

Library opens at 6:00
Meeting begins at 7:00

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw - fall colours, pumpkins,
leaves

Sign up for classes, before and after meeting

Vendors

Program - Lyn Wood, trunk show

Show and Tell

Refreshments - 10 minutes after the meeting in
the fellowship hall

Those bringing snacks are names beginning with C
through names beginning with D

Coming Up

Sat., Oct. 25th - Lunch bag class with Donna
Bedard at New Horizons Church
Cost \$20

Doors open for classes at 8:30. Classes run from 9:00-3:30. Please have your machine set up and your supplies ready to begin class at 9:00. This month's class will be held at New Horizons Community Church, located at the corner of Russell and Maxwell Streets.

November 3rd

Library opens at 6:00
Meeting begins at 7:00

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw - stripes

Program - Janet Rhind - trunk show
wearable art

Show and Tell

Refreshments - 10 minutes after the
meeting in the fellowship hall

Those bringing snacks are names beginning
with E through names beginning with H

Coming Up

Sat., Nov. 22nd - Christmas Tree Skirt - Donna
Moore - Canon Davis Memorial Church
corner of Russell and Maxwell Streets) -
\$20



Please check above

to see if you should bring
snacks for either of
these months

President's Message

I am so impressed by the overwhelming generosity of our members. We have the Comfort Quilts that so many of you made over the summer, the Preemies that Carol Cote collects, the pillowcases that Sandy Downie collects, super individual efforts such as Carol Turner's making so many of the Preemies, Cheryl McDonald's wonderful quilt for the Sarnia Organ Donors Association, and many others that we probably don't hear of from our anonymous donors. So let's give ourselves a collective pat-on-the-back.



With fall weather arriving, we will probably now be working on cool weather quilts and Christmas presents. I hope all of your efforts work well and you don't have to "unsew" too many seams.

If you didn't sign up for any workshops in September, there are still many places available so check that out at the October meeting on the 6th. Please remember that some of the projects that the Program Committee have planned, such as Toters and Round Robin, need a minimum number of participants in order to run.



Janet Dudek



The executive meeting for the November SQG meeting will be held on Monday, October 20th at the home of Janet Dudek - 324 Brock St. North - at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sarnia Quilters' Guild meeting September 8th

President Janet Dudek opened the meeting by reminding us to please not use our cell phones and not to talk amongst ourselves during the meeting in order not to disturb those seated near us.



Janet Dudek, our president

We welcomed 5 new members: Brenda Bouma, Jacki Bennett, Hilary Work, Marie Currie and Mary Steadman. We also had 4 guests in attendance: Sharon Woodman, Jeanette Wildschut, Heather Gates and Marjorie Gill.

Our 50/50 winner this evening was Paula Lacasse - The fat quarter draws were won by Kendra Goodhand, Edna Philips and Paulette Paterson.

Diana Wassink, treasurer, reported that the books were audited by Pat Preudhomme and Grace Brown last week and were found to be in good order. The 2014-15 budget will be presented next month.



Dawna Joy Lapeare, library: We now have a table in the lobby with everyone else, but with the bulk of our books are still down in the little room behind us. Please browse there. You are allowed to borrow up to 3 books for one month. These can also be renewed for an extra month if needed.

- We only have one book unaccounted for after an inventory.

-The book sale in May made \$100.00.

Christina Adams, comfort quilts: Fifteen quilts have been completed. Christina requested that twenty quilts which still need binding be taken home by members to complete. Three quilts need quilting. Six new tops have also been brought in.

Diana Fisher, past president, introduced the new insurance which the guild will be purchasing. This is an 'umbrella' insurance through CQA (Canadian Quilters' Association) which covers quilting groups across Canada. Coverage is equal to or better than our previous insurance with considerable savings. -Diana and Audrey Carr are our excursion co-ordinators and would like your input and ideas. There is a mini shop hop coming up.

Carol Cote, preemie blankets: Tonight 175 preemie blankets were donated by our members. They are going to be given to Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto in October. The challenge of the most made over the summer was won by Carol Turner sewing a total of 29. She won a gift certificate towards machine quilting by Carol Cote.

Sandie Downie, pillow cases: The response over the summer produced 275 pillowcases with another 166 brought in tonight. These pillowcases are being given to children at our Bluewater Health paediatrics day surgery.



Sue Ross, communications: Our bulletin board is so successful we have added a second one. Members can use them to post anything of interest, e.g., photos, sale items, quilt shows, interesting computer sites, etc. -The challenge of a photo of a member at a quilt shop farthest away from home over the summer was won by Lynne White who was 8,191 kms from home in Norway. -Funniest photos were of Audrey Carr and Joanne Rivait. They each were the winner of a fat quarter.

Kathy Schnitzler, quilt show:

-OUR QUILT SHOW will be held at Grace United Church at Cathcart and Indian Rd. on May 29 and 30, 2015 with setup on May 28th. -To be successful we need help. Can you contribute 3 hours of your time? We need numerous chairmen who will organize and co-ordinate various task groups. We'll need help with advertising, putting up frames, registering and hanging quilts, kitchen help, white gloves and greeting, take down, etc. Kathy reminded us that if you want to display your quilt you should want to help. -We will have a placemat challenge with the placemats donated to the Inn of the Good Shepherd after the show.



Janet Dudek and Pat Preudhomme, quilt show challenge: Use the initials of your first and last name as a prompt for your quilt theme and colour. Example: initials A & B: aqua and baby. Size limitations

will be posted in the October newsletter. They are to be completed for judging by March 2, 2015.

Pat Preudhomme informed us that we will have a **'Take It or Leave It' table** again at the November and April meetings. Bring anything quilt or sewing related that you no longer want or need and that someone else may be able to use. These items will be free to take.

Program: Program presented this year's projects. An outline with explanations can be found in September's newsletter, on pages 4 & 5.

-Birthday draw winners for September were Judy Fleet and Pat Cooper.

-We will have vendors at the October and March guild meetings.

-We will again be doing the Christmas stockings for the December meeting.

Janet Dudek presented past president Diana Fisher with a lovely quilt made by herself with blocks created by guild members in our appreciation for her year last year as president.

We had, as always, a great selection of quilts shown at Show and Tell.

Show and Tell fat quarter winners were: Sue Ross, Juanita Lew, Freda Porter, Nancy Lockhart, Wanda Philbin and Audrey Hind.

Minutes by Alice King, secretary



SHOW and TELL

In order to make show and tell set-up easier each month, the Show and Tell Committee is asking each member showing a quilt to attach their name to their quilt at home. The name should be printed clearly and pinned with a safety pin to the top right corner of the quilt.

Committee members volunteering for the meeting in **October**

Set-up: Barbara Bennett, Pat Cooper, Barb Gladwish

Take-down: Pat Cooper, Barb Gladwish

A FEAST FOR THE EYE

Our quilt show which will be called A FEAST FOR THE EYE still needs some volunteers. We need people who will be willing to chair some of the committees. Being a chair of any of these committees would be a job of organizing and scheduling the committee at the time of the show. I know that there are lots of people out there who have great organizing skills and would be a great asset to our show.



I would like to thank all those who have signed up and look forward to working with everyone.

If anyone knows where we can get the quilt racks please let me know so we can order them now. We are going to need lots of help putting up and taking down the racks and hanging the quilts and taking them down after.

There will be a sign-up poster at the next meeting, so please sign up.

We will also have story telling and a craft room for children and we will need story tellers and sewers for shifts there too.

We plan to meet again the end of October at Grace United Church so that volunteers can see the venue.

Remember the success of our show depends on all of us. If you plan to show a quilt, please plan to help in some way with our show.

thank you!

Kathy Schnitzler, Chair



From Comfort Quilts.....

The comfort quilt committee still has a few quilts that need to be quilted and a few that need to be bound. There will be a table set up before the meeting if you would like to help out. As always, we are still collecting any finished quilt tops, finished quilts, and any fabric you would like to donate! Thank you for all your support this year!

-Comfort Quilt Committee

Quilt Show Challenge Reminder

If you want to participate in the Challenge, here's a reminder of the details.

Size: circumference maximum 120", minimum 60"

Deadline: March 2, 2015

Theme & Colour: based on your own name - use your initials in any order to determine colour and theme/subject. A B could be Aqua Baby or Brown Angels

PS: If you are a snowbird and want to send your project to my Port Huron UPS box from some sunny location, ask me for the address.



COME. BROWSE. BORROW.

Modern quilting is the latest trend. If you would like to make a modern quilt we have acquired some new books with modern patterns that range from a table topper to a king size quilt. Many can be made using pre-cuts: jelly rolls, fat quarters, charm packs, and more. Instead of listing the titles here, look for the new books on display in our library corner before the meeting. Come, browse, and borrow books that appeal to you.

Library assistants for October are Lorraine Beaulieu, Barb Leaper, and Doris Withenshaw. Please arrive by 5:50 to help set up the library.

Dawna Joy Lapeare

234 DAYS UNTIL OUR QUILT SHOW!

May I Introduce.....?

Faith Hamilton wrote some articles for the newsletter when she was historian for the guild in 2000-2001. I liked learning about the members on the Executive and determined that it is time to renew that column. Each month I hope to “charm” you with a biographical sketch that will help us to know your Executive better.

This isn't the first time _____, our _____ has served on the SQG Executive. She has been on the Membership Committee and Chair, Program Committee and Chair and has worked on quilt shows in 2003, 2006, 2009, and 2012. Her knowledge of sewing did not come from her mother, who was a thoroughly modern mid-century career woman who didn't sew. She learned to sew from her neighbour when in high school. She traded babysitting services in exchange for lessons resulting in her making her own prom dress.



She became invested in quilting because her husband is an historian as was her father, so she has been immersed in museums all of her life. She fell in love with old quilts and wanted to learn everything she could about them. Now she finds inspiration for her quilts everywhere. There are modern ways of constructing museum quilts that she would like to try. Three grown children and four grandchildren contribute ideas to her, as well as photos by her husband of their journeys together.

Beginning very traditionally with piecing and hand quilting, she has changed over the years to modern styles, machine quilted with her own designs. She does not know how many quilts she has made, but most have been given as gifts.

The thing about her stash is, well, it is embarrassingly large. She can't resist new ideas and shopping for fabrics. She especially likes bright colours and has been leaning towards solids and tonal fabrics that read as solids. She has subscribed to Quilters Newsletter for decades and finds inspiration there as well as Quilt Mania which has a distinctive European style of quilting. She also enjoys her large collection of books about historic quilts from museums that she has visited. (Maybe she could give Cathy Miller, the quilt song writer, some ideas.)

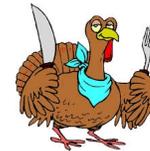


When asked about advice for other SQG members she explained. “When I first joined I did two things-I took out my maximum allotment of books from the library every month and learned as much as I could about quilting and I signed up for every class that I could so that I could learn as much as possible from others. I think that I have read through most of the vast library but I am always looking for new books. I have learned so much from classes, even when the subject was a style that didn't work for me. I took a hand appliqué class with Loraine Shaw and proudly finished my pillow with leaves and a cardinal, although I now know that I am much too impatient to become an accomplished appliqué-er.”

According to _____, the best part of being a member of the Sarnia Quilters' Guild is “without a doubt” viewing other members' creations at Show and Tell. She loves the wonderful hand appliqué and hand quilting masterpieces (that she knows she will never achieve) as well as the amazing work of the long arm machine quilters. Everyone's style is unique and she finds inspiration in their artistic interpretations as all as the stories of how particular quilts happened.

Isn't it great to have this talented, willing worker as part of the team that guides our great guild?

Audrey Carr



If you know of an illness or a death in the family of someone in the guild, please pass that on to
Alice King at 519-542-9616 or e-mail at
aliceKenKing@icloud.com

Please remember to be courteous and keep talking to a minimum during the meeting so everyone can hear.

Trivia

Here are the trivia questions for October:

1. "Fat Quarters" measure what dimensions in inches?
2. When you need a seam pressed quickly, without an iron, what can you do using only your hand?
3. Quilts classically contain how many layers and are known as what layers?

The answers for September:

1. How many inches in a yard?
36
2. What is sashing?
Fabric added to a block to separate it from other blocks
3. What is the one element that goes into a quilt that makes it a very special quilt?
YOU ! Your creativity, time, effort & love

Every month a Trivia box is set up on the table just as you go into the sanctuary. Please look at the trivia questions (above), write your answers on a slip of paper, sign it (so we know whom to credit), then drop it in the box. Each month we'll have one winner, then at the end of the year the person with the most correct answers wins a prize!



Donna Bedard, Program

Hints--

--When it's time to store a piece of leftover batting, measure it, write the measurements on a small piece of paper and staple it to one corner of the batting.

--Recycle wet-mop refill boxes to use for storing thread; the top is clear and lets you easily see what's inside.

October

50/50 helper - Carol Robinson
Fat Quarter Helpers - Sandra Cabiddu
Ingrid McTavish
Membership - Lindsay Smith, Freda Porter, Barb McNeill, Joan Maguire

November

50/50 helper - Jaime Perry
Fat Quarter Helpers - Jan Matthews
Sue Ross
Membership - Lindsay Smith, Anna Larocque

Please, if you cannot fulfill your dates as listed above, find a replacement for yourself.

Thank you.



From Membership.....

YOUR MEMBERSHIP - Unsure if you paid your \$35 yearly membership fee? Stop by, say hello and check the membership list or the three-ring black binder which has all paid members listed alphabetically.

Currently we have 140 memberships.

NEWSLETTER - No internet access? You can still receive the monthly newsletter. Sign up for a paper copy.

NAME TAG - 3 members are requesting a permanent guild logo magnetic or pin style name tag. Pre-payment of \$6 is required. The order will be submitted when we have enough names for the minimum requirement.

CAR POOL - We have a book for members to arrange car pooling. leave you name and location if you NEED transportation or if you can OFFER a ride.

Take it or Leave it

Last April the guild had our first "Take It or Leave It" table and it was such a success that we're going to do it again next month, in November, and then again in April.

Ladies and gentlemen, it's time to take a look in all your drawers and closets, under the bed and in the attic. Do you have sewing items/supplies that you no longer need or want? Any quilting/sewing related items such as fabric, notions, quilting books or magazines, kits, threads, knitting or crocheting supplies or cross stitch patterns or materials? Anything having to do with some



type of sewing can be brought and left on the table in the foyer before the meeting. Then any time, before or after the meeting, anyone can stop by to peruse the items and take anything they'd like - FOR FREE! If you see it, you can take it - no money changes hands.

This is a great way for those unwanted items of yours to find a new home. Now all you have to do is locate them and bring them to the November meeting. Pat Pruedhomme is in charge of this event. Any questions? Just give her a call at: 519-542-5250.

At the end of the evening, either come and reclaim your items if they're still on the table or leave them and everything that remains will be boxed up and taken to Goodwill. See you then!!!

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Quilt Shows

London Friendship Guild - Fri., October 17th from 10-8 and Sat., October 18th from 10-5 - at Oakridge Presbyterian Church, 970 Oxford Street West, London

York Heritage Quilters Guild presents: "A Celebration of Quilts XII", Fri., November 14th from 10-6 and Sat., November 15th from 10-5 at Toronto Botanical Gardens, 777 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto. More information at www.yhqq.org/quiltshow2014

The deadline for the November newsletter will be October 20th

Send all your news and items to Lyn Griffin at lyndouggriffin@gmail.com

Please send all correspondence either in an e-mail or in WORD - docx. Any clip art or graphics must be sent as a jpeg.

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