

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

June 2015

June 1

Doors open for Banquet at 5:30
Dinner begins at 6:15

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw - Polka Dots and Paisleys
Memberships may be paid

Banquet

Program - All winning quilts from our quilt show will be shown
-Anything from a guild class will be shown, also Round Robins, Toters Mystery, Block of the Months and any National Quilting Day projects

Show and Tell - No Show and Tell this month

To Our President.....

Didn't this year seem to fly by? Seems as if we just gathered for the September meeting and now our 2014-2015 guild year is coming to an end. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank our president, Janet Dudek, for leading us through a year of connecting with friends, learning new things and getting better at what we do. The year of the quilt show is always a busy one, yet Janet seemed so calm and organized it was a pleasure to come to meetings and connect with her sense of humour and see that twinkle in her eye. The executive has appreciated her leadership as well as the membership - we all consider you a friend, Janet. Thanks for all you've done.



A note for the banquet tonight..... please keep all Program items with you during the banquet part of the evening. When we start the program you will be called to bring your items to the front. Thank you!



From our President.....

Last September when I wrote the first of these pieces for the newsletter, I was quite intimidated, but I have learned to enjoy this. I apologize if I have bored you with rambling on because it has been fun for me. In large part it has been very rewarding serving as President with so many of you supporting the guild's aim to promote quilting in Sarnia Lambton.

Actually all newsletter items must be written over two weeks before you read them so that Lyn Griffin can get them into the newsletter. Sometimes I am anticipating what will happen and hope to be close. This is one of those situations because right now I am



looking forward to the quilt show in the future and you'll be reading this after it occurs. I don't have a time machine so perhaps I could consult an Ouija board. Unfortunately, I understand that it

only answers yes or no so you need to know the questions to ask. No help there, I'm afraid.

I guess the right approach will be to use my imagination. So here's me pretending to be a fortune teller. I can see a large number of visitors happily viewing amazing quilts. Look at those puzzled looks as they try to choose which quilt is their favourite. I also see some very happy faces as our members are working in various roles and seeing how well everything is going. In reality I don't think this forecast is too much of an imaginative leap. I am very confident that all of the work that so many have put into our Show will be rewarded with a very successful event.



In closing, applause to so many members who have given so much to our guild this year. Thank you.

Janet Dudek

Minutes of Sarnia Quilters' Guild meeting, May 4, 2015

This evening's meeting was chaired by guild president Janet Dudek.

Janet introduced and welcomed four guests, Nancy Griffith, Sarah Bennett, Tonie Ambrose and Helen Japp.

Tonight's 50/50 draw winner: Gerdie Heeringa.

Fat 1/4 draw winners: Paulette Paterson, Barbara McNeill, Rosemary McGee, Susan Rawson, Pat Cooper and Carol Chenier.

Announcements:

-Arlene Duckert is seeking help with the sewing of costumes for an upcoming play by Theatre Sarnia taking place on May 22nd. Her phone number: 519-332-6257.

-Betty Simpson has put in a request for material for head coverings for the local oncology clinic. She would welcome donations of 1/2 meter of cheerful fabrics which will be collected at our June banquet meeting.

Bus trip:

The bus trip has been postponed until the fall. It was also suggested that members might want to form groups and go for shop hops in July to take advantage of summer sales.

Quilt Show

-Donna Moore reported that there is space available for some more quilts at our show. Contact her within the next week.

-Jack Smith stated that approx. 30 placemats have been turned in for the placemat challenge. They can be handed in until Thursday, May 28th, the night of set-up for the quilt show. First prize is a gift certificate of \$50.00 from Stitcharie quilt shop in Wyoming.

-Lynne White is looking for props to use at our quilt show, the theme being 'the garden'. She also is looking for antique sewing items as well as two quilted table toppers. Her contact number is 519-862-3813.

-Joan Maguire is in need of help in the cafe on the days of the quilt show. Her phone number is 519-344-9499.

-Three schools have been issued an invitation to have their grade three pupils attend our quilt show.

-Winning quilts from the quilt show will be shown at the June banquet.



June banquet

If anyone has a special food requirement please contact Sandra Collin at 519-332-6593.

Executive and committees for 2015/2016

Most committee chairs have been filled. A kitchen chair person is still needed. Volunteers will be phoning members in the following weeks to fill some positions.

Mystery quilt

See Joanne Rivait after tonight's meeting regarding the mystery blocks for May, June and July.

Program

Carol Turner

-We had good workshops and projects in program this year. Please bring your finished projects to the June banquet for show and tell including Block of the Month, Mystery Quilt, National Quilt Day projects and any workshop items from throughout the year.

-In October Carol Cote will be offering a workshop on free motion quilting. Sign-up for this will take place at the June banquet.

-Some of our members recently took part in an origami and a landscape workshop and the resulting projects were shown this evening.

Donna Bedard

April's trivia winner was Dawna-Joy Lapeare.

Willi Kole

May birthday winners were Nancy Pasquan and Lola Watters.

Toters

If you took part in the Toters program you should have completed eight blocks by June. Pin the eight blocks from the last tote onto Bristol board and bring to the June guild meeting. Draws will be made and everyone who took part will receive one set.



Rosemary McGee asked if in the future some of our members would be interested in billeting some of our out of town guest speakers.

Show and Tell fat 1/4 winners: Doris Withenshaw, Martha Knight, Sharon Bilodeau, Dorothy Drury, Rosemary McGee and Vonda Hutchins.

Rosemary McGee introduced our speaker, Janet Slater, this evening. Janet also taught our landscape class today. Janet lives in the Orangeville area in a schoolhouse which she and her husband remodeled. She does long arm quilting in the loft of her home. She has been sewing since she was five years of age, taking lessons at the age of eight. She made doll clothes on a toy Singer sewing machine which she still owns. She brought with her an antique Redwork quilt which she bought at a secondhand store and was estimated by Judy Lyons to have been made around the World War I era. Since she has no idea of the history of this quilt she emphasized labeling your work. Thank you, Janet for an entertaining trunk show.



Minutes by Alice King, secretary



The first meeting of our 2015-2016 Sarnia Quilters' Guild year will be Monday, September 14th. Same place. Same time. Plan to be there..... because we'll miss you if you're not!!!

Betty Simpson is reminding us that she's collecting 1/2 metre's of bright, happy fabric for hats for the cancer clinic. If you can donate to this great cause, Betty will collect the fabric at our banquet. Any questions? Give her a call at 519-542-6616.

Hello Everyone,



As I write this there is still a little more than 2 weeks to go to our quilt show. We are getting down to the last planning days. I hope that everyone is going to attend the show. The committee chairs have been working hard to make this a success. I would like to thank all the committee chairs for all their hard work. I would like to thank all the volunteers ahead of time as you will no doubt make this a success. We still need a few more people to help in the kitchen, Hoffman challenge and with the white glove on Friday. If you can spare an hour or two it would be greatly appreciated. Call Joan McGuire, Lynda Early or Janet Baker or myself if you can help. Carol Turner and I have been collecting boutique items and we are in awe of all the donations. Thank you, thank you, thank you to all who have donated to this. Jack Smith will collect placemats on Thursday, May 28 after 1:00 pm so it's not too late to make a couple of placemats for the challenge, and remember, they are being donated after to Meals on Wheels.

We will need people to come out on Thursday the 28th to help set up and again on Saturday to help take down. Please let me know if I can count on your help. If you can, bring a friend, husband, son or any man that is willing to help.

I hope to see you at our quilt show even if you are not helping and please bring a friend and tell everyone you know to come out and see our beautiful display of quilted items.

See you soon, Kathy Schnitzler, quilt show chair



Quilt Show Props

Props for the quilt show should be brought to Grace United on Thursday, May 28. Please have your name well attached to each item which should be dropped off at the designated area when you drop off your quilts or at any time during the morning or early afternoon. You will have to search out the Prop Area as it is not yet known where it will be. Props may be picked up after the show has closed on Saturday at 4:30 pm. Please do not take your props without notifying Lynne White. There will be a check off list. Thank you!

Quilt Show Registration

Thank you to each member who has entered a quilt in our show. We have 70 members who entered a quilt, and 167 quilts in total.

We are currently confirming quilt entries by email or phone. If you are reading this newsletter and you have not received a confirmation for your quilt entries, then please contact me by email at jmoore6@cogeco.ca or Samantha Stancic by phone: [519-869-2813](tel:519-869-2813).

Thanks to each and every person who helped with the Show, and a special thanks to the ladies on Registration. You have been fantastic to work with!

Donna Moore

JUNE BANQUET

See you tonight at the Legion on Front Street!

Please bring your quilt show lawn signs to the banquet and thanks for displaying them!!!

Those working at the membership table at the banquet tonight are: Jack Smith, Judy Fleet, Freda Porter and Linda Core. We really appreciate members who are able to renew their membership at the June meeting and we are ready and willing to help you with that tonight.

Show and Tell at the Spring Banquet will not include regular show and tell items.

Show and Tell committee members should make themselves available to help display the winning quilts if needed. Those who have finished items from the following activities are encouraged to bring them for display. There will be no sign in. Keep your quilts with you until your activity is announced and then bring it to the showing area. The following activities will be highlighted during Show and Tell:

National Quilt Day	All workshop projects
Mystery Quilts	Row or Round Robins
Block of the Month	

Toters – will be on poster boards and will be drawn separately by the Program Committee

Winners from each category from the quilt show will bring the quilt and ribbon for display.

Trivia

Here are the answers to May's Trivia:

1. What is the generally accepted "life span" of cotton fabric? 70 80 90 or 100 years

100 years

2. What are the best kind of needles for hand quilting? Sharps Milliners Crewels Between

Between - are short, sharp needles that are perfect for pushing through multiple layers.

3. What is the number 1 selling quilt pattern?

Log Cabin

I want to thank everyone who took part in submitting an answer to the trivia questions. I look forward to doing this again next year. I also want to also take this time to wish everyone of my fellow quilters a safe and enjoyable summer. Look forward to seeing all of you in September.

Trivia,
Donna Bedard



From Program.....

The program committee has worked extra hard to bring everyone a variety of classes and speakers. We also had great fun with our round robins, toters, secret pals, birthday club, mystery, block of the month and trivia. We would like to show off everything that we have done this year so bring in your class projects, all your round robins, mystery, block of the month. Please attach all your toters squares to a bristle board and they will be traded at the June meeting. Next years program committee is already hard at work to bring you new and exciting ideas to our meetings and classes.



Carol Turner and Rosemary McGee

From the Kitchen Committee.....

I would like to thank the kitchen helpers for all the work they did to set up the snacks and drinks for every meeting and to clean up the kitchen after every meeting. It's really nice to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee after the meeting while visiting with friends. We appreciate your help. Thank you also for all the people who donated snacks for our meetings. It's always a surprise to see what is made each month.

Sandra Wallis



A BIG THANK YOU FROM LIBRARY.....

-to all who borrowed books and returned them so that others could use them

-to those who have shared with us by donating books this year

-to all members of the library committee for their help throughout the year

-to Nancy Pasquan and Marlene Wyville for spending a whole day helping me do the library inventory

Wishing all guild members a safe, relaxing summer.

Hope to see you browsing in the library in the fall.

Dawna Joy

Do you picture yourself yearning for a fun new project this summer? Something small or quick and easy? If so, take a look at these websites:

--www.youtube.com/user/MissouriQuiltCo - Jenny Doan has many fun and easy-to-follow quilt tutorials.....all free!

--www.quiltmaker.com - has a series of small blocks going on - check "Bitty Blocks" at their site. A new block comes up the first Monday of each month. Make a few or make many - they look pretty fun!!

Thank you to all the volunteers of the 50/50 and Fat Quarter ticket sellers. Thank you for saying "YES"! when asked to volunteer. It was great working with you all.

Sandra Cabiddu



Quilting Teachers

If you would like to take a quilting class, here is a list of people who are currently teaching. Please call them to ask about classes and rates.

--Kathy Scott (Brigden) - 519-864-4967
kathy@alwaysquilting.ca

--Diana Fisher - (Sarnia) - 519-402-9380
ddfischer0228@icloud.com

Please **email** lyndouggriffin@gmail.com with your information if you would like to be on this list - you must be a paid member of the guild. Send your name only, not the name of your business or a list of your classes.

Quilting Services

- Christina Adams – machine quilting – Sarnia
226-778-0138 christinaadams.84@gmail.com
- Kathy Scott - machine quilting/quilt binding --Brigden
519-864-4967 kathy@alwaysquilting.ca
- Henrietta Saucier – machine quilting – Sarnia
519-332-2656 rsaucier15@cogeco.ca
- Carol Cote – machine quilting – Sarnia
519-869-8515 ccotecreations@yahoo.ca
- Kelly McGee-Bunda – machine quilting – Corunna
519-862-4102 rippedonscotch@hotmail.com
- Jacki Bennett - machine quilting - Port Huron
810-985-3668 jbennett10@comcast.net

Please call or email for services and rates. You must be a paid member to have your name listed here. To add your name to this list you must **email** your information to lyndouggriffin@gmail.com – your name only please, not the name of your business.

Summer time!

So time to don your glad rags and head out on lazy hazy road trips. Your travels may lead to awesome quilt shops. Please spread the word and pin your raves and reviews on the board.

How far will you go? One of our members traveled over 7,000 kms to shop in a quilt shop..... Can you beat it? Once again the competition is on. A prize will go to the member who travels the furthest and pins on the board: a picture of themselves in front of the shop with a note of town, country and distance from Sarnia. Happy Travels!!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all for your support. It is great to see you perusing and pinning!

Don't forget, got something to say, share, sell or need..... **PIN IT ON THE BOARD!**

Sue Ross



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

You haven't had enough coffee until you can thread a sewing machine while it's running!

Please fill out the following form, even if you have done so in past years.
The membership list will be available to SQG executive and members
THIS LIST WILL NOT TO BE USED FOR SOLICITATION.

Sarnia Quilters' Guild

Membership Form for 2015-2016

Dues are \$35

Name _____

Date _____ Paid by cash _____ cheque _____

Membership card given _____ (yes) Please keep as your receipt

Please PRINT clearly

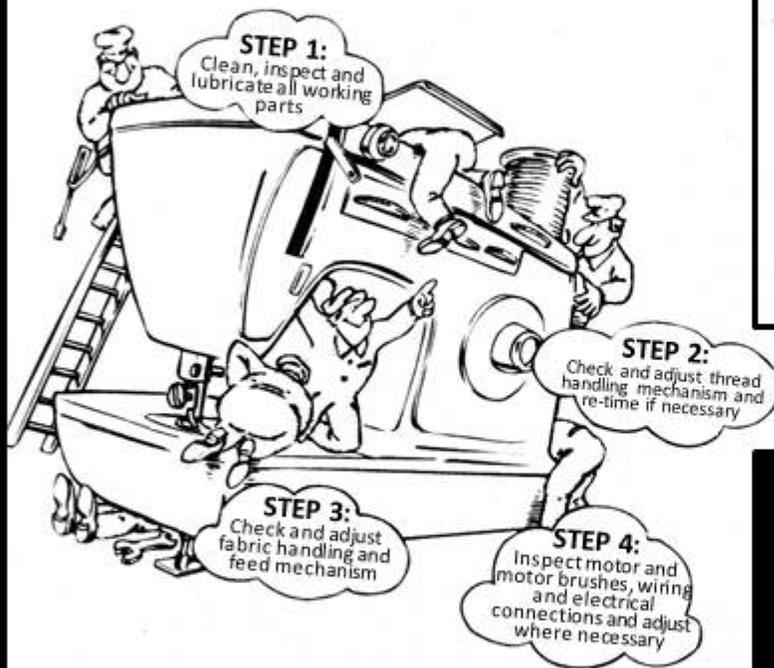
RETURNING Members with EXACTLY the same phone, address and email as last year's membership list do not need to complete bottom section of the form.

Address _____		
(Street/Apartment No.)	(City)	(Postal Code)
Phone Number _____		
Email Address _____		
Birthday	Day: _____	Month: _____

**Membership forms may be mailed to: Freda Porter,
18 Metcalfe Drive, Sarnia N7X 1A3 Phone: 519-542-8998**

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