



Royal City Quilters' Guild

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September Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

Three Willows Church
577 Willow Road, Guelph, ON

- 6:45 Doors Open
- 7:00 Welcome
- Announcements
- Show and Tell
- Speaker



Meeting Checklist



- Name Tag
- Membership Fees
- Newsletter Submissions
- Zehrs/Ultra Tapes
- Canadian Tire Money
- Show and Tell Items

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I certainly hope you all enjoyed your summer. I know, I know, I can hear you say, "summer what summer?" But with the colder days and the rain you didn't have to think of an excuse for being inside quilting, getting ready for our show. I have been madly trying to finish hand-quilting a queen size quilt in time, not to mention my challenge piece and the bra purse. But, then I get bored with all that and I just have to go back to my "funeral quilt" and do a few more hexies.

I did take some time away, well from the sewing machine anyway. I managed to sneak a small tin of hand sewing into my suitcase. We had a great time riding the rails this summer. My DH and I took the train to Halifax, we left Guelph Monday morning and were able to have dinner on the pier Tuesday night. After a whirlwind tour of Halifax, we were back on the train Thursday at noon and home Friday night. It was great fun!

Hope everyone has some good memories of this past summer to share. I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Cheers, Nancy

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

September is renewal time!

Seventy-five members renewed at the June meeting. Congratulations to Mary Howlett-Nero, who won a free membership, and to Shirley Green, who won a free workshop. Mary and Shirley both renewed their memberships early, and were eligible for the draws for these prizes.

Joyce and I will be renewing memberships at the meeting on September 8th for the 2009-10 year.



Stop by the membership table and sign up. We'll look forward to seeing you!

Kathy Wilson
Membership Chair

NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be Monday, September 14, 2009 at the Co-operator Building on Macdonnell Street 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Please review your August minutes prior to the meeting.

PROGRAM

Surprise Speaker

If you enjoyed last year's speakers you'll be inspired with our exciting line-up this year. Everyone loves surprises so you won't want to miss this meeting.

See you in September!

Co-chair
Andrea Curtis
Jackie James

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

At the June meeting a total of 46 comfort quilts were donated to the pediatric section of the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence unit at the hospital. On behalf of the guild I accepted a plaque from the hospital as their appreciation for our continued support of this project. It was wonderful seeing all the quilts displayed. What a colourful experience!

Congratulations to Pat Liptrap who won the raffle quilt at the June meeting. Joan Hett and Joan Hug-Valeriotte did a wonderful job in making it. This fall there will be another raffle quilt pieced by Susan Harrington and quilted by Sue Sharpe. The quilt top is made from Evelyn Lane's collection and will be on display at the September meeting.

A Quilt Bee is being planned again for this fall. This is a great opportunity to meet other quilters and have a fun day of sewing. Of course, the potluck lunch

is also something to look forward to.

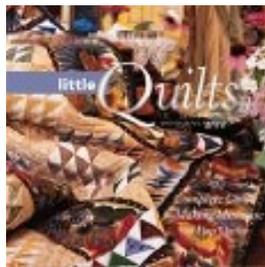
My sewing room is overflowing with donated fabric so I will be having periodic 'garage sales' at the end of some of the meetings. As before, bundles and larger pieces will be available for a very low cost.

Each month there will be kits available with precut pieces to make into blocks. A number of quilt tops have been made up from the kits last year. Thanks for your continued help with this. As they say: "Many hands make light work".

Donna Reimer
Community Outreach Chair
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LIBRARY

Book Review



Quick Little Quilts : the complete guide to making miniature and lap quilts – Janet Wickell and Donna Stidman

The title really says it all. This is a very detailed introduction to making miniature or small scale quilts, lap quilts, wall-hangings or crib quilts. These small scale projects will give you a chance to master all of the quilt making basics. The book includes detailed instructions and tips on fabric selection, speed cutting, machine and hand-piecing, foundation piecing and appliqué. In addition, there is an introduction to pattern drafting which will enable you to choose any design and scale it up or down to suit your project needs.

There are fourteen patterns to choose from, and the instructions include directions to make the project in two different sizes ranging from miniature to large lap quilt size. Some of the patterns included are Carolina byways (a watercolour quilt using a split nine-patch), two variations on an attic window (one with appliqué cats), a stretched star block with pieced sashing, and a foundation-pieced Oddfellows Star quilt.

This lovely book has something to appeal to everyone, the challenge will be deciding which design to try first.

Laurel Marsolais
Library Chair

QUILT SHOW MESSAGE

Bra Purse Challenge

The quilt show is drawing closer and we need your help to get the Bra Purse Challenge ready.

Please bring your completed bra purse or purses to the September meeting in a brown paper bag with the completed form inside. Put your name and phone number on the outside of the bag. Do not seal it shut because we hope to reuse the bag to return your purse to you. Afterward, the bag can be reused or recycled.

If you cannot get to the meeting, send it with a friend or drop it at Greenwood Quiltery before September 25th and they will have a box there to put it in. After September 25th, you will have to bring it to my house in Elora, but no later than September 29th.

Once we have them, we have to type all the signage so time is important.

A very nice prize awaits the winner of the viewer's choice voting so let's make this a good show.

The entry form is included at the bottom of this page.

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A QUILTER'S CALENDAR

Sept 8-Nov 6/09 **Oakville Not Your Grannies Quilts** Bronte Municipal Offices 1151 Bronte Rd, Oakville, Ont. Mon-Fri 9-5 Display just outside Councillors Chambers adm: Free World of Threads Janet Rhind 905-825-3265 mcatalfamo@cogeco.ca www.fibreartstudios.com

Sept 10-12/09 **Owen Sound The Fruits of our Labour Competition and Show** at the Owen Sound Fall Fair, Victoria Park, Owen Sound Thurs 4-9 Sat&Sun 10- 9 Gladys Pennacchietti (519) 376-1437 gpennac@bmts.com

Sept. 12-Nov.8/09 **Fergus Over Here: Women, Work & WWII** Wellington County Museum & Archives RR#1, 0536 County Road 18, Township of Centre

Wellington Mon.-Fri. 9:30-4:30 pm Sat. & Sun. 12-4 pm Opening Reception: Sept. 13/09 (2-4 pm), Created by renowned fibre artist Johnene Maddison, a series of wall hangings exploring how women were portrayed during the war years. adm: Adult \$3, Senior \$2, Student \$2, Child \$1 Amy Dunlop 519-846-0916 ext. 232 www.wcm.on.ca

Sept 18-19/09 **Sharon Quilts in the Temple - Piecing Past and Present** Sharon Temple 18974 Leslie St Featuring: full size & wall hanging quilts, Bed Turning & quilt sale, on-site appraiser, marketplace and refreshments. adm \$6 Gwillimbury Quilt Guild (905) 478-2389 www.quiltsinthetemple.webs.com

Sept 19,20/09 **Sarnia A Feast For The Eye** St Clair High School 340 Murphy Rd Sat 10-6 Sun 12-4 Featuring: merchant mall, display of quilts, wall hangings, draws, challenge, minatures, tea room, raffles adm: \$5 Sarnia Quilters' Guild Jack Smith 5193369454 jsmith202@cogeco.ca www.sarniaquiltersguild.org

Sept 23/2009 - Mar21/2010 **Toronto Kaliedoscope of Quilts** Textile Museum of Canada 55 Centre Ave. museum hours collection of antique quilts - Carole and Howard Tanenbaum adm: museum fee 416 599 5321 info@textilemuseum.ca www.textilemuseum.ca

Sept 25-26/09 **Waterloo Kitchener-Waterloo Quilt Show 2009** RIM Park, 2001 University Ave E, Waterloo Fri & Sat

10-6 Waterloo County QG's 25 Anniversary featuring a display of member's quilts, Draw for Mini Quilts, Guild Boutique, Tea Room, Demos, Merchant Mall, Door Prizes & Raffle Quilt for a local Charity. Adm \$6 www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca

October 2-3/09 **St. Catharines Autumn Splendor** Silver Spire Church 366 St. Paul St. Fri 10-6 Sat 10-5 300 quilts on display, boutique and sale quilts, merchant mall, raffle quilt, special displays and demos adm: \$6 Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild Fran Inglis 905-397-9036 www.nhqq.ca

October 2-3/09 **Guelph A Gathering of Quilts** Royal Canadian Legion 919 York Road (Hwy 7 East), Guelph, Ontario Fri. 10-6 Sat 10-6 display of quilts, merchant mall, demos, miniature raffle, silent auction, bra purses, challenges adm: \$5 Royal City Quilters' Guild Jackie James 519-824-1342 or quilterjames@sympatico.ca www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca

Oct 19-24/09 **Ailsa Craig Quilts of Ireland** Ailsa Craig Rec. Centre 153 Ada-adily-shiply Mon. to Thurs.10-6 Fri. 10-9 Sat. 10-5, over 150 quilts all from Ireland, demos, merchants mall, tearoom, classes, lecture on the history of quilting in Ireland adm: \$7.00 Cotton-by-Post 519-293-3499 garnet@cotton-by-post.com www.cotton-by-post.com

Bra Purse Challenge Entry form A Gathering of Quilts 2009

Designer _____

Fictional Character _____

Event the character is attending _____

Contact Judy if needed at douglas.eckhardt@sympatico.ca or 519-846-2214

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

For the Royal City Quilters' Guild Members:

Dear Quilters,

Who doesn't love a good quilting story?

I sure do—and that's why I am in the process of developing a book filled with quilt stories that represent the voices of quilters from the many guilds currently operating in Ontario. I hope you will share your favorite quilting story with me so I can share it with hundreds, perhaps thousands, of other quilters in Ontario.

Individually, we quilters are as unique as snowflakes, but together, our passion for quilting makes us all so much alike.

When I began researching my idea for this book, I discovered that there are more quilt guilds existing in Ontario than I had realized. As a quilting enthusiast and closet stash-collector J, as well as a

professional writer, I've been bitten by a "need bug:" a need to know more about the many other quilters around me, and a need to introduce us all of us to each other through the stories we have to tell. (And, yes, every person does have a story to tell.) Our stories are our voices, and through them, we can connect with each other, no matter the distance that separates us.

What are my requirements?

I am looking for stories that are happy, sad, hilarious or just plain entertaining.

Your story can be about you, a quilt you made for yourself or a family member or a friend, your stash, your quilt guild, a quilting event you attended—just as long as the theme remains centered on quilting.

You can write a couple of paragraphs, or you can write a few pages.

You can send your story to me via email or through regular mail, whichever is more convenient for you. I have included

both my mailing and email addresses below.

I thank you in advance for participating in this exciting project, and I look forward to reading your story!

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NOTE FROM NEWSLETTER

Anne Smith

Thank you for your submissions.
Reminder: Bring next month's articles, notices, photos, etc. to the Guild meeting or email them to RCQGnews@gmail.com.

