



Royal City Quilters' Guild

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President: Nancy McNab
Vice-President: Susan Harrington



Secretary: Ann Jeffrey
Treasurer: Jan Wilson

Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Three Willows Church
577 Willow Road, Guelph, ON

6:45 Doors Open

7:00

Welcome

Announcements

Program

Break

Show and Share



Meeting Checklist



- Name Tag
- Zehrs Tapes
- Show and Share
- Library Book
- Loonies and Toonies for the Library Raffle

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you one and all. I am so glad you enjoyed our impromptu show last month. Who knew the hidden talents in our group? Well, we all know that Kathy has a talent but who knew she had closets full of UFO's! And quiet Anne who does incredible art pieces (well, I knew about her)! And, I just bet you, there are lots and lots more hidden gems in this little group of ours. Don't hide your talents - bring them out and share with us. We do like to encourage each other. I was amazed that you would be interested in my tins and my funeral quilt. Speaking of which, if anyone comes across a fat quarter of soap fabric or one with toothbrushes on it, I would appreciate it if you would pick it up for me, as I haven't packed that yet.

Everything is running along smoothly with our guild. Barb is working hard at filling executive positions and doing a fine job. But, if you were thinking of doing something, I know she has a couple of empty spots. Publicity is an easy job to do and not too time-consuming if you are thinking of getting your feet wet. But, I have to warn you, being on the executive can be addictive. The other day, I found myself thinking of what

job I could do in two years when I will have finished being past president. I mean, who wants to give up those nights out with the girls if they don't have to?!

It looks like another fun night at guild this month, so see you there.

Cheers,
Nancy



PROGRAM

This month we are happy to have Kathy K. Wylie as our guest speaker. Kathy has been quilting for approximately 12 years and began showing her work in 2002. Her first international entry earned her a third place ribbon.

Kathy is interested in various quilting techniques and her style is best described as contemporary traditional. Please visit her website at www.kathykwylie.com.

Andrea Curtis
Jackie James
Program Co-ordinator



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

At the April meeting the Community Outreach table will be at the back of the Willow Grove Room. Please come see us as this will be the last month we give out block kits. I will need them returned by June so that the quilt tops can be put together over the summer and be ready for quilting when we return in September.

As I had announced at the last meeting, McMaster University Hospital is looking for pillowcases to give to the children in their facility. The pattern would be similar to the one that was listed in March's newsletter. It takes 3/4 yard of the main fabric and 1/4 of contrasting fabric. They prefer brightly coloured fabric. Finished pillowcases should be given to Madeleine Parolin who is a member of our guild. If you cannot make one, you can donate fabric to Madeleine. She and a few other volunteers meet regularly to make these. You can also drop off the fabric or pillowcases to the Community Outreach table and I will make sure it is passed along to Madeleine.

Donna Reimer
Chair

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

May Bus Trip



You don't want to miss our May 8, 2010 bus trip to the "Goose on the Loose Shop Hop". There are only 6 seats left on our small private coach.

We start with a leisurely drive north to Country Concessions in Cookstown, from there we travel to Lilac Lane Quilts in Alliston. From Alliston we head to Cobwebs and Caviar in Shelburne and finish up our day in Markdale at Quilter's Lane. All these shops will be offering many surprises and specials, along with demonstrations and prizes. A passport will be given to all participants and as we visit these shops we have our passports stamped, which makes us eligible to win several great prizes. This is the 5th annual Goose on the Loose Shop Hop and it promises to be bigger and better than ever before. The four shops have all been carefully stocked with tons of new beautiful fabrics and kits, that you won't be able to resist.

We will all pack our own lunches and snacks to eat along the way, as we enjoy our ride and watch for the beautiful signs and colours of spring along the way.

The cost for all of this fun and games is \$30.00 per person, non-refundable. Our last sign-up day will be at the April 13th meeting. Payment is to be made at the time of signing up to secure your place. You don't want to wait to sign-up, this day promises to be a great day with fellow quilters and friends, a day everyone will certainly enjoy.

Country Concessions is currently accepting children's pillowcases to donate to Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto. We will be delivering some pillowcases to Country Concessions when we stop there on our bus trip. For anyone on the bus that would like to contribute to this worthy cause, the instructions for sewing the pillowcases are below. If anyone can't participate in the bus trip, but would like to make and send a pillowcase with us, you can drop them off to us at our sign-up table and we will make sure they are delivered to

the Country Concessions store.

PILLOWCASE CONSTRUCTION

SUPPLIES:

- 3/4 yard of pre-washed fabric for pillowcase (use bright cheery fabrics for kids)
- 1/3 yard of pre-washed fabric for border of pillowcase

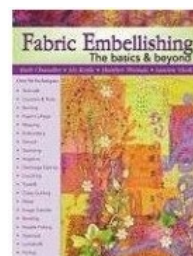
SEWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut the body of the case 26 1/2"x 40 1/2" and the border 10 1/2"x 40 1/2".
2. Fold the border in half lengthwise, with the wrong sides together and press.
3. Place the right side of the border on the right side of the body of the case. Stitch together.
4. Place the right sides of the pillowcase together. Stitch down the side and across the bottom. Turn to the right side and press.

For a different sewing method, you can also google 'Lazy Girl Pillowcases' for an easy-to-follow tutorial on making these pillowcases.

Joanne Ariss
Shelly Palframan
Co-chairs

LIBRARY



Fabric Embellishing: the basics and beyond

Ruth Chandler, Liz
Kettle, Heather
Thomas and Lauren
Vlcek

The authors have compiled a workbook of more than fifty techniques for

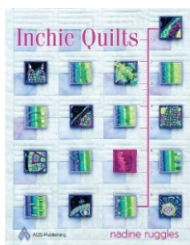
surface design and embellishments that will serve as a primer for those who are beginning to explore art quilting and a valuable resource for more experienced quilters. The authors suggest trying each technique in an 8 x 10 format that can be bound together in a fabric technique workbook.

There are instructions for fabric manipulation techniques including weaving, fabric tucks, and bubbling and wrinkling fabric. The section on soft embellishments includes hand and machine embroidery, thread lace appliqué, needle-felting, foiling and more. In the section on hard embellishments you'll find instructions for beading, adding metal to projects, mixed media collage, fabric beads, and the effects of heating and melting on various materials.

Each technique is illustrated with a sample workbook page, a supply list, instructions and tips. If you tried a new technique each week, it would take a year to try everything, but what a journey that year would be!

Inchie Quilts

Nadine Ruggles



With quilts this small (just one inch square) we may never have any UFO's again! These tiny perfect little quilts grew out of the fabric

postcard – artist trading card craze. The question is: what do you do with them? You can only make so many brooches and fridge magnets, and how many of these can you trade?

Nadine Ruggles has found the answer. She has designed 10 lovely wall quilts that are embellished by inchie. Some are designed from whole cloth (large floral) then divided into inch squares and embellished. Others are samplers designed to showcase your exquisite

little treasures. There is an inchie art gallery quilt, a petit four quilt, a shadow box quilt, a flying geese quilt, and even a chess board and chess pieces.

The author gives detailed instructions on how to select your fabrics, construct, embellish and finish your inchie. I think this looks like great fun – I know I'm going to try this.

Laurel Marsolais
Chair



**NOMINATIONS
COMMITTEE**

More exciting news this month! The 2010-2011 Executive spots are filling up.....act now to get the position you've been longing to put your own stamp on. First come, first served!

**Proposed Slate of Officers and
Executive Chairs for 2010-2011**

President.....Susan Harrington

Vice-President – *Insert your name here, add the letters "VP" to end. Doesn't that have a nice ring to it?*

Duties include assisting and/or replacing the President when necessary, may look after duties not covered by another officer or as designated by the executive.

SecretaryDonna Reimer

Treasurer.....Jan Wilson

Past President.....Nancy McNab

Program.....Joanne Ariss
Shelly Palframan

Membership.....Lisa Jones

Workshop – *You could so do this!*

Plans and organizes workshops, facilities, equipment and refreshments for workshops (We have

Guild irons and ironing boards with this position too.)

Publicity – *Yes, I'm talking to you (or the person beside you; my crystal ball is a little out of focus).*

Publicizes Guild meetings, workshops and other activities

Newsletter – *Have you always wanted to be published?*

Prepares and distributes newsletters to all Guild members (The Guild owns 2 publishing programs to assist you.)

Special Projects – *Did you enjoy March's Anniversary treats and prizes arranged by this committee? Imagine yourself putting together a celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the RCQG in March 2011!*

Arranges special events or activities as requested by executive

Librarian.....Laurel Marsolais

Historian.....Maria Goldsack

Community Outreach - – *Nellie Hanuta is looking for a co-chair. This is the position which comes with the Guild fabric stash!*

Co-ordinates the Guild outreach program of providing quilts as needed in the community of Guelph and immediate surrounding area.

Website.....Kathy Wagner

Non Executive Position

Block of the Month.....Kathy Wagner

Each of the standing committees is headed by a Chair and may include committee members who assist in the duties of the committee under the direction of the Chair.

Can we talk? Contact Barbara Jordan 519-837-0818 or

barbara.rcqg@gmail.com or

Isobel King 519-822-4792 or

isobel.king@rogers.com.



A QUILTER'S CALENDAR

April 15-May 29/10
Greenwood Quiltery
Gallery - "Be Safe, My
Love", Judy Martin



April 17-18/10 Orillia Sunshine Quilt Show Trillium Manor 12 Grace Ave. Sat & Sun 10-4 Exhibits & Sales. Men admitted free; adm: \$4 Orillia QG Carol Sears 705-326-6673 carolsears@rogers.com

April 22-24/10 St. Marys Piecemakers 2010 Quilt Show Pyramid Recreation Centre 317 James Street South Thurs 10-5, Fri 10-7, Sat 10-4 Featuring: New quilts, Quilted Articles, Tea/Lunch Room, Merchants Mall, Boutique, Quilt Appraisals by appointment & Demos adm: 6 Huron Perth & Stonetowne Quilt Guilds Brenda Miller 519-245-3923 or millbr@sympatico.ca

April 30-May 1/10 Kitchener SewFest West 2010 Bingemans Conference Centre, 720 Bingemans Centre Drive Fri 12-8, Sat 10-6, merchant mall, classes, free seminars, make & takes adm: \$5 Distinctive Sewing Supplies, Sew Fancy, Joanne's Creative Notions Joanne Thomson 1 800 811 6611 info@joannescreativenotions.com http://sewfestwest2010.blogspot.com

May 7-8/10 Chatham Kent Quilter's Guild spring quilt show "Stitches in Bloom" St Paul's Congregational Church 459 Park Ave W Fri 9-5 Sat 9-4 adm:\$ 5, 1-519-354-8094 or ChairPerson@ChathamKentQuiltersGuild.com

May 7-9/10 Ottawa Gifts from the Heart Quilt Show 2010 RA Centre 2451 Riverside Dr. Fri 10-7 Sat 10-5 Sun 11-4 Common Thread Quilt Guild www.commonthread.on.ca/QuiltShow.htm.

May 8/10 RCOG Bus Trip - "Goose on the Loose Shop Hop"

May 8 - June 13/10 Grand National "Off the Wall" Homer Watson House and Gallery 1754 Old Mill Road Kitchener

June 4-5/10 The New Millennium Quilters Quilt Show - Flutter-By to be held on June 4th from 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. and June 5th from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Mildmay Carrick Complex, Mildmay, Ontario. There will be: viewer's choice; vendors market; mini-quilt toonie table; boutique; quilt draw; butterfly garden tea room. Admission is \$5.00. Helen Gutscher 519-367-2411 or hmgutsch@wightman.ca

June 5-6/10 Renfrew "I Dream of Quilts" Ma-Te-Way Activity Centre 1 Ma-Te-Way Park Dr Sat 10-5 Sun noon-4 adm: \$5 Elaine Basinet-Smith 1-613-649-2605

NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be Monday, April 19, 2010 at the Cooperator's building beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please review your March minutes prior to the meeting.



2009-10 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President.....Nancy McNab
Vice President..... Susan Harrington
Past President.....Barbara Jordan
Secretary.....Ann Jeffrey
Treasurer..... Jan Wilson
Community Outreach.....Donna Riemer
Historian.....Nellie Hanuta
Library Chair..... Laurel Marsolais
Newsletter Chair..... Anne Smith
Membership Chair (temp).....Carol Cousins
Program Co-Chairs.....Andrea Curtis, Jackie James
Publicity Chair... Joan Hug-Valeriot
Special Projects Co-Chairs... Joanne Ariss, Shelly Palframan
Website Chair.....Kathy Wagner
Workshop Chair..... **vacant**
Nominating Chair.....Barbara Jordan

NOTE FROM NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Reminder: Bring next month's articles, notices, photos, etc. to the Guild meeting or email them to RCOGnews@gmail.com.

Thank you to all those who have chosen to get the newsletter notice by email. It cuts down our costs and helps us go green.

In order to continue receiving that notice, **PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES** or if you do not get an email from me by the Thursday of the week before the next meeting. In that event, you can check the website as well so you don't miss anything.

Anne Smith
Chair

