



Royal City Quilters' Guild



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November Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2012



**Three Willows United Church,
577 Willow Rd., Guelph**

6:45 Doors Open

7:00 Opening Remarks

7:15 Program

Meeting Checklist

- ✓ Membership Fees (\$40)
- ✓ Nametag
- ✓ Show and Share
- ✓ Newsletter Submissions
- ✓ Zehrs Tapes
- ✓ Canadian Tire Money



Program

We hope you all enjoyed the October meeting and Garnet Smalley of the London International Quilt Festival, sharing his trunk show 'Out of Africa'. We would like to thank Garnet for his donation to our guild library of 2 DVD's from the 2011 'Quilts of Hawaii' show. Be sure to take a look in our library and sign them out.

We are very excited about our November meeting with guest speaker Deb Biernes of Elmira, presenting her trunk show. Deb has been quilting for 26 years. She works and teaches at Reichards in St. Jacobs. Deb's favourite forms of quilting include traditional piecework, log cabin, hand quilting/applique, scrappy quilts, crazy quilts, silk ribbon embroidery and candlewicking. Deb is sure to have many great tips and tricks to share and inspire you.

We would like to advise you of a correction to the previous newsletter for the Christmas Challenge. The perimeter of your challenge piece can be a maximum of 80". We hope you are inspired to participate in this challenge and we look forward to seeing your festive pieces at our December meeting. We will have viewer's choice ballots to determine the winners! Good luck and happy quilting!

Stephanie & Barb / Program

President's Message

Bright, Hallowe'en decorations have appeared on many of the houses in our neighbourhood, pumpkins adorn front steps, white cobwebs drip from doorways and black witches and cats glare at us through windows.

As quilters, the possibilities for the colours we associate with Hallowe'en such as orange, yellow, black and white are endless and I am sure many of you have experimented with them and not just at this time of year. I was particularly taken by the use of some of these colours in the quilts that Garnett Smalley brought to show us from Africa and the bright fabrics that the African figures were wearing. There is always room for a splash of bright colour/colours in a quilt as it adds character. As you plan your next quilting project, I am certain you will be considering this concept very carefully and also how the use of black or white can make a striking contrast.

Enjoy the remainder of October, Happy Hallowe'en and I'll see you in November.

Nancy Wells, President

Membership

Membership renewals are still being taken! The cost for a membership is \$40 for the year. Again, we will be set up near the doors to the sanctuary.

We had two people join who weren't members last year: Lee Davis and Cathy Williams. Welcome Lee and Cathy!

*Ruth Jennison and Noelle Green-Williams
Membership Co-Chairs*



Workshops

The sign-up sheets will be available for the Deb Beirnes (pieced) workshop on January 19, 2013 and Alma Laidlaw (Sashiko)

workshop on

Feb 23, 2013, at the November meeting. Please see us at the workshop table at the back of the sanctuary.

If you have any workshop ideas for the 2013/14 year please let us know and will look into it. Ideas can be sent by e-mail (deanandhelen@rogers.com) or drop off a sheet with your idea at the table. We would love to have your input.

Happy Quilting!



Helen Donaldson
for Workshop Committee

Library

Plans are underway for the Christmas Book and Bake Sale.

We have collected several boxes of books for the tables and this year we will be including patterns that have been gently used (with all their parts and pieces). If in

your purging you can part with patterns that you will never get around to, or have indeed used once and that was enough, please consider donating them for our sale. We are considering selling them for .50¢ each. Also remember if you are starting your Christmas baking early and filling the freezer up, set a few morsels aside for our baking table. While packaging them just add a price and they will be ready for when we send the call out. College Heights bakery has agreed to donate a decorated Gingerbread House for the silent auction table, so things are shaping up nicely.

A big thank you goes out to Susan Knabenshuh, Jackie James and Laurel Marsolais for their generous donations and also to October's speaker Garnet Smalley for donating two CD's of The Quilts of Hawaii.

While RaNae Merrill was here for her trunk show and workshop she autographed the library's copies of her books. A special treat indeed, for our library.

Please remember that you must have a library card to borrow books. The membership committee will be more than happy to help you out if there are any concerns. Overdue charges are \$1 per book/per month.



Berni Neville

Horoscopes

Scorpio – October 24 to November 22 Being passionate Scorpios can be excellent quilters. When they rely on their natural intuition, they excel at choosing colour and pattern combinations. Sometimes their compulsive nature can cause problems, as they leave projects unfinished in their quest to have the latest and greatest. When they stick with a project they produce supreme work. They always must have the most up-to-minute supplies or tools and tend to be jealous of others who may possess anything more recent. They have been known to sulk if they get frustrated in their aim to be unsurpassed. Nevertheless, their desire to have the best is what drives them to produce exceptional quality work. As they possess abundant energy they can do a large amount of quilting without even needing a break for a cuppa.

Courtesy of [The Quilter's Horoscope by Pauline Rogers](#)

Community Outreach



Bee Day

Don't forget our bee day is on Saturday November 3rd from 9:30 am to 3:30pm at Three Willows United Church. There are quilts for binding, fabric to be cut and lots of sewing to do.

Bring your sewing machine, basic sewing kit, cutting mat, ruler and rotary cutter. If you have an extension cord or power cord please bring it too, just in case it's needed.

Also bring something to share with your fellow quilters at the pot luck lunch. This one is a true potluck so it will be interesting to see what everyone brings.

November Meeting

We will be selling packets of Christmas fabric at the November meeting. Please drop by the outreach table to check these out. While you're there, don't forget to pick up a block kit.

Linda devries

Book Review

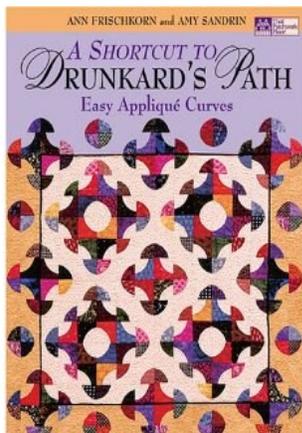
A Shortcut to Drunkard's Path Easy Applique Curves Ann Frischkorn and Amy Sandrin

This one has curves and the authors are wonderful about taking away the scary parts. The book was first published in 2005 and although that may seem a long time ago, don't underestimate the content. The history of the Drunkard's path block is placed right up front. You may already know that it had a significant role in the journey of slaves to freedom

along the Underground Railway. However, it may surprise you to know that it can be dated back to the days of Cleopatra.

The starter block construction section is detailed in pictures and very easy to follow. The combinations that can come together with this one block are amazing. My favorite is Trip Around the World however, there are twelve more projects which are also very tempting.

A section on assembly and finishing the quilts is straight forward even a newbie quilter would have few issues. Why not give this book a try!



Attention all Guild Members

Christmas/Festive Display at the Westminster Branch of the Guelph Public Library

Please bring anything you would like hung on the walls at the public library during December, to the November meeting or to my home, by the last week of November. In some cases, I can make a pick-up if you give me enough notice.

Thanks, Joan Hug-Valeriotte
Email: jhugval@horizonsquilting.ca



Calendar

World of Threads Festival 2012-Toronto, Ontario

Monday November 19 - Sunday December 2, 2012
Details of the 18 exhibition locations are available on our website

Contact: Dawne Rudman
Phone: 905 844-3847
Email: dawne@worldofthreadsfestival.com
Website: www.worldofthreadsfestival.com

Hidden Treasures Quilt Show

Orono, Ontario

Saturday November 24, 2012 - 10-4 \$5.00 admission

Proceeds going to the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation's Retinal Campaign.

ADDRESS

Oddfellows Rebekah Hall, 124 Church Street, Orono

CONTACT INFO FOR GANARASKA QUILT GUILD

Contact: Robin Brown
Email: Robin.Brown@ontario.ca

For more events see the Canadian Quilters' Association Events:

<http://www.canadianquilter.com/events>



Show and Share

Show and Share is such an important and exciting part of our meetings. Everyone loves to see what each has been up to and gain inspiration. Don't forget to bring a new or not so new project to share with your wonderful stories. We all want to be a part of your quilting history.



Remember to sign up on the show and share clipboard at the back of our meeting room and be sure to include a recognizable description of your quilt.

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be held Monday November 19, 2012 at the Co-operators Building on Macdonnell St. Meetings start promptly at 7:00 and finish by 9:30pm. Please be sure to email Anna Dawczyk prior to the meeting with a brief summary of anything you wish to discuss.

**Royal City Quilters' Guild
Standing Rules****Revised October 2012**

1. Guild general meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month from September to June
2. Annual membership fee will be \$40 per person. New members joining on or after February 1st will be charged a prorated fee of \$25 for the balance of the term. Annual junior membership fee will be the same as members (joining after February 1st)
3. Guest fees for general meetings will be \$5 per guest and determined at the discretion of the Executive for those meetings which include a special guest speaker.
4. The Guild bank account will be at the TD Canada Trust at Edinburgh Marketplace, Guelph.
5. All Guild cheques will require two signatures – the Treasurer, plus either the President or the Vice-President.
6. Nominating Committee will function all year. Prospective Executive members will commit to attend the majority of Executive meetings.
7. Canadian Tire money will be collected and used towards the purchase of miscellaneous supplies (eg. Extension cords, irons, teapots, etc.)
8. Monies received from the collection of Zehrs grocery tapes will support Community Outreach activities.
9. The cost of an annual subscription to the Guild newsletter will be one-half the cost of a full Guild membership) if the newsletter is mailed out (snail mail).
10. Guild members teaching workshops for the Guild will be paid a minimum of \$25 per hour
11. Fees for guild workshops will be established by the size and cost of running the workshop
12. Members who do not renew their membership by the September meeting will be dropped from the mailing list.
13. Paid advertisements will not be run in the guild newsletter
14. Minutes of the Executive meeting will be sent to the President, the Vice-President and Newsletter Chairperson within seven days following Executive meetings.
15. A quorum for the transaction of business at the Executive meeting shall be 50% plus one of the elected officers of the Guild.
16. The immediate Past President, in conjunction with the Secretary shall revise and update the guild Standing Rules annually and will have this revision completed by the October Executive meetings so that they can be published in the November newsletter.
17. At the beginning of each program year, the Executive will approve a budget for each committee to use in carrying out their Guild responsibilities. If additional funds are required throughout the year, the Committee Conveyor must apply to the Executive for approval
18. If a speaker is selling merchandise, the guild will not pay mileage or a speaker's fee. However, an honorarium may be given to a vendor/speaker at the discretion of the Executive. The contract/letter sent to a speaker (who is not a vendor) will stipulate the mileage amount to be paid, which the speaker will have agreed to at the time of booking. Fees for guild speakers will be determined by the Program Chair and will fall within the Program's budget.
19. The position of Past Treasurer has been created in the event the current Treasurer is unable to carry out her duties. The Past Treasurer does not have signing authority and only attend Executive meetings when the Treasurer is absent.
20. Sympathy and get well cards will be sent by the Secretary at the discretion of the Executive.
21. Minor motions passed at the Executive meetings which affect guild members will be published on a regular basis in the guild newsletter.
22. The Guild will have a post office box in a central location
23. Urgent decision protocol: the President, or in her absence the Vice-President, will consult with the Vice-President and the Past President to decide if the issue is in fact urgent; the President, or in her absence the Vice-President will consult by phone or e-mail with the vice-President, the Past President, the Secretary and/or the Treasurer regarding the urgent matter. When a consensus (unanimous agreement) has been reached, the members will be notified of the Executive decision. At the next scheduled Executive meeting, the President, or in her absence the Vice-President, will notify the other Executive members of the circumstances of the problem and decision arrived at.
24. The Library will charge a late fee of \$1 per book per month on overdue books. Members must pay to replace books that have been damaged or lost.
25. In the case of a Standing Committee who has agreed to co-chairs (2), they must declare at the first of each Executive meeting, to the Secretary at the time attendance is taken, who the voting member will be. Both are welcome to attend the Executive meeting and receive the minutes.
26. Workshop Committee Members may participate in workshops without paying the registration fee, space permitting. If space is not available, Workshop Committee Members may audit the class. The number of Workshop Committee Members at the class is subject to the discretion of the Chair or Co-Chairs. Additional fees, such as kits and extra materials must be purchased by the participating committee members.
27. The Guild requires each member entering item(s) into the current Guild Quilt Show to be in good standing, having a full paid up membership of \$40.