



Royal City Quilters' Guild



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Monthly Newsletter

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June Meeting

Tuesday, June 12, 2007

Three Willows United Church,
577 Willow Rd., Guelph

6:45 Doors Open
7:15 Opening Remarks
7:30 Program
8:30 Break
8:45 Show and Share



Meeting Checklist

- ✓ Comfort Quilt Kit Blocks
- ✓ December Block Kits (need 4)
- ✓ Comfort Quilts
- ✓ Loonies for the Book Sale
- ✓ Show and Share Items
- ✓ Library Books
- ✓ Membership Renewal \$34 (Cash/Cheque)
- ✓ Canadian Tire Money
- ✓ Zehrs Tapes
- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Mug or Cup



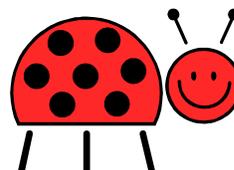
These members have kindly offered to provide treats for the June meeting:

Carol Cousins, Susan Knabenschuh, Sara Penny, Berni Neville, Niki Zmija

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Greeters this month are



Sue Keuhl
Sara Penny

Message from the President

Barbara Jordan (519-837-0818)



Ah summer time, sunny days and finishing your President's Challenge Mystery quilt. What could be better? For those who weren't sure about creating a mystery quilt, the last of the instructions are in this newsletter. Missing a newsletter? Visit www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca, the instructions began with the September 2006 newsletter.

Here is the fine print for the President's Challenge, as printed in September 2006:

- ♦ The challenge is open to all RCQG members who have paid their membership in full as of September 11, 2007.
- ♦ Members do not have to be in attendance to win but must make their own arrangements for their quilt top to be displayed during the meeting and returned.
- ♦ All in attendance at the September 11, 2007 meeting will be given one vote for viewer's choice.
- ♦ The quilt top with the most votes will be awarded \$25, the second highest number of votes will be awarded \$15, the third highest \$10.
- ♦ Quilt tops will be considered complete if the number of blocks described in the Block of the Month Mystery Quilt instructions are present and sewn together, borders are optional.
- ♦ The President is not responsible for any UFOs resulting from the above challenge but does agree to provide words of encouragement and moral support as required.

What a treat to see the work of our members, Donna Reimer, Andrea Curtis and Audrey Steele. Who knew Donna Reimer was "obsessive impulsive"? Look under Community Outreach for a list of the themed fabrics Donna would like to include in her next obsession.



A representative of the Sexual Assault Unit of Guelph General Hospital will be accepting our 2nd annual donation of Comfort quilts at the June meeting. The stage is sure to be filled with colourful quilts. Our June speaker Linda Franz, will entertain us with her journey to becoming an award winning quilter and author. Check out Linda's webpage, www.lindafranz.com.

As a result of the internal audit, the executive has been given recommendations on areas where we need to tighten our internal controls. We will be implementing changes to our current procedures to insure monies coming into and out of the Guild are well documented.

Also, our current fiscal year is April 1 to March 31, however our guild year runs June 1 to May 30. This results in confusion for budgets with the current guild year and previous guild year overlapping the fiscal year. Ideally, the fiscal and guild year would be the same period to simplify budgeting, accounting and financial reporting. To this end, the executive will examine the Bylaws and current procedures to determine where changes, if any, are required. If the change of fiscal year is feasible, the decision would be voted upon at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with our current Bylaws.



June will mark the end of my first year as President. I thank all of my fellow members for the hard work, planning and laughter that went into making this year a success. Hope to see you over the summer at a quilt show or quilt shop!

Barbara

Program

Norah McGuire-MacLeod (519-220-1248)

It always wonderful, to see what some of our own members are doing. Thank you to Andrea Curtis, Donna Reimer and Audrey Steele for coming and showing us your wonderful quilts.

The June Program is with Linda Franz. Linda is an award winning Canadian quilter who spends part of her time living in Burlington and the other part in Naples, Florida. Her first hand pieced bed quilt, In Time of Friendship, won a First Place ribbon at the AQS show in Paducah. Linda has taught in Canada and the US, including the AQS show in Paducah Kentucky. You won't want to miss her showing us how the product she calls Inklingo, will allow you to print your templates on fabric, using an ordinary colour printer, and save you lots of time. Linda will have some her products for sale at the meeting.



Audrey Steele's Parting Poem

"In honour of all women, wives, girlfriends, or mothers I leave you with this."

If you love something, set it free.
If it comes back, it will always be yours.

If it doesn't come back,
It was never yours to begin with.

But if it

- ♦ just sits in your living room,
- ♦ messes up your stuff,
- ♦ eats your food,
- ♦ uses your telephone,
- ♦ takes your money, and
- ♦ doesn't appear to realize that you had set it free...

You either married it or gave birth to it!

A Book Review

By Norah McGuire-McLeod (519-220-1248)

Quilt Style: Cool and Cozy
Coverlets
By Tammy Tadd

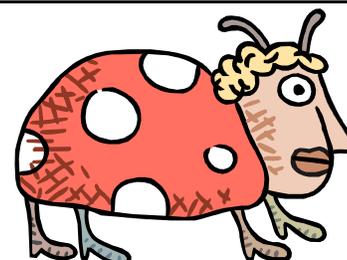


ISBN: 1-58011-332-X

How could you resist looking at this book, with quilt names such as Wing Ding, No Shoes, No Shirt, No Service, Giddy Walk, We all Scream, Worth Repeating and Table Scraps. Quilt Style has something for everyone. The quilts are bright and cheery and catch your eye right off. From quick and simple designs to more time-consuming, involved quilts, you can work your way through.

Tammy has provided the reader with simple, pretty, and practical quilts for guest beds and pullout couches to queen-sized beds. She has over 250 full-colour styled photographs, and precise tables and diagrams for making each in the 18-quilt collection. The quilts are easy enough for a beginner and inspiring for a veteran. Each quilt is accompanied by easy-to-follow directions and patterns, design tips, and ideas for adapting each pattern to a new colourway. The book is a unique easel-back, spiral-bound, stand-up format that allows the pages of the book to lie flat or to stand upright, facilitating "hands free" access to the information on each page. You will not want to miss looking at this book.

On a final note, it was approximately 6 years ago that I started doing the Book Reviews. I want to thank everyone who has let me know they appreciated what I had to say about the books and how they enjoyed the reviews. Now it's time to let someone else be the first to see the new books and enjoy writing the reviews. So I bid you farewell and happy stitching!



From the Library

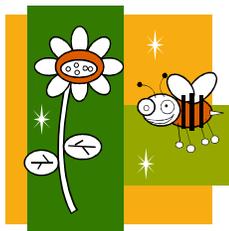
by Audrey Vrooman (519-653-6562)

Summer Inspiration

Thanks to the generosity and support of our members, we will be holding a Magazine and Book sale at the June meeting during the break. Over 500 items will be sold off to open up storage room for our library over the summer months. Magazines will be priced at 25¢ each or 5 for \$1. Books will be \$2 each. So bring your loonies along to the meeting and load up on these gently used items for great, inspirational summer reading! All proceeds will be used by your new Librarians to fund purchases for your Library.

Thanks

Many thanks to Remy Heard for her donation of books last month.



The May raffles were a great success and raised \$287 which will be put towards next year's purchases. As well, we have submitted tapes to Zehrs and are awaiting a cheque for \$213.33. All this is thanks to you, the members. Thank you for your continued support, whether it's saving Zehrs tapes, donating new and nearly new books and magazines or by participating in raffles and the annual bake and deli sale. It all helps to build a strong and current library, with selections everyone can enjoy.

It's Inventory Time Again!

All library items are due back at the June meeting to allow for the annual library inventory.

If you cannot make it to the meeting, please ask a friend to return your books for you. Arrangements must be made to return to the Librarians any books that remain outstanding after the June meeting, before the end of June.

The Library will be open from 6:45 p.m. to 7:25 p.m. for the return of books only. The Library will not be open at break so that Library Volunteers can enjoy the Book and Magazine Sale.

Membership

Carol Cousins (519-824-1995)

June is early membership registration. As an added incentive, those members who register in June will be included in a draw for a free membership or a free Guild workshop (\$40 value).

Your form will be at the registration desk for you to approve or update as needed. **PLEASE BRING PAYMENT** to the June meeting.

To speed the process, please bring exact change or cheque in the amount of \$34 payable to the Royal City Quilters' Guild.



Library Displays

By Shelly Palframan (519-824-0768)



I would like to thank everyone who permitted their quilts to be displayed at the main library and three branches during the month of May. They looked wonderful!

Special thanks to Joanne Ariss, Marg Austin, Jackie James, Barbara Jordan, Nancy McNabb, Lana Phillips and Marion Osborne who helped sort and display the quilts.



EDITOR'S NOTE

Susan Knabenschuh and Cheryl Wallace

Thank you to all who submitted information for this newsletter. The deadline for the next newsletter is August 14, 2007. Contact Cheryl Wallace.



Community Outreach

Joan Hett (519-763-1395)

Comfort Quilts

When we started this project last September, completing 50 quilts by June seemed like a daunting task. Now, when I look in my sewing room and see the huge stack of quilts just waiting to give distressed children a hug, I am reminded once again of the generosity of quilters and their willingness to help others. We are a guild with a huge heart! Thank you to the many women in our guild who have participated in this project. We couldn't have done it without you!



We are planning a grand display of all the quilts at the June meeting. We will be looking for people to come on stage to show the quilts and be part of a group picture. We'll need lots of volunteers, so don't be shy!

There will be a separate box at the meeting to receive those quilts donated in June. We need to keep them separate until we photograph them.

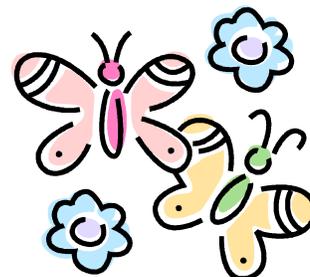
On to Next Year!

We are already in the initial planning stages for next year. We are accepting donations of fabric to allow us to make up kits over the summer. Please look for the donation bin. If you have larger quantities of fabric and would like to drop it directly at my house, please give me a call to arrange a time.

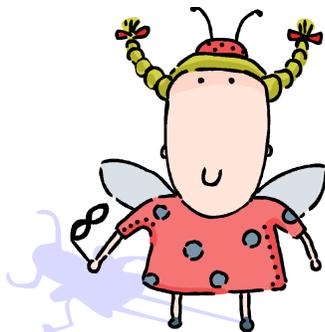
In addition, Donna Reimer is planning to make some theme quilts over the summer and would like your help. She is collecting the following fabric in 6 1/2" squares, 6 1/2" strips, fat eighths or fat quarters:



- Cats, dogs, teddy bears
- Dots and spots
- Bugs and butterflies
- Cars and trucks and other modes of transportation



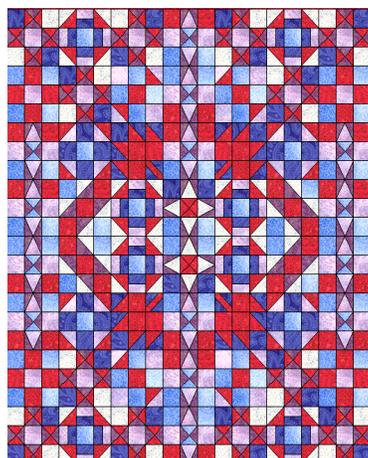
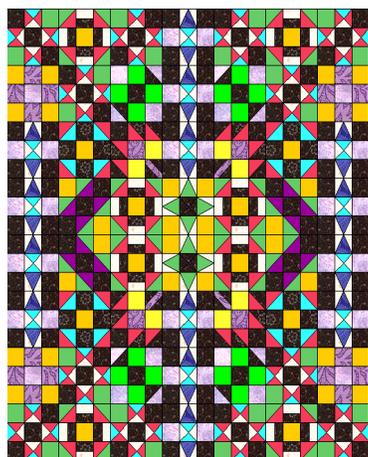
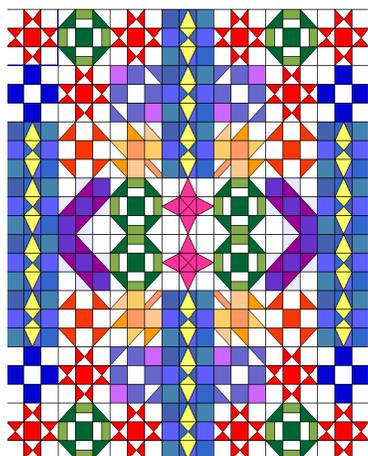
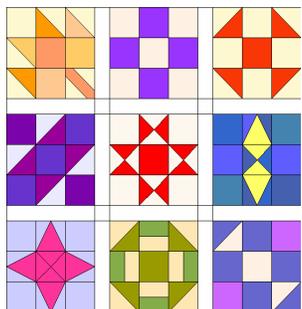
She is also looking for 2 1/2" strips of wild, funky, out of date or ugly fabric to make scrap quilts. If you can't make it to the June meeting and would like to help out, please call Donna at 519-836-5613 to arrange for a pick-up.



Thanks for your continuing support of this project.

Block of the Month Mystery Wrap-Up

Cheryl Cowan cowanche@hotmail.com or (519-763-1268)



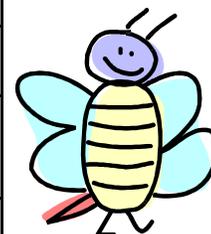
Thank you one and all! Since the 'premiere' of the Nine-Patch Block Theme, we've provided 57 blocks to members in the booty draws (September – December). We've contributed over 185 blocks (September – May) to the community comfort quilt efforts ... and that's not counting those turned in from the kit projects (at least an additional 160 blocks)! It's a wonderful story – and you made it happen!

For some, "curiosity" in the Mystery Quilt Challenge, has tempted them into even greater sewing productivity. These dedicated souls have been busy putting together an additional 56 blocks over the last nine months! There's still time to get in on the fun –especially as this month, we "reveal" the final layout (see sample colour schemes). There's money and prizes for participating and bringing in your finished quilt or quilt top (must be sewn together) in September. See the President's Message for details. So take the plunge! Also if you have completed all of the blocks, your overall finished size (with a 3" added border) will be approximately 90" x 102".

The design for this mystery quilt project was generously made available to us by SUSAN DRUDING (www.equilters.com). Her only request was that we send her pictures of the completed work—a promise we'll keep next fall!

Here's a quick re-cap of the year's blocks and the requirements for the Mystery Quilt Challenge.

MONTH (Reference colours for quilt layout)	BLOCK NAME	MYSTERY QUILT - NUMBER REQUIRED	DIRECTIONAL ORIENTATION (see comments in quilt layout)
September (blue)	Simple Nine Patch	4	No
October (gold)	Grecian Square	8	No
November (purple)	Contrary Wife	4	Yes – Diagonal Runs
December (red)	Shoofly	4	No
January (light blue)	Arkansas Snowflake	2	No
February (pink)	Snow Cones	14	Yes – Points Up & Down
March (coral)	Aunt Eliza's Star	12	Yes – Diagonal Runs
April (lime green)	Hourglass	4	Yes – Diagonal Runs
May (emerald green)	Maple Leaf	4	Yes – Stems point to quilt centre
	TOTAL	56	



SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2007-2008

The following is the slate of officers and committee members for the 2007-2008 year.

President: Barbara Jordan
Vice President: Nancy McNab
Past President: Sue Keuhl
Secretary: Anne Smith
Treasurer: Frankie Poxon
Past Treasurer: Helen Meyer



Program Co-Chairs: Cheryl Cowan and Ruthanne Finnigan
Program Committee: Dawn Labelle, Lisa Jones, Linda Rawson Stewart, Christine Whitehouse (bulletin board)

Membership Chair: Carol Cousins
Membership Committee: Susan Martin, Berni Neville, Lana Phillips



Workshop Co-Chairs: Kathy Wagner and Marilyn Waston
Workshop Committee: Cindy Robinson, Elaine Gostick, Cynthia Gedye

Newsletter Chair: Cheryl Wallace

Social Chair: Dorothy Price
Social Committee: Sharon Huska, Ivy Smailes

Publicity Convenor: Shelly Palframan

Special Projects Chair : *OPEN* (Volunteer Needed!)

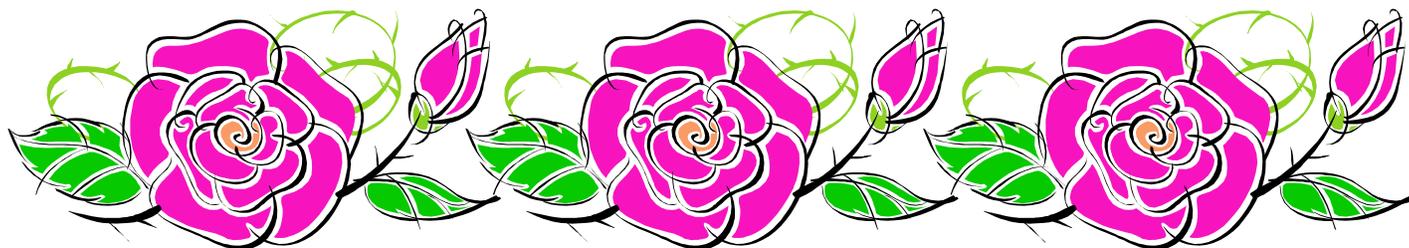
Community Outreach Chair: Joan Hett
Community Outreach Committee: Karen Heal, Leslie Mactaggart, Donna Reimer, Judy Eckhardt, Sue Keuhl

Library Co-Chairs: Diane Black and Jacoba Near
Library Committee: Susan Birkholz, Theresa Bryant, Florie Lonsdale, Anne Jeffrey, Lynda Banks, Louise Marshall, and Laurel Marsolais (book review)

Historian: Niki Zmija
Committee: Elaine Gostick



Website Chair: Susan Knabenschuh





A Quilter's Calendar 2007

June 2 - June 27 "Stitch by Stitch" by Marie Kajdasz will be held in the Gallery at Greenwood Quiltery, 275 Woolwich St., Guelph, ON 519-822-2790/1-866-364-2790.

June 9 - 10 The Northern Lights Quilt Guild and the Near North Quilt Guild, both of North Bay, have joined together to present "**Quilts by the Bay**". It will be held at Widdifield Secondary School, 320 Ski Club Rd., North Bay. There will be quilt displays, quilters' boutique, tea room, door prizes, merchant mall, demonstrations, toy sewing machines display and Northcott Breast Cancer Silent Quilt Auction. Hours are Friday 5:00 to 8:00, Saturday 10:00 to 6 and Sunday 10:00 to 3:00.

June 15 - 16 The Haldimand Quilt Guild proudly presents "**Merry Quiltmas**" Quilt Show to be held at the Caledonia Fairground Arena, Caithness St E., Hagersville, ON. Hours are Friday 9:30 am to 8:00 pm and Saturday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. There will be over 200 quilts on display, demonstrations, merchant mall, lunch/tearoom. Admission is \$5.00.

June 15-17 The Thousand Islands Quilt Guild proudly presents "**Quiltfest 2007**" to be held at the Brockville Country Club, 1548 Highway 2 West, Brockville. Hours are Friday 12:00 to 7:00, Saturday 10:00 to 5:00 and Sunday 10:00 to 4:00. There will be a quilt display, wall hangings, wearable art, viewers' choice, members' boutique, challenge quilts, demonstrations, merchant mall, quilt appraisals, refreshments. Admission is \$5.00.

July 27-29 The Bluewater Quilters' Guild presents "**Bedthreads and Other Masterpieces**" to be held at 1550 8th Street East, Owen Sound. Hours are Friday 12:00 to 8:00, Saturday 10:00 to 5:00 and Sunday 12:00 to 4:00. There will be Judged wall hangings, Guild shop, merchants, lunch, demos, antique quilts and anniversary display. Admission is \$5.00.

August 4-5 Current Quilts and Stichery Quilt Guild presents "**Christmas in August**" to be held at the Little Current Howland Rec Centre, upstairs, Hwy. 6, Little Current. Hours are Saturday 10:00—4:00 and Sunday 10:00 to 4:00. There will be quilts to admire at your leisure, viewer's choice, President's Challenge, door prizes, merchant displays, Christmas luncheon. Admission is \$5.00.

August 10 - 12 Lanark County Quilt Guild present "**Festival of Quilts**" to be held at St. John Catholic High School, 2066 County Rd 10, Scotch Line, Perth. Showcasing individual talented members, bed quilts, wall hangings, miniature quilts, wearable art, demonstrations, challenge quilts and creations from workshops. The Northcott Traveling Trunk Show includes 20 quilts made using Canadian manufactured fabrics. There will be a merchant mall, tearoom, door prizes and free parking. Admission is \$5.00.

August 25 - 26 Kemptville Quilters' Guild present "**Quilters' Festival**" to be held at North Grenville Community Complex, 285 City Rd 44. Hours are Saturday 9:00 to 5:00 and Sunday 10:00 to 4:00. There will be a quilt competition, antique quilt display, merchant mall, lunch//tearoom, demonstrations and fashion show. Admission is \$6.00.

Ontario Quilting Convention - August 23 - 27 at Geneva Park Conference Centre, Lake Couchiching, Orillia. For more information go to www.ontarioquilting.org/geneva-park.html or check our board for the flyer.



NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be held at the Co-operators Building on Macdonnell Street. Executive members will be contacted in August with the exact date. We start promptly at 7:00 pm and finish at 9:30. Please review your minutes prior to the meeting.

Have a great summer!
See you in September.



Mystery Quilt Layout

Cheryl Cowan cowanche@hotmail.com or (519-763-1268)

Note: some blocks need to be directionally oriented (see notes in squares). When assembling your blocks, pay close attention to the direction of the diagonal runs in each square ... it makes a difference in the finished pattern—particularly if you've used strong core colours. If not sure—check the Guild's website (www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca) for a line drawing and some additional colour schemes.

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