

# Royal City Quilters' Guild

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### **September Meeting**

Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Three Willows Church 577 Willow Road, Guelph, ON

6:45 Doors Open

7:00 Welcome

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Announcements

Show and Tell

Break

Speaker

## Meeting Checklist



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

## 2008-09 SLATE OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President: Nancy McNab
Vice President: Susan Harrington
Barbara Jordan
Volunteer needed
Chris Saracino
Past Treasurer: Frankie Poxon

Community Outreach: Donna Riemer

Community Outreach Committee – Judy Eckhardt, Elaine Gostick, Karen Heal, Joan Hett, Joan Hug-Valeriote, Leslie Mactaggart

**Historian:** Muriel McGibbon **Library Co-Chairs:** Diane Black, Jacoba Near

Library Committee – Lynda Banks, Theresa Bryant, Anne Jeffrey, Florrie Lonsdale, Louise Marshall, Laurel Marsolais (book reviews)

**Membership Chai**r: Kathy Wilson **Membership Committee** – **volunteers needed** 

Newsletter Chair: Anne Smith
Nominating Chair: Barbara Jordan
Program Co-Chairs: Andrea Curtis,
Jackie James

Program Committee – Audrey Steele, <u>more volunteers</u> needed

Publicity Chair: Joan Hug-Valeriote

**Special Projects Co-Chairs:** Joanne Ariss, Shelly Palframan

Special Projects Committee – Liz Honegger, Lorelei Stinson

Website Chair – Susan Knabenschuh Workshop Co-Chairs: Kathy Wagner, Marilyn Watson Workshop Committee – Cindy Robinson, more volunteers



needed

We have an **URGENT NEED** to fill the **SECRETARY position** on the Executive. The Secretary's duties include taking the minutes at the monthly executive meeting and the Annual General Meeting which are then distributed to the Executive.

New to the Guild? Want to meet other members and develop friendships? Consider volunteering on a committee! We have openings for volunteers on Membership, Program and Workshop.

Please contact Barbara Jordan if you are interested or have questions about the duties involved.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I sit here trying to compose my inaugural presidential address, the radio is playing and they are announcing that the "Ex." is on in Toronto. Ah, yes, the Ex is on and summer is coming to an end. Don't you just wish there was an event like that that marked the end of winter? Yahoo, the garden show is on; NO MORE SNOW! How about March Break, no more winter, thank you very much?

Enough of my moaning! How was your summer? Can you believe it's time for Guild meetings to start again? Boy, oh boy, what a year we're going to have!! The program committee has outdone itself. You won't want to miss a single meeting! And talk about great workshops! The best part is you don't have to pick just one of them. There are quilts to make for Community Outreach, old friends to get caught up with and new ones to be made, special interest groups to join and, oh yes, there's our show coming in 2009. I can hardly wait! Let's get this show on the road!!

So it's WELCOME BACK OR JUST PLAIN WELCOME!



Cheers Nancy

## NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be Monday, September 15, 2008 at the Cooperator Building on Macdonnell Street. We will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. And finish at 9:30 p.m. Please review your August minutes prior to the meeting.

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Our Guild's Development Committee is offering you the opportunity to join one or more special interest groups. You are welcome to sign up for any of these groups at the September meeting. There is no charge. The groups provide opportunities to get to know other people, and members report that their skills improve as they attend monthly get-togethers in different member's houses.

Groups will only run if there are 8 or more participants, so sign up in September. Don't be disappointed.

#### Hand Stitching –

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m

This is a group for members who love to stitch by hand. Members will bring their own projects; for example, hand piecing, quilting, crazy patch, appliqué, embroidery or embellishment. It will be a time to enjoy meeting other like-minded members once a month.

### Charm Group -

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

This is a club for members who are interested in trading 5" squares of fabric with the intention of making a charm quilt by the following September.

If you would like to make a charm quilt, then this is your opportunity to make one from all the fabrics you have collected from the group. It will also be an opportunity to socialize, meet other quilters, and have a fun time. Minimum 10 people needed.

### $Meet\ to\ Complete-$

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m.

This group will meet monthly to work on unfinished projects. You can work on one project for the whole time or finish 2 or 3 pieces. The meetings will provide contact with other quilters, support, ideas and a social experience.

Members should have unfinished projects, projects should be started and be quilt related. Join us and enjoy!



### Friends in Quilting –

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Meet fellow guild members; share ideas.

The focus of this group will be friends sharing their interest in quilting. This is an opportunity to meet fellow quilters in a small setting.



If you have any idea for a group or would like any further information, contact one of the Development Committee.

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### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Donna Reimer (519-836-5613)

#### **Comfort Quilts**

Once again we had a wonderful collection of comfort quilts donated in June to the Pediatric Sexual Assault Program. Approximately 56 quilts were completed and I want to extend my sincere appreciation to all those who helped in any way. Your generosity has not gone unnoticed and the children receiving the quilts will have years of warmth and comfort.

We will be continuing with this project and our target will again be 50 quilts. There are a number of ways in which you can assist us in reaching this goal:

- donate fabric
- donate a top for others to finish
- donate a completed quilt
- offer to machine quilt or bind quilts
- participate in our fall Quilt Bee
- assemble blocks from our monthly kits

We will be able to supply batting to those making quilts. I have a few bins of donated fabric you can go through if you need fabric to make a quilt top. I will also gladly accept any donated cotton fabric to the supply I have. Small and large pieces are graciously received.

The size for these quilts should be around 58" X 70" or 60" X 72" to be suitable for any age child.

#### **Memory Quilts**

Memory quilts are provided to the Family Birthing Unit at the Guelph

General Hospital for families grieving following the loss of an infant. We will be accepting quilts again this year and the size should be from 24" X 24" to 30" X 30".

#### **Michael House**

We will continue to accept baby quilts to donate to Michael House. The size of these quilts can range from 30" X 40" to 36" X 48". You can also donate other items such as knitted/crocheted afghans, baby clothes, etc. Elaine Gostick (519-766-9069) is our Guild contact person.

#### **Quilt Bee Day**

Our annual Quilt Bee is currently being planned for early November. Not only is this a great day for sewing quilts but to also meet and interact with other guild members. Of course, the delicious and very filling potluck lunch is worthy of mention.



Thanks to everyone who can contribute to these projects.

#### WORKSHOPS

Kathy Wagner and Marilyn Watson Workshop Co-Chairs

Date: Sat., November 1st, 2008

Workshop: Fibrearts Instructor: Sybil Rampen

**Location**: the Joshua Creek Studio **Cost**: \$70 per student PLUS \$10 kit

fee

**Description**: Enjoy a day exploring, inventing, risking, snooping, gathering ideas, sharing and enjoying those of like mind. This is an experimental workshop including watercolour printing on paper and fabric, embossing, collage, appliqué, use of natural materials, burning, use of digital imagery, machine embroidery, and hand embroidery.

**Date**: Sat., November 22nd, 2008 **Workshop**: Picture a House **Instructor**: Sylvia Naylor **Location**: the Turfgrass Institute

**Cost** - \$45

**Description**: In this fun class houses will be the theme leading to the creation of a mini quilt, about 12in square. In order to free the creative spirit the class will begin by making paper collages with torn papers. This is very liberating! Sylvia's samples and instructions will show how the paper collages can be used to inspire an appliqué picture. Stitching lines will be like scribbles which can be done in regular stitching or free motion. Topics to be covered include use of colour and design. Pictures can be completed by adding buttons, beads or sequins and then binding the edges.



### Exciting Workshop News

This year at Quilt Canada in Newfoundland, it was announced that the Royal City Quilters' Guild won the draw for the \$750 Agnes Boal Bursary.

Agnes Boal (d.1996) was the President of the CQA/ACC in 1990-91. Her love of quilting and the CQA/ACC were evident to all who knew her. In her memory, the Board of Directors of the CQA/ACC established the Agnes Boal Bursary.

The Agnes Boal Bursary is given annually to a guild/group holding a CQA/ACC membership to assist in bringing a Canadian member teacher in for a workshop or lecture.

Therefore the workshop committee has begun planning a special event to be held sometime in the spring of 2009....stay tuned for more details as they are confirmed.

#### **LIBRARY**

Diane Black and Jacoba Near

After doing an inventory of the Guild library books, we have found quite a few books missing along with their cards missing, as well. Would everyone please check their sewing rooms to see if there are any books lurking under piles of fabric?

We are hoping that a lot of these books will be returned at the September meeting but, if not, we will publish the list in the October Newsletter.



## NOTICE TO MEMBERSHP

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND THE ROYAL CITY QUILTERS' GUILD BYLAWS

The Fiscal year for our Guild is April 1 to March 31; however our Program year runs June 1 to May 30. As discussed at the Annual General Meeting on May 13, 2008, 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 of the Guild to determine what changes, if any, are required. If the change of Fiscal year to reflect the Program year is feasible, the decision will be voted upon at the May 12, 2009 Annual General Meeting in accordance with Article IX-Bylaw Amendment Procedure.

Note: The Guild Bylaws are printed in the RCQG Bylaws and Membership Directory.

#### **PROGRAM**

Andrea Curtis and Jackie James

Just think, it seems that we just had our last Guild meeting last week but, no, it's been two months already. We hope you all had a great summer, and that you were able to get some ideas on creating for a fabulous quilt.

We're hoping this year's program will be of interest to everyone. We will do our best to incorporate ideas that were passed on to us by you.

See you in September!

September Program: Quilting on the Edge with Kathy Wagner

What happens when 600 enthusiastic quilters from a cross Canada gather together on a university campus for 5 days?!?!



Kathy will tell us all about it at the September meeting! Come out and hear about the Quilt Canada 2008 conference held in Newfoundland in June.

## NOTE FROM NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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.

## A QUILTER'S CALENDAR

September 3 - 30, 2008 "Parallax" Susan Strachan Johnson show at Greenwood Quiltery



September 16, 2008 **Creative Sisters Full Moon Frenzy** - 30% off regular priced fabric

September 17, 2008 Waterloo County Quilters' Guild meeting
Speaker: Sheila O'Hagan from Wyoming, Ontario

Sept 19 - 21, 2008 Midhurst, Ontario, Simcoe County Museum, **Simcoe County Quilt, Rug & Craft Fair**, 1151 Highway 26 West (5 min. north of Barrie) 9:30 am to 5 pm. Admission: \$4.00. For info call (705) 728-3721 or email museum@simcoe.ca.

Sept 20-21, 2008 Scarborough Toronto. Fall to Pieces 11, Quilt Show and Sale. Centennial Community Recreation Complex, 1967 Ellesmere Rd. Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4. Admission \$5, Ample free Parking, Yorkshire Rose QG Contact Coral Jewell 416 690 0897 e-mail coral.jewell@sympatico.ca.

September 25-27, 2008 Ingersoll Ontario. Pieces of Magic Quilt Show. Trinity United Church, King St. W. and Ingersoll Creative Arts Centre, Victoria Park (Wellington St. entrance). Thurs. 10-8, Fri. 10-8, Sat. 10-4. Adm. \$5. Oxford QG. Gail Robertson (519) 782-3915 or email ghrobertson@sympatico.ca.

September 25 to 27, 2008 **Quilters Dream Shop Hop** (Quilters'Dream - Waterdown, Quilt Rack - Ancaster, The Hobby Shop - Georgetown);
Grand Prize: Brother NX 650 Sewing Machine