




# Royal City Quilters' Guild

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 *President: Nancy McNab*  
*Vice-President: Susan Harrington*

 *Secretary: Ann Jeffrey*  
*Treasurer: Jan Wilson*

## Meetings

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Three Willows Church  
577 Willow Road, Guelph, ON

- 6:45 Doors Open
- 7:00 Welcome
- Announcements
- Program
- Break - Treats
- Show and Share



## 19TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow! Wasn't that a great meeting last month? I don't know if it was the speaker or the smaller room, but everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Let's see what happens this month! It's March (already) and that means "Happy Anniversary Number 19". Do you remember when you were 19? I recall I thought I had the world by the tail. Enough reminiscing!

What's happening with our Guild this month? It should be a fun night.

We have:

- Cheryl Westlake from Alice's Quilt Shoppe coming;
- **treats and**
- **draws for free gifts - one for every year we've been a guild.**

Sounds like a party to me! Hope you all can make it.

Cheers  
Nancy

### Food Shelf Donations



Three Willows Church has a "Food Shelf" program that is available to people in need in the community.

Please bring the items you would like to donate to our March meeting. There will be a box available for this. All items are urgently needed, including dry and canned goods and personal items.

Let's do our part to contribute to this worthwhile cause.



*Happy Anniversary*

### Meeting Checklist



- Name Tag
- Zehrs Tapes
- Show and Share
- Library Books
- Food Bank Donations
- Mug
- Money for shopping at Alice's Quilts display



**PROGRAM**

**Cheryl Westlake**

*Alice's Quilt Shoppe, Erin*

**"It's My Story, and I'm  
Stitchin' To It!"**

Please join Cheryl Westlake as she shares her love of sewing and quilts.

She has sewn since she was 8 years old at the guidance of her grandmother (Alice), and has been long-arm quilting professionally since 2001.

She will be bringing a collection of quilts to show and share with our guild, *as well as items to sell from her store.* Don't forget your wallet.

Co-chairs  
Andrea Curtis  
Jackie James

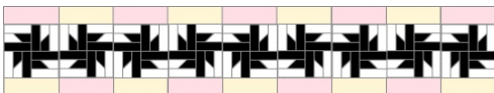


**LIBRARY**

I am currently cataloguing the Guild's library using the website [LibraryThing.com](http://LibraryThing.com). You can see the catalogue at this link (save this link!)

I am adding tags to some of the specialized books, so you can also search to see what we own on particular techniques such as appliqué, paper-piecing or machine quilting.

If you want a particular title, please email me before the guild meeting, and the library volunteers will try to find it for you.



**NOMINATIONS  
COMMITTEE**

I am pleased to announce quite a few members did approach me at the February meeting. I choose to believe it was in regards to positions open on the Executive and committees, not just the free cookies I was handing out! Kathy Wagner will bring back Block of the Month in September. This is not an Executive position but we do look forward to seeing what wonderful ideas Kathy has for us.

A few positions have been filled (see list below); there are some definite maybes for others. It's first come, first served. If you are interested in joining or chairing a committee, do not wait to get your name on the list.

**Proposed Slate of Officers  
for 2010-2011**

**President** – Susan Harrington  
**Vice-President** – *A Very important Position awaits you!*

Duties include assisting and/or replacing the President when necessary, covering any areas or duties not covered by an other officer or as designated by the executive.

**Secretary** – *We have an opening!*  
Will take accurate minutes of the executive meetings and AGM, be responsible for general correspondence.

**Treasurer** – Jan Wilson  
**Past President** – Nancy McNab  
**Program** – *Imagine your name here!*  
Plans and arranges varied programs for the Guild meetings.

**Membership** – *Start right away; no waiting!*

Keeps membership list up-to-date, collects annual dues and guest fees. Also arranges for printing of Membership

Directory.

**Workshop** – *How about you?*  
Plans and organizes workshops, facilities, equipment and refreshments for workshops. We have Guild irons and ironing boards with this position too.

**Publicity** – *Tell me again how you spell your first name?*

Publicizes Guild meetings, workshops and other activities.

**Newsletter** – *All candidates welcome!*  
Prepares and distributes newsletters to all Guild members.

**Special Projects** – *Can we talk?*  
Arranges special events or activities as requested by executive (This year it's a Shop Hop.)

**Librarian** – Laurel Marsolais  
**Historian** – Maria Goldsack

**Community Outreach** – *a 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

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.

Pens and pencils are waiting eagerly to fill in your name!

Contact Barbara Jordan 519-837-0818 or [barbara.rcqg@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.rcqg@gmail.com) or Isobel King 519-822-4792 or [isobel.king@rogers.com](mailto:isobel.king@rogers.com)



## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### May Bus Trip

The mystery has been solved..... plans are set for an exciting trip to the north country on Saturday, May 8, 2010. Sit back, enjoy the ride and watch for the beautiful signs of spring along the way.

We will spend a full day participating in the "Goose on the Loose Shop Hop".

- Our day will start with a leisurely drive to Country Concessions in Cookstown.
- Then we will travel to Lilac Lane Quilts in Alliston.
- From there we go to Cobwebs and Caviar in Shelburne, and
- We finish in Markdale at Quilters' Line.

All of these shops will be offering many surprises and specials, a l o n g w i t h demonstrations and prizes. A passport will be given to all participants and, as we visit these shops, we have our passport stamped, which makes us eligible to win several great prizes.



This is the 5<sup>th</sup> 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 the comfort and relaxation in our own

small private coach, chartered from Red Car Coach Lines.

The cost for all of this fun and games is \$30.00 per person, non-refundable.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the March and April meetings. Payment is to be made at the time of signing up, to secure your place. *Sign-up early as we can only accommodate 22 people since that is the capacity of our coach.*

This day promises to be a great day with fellow quilters and friends, a day everyone will certainly enjoy.

Joanne Ariss  
Shelly Palframan  
Special Projects Co-chairs

### Give a Sick Child a Smile

If you are going on the trip, you might want to make a pillowcase to take to Country Concessions. These will go to Sick Kids.

Use a cheery fabric for kids, cotton or flannel.

3/4m for the body; 1/3 m for the border  
Cut the body 26 1/2" x 40 1/2".

Cut the border 10 1/2" x 40 1/2".

Fold the main fabric right sides together and sew a seam the width of the fabric. Roll the long layer of the main pillow fabric until you have all the fabric in a long tube at the top of the attached fabrics. Bring unsewn edge of cuff over the long tube of fabric to the sewn edge matching raw edges. Sew together in a slightly larger seam. Turn right side out. Lay flat and press. Fold pillowcase with WRONG sides together. Even up edges if needed. Pin and sew. Turn pillowcase wrong side out. Press. Sew together using slightly larger seam. Wash thoroughly. Put in ziplock bag. *Questions: email Darlene at quilting@countryconcessions.com.*

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Thank you to those who took quilts for quilting - especially to Andrea Curtis who took two! I will have several more at the March meeting. As I had mentioned, these can be quilted as you wish and there is no pressure for perfection. I can fit them on my domestic sewing machine so you don't need a long arm machine. These can also be used to practice new designs for those with long arms (machines, that is). I have a few volunteers waiting to put the binding on so only the quilting needs to be done.

We are well on our way to meeting the target for comfort quilts. Of course I will always accept quilt tops and finished quilts. If you are planning on submitting a finished quilt, could you please let me know at the next meeting. I need to print labels and I want to make sure I have enough. The fabric sale was a success. Thank you to those who bought fabric. The money goes towards the purchase of batting for the comfort quilts.

There will be monthly kits provided in March and April. Please come to the Community Outreach table across from the library to pick one up.

We welcome new members to this project. This is a great way to be involved with the guild and to meet other quilters.

Donna Reimer  
Chair





# A QUILTER'S CALENDAR

March 3-27/10

Greenwood Quiltery Gallery - 10th Anniversary; quilts designed and sewn by Greenwood Quiltery over the past ten years



March 26-28/10 Etobicoke Quilt Fever 2010 Neilson Park Creative Centre 56 Neilson Dr. Fri/Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4 Two Galleries of Quilts, Members Boutique, Merchant Mall, Tea Room, Daily Door Prizes adm: \$5 Etobicoke QG; contact Mary Salus at: 416 408 1728 or [www.etobicokequiltersguild.com](http://www.etobicokequiltersguild.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](mailto: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](mailto:info@joannescreativenotions.com) <http://sewfestwest2010.blogspot.com>

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

## NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be Monday, March 15, 2010 at the Cooperator's building beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please review your February 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-Valeriotte
- 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 [RCQGnews@gmail.com](mailto:RCQGnews@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



Handstitching Group



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### Two of our RCQG Special Interest Groups

Fibre Arts Group

