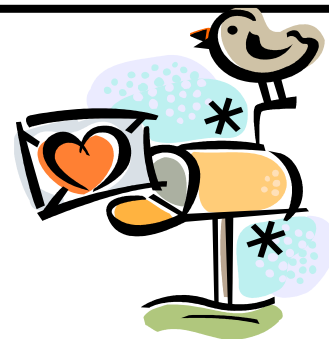




Royal City Quilters' Guild



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February Meeting Tuesday, February 12, 2013

Three Willows United Church,
577 Willow Rd., Guelph

6:45 Doors Open
7:00 Opening Remarks
7:15 Program

Meeting Checklist

- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Show and Share
- ✓ Newsletter Submissions
- ✓ Zehrs Tapes
- ✓ Comfort Quilt Blocks
- ✓ Canadian Tire Money

Program

A BIG thank you goes to Joanne Ariss, Carol Cousins, Judy Eckhardt, Susan Harrington, Nancy McNab and Kathy Wagner for demonstrating various techniques at the January guild meeting. It was a wonderful night and everyone learned a trick or two. Congratulations to the seven winners of the participation prizes. For those who received one of the zippered pouches, these were generously donated by Susan Harrington. To put a face to the name, Susan was showing you how she machine appliques.

We are very excited to welcome 2012 Canadian Quilters Association Teacher of the Year Renske Helmuth in February! Renske is originally from the Netherlands. She emigrated to Canada over 35 years ago. It was her mother-in-law who taught Renske to quilt. She won an Honourable Mention at the first contest she entered, the International Quilt Festival in Houston! More recently, she won 1st place for Excellence for Original Traditional Wallquilt at the National Juried Show in 2011. Renske teaches traditional applique, crazy quilts, landscapes and sashiko. See her blog, renskehelmuth.blogspot.com

President's Message

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you all. I hope that you had an opportunity to enjoy your families over the holidays and that you are back in full quilting mode.



Kudos to the Program Committee for arranging last meeting's event and to the wonderful demo team! Certainly there was something for everyone and every skill level. We have a very talented membership and it was generous and gracious of them to share their expertise.

Although I will not be at the February guild meeting and will sadly miss Renske Helmuth's outstanding work, I will be celebrating the New Year in grand, quilting style. As many of you may already know, applique and 3-dimensional flowers fascinate me, so in mid-February I will be attending the Elly Sienkiewicz Applique Academy in Williamsburg, Virginia. The main conference occurs from February 14-17 and I am registered for classes with Faye Labaranis and Janice Vaine. The first one day session with Faye will involve making lots of lovely ribbon roses and the second three day session with Janice Vaine delves into many fine embroidery and applique techniques. I am so looking forward to seeing all the fabulous work that the teachers and students bring to share and just enjoying the opportunity to be with so many others who share my applique passion. See you all in March.

Nancy Wells



Membership Business Directory

Do you have a business or service you would like other members to know about? A page in an upcoming newsletter will be published. Send your submission by February 5th to Mary Ellen at theleggetts@sympatico.ca

Please include a brief description, including contact information, of your business.

Library

Happy New Year to all! First an apology to those who were unable to use the Library at our January meeting. This is the first time anything like this has happened. The nursery door was locked and we were unable to access our stash of books/mags/videos. We now have the number of the church secretary which will reside in the cash box so if there are any concerns again they can be quickly remedied.

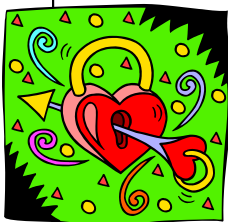
The final numbers are in. The silent auction alone made over \$150 and the book and bake portion made up the rest of the funds. We were a little over eager in the announcement at the meeting on Tuesday and due to a double entry the final deposit was not in the \$700's but still came in at an impressive \$625.75. Thank you to everyone who participated. The list really is too long to publish. We would, however, like to say a special - WELL DONE - to our awesome executive who did double duty by baking lots of goodies to ensure that everyone had a great selection.

We have new books coming into the library on a regular basis so be sure to visit us. If you don't see what you are looking for or have heard of a new book please, talk to one of our committee members., we're happy to help.



A wee reminder that fines are \$1 per book/per month and if you have misplaced your library card make sure you check in with the Membership table. They would be happy to help you sort things out.

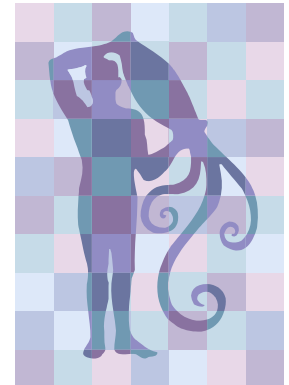
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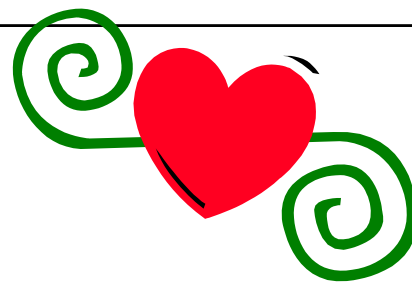
Horoscope

Aquarius - January 21 to February 18

Aquarius is very gifted and produces exceptional original quilts. They are known to invent new techniques that enhance the art form. They are friendly but their independent nature leads them to prefer to spend time quilting by themselves. Although you can find them in a quilting class, they are the most likely of all signs to choose to learn from books or a video. However, if you ever have a patchwork or quilting dilemma, they are the kind of person that you can turn to for help and advice. They are nice and will be thoughtful when making a quilt for friends or family. They will create the quilt with careful consideration of what the individual would like.



Courtesy of <http://www.astrostar.com/QuiltersHoroscope.htm>



Membership

"Attention all! The 2012-2013 Membership Directories are in! If you haven't already done so, please come to the membership table before the February meeting, and pick up your copy.

Ruth Jennison and Noelle Green-Willms

Attention Executive



NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING—The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be held **Monday, February 25, 2013** at the Co-operators Building on Macdonell Street. We start promptly at 7:00 pm and finish at 9:30 pm. **Note: Newsletter submissions are due February 15th.**

Upcoming Quilt Shows in Ontario

April 11-13, 2013

Heritage Quilt & Needlework Exhibit - Sponsored by the Bach Music Festival of Canada

Trivett Anglican Church

Main St, Exeter

Contact: Diane 519-236-7377 or Michelle 519-236-4905

"View all newly discovered treasures from the past"

April 19-20, 2013

Quilts on the Seaway - Cornwall Quilters Guild

Trinity Anglican Church

105 2nd St. West, Cornwall

Hours: Fri 1-8, Sat 10-4

Contact: Sharon 613-936-1976 or tomagee(at)aol.com



April 19-20, 2013

Off the Wall and Under the Covers - Mississauga Quilters Guild

Barnhamthorpe Community Centre

1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga

Hours: Fri 10-6, Sat 10-4

Admission: \$6

Contact: Jane Sanders, Show Convenor

www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca

April 20-21, 2013

Reflections of Georgian Bay, Celebrating 20 Years of Quilting Excellence – Georgian Bay Quilters' Guild

Tiny Township Community Centre

91 Concession Rd. East, Tiny

Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

For more information georgianbayquiltersguild(at)gmail.com

Courtesy of Quilters Connection

<http://www.quiltersconnection.ca/events/#ON>

Nominations for 2013—2014

**Nominations are now open for the 2013-2014 year of the
Royal City Quilters' Guild!**

Nominations are now open for Library Chair

Nominations are now open for the Newsletter Editor

Announcement

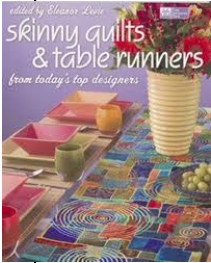
***In case of inclement weather, please listen to CJOY at 6:00 pm for any news of
a meeting cancellation.***

Book Review

Skinny Quilts & Table Runners

(Books one and two)

Edited by Eleanor Levie

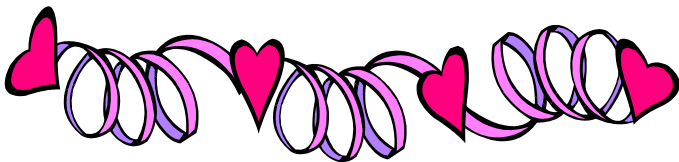


We are starting the New Year off with a **BANG!** Not one but **two** books are here for your enjoyment. These books are indeed a bargain. Instead of buying a book with only one person's quilts, why not buy a compilation of quilters in one book all offering patterns/ideas on the same topic.

Designers like Terry Atkinson of Atkinson Designs or Darlene Zimmerman, Marti Mitchell, Kaffe Fassett or Jo Morton. I think you get the idea.

The projects include a variety of techniques and even the truly new quilter can find something to create without too much angst. There is a section on quilt making basics at the back of both issues and the colour photos throughout the publications make "the doing" manageable for anyone.

I believe I have seen Seasons of the Moon by Lonni Rossi hanging up in Creative Sisters in Kitichener. I also love Rhubarb Crisp by Jo Morton and An American in Paris by Joanna Figueroa of Fig Tree Designs. Enough name dropping. To truly get inspired come to the Library and check out (no pun intended, well maybe a little) what's new for 2013.



Community Outreach

Thanks to everyone who has been working hard to make quilts for the hospital. We have many quilts ready to be quilted and bound. If you can volunteer some time, please see us at the table on guild night or phone me at 836-2718.



Linda and Sue

Blogging Along

Please enjoy these quilting blogs and feel free to send any you may find along to me and I'll share them with the rest of the guild through the newsletter. Good reading!!

Blog	Location
A Garden of Threads http://agardenofthreads.blogspot.ca	Ontario
A Few Loose Threads http://www.afewloosethreads.blogspot.ca	Saskatchewan,
3and3quarters http://3and3quarters.wordpress.com/	Australia
Felines & Fibre Arts http://felinesandfibrearts.blogspot.ca/	Ontario
the running chicken quilting http://therunningchickenquilting.blogspot.com/	United Kingdom

Workshop

Happy New Year.

Why not try something new this year! Sewing skills of all kinds can be fun to learn and used in various applications. For those of you who are interested in learning a new skill or simply having fun with others at a workshop, this is a list of the upcoming workshops with availability:

Shashiko with Alma Laidlaw (No machine needed for this course)- Feb 23/13

Machine Landscaping with Dianne Bergman - Apr 20/13

3-D Appliqué with Nancy Wells (No machine needed for this course) - June 8/13

A sneak preview for the 2013/14 season: watch for dates on the Thread Bar Workshop and the Singing Quilter.

If you have any suggestions for additional workshops for next year please let the committee know or drop us a note at the workshop table at the back of the sanctuary when you are at the regular meetings. We would love to hear from you.