



Royal City Quilters' Guild

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Guild Meeting

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

Three Willows United Church, 577 Willow Rd., Guelph

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| <p>6:30 Doors and Library Open
Membership Table Open
Monthly Library Book Sale (some are free)
Guests are welcome for a fee of \$5.</p> <p>7:00 Opening Remarks
February Program – Henny Bremmer
Show & Share</p> | <p>Checklist →</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Name Tag <input type="checkbox"/> Library Card <input type="checkbox"/> Return Library Books (overdue \$1/month) <input type="checkbox"/> \$\$\$ for library book sale <input type="checkbox"/> \$\$\$ for Workshops <input type="checkbox"/> Show & Share Form (on last page) <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Tire money (always welcome) <input type="checkbox"/> Food Bank (always welcome) |
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This Month's Program

On February 10th we'll be joined by Henny Bremmer who will share some of her quilting experiences and handmade items with us.

Henny has been quilting since 1994 and has focused on original, pieced projects. Her colourful minis now exceed an incredible 200. Every year, since 1997, she's been invited to exhibit her beautiful quilts at the KW Quilt Festival.

We are truly looking forward to an informative night of sharing and we extend a warm welcome to Henny and her fabulous quilts!

Cyndy Maltby

Programs Planned for the remainder of our Guild Year:

- March 10 – Member Spot Light
- April 14 – Jim Wilford
- May 12 – Jennifer Houlden, Creating with Colour www.quiltsbyjen.ca
- June 9 – Eleanor Petite

Our President's Message



Our first meeting of the New Year was very informative and full of great tips and tricks, in preparation for our Quilt Show, which is fast approaching. There is no reason now why those quilts can't be bound, labelled and finished with hanging sleeves after having received so many useful instructions from our in-house expert demonstrators. I encourage everyone to participate in one way or another to help make this quilt show the greatest one ever!

Speaking of participating, have you considered filling one of the vacant positions on our executive committee next year? You may be approached by Nancy Wells, chair of our nominating committee, during the next few months to ask you to consider joining our executive team. Being a part of our executive is both fun and rewarding. We share our ideas and thoughts on making the Royal City Quilters' Guild the great guild that it is and new ideas and new faces on our executive are always welcome!

Till next time..... happy sewing!

Joanne Ariss

PPM (Past President's Mystery)

aka PPD (Past President's Day)

When? Saturday, February 28th starting at 9:30 a.m.

Where? Willow Grove Room, Three Willows Church

This is a day full of fun! You will be working on a piece of your choice at this PPM. This is a great time to finish up UFOs or to start a new project. Perhaps this would be a good time to complete or start one of your "Quilt of the Month" patterns. Whatever your choice, it's up to you.

As always, we will be there to help press, unsew and to feed you.

Coffee, tea, water and snacks will be available throughout the day.

We will provide you with a hot lunch consisting of:

- Lasagna
- Choice of salad (green tossed or Caesar)
- Rolls and butter
- Variety of desserts

Note:

Don't fret if you are on the waiting list. We can always have another PPM at a later date if the need is there.

See you on the 28th.

Susan Harrington, Barb Jordan, Nancy McNab, & Jackie James

Past President's Report

There are three questions I would like all of you to ask yourself.

- 1. Do you enjoy receiving your monthly RCQG newsletter?**
- 2. Do you appreciate being able to obtain books and magazines from the guild library?**
- 3. Do you recognize the value of keeping a historical record of guild activities and meetings?**

If you answered "yes" to all of the above, please consider taking on the responsibilities of **one** of the following positions: **Librarian Chair**, **Newsletter Chair** or **Historian**.

Your guild provides each of you with inspiration, an opportunity to get to know other quilters, learn new techniques and see the work of a variety of quilt artists.

Is it time for you to contribute some of your time to one of these very necessary positions?

Please let me know if you, or you and a quilting friend, could help out in one of these areas.

Below are executive role summaries for each Chair. If you are interested or have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me or the specific Chairperson.

What I do as Historian by Edna Keown:

I attend guild and executive meetings, take photos at the guild meetings and special occasions, and print and label photos to put into the guild photo albums. *Labelling photos is easy when everyone completes the "Show and Share" form and the sign-up list.* I also e-mail photos to people who request them on the Show and Share form and e-mail pictures to the Newsletter Editor for publishing in the next Newsletter. The guild provides a digital camera for your use. The ADDED BONUS OF THIS POSITION: I have reserved seating, front and centre, i.e. the best seat in the house!

What I do as Librarian by Laurel Marsolais:

I attend guild and executive meetings, turn in any monies collected from the sale of library items and submit any invoices for payment. I order new materials for the library based on suggestions from members and my knowledge of which books would be popular, add new books to the library database (Librarything.com), and process the books with pockets and cards. Each guild meeting night, I set up the Library with the help of my library committee members. This involves putting up the tables for the books, check-in and check-out desk and setting up a sale or giveaway table if necessary. I also write a monthly newsletter submission which is an update on the library activities and/or reviews of newly purchased books. Once a year, the library volunteers do an inventory of the library. Volunteering in the library is a great way to get to know all the guild members!

What I do as Newsletter Editor by MaryAnne Girouard:

I attend guild and executive meetings and using Microsoft Word, I type, edit and format the Newsletter by a copy/paste method using entries *prepared* by each specific Chair. Next I post the Newsletter on the guild website, send out a general email to all members saying that the Newsletter has been posted, make black and white copies of the Newsletter to mail to a few members who do not have email and make one colour copy of the Newsletter for the Historian's records. **Note:** *I will mentor the new Chair as needed.*

Nancy Wells

Mini Quilt Raffle & Silent Auction at our May 2015 Quilt Show



We are heading into the home stretch now. Three more guild meetings until the show **means** only three more guild meetings for you to get in on the monthly draw. Everyone who donates a Mini will also be entered into the second chance draws at the May guild meeting. So, it's time to turn those blocks into mini tops and get quilting!



February's theme is **Hearts**. Two of the samples shown at the January Guild meeting were based on a free pattern called Scrapy Four Patch Heart Quilt. Go to <https://carterquilter.files.wordpress.com> and find free pattern downloads. Look for Heart Patterns under the Menu options. There are many free patterns, blocks and quilts to choose from. You can also find inspiration via Google Images. Try searching Heart Quilt Blocks or Modern Heart Quilt Blocks.



In addition to the Mini Quilt Raffle, we will also have a *Silent Auction* of featured minis. In 2012, we opened up the Silent Auction to include certificates for golf or massages, a child's play set, gardening items, etc. These were well received by both quilting and non-quilting attendees at our show. We have already received 6 lovely Christmas-themed dessert plates which will become part of a Christmas-themed auction item. Bring your Silent Auction items to the back of the church where the Minis are. We will be very happy to receive your donation.

With the Minis donated at the January meeting, we now have **81** Minis for the quilt show! Way to go everyone. We will be over 100 Minis in no time!

Barbara Jordan & Stephanie Moddison

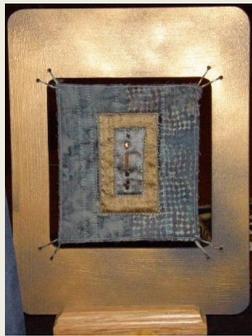
Canadian Quilters' Association <http://www.canadianquilter.com/index.php>

Here you will find a list of Quilt Professionals, Canadian Events, Guild Quilt Shows, Awards, Galleries, Sponsors, Shops and Shopping.

“Fifty Fingers” - December Guild Meeting



Marilyn Watson, Mary Howlett-Nero, Liz Bayne, Anne Peters, JoAnne Oldridge



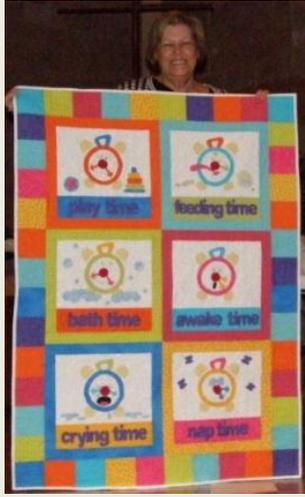
Community Quilts



Show and Share



Susan Harrington



Joanne Ariss



JoAnne Oldridge



Judy Eckhardt



Kathy Wagner



Karen Juraschka



Susan Birkholz

Fun Times at the December Social



Community Outreach



As I mentioned at the January Guild Meeting, we had a very welcomed delivery of 15 (!!!) comfort quilts to the **Sexual Abuse/Domestic Violence Care & Treatment Centre**, just before Christmas. The arrival of the quilts generated a lot of curiosity in the lobby, on the elevator and in the offices of the SADV team. People kept stopping to admire the quilts and to express their admiration for the "amount of love that is put into something that you just give away"!

For the members of the SADV team, it was a nice treat to be able to hear some of the stories relating to how these quilts were crafted, as each one was pulled out to be 'oohed and awed' over. The team members (pictured here) are: Betty Slack, RN & Program Facilitator; Kim Crawford, Director of ER; yours truly (center); Val Dasma, Social Worker, and Fran Hood, Administrative Assistant.

I was given a tour of the facility's setup and taken into the treatment room where some smaller quilts adorn the walls. In the main office areas for the nurse and social workers the 'inventory' of quilts is stacked on available shelving. Overall, the environment is set up to convey a sense of 'comfort' and 'warmth', with the latter becoming even more so when a client has a quilt of their own to wrap around their bodies. The SAVD team has extended an "OPEN INVITATION" to any Guild Member who would like to visit their facilities. Please call Fran, if interested, to arrange a convenient time (519-837-6440 ext. 2728) and identify yourself as a Royal City Quilt Guild member.

The Guelph General Hospital Foundation, which offers us financial support for the purchase of batting for comfort quilts, has responded favourably to our request for an increase in this amount, the first such increase since the inception of the program. The increase was granted in recognition of the rising costs of supplies and for the increased number of quilts being produced for SAVD's use, especially over the last seven years.

Reminder: We have 'pre-cut' quilt batting available at each meeting. Please see one of the Committee members if you require batting for a comfort quilt.



As well, at **Michael House Pregnancy Care Centre**, Julia Pollock, Residential Manager, (pictured here) was equally delighted to receive our delivery of 12 crib quilts, 9 receiving blankets and 6 burp pads. We were able to bring a larger twin bed quilt along as well, for one of the rooms. Julia was impressed with the variety of patterns and colours, soft textures and beautiful craftsmanship portrayed in the donated items. She extended her thanks on behalf of the mothers and children for such an unexpected bounty: "They'll all be put to good use!"

Cheryl Cowan

2015 Calendar

February 27, 2015 – Entry Deadline for The Grand National Quilt Show, Kitchener (May to September)
Go to <http://www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca> for instructions and entry forms.

March 1 – Call for Artists: Remembering In Flanders Fields Art Exhibition

Commemorative Juried Art Show at the Guelph Civic Museum, on display Spring and Summer 2015
Deadline – Sunday, March 1st, 2015 at 11:59pm.

Open to residents of the City of Guelph and Wellington County.

For further information, see <http://guelph.ca/2014/09/call-artists-remembering-flanders-fields-art-exhibition>; call the museum at 519-836-1221 or email jessical.gibson@guelph.ca.

March 10 – RCQG Quilt Show – “Challenge” Submission Deadline

The Challenge Quilt MUST be given to the Challenge Committee by the March guild meeting.

April 11 – RCQG Quilt Show Program – Quilt Registration Deadline

To be included in our Quilt Show Program, your quilt MUST be registered by April 11th.

April 18 – RCQG Quilt Show – Quilt Registration Deadline

To be included in our Quilt Show, your quilt MUST be registered by April 18th.

April 24 (10-6) & 25 (10-4) – Off the Wall and Under the Covers, Mississauga Quilt Show

Burnhamthorpe Community Centre, 1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga

We will have a Merchant mall, member's boutique, a mini quilt draw and a raffle quilt.

<http://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/quilt-show.html>

April 28 – RCQG Quilt Show - Drop off Date for Quilts

May 1 & 2 – RCQG 2015 Quilt Show, Guelph

Our 2015 Quilt Show will be hosted at Three Willows United Church.

May 10 to September 27 – The Grand National Quilt Show, Kitchener

Joseph Schneider Haus Historical Site, 466 Queen Street South, Kitchener, ON, N2G 1W7

Quilt artists from across Canada are challenged to capture in their quilt art some design that suggests the theme of “Connections”. www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca

May 15 & 16 – D.O.T.S. 2015 Quilt Show – “Quilting on the Grand Two”, Dunnville

Dunnville Memorial Arena & Community Lifespan Center, 275 Ramsey Dr., Dunnville, ON N1A2A8

http://www.dunnvillequiltguild.com/Coming_Events.html

Guild members' quilts and quilted items on display. Draw on May 16th for the custom-made Quilt.

Boutique, Silent Auction, Fabric & Notions Vendors, Grantham Books

Featured Quilter – Jennifer Houlden, “Quilts by Jen” www.quiltsbyjen.ca

June 4 – 6 – Quilt Canada 2015, Lethbridge AB

Workshops by: Weeks Ringle, Margie Davidson, Kathy Tidswell, Cindy Needham, Karen Henry

<http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2015.php>

June 6 & 7 (10-4) – Stitching Among Friends Quilt Show, Quilting Corners Guild, Alliston

Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert Street, Free and Handicap Parking

Admission \$5, Quilts, Tea Room, Quilt Raffle, Bed Turning and Cradle Turning, Demonstrations, Mini Auction, Wall-hangings, Quilted Apparel, Merchant Mall, Penny Auction

<http://aqcguild.edublogs.org/quilt-show-2013>

May 2015 Quilt Show

Quilt Registration

On-line Quilt Registration is now open!

All registration is being done on-line at www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca.

If you do not have access to a computer, please see/contact Joan Hett or Scott Schau and we will assist you.

- To be included in the SHOW PROGRAM, your quilt MUST be registered by April 11, 2015.
- To be included in the SHOW, your quilt must be registered by April 18, 2015.
- The drop-off date for all quilts is April 28, 2015.
- DO NOT register Challenge pieces through the on-line registration system. These will be handled separately.

We encourage you to register your quilts early. It takes only minutes. Each quilt has its own registration form, so you do not need to register them all at once. You can also register a quilt before it is complete. Last show, most people waited until the last week to enter. This makes it difficult for the planning committee as we do not know exactly what is coming. We have a new category this year, "Art Quilts", and hope to have a good selection to display.

Categories for Quilts:

- ✚ Bed Quilts (Standard Sizes)
- ✚ Art Quilts (any size) ***NEW***
- ✚ Large Wall Hangings (perimeter of 160" or more)
- ✚ Small Wall Hangings (perimeter of less than 160")
- ✚ Miniatures (perimeter of 60" or less)
- ✚ Bags and Accessories
- ✚ Other

We look forward to the participation of as many members as possible. Information regarding the drop-off location and times will be available next month.

Scott Schau for the Quilt Show Committee

Executive Meeting

367 Woodlawn Rd, Unit 9

February – NO Meeting

Tuesday, March 16th
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm



Guild Meetings

Three Willows Church

Tuesday, February 10th
Tuesday, March 10th
Tuesday, April 14th

*Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month
from September to June, 7-9 pm.*

Show and Share

Show and Share is such an important, inspiring and exciting part of our Guild meetings.

If you have a UFO, a finished top or even a finished quilt, we'd love to see it. Please do not hesitate to bring your wonderful piece of love and share your story with us. Don't be shy! Whether you are a newbie or an experienced quilter, we love to be inspired by all!

Please complete this form and bring it to the meeting if you plan on showing a quilt for "Show and Share".

RCQG Show and Share Information and Agreement

Date: _____ Name of Piece: _____

Quilter(s): _____

Pattern Source / Inspiration / Designer: _____

Brief Description:

Size (approximate): _____

Main Colours: _____

Quilt Style: (pieced, appliqu , art, etc.) _____

Quilting Method and by whom: (hand, machine, long arm) _____

Other: _____

Would you like to receive an email photo of your quilt? Yes___ No___

Email Address: _____

Do you agree to allow a photo of you and your quilt to appear on our website? Yes___ No___

Do you agree to allow a photo of you and your quilt to appear in the newsletter? Yes___ No___
