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Halton Hills Quilters' Guild Newsletter

2012-2013

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Meeting Location:
Residences at St. Andrews
220 Sinclair Avenue, Georgetown
4th Monday of each month at 7:00

President's Message

Where does the time go? I can't believe I am writing another newsletter item. Well, the calendar says April which means spring, but Mother Nature hasn't heard the news as yet. Hopefully, soon we will be packing our winter coats and hats away for another year. But maybe this cold weather is a good reason to stay inside and quilt, quilt, quilt.

Our Guild retreat is this month and it promises to be a fun time for all. We will be anxious to hear your stories. Or is it, "What happens at the quilt retreat, stays at the quilt retreat".

We will hear later this month whether our grant application was approved to help with incorporation.

The Guild Show Committee is hard at work. I am sure they can always use more help, so please volunteer. This is your show.

Hopefully, everyone is busy working on their Quilt Show Challenge project with the theme "What a Novel Idea". I am sure we will have interesting entries in this challenge.

I have quite a few entries in the President's Challenge. The finished projects and prizes will be presented at the June meeting.

Flo Belford



Your 2012-2013 Executive:

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Block of the Month:	Susan Luque (905) 877-8602
Post Cards:	Tracey Salewski (905) 873 9193

Outreach

Hi Members,

Just a reminder that we will have our last outreach of the year on Wed. April 24, at the Trinity United Church in Acton, 9:30 a.m.

Bring your sewing machines, cutting mat, cutter and have a great day sharing and helping others.

This month so far I have given away on behalf of Outreach, 59 placemats, 27 quilts and 17 flannel baby blankets. These items went to Links 2 Care, the umbrella organization for Meals on Wheels, Children's Aid and several other community programmes.

Are you all busy making your desert plate for our challenge? They will be shown in May at the meeting. Enjoy!

Vicki Brigden



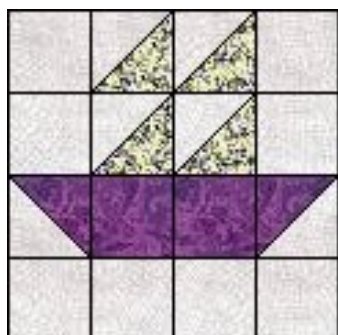
Block of the Month

Hi Ladies,

The May BOM is Sail Boat from Quilterscache.com.

The Sail Boat pattern is a quick and cute 8" quilt block. It uses light, medium and dark shades of purple. Hope you like it.

See you at the April meeting.



Sue Luque

RETREAT

Believe it or not it is now time to sign up for the November (18,19 & 20TH) retreat at Crieff. I have attached the registration form and you will notice the change in price.

I had a request (from Crieff) to change our date and if we did they would give us a **ONE TIME** reduction in price. Preference will be given to guild members until the April meeting and then it will be open to other guilds/persons.

LYNDA MANOR



Postcard Exchange

Hello Ladies,

This is a reminder that all postcards are due for the June meeting. Please bring in your postcards in a small photo album (the dollar stores have lots to choose from) to the June meeting so that we can show off our work.

If you suddenly find that you have lost your list contact me and I will be happy to send it again.

Take care.

Tracey

jicado@sympatico.ca

UFO Days

The next UFO day will be Tuesday, May 14 and a second one in May will be Wednesday, May 29.

Irons, ironing board and cutting board are supplied. There are large tables for layering quilts.

Please bring your lunch and a \$5.00 donation to the church. I hope you will join us.

Please contact Susan Clark at 519-853-9948 or email susan-clark@cogeco.ca if you have questions.

Susan Clark





Membership

There were 45 members present & 1 guest at the March meeting. Winners of the attendance draw were Joyce Rawes & Diane Evans.

Mary Van Dijk won the theme draw. The theme for April's meeting will be spring flowers so check your stash for suitable fat quarters.

Remember to sign for the attendance draw. See you there.

***Dodie Ryan
and
Donna Thoms***



Still New! Freebie Table

Dig out the old items from your quilting supplies and stash, and bring them to our monthly meetings! Items you no longer want might include: old magazines, patterns, fabrics, notions, etc. Place them on the table allocated and guild members can pick anything they would like.

If there are items you want back if they are not chosen by anybody, be sure to pick these up before the meeting finishes. Anything left over will be placed in the garbage.

This is a great way to share...one person's discard can be another's treasure!

Anne Smith





Programme

Wanda Milankov and Sue Bodis of “SeW Square’d” are going to be our guest presenters at our April 22nd meeting. They are certified instructors for the Square in a Square quilting method. Their presentation will include a description of the origins of SNS, a demonstration of the basic square and a trunk show with many quilts of varying skill levels. There will also be a sale table of tools and patterns.

Thank you to the ladies who are so generous about hopping up and holding quilts for display. You are worth your weight in gold. We could have Kaffe Fassett as a guest, but if no one volunteered to hold his quilts the evening would be a flop!

If you have not helped in this way yet, why not volunteer this month. It is worth it to get a close up view of the quilts.

Finally, I will be retiring as Programme Convenor in June. It would be great if someone would commit now to taking this position for the 2013-14 season. This would allow time for me to gently ease you into place - much more comfortable than being parachuted from a helicopter!



Hearts and Hugs

Sympathy cards were sent To Mattie Spencer who lost two members in her family - her stepmother and shortly after, her uncle.

Please let me know if you hear of anyone who needs a hug.

Kay Trower



Sybil Ewing



QUILT SHOW

In less time than we realize, summer will be here and then THE QUILT SHOW! We have a few things that need to be done before summer hits!!!!!!! First, make sure these dates are marked in your calendar:

Set up – Thursday, October 3rd

Quilt show – Friday, October 4th and Saturday, October 5th

Take down will happen after the show closes on Saturday.

The location is the same as last time – The Croatian Centre on Winston Churchill Blvd., just north of Five Sideroad.

Here are some things that you can do in preparation for the quilt show:

Toonie Draw Quilts: We are looking for *small* wall hangings that will be raffled off. This is a GREAT fund raiser for us. Make them cute, make them funny, make them gorgeous, but make them desirable so we will be certain to sell more tickets! Bring them to the general guild meetings anytime from now on.

Door Prizes: Spring has arrived and surely you have caught the cleaning bug. As you go through your stuff, if you find things that you have never used (rulers, books, kits, fabric bundles or other household items or gifts) and you don't know what to do with them – we will take your donations to use as door prizes.

Volunteers: I urgently need TWO people to take charge of the tea room and TWO people to take charge of the members' boutique. Both of these areas attract our visitors and make a lot of money for our guild, which means we do not have to contemplate raising our membership fees. If you are not sure what is involved, contact me and I will explain the details of what needs to be done. You will have helpers, but we need a few people to take charge and make sure things are running smoothly in their areas.

Members Boutique: There will be a members' boutique which will provide members an opportunity to sell their own work, so you can prepare your items for sale. The guild takes 10% of the price. You can also offer your quilts that are on display for sale (minus 10%). If you have any other items such as magazines or fabric that you would like to *donate* to the guild to sell, bring them to the guild meetings so we can get them ready. 100% of the proceeds from these donations go into the guild coffers.

Northcott Challenge: Purchase a Northcott challenge kit (theme is "What a Novel Idea") from Marian Baidacoff (three fat quarters for ten dollars) and get your challenge made. That theme evokes all kinds of images (both pieced and appliqued) and to get your inspiration – perhaps a trip to the library or your local book store is in order.

Of course we also want YOU (that is EVERYONE) to enter *at least* ONE quilt in the show. We don't care if you are a brand new quilter or have been quilting for years. This ***quilt show is a showcase of all our work*** and we are looking for a variety of work of all sizes and from all skill levels. Don't be shy, show off your quilts! We love to see them all because each one is unique!

More details will be coming, but if you have specific questions, by all means please contact me and I will find an answer.

Elaine 905-819-9703—home or 416-919-8648-cell or email elaine9703@rogers.com





Warm Front's Coming!

This collage of quilts is just a "sampler" of hundreds of homemade covers shared by *CW* readers. Each eye-catching example shows how widespread creativity is in country homes.



Sewing up a storm, the women in the Northern Lights Quilting Guild of Bottineau, North Dakota didn't need to put on mittens to roll out this snowman spread. "Each of us prepared a square for our colorful quilt," member Connie Gorder explains. "We raffled the quilt off as a fund-raiser at our winter bazaar. Since there's snow here for 6 months of the year, we had plenty of inspiration!"



Bear hugs warmed Lee Wood, Campbellville, Ontario, when her hubby saw the quilt she made him. "For a northwoods theme, I paired bear images with pine tree and log cabin patterns."



Classy keepsake was quilted by Julie Williamson as a grade-A graduation gift for her son. "Mark is our oldest, so I have four more to design!" she writes from Wiota, Iowa.

Here is a scan of the page in Country Woman Magazine showing a quilt made by Lee Wood for her husband Bob. Her quilt is in the top right corner.
Submitted by Mary Van Dijk

Monthly Quilting Designs for this Year

Benita Skinner of Victoriana Quilt Designs, a Canadian company, has offered to share some of her designs with us on a monthly basis. Her designs may be used for embroidery, appliqué, crayoning etc.

I will be attaching one jpeg design to our newsletters each month. You do not need to hand them in at the meetings, they are just for your personal use, however, as always we will be pleased to see what you have created if you decide to use them in a project.

Benita's website is www.victorianaquiltdesigns.com.

Joyce Winger



Here are pictures of a beautiful memory box planter that Lee's family sent to the Milton Public Library. It sits on the circulation desk at the main branch. Lee was a long time employee of the library and retired in 2006.

Submitted by Mary Van Dijk

Things to Bring to the Next Meeting: April 22, 2013

Name Tag

Show and Share

Library Books

Theme fat quarters — Spring flowers

Freebie items

Patience, understanding, warmth, fellowship and a sense of humour!

Coming Events

Friday June 1, 2012—Friday May 31, 2013 Tues—Sat 10-4—A Common Thread: Quilts of Perth County, Stratford Perth Museum, 4275 Huron Road, Stratford, Ontario N5A 6S6, Micaela Fitzsimmons 519 393 5311, micaela@stratfordperthmuseum.ca

Monday January 21 - Sunday April 21, 2013—Usual business hours—Marimekko, With Love, Textile Museum of Canada, 55 Centre Ave., Toronto, info@textilemuseum.ca

Thursday April 11—Saturday April 13 2013—Heritage Quilt Exhibit featuring Jane Egan, Exeter, Diane Carson 519 236 7399

Friday April 19 10-6-Sunday April 20-10-4-Off the Wall and Under the Covers Quilt Show, Burnhamthorpe Community Centre, 1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga \$6.00—Jane Sanders jmsanders@rogers.com

Friday April 19-Sunday April 20—Quilts by the Seaway, Cornwall, Nora Cavanagh 613-933-2346 ncavanagh1@cogeco.ca

Saturday April 20-10-5—Sunday April 21-10-4 Reflections of Georgian Bay, Celebrating 20 Years of Quilting Excellence, Tiny Township Community Centre, 91 Concession Road 8 East, Tiny, Ont. \$5.00 Sue Hopkinson, grimshop@csolve.net

Sunday April 21— Sunday June 23, noon-4:30, extended hours May 21-25—The Grand National Quilt Show—Local Colour—Homer Watson House and Gallery, 1754 Old Mill Road, Kitchener, Anne-Marie 519-742-7752 grandnationalquiltshow@gmail.com

Saturday April 27-Sunday April 28— Quilts in the Gardens—Halton Quilters' Guild—Dwayne Wanner dwanner@sympatico.ca

Friday May 3—Sat May 4—Quilting in the Village—Thames Valley Quilters' Guild, London, Andea Manias 519 439 2720, andrea.manias@sympatico.ca

Friday May 3—Sun May 5—Feelings in Fabric 2013—Peterborough, \$6.00, kqg2013@live.ca, www.kawarthaquiltmakersguild.ca

Friday May 3 10-6—Saturday May 4 10-5—Spring Quilt Show, Mount Forest and District Sports Complex, 850 Princess St., Mt. Forest, \$5.00, Pat Graham—fourcornersquiltersguild@gmail.com

Saturday May 4—Sunday May 5-Brampton Quilters' Guild Biannual Quilt Show, Jim Archdeacon Recreation Centre, 292 Conestoga Drive, Brampton, Glenda Johnson-glendagoodwitch47@yahoo.ca

Saturday May 25-Sunday May 26-Quilted Treasures, Lindsay Creative Quilters' Guild, Eleanor Plewes 705 324 9589, quiltshow13@gmail.com

Saturday June 8 10-4 and Sunday June 9 10-4 Quilt Show Stitching Among Friends Alliston Curling Club, 52 Albert Street West, Alliston \$5.00 Judy Cotter 705 435 0140 irmgardjacob@sympatico.ca

Next Newsletter

Please have your submissions of news/articles and/or hints, recipes etc. to me **before May 10, 2013** for publication in the May newsletter. Thank you.

Joyce Winger j.winger@sympatico.ca

