January 2013 **Pieceful Pieces**











Halton Hills Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Meeting Location:

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 74064 260 Guelph Street

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We're on the Web: www.hhqg.ca

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

2012-2013

President's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful and happy Christmas season. Now as we begin a new year, I wonder if any of us made quilting resolutions such as devoting more time to quilting, finishing UFOs, and not increasing our stashes. Maybe some of us are already working on Christmas gifts for this year.

Our Guild has lots of activities and fun planned for the coming months with speakers, a round robin, and demonstrations. The Executive will be presenting our findings and recommendation regarding incorporation to the members later in the year, hopefully as soon as January.

While our quilt show is many months away, we need to start planning for that event. As well, we need to start working on our entries for the Northcott Quilt Show Challenge. Remember, the theme is "What a Novel Idea".

I understand having the members put their chairs away after the meeting last time was very helpful, and we would appreciate everyone continuing to do this.

Lets hope for clear weather on our Guild nights so we can enjoy the friendship, programmes, and sharing that we all enjoy.

Flo Belford



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Outreach

Hello ladies,

Welcome to 2013! Holidays are behind for us now, and who has kept those pesky resolutions we all make?

Outreach is January 26 is at Trinity United Church in Acton.

"Bits and Bites" is our theme:

Bits (fabric) and bites (snacks). Please feel free to bring bites, (please avoid nuts just in case) I will bring the bits, and soup for lunch. We will be doing "mile a minute," and "patchwork."

For those who don't know, Outreach is our community charity. We make quilts for distribution in the community. Material is provided; you bring your machine and usual attachments. We provide irons, cutting boards, etc. We always have an awesome time!

Hope to see a good turnout.







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The Halton Hills Quilting Guild,

in conjunction with Northcott Fabrics and Ruti's Needlebed, present the challenge:

WHAT A NOVEL IDEA

The rules of the challenge are as follows:

- The item should represent the title of a novel. You must include the title of the novel and the author's name when submitting the item.
- All three of the fabrics included in the kit must be clearly visible and recognizable in the finished item.
- You may add any and as much fabric as you like to the item. The three fabrics in the kit as well as coordinating fabrics are available at Ruti's Needlebed, 10 Thomas St. in Streetsville (Mississauga).
- Some part of the item must be quilted, ie. batting sandwiched between 2 layers of fabric, sewn together with thread.
- The perimeter of the item should not exceed 120 inches. If the item is 3 dimensional (ie. a pillow) it should fit inside an 18" x 18" x 18" cube.
- Only one entry per challenge kit.
- All entries must be received by the Halton Hills Guild by Monday September 23, 2013. The item remains your property however, it must be displayed at the Halton Hills Guild Quilt Show on October 4th and 5th, 2013 in order to be eligible to win a prize.
- In case of any ambiguity regarding rules or participation, the final decision shall rest with Marian Baidacoff, Challenge Coordinator.

Prizes: There will be six cash prizes awarded:

- There will be three prizes for Viewer's Choice:
 - \$100 for first place
 - \$75 for second place
 - \$50 for third place
- -There will be three prizes for participation:
- \$25 for each of three prizes. Three names will be drawn from the list of participants who did not win a Viewer's Choice prize.

I will have kits of three fat quarters for ten dollars available at the January guild meeting. After that I will start selling to other guilds. If you cannot make it to the January meeting, please contact me to hold a kit for you.

Marion (mbaidacoff@cogeco.ca)

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Membership

At the November meeting there were 54 members & 1 guest present.

Winners of the attendance draw were Elaine Sylvester and Daphne Hookey and of the theme draw June Ball.

As no surprise, the theme for January is WINTER fabric, mostly blue and white or winter activities, scenes etc.

Please remember to sign in for the two draws at the membership table, and if you want to obtain a guild pin, they will be available for \$5.00 each.

Hope to see you there.

Dodie Ryan and Donna Thoms



Spring Retreat

I hope everyone had a good Christmas and New Year's, but now it is time to get down to some serious quilting.

There are 4 spots available for the April 26-28th retreat.

I will not be at the Jan or Feb guild meetings.

If you are interested, please email me and I will let you know if you have a spot and then you can mail the registration form.

Lynda Manor



New! Freebie Table

Dig out the old items from your quilting supplies and stash, and bring to our monthly meetings! A "free table" starts with the January meeting.

Bring items you no longer want: old magazines, patterns, fabrics, notions, etc. Place them on the table allocated for this new feature, and guild members can pick anything they would like.

Please note: If there are items you want back, if they aren't chosen by anybody, be sure to pick these up before the meeting finishes. Anything left over will be placed in the garbage at the end of the night.

Also, you may choose not to include anything which you believe may raise money at a future guild suitcase sale or toonie sale.

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

Anne Smith



Library

The winners from the Library Draw at the November meeting were Daphne Hookey - the quilt calendar, and Pauline Sutherland - the winter wall hanging kit.

Total proceeds from tickets—\$46.00.

Diane Evans and Elaine Sylvester



Hearts and Hugs

A thinking of you card was sent to Lee Wood who was having health problems and we all hope good health will soon return. If you know of anyone who needs a card, please let me know.

Kay Trower



Programme

I hope many of you are preparing Valentine Quilts for our January "Show and Share." Some members have already completed their little quilts. Some are talking about making them for their grandchildren. After our meeting there will be only two and a half weeks until Valentine's Day. This is the reason for the rush to do Valentine Quilts in January. By the time our February meeting arrives Valentine's will be a past event.

Three of our very talented members, Judy Makinson, Elaine Theriault and Anne Balanyk will be sharing some of their favourite quilting tips with us. These are bound to be useful, fun and interesting.

I will close by giving a special thank you to Elaine Theriault and Lynda Discenza who helped set up the display of Helen Fujiki's quilts. Also a big thank you to Elizabeth Mahood who helped me to get the microphone working for our November meeting. You ladies are awesome!!!

Sybil Ewing





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Workshops

Our first workshop for 2013 will be a *Table Topper* with Anne Balanyk on Saturday, February 16th at Trinity United Church in Acton. Please join us and invite friends to come and participate. This is a great starter project for new quilters. Anne will bring a sample and tell us the fabric requirements at the next meeting. We will have a sign up sheet for the class at our next meeting—time and cost yet to be discussed—will be available at the meeting.





Two more dates have been saved for March workshops, hope to have one on basket making using our stash and another one will be a fun surprise project. Reserve the 9th and the 30th of March!

Please see me if you have any suggestions or requests for workshops.

Lynda Discenza 905 877 3512

UFO Days

The next UFO day will be this coming Wednesday, January 16 and in February there will be two: Tuesday, February 12th, and Wednesday February 27th.

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 guestions.

Susan Clark



Project Linus

On December 5th, Vicki Brigden, Donna Gorden and I drove out to Kitchener to deliver the 18 quilts made and donated by our guild. It was a wonderful morning! We met so many ladies in the Project Linus group, all of whom made us feel most welcome and praised our donated projects.

The pictures show me with Jessie, who is the new head of this chapter, with the quilts made by our members. Also shown are the ladies who attend the monthly meetings to sew labels on the quilts and blankets; these volunteers also meet at their homes to do this work in between meetings.

I will be delivering quilts again in June 2013, so if you would like to make a project for an ill or abused child or teenager, please deliver your quilt(s) at the <u>May 2013</u> meeting. Please note: I do not have room to store quilts ahead of the delivery date, so I appreciate your holding these until the date requested.

A note for knitters: If you include knitting amongst your talents, Project Linus is most appreciative of knitted blankets as well as quilts.

Many thanks again to all who donated their fabrics, time and talent to brighten a child's life! If you have any questions, please email me at asmith8228@hotmail.com or call 905-824-4753.

Thank you and Happy Quilting!

Anne M. Smith







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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. (two in November) 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.

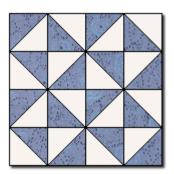
Joyce Winger

Block of the Month for November

Hi Everyone!

January's block of the month is called broken dish from quilterscache.com. If you have another name for it please let me know. I chose this one because it reminded me of snow and ice.

Sue



Things to Bring to the Next Meeting: January 28, 2013

Name Tag

Show and Share

Library Books

Theme fat quarters—Winter—blue and white, snow activities/scenes etc.

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 December 3, 2012 - Sunday March 10, 2013—Usual opening hours, refer to website—Richard Boulet: Stitched and Drawn Textile Museum of Canada, 55 Centre Ave., Toronto, Wayne Baerwaldt, Curator, info@textilemuseum.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















Next Newsletter

Please have your submissions of news/articles and/or hints, recipes etc. to me *before* February 8, 2013 for publication in the February newsletter. Thank you.

Joyce Winger j.winger@sympatico.ca

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Georgian Bay Quilters' Guild

April 20 & 21, 2013

Sat: 10:00 am-5:00 pm

Sun: 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Tiny Township Community Centre

91 Concession Rd 8 East,

Tiny, ON

Reflections of Georgian Bay

Celebrating 20 Years of Quilting Excellence

"Windswept" by Sue Hopkinson (1992)

1st Guild President

Quilt Courtesy of Ferguson Barristers

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