

# Special Mid-Summer Edition Scraps of Wisdom

## President's Message

This is our summer mini-newsletter to inform you of news that just can't wait until September. I'm sure everyone is busy with their summertime activities but we will soon be back to our regularly scheduled meetings. Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay tuned for the exciting upcoming series, "Presidents' Summer Adventures". It has been quite different than what we had anticipated.

Looking forward to being together again,

Eileen Fennell, President

## September Meeting Program

I would like to say that our first meeting in September will be with Border Creek Station. The afternoon meeting will be "A Quilter's Journey" and the evening meeting will be "Borders and Settings". Each will be different lectures and different quilt samples. Plan on coming to both if you can. Border Creek Station will be our merchant for the day. Eileen and I have had a very busy summer involving the mini series "Alias Grace" by Margaret Atwood. We will be letting every one know the details during the next year.

Thanks,

Kathy Langill, Past President & Program Co-ordinator



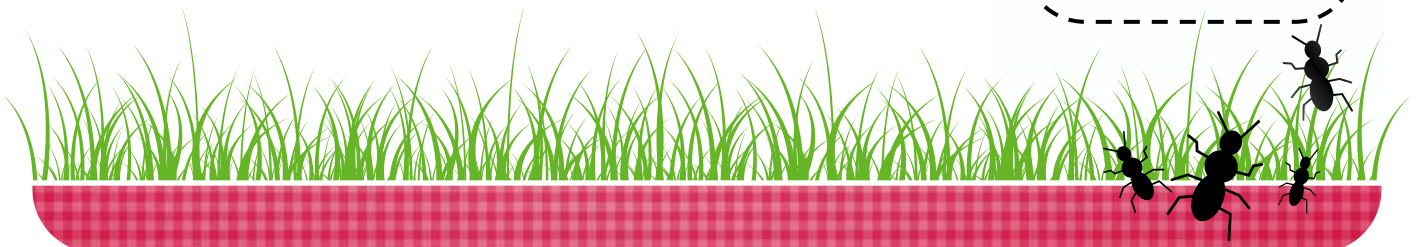
The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild provides an opportunity for quilters to learn in a supportive, sharing, social environment. We encourage you to get the most out of your membership by becoming more deeply involved in the guild.

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### Important Dates

08/26	Deadline for September newsletter
09/14	Mannheim Sewing/Quilting Circle



## Thank You!

"I want to thank the ladies from the last guild meeting who told me about "The Tube" that Fabricland sells to clean irons. I want them to know they saved my iron!!!"

- Helene Doerfler



*Courtney Caskanette, a long arm machine quilter and a member of the guild, has volunteered to quilt FOR FREE your Smile Quilt donations. Courtney has been quilting for over a decade. She did long arm quilting for Ruffled Elegance in St Jacobs and started her own business.*

*Courtney will leave her business cards at the Smile Quilt table where you can pick one up. She will be doing simple meandering, nothing fancy, and she will leave the binding for you to do. As this is new to us, we suggest that you pick up her business card and contact her directly so all arrangements will be made directly with Courtney. At this time, it will be convenient for you to leave your quilts with us at the Smile Quilts table for Courtney and she can leave the quilted items there for you to pick up.*

*This is extremely generous of Courtney; the Smile Quilt Committee really appreciates this fine offer. This is a trial for the time being, so we'll see how it goes. We have to start somewhere as we don't want to miss this great offer!*

**THANK YOU, COURTNEY!**

*From the Smile Quilt Committee  
Joan, Helene, Peggy, Jean, Jennifer & Marilyn  
(reprinted from our March newsletter)*

## A Short Note

### from the Smile Quilts Committee

By the end of June, Peggy Herlick had taken approximately 198 quilts to the Grand River Hospital in the 2015 - 16 guild year. This is just wonderful as, unfortunately, the need never goes away. This committee, and more importantly, the hospital staff and young patients are so appreciative of all the quilts that are being donated. Many thanks to all the donors - the themes, colours, variety of sizes and work - all fantastic!

You always come through filling specific requests from the hospital, regarding size, gender, baby etc. We have one special request at this time. We ask that you do not dry, or store the quilts with scented dryer sheets and, if you live in a smoker's home, that you launder the quilts before submitting them. This is to protect the children who receive the quilts.

Jennifer Robinson, a member of our committee is leaving us at the end of this year. Jennifer has manned the Smile Quilts table at our evening guild meetings. THANK YOU, Jennifer; you will be missed.

- Joan Doke, Peggy Herlick, Helene Doerfler, Jean Munro & Marilyn Weckworth

## Smile Quilt Bee Day

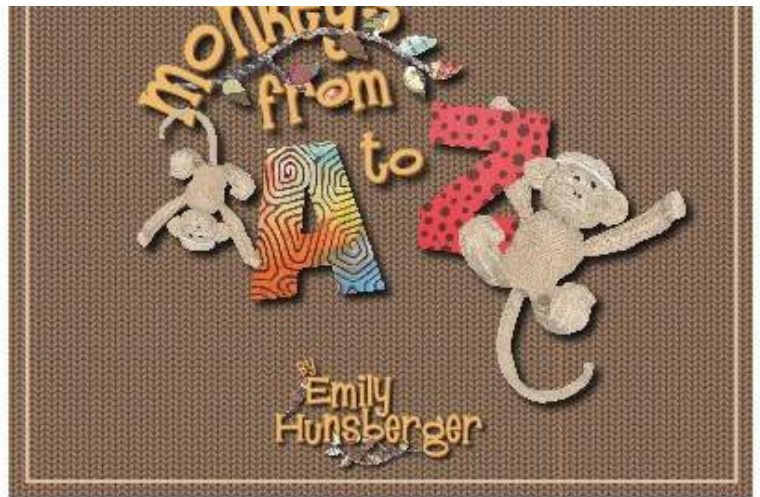
Calling all members who want to sew smile quilts! Join us in Mannheim on Saturday, November 12 from 9:30am to 3:30pm. Bring your Smile Quilt projects, sewing machine and lunch. Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided. Batting and backing will be available. Bring your orders—we will cut it for you right there! There is room for 20 people to work comfortably. Due to dwindling attendance in the last two years and the rental fee for the hall, we need to make sure enough people will be participating. Please sign up at the Smile Quilt table at the September or October meeting. We will also have some simple pattern ideas. Let's keep this Bee Day going! It is a great time to sew for charity with your friends.



## They're Back!

Once again, sock monkeys have ganged up to support a fundraising project of the Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign, part of the Stephen Lewis Foundation (SLF). Groups of women across Canada are helping those in African countries who are raising their grandchildren and coping with the AIDS pandemic.

Monkeys from A to Z has full-colour pages of improbable monkey "occupations", from an Adventurous Astronaut to a Zany Zookeeper.



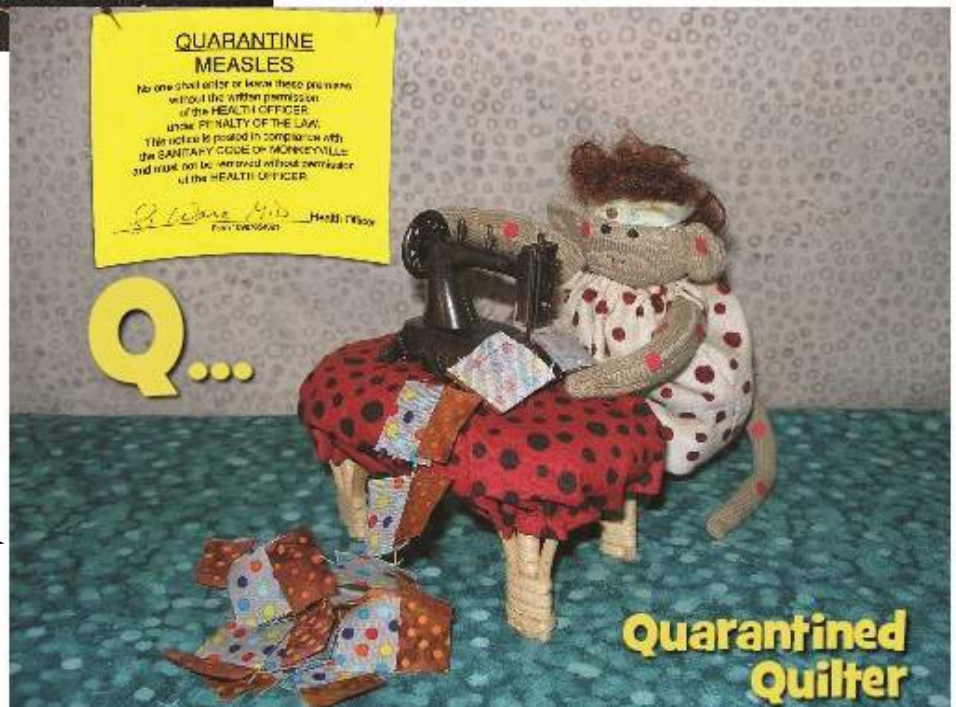
There are bonus pages of things to search for, and instructions for making sock monkeys, all for a mere \$20.00! The entire proceeds of the book sales go to the SLF.

I usually attend the afternoon guild meetings and will bring books, or other arrangements can be made.

Thank you for your support!

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## Membership Renewal

You may still renew your guild membership in September. If you renewed in either May or June, you were eligible for a draw for a free membership for this coming year. Laura Huras was the winner of this year's free membership. The renewal form is on the website under "Membership". You can enter your information on the form and print it, or print a blank form and fill it out by hand. There will be forms at the September and subsequent

meetings. We are so lucky that our membership fees have not gone up, like so many other things have! Guild membership is a bargain: renewals are \$35 and new members are \$40. If you renew in September, your information and picture, if you choose, will be in the Members' Handbook. I hope to have it available for the October meeting. - Madeline Hughes, Membership Chair

## Membership Pictures

Madeline will continue to take pictures of our members for the 2016-17 WCOG Members' Handbook. Many of you have said that the current picture is acceptable.

Here are some of the comments she received,

"It won't be any better next year."

"Use this one as then I will look younger next year."

"I will still scare the cat, so use it anyway."

"Oh, why not!"

"I don't know, I never looked at it."

Some of you want a new picture taken. She's not sure she can do a better job this year. If you haven't already done so, please let Madeline know if you want a new one or if the old one is acceptable.

Thanks, for your help and co-operation,



Madeline Hughes,  
Membership Chair

### CQA/ACC Liaison

Lilla Hall, our new vice-president, has agreed to be our contact person for the CQA/ACC. Thanks, Lilla!

### June Executive Meeting Highlights

We enjoyed a lovely executive potluck. We mostly reviewed the budget and discussed that as a guild, we are in a great financial state to run as we have in the past. Guild assets and insurance were also discussed.

- Robin Bogaert, Secretary





Canadian Quilters' Association / Association canadienne de la courtoeinte  
**2016 National Juried Show**



**Slices of Market Life** by It's Been a Slice - Marsha Clarke, Audrey Vrooman, Natalie Dudycha, Marilyn Farquhar, Nancy McCracken, Marg Notar & Elizabeth Schneider. This quilt received the "Excellence for a Group Quilt" Award at CQA/ACC 2016 and Honourable Mention, Group Quilts Category at Paducah, Kentucky 2016



**Starry Night in Toronto** - Dorothy Holdenmeyer



**Sisters** - Ilene Atkins

This quilt received Excellence for Art Quilts  
 - Naturescapes, Pictorial - First Place



**New Kid on the Block** - Marg Notar

Photo credit - Ruth and Fred Hicks





## Fort McMurray Quilts

There were ten quilts collected for Fort McMurray. Home Hardware Limited of St. Jacobs have kindly stated that they would be happy to deliver the quilts for us to their distribution centre out west. I would like to thank those of you who donated quilts for this worthy cause. The box of quilts will be delivered to St. Jacobs in the next week or so. If you have a quilt for Fort McMurray, I shall be happy to pick it up from you, whenever and wherever it is convenient.

Again, thank you!

Ruth Hicks



Photo credit - Ruth and Fred Hicks



## 2017 Quilt Exhibit Planning Meeting

A planning meeting for the 2017 Quilt Exhibit will be held on the evening of Wednesday, October 12, 2016. If you have volunteered to help with one of the many aspects of the quilt exhibit, such as intake, display, advertising, vendors, decorating, tea room, admissions, awards, boutique, program, draws, etc. we would appreciate your attendance. Please mark the date on your calendar. Further information including time and location will be sent out in September.

Many thanks, Bonnie and Ruthanne, Quilt Exhibit Co-Chairs

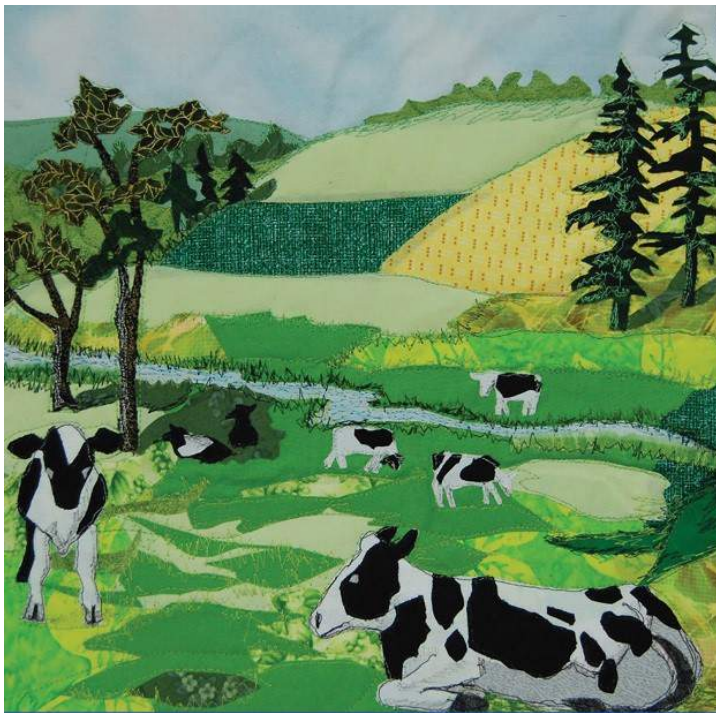
### Stratford Perth Museum

There is still time to see the "My Corner of the World" exhibit of contemporary art quilts. It runs until September 5, 2016, where you will find...

**Reflections on the Grand**  
From top to bottom: Marg Notar's *Elora*, Ilene Atkins' *West Montrose*, Judy Pearce's *Cambridge Mill Race*, Dorothy Holdenmeyer's *Port Maitland Lighthouse*, and Nancy Winn's *Paris*. The map of the Grand River Watershed behind the images, is stitched and hand printed.







# A Fresh Taste of Quilting

Thirty Shades of Green Quilt Block Challenge Raffle Tickets for sale \$5.00

## FEATURES:

- Over 140 Stunning Quilts
- Merchant Mall
- Viewers' Choice
- Tea Room
- Thirty Shades of Green Block Challenge Quilts



**Harriston Curling Club**  
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[quilt@ipm2016.com](mailto:quilt@ipm2016.com)



## IPM 2016 Quilt Show & Competition

Friday, August 19  
10 am - 6 pm

Saturday, August 20  
10 am - 4 pm

**Admission \$7.00**



## **Guild Executive**

The officers for 2016- 17 are: **President:** Eileen Fennell

**Vice President:** Lilla Hall

**Past President:** Kathy Langill

**Treasurer:** Darlene Yanke

**Secretary:** Robin Bogaert

Standing Committee Chairs for 2016-17 are:

**Historian:** Ruth Hicks

**Membership:** Madeline Hughes

**Newsletter Editor & Advertising Co-ordinator:**

Marg Sandiford

**Newsletter Mailing:** Pat Lockyer

**Program and Workshops:** Kathy Langill

**Quilt Exhibit 2017:** Bonnie Murdoch & Ruthanne Snider

**Librarians:** Ruthanne Snider & Judy Pearce

**Website & Email:** Kathy Bissett

Leaders of other activities/groups are :

**Smile Quilts:** Joan Doke

**Memory Quilts:** Pamela Clarkson

**Alzheimer Touch Quilts:** Charlene Stevens

**Mannheim Sewing/Quilting Circle:**

Megan Stauch & Tamara Gilhuly

**PAL Quilts:** Judy Siegner