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Program for January 19, 2011

Megan Stauch is a long time member of our Guild who has served as President and currently organizes our annual Quilting retreat in March. Megan began sewing as a young woman, doing all of her own dressmaking. Her love of sewing naturally evolved into a love of quilting, and she has been a quilter for many years. Megan has attended the Jinny Beyer quilting conferences on Hilton Head Island on numerous occasions and jumped at the chance to travel to India with Jinny Beyer on a Quilters Tour. The highlights of her trip included visits to the Taj Mahal, staying at a tent hotel in the desert, tours of both Old and New Delhi, a visit to the Calico Museum (one of the finest textile museums in the world) and many other textile and craft related stops. Megan is excited to show us a slide show guided tour of her experiences in India at the January Guild meeting.

Our vendor in January is **Creative Sisters**.

Your program co-ordinators are Dorothy Holdenmeyer and Nancy Winn



Doreen Bone

President's Message

I'm back from Las Vegas, Christmas/New Years are over and I'll soon have another birthday. First I'll tell you about Las Vegas. My husband, Greg and I went to four quilt shops and two fabric/craft stores. He brought back more fabric and patterns than I did. The bonus is that I love his choices and I get to make and keep the quilts. There is so much to do and see in and around Las Vegas that we didn't miss gambling.

For Christmas, Greg bought a magazine for me that I hadn't heard of ('Mark Lipinski's Fabric Trends'). It was a double issue. He suggests that each of you check the Sunrise Walmart for magazines because of their great selections. He also picked up 'Quiltmaker'. He did well!!!

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Reminder of Meeting Times:

1:30—3:30 (doors open @ 12:45)

7:30—9:30 (doors open @ 6:40)

Meeting Checklist

- Your nametag/lanyard
- Show and Tell
- Smile/Memory/Alzheimer Quilts
- Zehrs tapes
- Books/magazines to donate to the Library
- Boutique items
- 6" Show Magnet Squares

President's Message (con't)

What will Greg do for my birthday? I can't wait.....

January's chocolate tip: A nice box of chocolates can provide your total daily intake of calories in one place. Isn't that handy?

I hope everyone has a fabulous 2011.

Doreen

Message from the Guild Executive

The executive regrets any unintended negative reaction to our 'open' door policy. All we request is that the various committees have time to setup. The doors will open at 12:45 and 6:40. The library and the hanging of Show and Tell quilts will be open at 1:00 and 6:45. Please help us by finding a seat and waiting until we are set up.

Calls for Entry

- McDougall Cottage "Wee" Quilt Challenge - DIY Plaid - Forms: www.region.waterloo.on.ca/mcd or phone 519-624-8250. The entry deadline is March 4, 2011.
- Joseph Schneider Haus 519-742-7752 "Memories in Black and White" 2011 Quilt Block Contest. The deadline is April 15, 2011.
- Trend-Tex Challenge May 2011 London Ontario - Forms/information: www.canadianquilter.com/pdf/2011-trend-tex-quilters-challenge-kits.pdf
- Grand National 2011 - Balancing Act www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca. The entry deadline is March 1, 2011.



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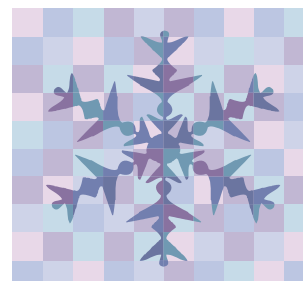
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JOAN REIVE FRACTURED LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP	
Contact Marilyn Farquhar to receive flyer and purchase ticket. Telephone: 519-699-0255 Email: marilyn@providentmanagement.ca	Date: Sat & Sun Apr 30 - May 1/11 Time: 9 am--4 pm Location: 65 Bridgeport Rd. E., Waterloo
	View Joan's website www.joan-reive.com for class description. Students are encouraged to use their own photos. Cost: \$150 for 2-day workshop Includes lunch



The Rag Coat Project

The Rag Coat has been delivered to the Waterloo Public Library and will soon be available for loan to schools and other groups. Thank you to everyone who donated fabric and stories or pieced together a block. Everyone who has seen the coat has been amazed. It will be featured in an article in the January edition of "Off the Shelf", the library's newsletter which will be available in the library and at other Waterloo public buildings. Watch for it.

Although every fabric which was submitted is included in the coat, some people sent along large pieces of fabric and not all of it was needed. If you donated a larger piece of fabric and would like your scraps back, please let me know. Any scraps left after the January Guild meeting will be put in the scrap bank.

Thanks, Marney Heatley

Guild Retreat

The Guild Retreat is booked at Brentwood On The Beach, Thursday March 17 to Sunday March 20, 2011. The cost is \$350.00 for the four days. A deposit of \$100.00 is due at the January meeting and the balance due March 1, 2011.

Please contact Megan Stauch at megan.stauch@rogers.com or 748-1254



Quilt Show Report January 2011

As you plan and work on your winter projects, please think about entering them in the Quilt Show next fall. The deadline for entry is June 30, 2011. Entry forms will be available beginning in January at the Guild meetings and on the website. **You may enter up to a maximum of 3 items for each category.** The categories are bed (twin, single, double, queen, or king) and/or lap size; baby/children size; wall hangings; table items; landscapes; and garments. Whether you are a first time quilter, a very experienced quilter or someone in between, there are lots of categories from which to choose. We still need co-ordinators for Library displays, Challenge quilts, Volunteers and the Admission Table.

Speak to either Colleen Robertson or Marg Cassel for questions or to volunteer.

Quilt Show Boutique 2011

In January we will have a table set up at the back to receive items for the boutique. Some suggested items are pillow cases (for adults and children), pot holders, small wall quilts, slippers, quilted book markers, Christmas tree decorations, bags, aprons and bags for children to hold crayons/markers and colouring books. If you have an idea please let us know. Our Show is in time for Thanksgiving, Halloween and Christmas.

If you need anything please call Doreen Bone or Judy Pearce.

Small Quilt Draw for the September Quilt Show

We are asking for donations of small quilts with the dimensions of 60 inches maximum as the perimeter. It can be less but not any larger. This is the time to perhaps use those orphan blocks or try a favourite pattern, or one that you want to try. Some suggestions are: something for children's room or the baby's nursery; or a quilt for a doll; or a wall-hanging for a small space on a wall; or perhaps something for the middle of a table.

We will sell tickets just at the show and proceeds will help pay for the expenses that the show will generate. We hope to have enough quilts to have a draw for both Friday and another set of small quilts for Saturday. I will be asking for them for September so you can be thinking about one while you are finishing up your big quilts for the show. Thank you for considering doing one for this show.

Bonnie Murdoch



Smile Quilts

In December 2011 I started the Guild's new project "Smile Quilts". At meetings with pediatric staff at Grand River Hospital the decision was made to provide quilts to the Pediatric Outpatient Clinic for children with long term or life-threatening medical challenges. Over the years our project has been expanded to include in-patient, emergency, specific illness clinics and the Mothers Without Doctors program. Many Guild members have completed 1175 quilts that are now treasures for children and greatly appreciated by their families. A common note of thanks has always been that it helps the families to know that someone really cares. Hospital staff hand out the quilts and are always thrilled with our kindness.

This project has been a great success. It depends completely on the generosity of Guild members who use their skills to help those facing big challenges.

A special thank you to every member who has helped with this project over the years. Without you there would be no Smile Quilt Project.

Happy quilting, Rosemary Plummer (contact information in Guild directory)



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Square in a Square Block Exchange

What a great response to our new block exchange! There was some confusion concerning the colours to be used so hopefully this clarification will help:

Ignore the word "neutral" in your instructions. The dark colour for January and February is red. The reds will be used on the corner pieces in January and as the centre square in February. Coordinate dark fabrics with your choice of a light coloured fabric (plain or print). Use different fabrics each month if possible. **Use 100% cottons and please prewash your fabrics as some dark colours can bleed easily. Unfinished squares should measure 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" (5" finished).**

Thanks very much. Happy sewing.

Ruthanne and Colleen

Mannheim Quilting Circle

Wednesday January 12, 2011 9am to 4pm

Winter getting you down? Friends in sunny destinations? Come to Mannheim - we will lift your spirits (and turn up the heat - bikini optional). Bring a project to work on.

Bring your lunch, snack, beverage and mug. Fast food is a short five minute drive away.

Directions to Mannheim are in your handbook.

Come for the day or part of the day - join the fun.

Fabia Joyce and Bernice Gammy

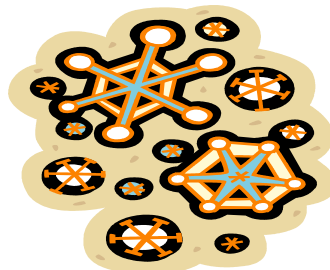
Membership News

At our November meeting we had 3 new members join. We warmly welcome Jane Schleihauf, Helene Doerfler, and Lori Smetaniuk. Our membership is now at 219! There are still some members who have not picked up their 2010/11 membership cards. You know who you are!!!! We are still taking renewals for our 2010/11 guild year and will be manning the renewal table for 2011/2012 renewals starting at our April meeting. Happy quilting!

Your membership committee: Betty Anne Scott, Kitty Mitchell, Lyn Barrett-Cowan, Pat Lockyer, Joline Freund, Marilyn Hollinger, and Cindy MacKay-Musso.

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Jul 21, 2010 - Feb 13, 2011	Drawing with Scissors:Molas from Kuna Yala -The Textile Museum of Canada. Also their permanent collection contains more than 12,000 artifacts and spans almost 2000 years and 200 world regions-fabrics, ceremonial cloths, garments, carpets & quilts. 55 Centre Ave. Toronto 416-599-5321 www.textilemuseum.ca Open daily 11-5 Wed 11-8.
Feb 25-27, 2011	Cornwall Quilters' Guild Quilters Pleasure Weekend Nav Canada Conference Centre, 1950 Montreal Road, Cornwall, Ont. More info: www.quilterspleasureweekend.com or phone 613-938-8455
March 25 – 27, 2011	West Shore Quilters Guild Quilts Along the Shore Contact :Margaret Shamlock www.westshorequiltersguild.com
Apr 11-16, 2011	Machine Quilters Expo Providence Rhode Island Special guest speaker Charlotte Angotti www.mqxshow.com
April 15-17, 2011	Feelings in Fabric present Memories in Stitches Peterborough,Ontario Contact: Maureen O'Neill www.kwarthaquiltmakersguild.ca
April 16-17, 2011	Quilts North W.H. Collins Hall, 120 Hillside Drive N., Elliot Lake Contact: Joyce MacKenzie 705-848-1063
April 29 – May 1, 2011	Quilt Show & Sale Windsor, Ontario Contact: Pat Laing 519-733-5731 vivlac@gmail.com
April 30 – May 1, 2011	Region of York Quilters Guild Silver Threads Quilting Show Celebrating 25 Years of Quilting Together Newmarket Seniors Meeting Place, 474 Davis Drive, Newmarket, Ont Contact: Carol Lypaczewski 905-841-8250 www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca
April 30 – May 1, 2011	Quinte Quilters Guild Threads of Time Contact: Beth Crook 613-395-5208 at Quinte Curling Club, 246 Bridge St. W., Belleville, Ontario www.quintequiltersguild.ca
May 15 - Sept 11, 2011	Joseph Schneider Haus Museum Grand National Quilt Show: Balancing Act 466 Queen St. S., Kitchener, Ontario Contact: Anne Marie 519-579-7752 grandnationalquiltshow@gmail.com
May 19, 20, 21, 2011	Niagara Heritage Quilter's Guild will be hosting " Quilts of Niagara .. Symphony of Talents ". A medley of 400 quilts, a stunning raffle quilt, boutique items and quilts for sale are sure to strike a chord. Mini demos, a Merchants Mall and a silent auction will quicken the tempo. Lectures on varied topics will be held twice daily with advance registration of \$3.00. On-site quilt appraisals with Judy Lyons are by appointment on Thursday only. The crescendo of the show a car quilt. Admission \$6.00 at the door or \$5.00 in advance. Located at Niagara College Canada, Niagara-on-the-Lake Campus, 35 Taylor Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake Ont., LoS 1J0. For further information call Nina at 905-562-4859 or check our web site www.nhqq.ca
May 24-28, 2011	Quilt Ontario at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2011-welcome.php
July 10, 2011	Doll and Quilt Show Fish & Game Club, Elmwood Drive, Belleville Contact: Bev Lasher 613-966-8095
July 17 – 29, 2011	Quilting By the Lake 2011 Onondaga Community College, Syracuse, NY – offering 31 quilting and fibre arts classes and workshops. www.quiltingbythelake.com