

# Scraps of Wisdom

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## Program for May 18, 2011

We are thrilled to welcome Maggie Vanderweil this month as our speaker.

Maggie Vanderweil has been quilting for over 30 years and sewing since childhood. Maggie is operating her business Stone Threads Fibre Art full-time from her walkout studio in Fergus.

Maggie is a member of the CQA, ONN, Connections and the Royal City Quilters' Guild. Her work has been exhibited in galleries and museums across Canada and is in private collections around the world. She won two first place prizes in the 2005 National Juried Quilt Show, one for her machine quilting for "Stone Weather" and one for her piecing in "Fire in the Cabin - PMS and the Full Moon".

Maggie sells her original textile art mainly from her studio, after years of doing studio tours and large shows. She also sells her own hand-painted fabrics and threads and creates commissioned pieces for public and personal spaces.

Our vendor this month is [Under Cover Quilts and More, Fergus](#)

Nancy Winn and Dorothy Holdenmeyer

Program Co-ordinators



Doreen Bone

## President's Message

I hope everyone received lots of goodies from the Easter Bunny! I had the pleasure of watching my 3 1/2 year old Grandson, Xavier, hunt for Easter eggs in my garden. When he was finished his reply was, "that was sure a great Easter egg hunt!" Music to Grandmas' ears. I ate so much chocolate, I couldn't eat a proper dinner. Oh well! The life of a chocoholic!

It's amazing to see how many people are out in the garden nursery's to get a head start on their gardens! When I went to buy some pansies for mine, I thoroughly enjoyed just walking around the plants and trees.

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- 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
- Membership Renewal
- Show Entry Form

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## President's Message (cont.)

In fact, I ended up visiting two nursery's and never did buy the pansies.  
Enjoy the warmer weather and I'll see you in May.

Doreen

P.S. Thank you Fabia for my much needed reminder!

**Chocolate tip for April:**

**Why is there no such organization as Chocoholics Anonymous?**

.....**Because no one wants to quit.**



## Mannheim Quilting Circle - Wed May 11, 9 am to 4 pm

May is our last Mannheim group for the year. We are celebrating by going out for lunch. We are heading down the road to a restaurant. If you don't wish to dine out, bring your lunch/beverages. Join us for the whole day or just drop in for a few hours.

Thanks to all who have attended this year—it has been lots of fun.

Fabia Joyce and Bernice Gammy



## A Note From Membership

Renewals for next year's membership will be accepted at the May meeting. Forms will be available at the guild meeting or you can download the form from our web site and bring it with you. Happy Quilting!!

Your membership committee: Cindy, Betty Anne, Kitty, Lyn, Pat, Joline and Marilyn

## St Jacob's Market Raffle Sales

Tickets for our raffle quilts will be sold at the St Jacob's Farmers' Market on June 11 and 25, July 16 and 30, August 13 and 27. A signup sheet for volunteers to help at market will be at the afternoon and evening guild meetings. If you don't get a chance to sign up but want to help please call Elizabeth or Jan.

Contacts are Elizabeth King (519-885-0393) and Jan Hember (519-745-1375)

## New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale

There will be the usual Quilt Previews at the following locations:

Kitchener City Hall Rotunda: April 27th - May 24th

Waterloo City Hall Atrium: May 2nd - May 25th

Joseph Schneider Haus: May 4th - May 26th

St. Jacobs Mennonite Church: May 24th - 27th "Quilts for the World"

New Hamburg Arena: Final Quilt Preview - Friday May 27th 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

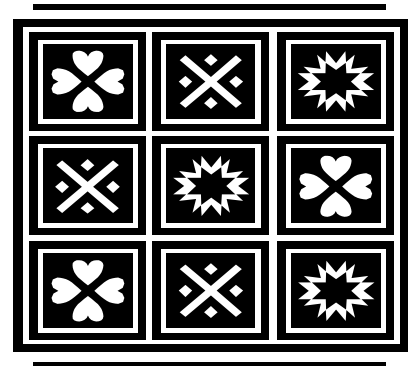
Quilt Auction - Saturday, May 28th 8:30 am - mid afternoon

We are selling posters and cards this year featuring "Plain & Fancy", the project coordinated by Renske Helmuth and involving many guild members plus others. Posters are \$10.00 and cards \$3.00, available at the April meeting and until they are gone. They are very striking so don't miss out, especially if you participated in the quilt.

Our guild will again be involved in the **Quilting Bee at Joseph Schneider Haus** from Monday, May 23 (Victoria Day) - Wednesday, May 25th. The "Friends of JSH" provide snacks and a delicious lunch. Some quilters work for the morning (9 - 12) then eat lunch; others come for lunch and then quilt for the afternoon (1 - 4) and some enjoy it so much that they stay all day! Volunteers are still required.

A quilt has now been selected to work on.

Emily Hunsberger

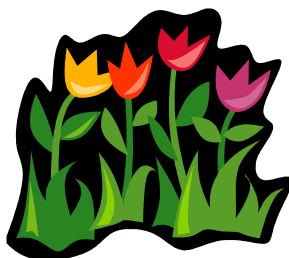


## Quilt Show Boutique 2011

In April I was amazed and delighted to see the many items dropped off at the boutique table. The bears with their quilts are so cute! The eye spy bags for the children are going to be so much fun! There are so many wonderful items; please remember to visit the table to get ideas. Don't forget our guild website has patterns on it under 'Quilt Show'.

Thank you,

Judy Pearce and Doreen Bone



## Colour Workshop

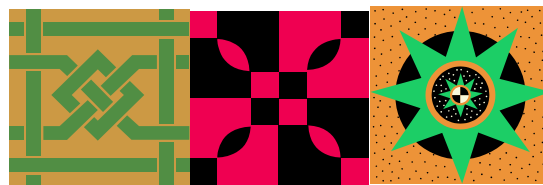
Unfortunately, the scheduled colour theory workshop is cancelled for April 30, 2011 due to instructor commitments. There is still a possibility of a colour workshop in the fall of this year if there is enough interest.

If you are interested in such a workshop, please let us know by calling Dorothy Holdenmeyer (519-884-8251) or by email (dholdenmeyer@gmail.com)

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# Quilt Show Rim Park

## Sept 30 – Oct 1, 2011



September 30 & October 1, 2011 are the dates for the Show. We're getting closer; only 4 more months to finish those quilt items for the Show.

Don't forget to take the flyers, posters and magnets to everyone you can think of. Just let Jan Hember or Bonnie Murdoch know that you've taken them. If you arrive and they are already there, take them to another venue.

The Boutique items are piling up. Your generosity is overwhelming. Thank you so much.

We will have a tearoom. See the tearoom article for the items needed. We'll start asking at the May meeting for volunteers (and we will need many) for the tea room, white gloving, set up and take down, admission table, etc.

Raffle tickets are out and beginning to come back. Early returns get your name in a draw for a small token of thanks. Remember that if you don't sell all of your allotted tickets, please be sure to return the unsold tickets along with your money and stubs for the ones you sold. There are still a few envelopes that have not been picked up at the guild meetings. See Joan Doke or Joline Freund for your envelope if you haven't picked yours up.

Quilt item entries have begun to trickle in. You only have until June 15 to complete the top of your quilt for pictures for Kathy Bissett. Each item picture must be accompanied by your story card and entry form. We don't want any mixups with accreditation.

We still need a volunteer co-ordinator and someone to supply the various community libraries with quilts advertising our Show. Please see Colleen Robertson or Marg Cassel (co-chairs).

## Tea Room

A tea room will be part of the 2011 WCQG quilt show at RIM Park in September. We will be needing:

- 11 card tables (square ones preferred)
- homemade strawberry jam
- cups and saucers
- volunteers to assist in the kitchen and with serving



Look for the sign up table at the next Guild meeting. Any assistance you can offer will be greatly appreciated.

The Tea Room Committee

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## Quilt Show (con't)

### Quilt Sleeve Instructions

- Cut width of sleeve fabric 6" or 9" (small hanging / bed quilt size) - use fabric that matches or coordinates with the backing fabric
- Cut length the same as the finished width of the quilt
- Do a double turn under on the short ends – ¼" turn under will make the sleeve ½" shorter at each end of the finished quilt OR a ½" turn under will make the sleeve 1" shorter on each end – this will be your preference – and it may depend on how you are attaching the rod to the wall for hanging
- Sew long seam with wrong sides together so the seam ends up on the right side of sleeve tube (¼ inch seam) press seam open and press tube so seam ends up in middle of tube (the seam will be placed next to the quilt back)
- Hand sew sleeve FLAT to the top of the quilt ( NOT Pleated )

Bev cuts a sleeve for all her bed quilts – so it is always ready to be hung up. I like doing a sleeve with a separation in the middle - this allows for small quilts to be hung on a single nail in the wall

Colleen Robertson and Marg Cassel

## **Support our Local Quilt Festival - Quilt and Fibre Art Festival - Waterloo Region and Beyond - May 24 - 28, 2011**

16 Events in 6 Communities - St Jacobs, Kitchener/Waterloo, Cambridge, Shakespeare, New Hamburg and Quilt Stores. Quilting is an integral part of this region's heritage, so it is fitting that we're known as "The Quilt Capital of Canada". The last week of May is the time when the communities come together to host a variety of exceptional quilting and fibre arts events. Web site [www.stjacobs.com](http://www.stjacobs.com) (under Festivals). Brochures at local quilt stores and our Guild information desk.

### **Our Guild member Elizabeth Schneider is the Guest Artist at the St Jacobs Mennonite Church**

## **Calls for Entry**

- Trend-Tex Challenge May, 2011 London Ontario - Forms/information: [www.canadianquilter.com/pdf/2011-trend-tex-quilters-challenge-kits.pdf](http://www.canadianquilter.com/pdf/2011-trend-tex-quilters-challenge-kits.pdf)
- Upper Canada Village 50th Anniversary Challenge. Entry deadline July 15, 2011. Info: [www.uppercanadavillage.com](http://www.uppercanadavillage.com) 1-800-437-2233

## Waterloo Region Arts Council (WRAC)

Has a new and improved web site: <http://www.explorewaterlooregion.com/arts>. The site is intended to promote local arts events to the public. There is a wide variety of events listed in an easy to find format. If you would like an event listed please visit the web site or contact Marilyn Scott 519-585-7517.

### The International Plowing Match

This event is being held in Roseville in September 2012. Mary Wiedner and Nita Timm have entry forms and fabric for the Block Challenge available for anyone who wishes to enter. They also have brochures for anyone interested in entering the quilt competition for the match.

Web: [www.ipm2012.ca](http://www.ipm2012.ca)



## Bus Trip May 28, 2011 to Quilt Ontario

The bus trip to Quilt Ontario in London on Saturday May 28, 2011 is filling up. The cost will range from \$15-\$25 depending on the number of people attending. This cost is for the bus only. You will find lots of vendors for food during your day. The only other cost of the day will be entrance to the National Juried Show if you decide to go, which will be \$12. All other venues are free.

See the sign-up sheet at the May guild meetings or call Colleen Robertson.

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## Small Quilt Draw for the Quilt Show

Wow! Small quilts are coming in already! Thank you, thank you, thank you ladies who already have had some fun quilting these small gems.

So I have a good beginning for the small quilt display (no larger than a total perimeter of 60 inches with some kind of hanging device since most of these will be hung in someone's home). I need a few more for Friday and then another group for Saturday's draw. Your first priority is your big quilts for the show and then if you have some time to make a small quilt (a miniature, a new block you wanted to try, or a few left over blocks with a border) it would be appreciated.

These can be done over the summer months since the Guild meeting in September is still a time we can connect.

One more thing: I will be asking for some help with "manning" this booth for Thursday and Friday to sell tickets and at the end of the day to announce the winners.

Bonnie Murdoch

## Needed Positions for the Running of the Guild

At this time of the year, the Vice-President seeks out people to fill the positions that become vacant for the coming year on the executive and committees that run the Guild. People have come forward interested in volunteering their time for a number of the positions and that is great. Others just need a request and some time to think about the job and how it would impact their coming year.

I have filled 5 positions and I just have 2 spots still empty. The Vice-President's position is empty at this time and the membership is also needing a person who can work with the computer to maintain the membership list and the handbook.

If a member would like to take either of these jobs on for the next year or if you think of someone who I can approach, please call Bonnie Murdoch (519-725-9455).



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## Scrap Bank and Alzheimer Fabric

The scrap bank has now been organized into two bins - cottons and flannelette. Please try to place your fabric in the correct bins so it looks a little neater. Thanks to Kathy Langill.

**NO MORE FABRIC NEEDED FOR THE TOUCH QUILT PROJECT - Please do not leave any fabric for touch quilts by the scrap bank.**

First of all a big thanks to all who have donated fabric to the Alzheimer's Touch Quilt Project. As this project was just getting off to a start they certainly appreciated all the fabric that we donated.

They are now overstocked and do not need any more fabric. I know it is hard to believe anyone could have too much fabric but it is true in this case.

They are still in need of more Touch Quilts and kits are available at Guild meetings (on a table at the back of the room). You can also pick up a kit at many of our local fabric shops or at the Alzheimer's Society in Kitchener. They are located at 831 Frederick Street, Kitchener.

Bernice Gammy



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## Thank you to the Guild from SCAW

Sleeping Children Around the World (SCAW) is one of my favourite charities. Since its founding in 1970 by Murray and Margaret Dryden (of hockey fame), SCAW has raised over \$23 million to provide bedkits for children in 33 underdeveloped and developing countries. A \$35 donation will purchase 1 bedkit. 100% of all donations goes directly to the children. A bedkit consists of a mat or mattress, pillow, sheet, blanket, mosquito net, school outfit, towel and school supplies. All bedkit items are purchased in the country where the bedkits are delivered.

Every Christmas I make gift bags for our family and friends. Last year I decided to make book gift bags from my Christmas stash and sell them for \$5 each. Upper Case Books in New Hamburg carries the bags year round and I sell them to my hiking and choir friends. I made enough money to purchase 12 bedkits. Two of the bedkits I donated to the WCQG because some of my quilting friends gave me some of their stash to use when I ran out of my own. The little boy in the picture on the left is sponsored by the WCQG.

I have continued to make a few Easter gift bags that have sold well. The "funky" materials are best sellers. I now make jam jar size bags as well. I plan to sell bags again at Christmas but since I have now used up all my stash of Christmas fabric I would be happy to receive donations from you. The size of material needed is a 6` or 12` strip of fabric. I also need satin or polyester ribbon that is 1/4" or 1/2" wide and 24" long. It has been suggested that we could have a Mannheim day for cutting and sewing bags. Sounds like a good plan to me. It doesn't take long to sew them up. More on that next fall.

Thank you so much for supporting this project. You can learn more about SCAW at [www.scaw.org](http://www.scaw.org)

Jan Hember

## On the Calendar

April 20— May 31, 2011	<b><u>Gordana Brelih</u></b> Greenwood Quiltery Gallery 275 Woolwich St Guelph ON 866-364-2790 <a href="http://www.greenwoodquiltery.com">www.greenwoodquiltery.com</a>
Mar 19 - May 15, 2011	<b><u>Full Circle – Art Quilts</u></b> by Lyn Gowan at Homer Watson House & Gallery for information contact 519 748-4377
May 2—June 24, 2011	Fibre Art Network- <b><u>The Pathways Exhibition</u></b> . Spencer Gallery, The D.B. Weldon Gallery, University of Western Ontario, London, ON N6A 3K7 519-661-3166 x83166 Hours M-F 10:00 am - 4:30 pm Sat 1-4:30 <a href="http://www.fibreartnetwork.com">www.fibreartnetwork.com</a>
March 23- Sept 25, 2011	<b><u>Silk Oasis on the Silk Road: Bukhara</u></b> -The Textile Museum of Canada. Also their permanent collection contains more than 12,000 artefacts and spans almost 2000 years and 200 world regions-fabrics, ceremonial cloths, garments, carpets & quilts. 55 Centre Ave. Toronto 416-599-5321 <a href="http://www.textilemuseum.ca">www.textilemuseum.ca</a> Open daily 11-5 Wed 11-8.
May 1-June 15, 2011	_Quilt & Fibre Art Festival Waterloo Region & Beyond and The Quilt Place present: <b><u>Henny's Minis</u></b> Enjoy another peek into the creative imagination of quilt artist Henny Bremer. View stunning visual effects as she creates more quilted masterpieces worked in amazingly small scale. The Quilt Place. Shakespeare
May 6 - 7 2011	Thames Valley Quilters Guild <b><u>Quilts in the Village</u></b> Wesley Knox United Church, 91 Askin St (Wortley Village) London ON contact: andrea.manias@sympatico.ca
May 12 - 15 2011	<b><u>Gathering Threads 2011</u></b> The Canadian Embroiderers' Guild London celebrating fibre and community for 40 years <a href="http://www.ceglondon.com">www.ceglondon.com</a> or call 1-888-661-3545
May 15-31, 2011	<b><u>SHAKESPEARE QUILT CLUB</u></b> The Shakespeare Quilt Club will be showing off their talents with quilted items from workshops and personal creations at The Quilt Place. 3991 Perth Rd 107, Shakespeare, 519-625-8435, <a href="http://www.thequiltplace.ca">www.thequiltplace.ca</a> Mon to Sat 10 - 5:30, Sun 12 - 5:00 SHOP HOP - May 5, 6, 7, five shops - Mystery Project, Specials, Draws, Lots of FUN. Contact The Quilt Place, Shakespeare
May 14 - 15 2011	Halton Quilters Guild Presents " <b><u>Quilts in the Garden</u></b> " Royal Botanical Gardens, Burlington, Ontario <a href="http://www.quiltsinthegardens.com">www.quiltsinthegardens.com</a>
May 15 - Sep 11, 2011	Joseph Schneider Haus Museum <b><u>Grand National Quilt Show: Balancing Act</u></b> 466 Queen St. S., Kitchener, Ontario Contact: Anne Marie 519 579-7752 <a href="mailto:grandnationalquiltshow@gmail.com">grandnationalquiltshow@gmail.com</a>
May 18 - 21 2011	Niagara Heritage Quilter's Guild will be hosting " <b><u>Quilts of Niagara ... A Symphony of Talents</u></b> ". A medley of 400 quilts, a stunning raffle quilt, boutique items and quilts for sale. Mini demos, a Merchants Mall and a silent auction. 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. Niagara College, 35 Taylor Rd Niagara-on-the-Lake For further information call Nina at 905 562 4859 or check our web site <a href="http://www.nhqq.ca">www.nhqq.ca</a>
May 23 - 28 2011	<b><u>Quilts of the Netherlands</u></b> Recreation Centre, Ailsa Craig, Ont. Daily info sessions, workshops with Dutch and Canadian Teachers, Tea Room, Merchants Mall <a href="http://www.ailsacraigquilt-festival.org">www.ailsacraigquilt-festival.org</a>

## On the Calendar cont'd


May 24 – 28 2011	<b>Quilt &amp; Fibre Art Festival Waterloo Region and Beyond</b> Takes place in and around St. Jacobs, Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo, Shakespeare and New Hamburg. Annual event <a href="http://www.stjacobs.com">www.stjacobs.com</a> For more information 1-800-265-3353
May 24 - 28 2011	<b>Quilt Ontario</b> at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario <a href="http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2011-welcome.php">www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2011-welcome.php</a>
May 26 - 28 2011	<b>The Finishing Touch Quilt Show</b> Canadian Machine Quilters Association Covent Garden Market-2nd level, 130 King St London ON Info Linda Robertson 519-356-2468 or <a href="mailto:lindamr@porchlight.ca">lindamr@porchlight.ca</a>
May 28 - 29 2011	<b>Quilted Treasures</b> Lindsay Creative Quilters Guild, Lindsay Curling Club, 18 Peel Street, Lindsay, ON Contact Anne: 705-324-7039. Show, raffle, tea room, vendors.
June 4 - 5 2011	<b>Quilting Corners</b> , in Alliston. The show will be held at the Alliston Curling Club, 52 Albert St W. Our newsletter and full info about our show are available on our website, <a href="http://www.quiltingcorners.org">www.quiltingcorners.org</a> . (look under the Members' Area).
June 10 - 12 2011	<b>Esterita Austin Workshops</b> , 4 Venus Cres., Heidelberg, ON Three 1 day workshops include: Creating the Illusion of Depth, Framework: "Guild It" and Sheers to You. Cost \$125/ workshop, includes lunch. Call or e-mail Marilyn Farquhar for further details 519-699-0255 or <a href="mailto:marilyn@providentmanagement.ca">marilyn@providentmanagement.ca</a>
Jun 17 - 18 2011	<b>Pine Tree Quilter's Guild of Muskoka</b> is having our Quilt Show - 10am to 5pm at the Bracebridge Fairgrounds 331 Fraserburg Rd, Bracebridge ON. Admission is \$5.00 and it is wheelchair accessible-boutique-merchants mall -tea room <a href="http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com">www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com</a>
July 1-31, 2011	<b>YOURS TO DISCOVER SHOP HOP</b> – Explore 9 exciting shops during the month of July. Over \$1500 in prizes, new ideas and Quickie Corner at every shop, free to participate and FUN to do. Passports are available at The Quilt Place and Creative Sisters.
July 10, 2011	<b>Doll and Quilt Show</b> Fish & Game Club, Elmwood Drive, Belleville Contact: Bev Lasher 613 966-8095
July 17 – 29 2011	<b>Quilting By the Lake 2011</b> Onondaga Community College, Syracuse, NY – offering 31 quilting and fibre arts classes and workshops. <a href="http://www.quiltingbythelake.com">www.quiltingbythelake.com</a>
Aug 8 - 13 2011	<b>The Quilts of Hawaii</b> London International Quilt Festival-workshops with Hawaiian Teachers-London Convention Centre, 300 York St. London ON 518-639-9473 <a href="http://www.cotton-by-post-com">www.cotton-by-post-com</a>
Aug 12 - 14 2011	Lanark County Quilters Guild presents <b>Quilts on the Tay</b> St. John Catholic High School, 2066 Scotch Line Rd, Perth ON Info: <a href="http://www.lanarkcountyquiltersguild.wordpress.com">www.lanarkcountyquiltersguild.wordpress.com</a> Adm. \$6.00
Aug 26 - 28 2011	<b>Quilts in the Temple</b> Gwilliambury Quilt Guild, Sharon Temple, Sharon ON Info: <a href="http://www.sharontemple.com">www.sharontemple.com</a> 905-478-2389



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