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Program for November 17, 2010



Since the WCQG Show is approaching quickly, we are pleased to present our own Kathy Bissett to give us a demonstration and short talk on the benefits of having quilts judged and how the judging is done at quilt shows. Kathy is an accomplished quilt-artist herself and has traveled extensively teaching quilting and design. She is on the faculty with Quilt Ontario in London and is involved in the CQA/ACC Quilt Judge Certification Programme. For more information email Kathy at kathy@kathleenbissett.com.

Our vendor this month is Quilts and Coverups from Blenheim, Ontario.

This month is our ROOF collection. For every donation you will receive a bingo card. There will be lots of prizes to win, so lets raise our bingo dabbers in support of ROOF! Some of the most needed items are toiletries, clothing (all sizes of shoes, boots, socks, underwear, hats and mitts), bus tickets, games and sports equipment. We will be doing a loose change collection as well. For more information and details on what is needed go to www.roof-agency.net.

As this will be our last meeting before Christmas, we will share some delicious treats provided by members whose last names start with A-M. Coffee and tea will be available so bring your favourite mug.

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 or Judy. We are in the Members Handbook.

Co-chairs Doreen Boone & Judy Pearce

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Reminder of Meeting Times:

1:30—3:30 (doors open @ 1)

7:30—9:30 (doors open @ 7)

Meeting Checklist

- Your nametag/lanyard
- Show and Tell
- Smile/Memory/ Alzheimer Quilts
- Zehrs tapes
- Books to donate to the Library
- Raffle Quilt Block
- 6" Show Magnet Squares

Doreen Bone

President's Message



WOW! The UFO Challenge projects were fabulous. Several of you showed that we can take an ugly duckling and turn it into a beautiful swan. Well done, ladies!

I'm looking forward to seeing each of you next month and seeing a few items that you are making for Christmas gifts....did I say CHRISTMAS? Time is just flying by! By the time you have read this newsletter I hope to have started and perhaps finished some of the gifts I am making.

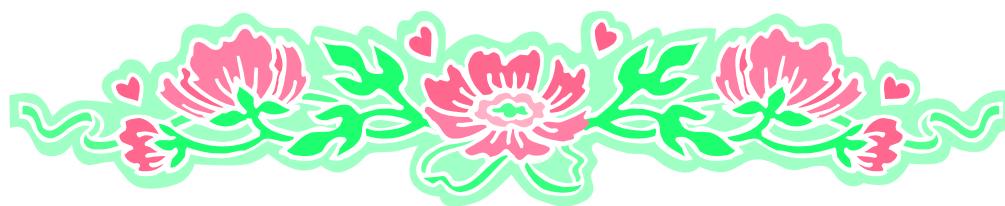
I'm thrilled that many of you have enjoyed the aprons and as promised here are the measurements. The apron is called "Four Corners Apron" by Vanilla House Designs. It's made with two squares....the front is 23 inches with a 2 ½ inch contrasting border (2 ½ X 26 inches) added along both bottom edges. The back is a 25 ¼ inch square. The ties are: neck is 3 inches x 25 inches and placed about 4 ½ inches from the top (turn the top corner down at this measurement). The waist ties are 3 inches by the width of fabric - place these 4 inches up from the side corners. The ties and back are the same contrasting fabric as the border. The pocket is placed in the centre about 10 inches from the bottom. The pattern is available in most fabric and quilt shops.

Did I just hear my name?.....Oh, it's chocolate calling me.

Rule #3 – The problem: how to get chocolate home from the store in a hot car? The solution: eat it in the parking lot.

Rule #4 (Christmas tip) – Eat a chocolate bar before each meal. It'll take the edge off your appetite and you'll eat less.

See you all in November.



Welcome!!!

We are pleased to welcome new members Sue Haskell, Brenda Warner, Bettie Schuurman, Ruth Falconer and Kathryn Helwig! We are issuing a special invitation to all this year's new members to come out to the November 20 Smile Quilt Bee at Mannheim. This is a great opportunity to meet fellow new members and renewing members, it benefits children experiencing a health crisis and it's FUN. You can sign up at the November meeting or contact Rosemary Plummer at 519-662-3584.

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

Historic Storytelling Series

At the new Waterloo Regional Museum, there is an ongoing Historical Storytelling Series. The next one "Far From Home: Leaving the Familiar for a New Land" is being held on Tuesday, November 16. One of the stories that night will be about a quilt which was made in 1841 by women prisoners who were transported from Britain to Australia.

The details of the quilt can be found at <http://nga.gov.au/rajahquilt>. The storytellers are Carol Leigh Wehking and Glenna Janzen from Cambridge.

Their website is: <http://www.annejackson.ca/tonguew/node/21>.

Call for Entry

McDougall Cottage "Wee" Quilt Challenge - DIY Plaid - Forms:
www.region.waterloo.on.ca/mcd or phone 519-624-8250. Workshop to create plaids Sat October 16 – call to register. 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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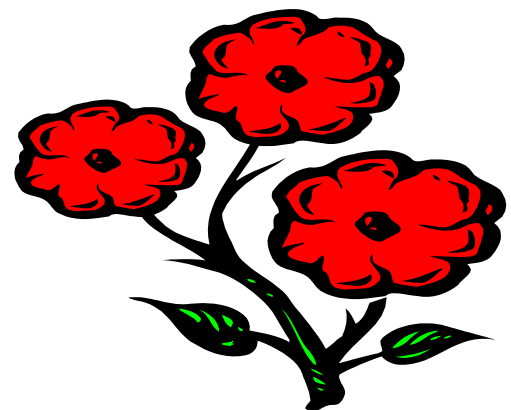
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Congratulations!!!

To guild member Lyn Barret-Cowan who was featured in the Record on October 13, 2010. Lyn will be conducting workshops in Yellowknife from October 28 to November 3, 2010. She will give a presentation of her work and will hold classes on card making with fabric. She will also be teaching a one day landscape class.

To read the entire article and see a picture of Lyn and her work see the Record website:

<http://news.therecord.com/Life/Columnist/article/792858>

Guild Retreat

The Guild Retreat is booked at Brentwood On The Beach Thursday March 17 to Sunday March 20, 2011. 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 November 2010

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. The 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.

Block Exchange for 2011

The guild will be offering a block exchange for the year January to December 2011. Each month the group member is expected to create 10 - 12 (depending on the group size) 9" finished blocks for the members of the group. An extra block will also be made for a charity quilt that will be assembled later. The organizers of the exchange have decided to do a square in a square block this year with different colour themes for each month. This is a great opportunity to do some stash busting. A sign-up sheet will be available at the guild meetings in November. If you are interested, \$1 will be asked for the cost of the pattern printing.

If you have questions or are unable to get to the meetings but would like to be a part of a group, please contact Ruth Ann Snyder or Colleen Robertson.



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WCQG at "Culture Days" at the Button Factory September 2010

Raffle Quilt

Once again, we are thrilled with the beautiful blocks which were handed in at the September and October meetings. We are well on the way to having another outstanding raffle quilt. We are hoping as in past years to have two quilts to raffle. We will continue to work on these quilts at Mannheim on November 10. We will need help with machine sewing and hand sewing. If you are machine sewing, please bring your walking foot. For hand sewing, please bring grey thread.

Thanks, Bev Bechthold.

Smile Quilts

As our new year begins I would like to remind members that making Smile Quilts is a great way to volunteer your time and talents. Each month I collect quilts at the meetings and deliver them to the Outpatient Pediatric unit of Grand River Hospital. From there the staff give them out to the patients. Children with long-term and/or life-threatening medical challenges continue to be the priority. Any size of quilt from approximately 35" by 35" up to 48" x 72" will become a treasured gift. The families are very appreciative of our support.

This year two bee days have been scheduled: Saturday November 20, 2010 and Saturday March 26, 2011. These will be held at the Mannheim Community Centre. Sign-up for the November day will be held at the November guild meeting.

Please consider helping us as unfortunately there is always a need for our Smile Quilts.

Thanks, Rosemary Plummer .

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Memory Quilts

In response to a request from the hospital staff, backings for these memory quilts will now be flannel. If you have a kit to make up that does not have flannel for the backing, please just go ahead and make it up as given out. From now on our new batch of kits will have flannel backing. Please remember to pin your name onto your finished quilt if you have not sewn in a named label.

Contacts: Lynne Thomson-Haven at 519 746-7950 and Janet Thomson Smith at 519 884-0633.

Mannheim Quilting Circle

Wednesday November 10 and December 8, 9am - 4pm

In November we are having a pot luck lunch. Bring your favourite dish. The kitchen has an oven, fridge and microwave. Bring a beverage and mug.

In December you can spend the day on those last minute Christmas gifts. 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

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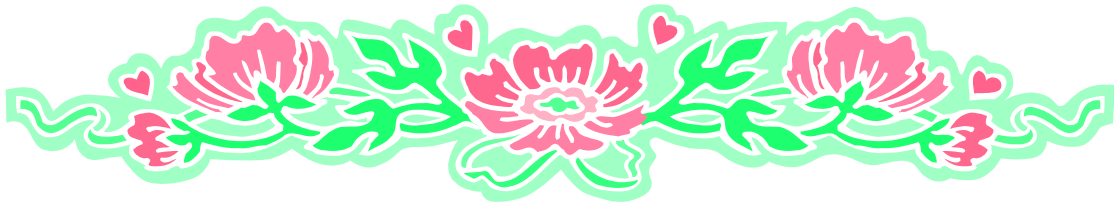
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On the Calendar

Nov 6-28, 2010	<u>Beyond the Wall</u> – Georgian Quilters LE Shore Library, Thornbury. Opening reception November 6 2-4 pm Library Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 10-5; Sun 12-4. Contact: Sonja dwight.dyson2@sympatico.ca
Jul 21, 2010 - Feb 13, 2011	<u>Drawing with Scissors:Molas from Kuna Yala</u> -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.
Nov 4-6, 2010	<u>Shop Hop</u> – Five Fantastic Local Shops – The Quilt Place, Shakespeare. Creative Sewing Centre, Kitchener. Ye Olde Fabric Shoppe, Stratford. Creative Sisters, Kitchener. Reichard’s, St. Jacobs. Call or visit a store for more details.
Nov 13-14, 2010	<u>Christmas in Paris</u> – Five venues-over 30 area Artisans including fibre artists and quilters. www.christmasinparis.ca
Nov 20 - Dec 5, 2010	<u>Oshawa Fibre Arts Show</u> at the Centennial Retirement Residence in Oshawa includes an Artist’s Boutique and a Fibre Art Supply Shoppe. Original art including dolls, garments, wall hangings, 3-D art, framed fibre art, affordable gifts by Ontario fibre artists, including Martha Brown, a multi-award winner in both art and quilt competitions. Our featured guest artist this year is Jane Dixon who has had fibre art in the permanent collection of the McLaughlin Public Art Gallery in Oshawa for over 20 years. Location: Corner of Ritson Rd. and Hillcroft Streets, Oshawa, ON. Residence: (905) 436-1901, or contact – martha.brown@rogers.com. More info available at www.blumoonfabricarts.com .
Feb 25-27, 2011	Cornwall Quilters’ Guild <u>Quilters Pleasure Weekend</u> Nav Canada Conference Centre, 1950 Montreal Road, Cornwall, Ont. More info: www.quilterspleasureweekend.com or phone 613-938-8455
Apr 11-16, 2011	<u>Machine Quilters Expo</u> Providence Rhode Island Special guest speaker Charlotte Angotti www.mqxshow.com
May 24-28, 2011	<u>Quilt Ontario</u> at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2011-welcome.php
Jul 10, 2011	<u>Doll and Quilt Show</u> Fish & Game Club, Elmwood Drive, Belleville Contact: Bev Lasher 613 966-8095
Jul 17-29, 2011	<u>Quilting By the Lake 2011</u> Onondaga Community College, Syracuse, NY – offering 31 quilting and fibre arts classes and workshops. www.quiltingbythelake.com