

S'QUILT (News and Views)

SARNIA QUILTERS GUILD – promoting the art of quilting

Held at **Redeemer Christian Reformed Church** at 5834 Blackwell Sideroad (off London Line)

www.sarniaquiltersguild.org

October 2008

October 6th

Library opens at 12:30

Afternoon session begins at 1:30

Library opens at 6:30

Evening session begins at 7:30

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw - Fall Colours

--Guest speaker Kathy Wylie - "Beauty is All Around" - Beauty really is all around us and provides a constant source of inspiration. This lecture takes a closer look at designs that are circular or radiating in nature.

--Sign up for classes for the entire 2008-9 guild year. Come with your calendar and be prepared to pay for classes you'd like to take. **Payment is required at time of sign up.**

-- Show and Tell

-- Refreshments to follow - 10 minutes after the meeting

Coming Up:

3rd - Stash Busters at Parker St. Church

7th - Paper Cut Applique with Kathy Wylie at VON 1705 London Line

18th - Stash Busters at Parker St. Church

18th - Hand Piecing with Vonda Hutchins at VON 1705 London Line

27th - Executive mtg. 7:00 pm at the church

November 3rd

Library opens at 12:30

Afternoon session begins at 1:30

Library opens at 6:30

Evening session begins at 7:30

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw - Black and White Vendors

--Guest speaker Elsie Vrendenburg - "May I See the Back, Please?" Tired of those plain quilt backs? Here are some ideas to jump-start your creativity to include back art in your quilts.

--Show and Tell

--Refreshments to follow - 10 minutes after the meeting

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4th - Pilot House or Barn - with Elsie Vrendenburg at VON 1705 London Line

5th - From Photo to Fabric - with Elsie Vrendenburg at VON 1705 London Line

7th - Stash Busters at Parker St. United Church

8th - Invisible Applique with Ruth Crittenden at VON 1705 London Line

15 - Stash Busters at Parker St. United Church

22th - Vests with Betty Darby at Parker St. United Church



Doors open **for classes** at 8:30. **Classes run from 9:00 – 3:30.** Please have your machine set up and your supplies ready to begin class at 9:00.

From our President

Fall is sure in the air. What crazy weather we have been having. I guess we should be thankful that we live in Canada. I noticed that leaves are starting to get a tinge of colour. Our gardening days will soon be over and we can concentrate on staying inside and getting our quilting projects done or started. Thanks to the Program committee there will be lots of projects. I hope you will take part in some of the workshops. It is one way to get to know your fellow guild members. I hope everyone will greet any new members at the meetings.



There is no news yet as to the renovations so I hope everyone will have some patience while they get the church reconstructed.

As I mentioned at the last meeting we desperately need some help in the kitchen at the evening meeting. There are only two volunteers working at night and they would appreciate some help. You wouldn't have to do it every month. If there are enough volunteers everyone could take a turn. Also I hope you signed up to bring a snack at one of the meetings.

Wanda Philbin and I will share chairing the meetings. We will trade off month to month. It was nice to see everyone out at the September meeting.

Kathy Schnitzler



Minutes from the September, 8th meeting

Our new president, Kathy Schnitzler, opened the September meeting by welcoming us all back. Kathy introduced herself and Wanda Philbin, who is vice president. They will be sharing the podium between the afternoon and evening sessions.

Kathy asked for our patience with the changes during the renovations at the church. The library is now in the Fellowship Room in the back corner. Information for upcoming events is listed in the newsletter. If there is an interest in going to the African Quilt Show, a car pool could be arranged. A thank you note was received from the Bradley Family for flowers sent from the guild at the passing of Donna Bradley, a long time guild member.

The afternoon 50/50 draw was won by Rosemary McGee. The evening 50/50 was won by Edna Phillips.

Don't forget the fat quarter draw which will be starting in October.

New members in the evening were Helen Van Loon and Rosimar Escalante.

Suzanne Michaud, from the kitchen committee, asked that we all participate and sign the sheet to bring snacks for the meetings during the year. Any type of snack will be appreciated, and you will be called before the meeting to be reminded that it is your turn. Help in the kitchen is also needed for the evening session. She also asked that we bring our own mugs so they don't need to buy styrofoam cups. This is Suzanne's last year of her two year sentence. She is to be paroled next year.

Carol Cote, as chair of the Charity Committee, requested that everyone bring to the October meeting, some 100% cotton quilt yardage, 1/2 metre or larger, that they have in their stash and might not use themselves. It will be used to make charity quilts at our charity quilt day in April. Please pin a scrap of paper with your name on it to the fabric. In December or January, a day will be set aside for a get-together to cut the fabric.

Kathy requested that all cell phones be turned off during meetings and that everyone would please wear their nametag.

The North Lambton Quilt Guild is having a bus trip to the show in Novi, Michigan on Saturday, September 27th. The bus will be leaving from the Forest Arena and there are 10-12 seats left.

Jack Smith, from program, thanked the committee members for all their hard work over the summer months. Jack presented a power point presentation with pictures of all the new classes and a handout was available, noting all the upcoming events and classes. Secret Pal sign up was held in the gym, and class sign up will be held at the October meeting.

Stash busters will be held at Parker Street United Church on Sept, 12th & 27th, October 3rd & 18th, November 7th & 15th and December 5th & 13th. 2009 dates have not yet been arranged.

Kathy thanked all who participated in making the "Heart" quilt for Barbie Barraclough. It turned out beautifully.



Snacks after the meeting were provided by the executive members.

Pat Preudhomme, from the "show & tell" committee encouraged people to bring in their items as we are always interested in seeing what others are making. Show & tell produced some lovely items as usual. In the afternoon we

had a "Mystery" quilt from 2005, a "Dresden Plate" quilt -all hand sewn, a "Bug quilt" a "12 Days of Christmas" wall hanging, a quilt for Mother's 90th birthday, an old fashioned "Fan" quilt and a "not nautical" quilt as well as many other wonderful items. You are all so talented!!

Fat quarters were supplied by "Forever Quilting" and won by Wanda Philbin, Ann Larocque, and Leslie Levesque.

Kathy thanked all who brought items to be shown and adjourned the meeting to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

Rose Huggett
Secretary, afternoon

Cathy Ashikawa for
Anne Evans
Secretary, evening

Cheese Ball

Mix together:

- 1 cup grated carrot (vegetables chop well in a food processor for this)
- 1- 8 oz. (250) gram package softened light cream cheese
- 2 Tbsp. chopped red onion
- 1/2 tsp. curry

Add, if desired:

- 1 Tbsp. Parmesan cheese
- 1 Tbsp. parsley
- Chill until partly firm.
- Roll in 1/4 cup grated carrot. Chill until firm.
- Serve.

Jean Rivait, afternoon session

REQUEST FOR THE MINI QUILT DRAW – QUILT SHOW 2009

(This will be explained at the meeting along with the Challenge)

- A quilted wall hanging with outside measurement 50 "at most.
- Your choice of pattern, shape and colors.
- Quilted by hand /machine, ready to hang with label on the back.
- Quantity: We are hoping for 20-25 mini quilts.
- Deadline: May 2009 meeting.
- Proceeds to Huron Boys Home.

Contacts: Loraine Shaw, 519-332-5193
Suzanne Michaud, 519-542-4464

Congratulations..... to Marjorie Stevens!!! She is the Grand Prize winner of a weekend for two at the Fall 2008 CreativFestival in Toronto. Marjorie won the Grand Prize in the **JANOME** "Sew You Demonstration Contest". As the demonstrator, Wanda Philbin of Al's Vacuum and Sewing Centre, also won a weekend for two at the CreativFestival.

From the kitchen committee.....

- please **remember to bring a mug or your own cup** to the meetings and help us not to have to buy so many styrofoam products.
- also, if you bring snacks, **please come to the fellowship room and pick up your plate and any leftover goodies at the end of the afternoon/evening.** If not, disposable plates will be thrown away, non- disposable plates will be washed and left on the counter. All food will be disposed of at the end of the evening.

From the Charity Committee:

Please remember to search your stash for that yardage that you could donate to our "Charity Begins at Home" event at the October meetings. So we can have the opportunity to thank you, please attach a small paper with your name on any fabric you bring. Look for the bin in which place your donation. Thanks so much for your support.

From the Retreat Team:

Mark you calendar for **Friday, May 22 to Sunday, May 24, 2009.** The retreat will be in Kitchener at the Walper Terrace Hotel. Rooms are based on double occupancy and prices (same as last year) are for each individual. Standard room \$179 per person; Junior Suite: \$189 per person; and Executive Suite: \$199 per person. We have 1 Exec. Suite, 2 Junior Suites, and 15 standard rooms available. Prices include rooms, meals, work rooms, taxes and gratuities. Sign up at the October Meetings with Carol Cote. You will need to bring a \$20.00 deposit which will be refunded at the event (not applied to your costs). If you cannot make the meeting, call Carol at 519-869-8515 to make arrangements to pay before the November 15th deadline.



Come and join in the fun! Last year was GREAT!!

Norfolk County Quilters
&
D.O.T.S. (Dunnville's Own Tiny Stitchers)
WINTER RETREAT 2008

Five Oaks, Paris, Ontario
Friday November 28th – Sunday November 30th 2008

The rooms are booked, the price has been set and plans are underway for our
6th Annual Joint Weekend Retreat.

Friday – check in after 4pm and supper at 5:30pm.

*****if you are going to be late you MUST let us know in advance in order for us to have food kept aside for when you arrive*****

Saturday – three meals and between meal snacks.

Sunday – breakfast and lunch, show and share, and check out by 2pm.

Projects will be provided for those who are interested in participation, but as always it's up to the individual. If you have a project you would love to spend a whole weekend working on, then this is your opportunity. Again this year, all supply lists will be available to you prior to the retreat so that you will be able to make a decision about your weekend.

If you have not been on our retreat before, keep in mind that it is double occupancy (you usually get to choose your roomy) with washrooms and showers shared on each hallway. Coffee, tea, snacks and fresh fruit are available at all times at no additional cost. Five Oaks is located just off Hwy 403 near Paris (about 15min from Brantford) and has beautiful walking trails along the Grand River.

COST IS \$220.00

Payments: \$50.00 as your first deposit, \$50.00 as your second deposit, and the balance of \$120.00 as your final deposit to be paid by the end of October.

Please make all cheques payable to D.O.T.S. and either give or mail to:

Cheryl Farr, 3 Clearwater Crt., Lowbanks, ON, N0A 1K0

Quilter's Name _____



Favourite Roomy _____

Any food allergies _____

Remember that **if you would like to print this newsletter in black and white instead of in color**, go to your printer settings and choose 'gray scale'.

*wearing your name tag?.....
.....hope so!*

Some things to consider.....

- please **turn off all cell phones**. If you must make a call please leave our meeting room and make your call from the area near the front door. 
- please, **please don't talk during the meeting**. It's interesting to talk to your friends, but very discouraging if you're the one sitting in front of talkers and you're not able to hear. Please think of others and limit your comments to before and after the meeting.
- do compliment others on the quilts that they've made**. Everyone loves hearing that you think their quilt is spectacular! If you feel that you must make a negative comment about a quilt, please reconsider. The quilt maker might be sitting right in front of you or standing beside you as you view the quilts and all of us know how hurtful critical remarks can be.
- remember that many that attend the guild meetings are allergic to perfumes and fragrances. We ask that, as a common courtesy, **please refrain from wearing perfume** to our meetings.
- no food or drinks are allowed** in our main meeting room, the hallway where we sign in or in the library. All food and beverages are to remain in the gym except for bottled water.
- please don't take the good parking spaces** right in front of the doors if you are able to park further away and walk. Many of us need to park closer for health reasons or are on the program and have many things to carry in. Thanks for being considerate!
- this year there is no cost for cups during the fellowship time. However, to cut costs the kitchen committee hopes you will **bring your own cup or mug** from home. 
- do **thank someone at each afternoon or evening meeting** for something they've done. Whether it's someone on a committee, someone working in the kitchen, the president, the person that's signing you in in the foyer, those passing out raffle tickets, our librarians, those on show and tell or any one else you see working at something to make the meeting run well. Many people have spent many, many hours getting this afternoon/evening ready for your enjoyment. Let them you know you appreciate it!



THANKS!

From the mailbox:

- October 20-25th **Cotton-by-Post will have over 125 quilts on display all from East Africa**. We will also have classes all week with quilters from East Africa as well as a lecture slide show twice daily. Buses are welcome Cost is \$7.00 at the door. \$15.00 advance tickets for the lecture slide show and quilt show. There will be a week long pass for \$15.00 dollars will get you into the show as many times as you want. This is the only stop in North America. For all that saw the Russian show this will be just as wonderful a show!! This is going to be the most exciting show to happen in quite a while as over 15 quilters are coming from East Africa. We hope every quilter in Ontario will be able to make it to this show. The trunk show takes about 45 mins then time for questions. Contact: www.cotton-by-post.com
garnet@cotton-by-post (e-mail address)
- November 7-9 York Heritage Quilters Guild is pleased to present it's 10th biennial show: **A Celebration of Quilts X**. Located at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, 6 Garamond Court, Toronto. (Fri 10-9 pm, Sat 10-5 pm, Sun 10-4 pm) Proceeds from Silent Auction to benefit Assualted Women's Helpline www.YHQG.ORG
- November 15 – March 1 **A Few of Our Favourite Things: A Quilt Exhibit** at Wellington County Museum & Archives Discover the beauty and art of quilting in Wellington County. The Grand Quilt Guild of Fergus showcases their most recent work at Wellington County Museum & Archives in "A Few of Our Favourite Things," opening on November 15th, 2008. Please join us at the opening reception, Friday, November 14, 7:30 to 10 pm, at the Wellington County Museum & Archives, RR#1 Fergus, ON, 0536 County Road 18, Township of Centre Wellington, between Fergus and Elora. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please check our website at www.wcm.on.ca or phone Amy Dunlop 519-846-0916 or e-mail at amy@wcm.on.ca

If you know of an illness or a death in the family of someone in the guild, please pass on that information to: Rose Huggett, 557 Hollywood Place, Sarnia On N7V 2J1 or Kelseysgirl@hotmail.com

Phone: 519-336-3858

Those bringing snacks in

October:

Afternoon:

Marlene Wyville
Doris Withenshaw
Janet Dudek
Betty Simpson
Rosemary Poyser
Karen Thompson
Barb Leaper
Beth Kewley
Marilyn Robertson
Donna Longley
Betty Johnson
Carol Chenier

Evening:

Juanita Hew
Cathy Ashikawa
Louise Davidson
Barb McNeill
Cathy Davis
Bernice Lewis
Karen Ferguson
Donna Willer
Sue Pitel
Jerry Webber
Audrey Carr
Betty Mackey

November:

Afternoon:

Bev Watson
Joanne Avery
Hazel DeJong
Shirley Webb
Joanne DeGurse
Cheryl McDonald
Beth Kewley
Yvonne Braet
Joan Maguire
Helen MacKie
Lorraine Beaulieu
Marg Griffiths

Evening:

Joanne Willock
Helen Rankin
Marg Haugh
Stella Sheffer
Kathy Scott
Sharon Duchene
Diane Stewart
Jillian Watts
Tracy Hogg
Joyce Crowe
Bev O'Connell
Diane Bothwell

The deadline for the November newsletter will be October 20th.

Send all your news and items to
Lyn Griffin at
lgriffin1@auracom.com

Please send all correspondence either in an e-mail or in WORD – any clip art or graphics must be sent as a jpeg. As always, when I receive your e-mail I will send a return e-mail to you to let you know I have received your note. If you send something and don't hear from me please resend. If you don't hear from me the second time, please give me a call at 519-337-4436 and we'll figure out what happened.



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Do we ever have some fun and gorgeous Block-of-the-Months all ready to go for the 2008-2009 quilting year!!

Our first **Block-of-the-Month** is a twelve month series **based on snowmen!** Very nice with moose, birds and trees to keep the snowmen company.

Our second **Block-of-the-Month** starts in October. It, too, is a 12 month series and is all about **baskets set on point**. Part of this series includes a finishing kit – so once you have the blocks made you'll have all the fabrics you need to finish your quilt top and the binding! How fun is that?!

Looking for something racy????? Hmm..... how about joining our Strip Club? We have one opening left. All projects will be done with 2 1/2" strips. You buy and complete four projects, and we'll give you the 5th one free – pattern AND fabric!!

Do stop by and see all the new fall classes and the many kits we have available – some for classes and some for other projects. It's never too soon to get started on another project!

Andif you're looking for **a fun day out**, keep these days available: Thursday (9-9:00), Friday (9-9:00), and Saturday (9-6:00), November 20th, 21st, and 22nd for the "Festive Shop Tour" – **A SHOP HOP** right here in Canada!!! 10 stores will be involved from Goderich to Exeter – Forever Quilting, too! More to follow about that next month!

Drop in anytime. We love to see you!

PUBLIC SALE NOTICE

New Unsold Janome School Model Sew and Serge Professional Sewing Machines

JANOME SCHOOL MODEL SEW & SERGE SEWING MACHINE



The Janome Sewing Machine Company (manufacturing quality since 1869) ordered the production of large quantities of their 2007 Sew & Serge Machines anticipating large orders for this model.

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