

S'QUILT (News and Views)

SARNIA QUILTERS' GUILD – promoting the art of quilting

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

www.sarniaquiltersguild.org

October 2017

October 2nd

6:00 Library opens

6:15 Demo — adding and finishing the binding on your quilts in the fellowship room

7:00 Meeting begins

After the meeting—Quilt-As-You-Go demo in the fellowship room

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw – Halloween

Vendor — The Marsh Store

Program — Pauline Grondin professional story-teller, “Piecing Together Canada’s History through Quilts”

Show and Tell

Refreshments – 10 minutes after the meeting in the fellowship hall

If your last name begins with ‘L’ through last names beginning with ‘Pat’ please bring a snack for the fellowship time after the meeting.

Coming Up

Sat., Oct. 28th— New York Beauty Table Runner with Bonnie Allen. Cost is \$20.00

November 6th

6:00 Library opens

6:15 Take It or Leave It Table

– in the foyer before and after the meeting

7:00 Meeting begins

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw – Remembrance Day (red, white, purple)

Vendor — The Marsh Store

Vendors—Our Member’s Market, plus a modern fabric on-line store..... mystache.ca

Program — The London Modern Quilt Guild—What makes a quilt modern?

Show and Tell

Refreshments – 10 minutes after the meeting in the fellowship hall

If your last name begins with ‘Phil’ through last names beginning with ‘S’ please bring a snack for the fellowship time after the meeting.

Coming Up

Sat., Nov. 4th (morning)— Fleece Lined Mittens (basic mitten) with Arlene Duckert. Cost is \$10.00

Sat., Nov. 4th (afternoon)— Fleece Lined Mittens from Scraps (patchwork mittens) with Arlene Duckert. Cost is \$10.00

Sat., Nov. 18th—Comfort Quilts work day

All of our classes will be held at St. Bart’s Church at the corner of Colborne and Cathcart — across from Oak Acres shopping centre, - unless otherwise indicated. Doors will be open for classes at 8:30. Classes begin at 9:00. Please be on time and have your machine set up and ready to begin class at 9:00.

Please check in the boxes above to see if it’s your turn to bring a snack for tonight after the meeting.

Minutes for September 11, 2017

From Our President.....

Welcome October !!!!!!!!!!!!!

October is here. The days are flush with falling leaves, chilling weather and growing anticipation for the holiday season. It is fall foliage, Halloween, baseball playoffs, RETREAT and Thanksgiving. A time to give thanks for a good harvest and other fortunes or blessings in the past year.

As we all celebrate Thanksgiving, remember don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant. The secret of life is to let every segment of it produce its own yield at its own pace. Every period has something new to teach us. The harvest of youth is achievement; the harvest of middle age is perspective; the harvest of old age is wisdom; the harvest of life is serenity.

Happy October to all of you.

Samantha Stancic



Our President Sam Stancic opened the meeting reporting that the Meet and Greet Potluck Picnic held at Canatara Park on Thursday September 8th was well attended. Forty-one members enjoyed fabulous food and fellowship. Barb Gladwish was the winner of the button guessing game. Sam said that she is excited to be the president this year and looks forward to getting to know everyone better. She plans to keep Leigh's tradition of quick meetings.

Welcome back current members and welcome to new members – Pamela Eng and Maggie Brownridge.

Welcome Guests—Barb Stevens, Gloria Martell, Carol Allen, Nancy Rodgers, Lynda Klaassen, Carrie O'Keefe, Sandra Stubs, Judy Welsh, and Marg VanReenan.

Reminders

—Meetings are held the first Monday of every month from September to June. Except when a holiday falls on that day and it will be held on the second Monday. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

—Parking - please park at the rear of the building and leave the spots near the front for those who need to park close because of limited mobility.

—Please refrain from wearing scents as some members are highly sensitive to them.

—Please when you keep talking to a minimum during the meeting it is appreciated by all. Please enjoy talking and sharing with other members in the fellowship room following the meeting.

—Check your newsletter for the snack schedule, if you are not able to attend the meeting when it is your turn see if you can switch with someone for another month.

—We are always looking for help on our committees, if you haven't volunteered for a committee, see Leigh Hathaway or Sam Stancic after the meeting and let us know where you can help. The more the merrier! Many hands (and ideas) make light work.

As suggested by Nora Boyd, our 2017-2018 executive introduced themselves by doing a show and tell of projects they have done or are working on.

Sam continued the business portion of the meeting by reading a thank-you note from Lambton County Developmental Services for enhancing their program with our donation of quilts.

Communications—Arlene Duckert then presented a prize for the person who traveled the furthest to a quilt shop over the summer, Connie Courtney won for going to a quilt shop in London, England.

Library - Sue Ross (on behalf of Donna Joy Lapeare) asked for the volunteers of the library committee to see her after the meeting in order to set-up this year's schedule.

The October executive meeting (for the November guild meeting) will be held on October 23rd at the home of Samantha Stancic, 2983 Driftwood Ave, Bright's Grove at 7:00. Any questions, please give Sam a call at 519-869-2813.



COME BROWSE BORROW RETURN

The library inventory was done this summer with the assistance of Suzanne Michaud and Sandra Cabbidu. Thank you very much, ladies. Now we need your help to find 3 books that are missing. Please look at home and return them if you find them. You will be rewarded with a big "Thank You".

1. 'Applique' published by Better Homes and Gardens
2. 'Follow the Line Quilting Designs' by Mary Covey
3. 'Quiltworks Across Canada' by Gail P. Hunt

The assistants for October will be Sandra Cabbidu, Sue Ross and Adeline Smit. Please arrive by 5:50 to help set up.

Dawna Joy Lapeare, Librarian

Each member is asked to work 2 x per year.

Membership - Freda Porter announced that magnetic name tags are available. It was decided that we will be getting them from All Seasons Trophy, a local shop, rather than a U.S. supplier. See membership for more details.

Comfort Quilts – Lorraine Scully announced that there will be new things to come with further details to come at the next meeting. Committee members are asked to meet after tonight's meeting.

Sam requested that those people who were involved in the quilt rack set-up committee to see her with your name and contact info. As the list of names has been misplaced.

Quilt Show - Janet Dudek reported that the Quilt Show will take place June 1 & 2, 2018 at the Point Edward Arena and Hall. There is room for lots of quilts. We can accommodate bed size quilts on the quilt racks but also lots of smaller quilts and lap quilts can be hung around the arena glass. It gives us a reason to create new items and finish our U.F.O.'s. Lou Anderson is in charge of registration and is eager to get started. She will be taking quilt show registrations starting at the October meeting. Pat Preudhomme had announced at the banquet that the theme of the challenge will be, " My Song". Each challenge quilt should be larger than 60 inches but not bigger than 120 inches. More information in October. Hopefully everyone will participate!



Congratulations! - **50/50 Winner** – Mary Anne Wighton

Fat Quarter Winners – Sue Rawson, Carol Chenier, Connie Courtney, Laurie Duffield

Tonight's program was to inform members about this year's upcoming programs and special events. Nora Boyd opened this portion of the evening thanking her committee for their involvement in planning this year's program. Nora announced that she has labels for the Underground Railroad projects from last year. You must complete the project to receive a label. Please bring your completed project to show and you will receive a label. Projects were shown from June's class with David Taylor (Hummingbird) and Post Cards from Lambton County. Nora needs twelve Post Cards from Lambton County quilts to put in the show she as arranged at the Lawrence House. There will be a special invitation sent to those who designed the blocks for that quilt. Nora then presented a power point presentation with this year's program, classes and projects. Please see your brochure for details. If you didn't receive a brochure see Nora. She suggested that members bring their phone to record demos.

Sarah Van der Paelt gave a presentation from Heather Maslen to explain a new project "Block Party".

Please Note: The date for the April meeting and class are incorrect in the brochure . The meeting will be held on April

9th. Nora will need to check with her teacher to confirm the class date.

Special Events — Janet Dudek then introduced a trio singing "Wheels on the bus".

—Lisa Johnson (the driver) - began the presentation of Special Events



—Leigh (the unlucky) –

announced the "Fall Close to Home Retreat" Friday October 13th and Saturday the 14th at the Camlachie Community Centre. Come one day or both. \$30.00 per day. Wear your comfy clothes or P.J.'s if you wish. We will provide snacks, lunch and supper.

—Sam (the shopper) - announced the November Guild Member 's Vendor Market. Members are invited to sell their wares before and after the meeting. So if you sell things for example like Tupperware, Partylite, Thirty-One or your own handcrafted items you can offer them for sale to your fellow guild members. Please let Sam know what you would like to sell.

—Lisa (Santa) - announced as part of the Christmas program we will be have a potluck. Please note that the meeting will begin at 6:00. See the newsletter for the list of what you are asked to bring according to the first letter of your last name. More details in November.

—Leigh (the artist) - announced that there will be a paint nite offered in January. Details to follow.

—Lisa (the leprechaun) – announced National Quilt Day will be held on March 18 with a move in venue to the Camlachie Community Centre. March Madness with more details to follow.

—Sam (the Glitz and Glamorous shopper) – announced the Mystery Bus Trip, no murder this year but lots of fun, mystery locations, and be prepared to bring and wear your glitz and glam.

—Leigh (the Gardner) - announced a second "Close to Home Retreat" is planned for the spring with more information to come.

—Sam (the president) – announced a change in venue for our annual June Banquet. The banquet will be held at the Camlachie Community Hall. Next month members will be asked to vote on whether they would prefer a catered meal or a pot luck.

Sign-up for everything tonight but only the retreat needs to be paid for tonight.

Show n' Tell Draw Winners – Freda Porter, Jackie Bennett, Wanda Philban, and Chery McDonald

Minutes by Paula Lacasse – Secretary

If you know of an illness or a death in the family of someone in the guild, please pass that information on to Paula Lacasse at Paula_lacasse@cogeco.ca or call 519-542-6383 and the guild will send a card.



Our new president, Samantha Stancic



Nancy Pasquan Donna Moore's quilt held by Lisa Johnson Audrey Carr



Joan Maguire



Janet Dudek Jacki Bennett

From Comfort Quilts.....

Comfort Quilts is happy to announce that we will be doing a quilt-as-you-go block demo after the October meeting in the fellowship room. The demo will be by Carol Cote. Also, please put November 18th on your calendar—we are having a work day for Comfort Quilts! Details to follow.

Lorraine Scully

October Helpers

Membership—Rosemary McGee, Audrey Hind, Pat Preudhomme and Freda Porter

50/50— Donna Moore and Paulette Patterson

Fat Quarters—Judy Middleton

Show and Tell—Jacki Bennett, Barb Gladwish, Betty Simpson, and Pat Cooper

A Feast for the Eye

June 1 and 2, 2018

Our Quilt Show 2018

235 Days



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Lots of news about our Quilt Show. We had a tour of the arena and hall for all of the Committee Chairs. Most of them were able to come and they were very impressed – lots of space, easy parking, and excellent lighting. We won't be shooting hockey pucks but this show is going to be scoring big with all of you.

There will be some specific details outlined at the October guild meeting but most of the details will be outlined at the November meeting.

Now it's your turn to start planning your part. There are only 235 days until the show so START NOW!

There are so many things you can make:

Plan to **make some quilts**. We have the space and we really want to fill it. Large quilts will be on our new quilt racks and smaller quilts will be displayed all around the arena on the Plexiglas screens.

Get started now making **items for our Boutique**. It was a huge success at our previous show and we want to build on that.

Make a **Mini Quilt** for our Charity Raffle. Our previous show raised money for The Hospice.

Make a **Challenge Quilt**. Everyone is encouraged to give this a try.

Make **Place Mats** for Meals on Wheels

We have simplified the categories for entries

Bed Quilts – pretty obvious category – If it's made for a bed, it's a bed quilt.

Cuddle Quilts – new category name but really familiar quilts – Lap Quilts, Baby Quilts, Play Quilts, Picnic Quilts – all those fun cuddly quilts we all love and share.

Decorating Quilts – all those lovely quilts we make for our homes and for friend's & family's homes – Wall Quilts, Table Runners, Pillows, Bags & Totes, Apparel.

We hope this has the ideas swirling around in your head and you are ready to go!!



Janet Dudek, Quilt Show Chair

Don't Miss This.....

A show of Postcards from Lambton County Quilts will be on display at the The Lawrence House Centre for the Arts, 127 Christina Street S., in the Turret Room during the month of October.

Opening Reception with wine and cheese will take place Friday October 6th 6:30 pm to 8 pm. The Lawrence House is open Wednesday to Friday 11-5 Saturday and Sunday 11-4 Open First Friday every month 11-9

For more information go to:
Lawrencehouse.ca/index.html



This Postcards from Lambton County Quilt was a block of the month project in 2016—2017. All of the blocks were designed by members of our guild.

Tonight is a great time to pay your membership (\$35) for the 2017—2018 guild year. If you can't remember if you've paid or not, check at the membership table.



Special Events

Wow, what a great response to our special events, now the planning of the fine details. We still have a few spots left for the retreat, Friday, October 13 and Saturday, October 14. Cost is \$30 per day, all meals included plus demos, fun activities and more. An information sheet will be available at the guild meeting for the participants. We also still have tables available for our Member Vendor's Market in November. If interested or want more information contact Leigh Hathaway 519-337-7655 or lhathaway264@icloud.com.

Please, let's give our speakers all our attention tonight and not talk during the meeting.
Thank you.

Have you heard about this?

Sign up for a free newsletter at:
go.nationalquilterscircle.com/357

You will get the latest quilting videos, tips and techniques sent to your inbox every week. You'll also enjoy in-depth instruction and step-by-step projects from quilting experts. Give it a try!

*Please remember to wear your
name tag tonight!*

TRIVIA

1. What do you call a continuous, repetitive pattern that is commonly used in long-arm machine quilting?
2. Why is 100% cotton batting better than 100% polyester batting for machine quilting?
3. Name a quilt pattern that commemorates square dancing.
4. What clings better to you fabric wall, unwashed fabric or washed fabric?
5. To close the noticeable needle holes left by machine quilting you might do what?

Answers on page 9.

Note from Program.....

Thanks to everyone who signed up for classes and projects. We had a total of 110 people sign up. Thanks to our committee for helping show quilts and sign up our members. Also, thank you to Diana Wassink who handles all the money at the sign-up.

Secret Pals Revealed

The reveal took place Monday, September 18 at Coffee Culture on London Road. The pictures say it all. Janet Baker will be signing people up for Secret Pals this year after the October meeting in the foyer.



Left to right:

Rosemary McGee, Janet Baker, Audrey Carr,
Paula Lacasse, Arlene Duckert, Lisa Johnson,
and Barb Beckwith



Left to right:

Marlene Wyville, Kathy Schnitzler, Donna Bedard,
Mary Thompson, Sadie Shellfield, Wendy Wilson
and Kelly McGee –Bunda

Greetings from the Show and Tell Committee.

The revised committee is.....Barb Beckwith, Sharon Bilodeau, Patti Kettlewell, Karen Van Ootegham, Jacki Bennett, Pat Cooper, Barb Gladwish, Nell Vanderheide, Martha Knight, Sadie Sheffield, Wanda VanGeel, Jill Mortensen and MaryAnn Wighton. Audrey Carr will help hold up quilts when needed.

As some committee members have not signed up to volunteer, please see me after the meeting at the Show and Tell table and let me know what dates work best for you. I will then email a list of volunteers and dates as well as detailed job descriptions. Many thanks to those committee members who helped out at the September meeting.

If you are showing a quilt, it would help if you labeled it with a safety pin on the bottom right corner before bringing it to the Show and Tell table as this helps with congestion.

Also, if you are showing a quilt,
—please line up at the left hand side of the stage ready to come up as soon as the person in front of you leaves.
—If you prefer to sit down while waiting your turn, we are reserving the left front seats for Show and Tell.

It is much appreciated by all members that Show and Tell is such a valued part of our meetings.

A Fun Event

At our Christmas meeting, December 4th, anyone who would like to, is invited to make an 8 1/2 (unfinished) Christmas block to be used in a block exchange. You can complete your block as pieced, appliqued, or embroidered. Remember that these blocks will be sewn together, so leave a 1/4" outside margin for the seam. Bring your block to the December meeting (there will be a table in the foyer), it will be put in a paper bag, and later a bag will be returned to you with a different block in it. Many people collect these blocks each year towards making a Christmas quilt. You may bring one, two or three blocks to participate.

Next month is our Take it or Leave it table.....In the foyer before and after the meetings. This is a fun event! Bring any gently used sewing items, leave them on the table, then you or anyone else can pick up these items and take them home. FOR FREE!!! Just be sure to bring a bag!

Quilts of Valour

The Quilts of Valour - Canada Society has posted on the web site that the goal of 10,000 quilts to be presented in ten years is 98.6% completed. Good work Canada!!

Coming Up

The Dresden Plate Quilt Show is on and featuring the Quilts of Valour quilts from Chatham. Some of our quilts will be on display there starting on September 29, 2017 at 10:00 am–September 30, 2017 at 3:00 pm This is a good opportunity to see some of the Quilts of Valour on display.

WHERE: Trinity Church, 547 North Street, Dresden, ON, Canada N0P 1M0 Cost is \$5.00

The next two workshop dates are: Monday, October 23 and Tuesday, November 21 at The Royal Canadian Legion on Front Street in Sarnia from 9:30 to 3:00 each of the days. All quilters are welcome, so drop by and see what we do for the injured Canadian Armed Forces members past and present. Please pass along any names you have of those who served in the Afghanistan theatre. Send me, Laverne.phills@quiltsOfValour.ca, a note to request a quilt. Thanks so much for all you do. We are always accepting 9.5" blocks to be added into quilts.

Laverne Phillips



A story passed on to us from Laverne.....

A friend was having a manicure with a new lady who happens to be a very close friend of one of the workers at the Centre. She told me a story after she heard that I was one of "those quilt ladies". Here it is.....

"One of the attendees told this worker that he had not slept at night since coming home. He went to his residence room to find a quilt on his bed. He told her that he examined all of the blocks on the top - going over their patterns and their shapes and their colours. When he turned it over, he saw the names of the people who had made the quilt, and he was changed, and he was calmed, and he was secure. He went to sleep."

How about that? - a third-hand story about how a quilt can make a difference.

Donna Easter, Q of V Rep.

This should make you realize why we do what we do. These young injured CAF members are changed by the generosity of our volunteers. Keep up the great work.

Thank you and all the volunteer quilters across Canada. Stories like this need to be shared.

Cheers

Mary Ewing, President of Quilts of Valour - Canada Society

Quilting Services

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Please call or email for services and rates. You must be a paid member to have your name listed here. To add your name to this list please email your information to lyndouggriffin@gmail.com

Answers to Trivia

1. A Pantograph
2. 100% cotton shifts less as the cotton fibres tend to adhere and will not produce additional drag on the presser foot.
3. Virginia Reel, Swing in the Corner, Hands All Around, Eight Hands Round, Swing in the Center
4. Washed fabric and it is also less stiff
5. Spritz the area with cool water. This causes the fibres to relax and fill in the holes.

The deadline for the November newsletter will be Sunday, October 22nd at 10:00 pm. Please send all information as a Word document with any clip art as a jpeg and send to Lyn Griffin at lyndouggriffin@gmail.com

Happy Thanksgiving !!!!!

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