



PATCHWORK PRESS



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It has been an honour for me to serve as your President for the past two years. I have enjoyed working with members of the guild who have been willing to invest their time in doing what is best for the guild.

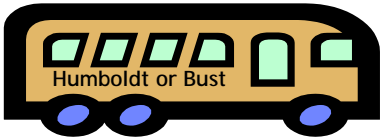
The nomination forms for next year's (2006-2007) executive are to be turned in at our next meeting on Monday, May 8th. Please consider volunteering for a position on the executive or assisting a committee chairman. The fringe benefits are amazing.

We have completed our first year at our new venue at TRU. The tables in the Terrace Room are so handy and I forward to being able to bring handwork to a meeting. I hope that everyone has enjoyed this change of venue. I, for one, like it very much - especially when we have our dinner meetings. Members also have a warm/cool building in which to wait when you arrive early before the President.

Our Quilt Show is coming up very fast. I just know that everyone will do their part and come together to make our show spectacular and worthy of the name - Sagebrush Quilters' Guild.

This is my last newsletter report as your President. Some of us are off to a Quilting Conference in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, on May 30th. We'll be back in time for the June 12th. Dinner Meeting and AGM (maybe with a few stories).

Until then, enjoy the Quilt Show and if I don't see you, please have a wonderful summer and be ready for the fall activities.



Jeanne Chambers

Mark your Calendar

- ✓ May 6-7, 2006 Guild Quilt Show
- ✓ May 8, 2006 Return Nomination Forms
- ✓ May 21-28, 2006 Quilt Canada, Ottawa
- ✓ June 12, 2006 AGM & Dinner Meeting
- ✓ Nov 3-5, 2006 Fall Retreat

It's election time again. By now you should all have received a copy of the nomination form with your last newsletter. I am here to encourage you to fill it in and submit it at the May 8th meeting. It might be helpful to the membership to know which executive members have either reached the end of their two year term or have decided to step down for their own reasons. We need nominations for every committee but these are the ones where the chair definitely is stepping down. Here we go: **President, Treasurer, Secretary, Historian, Hospitality, Community Projects, Retreat**

I would like to encourage you to enter your OWN name in any spot you might be interested in serving. Bear in mind that you are not committing yourself to heading up the committee by giving us your name, it simply means you would be willing to help. Nominating committee members go through the forms and phone the nominee's. That is your opportunity to state whether you would be willing to chair that position or to be a committee member. We need people to serve in every position, not just the ones noted above, so please give it serious thought. More hands mean less work for each. Speaking from the point of view of someone who has served on several committees in various capacities I can say without reservation that I have enjoyed every one of them. It's a great way to get to know a few other members in a quieter setting than the busy meetings.

I'm sure we will get a good response, so on behalf of the nominating committee, thanks.

Julie Ottosen



Vicki trying out some fabric painting at February's Program Meeting.

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EDITORIAL

I hope everyone has enjoyed reading the newsletter as much as I have putting it together. I want to particularly thank the members of my committee, Marie and Sylvia, without whom this project would not have been possible. I also wish to thank all the committee heads for sending me their contributions for each issue. Again, without their contributions, the newsletter would not have been as informative and entertaining as I think it has been. Finally I want to thank all you guild members who have taken so well to receiving the newsletter electronically. I believe nearly 80% of us get our newsletter this way. I can't thank you all enough for going this route. It saves this committee enormous amounts of time and money.

Andrea Schafthuizen

HOSPITALITY

The following is a list of guild members who have signed up to bring three dozen goodies.

May 8, 2005

Connie Burris
Val Ethier
Leanne Mackenzie
Renee Renkema

May 22, 2005

Ellen Seminoff
Carole Carroll
Penny Stobbe
Susan Ball

June 12, 2005

Spring Banquet

SPRING BANQUET

I am taking names for the guild spring banquet to be held on June the 12th at the university. Dinner is at 7:00 but we like everyone to be there at least by 6:45. The cost is \$22.17 which includes your meal of roast beef and chicken with all the trimmings plus desert, coffee, tea and tip. It is always a fun time so come on out and join us before we break for the summer.

I would also like to thank all of you who have brought goodies for the guild meetings in the last year. I thought all the treats were outstanding. Thank you one and all.

Donna Wiwchar

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

As I baby worship from afar I will miss being at the last couple of Scrappy Days at Katja's. There are two days left, May 10th and June 14th. This year there has been a consistent group of people that has spent one Wednesday a month socializing as we made a great number of quilts: I am hoping that this monthly sewing bee will continue next year. Many thanks to all who have been involved in contributing to the Community Project Quilts which have gone to the Cancer Clinic, Women's Shelter as well as to the Ministry for Children.

Kamloops Daybreak Rotary Club, has taken on sprucing up the Cancer Clinic, has given the Guild \$1000 to go towards

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You'll be surprised at what "blooms" will come up, and you'll have a small sample to hang on your wall.



Leanne

Next year there will be a whole new bunch of program evenings to plan Please consider stepping up and working

making quilts for that area. What an incentive for us! In the new quilting year how this money should be spent will be decided so that we can make the best contributions possible to this venture.

I know a lot of us are busy during the summer months, but there are times when "the Bug" hits to make a quilt or even sew some blocks. We found that 4 patch blocks are easy to fit into a quilt - 3 1/2 inch strips work fine! - so if you feel the urge, but not to make a whole quilt, these blocks are always appreciated. This would give the Community Project Committee a great start for the year.

Claire Johnson

with a partner to bring something interesting to our group! You know you don't need to present it, you can just do the organizing and enlist others to demonstrate or show samples. Bring forward your ideas for future program nights - what you would like to see?, or what you would like to learn? Let the program committee know!

Wanda Story

MEMBERSHIP

I have several "new member" nametags to be picked up. Please see me when you sign in at the guild meetings.

Here are a few more new names and changes to add to your directory.

Barb Gyoba - the email and phone for Princess Studio have been disconnected. Barb can still be reached at home after 5pm 453-9322.

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Carole Gardner - please contact me with your phone number.

Hazel Green



Monday Evening
Chair-Glenna McDougall 828-6214

Wednesday Morning : 9:30 to noon
Chair-Marena Blumenauer 372-8388

Friday Morning
Chair-Joyce Schellenberg 573-5568

May 15 Rosemarie Griffen
June 5 Sandy Madden

May 10 Donna Wiwchar
May 17 Joan Todd
May 24 Neila McKee
May 31 Marena Blumenauer
June 7 Wendy Burgess
June 14 Lillian Slywka
June 21 Barb Watson
– Shuswap Lake

May 5 no quilt-in – Quilt Show
May 12 Donna Wiwchar
May 19 Olga Noakes
May 26 Sandy Madden
June 2 Call Joyce for Location
June 9 Joyce Schellenberg
– Windup luncheon



Leather Thimble
from the N.W.T.
with tufted moose
hair decorations.

LIBRARY

We had a successful sale of "elderly" magazines at the bucket auction meeting, bringing in \$14.10 for the library. With thanks, we also received a donation of an "Elm Creek Quilts" novel called The Sugar Camp Quilt from Cathy Wilcox and Quilter's Mix and Match Blocks from Joyce Schellenberg.

Two purchased additions to the library were the following:
1. 100 Best Full Size Quilt Blocks and Borders by Dobbs, Shimp, Sinkler, and Warehime. (\$9.62 at Costco)
2. Quick and Easy Scrap Quilts by Patricia Wilens (suggested by Barb Baker).

Thank you to Kay Mori for her report on the children's story, The Patchwork Quilt. It is well worth your time to read it; you may shed a sentimental tear! Doreen Frederick has also submitted a book report for this newsletter.

Since this is the last library report from me, I want to express my gratitude to Doreen Czerkawski, Val Ethier, and Marg Pellegrin for their hard work each meeting in unpacking and packing books, filing cards, and re-circulation. You are wonderful!

At the May 22nd meeting, for summer circulation, we would ask that you leave a cheque covering the prices of the books that you sign out. Your cheque will be returned to you in September with the return of the books.

Personally, I have enjoyed getting to know so many of you by the library table! I would also like to thank you for all of the ordering suggestions!

Happy Reading *Heather Mewhort*

Book Review

EASY MACHINE QUILTING

12 Step-By-Step Lessons from the Pros, Plus A Dozen Projects To Machine Quilt
Jane Townswick, Editor

This is a very informative and detailed machine quilting book for the beginner to advanced quilter. There are lots of tips and tricks to make your machine quilting more enjoyable.

The book starts with equipment required-including threads and needles, as well as introducing batting types with suitability for your specific project.

Instruction is given for layering and basting a large quilt. Planning and interpreting quilting designs is covered as well.

Starting and stopping with ease is also explained. Outline and stitch-in-the-ditch quilting, as well as channel quilting and crosshatching has detailed instruction. Machine-guided curves and points and free-motion continuous-line quilting is also discussed in detail.

There is a chapter on Stipple quilting and another on Meander quilting. Machine Trapunto also has great instruction, as well as instruction for tying quilts by machine.

There are 12 projects included with great instruction, specifically with the lessons that were learned in the previous chapters.

My conclusion is that this is a great book to review your techniques, or to learn quilting step by step, especially if you are a new quilter.

Submitted by Doreen Frederick



We all know it is more blessed to give than to receive and thanks to your generous "giving" and even more generous "buying" the March bucket raffle netted our Guild \$409.00 which will be given to the Community Quilt Group. We sincerely thank you for your generosity. *Julie Ottosen and Marie Allen*

PROGRAM

Well this is the last program submission for the year ... was it me or did the year go fast?? A huge thank-you to all the members who stepped up to organize or help with program this year. You all made my job very easy. I hope everyone enjoyed the variety this year, had a little fun and learned a few new things.

Thanks for your support with the theme line – I think all of us enjoyed having this extra inspiration.



I think we all had a wonderful time at the Bucket Draw in March! Many of us scooped some *new-to-us* treasures, and the rest of us were glad for the cleaned up spaces we ended up with at home! Thanks so much to Julie and Marie and helpers for an entertaining evening.

In April we had "Think Spring Handwork night" put together by Joyce S. She introduced us to different ways to add appliqué to your quilts. Those who wanted to, got to try it hands on. Thanks also to the different members who demonstrated their techniques, answered questions and shared their tips. You can download a copy of the handouts from the website under **Resources**.

In May you can look forward to "April Showers Brings May Flowers" with Leanne M., Barb W. and Donna W. Learn about Flower Pounding!!

May Program - "April Showers Bring May Flowers"

Spring has sprung, and your gardens are starting to look beautiful, aren't they? In keeping with all the lovely flowers of the season, our May program incorporates three variations on the "floral" theme. You may participate in all or any, at the May 22 program meeting.

Flower Pounding

We will provide pre-treated muslin for you to take home and pound out a few stems and leaves. If you're really brave, you may try some flowers as well, but beware: results may not be what you expect! Instructions will be given at the May 8 meeting.

Folded Fabric Flowers

Please bring three 6 inch squares of solid, tone-on-tone or batik fabrics, in floral colours, along with scissors and thread to match the fabric. We will show you how to fold and add flowers to your "stems" at the May 22 meeting.

Floral fabric exchange

Got a scrappy floral quilt in mind? I do. Let's exchange 8 inch squares, and see what a variety we can get. Bring as many as you'd like, plus one "for the pot", to the May 22 meeting.

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Quilt BC 2007

Only a year to go until CQA/ACC, our national quilting Association arrives in Kamloops to hold its annual activities. A logo has been approved and we hope to see many interpretations of our dogwood at the event. The original design for the Quilt BC 2007 logo was drawn by Audrey MacKenzie, a member of the Kamloops organizing committee. It features the Pacific Dogwood and a blue band to represent the Thompson Rivers which meet in the center of the city. Several of the Kamloops committee members have already begun to stitch up the flower and leaves so they can be worn to quilting events in the next year in support of the Quilt BC 2007 event. About a half dozen Kamloops quilters will be in Ottawa in just a few weeks and we will be extending a welcome to all in attendance at the CQA/ACC Annual General Meeting. We will also be sporting our "dogwoods" all week as we attend classes and other activities at Quilt Canada.

Our local organizing plans continue and one activity recently confirmed is an applique quilt show to be hosted by the local Marigold Appliquers. It will be held at St. Andrew's on the Square. Across the street the museum will

also have quilts on display. We are looking for other businesses and opportunities in the city to display quilts. If you have an idea let us know.

All these little things make for a very interesting and stimulating week for visitors and locals alike. Please watch the CQA/ACC website for updates to activities, and *The Canadian Quilter* Winter 2006 and Spring 2007 issues for schedules and registration information.

If you wish to share some ideas, or if you would like to become involved, please contact Paulette Eccleston, coordinator of the event. Let's show our spirit of cooperation and sharing with all who attend whether from Logan Lake or Newfoundland.

I would like to thank the Sagebrush Quilters' Guild for their initial letter of support for the event, and for the many members who have stepped forward to serve in various capacities. This time next year our part in the event will be done. The countdown is on and I look forward to seeing the quilts from across Canada next May. I hope you do too.

Paulette Eccleston,
Coordinator, Quilt BC 2007
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treccles@shaw.ca



What to Bring

May 8

- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Coffee Mug
- ✓ Show & Tell
- ✓ Overdue Library Books
- ✓ Brights & Blacks exchange
- ✓ Completed Nomination Forms

May 22

"April Showers Bring May Flowers" Flower Pounding Night

- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Coffee Mug
- ✓ Show & Tell
- ✓ 3 - 6" squares of fabric to create your "flowers"
- ✓ 8" squares of floral fabrics for an exchange
- ✓ Deposits for Fall Retreat
- ✓ Cheques for "Summer Book Check Out"

June 12

Year End Wind-Up Dinner & AGM

- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Show & Tell
- ✓ Brights & Blacks exchange
- ✓ A flannel so we can show off the beautiful results of the Brights & Blacks exchange around the room

What can you get out of a fat quarter?

FAT QUARTERS

- 99----2"squares
- 56----2 1/2"squares
- 42----3"squares
- 30----3 1/2"squares
- 20----4"squares
- 16----4 1/2"squares
- 12----5"squares
- 12----5 1/2"squares
- 9----6"squares
- 6----6 1/2"squares

Thanks to Doreen Fredericks for this little hint sheet.

RETREATS

Spring Retreat seems like such a long time ago.

Thirty-four quilters (8 were at retreat for the first time) had a wonderful, relaxing weekend. Lots of laughs, eating of chocolate and sharing the joys of quilting. And while everyone's thoughts and energies are

on our coming quilt show, do give a quick look at your calendar and plan on joining us for the Fall Retreat at Sorrento Centre Nov. 2-5, 2006. The May 22nd meeting is when I will begin taking registrations We have room for 36 quilters between 2 quilting rooms. Prices are (based on double occupancy): 2 nights - \$165.00, 3 nights -

\$230.00. Deposit will be \$75.00 and cheques are to be made out to Sagebrush Quilters' Guild.

Upcoming retreat dates are : Mar. 29 - Apr. 1, 2007, Nov. 1-4, 2007 and Mar. 27-30, 2008. And think about joining the retreat committee. Five members would ease the work and add to the fun!

Upcoming Fall Retreats

November 2-5, 2006* → Sign up May 22, 2006

November 2-4, 2007

*The deposit will be \$75.00.

Upcoming Spring Retreats

March 30-April 1, 2007

March 28-30, 2008

Happy Quilting, *Cathy Wilcox*



An appeal to all Canadian Quilters passed on through our BC CQA/ACC representative, Marianne Parsons.

I am an avid quilter from Brockville, Ontario, and a CQA/ACC member. I am coordinating the Canadian Comfort and Remembrance Project (CCRP), which offers comfort and remembrance to the next-of-kin (mother and spouse) of Canadian Forces personnel who have died overseas since 2000. The CCRP is working in cooperation with Quilts of Valour - Canada, which provides quilts for comfort to wounded Canadian Forces personnel when they return to Canada. Both initiatives are endorsed by staff of the Dept. of National Defence, who has agreed to make a confidential approach to potential recipients, distribute quilts and arrange for presentation.

Quilts are currently being made by numerous guilds in Eastern Ontario, but we want to extend this opportunity and invite all Guilds across Canada to recognise the sacrifice of fallen Canadian Forces personnel, especially in your own community.

I am sending this letter to you (via CQA/ACC Regional Representatives, as I do not have contact information) asking that you pass on my invitation to your Guild, inviting them to participate by making one or more quilts. As of the beginning of April the current need is for 34 quilts for presentation on Remembrance Day, Nov 11, 2006. Given the ongoing dangers faced by Canadian Forces in Afghanistan, I expect the need to rise to approximately 50 quilts. So your help is crucial. Please join me in this project to give comfort to families in remembrance of our Canadian

personnel who have served overseas.

An original block has been created for the CCRP by Jennifer Hodge, of Picket Fence Fabrics, of Brockville, Ontario (in both Pieced and Appliqué pattern), which is available for download on her website:

www.picketfencefabrics.com. Participation forms and assembly instructions are also there. I am asking for your support for this project. Please help me get the word out to quilters in all Communities and Guilds across Canada, by presenting this project to the members of your Guild, and to any other groups in your community who may be willing to make quilts. I ask that you send me an email, informing me of the number of quilts your Guild/Community is planning to make, to help me keep track of the supply we can expect.

Thank you for your invaluable help, to ensure the success of our hope to give a "Comfort and Remembrance" quilt to mothers and spouses who have lost a loved one in service to our country.

Sincerely,

Jane Guthrie
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BULLETIN BOARD

GUILD MEETINGS

Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month in the Terrace Room at the Campus Activity Centre, Thompson Rivers University, 7:00-9:00 pm.



Please consider Sagebrush Quilters' Guild events as scent free zones, as a courtesy to those suffering from asthmas and allergies.

Check this out...

NEW QUILTERS RESOURCES IN TOWN

Sunshine Quilting
Longarm Quilting
Christy Williams
371-7993

Birthdays

Gerda Rieck may 2
Vicki Gray may 12
Clara E. Johnson may 15
Val Berggren may 19
Rochelle Oliver may 21
Brenda Sanden may 22
Islay Oatway may 27
Zoe Albert may 27
Catherine Churchill may 30

Patti Bentley jun 11
Joyce Worsfold jun 11
Doreen Czerkawski jun 13
Barb Laing jun 20
Leanne Mackenzie jun 20
Ellen Seminoff jun 21
Michelle Zwolak jun 21
Glenna McDougall jun 22
Beth Scott jun 22
Lynda Mackenzie jun 25

Bev McIntosh jul 16
Susan D. Ball jul 19
JoAnn Whittaker jul 22
Bette Berst jul 27
Sandra Laughland jul 29
Doffy Bourbonnais jul 30

Marilyn Peterson aug 1
Claudia Ellis aug 13
Barbara Watson aug 13
Bonnie Way aug 14
Tuula Helin aug 16
Paula Fisher aug 17
Cathy Wilcox aug 18
Liz Beeman aug 19
Val Van Iterson aug 22
Audrey Vaile aug 24
Elizabeth Biagioni aug 26
Allie Butch Dixon aug 30
Helen Blair aug 31
If I have missed anyone, I apologize.
Editor

CLASSIFIEDS

GARAGE SALE

Braeview Complex
Saturday, May 13, 2006

#81 will have the following
3 antique sewing machines:
Super Sew & 2 Singers
asking \$50.00 each

Also Rug Hooking Frame
asking \$75.00

Also many older
cookie/chocolate tins

ROOMMATE WANTED

Anyone interested in sharing accommodations for Quilting in the Mountains in August 25,26. I am going to make reservations soon for the Fri. Aug 25, 2/room approx \$70 a night, slightly more for 4/night, 2 two a bed (Don't be shy, now). Perhaps if there is an interest for the Thurs. Aug. 24 as well. Contact Marlene Glover: 374-6195 or dglover@shaw.ca.

WANTED

All library books should be back May 8th to be checked against the inventory in readiness for the "Summer Check-out" at the May 22nd meeting, with accompanying cheques.

QUILT SHOWS

Sagebrush Quilters' Guild
"Crazy for Quilts"
May 6-7, 2006
<http://sagebrushquilters.ca/>

Abbotsford Quilter's Guild
"Quilts in the Valley"
May 26-27, 2006
<http://aqg.tripod.com>

Parksville Quilt House Quilters Guild
"Silver Threads Quilt Festival"
June 23-25, 2006
www.parksvillequiltthousequilters.com

Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show
July 8, 2006
www.stichinpost.com/soqs.html

Pacific Northwest Quiltfest
August 11-12, 2006
www.apnq.org

Quilting in the Mountains
Sun Peaks Resort
August 25, 26, & 27, 2006
www.sunpeaksresort.com/quilting

For more information on these quilt shows, visit the website listed or check the binder from the library.