

SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

President's Message

It's hard to believe that this time last month I was watching the surf roll in along the beautiful coastline of Hawaii. Now I'm back to the routine but have to say that memories of the sunsets on the Pacific, the flowers and the amazing views are still easy to think back to when I need a little inspiration.

Where do you get your ideas? Sometimes all it takes is seeing a whole lot of fabrics, samples and patterns at shows like the Creative Needlework Festival. That can be dangerous though. I know I lugged home another bag of fabric and beads to stuff into that stash closet with all good intentions. Other great sources for ideas are all the local quilt shows going on in neighbouring communities. Keep an eye on the registration table at the meetings as we try to display all the notices and bookmarks for upcoming shows as well as putting information in the newsletter. Taking classes and trying new techniques at workshops will also keep the ideas coming.

That brings me to the Presidents Challenge! I'm happy to hear that several of you are giving it a try. Sometimes it's just takes a while to sort through some ideas to come up with the one that really captures your imagination. I just wanted to emphasize again that you can really use your creativity on this as the theme of All Around the Town is so open that the possibilities are endless.

And no, it's not a landscape! It can be anything that might remind you of this area....a very accurate rendering or totally abstract and just an impression. We hope to see some "out there" ones! Just have some fun with it and you might surprise yourself with what you can come up with. There's still lots of time before December's judging meeting to finish your masterpiece. It would make a great project to take along to the cottage or work away on during the long days of summer.

I hope we'll see you out to the May 15th meeting. Clara Tingey has kindly agreed to show you some of her amazing work for our My Favorite Things segment. I know you'll enjoy hearing her tell us a little about it. We have so many excellent quilters in our group...what better place to find inspiration for your own quilting. Hopefully some of you will consider sharing your own work with us and participate in MFT too.

Enjoy this wonderful weather and see you on Wednesday!

Trudy

Mission Statement: The Orillia Quilters' Guild is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting interest and excellence in quilting.

Meeting at: Royal Canadian Legion, Upstairs

Mississauga St., Orillia

Third Wednesday of the month

1:00 pm to 3:00pm

President	Trudy Kamburis
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Schoolhouse

SCRAPS, SCRAPS and more SCRAPS

SCRAPS: small detached pieces, shreds or fragments
odds and ends or leavings
leftovers

What do you do with your scraps? throw them away? or, are you frugal and find uses for them ?

This month we'll examine a few ideas for these leftovers. If you have some novel ideas for using odds and ends, please pass them along to me.

There will be no SCHOOLHOUSE in June.

Submitted by Susan Sullivan

Program

Our guest speaker for May is [Elizabeth Alexander](#) whose talk will be " My Journey Through the Landscape" She will be bringing her beautiful landscape quilts for us to see.

Elizabeth has had a love of working with fabric since being a small child and this led to her doing textile design and eventually to be a fashion designer. However, discovering quilting has opened new doors and she looks forward to telling us about her journey.

Submitted by Chris Van der Jagt

Cookie Crew



May

Betty Norberg
Philippa Ricci
Evelyn Andrews
Annabelle Lovering

June

Claire Corrigan
Heather Smith
Darlene Williams
Alice Hutt



Library

On the last weekend in April, I attended the Simcoe County Quilt Retreat down in Barrie and had a wonderful time. Unlike the crazies who chose the workshop where they created **two** quilted jackets in two days, I took two interesting courses that were fun and had a respectable work load. We even had time to smooze. I left with a book gifted to the library from Susan Purney Mark called *Accent on Angles* which looks at how you strip piece a background and then insert angled strips in some kind of contrast. It was the course we were learning and I was delighted with the generosity of the giver. Too bad I didn't have my book list with me because we already own it...and worse than that, I can tell from the master list, that I was the librarian that bought it! None of this lessens Susan's kindness in sharing with our guild. I might keep it for a while till I finish my little quilt and then we'll think of a way to make use of it for the Guild as a whole.

Because she was so nice, I thought we should show equal generosity so I bought a DVD and the accompanying stencils that go with it on the second course I took which was *Give and Take Appliqué*. In this technique you use a craft knife to cut out an appliqué pattern and then use the negative space left over to make another block. It was lots of fun and I think we were pretty pleased with the outcomes. Actually, we have another book in the library called *Dual Image Appliqué* by Dilys Fronks and in it she creates a number of lovely images using a similar technique. Anyone taking the course might like to check this out for comparison purposes.

One of our members donated *ABC-3D: Strip-Pieced, Really* by Marci Baker and I couldn't believe my luck when it was given to me because just the month before a different member was highly recommending the book and I had some trouble ordering it. Obviously, we were fated to have it in the library.

Another member suggested *Sunday Morning Quilts* by Amanda Jean Nyberg and Cheryl Arkison. This book looks at how to use all your bits of fabric to create simple but charming modern quilts. The book also explains what a modern quilt is: bright and clean looking, graphic, borderless.

....which means that anyone creating a modern quilt won't be interested in my last offering for May: *60 Pieced Quilt Borders* by Judy Laquidara. As the name states, this book looks at interesting ways to piece borders on your quilt top. A number of members have shown interest in this topic so hopefully this book will help inspire people to add some variety in their borders.

Please remember that I am quite interested in hearing about books that you might like in our library. I can't promise that we can add it to our collection but I can promise that I will research it and add it to the library if it is at all possible. Thanks again to those who have shared, either by giving or suggesting new resources.

Submitted by Gillian Isnor-McVeigh



Outreach

Cuddle quilts were delivered to Green Haven and Trillium Manor.
Thank you to all the quilters who took kits home to quilt. I have more this month that need to be quilted.

Submitted by Loretta Hughes



Sunshine Quilt Show

The next meeting of the 2014 Sunshine Quilt Show committee will be held on Wednesday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m. after our regular meeting.

We still require a few more volunteers to fill the remaining positions on the quilt show committee:

Publicity
Co-chair for Volunteers

It's not too early to start planning about the items you will be putting on display in the quilt show. Also, put on your thinking cap and come up with some ideas for products to sell in the Members Market.

Submitted by Marilyn Lippert

Simcoe County Quilt and Craft Fair



Don't forget to pick up your Intent forms to enter your quilt in the show. Our Guild asked to be represented in the show so let's not disappoint and put in a good showing from Orillia. We also need volunteers and demonstrators.

I also have forms if you have articles to sell in the Marketplace.

Please see me at the meeting to pick up your forms. They need to be returned to me at the June meeting.

Simcoe County Quilt Show Representative Pat Hill

Workshops



Register now for:

Thursday, June 13th - Please note the date is the 13th not the 14th as posted in the last newsletter - sorry for the mixup

Joan Reive - Images in Colour Wash Class

Join Joan as she takes you through the colour wash process to create a gorgeous wall hanging using 2 inch squares of many different fabrics. Kits available at a cost of \$20.

Check out Joan's website for images of her quilts: <http://www.joan-reive.com>

Cost: \$30 Payment must be received at time of registration to secure seat in class. Registration open. only 9 spaces left

Please insert photo if you can.

September 20, 2013

Martha Schellingerhoud - Stripping the Beauty

Join Martha as she teaches her easy way to paper piece the New York Beauty.

Check out Martha's work at: www.marthaschellingerhoudquilts.com

Cost: \$30 Payment must be received at time of registration to secure seat in class. Registration opens May 15.

Save the Date

May 6, 2014 - Kathy Wylie will be here to teach us her Sewflakes technique

Submitted by Jennifer Houlden



I am having a huge garage sale on Saturday, June 8 between 8:00a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

I will be selling, material by the bag and in single pieces, patterns, books magazines and lots of rules and tools too. so come to **Coldwater on June 8th.**

Susan Pitz
57 Gray St., Coldwater



For Sale

Husqvarna Viking Sapphire 970 Quilt Sewing Machine recently serviced and in excellent condition.

Comes complete with carrying case, extended sewing surface, handbook, user guide, bobbins, tools and tool case. Price \$750.00

I also have a brand new walking foot for sale for this machine. Price \$100.00.

_Ruth Loverock

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For Sale

This Handi-Quilt gadget allows you to attach your own sewing machine onto it and then it goes into a framework (which is included) and machine quilts right onto the quilt for you. The portable, adjustable quilting frame and carriage system turns your home sewing machine into a small-scale machine quilter. \$600 new and never used or out of the box. Asking \$550. or best offer. Comes complete with how to video. Contact Beth at 705-439-2156 or Kathy at 705-323-9819.



Program

Hi ladies, I have had great fun organizing with Rose last year and working on programs myself this year for the Orillia Guild. I have programs organized for the rest of the year and I think they will be a lot of fun. However, I think it is time for another member to take over for next year..... I can certainly work with the member to help get organized and start programs for next March onwards. January and February are done. It is always good to get another concept idea for programs. Please e-mail orilliaquilters@rogers.com or speak to myself or Trudy at the meeting.

Submitted by Chris Ven der Jagt





Membership

Elaine and I say Hello to everyone from Alaska Thanks to Shirley and Muriel for filling in for us.

The name tags have been done and I was able to get the magnetic backs that people requested. They will be available at the meeting for pickup. If there is anyone wanting one they are \$10.00 tax included and prepaid. I will leave a sheet to fill in and order when I return.

Rejoining this year is

Margaret Lennox
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Norma Hurl
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Martine Klaassen-Pepler
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New Member

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Submitted by Sandy McFadden



Colour Club

On Friday, May 9th, ten guild members met to start a colour club based on Christine Barnes' book, *"The Color Club"*. Since it was pouring rain out, it was easy to skip garden work and instead spend an afternoon discussing colour and how to work with it. As this was our first meeting, we discussed what we thought would be the format for the group. We are hoping to blend our materials to make several colour charts as well as work with colour schemes to create pasted colour blocks. We are expecting that the discussions between the group members will help us sharpen our skills in looking at all the properties of colour and perhaps make us more aware of what characteristics to take into consideration when making colour decisions. This is all a bit of an experiment and we are feeling our way as to how the club will work, but no one's quit yet, so we take that as a positive sign. We'll keep you posted as to our progress.

Submitted by Gillian Isnor-Mcveigh

Webmaster & Publicity

Jennifer Ricca (Designer)

If there is any information that you would like to see on the Website, please email me at quiltorillia@gmail.com. I will try to add as much as I can, but since we re getting our hosting for free, some of the more fancy stuff is not available.

Newsletter

Pat Hill (Reporter)

A Message To All Readers

This is your Newsletter. If you have a story, tip or recipe that you would like to share please forward to Pat Hill by the second Friday of the month.

-: by E-mail
(orilliaquilters@rogers.com)
-: or in writing

Next Meeting

June 19, 2013

Don't Forget:

Name Tag
Show & Share
Mug for Coffee/Tea
\$ for 50/50 Draw
Sewing Kit
Library Books

50/50 Winners - April

Ruth Loverock Junnette Courvoisier (guest)

Don't forget to come early to sell 50/50 tickets

Quilts of Israel

Monday, May 20 to Saturday, May 25

Ailsa Craig Recreation Centre
155 Annie Ada Shipley St.
Ailsa Craig

www.ailsacraigguildfestival.ca

Lindsay Quilt Guild

Lindsay Creative Quilters Show

May 25 - 26, 2013
10am - 4pm

Lindsay Curling Club
18 Peel St.
Lindsay

Quilting Corners Guild

*Stitching Among Friends
Quilt Show*

June 8-9, 2013
10am - 4pm

Alliston Curling Club
52 Albert St.
Alliston

Gwillimbury Quilt Guild

Quilts in the Temple

June 7-8, 2013
10am - 4:30pm

Sharon Temple
18974 Leslie St.
Sharon, ON

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Kitchener-Waterloo presents

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Threads of Hope

for African Grandmothers

May 2014

Please see the web site for detailed information and how you can participate.

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