



# SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

## President's Message

While you might agree that May is the prettiest month it also seems to be the busiest. This year May has been welcomed most enthusiastically with its entourage of Pulmonary, Daffodils and Forsythia. However, May also means *maintenance* and cleaning up the damages done by winter on lawns, gardens and houses. We trade in the snow shovels for rakes and spades and the grit and salt for manure and mulch!

There's so much work to do it's difficult finding enough time to relax at the sewing machine, another thing that needs attention – Yikes! It's a good thing we have Larry Shackleton of *Larry's Sewing Machines* speaking at this month's meeting.

Larry services all makes of domestic machines and sells Bernina and Janome at his Pickering shop; previously he worked for Pfaff for 9 years. Larry is going to take us through the general cleaning and maintenance procedures we should be doing to keep our 'friends' running smoothly. He is also donating his speaker's fee in our name to the *Orillia Humane Society*. Sounds like a win-win for us! So bring your questions and problems for Larry to solve.

A lot of sewing translates to a lot of scraps so Sue Sullivan plans to address this phenomenon in her School House presentation, Scrap Quilts.

At our June meeting Tracey Lawko will be presenting her program, "*Sources of Inspiration*" (landscape and still-life in thread). It sounds intriguing and best of all has nothing to do with maintenance! Tracey comes highly recommended and may be known to many of you already.

I'd like to thank Sue Cameron for agreeing to take on the Program Coordinator's position and Diana Thompson, who will assist Sue during the winter months. Team work goes a long way for all of us.

So, I guess I have to clean some windows, now. See you next week.

Frances

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

Mississaga St., Orillia

Third Wednesday of the month

1:00 pm to 3:00pm

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| President      | Frances Westgarth     |
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| Vice President | Gillian Isnor-McVeigh |
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## Sunshine Quilt Show

First of all let me say a big **THANK YOU** to our quilt show committee and all the volunteers from both Guilds who helped make our Sunshine Quilt Show a big success. Everyone worked hard and the end result was fantastic. The quilts on display were beautiful and true works of art. I have heard from many people in the community that we put on an outstanding show.

The net proceeds from the raffle quilt were \$3,401.70 and a presentation will be made to the Trillium Manor Activation Department at our May meeting. A cheque for \$1,086.65, the profit from the Saturday and Sunday tea rooms, will be given to the Trillium Volunteer Association. The tea room aprons made and donated by The Evening Threads Guild were a big hit and certainly brightened up the room.

The Sunshine Market sold \$2,123.50 in goods made by our members.

We had 582 paid admissions, plus children, plus men who were admitted free, plus Trillium residents and their family member. What a turn-out for our show!

Donations from the community were much appreciated:

- Our bookmarks were sponsored by “thimbles & things”
- “Flowers by June” provided flowers for Hillcrest Hall
- “Synergy Barbershop Quartet” provided entertainment on Sunday afternoon
- Orillia Today and the Packet and Times both provided free advertising for the show
- Our vendors – thimbles & things, Grantham Books, and Sew Little Time – provided us with the latest in all things quilt related.
- Trillium Manor provided a lovely venue. It was a win-win situation for Trillium as well as our Guild.

The areas around our featured quilters and demonstrators were busy, busy places. Our guests enjoyed meeting our members, seeing their work and learning a new technique.

The lucky winners of the raffle prizes were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize, queen sized quilt, Martin Nichol;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize, wall quilt, Frances Westgarth;
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize, Penny’s Preserves Basket, Betty Norberg.



## Sunshine Quilt Show - cont'd

Viewers' Choice winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> place CQA rosette to Sandy McFadden for her queen sized quilt, 2<sup>nd</sup> place ribbon to Shelly Houser for her wall quilt, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon to Susan Edwards for her quilted jacket.



Start planning now what you will make for the 2016 Sunshine Quilt Show.



## Schoolhouse

This month Marion Gerry is going to show us a technique for a block that she had shown us at an earlier show and share , which several members had shown interest in.

Following are the directions for this:

Assemble a nine-patch (any size basic block) with dark squares in the middle. Slice through the nine-patch both ways giving 4 blocks. Turn the top right corner and the left bottom corner blocks 180 degrees. Reattach the blocks back together again. Press and square the block.

Thanks Marion.

Susan Sullivan



## LIBRARY

### I Spy Exchange

I was intrigued with last month's presentation by Sue S. about "I Spy Quilts". I am planning my first quilt for a 5 year old girl. After a quick search of my sewing room I discovered I had some 5 inch pieces (squares) to use but I could use more. If anyone is interested in bringing 5 inch squares of fabric suitable for "I Spy Quilts" to the meeting I will set up a table at the meeting. This would be an exchange. For example, *if you brought 10- 5 inch blocks you would take up to 10- 5 inch blocks of different squares home and so forth.* I think fabrics with princesses, pirates, trucks, books, toys, pink, blue, red, green whatever you think would be suitable....donations also gratefully accepted if you do not want to do the exchange part. Thanks, Chris

### The Library Book Revue



Number 240 in our Library is the book **Simply Amazing Spiral Quilts** by RaNae Merrill. This is an amazing book with lots of different patterns, quite innovative. This month I am bringing a pillow made from one of the patterns. I must say it took me 4 hours to finish the square but it was challenging and I was pretty proud when finished. Although the instructions are in the book, a class in spiral quilts might be helpful until one gets the hang of it. Turns out that "thimbles and things" has a two part class offered in August

### Sale

Members we will be having a dollar table near the library for books brought in by donation so please bring your loonies and toonies.



### Outreach



Cuddle quilts were delivered to Trillium Manor and to VCRS since the last meeting. 32 bibs were delivered to Spencer House. We are planning to have a Christmas workshop in July to make place-mats. Penny is collecting place-mats at every meeting as well as we need a large number this year.

Submitted by Loretta Hughes



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### QUILT CANADA

There are still a few seats left on the bus..... June 11,2014

### Cookie Crew



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| <b>May</b>        |
| Grace Wise        |
| Frances Westgarth |
| Sandy McFadden    |
| May Staines       |

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| <b>June</b>   |
| Pat Dauphinee |
| Peggy Johnson |
| Lynne Boyd    |
| Barb Gill     |



## IPM 2014 Quilt Competition

The block kits that were sold for \$10 last year were made into the following quilts (108 blocks):

King size quilt  
 Queen size quilt  
 Double quilt  
 Twin quilt  
 Lap quilt

The King, Queen, and Double are being raffled off. Tickets are \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00 and can be purchased from me. The proceeds of these tickets will be divided evenly between the 6 local Guilds and the Simcoe County Museum. The money is to be used for outreach programs. So we need to do our part. Can we step up? A book of tickets is \$20.00.

There is a silent auction for the twin quilt. Opening bid was \$500...now up to \$600. Final bid on Saturday September 20th will win the quilt.

The lap quilt will be given to the Queen of the Furrow at the IPM.

The IPM will be for 5 days from September 16th to the 20th Each Guild has been assigned a day to provide volunteers. Orillia Guild has Friday the 19th. We will need 12 volunteers for the day to man the quilt tent. Some of the jobs: white glove, selling raffle tickets, working the General Store, greeter. You will not be stuck in the same position all day. We will move about and there is lots of time for resting, or walking the grounds. I have the volunteer forms and they need to be handed in by our June meeting.

I also have Intent forms if you are wanting to put a quilt in the show. The winners from the May show will be in the September show but there will still be room for others to display their quilts. I also have the forms for the General Store. Let's get some articles in from our Guild. Put in your left over articles from our show. This is a huge affair and people will come from all over the province ( not just quilters). We expect to do extremely well in the Store.

Please help to make this a big success ! It doesn't happen in our area very often. ( last time was 1981)

Submitted by Pat Hill





**Newsletter & Webmaster**  
**Pat Hill**

***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](mailto:orilliaquilters@rogers.com))  
or in writing

**Next Meeting**  
**June 18, 2014**

Don't Forget:

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

**50/50 Winners - April**

Claire Corrigan Darlene Williams  
Don't forget to come early to sell 50/50 tickets

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Ailsa Craig Community  
Quilt Festival

May 19 to 24th

over 100 quilts  
workshops  
Merchant Mall  
Lectures  
Cafe

Admission \$12.00

[ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca](http://ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca)

**Sew Much to See Quilt Show**

Markdale  
Queen's Bush Quilters

June 20 1:00 - 8:00  
June 21 10:00 - 4:00

Centre Grey Recreation Complex  
Markdale

Admission \$8.00  
Quilts of Valour (Sat. only)  
Members Boutique  
tea room  
merchant mall  
Scissor sharpening  
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**Prince Edward County Quilt Show**

July 12 & 13, 2014

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Essroc Arena  
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quilt raffle & sales  
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cafe  
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