



SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

President's Message

Hello Orillia Quilters:

Your enthusiasm, expressed after last month's meeting, for the Quilts of Valour (QOV) President's Challenge warms the cockles of my heart! After seeing the Remembrance Day ceremony in our town and cenotaphs around the world, we can feel grateful that there is something **important we can do** with our humble sewing skills that will make a difference. We know the warm hugs that quilts provide people can also bring calmness to the most agitated of minds.

Sue Cameron, our Program Coordinator, has contacted Jan Easton, of Quilts of Valour. Jan will be attending our June, 2015 meeting with a trunk show and talk about QOV. Better yet, Jan and her husband (a 40-year military man) will receive our quilts and transport them back to QOV headquarters in Ottawa for distribution. She is as excited to receive more quilts, as we are to make them! At present there is a *two-year waiting list* for them.

Over the short time this program has existed six thousand quilts have been made and given out, the majority to men. I have posted more information for you further in this newsletter, including *preferred size*, etcetera. (If you have already started don't be concerned.) QOV also provides numbered, bi-lingual labels with our guild's name, for you to sew on your completed quilt. They will be sent closer to the end of the challenge. If you have any questions or concerns please let us know. For now however, it looks like the ducks are lining up nicely!

I've just spent some grandmother time in Charlottetown – exhausting- but I'm still on a 'sweet' high of hugs!! Mostly these little ones bring Christmas thoughts forward, oh my, and all the things that need to be completed. I am sure you are more organized than I am, but it does ramp up the nerves when I see the Christmas commercials starting already on television!

If you signed the request sheet for a copy of Keitha's quilt of valour design, remember to pick it up at the meeting. I am looking forward to seeing you next week – I hope you Snowbirds haven't taken off yet.

Until then,

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

Mississauga St., Orillia

Third Wednesday of the month

1:00 pm to 3:00pm

President	Frances Westgarth
Past President	Trudy Kamburis
Vice President	Gillian Isnor-McVeigh
Secretary	Meryl Drake
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Library



Once again we have several new books for you which will all be available at the meeting. This should complete the selections to be added this year. Chris and I have enjoyed reviewing new quilting books and picking our favorites while we try to balance modern versus traditional, art quilts, applique, classics and new techniques. We really wanted the library to reflect many different tastes and interests and offer choices for everyone.

In the interests of space I'll just list these new books for now and save any description and a quick peek at them for the upcoming meeting.

1. Modern Designs for Classic Quilts: 12 Traditionally Inspired Patterns Made New - Andrea Johnson
2. The Ultimate Guide to Art Quilting: Surface Design, Patchwork, Applique, Quilting, Embellishing, Finishing - Linda Seward
3. Quilting with a Modern Slant: People, Patterns and Techniques Inspiring the Modern Quilt Community - Rachel May
4. Quilts Made Modern: 10 Projects, Keys for Success with Colour & Design, From the FunQuilts Studio - Weeks Ringle
5. 25 Ways to Sew Jelly Rolls, Layer Cakes & Charm Packs: Modern Quilts from Contemporary Pre-Cuts - Brioni Greenberg
6. Log Cabins Today - DRG Publishing
7. Quilting Modern: Techniques and Projects for Improvisational Quilts - Jacquie Gering
8. Modern Quilts & More - Kimberly Einmo

Submitted by Trudy Kamburis

Cookie



November

Merilyn Vyse
Arlene Walsh
Linda Woloshyn
Muriel Burton

December

Executive



Outreach



The Christmas Season has arrived sooner than I thought. I know this is a short reminder but it would be great if we could collect socks for people in need. I will collect them this meeting and in December and distribute them to the many agencies in town for them to be given out. Thank you in advance.



Program

Beverley Scholte will come with representatives from the Georgian Triangles Quilters. They will present a trunk show and a slide show of quilts they have donated to the community.

They are from Wasaga Beach / Collingwood area.



Membership

It is once again time to renew your yearly membership. There will be an application form in this newsletter you can print and fill out to bring to guild or mail in. The executive has decided it is necessary to raise the fee this year to \$40.00 as the legion has increased their rent. We will have some forms available at guild for those who have printer issues. It is helpful to have the form fully filled out even if your information has not changed.

Thank you. Sandy and Elaine

Quilts of Valour



For Your Information RE: Quilts of Valour, President's Challenge:

The quilters running this program have requested the following *preferences* to be kept in mind when we are making QOV quilts.

Size: 60" X 72" Colours: Fall i.e. Burgundy, Greens, Blues, Navy

Fabric: Cotton; Prints: animal prints – hunting, fishing etc.

NB: No tribal or religious prints (African prints trigger PTSD episodes)

Batting: 80/20 is okay.

Pattern: Any pattern; Scrap quilts are a favourite!

And remember : one block needs to have a maple leaf on it or be the maple leaf pattern!



Schoolhouse

USING FUSIBLE WEBS for Applique

This month we'll take a look at techniques and tips for using fusible webs, especially for applique pieces.

“Steam-A-Seam” and “HeatnBond” are two such products; you can check the websites for further information and ideas for use:

www.warmcompany.com has product information plus a short video showing use of Steam-A-Seam for Applique

www.thermoweb.com has product information for HeatnBond



The Township of Ramara is looking for someone who would like to teach Quilting for Beginners either in the Winter or Spring. All classes would be at the Ramara Centre on Hwy 12 just south of Rama Road, so not far at all from Orillia.

If someone is interested in discussing this, please contact:

Cathy MacDonald
Township of Ramara
Recreation Assistant
705-325-3091



Black Featherweight sewing machine with case. Recently cleaned and serviced - in perfect running condition. Includes extra bobbins, bobbin case, black carrying case, 2 additional feet and manual by Nancy Johnson- Srebro. \$300.00. Downsizing so 2 Featherweights are 1 too many!
Contact Nikki Watt 705-538-1881

I'm selling my sewing cabinet and an extra Janome machine. Take a look!

1. Sewing Cabinet - white, on casters for easy movement, 3 deep drawers for tools / supplies and large spool rack folds inside for dust free storage. Dimensions when closed: 36 x 19.5 inches. When in use, the cabinet top and front panel unfold to provide a full 72 inch sewing surface. Best of all is the sewing machine lift which drops the machine to provide a totally flush sewing surface. Excellent condition. \$ 125.
2. Janome - Decor Excel 5018. Just cleaned and serviced. Original manual and all attachments included. Many specialty stitches, automatic needle threader, automatic buttonhole. Running fine....just have 2 other machines! \$175

Sold separately or take both for \$275.

Trudy Kamburis. 705-835-0351 trudy.kamburis@gmail.com

Caramel Squares



1/4 cup melted butter	1 cup brown sugar
1 egg	1/2 cup flour
1 tsp. baking powder	1/2 tsp. vanilla
1/2 cup chopped walnuts	1/2 cup coconut

** for nut free, I omit the nuts and use 1 cup coconut **

Mix butter, sugar and egg. Beat well, Add dry ingredients and pour into 8x 8 pan
bake for 30 minutes at 325.

Icing:

1/4 cup butter	1/2 cup brown sugar
2 Tbsp. cream	1 cup icing sugar

Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in brown sugar and bring to boil. Add cream and
boil 2 minutes.

Beat in icing sugar.

** Ice cake when hot, as icing sets very quickly.**

Orillia Quilter's Guild Membership Application

Name: _____ New Member ____ Renewal ____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

The fee is **\$40.** payable by cheque to **Orillia Quilters' Guild,**
PO Box 155
Orillia, Ontario L3V 6J3

Please circle your response:

I would like to have my newsletter emailed to me. YES NO

Applications can also be found on and printed from our website



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@gmail.com)
or in writing

**Next Meeting
December 10, 2014**

Don't Forget:

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

50/50 Winners - October

Nancy Cameron Gail Duffield(Guest)
Don't forget to come early to sell 50/50 tickets

Permission is required to have photos of members and their work published on the website.

If you DO NOT give permission, please advise the webmaster.

SNOW DAYS

If the Orillia school buses are cancelled so is the Guild meeting!



Pioneer Spirit Quilt Challenge

it's a ?mystery? quilt

started September 2014 (can still join and get the first 3 installments)

Join in the fun

www.quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com

Designed by Sherri Hisey of Border Creek Station

6 monthly installments with clear instructions and colour diagrams.

Use your stash. One instalment posted at the beginning of each month.

Completed quilts will be showcased at Quilts at the Creek July 18 & 19, 2015.