



SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

President's Message

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

Happy 2015 to all Orillia Guild members!

Although this is my final newsletter as your president, my voice will not be silent! The major unfinished business is the President's Challenge for the Quilts of Valour (QOV). I have already decided on the design and bought some fabric – what fun – for my contribution, and I hope you have, too. It really would be wonderful to donate over 22 quilts to the QOV program in June from the Orillia Quilters' Guild. Good Luck to all of you participating. I'll be available to lend any help you might need.

Our next meeting on January 21st starts with our annual **Pot Luck** Lunch at 12 noon. My mouth begins watering at the words 'Pot Luck' – so remember to bring something you'd like all of us to enjoy eating! Also, bring your cutlery, plate and mug. Coffee and Tea will be available.

Following lunch the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will begin, during which you will be asked if there are any further nominations for the next Executive, while those names already put forward, will be read. Eventually your new executive will be introduced!

There will be papers on each table for your perusal – the 2014 AGM minutes and Financial Statement – and you will be asked for a motion to accept these as read. There are also reports submitted by each committee of their activities over this past year for you to read. For everyone's benefit, it has been a busy year and *your support* is your interest in the behind-the-scenes activities. I think we have done a good job.

Once the AGM is over we will carry on with a regular meeting, with Show and Share, 25-25-50 Draw, Outreach Cuddle Quilts and socializing!

Our common link is the *love of quilting*, it's what brings us here every month. We also love to learn new techniques –and short cuts- and patterns, from guest speakers, and to socialize and make new friends. Volunteers are always needed to help meet these goals so don't be shy! Jump in and your friends will be here to help you. For example, our Hospitality ladies, Patt and Peggy, are ready to hand over their duties to another team and they are willing to orientate their replacements. How good is that?

Thank you all for accepting me as your president over the past year. It has been a pleasure knowing you and playing with you! Our executive of very dedicated, helpful, and talented ladies made my job fun and interesting . Let's keep this friendship going.

Frances

President	Frances Westgarth
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LIBRARY

Chris and I have really enjoyed the past year as your Co-Chairs of the Library program. It's been interesting to research new books and check out the offerings of both long respected quilt experts as well as the new breed of quilters. We added at least 25 new books to the roster so hopefully you were all able to find things of interest that could either build your skills or inspire you to try new things. We have pitched out, sorted, organized and tried to just keep the library current and relevant.

As our year ends, we both decided to move on to try helping out in new areas for the Guild so will leave the Library in new hands once again. But first, we wanted to recognize the hard work of Joyce Smith and Linda Hartwick who have been such dedicated worker bees at every meeting making sure you found what you were searching for, checking books in and out and just generally keeping the library running smoothly. Thanks to you both for all you've done.

Trudy Kamburis



WORKSHOPS

Upcoming Workshops (all are \$35.00) sign up at the meeting.

February 17	CUBES IN SPACE	by Sew Squared (Sue Bodis)
April 21	CIRCLE QUILT	by Diana Thompson
May 19	AUTUMN LEAVES	by Ruth Kennedy
June 16	DOMESTIC MACHINE QUILTING	by Jen Houlden



OUTREACH

Many thanks to all the people who donated warm clothing for the less fortunate last month.

Since last meeting, quilts have been delivered to Hospice Orillia, Trillium Manor, VCRS and the Dialysis Unit at the hospital.

Dialysis bags were delivered and they now have an over-abundance of them so we don't need to make any for awhile.

Socks, mitts and hats were taken to Green Haven and socks to The Lighthouse. I still have a bag of men's socks that I will take at the beginning of Feb.

If anyone forgot or they were away, I would be pleased to take any socks as they are always needed. I did learn something new. I did not know that the Lighthouse was used by men, women and children. Since I delivered to Green Haven first, I only had men's socks left for the Lighthouse.

I would like to thank everyone for all the work you have done to help the outreach program this past year.

Loretta



MEMBERSHIP

If you have not yet paid your membership ———it is due now!



COOKIE CREW

January

POTLUCK

February

Nancy Cameron
Rena Wallis
Christine Palmer
Patt Carter



A **SALE** to raise funds for the **Stephen Lewis Foundation** in our community in 2015.

We are in the process of *collecting merchandise* for this event.

WE NEED

FABRICS and NOTIONS

such as bolts or pieces of fabric, zippers, buttons, patterns, beads, also used fabrics.

SEWING SUPPLIES

ribbon, Velcro, tools, quilting and hooking supplies

YARN - all kinds

and knitting needles, crochet hooks, pattern books

CRAFT SUPPLIES

wreath forms, silk flowers, glitter, foam

Vintage Items

lace, buttons, linens, belts



The Mariposa Grandmothers raise money that is donated to the Stephen Lewis Foundation. These funds assist African Grandmothers in raising their orphaned grandchildren and sustain the vital work of turning the tide of AIDS in Africa.

Your donations will benefit the lives of many.
You may reach us at 705 – 326 – 3096 to arrange for pick up!

The timing of the sale is October, so they will accept things up until September, and since storage will be an issue, they would encourage anyone who can hold onto these items until closer to the time to do so. If someone has to get rid of things earlier that is fine.

Threads of Hope for African Grandmothers

This textile art Exhibit is being held here in Orillia at the Museum of Art & History on Peter St. S. The exhibit runs from Jan 15 – Feb 5. Quilts and other textile items will be on display and should be an extremely interesting show.

www.orilliamuseum.org

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
February 18, 2014

Don't Forget:

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

50/50 Winners - DECEMBER

Marion Gerry Jenny Lafere
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.



OH MY STARS

Quilt Show

Region Of York Quilters' Guild

March 28 10am - 5pm

March 29 10am - 4pm

Vendors

Quilt Appraiser

Tea Room

Newmarket Community Centre

200 Doug Duncan Dr.

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QUILT FEVER 2015

Etobicoke Quilters' Guild

March 27 10am - 5pm

March 28 10am - 5pm

March 29 10am - 4pm

Raffle

Door prizes

Merchants' Mall Tea Room

Neilson Park Creative Centre

56 Neilson Dr.

Etobicoke

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