



SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

ORILLIA QUILTERS' GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! There's going to be lots to celebrate in 2017, as it's Canada's AND Orillia's 150th Birthday! What a year it will be! We have lots to celebrate in our guild too; it's the start of an exciting new year, and before I step down as President I want to thank the wonderful women on the 2016 Executive who supported me during my term.

When I was working, I posted a picture of a swimming duck on the wall above my desk with the caption " Be like a duck; smooth and serene on the surface, paddling like he** underneath". I think this describes everyone on our guild's Executive; each and every person fulfilled their role by working hard while making it look easy.

In no particular order, let's take a closer look at the activities and services our Executive provided for us in 2016: two guest speaker workshops (Stained Glass Quilts with Joni Newman and Seasonal Landscapes with Pat Reynolds. Both Joni and Pat were billeted by members); a workshop to make quilts for a Syrian refugee family, one to make placemats for Seniors' residences, Joanne and Gail's 'Introduction to Bargello'; monthly star blocks and draws; 50/25/25 draws; a Co-President's Challenge with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place; a blog submission to CQA; organization and delivery of cuddle quilts etc. to local agencies; a bus trip to Quilt Canada; monthly guild meetings full of information including interesting and diverse guest speakers and Schoolhouse presentations. Then there was the welcome setup of coffee, tea and members' goodies; our monthly newsletter; a website; a visitors and membership list and name tags; minutes recording monthly Executive meetings; a Christmas social with treats; monthly access to an updated library; our Sunshine Quilt show; trustworthy management of our membership fees and guild monies, and Executive-managed disbursement of funds which includes insurance and our meeting venue. That's quite a list! (My apologies if I've missed anything).

I also want to celebrate members who acted as 'white gloves, set up and take down people, providers of baked goods (with thanks to the Executive for organizing the sign-up sheets), makers of cuddle quilts, placemats, dialysis bags and quilts for the Legion. Not to mention the makers of Show and Share quilts and participants in the Simcoe County Quilt, Rug and Craft Fair and Quilt Canada in Toronto.

So you see how important each and every one of us is to our guild? We rely on one another to make a success of the Orillia Quilters' Guild, because together we ARE the guild. I believe 2016 was a very successful year and for that I thank and celebrate not only the Executive but everyone in the guild who contributed in some way. Together we definitely "promoted interest and excellence in quilting"!

Leslie Quinn

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

Meeting at: Royal Canadian Legion,
Downstairs

Mississaga St., Orillia

Third Wednesday of the month

1:00 pm to 3:00pm

President	Leslie Quinn
Past President	Gillian Isnor-McVeigh
Vice President	Betty Norberg
Secretary	Meryl Drake
Treasurer	Marilyn Lippert

2017 MEETING DATES

Mark your calendars, here are the Guild's 2017 Wednesday Meeting Dates at the Legion, main floor. Unless otherwise stated, start time is 1:00 pm

January 18	Potluck Lunch at Noon and AGM at 1:00
February 15	
March 15	
April 19	
May 17	
June 21	
July	No meeting in July
August 16	
September 20	
October 18	
November 15	
December 13	Christmas Social, with goodies provided by the Executive

OUTREACH

Quilts were delivered to Trillium Manor, Soldier's Memorial Hospital and the Child Advocacy Centre. The lady at the advocacy centre said she wishes they could take pictures of the children when they are given quilts but, of course, they can't. Spencer House is in need of bib-aprons so I have a few cut today for anyone who wishes to put some together. Remember, the work day for slab quilts is Thursday, Jan. 19. There is more info in the attached email.

Submitted by Loretta Hughes

SCHOOLHOUSE

Have you been bitten by the Canadian Sesquicentennial bug?

Well if you thought you might tackle a Canadian themed quilt, I am here to help you! These patterns can be found on the internet, in local quilt shops or by contacting the artists. Here's what I found:

Quilts of Valour (QoV) website

Forever Maple Leaf by Wanda Designs

Maple Leaf Two Step by H. Corinne Hewitt

Maple Leaf Applique for QoV by Joan Smith

Maple Leaf Forever by Lois Miller

Scrappy Maple Leaf Quilt by Cindy Carter

Golden Maple by Lesley Zwaal

Maple Stars by Diane Nagle

Quilt of Valour Hidden Agendas by Gina DeLorenzi

Sew Sisters, Toronto ON- The Canadian Sampler

Northcott- Patriotic Collection

Glorious and Free

Our Native Land

True North

Oh Canada (free pattern)

My Canada

Others

Maple Leaf Parade by Wanda Designs

Purely Canadian by Jen Houlden

Oh Canada by Wanda Designs

Canadian Flag by Sonya Fetch

This Is Canada by Wanda Designs

Homecoming by Shania Sunga

Maple Leaf Block by Becky Campbell

Northern Neighbours by Deb Tucker

O Canada, bench pillow by KimberBell

True North by Patchworks Studio

Canadian Maple by Patrick Lose

Oh Canada! By Julie Boehringer Monthly Minis #3 July in Canada by J. Boehringer Monthly Minis #5

Canadian Flag Quilts (free patterns) by Quilt Inspiration.blogspot.com

Canadian Mystery Quilt by Shania Sunga (Cantik Batiks)

The Great Canadian Red and White Quilt by Oakville Quilters' Guild

Canada 150 Women by Next Step Quilt Designs

Canada 150 year Birthday Logo - paper pieced by sea-sew.blogspot, ca

Happy Birthday Canada!

MEMBERSHIP

Please bring your filled out renewal form and payment for the next meeting. They can be mailed if you are away or unable to attend to PO Box 155, Orillia, L3V 6J3

Submitted by Sandy McFadden

LIBRARY

New book in the library

526 Quilt As-You-Go Made Modern by Jera Brandvig

Submitted by Rena Wallis

SIMCOE COUNTY QUILT,RUG & CRAFT FAIR

If the membership still wants to participate in the Craft Fair someone from our Guild needs to participate in the planning and sit on the committee for the Craft Fair. This consists of about 3 or 4 meetings per year held at the museum. The meetings are usually in the morning.

Please let me know ASAP if you would be willing to sit on the committee.

Submitted by Pat Hill

OUTREACH - WHO DO WE HELP

This page is an info sheet about all the places we help each year.

1. Hospice Orillia – After a client has passed away, Hospice runs an eight week bereavement group for family members. This happens 2 or 3 times a year. After the course, the person is given a cuddle quilt or wall-hanging to keep. This involves 7-10 people each time.
2. Trillium Manor – This is a nursing home. When a person is in palliative care, a cuddle quilt or small quilt to brighten their bed is given to them. The family keeps the quilt.
3. Soldier's Memorial Hospital – We give dialysis bags to dialysis and oncology to cover the picks. The bags are made of flannel and are 5 and 1/2 inches folded in half and sewn. The top is sewn to make a sleeve for a fine ribbon. The ribbon needs to be long enough to tie easily. We also give quilts to the dialysis unit. Each new patient is given a quilt to keep. They prefer a flannel or fleece backing so the quilt won't slide off. These quilts need to be about 50 by 60 inches.
4. Green Haven – This is a woman and children's shelter. They can use children's quilts. We also collect socks and mitts in February and toiletries for Easter.
5. Spencer House – This is a nursing home. We make bib-aprons for them. The backs are flannel. I will bring them to guild to be sewn.
6. Couchiching Jubilee House – This place helps local women and children who are homeless or at a risk of homelessness. They have a place to live for up to a year. We make bags for them at Christmas. When the woman leaves for her new home, she is given a quilt.
7. VCRS- This is a group that provides support for victims in crisis. Quilts are given to the children and adults.
8. Lighthouse – This is a place that offers food for men, women and children. It is a shelter with 14 beds for men. We collect socks in February and toiletries for Easter
9. Senior homes – We make Christmas place mats to brighten up Christmas dinner. The place mats are finished size 12 by 15 inches.
10. Child Advocacy – This place helps children who have been abused. They help children from 3-18 years old. Quilts are given to a child when needed.

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 to PO Box 155
 Orillia L3V 6J3

**Next Meeting
 September 21, 2016**

Don't Forget:

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

50/50 Winners - November
 Loretta Hughes Penny Fitchett
 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.



February
 Alice Hutt
 Trudy Kamburis
 Sharon Tarr
 Carol Agnew

March
 Judy Dagenais
 Sandy McFadden
 Rena Wallis
 Grace Wise



February
 Alice Hutt
 Rena Wallis
 Marcia Stephen
 Pat Hill

March
 Gillian McIvor-McVeigh
 Jean Harnden
 Dale Jewett
 Shelley Houser



February
 Marcia Stephen

March
 Jean Harnden

Not easy to scan and insert but will give you the idea.
I have some copies if you would like one to copy.

Quilt History

Quilt name: _____

Quilt size: _____

Date started: _____

Date finished: _____

Quilt pieced by: _____

Quilted by: _____

Birth & death dates of quiltmaker: _____

Quilt made for: _____

Quilt made in _____

Present owner of the quilt: _____

Family member's memory of quilt: _____

Colors/Fabrics used: _____

Type of batting: _____

Techniques used:

<input type="checkbox"/> Machine Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/> Machine Appliqued
<input type="checkbox"/> Hand Appliqued	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand Quilted	<input type="checkbox"/> Machine Quilted
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		

Other Information about this Quilt and/or Quiltmaker: _____

Place Photo of Quilt Here

Place Photo of Quiltmaker Here