



SUNSHINE SNIPPETS

ORILLIA QUILTERS' GUILD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's the week before Thanksgiving and I'm visiting with my daughters in Ottawa. I'm beginning to know how writers feel when they get writers block. I took my laptop with me in case I got some inspiration. I'm never usually stuck for words but this month inspiration hasn't struck so I decided to write about it and maybe the words would come.

It's almost like finishing all your projects and not being able to decide what to do next. We all know that never happens, because very few of us ever get everything done before we start something else. There's always a dozen more ideas floating around in our heads, not to mention the kits in the cupboard and the fabrics set aside till you find that one more perfect piece. Then there is the occasional quilter who find a pattern. She goes out and buys just the right amount of fabric. She makes the quilt from start to finish and either gives away the scraps or gets rid of them. I've only known a couple of these types of quilters in all my years of quilting. Alas I'm not one of them. There are the perfectionists. I used to be one of those. I'm not any more, at least not as much as I used to be. Then there are the competitors. I used to be one of those. I'm not any more. I've won all the ribbons I need to. Now I'm just happy to make quilts for people I care about and quilts for my Quilt Guilds. I've come to realize that gifts given, aren't judged. As a friend recently pointed out children don't judge either. They just enjoy the warmth, comfort and colour of a quilt.

I've also just realized, though there are many different types of quilters, we're all quilters doing what we love. I don't know about anyone else but I'm just going to enjoy what I'm doing for as long as I can still thread a needle.

I hope you've all had a wonderful Thanksgiving because by the time you read this it will be behind us. Until next month.

Betty

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	Betty Norberg
Past President	Leslie Quinn
Vice President	Christine Palmer & Kim Wynott
Secretary	Meryl Drake
Treasurer	Marilyn Lippert



PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

This year's theme will be "With a song in my art" It will span the end of this year and the beginning of 2018. That means you've got plenty of time.

The Challenge

Think of a song that you like, or any song that comes to mind. It can be any genre, Country or Pop, an old Rock and roll favourite, or an Old Classic. Then design a wall hanging to fit your song, for instance Johnny Cash's, Ring of fire.

Restrictions

- There aren't many. It must be no larger than 20" wide and 24" long so we'll have room to display some at the quilt show.
- Because I love appliqué, there must be at least one piece of appliqué on it. Any method of appliqué is acceptable It can be pieced embroidered and embellished in any way that pleases you.
- Due date will be the March 2018 meeting. Submissions will be judged at the meeting based on curb appeal by the membership as a whole.
- All submissions must have a hanging sleeve.
- Just for fun, pin a piece of paper to the back, with the name of your song, and we can all try to guess the name of your inspirational song. I hope you'll partake of this challenge and enjoy it. We have some very talented quilters in our Guild and I'd really hate to be the only one participating.

SCHOOLHOUSE

I discovered a way of layering backing, batting and quilt top that did not hurt my back or my knees. It came at a time when I was frustrated with taping, pinning and with spray basting, as I could not get the layers to lie flat and pucker free. This method is demonstrated in 2 videos by

Sharon Schamber:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhwNylePFAA>

and

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_EjBGz5vGQ

This month, I will demonstrate how to successfully baste a quilt, the Sharon Schamber's way.

Submitted by Debbie Hewitt

OUTREACH

We made 3 cuddle quilts on our work day and some people learned how to make the disappearing 4patch. Thanks to all the workers.

Quilts were delivered to Trillium Manor and SMH.

I also delivered 291 Dialysis bags. They do not need any more for awhile. I asked what the preference was for the bags. They can use bags made of fleece but find them too bulky. They prefer flannel. If anyone needs ribbon, I have some that I can bring to our guild meeting.

Submitted by Loretta Hughes

PROGRAM

Our speaker this month is Millie Cumming who will talk to us about Spicing up your Quilts - Making your quilt your own; otherwise letting your voice be heard. Now we can make that quilt pattern and still have a quilt that doesn't look like everyone else's.

Submitted by Gail Duff

LIBRARY

The library will return to regular service at this month's meeting, as the sorting & weeding is finished for the present time. Thank you to all the guild members, for your patience during this process

Any books that were not sold, were donated to the Grandmothers for African Grandmothers Group Yards & Yarns Sale.

Submitted by Carol Agnew

WANTED FOR 2018

Hospitality Volunteer (1) to share the role with Joan Tonner, who recently volunteered to help part-time (thanks, Joan!!)

Are you someone who can spare 5 minutes before and after about half a year's worth of meetings to set up and tidy up member-supplied treats and Legion-supplied supplements to the coffee and tea (stir sticks, creamers etc)?

There's not much to it, but we sure could use your help!

Program/Workshop Volunteers (2)

Have you ever blown out your birthday candles and wished for the power to select guest speakers for the guild?

Have you ever thrown a nickel (since pennies are no more!) in a fountain to wish you could decide on the workshops offered to members?

Have you dreamed from a young age about being on the guild's Executive to work with some fabulous people?

Then this is the role for you!

If you are interested in supporting your guild
by taking on either role,
please see me, Leslie Quinn

Thanks!

SUNSHINE QUILT SHOW

Raffle Tickets!!!!

A reminder to OQG Members...

Please pick up your assigned book of raffle tickets at the October meeting if you have not yet done so.

Note:

**Proceeds from the sale of these Raffle Tickets
will benefit the Activation Department at
Simcoe County's Trillium Manor
Long Term Care Facility
(Our Quilt Show venue)**

Win a Prize!!!!

**The OQG member who sells the most books of tickets wins a \$100.00 gift certificate
from our own Sandy McFadden
for edge-to-edge long arm quilting services!**

So please.....feel free to request additional books from Leslie Quinn

All Forms !!!!! (intent to show, For sale in Market, demo volunteers)

Are available from Pat Hill or on-line from our website.

Big Quilt Bee in Support of Canadian Ronald McDonald Houses

It is very hard to put into words how overwhelmed we all are having regard to the hugely successful Big Quilt Bee. Thank you hardly covers the deep feeling behind those two little words. I was in attendance at the Bee in Toronto and had a chance to meet quilters from all over Canada and to thank them in person for their contribution. It was an amazing couple of days that I won't forget.

The Big Quilt Bee was by all standards an enormous success and an outstanding Canada 150 undertaking. It is in every way a lasting legacy of Canada's 150th years and the quilters who worked so hard to make this such a huge success. Each of the Houses are having such wonderful reactions from families with each gift of a quilt that is given. Each one is a gift that will keep on giving through the years.

On behalf of the 15 Ronald McDonald Houses, our Boards of Directors, staff and of course all the families who call our Houses "home", we extend a heartfelt thank you to you for your generosity, time and talent. Each and every gift of a quilt will make a difference in the lives of the recipient family.

From all of us.....Thank you!

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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.

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Next Meeting
November 15, 2017

Don't Forget:

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

50/50 Winners - September
Penny Fitchett Lynda Robert
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.



October
Jeanne Wallace
Merylyn Vyse
Heather Smith
Elaine McInnes
Janet Clarke

November
Chris Van der Jagt
Joan Mac Naughtan
Mary Staines
Nancy Cameron
Barb Archer



October
Jeanne Wallace
Wendy Robinson
Need more volunteers

November
NEED VOLUNTEERS

Set Up/Take Down
Please arrive by 12

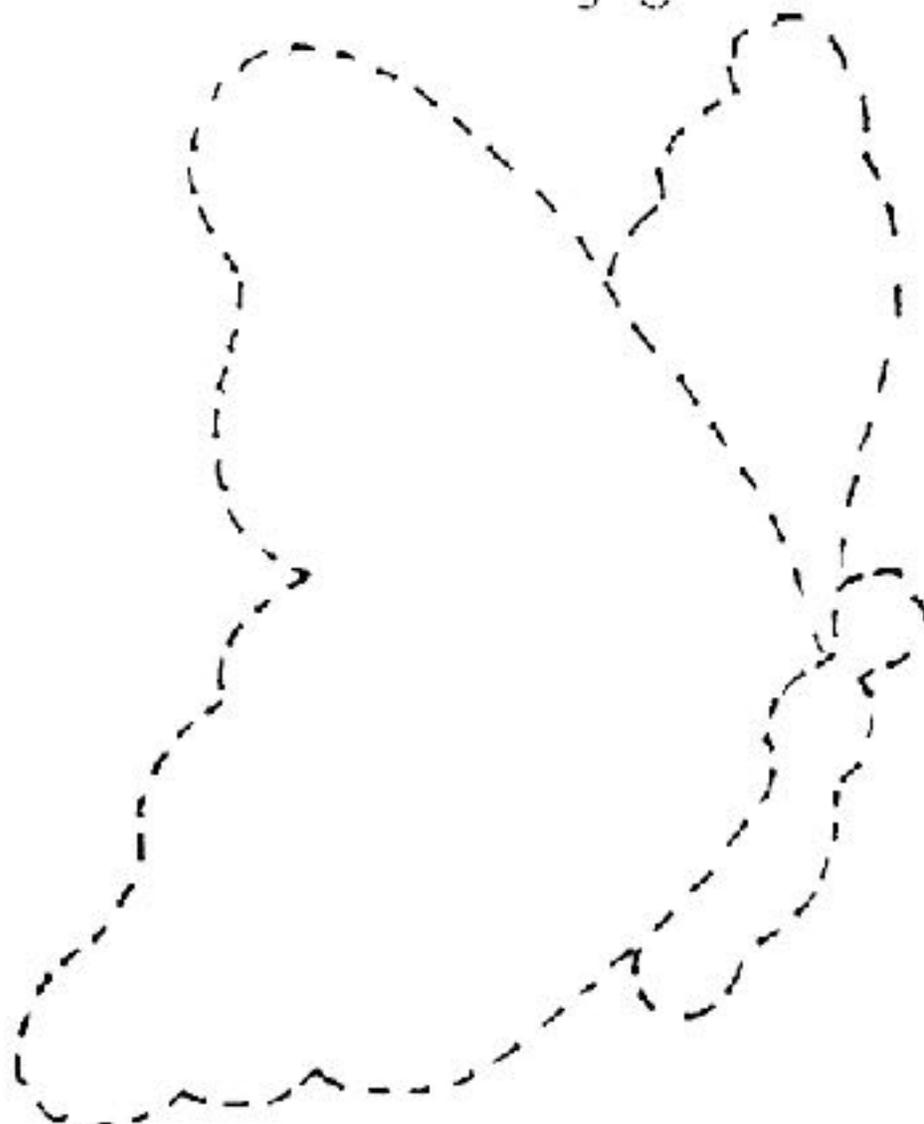


October
Frances Westgarth

November
Leslie Quinn

Design of the Month

~ Butterfly ~



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