



# Sunshine Snippets

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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  
Mississauga St. Orillia  
Third Wednesday of the month

## President's Message



Bonjour, Hello, Welcome!

The Red Red Robbin goes, Bob Bob "Bobbin" along...It just came to me, and I couldn't resist! lol  
SPRING is in the air; EASTER is around the corner; FLOWERS, vibrant with colour will soon be  
Captivating the Countryside! (we hope)

**Envision** and Be Inspired by all the Newness, Nature and Colour; Spring has to offer!

Put some "Spring" into your Quilt Projects!

*Mother Theresa* said, "None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

**"Small things with great love, something wonderful"...**that's what WE do! Presently, Our Guild is establishing a Committee for Our May Quilt Show 2020; we also will require Programmers for next year. Both are opportunities that everyone qualifies for! Yes, you, new members and seasoned members. If you are hesitating, no need, be sure to know we are a TEAM who work, have fun and learn together! Remember by being on one of these committees you get the inside scoop and have a bit more regulation of what transpires! Be the "piece" that completes another "UFO"!

Much Thanks to Our current Programmer's! We love what you do!

### Fat Quarter Frenzy continues...

Purple, is associated with royalty, power and magic. Purple combines the **calm stability of blue**, a strong **cool** colour and **fierce energy of red** a strong **warm** colour.

**For the April Meeting, \*BRING a PURPLE Fat Quarter\*;** for a chance to go home with a bundle.

We all love the chance to add a little colour to our stash.

ENJOY, SMILE & CONNECT,  
Chromatically yours Christine

## *“Snippets of a Quilter “ - Kathy Gray*

My name is Kathy Gray. I am married to Paul (52 years). I have two daughters Angela (Shawn) & Paula (Richard) and granddaughters Sydney 19, Hailey 17 and Adira 18 months.

I started sewing at age 11, using my mom’s Singer sewing machine. Using scraps, I made doll clothes and blankets.

I have always enjoyed doing anything with my hands : knitting, painting, sewing and I love to bake.

I started to work at Evelyn’s Dry Goods on Mississauga St. when I was 15 making \$.50 an hour. With all that beautiful fabric some weeks I owed her money. The fabric came into the store in big sacks and we had to fold it and put it on the cardboard that is used today. The fabric was always folded with right sides together and selvage edges together so the fabric wouldn’t fade in the sun. I made all my own clothes and got free patterns as the old ones were discontinued. Lots of times Paul had to wait for me to finish a hem or button hole before we went out on a date. (Been with him since I was 14).

I only got into quilting about 2006 and so far have made about 15 quilts. I have enjoyed every minute of that and seeing what all those beautiful fabrics will turn out like.

I look forward to the Guild meeting every month as it is so nice to see what other members are making and how talented everyone is.

I will finish my talk at the April meeting.

Thank you

Kathy

## *Program*

Just a reminder that our presentation of Quilts of New Zealand is on Tuesday, April 16 at 1:00pm . It will be in the bar area of the Legion so please enter through the main doors at the end of the parking lot. Admission is \$5.00. If possible please try to have the correct change. Refreshments will be served so remember your mug! Looking forward to a great turnout for an interesting presentation.

On Wednesday, April 17 at our regular Guild meeting our guest speaker will be Mary Katherine Hopkins who will be speaking about fibre art. Check out her blog “Fibre art from Mary Katherine Hopkins”

The workshop with Kelly DuMaresq on May 16 is currently full. We are taking names for a waiting list. Kelly will also be doing a presentation at the regular Guild meeting on May 15.

Submitted by Paula Smith

## *Schoolhouse*

The May 2019 issue of Threads magazine has some great tips from sewers, for sewers. I will bring an ice tray, lint roller, tomato, light/iron/power strip, TicTac container, Aurafil thread spool, straw, unused nail polish bottle, big eye beading needle and share the alternate uses of each of these items. I just might have to go shopping!.

Submitted by Debbie Hewitt

## *Outreach*

There have been so many beautiful quilts donated this year. Thank you. Quilts were delivered to Child Advocacy and New Path Family Services – Residential Treatment Program. The hospital has lots of quilts and dialysis bags for a while. Children's quilts and cheerful quilts for palliative care are at the top of my needs list.

Submitted by Loretta Hughes

## *Sunshine Quilt Show*

The first meeting last month for preparation for our 2020 quilt show was short and rushed as the regular meeting ran late. (No complaints here as Marion's trunk show was fabulous.)

We were still able to fill most positions required to have a great show next year. We still need a secretary to take notes and send out minutes. We also need a second person to help with planning and assisting with the Merchant Mall. As usual, everyone will be asked to volunteer during the event. Loretta Hughes will be putting together the duty roster for the show so free up some time please for the May 2 & 3 event.

Submitted by Marg Parke

*50/50 Winners - March*

**Marion Gerry Gisele Levesque**

Don't forget to come early to sell tickets

Fat Quarter Winner – Nancy Thompson

*White Glovers/Goodie Providers (mmm)*

Have you been holding back from coming up front because you were unsure, uncomfortable, or not exactly sure how to join in as a White Glover?

Perhaps you have shoulder problems or unsteady on a ladder, no worries.

Not all opportunities require physical strain.

We've made **how we come forward** to assist with white gloving and providing goodies **available to all of us** with the opportunity to connect with people through another common "thread", the first letter of your last name!

We are also sharing some **Etiquettes of a White Glover** to *aid in your comfort level!*

- "Giver", Hands quilt to ladies on ladders (Holders)
- "Holders", Show the front of Quilt, to the left, centre and right
- "Holders", Show the back of the Quilt, to the left, centre and right
- "Holders", Show quilt front until speaker is finished
- "Takers", Fold and place quilt on table to be displayed for all to **ogle** over during break!
- Comfort Quilts and small items may be walked in front of members for a closer look

Opportunity to be a White Glover and Goodie Providers are as follows:

Each Month, Members with **Surnames beginning** with the **same initial** will partner up!

February **A & B**      March **C**      April **D to G**      May **H**

June **I to N**      August **P to R**      September **S**

October **T to V**;      November **W to Z**.

*Missed your turn? Please bring your treats to October's meeting!*

**Who shares the initial of your last name?**

Perhaps, check out the membership list as you arrive the month before. Make a plan and connect with others.

Or just "wing it."

We all delight in the Viewing of our Quilts and of course, sampling the Goodies,

Over a good cup of tea/coffee and conversation with our fellow members!

**Enjoy, Smile, And Connect!**

## Simcoe County Quilt, Rug and Craft Fair

### Save the Dates

September 20,21,22 2019

As usual I will be looking for Volunteers for the show to work as a White Glover or in the Marketplace.

This years' featured theme is Hallowe'en. Your wallhanging is limited to a maximum perimeter of 120 inches. (for example – wallhanging 20” x 40”).

Think about entering a quilt or wallhanging into the show or make some quilted items to sell in the Marketplace.

I will have forms with me at every meeting, so if I don't see you please find me.

Submitted by Pat Hill

## Upcoming Events and Quilts Shows

April 26-27	Quilts on the Seaway, St John's Presbyterian Church, Cornwall
April 26-27	Quilts in the Ottawa Valley, Arnprior & District Quilters' Guild, Arnprior
May 3-4	Quilting in the Village, Thames Valley Quilters' Guild, London
May 9-11	Pieces of Magic Quilt Show, Oxford Quilters' Guild, Ingersoll
May 21-25	St Jacob's Quilt and Fibre Arts Festival, St. Jacobs
May 24-25	Connecting the D.O.T.S. Quilt Show, Dunnville's Own Tiny Stitchers, Dunnville
May 24-25	Quilting Treasures Quilt Show, Lindsay Creative Quilt Guild, Lindsay
June 7	Quaker Quilt Show, Quaker Quilt Guild, Norwich
June 8-9	"Stitching Among Friends" Quilt Show, Quilting Corners Quilt Guild, Alliston
June 15-19	Quilt Canada 2019, Ottawa <a href="http://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2019/">http://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2019/</a>
Sept. 20-22	Simcoe County Quilt, Rug and Craft Fair, Simcoe County Museum, Midhurst