

S'QUILT (News and Views)

SARNIA QUILTERS' GUILD – promoting the art of quilting

Held at Redeemer Christian Reformed Church, 5834 Blackwell Sideroad (off London Line)

www.sarniaquiltersguild.org

January 2017

January 9th

Library opens at 6:00

Meeting begins at 7:00

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw – Canadian Winter (white on white)

Program - Trunk Show with Carol Cote and Sue Smith

Show and Tell

Refreshments – 10 minutes after the meeting in the fellowship hall

Those bringing snacks are those with last names beginning with 'Phil' through those with last names beginning with 'Smi'.

Coming Up

Sat., Jan. 14th – Machine Quilting with Your Domestic Machine— Carol Cote—\$20

Sat., Jan. 21st and Feb. 11th – Learn to Quilt with Freda Porter— \$40 (two days)

February 6

Library opens at 6:00

Meeting begins at 7:00

50/50 Draw

Fat Quarter Draw – Canadian Love
(Surprise us with your favourite colour)

Program - The Finer Points of Finishing Quilts by a Long Armer - Jacki Bennett of RMC Quilts in Port Huron

Show and Tell

Refreshments – 10 minutes after the meeting in the fellowship hall

Those bringing snacks are those with last names beginning with 'Span' through with last names beginning with 'Z'.

Coming Up

Sat., Feb. 4th and Feb. 18th - Jacket class with Donna Moore— \$40 (two day class)

Sat., Feb. 11th—Learn to Quilt with Freda Porter

Classes will be held at St. Bart's Church at the corner of Colborne and Cathcart – across from Oak Acres shopping centre, - unless otherwise indicated. Doors will open for classes at 8:30. Classes begin at 9:00. Please be on time and have your machine set up and ready to begin class at 9:00.

Please check above to see if it's your turn to bring snacks for January or February.

And thank you!

President's Bits and Pieces

Happy New Year! I am actually writing this during our first major snowfall. At the risk of getting booted, I like snow. It looks so pretty and fresh and peaceful. I may need to reread this come February to see if I feel the same way. The first half of my term as president flew by. In case, you can't tell I am really enjoying being president. The new year brings lots of great speakers, classes, National Quilt Day and Mystery Bus trip - if you didn't get a chance to sign up for things in December, we will be doing sign up at the January meeting. Remember the January meeting is the 9th.



I saw this on Facebook and it applies today. 'The weather outside is frightful and the sewing machine is so delightful, let us sew, let us sew, let us sew'.



Leigh Hathaway

The January executive meeting (for the February guild meeting) will be held on January 23rd at the home of Leigh Hathaway, 264 Kathleen Street at 7:00. Any questions, please give Leigh a call at 519-337-7655.



Sarnia Humane Society doesn't need any more scraps of fabric at this time as they have an overabundance of them. They will let us know when they need more. If anyone knows of another place to donate the scraps please let us know.

December 5th SQG Meeting

Our meeting tonight was chaired by our president Leigh Hathaway. She began by reading a thank you card from McMaster NeoNatal unit for the guild's donation of premie blankets. The guild also received a thank you from Laverene Phills, representative of the Quilts of Valour, for all of our support.

Welcome to our guests Shelly Kossio, Patricia More, Nancy Kotrell, and Lou.

Reminders – There is still time to join the "Newbie Challenge"; see Janet Dudek for instructions and fabric.

Comfort Quilts – A big thank you from Henri Saucier to all those who helped finish 33 comfort quilts. They will be delivered to St. Clair Child and Youth, Huron House Boy's Home, and the Salvation Army next week.

Kitchen – Christine Golub was overwhelmed by the amount of snacks and goodies brought by members for our social this evening, thank you to all. The extras will be delivered to Huron House Boy's Home.



Christmas Block Exchange – Twelve members exchanged Christmas blocks that they created. Each person brought in a block which was put into a numbered paper bag. Each person then choose a bag and received a block that someone else had made. Everyone came up to stand on the platform and show their new block. It was nice to see all of the different blocks.

Mystery Bus Trip – Guild Vice President Sam Stancic, with the help of Colombo (a. k. a. Leigh Hathaway), gave us details about a mystery bus trip; that is, a "murder mystery bus trip". Sam told

us about the fun to be had on February 25, 2017. The bus leaves at 8:00 a.m. and returns at 8:00 p.m. from the Wal-Mart parking lot, making 4 stops during the day. Lunch is also included, for \$60.00. Sign up was at the meeting tonight and will also be after the meeting in January.



Congratulations!

Fat Quarter Winners - Ingrid McTavish, Patsy Karpan, Brenda Bouma, Dorothy Drury

50/50 Winner – Heather Maslen

Show n' Tell Winners – Alice King, Jacki Bennett, Paula Lacasse, Joan Maguire, Rosemary McGee, and Freda Porter

Program – There will be sign-ups tonight for classes in the new year. Everyone was given a pamphlet detailing up-coming classes.

Tonight's festive program started with Show n' Tell and continued on with Audrey Carr on the guitar leading Nora Boyd, Hillary Work, Leigh Hathaway, Lisa Johnson, Jan Lancaster and Ingrid McTavish

singing a Canadian version of the Twelve days of Christmas. Wonderful job ladies! We then enjoyed listening to our



own fabulous storyteller, Sue Ross, reading the story of the Quilt of Belonging. This was followed by Audrey Carr instructing us in the making of a fabric origami ornament. After our crafting we had fun with a Christmas gift exchange game lead by Nora Boyd completed our festive evening. We then gathered in the Fellowship room for visiting and all those delicious treats.

Thank you to the Program Committee for a fun evening.

Happy New Year to all.

Minutes by Paula Lacasse, secretary

Thank you to everyone for helping out with the Comfort Quilts. I delivered 33 quilts before Christmas to some very happy recipients. They went to St. Clair Child and Youth, the Salvation Army and the Boy's Home (they were thrilled with the quilts. Little did I know that they have twelve boys there and just by chance, that was how many quilts I delivered). Henri Saucier



Trivia Questions for January

1. The meaning of a "spider" when embroidered on a quilt is?
2. Why are colour dots printed in the selvage of fabrics?
3. Colours "recede" if they are cool, light or toned down. True or False?
4. Superstition: Placing a cat on a finished quilt and shaking the quilt causing the cat to jump would reveal what?
5. In paper piecing, what should you do to your stitching to prevent fabric fraying or tearing when removing the foundation paper?

Answers can be found on page 5

Deadline for the February newsletter will be Sunday, January 22nd at 10:00 pm. Please send all news and information to:

lyndouggriffin@gmail.com

From Program.....

For January Program: Trunk Show with two SQG members Sue Smith who managed Forever Quilting and is an accomplished hand quilter and Carol Cote, who began quilting when she retired and won Judges Choice at Houston in 2015.

February program is The Fine Art of Finishing a Quilt by a Long Armer - with Jackie Bennet of RMC Quilts

Regarding Workshops for 2017- Carol Cote's Free Motion Quilting Class is full. Yvette Sullivan's Free Motion and Thread Painting Class is full.

There are still spaces in :

—Beginners Class with Freda Porter on Saturday January 21 and Feb 11, cost \$40.00 (2 day class)



—Making a Quilted Jacket with Donna Moore on Saturdays February 4 and 18, cost \$40.00 (2 day class)



—Al Cote's Mat Class (quilted rug) Tuesday May 2, cost \$50.00



—David Taylor's 1 day Appliqué Class Saturday June 17, cost \$80.00



Please contact nlboyd5@gmail.com to register there will be registration in January as well.

If you know of an illness or a death in the family of someone in the guild, please pass that information on to Paula Lacasse at paula_lacasse@cogeco.ca or call 519-542-6383.



Mystery Bus Trip

The Sarnia Quilters' Guild is planning a bus trip. NOT just any bus trip it's a MYSTERY bus trip. Do you like a mystery? If so this is the trip for you. All you need is your credit card and we will supply the fun. We will be leaving on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. and heading to our mystery destination returning around 8:00 p.m. Lunch and dinner are included also at a mystery destination.

So come on climb on board the Mystery Express with us. The approximate cost will be \$60.00 per person—the full amount will need to be paid at the January meeting. The date is weather permitting.

All those interested please email your Vice President, Samantha at sammysullivan@cogeco.ca or call 519-464-2606.



From the Kitchen Committee Coordinator

Thank you once again for filling the tables with an amazing selection of delicious holiday baked goods. It was certainly a great kick off to the holiday season. All left over treats were dropped off at the Huron House Boys Home and the women who helped me unload were overwhelmed with the generosity of the Sarnia Quilters' Guild. They just knew those treats would bring a lot of joy to the boys!

I would also like to thank the continued support by the kitchen volunteers and those who jump in to lend a hand!

Thanks! Christine Golub

COME BROWSE BORROW RETURN

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE!

Resolve to visit our library often in the new year. There are lots of pattern books to inspire you.

The assistants for January are Theresa Foubisher, Sue Gimpel, and Suzanne Michaud. Try to be there at 5: 50 to set up.

Dawna Joy Lapeare

A hint..... When attaching a quilt binding, accordion-fold it, then put it in a plastic zip-loc bag. Tape the bag to the front of your sewing machine table. Your binding will now feed into the machine without tangling or falling to the floor.

January Helpers

Membership—Pat Preudomme and Barb McNeill

50/50— Toni Ambrose and Donna Hertz

Fat Quarters—Henri Saucier

Show and Tell

Sign In — Karen Van Ooteghem and Jacki Bennett

Set Up— Nell Vanderheide and Sharon Bilodeau

Take Down— Jacki Bennett and Karen Van Ooteghem

Kitchen

Set Up—Rhoda Barnes and Yvonne Tranter

Clean Up—Gerdie Heringa and Lavern Phills



Thank you for all of the aprons. There were 60 aprons donated. The Inn of the Good Shepherd received 50 and the Hospice 10. Once again, we do good work!

Leigh Hathaway



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Lynn Le Faive from Inn of the Good Shepherd

For the New Year New Diet Program



Quilting Services

—**Carol Cote** - Sarnia - longarm quilting

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—**Jacki Bennett** - Port Huron - longarm quilting

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—**Kelly McGee-Bunda** — Corunna - longarm quilting

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—**Henrietta Saucier** – Sarnia - longarm quilting

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Please call or email for services and rates. You must be a paid member to have your name listed here. To add your name to this list please email your information to lyndouggriffin@gmail.com

Answers to Trivia:

1. Patience
2. They are used to help coordinate fabrics and fabric colours
3. True
4. The next girl to get married was the one closest to the cat when it jumped out of the quilt.
5. Use a shorter stitch length, this will cause the paper to tear much as if it had been perforated