

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild

NEWSLETTER February 2017

President's Message

Hello everyone,

I am watching the snow blow around as I write this. Isn't February just a great month to quilt! Our quilt show is only a few months away ... yikes ... better get some items ready! That also means that spring is only a little while off.

For those who may have started to see the Canada 150 passports around Arnprior, please note that the only part of the quilt show which is free is entrance to the tea room and special Canada 150 travelling exhibit. Admission to the show is still \$6.00 and includes the market mall.

Did you get some great ideas from our demo night last month? I know that I walked away with a couple of tips that I will implement. Now if I can get someone to volunteer to come fold my fabric neatly haha I have a better chance of getting the new executive in place by March!! I have actually started and have two shelves out of 12 done! This might take a while.

I am really looking forward to our February meeting when we will assemble some tops for the CQA big quilt bee. We have enough quilt blocks for 8 quilts now and may have enough for 10 by the end of the month. Don't forget to bring in your finished blocks.

Happy Quilting,

Brigid Whitnall, President



Program Notes

<u>Upcoming Meeting Notes</u>

February Charity Night (Feb.22)

For this meeting we would like 10 sewing machines. Members will have a choice of putting squared blocks into quilts, preemie production or jelly roll quilts. If you can bring a machine, please email Chris Gordon at chrisgordon08@sympatico.ca. We will also need 2 ironing stations (ironing boards and irons). 187 blocks have already been completed!

Looking Ahead

February 22	Guild Meeting	- Charity Projects
March 22	Guild Meeting	- Barb Leffering - Trunk Show, speaking on long-arm quilting
		and shortcuts
		- Garage Sale
April 4	Workshop	- High Tech Tucks by Anne Cornel
April 26	Guild Meeting	 Anne Coulas Trunk Show (specializing in Textile Art,
		Liturgical Banners, Irish Banners, and Handmade Purses)
		- Challenges due - just in time for the Quilt Show!
April 29-30	Quilt Show!	
May 6	Workshop	 Machine Quilting - Beyond the Basics by Katrina Kahn
May 24	Guild Meeting	- Laura Piggot Trunk Show with Modern Quilting
	•	- Elections
June 21	Guild Meeting	 End-of-year Potluck: (M-Z bring food)
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Challenges

Just a reminder that we are looking forward to seeing your wonderful creations for the Baby Block, Crayon and President's Challenges on April 26.

Workshops

Anne Cornel - High Tech Tucks

Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry invented this simple 3D technique which she called "High Tech Tucks." In a single day you can create an "op art" quilt which changes colours as you view it from different angles. Anne fell in love with it when she visited her studio in Paducah and has her permission to teach the class.

See sample and registration with Pat and Joyce on Guild Night. Max -15.

You can see a picture of the finished work of art on the Workshops page on the guild website.

Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Location: Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church, 116 Baskin Dr. W., Arnprior

Fee: \$25 members/\$30 non-members

Katrina Kahn - Machine Quilting: Beyond the Basics

Are you stuck in a rut with your machine quilting and find yourself always quilting the same motifs? If the answer is yes this workshop is for you! In this open workshop we will explore different techniques and motifs to take your machine quilting knowledge to the next level. We will discuss which designs fit different quilts as well as how to choose the density of the motifs and threads to use. We will cover traditional and modern designs. There will be time to ask questions and practice stitching the designs covered.

Quilters will need:

- their sewing machines in good working order
- a free-motion foot that works on your machine and the ability to drop the feed dogs or cover them
- pad of paper and pen
- power bar
- several 9" quilt sandwiches ready to practice on
- a contrasting thread that you can see on your quilt sandwiches and several bobbins wound
- topstitch needles
- small scissors for trimming thread
- machingers or machine quilting gloves (if you prefer)

Katrina Kahn kat153@yahoo.com

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2017 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church, 116 Baskin Dr. W., Arnprior

Fee: \$30 members/ \$35 non-members

For a complete schedule and workshop descriptions, please visit our website at http://arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com/schedule.html

Gwen Pennings, Program Director

Garage Sale in March!

Wednesday March 22

Start clearing your fabric stash, tools, books, magazines, UFOs. Share your bounty. Someone else would enjoy working with them. Be sure to have prices clearly marked and lots of change for quick sales. Sales starts at 6:30-7:00, then again at break time. Tables are free for members/\$5 for non members. Register with Pat at 613-623-6310 or bpcampbell100@gmail.com ahead of time, so tables are set up for you.

Notes on our Charities

Slab Block Workshop for the CQA Big Quilt Bee

This workshop was held on February 4th, and was very productive! Twelve members attended, and the end result was 187 completed blocks!

The day was lots of fun... the room would also get very quiet at times when everyone was hard at work. We had many residents drop by to see what we were doing and they all enjoyed having us there as well. It was a great day of socializing and teamwork... not to mention how productive we were. I had no idea how many blocks we would have!







Chris Gordon, Vice-President

Treasurer's Report

General Account Opening balance Jan 1, 2017: \$10,351.36

Income: \$622.55 Expenses: \$4785.67 Closing balance Jan 31, 2017: \$6,188.24

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Charity Account: \$1,891.58

Petty Cash Petty cash: \$26.50

Jan Smith, Treasurer



More Information

To keep you informed between guild meetings, the guild <u>web site</u> is being updated regularly with information and photos from our guild activities.

Be sure to check out <u>recent blog postings</u> including photos and highlights of our January guild meeting, recent workshops, and donation of our "Bingo" quilt to The Grove Nursing Home in Arnprior.

And for a listing of upcoming local quilt shows see the <u>Links page</u> (accessed by clicking on Resources).

Janet Brownlee, Communications

Web site: www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com



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Membership

Our January meeting had 59 members sign including 3 new members, and we were happy to welcome 4 guests!



Penny Carruthers, Membership

Congratulations, January Winners!

50/50 Draw: Dona Lamoureux
Gift Basket: Rosemary Duhn
Block of the Month: Emma Russell
Guess the Number of Pages: Rennie Hickey
Door Prizes: Eleanor Kenny, Marilyn Cavanagh, Beth Wolfe, Jan Smith, Liz Gray, Inge Scanlan, Pat
Woytowich



PIES!!!!!!



We will be serving pies as our dessert item at the Quilt Show Tea Room.

To this end, we will be asking the Quilt Guild members to make pies for us.

We have aluminum pie plates to give out so that the pieces are uniform in size, and members don't have to retrieve valuable pie plates after the quilt show.

Please consider making 1, 2, or 3 pies (or more)!

Any kind is welcome except for cream pies and meringue, because we have limited fridge space and don't want to run afoul of any health regulations.

We will ask that the pies be delivered on Friday April 28, if possible.

Pick up your pie plate(s) at the next Guild Meeting!

Thanks so much for your help - we're looking forward to a bustling tea room!

Delicious Refreshments Supplied by our Members!



We always have a nice break during our meetings where we can have a chat with fellow quilters while enjoying a cup of coffee or tea, with a lovely snack brought in by the members that have signed up for the current month.

If you are bringing a baked or home-made item, it would be very helpful to have a slip of paper included with a list of the ingredients. It would save a lot of guesswork on the part of our members with allergies or food sensitivities.

Meeting Notes

Where? Our guild meetings are held at the Christian Education Centre at 257 John Street in Arnprior.

When? Meetings start at 7 PM and our doors open at 6:30. Meetings are generally on the 4th Wednesday of each month (with some exceptions.)

Parking - Please DO NOT park in the church parking lot that is adjacent to the hall. Our lease does not include the parking lot - it must be available for church-related activities. There is plenty of on street parking nearby.

Refreshments – Coffee and tea is prepared by our refreshment committee, who also coordinate the snack roster. Do *"lug a mug"* - bring your own mug to minimize our environmental footprint. And PLEASE keep your refreshments away from the show and tell display table.

Visitors are welcome at our guild meetings. Fee is \$5 for all visitors and guests.

Allergy Alert! Please note that our meetings are allergy free. Please no perfume or perfume products! Thank you.



Our guild logo is the Friendship Star block, symbolizing the spirit of friendship that is always present at the Guild. Blue represents the Madawaska and Ottawa rivers in Arnprior; gold, the sunshine and fields of corn around Arnprior; brown, the acres of farmland in the area; and green, Gillies Grove and surrounding forests and tree