

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild

NEWSLETTER

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President's Report

The chill of fall is in the air as we have launched another great year at the guild. Maybe this weekend I will get a chance to get some little project done for Halloween! I have a nice collection of fabric and every year the day just sneaks up on me and I don't get the projects done. At the very least, I need a new fall table runner! Or maybe a pumpkin wall hanging. Anyone say "squirrel"!

I completely forgot to talk about the president's challenge for the year. It is to make something red and white for our Canada 150 themed quilt show. Those who won door prizes at the June meeting have a head start as they were mostly Canada themed fabrics. If your fabric is beige and red, that's ok too, a lot of the fabric companies used beige instead of white.

I would like to encourage everyone to participate in the guild. There are challenges to complete, block of the month, our sew days and charity projects just to mention a few things. We also are still looking for volunteers to sell tickets... Penny and I have offered to sell tickets if people want to switch with us on the executive! :) Keep in mind that if you do put your name down to participate in an activity, we plan for that many people. As an example, the venue for our first sew day had prepared food for us and not many who signed up were there.

One final comment on people's generosity and how we come together and make things happen. Thank you all who are making stockings, place mats and preemies. Our goal for stockings is a real stretch this year, if everyone pitches in, I think we can make it. Thanks to everyone who made blocks for the Canada 150 quilt. I will give an update at the October meeting as to what is left to do on that one and where people can help.

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Now I am off to finish something for show and tell.

Happy quilting!

Brigid Whitnall President



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Program Notes

Looking Ahead



October 26 Guild Meeting - Sherida Giddings - Trunk Show - Paper & Curved Piecing

October 26 Workshop - Desert Sky

November 2 Sew Day

November 7-10 Quilting Retreat at Providence Point

November 23 Guild Meeting - Nancy Jossinet - Trunk Show - Hand Quilting & Applique

November 26 Workshop - Patchwork Illusion Cubes by Paul Leger

December 14 Guild Meeting - Christmas Potluck; (Surnames A-L bring food).

January 12-15 Quilting Retreat at Providence Point

January 21 Workshop - Ruler/Mat Bag by Chris Gordon

January 25 Guild Meeting - Demos by members February 22 Guild Meeting - Charity Projects

March 22 Guild Meeting - Barb Leffering Trunk Show; also GarageSale.

April 26 Guild Meeting - Anne Coulas Trunk Show; also Challenges brought in.

April 29-30 Quilt Show!

May 24 Guild Meeting - Laura Piggot Trunk Show, alo Elections
June 21 Guild Meeting - End-f-year Potluck: (M-Z bring food)

For a complete schedule, please visit our website at http://arnpriordistrictquiltersquild.com/schedule.html

Workshops

Patchwork Illusion Workshop

Sat., Nov.26, 9:30-3, Paul Leger



In this one day workshop you will play with colours and with knowledge Paul will share. You will learn how to take a traditional quilt block design and create it in a 3D Illusion patchwork cube. The amazing layouts that can be produced will make great Illusion quilts.

Supply cost \$30 (payable to Paul), includes pattern, ruler, handouts and enough fabric to do two blocks.

Workshop Fee- ADQG members: \$35 (non-members \$40)

Arrive at 9:30, workshop starts at 10-3, Arnprior Library.

(For more details, see the Activities/Workshops page, here)

Ruler/Mat Bag Workshop Sat., Jan. 21, 9:30-3:30 Chris Gordon

Chris is offering this custom carry all bag for all your rulers, some patterns and tools when you are sewing away from home. This workshop will be held at the Arnprior Library.

Workshop Fee-\$30 (non-members \$35)
Supply list will follow when we have enough registration

Challenges

President's Challenge 2016-2017

The president's challenge this year is to make something red and white for our Canada 150 themed guilt show in April 2017.

Along with all the quilts made for this challenge, we hope to also have an exhibit of quilts from around Eastern Ontario as all the guilds in the area are producing a quilt for a Canada 150 display. We have our quilt under construction and many of you made blocks during the summer.

The quilt does not have to be a maple leaf, it could be red work, or any other theme, the challenge is around the colour scheme. We will also stretch the boundaries of red/white to include beige as many of the Canada themed fabrics are beige/red.

Best of luck to everyone. Let's fill the room with red and white!

Baby Block Quilt

We still have some blocks left, so you can get in on this challenge

Crayon Challenge

Some members have asked about adding another colour to their chosen crayon, so we agree that you can add white or/and black if you feel that your project will have more of a zip to it.

Monthly Activities

Sew Days

Our next Sew Day is Wednesday, Nov. 2, 9:30-3 at Island View Suites, 30 Jack Crescent, Arnprior. Please sign up in advance. \$10 fee with a surprise for you when arrive. If we do not have enough members sign up, we will cancel this activity. Bring your lunch, sewing machine and whatever projects you are working on. Get some excellent advice from other members, good company and time to just sew the day away with no interruptions! Finish your UFO's for Christmas presents.

Block of the Month

Each month, our members will presented with a new block to create. Draws will be made and someone will go home happy!

For more details, see the website section on Program Activities.

Gwen Pennings Program Director

Quilters' Tip

Elaine Theriault of Northcott Fabrics has posted her thoughts on Pre-washing Fabrics.

To see her post, please <u>click here</u>.



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Notes from the Vice-President



Christmas stockings are due as soon as you complete them. We will be collecting them at the October and November meetings. The Arnprior CWL ladies have asked for them no later than our November meeting so that there is time for them to be filled with toiletries. These stockings accompany the Christmas food bank parcels. We currently have 60 + completed stockings and we have been asked for 250.

Preemies are still being collected and free preemie batts are available at meetings. Representatives from the Neo-natal unit at the Civic will be at our October meeting.

For more details, see the website section on our charity work.

Chris Gordon Vice-President



Membership

We have 67 members - 65 paid and 1 winner from our June meeting and 1 post-dated.

Membership is only \$25 per year! We do our best to keep our membership files up-to-date. Please let us know if any of your contact information changes.

Penny Carruthers Membership



Treasurer

Currently, our Charity Account holds \$2,293.88, and our Regular Account holds \$12,569.91

Jan Smith Treasurer



Congratulations, September Winners!

50/50 Draw: Nicole Box
Gift Basket: Marlene Periard
Guess the Number of Pages: Emma Russell
Door Prizes: Jan Smith, Joyce Murray, Susan Shute, Lynn Wyatt, Janet Brownlee, Julie Carroll,
Eleanor Kenny, Wendy Eitzen, Cathy Rodger, Johanne Vajda

Library



Hello library lovers,

This month our guest will be talking about paper piecing and curved piecing. So, for a different look on the library, every month books reflecting this subject will be available to borrow.

I will also put out one other subject, possibly Fall or winter projects.

As usual, there will be a box of sale items, books are \$1 and magazines 25 cents. Any donation of recent magazines are gratefully received. Everyone loves magazines and any money raised goes towards books for

the library or our monthly "Guess the number of pages". I look forward to seeing everyone and enjoying another great quilting year.

Margaret Fisher Library

More Information



Be sure to keep the guild website on your favourites bar: www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com

To check the blog post to recap the September meeting <u>click here</u>. It includes some photos of Paul's quilts, the selfie that he took, and a photo of the raffle quilt. And check out the <u>Show and Tell</u> area on the web site for photos from September's meeting and from previous years. Thanks to Emma Russell for acting as our guild's photographer again this year.

Don't forget to check the bulletin board at the guild meeting for upcoming events and announcements. For more listings of upcoming quilt shows and events visit the Canadian Quilters Association website: http://www.canadianquilter.com/event-listings.php

We welcome contributions! Do you have a quilting related story or contribution you would like to share? Please let us know about information or web sites that you find of particular interest that you'd like to share via this newsletter with our guild members. You can reach us at our guild email address arnpriorquilters@gmail.com, or using the form on the Contact page of the website: http://arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com/contact.html

Janet Brownlee Communications Director

Meeting Notes

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

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 - <u>Please DO NOT park in the church parking lot</u> 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.

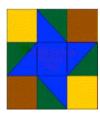
Refreshments – Coffee and tea is prepared by our refreshment committee, who also coordinate the snack roster. Do "lug a mug" - bring your own mug to minimize our environmental footprint. And PLEASE keep your refreshments away from the show and tell display table.

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

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



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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