

# Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Newsletter

November 2013

Winter is quickly arriving and hopefully all of our gardens are put to bed. Many of us are focusing on seasonal and Christmas projects with that looming December deadline.

Our October guest speaker Martha Schellingerhoud left us breathless with her energy, creativity and amazing ability to find innovative solutions to age old quilting challenges. You can visit Martha's web site [www.marthaschellingerhoudquilts.com](http://www.marthaschellingerhoudquilts.com) for photos of her quilts.

And some very happy members walked away from our October meeting with door prizes, delightful gift basket and 50-50 draw winnings.

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## Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 27	Guild meeting	Back Basting Appliqué by Joan Dorsay of Ottawa <b>Important request: Due to Joan's allergies please no perfume or strong scents</b>
Saturday, November 30	Workshop	Back Basting Appliqué by Joan Dorsay of Ottawa Important request: Due to Joan's allergies please no perfume or strong scents See page 7 for more information about this workshop.
Wednesday, December 11	Christmas Gathering	Holiday potluck Refer to page 4 for a list of what to bring. Block-of-the-month: The <a href="#">album block</a> is due at this meeting.

## Inclement Weather

As winter is setting in, a reminder that a guild meeting may be canceled due to bad weather. In the event that a meeting is canceled, you'll be notified by email, and a note will be posted on the guild web site during the afternoon. If you would like to be notified of a meeting cancellation by telephone, please arrange this with Peigi Dumouchel at the registration table.

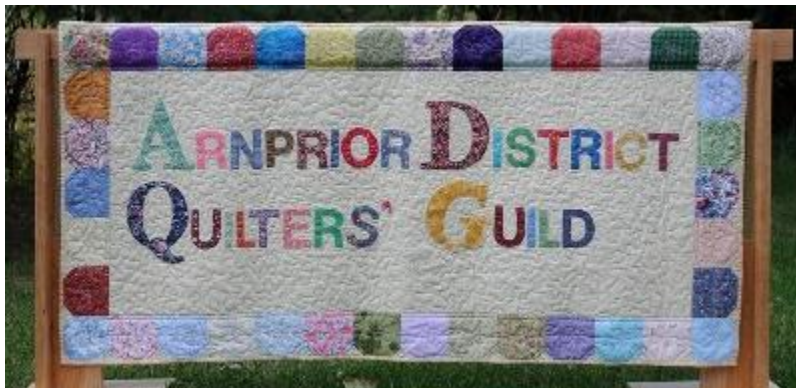
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## Thank you!

We are very grateful for some very generous contributions to our guild. Thank you to:

- **Barb Robinson** for donating of a large number of books to the guild library collection.
- **Ronan Kahn** (Katrina's son) for setting up the tables and chairs for our monthly meetings. The hours Ronan spends helping us are accredited towards his community service requirements for high school graduation.
- **Kevin** (Suzane de Joode's son) for making the beautiful wooden stand for our guild banner pictured below.



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## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

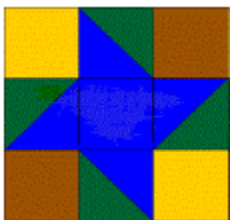
And PLEASE keep your refreshments away from the show and tell display table.

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

Visit our web site

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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 trees.

## 2013-2014 Executive

Thanks to our executive for volunteering their time for the valuable and necessary work of planning and delivering our monthly meetings and programmes. Your executive members are

<b>President</b>	Anne Cruickshank
<b>Vice President</b>	Mary DeVries
<b>Past President</b>	Katrina Kahn
<b>Secretary</b>	Shirley Cavanagh
<b>Treasurer</b>	Sue Hodgins
<b>Program</b>	Brenda Davidson Payer
<b>Membership</b>	Peigi Dumouchel
<b>Publicity</b>	Cathy Rodger
<b>Library</b>	Barbara Hare & Marilyn Roberts

## Treasurer's Report by Sue Hodgins

<b>Account</b>	<b>Balance</b>
General	\$6,062.21
Raffle/Charity	\$2,504.96



## Holiday Gathering Programme

Our special holiday guild meeting on Wednesday December 11 will feature the always delicious potluck, games, and show and tell.

Please bring to this meeting:

- Food - If your surname begins with the letters **A – J**, please bring food for the potluck – your choice of appetizer, main or dessert. (The K-Z's will get a chance to contribute to the June potluck!)
- Dishes – To cut down on the cleanup please bring your own plate, cutlery and mug
- Bingo block – We'll be playing quilting bingo so please take a few minutes to make your bingo block. The pattern is included below and also on our [web site](#).
- Bingo markers – Buttons to use as your markers



## Bingo Card Block Instructions



10 ½" Bingo Block

Each fabric to be chosen from one of the following categories – batik, floral, leaf, heart, geometric, metallic, holiday, novelty, paisley, plaid, solid, star, stripe, or 1930's print

Cut from above fabric categories:

- 5 (2 ½") squares assorted yellow and orange prints
- 5 (2 ½") squares assorted red prints
- 5 (2 ½") squares assorted blue prints
- 5 (2 ½") squares assorted green prints
- 4 (2 ½") squares assorted pink and purple prints
- 1 (2 ½") square black print

### Block Assembly

Join 5 yellow/orange print squares to make row 1.

In the same manner make 1 red, 1 blue, 1 green row.

Join 2 pink/purple squares –Make a second one.

Join one pink/purple pair to each side of the black square.

Join 5 rows together in following order – green, blue, pink/purple, red, and lastly yellow/orange



## Programme

In addition to our speakers and presentations, our guild meetings include the following quilting activities:

- **Show and Tell – New** this year: If you have brought something to show, please fill out a form on arrival to help our photographer keep track of the quilts and who showed them. We continue to need the perimeter of your quilt (in inches) for our participation in Quilt Canada's [Walk to Brock](#) guild challenge where the goal is to stitch from Mile Zero in Victoria to Brock University in St. Catharines, the home of Quilt Canada 2014. During September and October we have accumulated **7,041 inches**
- **Block of the Month** - The Chimney Sweep album block is due at the December meeting. Please use a white background for this block. Refer to the web site for [instructions and a photo of](#) this block.
- **Fat Quarter Exchange NEW** – Bring 1 or 2 fat quarters to the meeting to exchange. Fat quarters should be good quality quilt shop fabric – cotton prints or batiks. Batiks will be exchanged for batiks and cotton prints for cotton prints. Once members have made their exchanges, remaining fat quarters may be purchased (after the break) – Batik \$2.50, Cotton print: \$2.00
- **Twisted Tanners** - Sign up is now closed for this year and the participants are busy making blocks and exchanging the tins at our guild meetings.

**Library** - Our meetings also feature books and magazines which can be signed out from our extensive library collection to read and enjoy, and a "guess the number of pages " in the new book contest with the prize being first to sign out the new book.

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## Charity Projects

Our guild is very involved in supporting local charities. Our vice president, Mary De Vries, is responsible for our very active and productive charity quilt programme.

**Festive Placemats** – New this year is a Christmas placemat project to support our local Meals on Wheels programmes which are run through the Arnprior and Renfrew hospitals. Our target is 30 placemats which will be delivered to local seniors with their Christmas meal. Please consider making a Christmas-themed placemat and bringing it to our November meeting. The placemats should be approximately 14 in. by 18 in. and can be made with or without binding. This is a great way to bring some extra Christmas joy into the lives of local seniors and to use up some Christmas fabric bits and pieces in your stash. Donations will be accepted up until our December meeting.

**Christmas Stockings** - We are making Christmas stockings again this year for "Share a Gift Foundation" which supports children in the McNab, Braeside and Arnprior area. Donations will be accepted up until our December meeting.

**Preemie Quilts** – You have already contributed **45** preemie quilts which will be donated to the Rich Little Special Care Unit at the Ottawa Hospital (Civic Campus) for distribution to premature newborns. Please refer to our guild web site for [instructions](#) for making these adorable 24 inch square quilts, and consider setting aside a little time to make one or more of these little quilts.



**Thank you** to all members who have helped to make blocks, preemies, quilts and more. It is amazing to be able to give them to children and people in need.



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## Mark Your Calendar

### Wednesday Evening Guild meetings @ 7 PM

	Date	Programme
2013	November 27	Back Basting Appliqué by Joan Dorsay of Ottawa
	December 11	Christmas Gathering
2014	January 22	Trunk show by our own Rennie Hickey
	February 26	
	March 26	
	April 23	
	May 28	
	June 18	

### Workshops

**Saturday** workshops are held at the Arnprior and District Library from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM and are available to all members. They are typically the Saturday following the regular meeting.

	Date	Topic	Cost
2013	November 30	Back Basting Appliqué with Joan Dorsay. Prerequisite: Some experience and familiarity with appliqué.	\$30.00 + \$12.00 Pattern

## Tips and Interesting Info

This month we share some web sites recommended by Janet Brownlee.

- Thimbleblossoms - [www.thimbleblossoms.com](http://www.thimbleblossoms.com)
- Thimbleblossoms owner Camille Roskelley's very interesting and entertaining blog <http://camilleroskelley.typepad.com>

Other recommended sites of interest include:

- Three Sisters Fabric - [threesistersfabric.com](http://threesistersfabric.com)
- Bytowne Threads - [bytownethreads.com](http://bytownethreads.com)
- Quilts of Valor - [govf.org](http://govf.org)
- National Quilt Museum of the United States in Paducah, KY - [www.quiltmuseum.orgquiltmuseum.org](http://www.quiltmuseum.orgquiltmuseum.org)
- Mad About Patchwork (Stittsville, ON) - [madaboutpatchwork.com](http://madaboutpatchwork.com)
- Canadian Quilters' Association (and Quilt Canada) – [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com)
- Quilts of Valour Canada – [www.quiltsofvalour.ca](http://www.quiltsofvalour.ca)
- Victoria's Quilts Canada – [www.victoriasquiltscanada.com](http://www.victoriasquiltscanada.com)
- Katrina Kahn's blog - <http://sunshowerquilts.blogspot.ca>

Please do let us know about 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](mailto:arnpriorquilters@gmail.com)

## Coming Events

**April 5-6, 2014**

**Pickering, ON**

**Rhapsody of Quilts Show**

Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4

Pickering Complex Centre, Address: 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering  
Admission \$6

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**April 12-13, 2014**

**Orillia, ON**

**Sunshine Quilt Show**

Saturday and Sunday

Pickering Complex Centre, Address: 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering  
Admission \$5

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