

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild

NEWSLETTER
November 2016

President's Report

Thanks to everyone for making items for our various charity projects. It is very much appreciated by the organizations we support and the final recipients alike. Don't forget to bring your finished items to the November meeting. The stockings will be picked up at the November meeting by the CWL, who then fill them. The placemats will be going to Meals on Wheels in early December.

For those who missed it, in October, we received a plaque thanking us for our donations of preemies. It will be on the publicity table for everyone to see.

We had the first of our retreats in early November and it was a productive few days for everyone. I benefitted from the time change a few times at the retreat as I forgot to change the clock in my car and kept thinking I was late getting places until I realized the clock in the car was wrong. I gained a couple of hours with that trick, it's changed now and I am back to being in the correct time zone!

It's going to be a busy year with our various ongoing projects as well as our special projects over the next year. The Canada 150 quilt is coming along and will hopefully be at the quilters by early December. Our raffle quilt is done and it's now time to get tickets sold. They make great stocking stuffers or Christmas card inserts so don't forget to sign some out. If everyone takes a few booklets, we'll sell out in no time.

Drop by the library table and have a look at the book I purchased on modern quilts, it's called World of Quilts, 25 Modern Projects. I will leave it with the library for the next few months. I had to look twice to see that the cover was not a mistake. It is somewhat of a history of patterns and the content comes across as traditional instead of modern. Maybe it's like that dress from last year - is it blue or gold? Modern or traditional? At the end of the day, if you like your project it does not matter.

Have a great month sewing, quilting and finishing,

Brigid Whitnall, President



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Program Notes

Looking Ahead



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



My name is Nancy Jossinet. My husband, Joel and I have two children and six grandchildren. My love for colour, fabric and sewing started me on my journey. In 1973 I began sewing clothes for myself and in 1978 I began my love affair with quilting. I taught quilting for many years. It was only after my children left home and I retired that I started quilting with a passion. I started taking classes to enhance my quilting skills. These classes widened my horizons to different aspects of quilting. I have tried many different techniques, some I liked and some I never tried again. I always learn something in these workshops. For me, quilting brings a balance to my life. Most days I quilt whether it is at my sewing machine or appliqué. I cannot see a life without quilting.

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| 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 Garage Sale. |
| April 26 | Guild Meeting - Anne Coulas Trunk Show; also Challenges due. |
| April 29-30 | Quilt Show! |
| May 24 | Guild Meeting - Laura Piggot Trunk Show, also Elections |
| June 21 | Guild Meeting - End-of-year Potluck: (M-Z bring food) |

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

Workshops

Patchwork Illusion Workshop Sat., Nov.26, 9:30-3, Paul Leger
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.
There is still time to register! See Gwen, or email her at gwenp1010@gmail.com

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

For more details on workshops on the Activities/Workshops page, click [here](#).

Workshop Teachers for the Guild

We are looking to offer more workshops this year. If you are interested in teaching, please approach the program people with your ideas.

Challenges

To refresh your memory on any of our challenges this year, click [here](#).

Speakers for Guild(s)

Would you like to be a speaker or get together with a friend, to do a trunk show for our guild or another guild? We know that you have lots of interesting quilting in your home. We are always looking to add new speakers to our list and would be interested in hearing from you. This would be a paid job. Speak to the program people!

Gwen Pennings, Program Director

Notes on our Charities

Ladies, please bring in your completed Christmas stockings for the November meeting. Joan Kelly from the CWL will be at our meeting to pick up 250 stockings for the Food Bank parcels. Please leave your stockings at the Charity table. If we go beyond 250 the extras will be saved for next year.

I have been in contact with the Arnprior Meals on Wheels program. There is a need for 25 placemats- Christmas on one side, anything you wish on the other side. The basement stash currently numbers 13. We will be collecting the placemats in both November and at our December meeting.

Preemie batts will be available at meetings for you to pick up. Please leave your completed preemie quilts on the charity table.

Weather permitting I will be in New Hampshire to celebrate American Thanksgiving at the November meeting. I look forward to seeing you in December.

Chris Gordon, Vice-President

Membership

We currently have 78 members, and were happy to welcome 1 guest last month.

Penny Carruthers, Membership





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Library



Greetings library lovers,

Great news for our library. This month we have a collection of new books for your enjoyment. There is a varied selection of ideas, projects, and I hope just the pattern for the quilt you have always wanted to make.

A special request is that members borrow just one book from the new collection, so everyone has a chance to enjoy these books. Of course you can borrow as many as you wish from our existing library.

Watch for our always popular, "Guess the Number of Pages".

As usual there will be books and magazines for sale in the green tote.

Happy reading,

Margaret Fisher, Library



Treasurer

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| General Account | Opening Balance Oct:1, 2016 | \$11,962.84 |
| | Income: | \$2,101.07 |
| | Expenses: | \$4,550.06 |
| | Closing Balance Oct 31 | \$9,513.85 |
| Charity Account | Balance Oct 31/16: | \$2,293.88 |
| | Petty Cash: | \$42.10 |



Jan Smith, Treasurer

Congratulations, October Winners!

50/50 Draw: Rita Williams
Gift Basket: Nicole Box
Block of the Month: Frank McCarron
Guess the Number of Pages: Amanda Vajda
Door Prizes: Mary DeVries, Winnie Masson, Marilyn Robert, Jan Smith, Claudette Traill, Louise Vanden Berg, Lucy Voss, Brigid Whitnall, Rita Williams

More Information

To keep you informed between guild meetings, the [guild web site](#) is being updated regularly with information and photos from our guild activities.

Check out the [Blog](#) for posts and photos on the October meeting highlights, the Desert Sky paper piecing workshop with Sherida Giddings, and the touching story of the replacement preemie quilt that we provided for the little 3 year old fellow who chewed off all 4 corners of his preemie quilt. There's also a link to a free pattern of a paper pieced Canada 150 Birthday Logo. You can also see photos of the [Show and Tell](#) projects shown at the October meeting.

Our guild will be participating in the Canadian Quilters' Association **Big Quilt Bee** to make quilts for Ronald McDonald Houses across Canada in celebration of Canada's 150th birthday in 2017. Refer to the CQA web site for [more information](#), including [sample blocks](#) using the special Canada quilt fabric that we'll all be using, and [instructions for the blocks](#) using a "slab block pattern" compliments of Cheryl Arkison.

We welcome contributions! Do you have a quilting related story or contribution you would like to share with other guild members in the newsletter or on the web site? Please let us know about information or web sites that you find of particular interest. You can reach us at our guild email address arnpriorquilters@gmail.com, or using the form on the web site [Contact page](#).

Janet Brownlee, Communications

Web site: www.arnpriadistrictquiltersguild.com

Meeting Notes

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

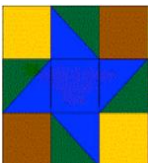
When? Meetings start at 7 PM and our doors open at 6:30. Meetings are generally on the 4th Wednesday of each month (with some exceptions.)

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 trees.