

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Newsletter

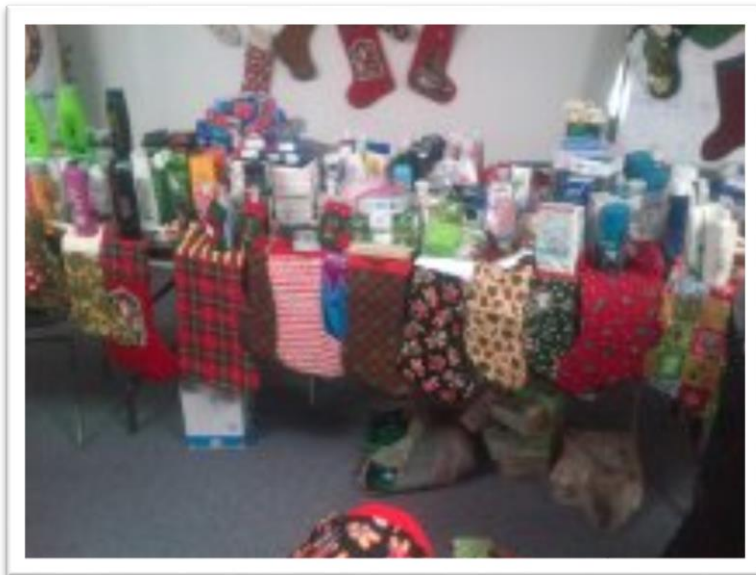
December 2014



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Can you believe, another year has come and gone? As I reflect back over the year, I find myself thinking how truly blessed we all are. For me personally, I am so thankful for my family and friends. I have called upon many of my friends over the past few years for different projects that I have gotten myself into. They have always come to my aid. Our guild is a place for friendship and support and I hope that you too have found good, true, friends within the guild. I am so very proud to be part of the Arnprior & District Quilters' Guild. We have come together to support a lot of local charities over the years. Our Guild is made up of so many kind and generous people. I would like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry and Peaceful Christmas. Merry Christmas! And all the best for 2015!

*Anne Cruickshank
President, Arnprior & District Quilters' Guild*



*An overwhelming thank you for all
the Christmas stockings and personal
hygiene items donated.*

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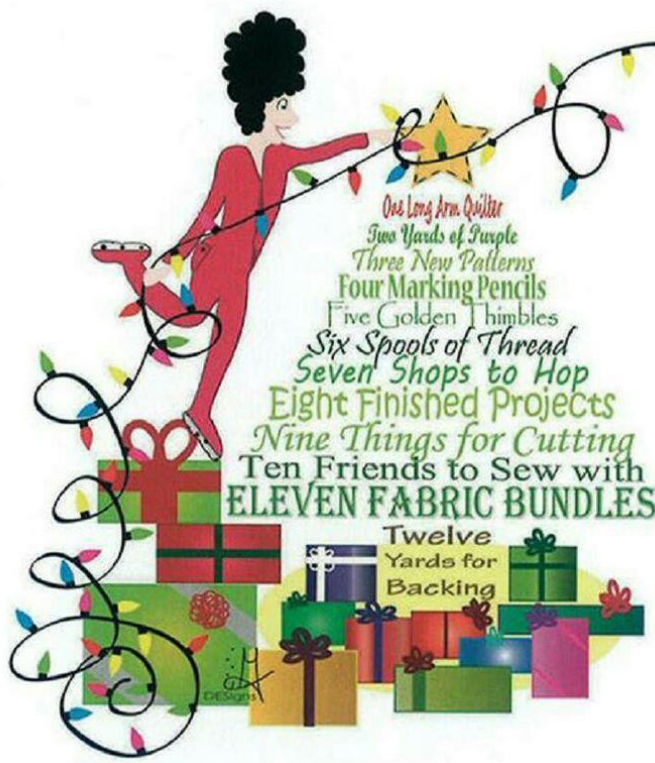
Tonight we enjoy food, friends and festive activities. Thank you to everyone who has brought in a wonderful dish for us to savour. We may have to borrow from our stash to extend our waistbands! Tonight, along with our 50/50 and Basket Raffle there is a **Silent Auction**. Five prizes are on display. If you would like a chance to win one then purchase tickets and place them in the box that goes with the prize. The more tickets you purchase, the greater your odds....just ask Cathy Rodger! Anne Cruickshank will once again be heading up the **Christmas Story Game** and someone at each table will be winning a prize once the story finishes. Bridget has a game planned for us involving the **Star Block** we have made in blue or green.

2015 is just around the corner with the second half of our guild program already planned. **January** will be a Charity Sew Night planned by Bridget. **February** will be our Member Workshop Night - sign-up sheets will be available in January for activities. **March** is our Yard

Sale/ Demo Night. And **April** will be our Icing on the Cake speaker, Mary Elizabeth Kinch. I cannot say enough about her. She has published 2 wonderful books and has had 2 blocks chosen for Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks. I just received an email that she will have a line of fabric revealed in July 2015 - Modern Country. She has been seen on the Alex Anderson/Ricky Timms show...I can go on and on. We are lucky to have her visit our part of the province. M.E. Kinch will be offering a workshop on the Thursday after our meeting at the Arnprior Library - Addicted to Hexagons. This workshop will be open to quilters outside of our guild so I urge you to check out her website/ blog and to sign up in January to hold a spot. www.maryelizabethkinch.com.

May is our election meeting...I know, the E word. We will also have quilt registration for our show in June.

And finally, **June** will be our Year End Pot Luck and the reveal of the Double Dutch, Scrap Challenges and weigh in of the selvages.





Charity

Christmas placemats for Meals on Wheels should be brought to the Dec. 10th meeting. See website: www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com for details. Premie quilt instructions have been updated on the site. Kits for premie quilts are available for those who signed up. We received **8** more premie quilts this month and now have a total of **30**!

Library

The library has 7 star block books (for that star block to be made for December meeting). The library also has books for sale (maybe something for that quilter on your Christmas list)



Treasurer

General Account

\$4501.56

Charity Account

\$954.13

Publicity News

The **Arnprior & District Library** is requesting Christmas quilted wall hangings to decorate the library. www.arnprior.library.on.ca/ . Email: library@arncap.com, 613-623-2279

The Grand National Quilt Show has entry forms for their upcoming contest. www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca
Brochures are available for the event in the Windsor area. barnquilttrails.ca/trails/south-essex-barn-quilt-trail
Remember to check out the bulletin board at guild meetings for items for sale

Upcoming Meeting Events

Date	Event	Details
Dec. 10	Guild Meeting & Pot Luck	Guild members with last names A-J bring potluck
Jan. 28	First meeting of 2015	Charity sew event. Details to follow.
Feb. 25	Workshop Night	Details to follow
Mar. 25	Yard Sale/ Demo Night	Details to follow

Workshops are available to all members who sign up and are held at the Arnprior & District Library (www.arnprior.library.on.ca/) on the Saturday following the guild meeting (unless otherwise stated), from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



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Welcome! 51 members and 3 guests were at the November meeting and 2 NEW members signed up!

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.

Show and Tell

November's meeting Show and Tell participants included **Chris Gordon, Geraldine Lynn, Ann Ogletree, Jane Etmanski, Mary Devries, Joanne Vlaming.**



CONGRATULATIONS to the winners at our November meeting: 50/50: **Joanne Vlaming**; BOM: **Marilyn Eurskin**; Door Prize: **Chris Gordon**; Guest the Number of Pages library book: **Lyn Johnston**; Door Prizes: **Winnie Mason, Linda Klosowski, Barb Devries, Emma Russell, Jean Davies.**

What's Happening

The following is what is happening from the Canadian Quilters Association:

1. **Guild Umbrella Insurance** – Our guild umbrella insurance is ‘up and running’ and enrolled guilds will receive their certificates in the next couple of weeks. We know some guilds have insurance coverage in place, so we just want to assure you that guilds may enrol in the CQA/ACC insurance at any time during the year. Contact Jackie@canadianquilter.com
2. **Lethbridge** – Is your guild making plans for a group to attend Quilt Canada in Lethbridge this year? It will be from June 4-6, 2015 and would be a great location for a guild *quilt retreat*. Your guild may be able to book rooms for a few days longer than the conference (University of Lethbridge offers ‘hotel’ rooms from May to September <http://www.uleth.ca/conference/hotel>) and add on your own special sewing days! Our workshops and events are now listed at our conference site at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2015.php>
3. **Trend-Tex Challenge** – A fabric challenge is a great way to encourage quilters to stretch their skills in new directions! How many of your members are CQA/ACC members and are they trying this challenge with these fabrics? Would you tell your guild members about this? Perhaps your guild could buy some kits to share with a few of them!
<http://www.canadianquilter.com/news-events.php?ID=59>
4. **It's Time for Colour!** CQA/ACC has two touring art quilt shows that are travelling across Canada in aid of The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada (www.childrenswish.ca). Why the Children's Wish Foundation? Firstly, it is a national charity and these quilts are donated by quilters from all across Canada. Secondly, quilters love to do charitable work, especially for kids. We hope your guild will be near one of the show areas. Contact your Regional Representative to ask where it will be (<http://www.canadianquilter.com/contact-us/regional-representatives.php>). Here is a photo of one of the touring quilts (by Debora Barlow from Saskatchewan), but you can find the rest at <http://cqacanadianquilting.blogspot.ca/p/blog-page.html>



November Speaker



The awe inspiring embroidery works of art of guest speaker, Pat Caffery had guild members at the November meeting captivated. While her background is in traditional embroidery her pieces are unique works of art.



2014-2015 EXECUTIVE

President	Anne Cruickshank
Vice President	Brigid Whitnall
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Treasurer	Sue Hodgins
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Membership	Johanne Vajda
Publicity	Cathy Rodger
Library	Barbara Hare & Marilyn Roberts

Newsletter Changes. The ADQG newsletter is going electronic! In attempts to be environmentally conscious, and with the cost of printing and paper increasing, printed copies of the newsletter will be available to those who sign up, otherwise everyone who has access to a computer is encouraged to get their copy by going to our website. www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com. Find back issues of the newsletters in the [Archives](#)

ANTIQUÉ QUILT SHOW



Cathy Rodgers and Anne Cruickshank in front of one of the many quilts on display at the Arnprior and District Museum 9th Annual Antique Quilt Show in November.

Remember our *Christmas Potluck* is this Wednesday

December 10th

6:30pm

At the Christian Education Centre

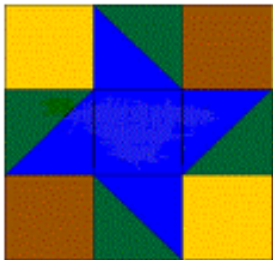
Members with last names from A-J are asked to bring the treats.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!

See you all on January 28th for our first guild meeting of 2015!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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

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.