

# **Arnprior and Distict Quilters' Guild Newsletter**

January 2014

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As the cold winds howl outside and the snow piles up, there is nothing I like better than spending time working on a quilt. And now that the holiday season is over, I can finally get back to it. I would like to challenge everyone to make one more New Year's resolution, which is to join at least one of the programs that the guild is offering. We have a fantastic guild and I encourage you to take part in any or all of the projects. The more you participate, the more enjoyable it will be. The last four months have seen amazing speakers, great sew days and fantastic show and tells. We promise you, there is only more fun to come.

It is time to start thinking about our 2015 Quilt show. Under Joyce Murray's leadership our last quilt show was amazing. I am very pleased to inform you that Joyce has agreed to be the chair of the 2015 Quilt show. This is a huge event which requires a team of volunteers. Please see Joyce or any of the executive if you would like to be on the Quilt Show Committee. Rennie Hickey is working on the design of the Quilt show raffle quilt. It will be revealed very shortly. She has designed it for all skill levels. Please don't be shy and participate in the making of this quilt. I understand that it can be intimidating, but let's face it, no one started out as an expert, the more you do the better you get.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire executive team and everyone who has taken on a role in the guild. Thank you for your commitment to the Guild. We have an incredible guild because of your efforts.

So here is to quilting our winter away!

Anne Cruickshank President

### **Upcoming Events**

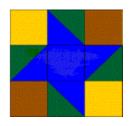
Wednesday, January 22	Guild meeting	Trunk show by guild member Rennie Hickey	
Saturday, January 25	Workshop	Small landscape with Rennie Hickey	
	See page 5 for more information about this workshop		

\*\*\*\*\* Please bring indoor footwear to our guild meetings. \*\*\*\*\*

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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.

#### **Inclement Weather**

A winter 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.

#### **Did You Know?**

If you use up that scrap of fabric today, it will be exactly what you need to finish tomorrow's project.



# **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.

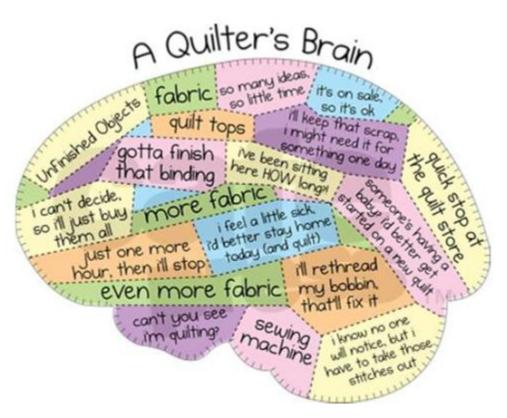
#### 2013-2014 Executive

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

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

# **Treasurer's Report by Sue Hodgins**

Account	Balance	
General	\$6,179.44	
Raffle/Charity	\$2,504.96	



## **Programme**

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

• **Block of the Month Preemie Challenge** – This month's block is a preemie challenge. Make a preemie quilt with a Teddy Bear theme - pieced or applique – due at the June meeting.



• Show and Tell – 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.

December: 3,799 inches Total: 9,187 inches

- Fat Quarter Exchange 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 Tinners** 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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#### Mark Your 2014 Calendar

### Wednesday Evening Guild meetings @ 7 PM

	Date	Programme
2014	January 22	Trunk show by our own Rennie Hickey
	February 26	Group sewing activities including a jelly roll race
	March 26	To be confirmed
	April 23	Guest Dianne Fuller
	May 28	Guest Joni Newman
	June 18	End of year pot luck – Preemie Challenge BOM due

#### Workshops

Saturday workshops are held at the Arnprior and District Library from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM and are available to all members.

	Date	Topic	Cost
2014	January 25	Small landscape with Rennie Hickey	\$25 for guild members \$35 for non-members
	February 22	TBD	\$33 for from members
	March 22	Quilted bag with Chris Gordon	\$25 for guild members \$35 for non-members
	April 26	Miniature with Dianne Fuller	TBD



# Let's Celebrate!

Northcott launches a new fabric line and uses one of my designs to help do it!

# Would you like to win a kit to make this quilt?

There are three easy ways to enter!



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# **Charity Projects**

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make quilts, placemats, stockings and preemie quilts for those in need. Anne and I delivered 20 placemats to Arnprior Seniors Home support. Then I delivered 10 placemats to the Renfrew Seniors home support. They would gladly accept 10 more. At the Family and Childrens' Services I left 10 quilts. All recipients were very appreciative.

Thanks to all again.

Mary De Vries







Anne Cruickshank and Mary Devries presenting some of the Christmas placemats to Dennis Harrington, executive director of Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Program (ABMSH) and director of the 'Hot Meals on Wheels' program. The placemats were delivered by volunteer drivers of ABMSH along with the meals which were prepared at The Grove.



Anne Cruickshank delivering some of the beautiful Christmas stockings made and donated by guild members to the Christmas Blessing Store, for children in the McNab, Braeside and Arnprior area

**Preemie Quilts** – Please consider setting aside a little time to make one or more of these little quilts which are 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 <u>instructions</u> for making these adorable 24 inch square quilts – they're a great way to use up your stash.

Total: **69** December donations: **7** 

See page 4 for information about the block of the month preemie quilt challenge – due at the June meeting.



## **Tips and Interesting Info**

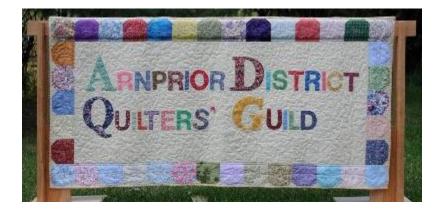
Check out Kallisti Quilts <a href="http://www.kallistiguilts.com/">http://www.kallistiguilts.com/</a>

Previously recommended sites of interest include:

- Inspired Getaways quilter's retreat in Waba <u>www.inspiredgetaways.ca</u>
- Quirks & Quilts by Joni Newman <u>www.quirksandquilts.com</u>
- Sew Inspired our local quilt shop in Arnprior <u>www.sewinspired.ca</u>
- Thimbleblossoms www.thimbleblossoms.com
- Thimbleblossoms owner Camille Roskelley's very interesting and entertaining blog http://camilleroskelley.typepad.com
- Three Sisters Fabric threesistersfabric.com
- Bytowne Threads bytownethreads.com
- Quilts of Valor qovf.org
- National Quilt Museum of the United States in Paducah, KY www.quiltmuseum.orgquiltmuseum.org
- Mad About Patchwork (Stittsville, ON) <u>madaboutpatchwork.com</u>
- Canadian Quilters' Association (and Quilt Canada) www.canadianguilter.com
- Quilts of Valour Canada www.quiltsofvalour.ca
- Victoria's Quilts Canada <u>www.victoriasquiltscanada.com</u>
- 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 <a href="mailto:arrnpriorquilters@gmail.com">arrnpriorquilters@gmail.com</a>

Thank you to Kinaxis Corporation in Kanata for printing the monthly guild newsletters.



## **Coming Events**

April 5-6, 2014 Rhapsody of Quilts Show

Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4

Pickering, ON Pickering Complex Centre, Address: 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering

Admission \$6

Contact: Lisette Léveillé

Email: rvqgquiltshow@gmail.com Website: http://www.rvqg.com/

April 12-13, 2014 Sunshine Quilt Show

Saturday and Sunday

Orillia, ON Pickering Complex Centre, Address: 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering

Admission \$5

Contact: Marilyn Lippert

Email: marilyn.lippert@rogers.com Website: www.orilliaquiltersguild.com

May 9 -11 Be Inspired by Common Thread Quilt Guild

Friday 10 AM - 7:30 PM, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-3:30

Ottawa, ON RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Dr, Ottawa

Admission: General \$10, Weekend pass: \$15, Under 12 free (must be accompanied by an adult)

Website: http://www.commonthread.on.ca/QuiltShow.htm

June 7-8, 2014 Quilters Guild of Renfrew and Area Quilt Show

Saturday 10-5, Sunday 12-4

**Renfrew, ON** Quilts, Tea Room, Merchants Mall, Raffles

Address: 1 Ma-te-way Park Dr, Renfrew, ON

Admission \$5

Contact: Barb Jamieson, 613-432-6005 Email: barbarajamieson38@yahoo.com

# Quilt Canada 2014

St. Catharines (Niagara Region)
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June 11 - 14, 2014

Location: Brock University, St. Catharines, ON

Opening date for Online Registration and Delegate Packages – October 15, 2013 – click here for more information

National Juried Show Call for Entry – click here for more information NJS Awards Presentation – Tuesday June 10, 2014
National Juried Show Opening – Wednesday Jun 11 at 10 AM

Merchant Mall open Wednesday June 11 - Saturday June 14 at 10 AM

