

Arnprior and Distict Quilters' Guild Newsletter

January 2015

Meet A Guild Member



Agathe Kurt has been quilting for about 14 years, after retiring as a secondary French school teacher. She joined the ADQG back in the first years the guild was formed and thought it would be an interesting way to pursue her hobby and meet people.

She enjoys the piecing aspect of quilting and likes the more modern elements of quilting and adapting the old styles into the new designs. "I let the fabric do the work", says Agathe.

A lot of her time is taken up with the "Sew What" club, doing work for Victoria Quilts, a national volunteer organization providing handmade quilts to people with cancer. She is proud of the "Sew What" club, with only 15 members has produced 900 quilts this year for Victoria Quilts.

Agathe enjoys the ADQG, where she has met people and gained inspiration from activities like Show and Tell and seeing what others

create. When asked about ideas for the guild, she replied, "so far so good", but would like to see more local quilters as guest speakers at meetings.

And if she wasn't already busy, in her spare time she enjoys socializing with her friends in Ottawa and has started to knit and weave.



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REPORTS

Programme

Happy New Year! Welcome to our New Year's Pot Luck. Thank you to all who have contributed to our tasty menu. We will be enjoying a Pass the Prize game by Ann; a Star Game by Bidgid - this one has my curiosity growing; a Raffle Table and the ever popular Show and Tell.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the January meeting for February charity project activities and for our April workshop. March is our Yard Sale/ Demo Night.

Just three months until we have Mary Elizabeth Kinch to our guild for a trunk show and workshop. I urge members to sign up as soon as possible for her workshop as emails have gone out to other guilds promoting her workshop. She has published 2 wonderful books and has had 2 blocks chosen for Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks. She has been seen on the Alex

Anderson/Ricky Timms show. 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 sign up in January to hold a spot. www.maryelizabethkinch.com.

May is election time. Program is a great way for you and your quilting friends to share all you enjoy in quilting. Consider program chair and your friends helping you out. I look forward to participating in meetings with more than just snack and show and tell - although show and tell is a favourite.

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



Charity

In December we donated 6 quilts to the Pheonix Centre and 25 placemats were given to Meals on Wheels in Arnprior. We are having a charity sew night in **February**. There will be sign-up sheets set up at January meeting to choose what you want to participate in. For one of the events we are looking for some 2.5" strips, or up to 10" pieces of material that we will cut with the GoCutter. We are planning to assemble some blocks of the month, as well as having some Jelly Roll quilts happening. It would be nice to use these for a charity corner at the show in

June if we have them done. Preemie quilt instructions have been updated on the site www.arnpriordistrictquiltersquild.com. Kits for preemie quilts are available for those who signed up.

REMEMBER to bring your star blocks in January.

Library

The library at the guild meeting has a great selection of magazines and books that can be signed out and some are available for purchase.





Treasurer

General Account \$4858.12

Charity Account \$954.13

Publicity News

Check out the bulletin board at guild meetings for items for sale



Upcoming Meeting Events

Date	Event	Details
Jan. 28	Guild Meeting & Pot Luck	Guild members with last names A-J bring potluck
Feb. 25	Workshop Night	Charity sew event.
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

It's time to start thinking about the upcoming Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Quilt Show

<u>"Quilting in the Valley</u> June 6 § 7, 2015

at the Nick Smith Centre, FF James Street, Amprior June will be here before you know it. It's time to start gathering (and finishing) your projects to enter. For more information contact Anne Ogletree: <u>theogletress@sympatico.ca</u> or check out the guild website: <u>www.arnpriordistrictquiltersquild.com</u>



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.arnpriordistrictquiltersquild.com. Find back issues of the newsletters in the Archives

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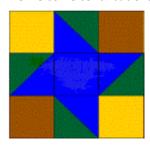
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Barbara Hare &

Marilyn Robert

I'm not easily distracted, I Hey look - fabric!

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 arrnpriorquilters@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.

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 - <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.



Remember our <u>New Year's Potluck</u> is this Wednesday

January 28th

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

at the Christian Education Centre

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