

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Newsletter

February 2014

Our January guild meeting kicked off the new year with an excellent trunk show by our own Rennie Hickey. We thoroughly enjoyed Rennie's interesting story of her quilting journey and seeing her amazing quilts. Thank you Rennie! Her small landscape workshop was a great success, and thank you to all who participated.

The first clue for the mystery quilt was revealed in January and there was considerable interest from our members. It's not too late to participate. See page 4 for more information.

We heard more heartwarming thank you's from grateful recipients of our preemie quilts. Please do consider making one (or two or three!) for a premature newborn. See page 5 for information about this important outreach programme.

Planning is underway for our spring 2015 quilt show. Please consider volunteering to help us prepare for this show and do start planning your entries to make this the biggest and best ADQG quilt show ever.

The February block of the month is quilt blocks for the upcoming 2015 quilt show. All blocks must be returned at the March meeting so that we can be on schedule with its construction. Brenda is looking for 4 members who know the Rosemary Makham style of applique who would be game for doing the border applique on the quilt. Volunteers?

Reminder: The teddy bear-themed preemie quilts, the Double Dutch challenge, and the completed mystery quilts are all due at our June meeting.

Upcoming Events

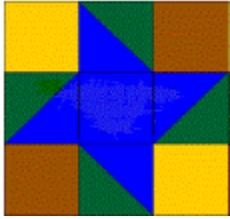
Wednesday, March 26	Guild meeting	Speaker: Cathy Rodger representing the Arnprior Museum Due: Blocks for the 2015 quilt show
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******* Please bring indoor footwear to our guild meetings. *******

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Email arnpriorquilters@gmail.com

Find back issues of the newsletters in the [Archives](#)



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.

Incident 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.

Can you relate?

"I met my husband for dinner after our first quilt guild meeting, and spent the next hour screaming things across the guacamole: They're just like me! We like all the same web sites! You should see their quilts! We're going to meet every month! We're going to sew at each other's houses!!!" ... Rebecca Loren

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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 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.

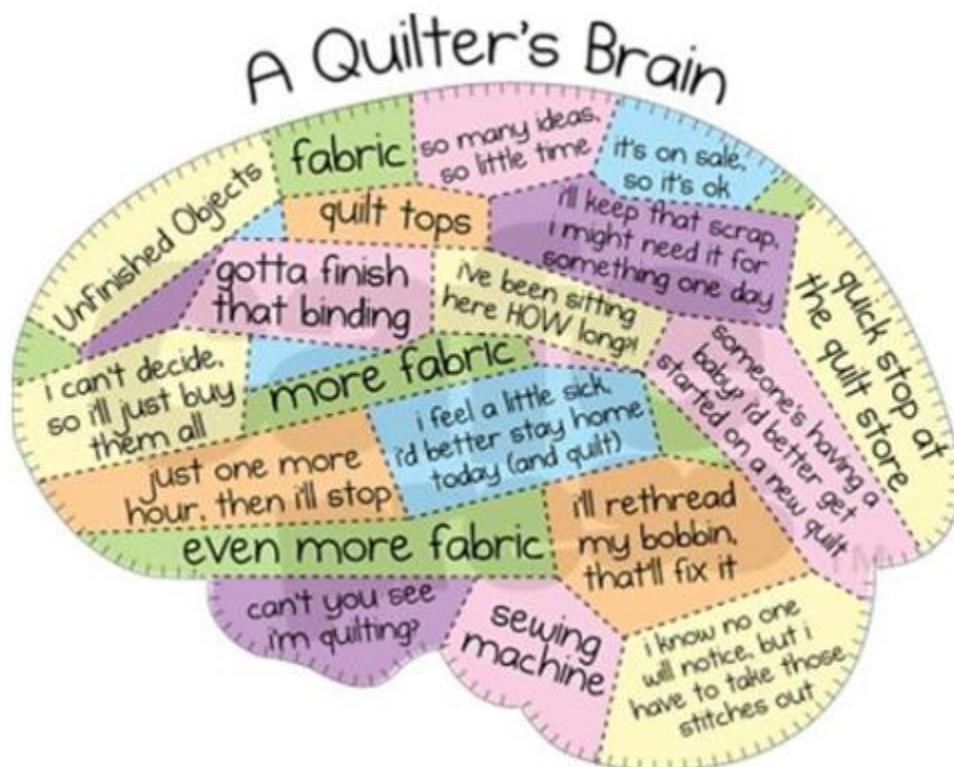
2013-2014 Executive

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
Vice President	Mary DeVries
Past President	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	\$5,891.96
Raffle/Charity	\$2,204.96



Programme

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

- **Mystery Quilt** – For 3 months you'll receive a instructions for consecutive steps of a quilt project but you won't know what you're making until you receive the final set of instructions in March. The mystery quilt project kicked off in January but it's not too late to participate. [Instructions for the first month](#) including the fabric requirements are available from the guild web site. This project is open to all guild members. Plan to show your completed project at the June guild meeting.
 - **Block of the Month Premie Challenge** – Make a premie quilt with a Teddy Bear theme - pieced or applique – due at the June meeting.
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- **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: **2,673 inches** Total: **15,659 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 Tinnners** - 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.

In Memorium

The quilting community is mourning the renowned Canadian quilter **Rosemary Makhan** who passed away suddenly on Sunday, January 26, 2014. She was an amazing quilter who we had the pleasure of welcoming as a trunk show speaker at our guild a few years ago. Rosemary won many awards for her quilts and in 1993 was chosen Quilting Teacher of the Year by the Canadian Quilting Association. She has lectured and given workshops throughout North America. Rosemary and her business were selected to be in the 2009 Edition of “Stanford's Who's Who” among executives, professionals, and entrepreneurs in Canada.



Several of Rosemary's books and quilt patterns were published by “That Patchwork Place”. She especially loved sampler quilts based on a theme, such as her Biblical Blocks and Rose Sampler Supreme. Rosemary also published many patterns under her own label [Quilts by Rosemary](#).

You can find more information about Rosemary on her web site www.quiltsbyrosemary.com.

Charity Projects

The Basket quilt is quilted. I will bind it and then donate it to the Renfrew Victoria Hospital dialysis unit for their hospital expansion fundraiser.

There are 5 or 6 charity quilts to give away. One will be donated to the family whose McDonald Street home was recently the site of a fire.

Mary De Vries

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 [instructions](#) for making these adorable 24 inch square quilts – they're a great way to use up your stash.

Total: **76** January donations: **7**

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



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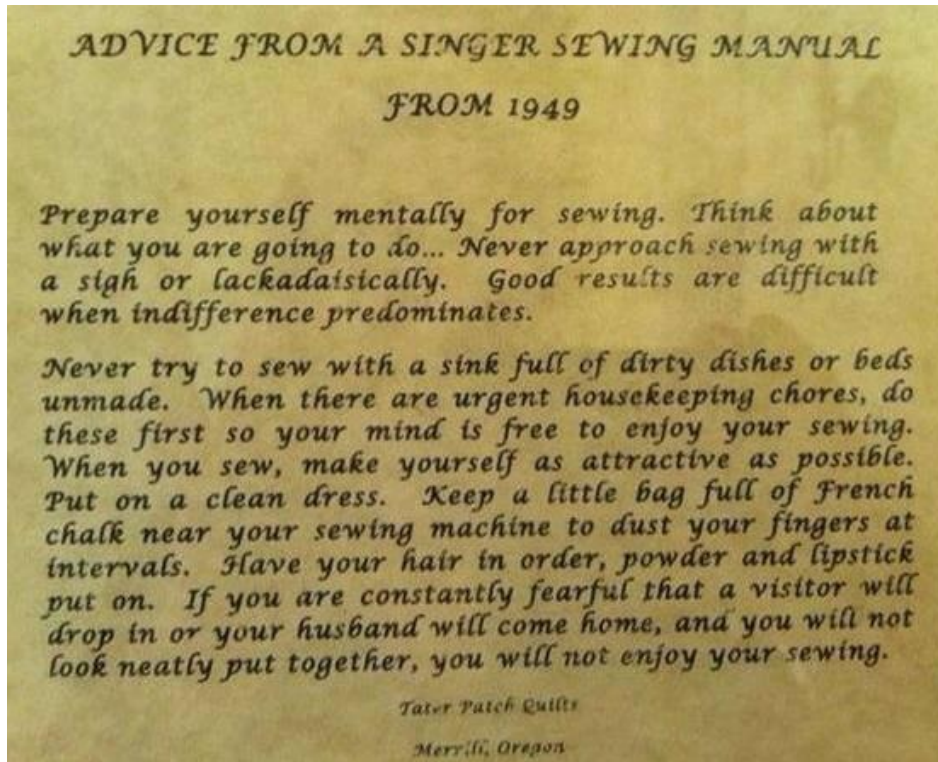
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From then...



To now...



Mark Your 2014 Calendar

Wednesday Evening Guild meetings @ 7 PM

	Date	Programme
2014	February 26	Group sewing activities including a jelly roll race
	March 26	Cathy Rodger of our guild. representing the Arnprior Museum and their collection of antique quilts
	April 23	Guest Dianne Fuller
	May 28	Guest Joni Newman
	June 18	End of year pot luck – Due: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double dutch challenge • Teddy bear themed preemie Challenge • Mystery quilts

Workshops

Saturday workshops are held at the Arnprior and District Library from 10:00 AM - 4:00.

Date	Topic	Cost
March 22	Quilted bag with Chris Gordon	\$25 for guild members \$35 for non-members
April 26	Miniature with Dianne Fuller	TBD



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The deadline for the draw is
March 16!

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Tips and Interesting Info

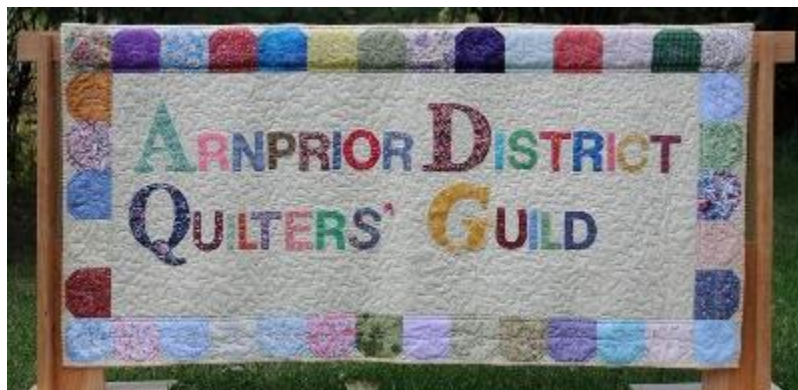
Check out Kallisti Quilts <http://www.kallistiquilts.com/>

Previously recommended sites of interest include:

- Inspired Getaways - quilter's retreat in Waba www.inspiredgetaways.ca
- Quirks & Quilts by Joni Newman www.quirksandquilts.com
- Sew Inspired – our local quilt shop in Arnprior www.sewinspired.ca
- 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 - govf.org
- National Quilt Museum of the United States in Paducah, KY - www.quiltmuseum.orgquiltmuseum.org
- Mad About Patchwork (Stittsville, ON) - madaboutpatchwork.com
- Canadian Quilters' Association (and Quilt Canada) – www.canadianquilter.com
- Quilts of Valour Canada – www.quiltsofvalour.ca
- Victoria's Quilts Canada – 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

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



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
Contact: Lisette Léveillé
Email: rvqqquiltshow@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.rvqg.com/>
- April 12-13, 2014**
Orillia, ON
Sunshine Quilt Show
Saturday and Sunday
Pickering Complex Centre, Address: 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering
Admission \$5
Contact: Marilyn Lippert
Email: marilyn.lippert@rogers.com
Website: www.orilliaquiltersguild.com
- April 25-26, 2014**
Mississauga, ON
CreativFestival Spring 2014
Friday and Saturday
International Centre (Entrance 1) Address: 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga
Admission \$15 adult - reduced pricing for seniors, youth and groups - 2-day passes also available
Website: www.csnf.com/s14_index.html
- May 2 -3**
Chatham, ON
Stitches in Bloom
Friday 9 AM – 6 PM, Saturday 9-4
450 Park Ave. W. Chatham, ON
Admission \$6
Contact: 1-519-351-5754
Website: www.chathamkentquiltersguild.com
- May 9 -11**
Ottawa, ON
Be Inspired by Common Thread Quilt Guild
Friday 10 AM – 7:30 PM, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-3:30
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**
Renfrew, ON
Quilters Guild of Renfrew and Area Quilt Show
Saturday 10-5, Sunday 12-4
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)
ONTARIO
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

