

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Newsletter

March 2015



Charity:

A huge THANKS to everyone who participated in our *Sew Night for Charity* at the February meeting. We will have some great quilts to give to various worthy causes. Photos of some of the charity projects are up on the website:

www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com

We have also received 3 more placemats for Meals on Wheels.
As we are getting closer to the Quilt Show, we would like to request as many Preemie Quilts and charity quilts as possible that are complete for our May meeting. We plan to have an area similar to last time where the preemie quilts will be on the outside walls of the arena. To date,

we have 45 Preemie quilts, with 11 more received last month.

To give you some inspiration, we have included some photos of ideas for preemie quilts. The Preemie quilts are only 24 x 24, so they are very quick to make and a really quick use of some scraps as well.

- Use an orphan block that is left over from another project, or a trial block and put a border around it.
- Use a bunch of squares, triangles, or tumblers. They don't even have to be children's prints. Use some solid or pastel colours here and there to soften the overall look.
- Use a large print or piece of a panel to put in the center and get creative with borders.
- Make a large block that is 16 or 18", add a border and you are done.
- Use a bunch of your flannel scraps to make the one side and a solid cotton on the flip side. Your "back" will be pieced and your "top" will be full cloth.

Don't forget, we have batting available for preemies and other charity quilts.





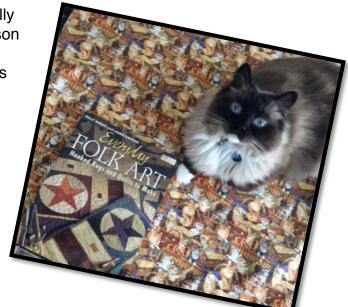


Library:



Everyday Folk Art by Polly Minick and Laurie Simpson features quilts and coordinating hooked rugs with how-tos for both. Patterns include Log Cabin and Irish Chain and projects have themes such as baseball, pets and board games.

This book provides inspiration for anyone who likes to quilt or hook rugs.





Treasurer:

General Account \$4,574.56

Charity Account \$1,203.13

Publicity News:

Check out the bulletin board at the guild meetings for news and items for sale.

Membership: We had 43 members at the last meeting, one new member and two guests.



Programme:

This month's activity is our guild yard sale. We have 3 tables with lots of guilting STUFF to purchase. Help members reduce their stash and increase yours! We will also be having a short presentation by Meredith Filshie on the background of SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates). Meredith will have on display a trunk show of 51 art pieces made by SAQA members from around the world. They are amazing pieces and so inspiring. Our quilt show is coming up fast. Now is the time to finish up challenges and collect projects from our previous guild year - tinners, double dutch and quilts made from BOM projects that you came across when looking for a totally different project! We are all looking forward to seeing the Dixie Cup baby quilts, this year's double dutch challenge and the results of the shoebox challenge.

The position of program will be open for a new chairperson for the 2015-2016 guild year. This position can be held for 1 or 2 years maximum. If you have ideas that you would like to share with guild members this is the position for you. Responsibilities listed in our by-laws include organizing program activities at meetings which could include speakers; workshops; BOM; Tinners etc. Along with these activities we have had interesting speakers and a couple of workshops. All of these activities were designed around requests noted in questionnaires filled out by members and through discussions with guild members. I would suggest that if you are interested in program that you look around your fellow members for a partner or two to lighten the load.

Quilt Show Update

June is fast approaching, and we want all of you to know that the committee is working hard. All plans are progressing. Very shortly, we will be calling on all of you for not just entries for the show, but for help with any number of projects.

It has come to our attention that we need a separate quilt display for the lunchroom. Last time we were fortunate enough to have a wonderful display by the "Silver Thimbles". For this year we would really like to show off some of our previous winners. We would also encourage anyone who has an item that has won any other award, in any other event to display their piece. It might be nice to show off some of your ribbons, etc.

We plan to have a book available for you to sign up your quilt or quilted item. Do you have quilted clothing, bags, etc? Once again entry forms will be available well in advance and we want everyone to sign up early. It would be wonderful if we could have all the labeling done ahead of time.

I am very happy to announce that Rennie Hickey has agreed to be our Quilter of Distinction. She will be an excellent representative of our quild.

Well I have to get sewing, so this is enough for this month. Don't forget the Baby Quilt Challenge and my personal challenge to everyone who has one of the many "tinner" boxes. I have several myself.

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Meeting Events

Date	Event	Details
Mar. 25	Yard Sale/ Demo Night	Details to follow
April 22	Meeting and Presenter	Mary Elizabeth Kinch
April 23	Addicted to Hexagon Workshop 10 am- 4 pm	Mary Elizabeth Kinch at the <u>Arnprior Library</u> www.maryelizabethkinch.com \$35.00

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.

MAY is voting month for the new executive. So now's the time to start thinking of who you want to vote for and how you would like to participate in the Arnprior and District Quilters Guild.

Show and Tell _____

Participants in February's Show and Tell were: Janet Brownlee, Sue Shute, Chris Gordon, Joyce Murray, Deb McGregor, Anne Cruikshank, Emma Russell, Meredith Muldoon.

















More photos can be viewed on the website: www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com

Congratulations!

Last month's Winner of Gift Basket: Rita Williams

50/50 Draw: Pat Woytowich

Guess The Number of Pages: Debbie Cauvier

Door Prizes: Blanche Leclaire, Elaine Lowe, Linda Klosowski, Suzanne deJoode,

Rosemary Duhn, Jane Etmanskie, Barb Hare, Joanne Delmer

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</u> <u>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.

Allergy Alert! Please note that our meetings are <u>allergy free</u>. Please <u>no</u> perfume or perfume products! Thank you.

2014-2015 Executive

President: Anne Cruickshank

Vice President: Brigid Whitnall

Secretary: Shirley Cavanagh

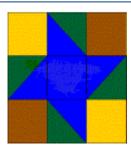
Treasurer: Sue Hodgins

Program: Brenda Davidson Payer

Membership: Johanne Vajda

Publicity: Cathy Rodger

Library: Barbara Hare & Marilyn Robert



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.

Upcoming Events_

Paducah Quilt Festival April 20-26, 2015, Kentucky. Limestone Quilters Guild

limestonequiltersguild@yahoo.ca \$929.00 each/double room.

Contact: Susan Clarke sjcway@cogeco.ca,

Superior Quilt Show April 24-26, 2015, Thunder Bay, ON. Admission: \$5, under 12 free.

425 Northern Ave. Thunder Bay, ON. Contact: Aila Metsa

kenaila@tbaytel.net, thunderbayquilters.org/

Off the Wall and Under the Covers April 24-25, 2015, Mississauga, ON. Admission: \$7

Contact: Karen Monk kayemonk@rogers.com,

mississaugaquiltersguild.ca

The Quilt show (Gathering of Quilts) Friday May 1 - Saturday May 2, 2015, Guelph, Ontario

Admission \$10. *Contact*: Cyndy Maltby 519 767 1089, clmaltby@hotmail.com royalcityquiltersguild.ca/

"THINK out-side the Block" Quilt Show Fri. May 1- Sunday May 3, 2015, Windsor, Ontario

Admission \$5 8787 McHugh St, Windsor, ON N8W 0A1

Contact: Ann Mueller 519-735-5474

 $\underline{annmueller 19@cogeco.ca} \ , \underline{windsorquilter sguild.com}$

Fri. May 1 - Sun. May 3, 2015, Peterborough, Ontario

Email: kqg2015@gmail.com

www.kawarthaquiltmakersguild.ca

Quilting in the Village 2015 Friday May 1 - Saturday May 2, 2015, London, Ontario

Admission \$5. Wesley Knox United Church 91 Askin Street,

London ON. Admission: \$5. Contact: Andrea Manias,

Thames Valley Quilters Guild 519-439-2720

andrea.manias@sympatico.ca

www.thamesvalleyquiltersguild.com

Quilts by the Bay Fri. May 1 - Sat. May 2, 2015, Owen Sound, Ontario

Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre, 1900 3rd Ave, East, Owen Sound. Admission: \$5. Contact: Bluewater Quilters' Guild, Sharon Hayes 519-371-6650 sharon.hayes@sympatico.ca,www.bluewaterquiltersguild.ca

Quilted Odyssey 2015 Saturday May 2 - Sunday May 3, 2015, Brampton, Ontario

Jim Archdekin Recreation Centre, 292 Conestoga Drive, Brampton (Heartlake Area). Admission \$7. Contact: Brampton Quilters' Guild Inc.,

Bernice Primo, 905-459-8563. Rudyprimo@Sympatico.Ca

Arnprior and District Quilters' Guild Quilt Show

"Quilting in the Valley"
June 6 & 7, 2015

Contact Anne Ogletree: theogletrees@sympatico.ca or check out the guild website:

www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com