

# Threads of News

March 2013

*Heritage Quilter's Guild Newsletter*

## Important Guild Information

*Meetings are held on the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Strathcona Paper Centre*

Name tags can be purchased for a small fee from Debbie Currier or Linda Rattie at the membership desk. The new guild pins can also be purchased.

The newsletter does not belong solely to the executive committee for providing information. If you have any pictures, stories, helpful hints or patterns that you would like to share with the guild members please contact the editor.

The objective of the guild is to foster interest, awareness and education in the area of quilt making. Let's work together to achieve this goal.

Don't forget to bring in your receipts from the Stitch by Stitch.

Website: [www.napaneeheritagequiltersguild.com](http://www.napaneeheritagequiltersguild.com)



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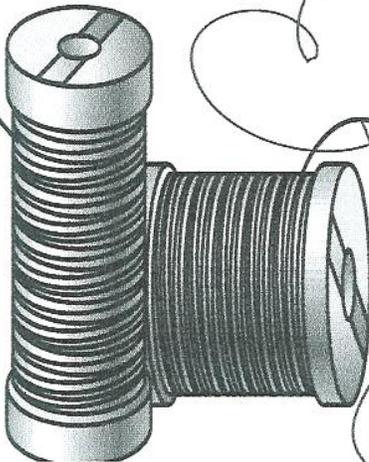
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your name  
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## Program Highlights

- Mar 19<sup>th</sup> – trunk show with Shahena Fredrick of Cozy Quilts in Port Hope
- Apr 16<sup>th</sup> – trunk show and merchant mall with Geraldine Rorabeck of Picton Fabric World
- May 21<sup>st</sup> – trunk show with Cathy Savage, guild elections
- June 18<sup>th</sup> – trunk show with Sheila Lucas and Jo Sheluk, pot luck wrap-up



## Message from the President

Welcome to Spring,

Another winter has passed (finally) and I can see the birds starting to come out. I was looking out the window the other day and saw a Cardinal and thought – what a beautiful red and then I started thinking about how I can incorporate that colour into a quilt. I have never done a full quilt in red – but maybe this year I will after the UFO's are done of course.

It is quilt show time again and based on the quilts, bags, aprons and other stuff our quilt show is going to be fantastic. I look forward to seeing how it all comes together. The quilt show committee has been working hard the last two years and it is up to us to make sure they have what is needed to put on the BEST show ever. We would like to see everyone in the guild put in at least one quilt this year.

We will also be having a “President's Challenge” a continuation of the one from last year except this year it is going to the “Sock it to Them” Challenge. For every pair of socks you bring in you will be given a ticket for a draw for a basket full of quilting stuff that has been donated by the executive. Let's see how many pairs of socks we can send to Chernobyl this year.

*Sharon Mclean*

## Message from the Past President

Four years ago when I was asked to be the President of the Heritage Quilters' Guild, my first question was "Who will my Vice-President be?" From the very beginning, Sharon McLean and I planned our agendas together, chaired the meetings together and made many decisions on long telephone calls.

Together we believed that we had to get the whole Guild working together -- Thus was born our Colour Groups! The purpose being, that once every year each member has the opportunity to hostess their fellow members and

facilitate the evening activities. This effort from each member shows appreciation for what executive members do to provide interesting programs and projects.

At this time I am looking forward to Quilts 2013! At each meeting we have a mini-quilt show. Show and Tell is always outstanding. I have my quilt ready. Do you? I can't wait to see that banquet hall filled with colourful quilts. Remember while Ginny is our leader, she would be the first to say that it is a "Guild Show". So remember--Put your efforts behind Ginny and make this show your best yet. You as women of your guild do something better than any show I have ever been to--You have FUN and it shows on your faces and you fill the show hall with a great spirit of WELCOME -- Come and see our Quilts.

As a member of our Farmhouse Community Quilters, I share the warm feeling of bringing love and comfort to others in our area and abroad. We could not produce the number of quilts we do if it were not for the support that we get from members who take kits home and make tops, put on borders, quilt on your machines and some hand stitch bindings. THANK YOU for all this help.

We all have heard the expression of "out side the box". Well, I don't know about you, but those Special Projects quilt blocks sure got me thinking "outside the box". I hope that you liked what I did. I am very excited about what we are doing.

Guild FELLOWSHIP is what a quilt guild is all about. On behalf of all of you I would like to thank our Social Conveners, who set up our coffee and tea which tops off our refreshments.

In closing, I want to say that I wanted us to have FUN, FELLOWSHIP and QUILTING and I sure did. I hope that you did too.

*Jean Clair*

## Message from the Editor

Okay Mr. Groundhog, bring on the nice weather. What was up with snow/rain we got late last month? Normally I wouldn't care but with Don working at the Brier in Edmonton I had to figure out how to use the ATV with the plow. It was not a pretty picture, just more proof that some jobs are blue and not pink. Of course the two weeks to myself was wonderful. I got to quilt whenever I wanted, watch chick flicks, pig out on popcorn, do housework when I knew someone was dropping in or simply do nothing. So all of you ladies who paid big bucks to go down south and soak up the sun, next year think of sending your hubby's away, just as relaxing.

Okay, onto some serious business now. Not only is our quilt show coming up (in case you didn't know), others will be happening as well so that means road trips that lead to inspiration. I've included quite a few in What's Happening. If you come across anything that needs sharing, please do so.

This month's cat installment is of Tom helping with the community quilts. I just finished attaching the binding so he had to add his personal touch. Phyllis helped out later as well but I didn't get a picture of her helping.

Have a great Easter everyone.



*Debbie Currier*

## Show 2013

Advertising for our quilt show will be ready by the March meeting. If you are travelling (within a reasonable distance to Napanee) and can take some bookmarks to drop by local quilt stores that would be a big help.

Tickets have been printed for the 4 raffle items (cutting table, 2 quilts, and the quilting frame) and will be available to members in March to start selling. It will take everyone's effort, but realizing that some people do not like the selling aspect, I would suggest you buy a few to give to friends and relatives as gifts. This will help out the Guild and a solution to gift-giving! Also, contact Ellyn if you would like to show the quilts to any groups.

Entries need to be turned in or e-mailed by March 31 (the new deadline since we had to cancel our February meeting). Contact me at [Kaspervirginiaklein@aol.com](mailto:Kaspervirginiaklein@aol.com) or [613-373-0104](tel:613-373-0104) for problems or forms that are being difficult to download from the Website. I am thrilled to see the first few entries come in and more excited that, other than the originator, I get to see them first (well, at least the pictures!). A big bonus for me!

B.J. Slaven is in charge of organizing the volunteers and now is the time to start thinking about signing up for the many positions we need filled. I especially need a good organizing hand to accept the quilts as they come into Centre on the Friday. It's your Guild and your Quilt Show. Let's make it a big success by helping out in any way you can.

Thanks to everyone.

*Ginny Klein*

## Guild Name Tags

There has been another price increase to the guild nametags. Effective 1 January 2013 at Hart n Hart, there is a minimum charge of \$10.00 so if there is only one person ordering a name tag, expect to pay \$11.30. Otherwise the cost is \$9.25 if more than one person is ordering.

## Quilt Show Boutique

Please be reminded that it is necessary to bring boutique items to the March meeting. There are also a few small quilts to be returned.

If you have quilting related magazines and books to donate bring them as well. We do not need any more supplies – only finished items. I will not be available to do any last minute pricing etc so we have to have this finished by the beginning of April.

I give a big thank-you to all members who have contributed their time and skills to Boutique 2013.

*Carol Garner*

## Quilting Withdrawals



We went to Santa Cruz one day and while walking downtown I spotted a fabric store - although I loved my vacation I must admit when I saw all the fabric I was in quilting withdrawal!

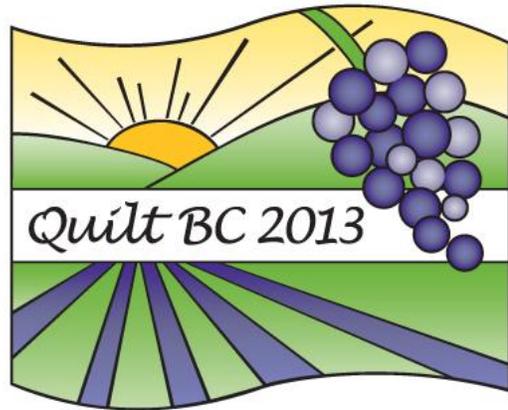
*Cindy Semple*

## Quilt Canada 2013

This year's show will be held in Penticton BC from May 16-18<sup>th</sup>. The 2013 Trend-Text Challenge topic is "Sunshine and Vines", in

keeping with the show theme, and even the chosen fabric colours reflect that.

For more information on location, classes and guest speakers check out the website [cqaquiltcanada.blogspot.ca](http://cqaquiltcanada.blogspot.ca).



*Designed by Marianne Parsons*

## Remember when..... The Apron

Remember making an apron in Home Economics? Read below:

### The History of 'APRONS'

I don't think our kids know what an apron is. The principal use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few. It was also because it was easier to wash aprons than dresses and aprons used less material. But along with that, it served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven.

It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out dirty ears.

From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids...

And when the weather was cold Grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove..

Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls.

In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes.

Send this to those who would know (and love) the story about Grandma's aprons.

### **REMEMBER:**

Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters' set theirs on the window sill to thaw.

They would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron..

I don't think I ever caught anything from an apron - but love...

*Submitted by Elizabeth Montgomery and Sharon Smith*

## **Quilting Hints**

### **Measurements**

Fat Quarter- a unit of measurement for fabric, made by cutting a half yard in half again vertically, usually measures 18" x 22" (based on the yard not meter). What can you get from a fat quarter?

99 - 2" squares, 50 - 2 1/2" squares,

42 - 3" squares, 30 - 3 1/2" squares,

20 - 4" squares, 16 - 4 1/2" squares,

12 - 5" squares, 12 - 5 1/2" squares,

9 - 6" squares, or 6 - 6 1/2" squares

### **Standard Mattress Sizes**

Twin Mattress Size 39" wide x 75" long

Twin Extra Long Mattress Size 39" wide x 80" long

Full Mattress Size 54" wide x 75" long

Full Extra Long Mattress 54" wide x 80" long

Queen Mattress Size 60" wide x 80" long

King Mattress Size 78" wide x 80" long

California/Western King Mattress 72" wide x 84" long

*Provided by Carol Garner*

## **Quilter Quiz – Name the Block**

These are cryptic clues and all of the answers are quilting names of blocks.

Example: best mate in the sky? FRIENDSHIP STAR      Good luck!

1. Put your sandwich on this?
2. A stitch in time?
3. Not bricks and mortar?
4. Found at the station?
5. Children's toy?
6. Milkmaid in a hurry?
7. Big brown ones have four of these?
8. Not for eggs?
9. Lots of them in this carpenters tool?
10. Inebriated road?

Answers found further on in the newsletter.

*Submitted by Cindy Semple*

## Upper Canada Village 2013 Quilt Challenge – The Battle of Crysler`s Farm

The Battle of Crysler`s Farm 2013 marks the bicentennial of the battle which took place on November 11, 1813. Set yourself back in time and be inspired to create a quilt that reflects the battle or the household challenges of the lifestyle and happenings of the time. Design your own or choose a pattern documented to the time period, pre 1820. Listed below is a quick overview of the requirements but for more info, check the website for Upper Canada Village.

### QUILT TYPE:

Medallion style - pieced and/or appliquéd.

### SIZE:

A square, each side minimum 30”, maximum 40”

### COLOUR AND FABRIC:

Up to Civil War era reproduction fabrics.

### CONSTRUCTION:

All entries may be either machine or hand pieced. No quilts from kits will be accepted. Source and name of pattern and designer must be included. Either wool or cotton batting may be used. There will be two categories for quilting, both hand quilted and machine quilted will be accepted and will be screened and judged separately.

If you are not interested in entering the competition but wish to see other entries, visit Upper Canada Village during the Fantastic Fibres and Quilt Show Weekend, Saturday and Sunday, June 22 and 23, 2013



## Farmhouse Community Quilters

**Dec 25<sup>th</sup>** – can you imagine, Brynhild did not host quilting this day.

**Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Thirteen in attendance for January, not at all unlucky. Those attending were Brynhild, Linda Bickell, Rose O’Brien, Liz Montgomery, Sheila Lucas, Carol Nacu, Jo Sheluk, Anne Dickson, Holly Moyes, Cynthia St.Croix, Catherine St.Croix, Kate Chadwick and myself.

At opening coffee we acknowledged the gracious donation of material and finished blocks by Ingrid Baker.

Brynhild must have a good supply of batteries for her camera because the finished quilts pictures taken for documentation numbered 20. She also has quite the number of safety pins because eight quilts were pin basted for quilting. There were two quilts designed with the finished blocks donated by Ingrid and we received a demonstration of what was required to make the cat and dog quilts for the SPCA. Ten of these quilts were completed by day end. Let’s not forget the continual requirement of hand sewing.

A great day indeed!!!!!!!!!!

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** – Our guild meeting was cancelled due to weather but at least the nice weather enabled us to get together to chit chat, document, pin, plan, sew, organize and EAT.

In attendance for February were Brynhild, Sheila Lucas, Jo Sheluk, Linda Bickell, Liz Montgomery, Holly Moyes, Anne Dickson, Carol Nacu, Ginny Klein, Kate Chadwick, Carol Garner, Karen Gill and myself. Jean Clair was able to join us for a short period of time.

During the startup over coffee, Brynhild and Jean read out the thank you letters received from the latest quilt donations and Kate passed along her mother-in-law`s thank you for a community quilt. People are so appreciative of our efforts for something we enjoy doing, so as you can see, everyone benefits from this process.

Upstairs we went and work got underway. Twelve pictures were taken, five quilts were basted, six dog beds were completed, many more quilt labels were made, three quilt kits were assembled and bindings were hand sewn on three quilts. As you can see, we deserved the great lunch we received.

To finish off the afternoon, Ginny gave a demonstration on mitered corners. It was a definite successful day.

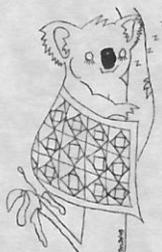
*Debbie Currier*

## Quilt Quiz Answers

1. Dresden Plate
2. Nine (Patch)
3. Log Cabin
4. Rail Fence
5. Tumbling Blocks
6. Churn Dash
7. Bear Paws
8. Flower Basket
9. Saw Tooth
10. Drunken Path



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## What's Happening

### 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Lace Day, Apr 7

RA Centre  
2451 Riverside Dr  
Ottawa, ON

### Quilts by the Seaway, Apr 19-20

Trinity Anglican Church  
105 2<sup>nd</sup> St West  
Cornwall, ON

### Off the Wall and Under the Covers Quilt Show, Apr 19-20

Barnhamthorpe Community Centre  
1500 Gullenden Dr  
Mississauga, ON  
[www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca](http://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca)

### Reflections of Georgian Bay, Celebrating 20 Years of Excellence, Apr 20-21

Tiny Township Community Centre  
91 Concession Rd East  
Tiny, ON

### Quilts by the Bay, Apr 27-28

Ecole Public Odyssee  
480 Norman Ave  
North Bay ON  
[www.quiltsbythebay.com](http://www.quiltsbythebay.com)

### Quilting in the Valley, Apr 27-28

Nick Smith center  
77 James St  
Arnprior  
[www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com](http://www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com)

### Quilts in the Garden, Apr 27-28

RBG Centre of the Royal Botanical Gardens  
680 Plains Rd West  
Burlington, ON  
[www.quiltsinthegarden.com](http://www.quiltsinthegarden.com)

### Feelings in Fabric 2013, May 3-5

Peterborough Sport 7 Wellness Centre  
775 Brealey Dr  
Peterborough, ON

### Traditions and Transitions Quilt Show, May 3-5

Vittoria & District Community Centre  
35 Oakes Blvd  
Vittoria (near Simcoe), ON

### Quilts in Bloom, May 3-5

Newmarket Community Centre  
200 Doug Duncan Dr  
Newmarket, ON  
[www.regionalyorkquiltersguild.ca](http://www.regionalyorkquiltersguild.ca)

### Festival of Quilts 2013, May 10-12

RA Centre  
2451 Riverside Dr  
Ottawa, ON  
[www.ottawavalleyquiltersguild.ca](http://www.ottawavalleyquiltersguild.ca)

### Quilted Treasures, May 25-26

Lindsay Curling Club  
18 Peel St  
Lindsay, ON

### Quilts in the Temple, Jun 7-8

Sharon Temple, National Historic Site &  
Museum  
18974 Leslie St  
Sharon, ON  
[www.quiltsinthetemple.blogspot.ca](http://www.quiltsinthetemple.blogspot.ca)

### Stitching Among Friends, Jun 8-9

Alliston Curling Club  
52 Albert St  
Alliston, ON  
[www.acqguild.edublogs.org](http://www.acqguild.edublogs.org)

