

# Waterloo County Quilters' Guild



## SCRAPS OF WISDOM

### President's Message: Good-Bye!

This is my last submission to the newsletter as your President. As this was only my third year as a member, I enjoyed learning so much about WCQG during this last year. Although meetings were missed due to two surgeries, I thank Lilla and Inge for stepping in and keeping things running smoothly. I hope you all enjoyed the speakers and workshops the Program Committee provided for us. The participation in the Outreach Programs was amazing. I congratulate all those of you who have so willingly donated your time and energies to serve others. I have asked our incoming President, Inge Ford, to contribute to this message by letting us learn about her journey with quilting...

Inge began sewing as a teenager (lots of garment sewing) and made her first quilt when her cousin's first child was born. It was a tied quilt made with simple tools, but it sparked an interest in making quilts. However, life happened and everything related to sewing disappeared for many years because Inge's career as a teacher and elementary school principal became both her work and her hobby. As she retired from her career, she was re-introduced to quilting through a friend at her local church. She took some classes to learn about the many changes that had evolved over the years, i.e., the rotary cutter—what a wonderful tool— as well as the sheer abundance of support on the internet! Over the last eight years while continuing her career in a different direction—working for literary organizations and volunteering in various capacities—Inge has also found the time to rekindle her love of sewing and quilting. She joined the WCQG about three years ago, attending meetings when possible. She has made many quilts for family members and friends, as well as for charities. She finds that quilting provides an opportunity to continue to be a learner; there is always something new to explore and to learn. It is also wonderful therapy, so relaxing and the finished product always creates such a very satisfying sense of completion.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your President and I look forward to what comes next with WCQG.

Sew long for now,



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ward to

The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild provides an opportunity for quilters to learn in a supportive, sharing, social environment. We encourage you to get the most out of your membership by becoming more deeply

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Yes! there will be a Mid-Summer Edition of "Scraps of Wisdom"

Deadline for inclusion is

July 22, 2019

## CALLING ALL WCQG QUILTERS: TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

June and September are renewal months for your membership. Remember if you renew in June, you are eligible for the draw for a free membership for the coming year. The renewal form is on the website under membership. You can fill it in online and print it out or, print the form out and then fill it in.

There will also be forms at the June and September meetings. We are very lucky that our membership fees have not gone up like so many things; been to the grocery store lately or bought gas for your car!!! We are a bargain. Renewals are \$35 and new members are \$40.

Thanks, Madeline - Membership Chair

Pictures: I am still taking pictures of our members for the 2019-2020 WCQG Handbook. I have almost 170 pictures so far. If you wish your picture in the next year's Handbook, see me at the June meeting.

Madeline - Picture taker



## QUAKER QUILT GUILD

### QUILT SHOW

Friday June 7, 2019 . 12:00 to 5:00 p.m

Saturday June 8, 2019 . 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m

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## SPRING CLEANING

Thursday, June 13th is Library Inventory Day **AND ALSO** "Spring Cleaning Under the Stage Day". We would like as many members as possible to come and help sort fabric, clear out what we don't use and make an inventory of what is being kept under the stage at the Albert McCormick Community Centre.

Remember, once the library inventory is done, you'll have a chance to check out books for all your summer projects!

## LIBRARY INVENTORY

Just a quick reminder to all you wonderful people who signed up for helping with library inventory. The date is coming quickly. We look forward to working with you on June 13th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Thanks! Kathy and Helene



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**Postcards and magnets** to advertise our quilt show are now available at guild meetings. Kindly take a stack along on your summer travels, and drop them off all over Southern Ontario. Good locations to think of are antique malls, museums, travel information kiosks, cafes, farm markets, shopping centres, doctor's offices, community centres, sewing centres and churches, just to name a few. And of course, quilt stores, guilds and shows. Thank you for your help in getting the word out about our exhibit.

Ilene Atkins

Advertising Co-ordinator



### SILENT AUCTION ITEMS FOR EXHIBIT

Darlene Ekmanis is collecting any items you want to give for the Quilt Exhibit silent auction.

If you know of a guild member who has become ill, please let our secretary, Doris Martin, know so she can send a get well card from all of us.



Doors open for guild meetings at 12:45 in the afternoon and 6:30 in the evening. **Unless you are involved in setting up the room, please do not arrive until after the above mentioned times so those setting up have room to work.** Thank you!

# Waterloo County Quilters' Guild

## 2019 Quilt Exhibit

[wcquiltersguild.on.ca](http://wcquiltersguild.on.ca)



Quilters clockwise from top left:  
Elizabeth Schneider, Mary Snyder, Yolanda Jankowsky  
Blanchard, Jean Carberry, Jean Munro, Maria Wirth

**Forbes Family Hall at RIM Park  
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**October 18 & 19, 2019**  
**Friday & Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm**  
**Daily Admission \$8**

Thank you, Laura Coia, of Sew Very Easy, for sharing your quilts, tips and tricks with us during our May guild meetings. Follow Laura on

youtube <https://www.youtube.com/sewveryeasy> .



Bonnie, inspecting Laura's clever way to make a hanging pocket (and have matching fabric, should the quilt need to be repaired!



Turning placemats to create different table arrangements



## Hello Waterloo County Quilt Guild Friends,

Thank you so much to all of you who donated place mats for the Meals on Wheels program. I had the chance to count and savour the beauty of each one. They are a lively, colourful collection of 211 place mats. That is 211 people who will receive an unexpected cheerful gift. If there are any that were taken home after the evening guild meeting that I have not included, please let me know and I'll add them to the number. - Judy Pearce



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## Internet Resources for Quilters

Prepared by Inge Ford

This month I am sharing on-line quilt stores – not because they sell fabrics and quilting products, but because of the video resources they provide. While I enjoy browsing through their websites, I really enjoy watching the videos they have created. I am a visual learner, so being able to learn in this way is very valuable. I also enjoy learning more about fabric designers and how they create their fabrics and pattern designs. I hope you enjoy visiting these sites and exploring the video programs they offer.

**Fat Quarter Shop** (<https://www.fatquartershop.com>), was founded in 2003 by Kimberly Jolly. She began her shop as a side business while still working in the corporate world. Today she and her husband along with their staff look after the shop. Kimberly maintains an on-line blog and newsletter. She also provides a large selection of videos, to which there are almost 200,000 subscribers. I especially enjoy these video tutorials where she provides helpful tips and quilting strategies as well as interviews with quilt pattern and fabric designers. New tutorials are added each week. Visit the website or subscribe to her channel for weekly mailings to your in-box.

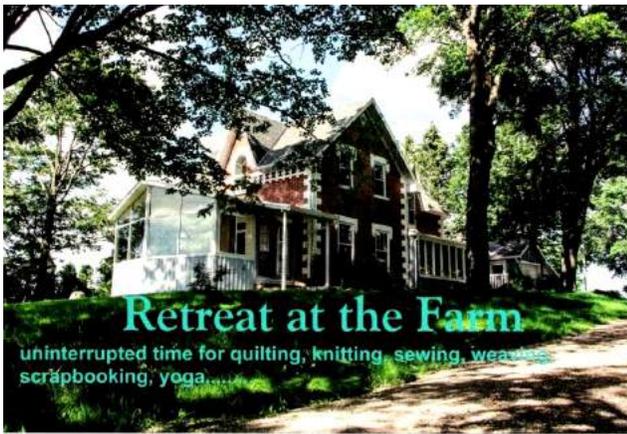


**Shabby Fabrics** – (<https://www.shabbyfabrics.com>) is owned and operated by Jennifer, who began her career as a commercial pilot who enjoyed craft activities of all kinds. After the tragic events of 9/11, airlines downsized and she lost her job, and looked to her creative side to begin in a new direction. While the main objective of Shabby Fabrics is to promote and sell fabric, they also have many excellent videos. Some highlight special projects (pillowcases, jelly roll tote bags); others provide excellent tutorials that are skill related, e.g. applique, how to quilt for beginners and lots more. Check out the website for links to the videos or the you-tube channel for additional tutorials.



**Dinkydoo Fabrics** (<https://www.dinkydoo.com>) is a **Canadian** company which began as an on-line store and in recent years opened an actual store in Pitt Meadows, B.C. The owners – Alicia and her husband Chris, specialize in modern and contemporary fabrics. Alicia is currently the President of the Vancouver Modern Quilt Guild. The video tutorials provided on the website can be found under the “About” heading. The tutorials are very short and to the point, and very easy to follow.





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## Mannheim Sewing Circle

Please join us in June for our last Mannheim sewing day before the summer break.

Lunch will be potluck, so bring a dish to share. Don't forget your sewing supplies and the project of your choice on which to work. Tea and coffee will be provided. Your \$4 donation helps cover the cost of the room rental. Find directions to Mannheim on our guild website, or in your membership handbook. See you there on Wednesday, June 12th, from 9 to 4.

- Megan and Tamara

## Memory Quilts

Once again this year, members have been very generous and have made more than fifty memory quilts. These small quilts are given to parents who lose a child at or shortly after birth. The hospital is always happy to receive these quilts and the parents are overwhelmed by our generosity.

At this time, the hospital has advised me that they have more quilts than they need. I also have enough quilts in storage, so we don't need to make any more, for the moment. The hospital has my phone number and will let me know when they need more quilts and I will make kits available as the need arises.

Thank you to all who have so thoughtfully made quilts for these families.

Pamela Clarkson - Memory Quilt Committee



**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN IN AT THE MEMBERSHIP DESK AND GET YOUR DOOR PRIZE DRAW TICKET!** It is important for **fire regulations** that we know how many people we have in

the community centre, especially during the afternoon meetings.

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## Quilt Exhibit

June 19, 2019 is the last day to submit your entries for the Quilt Exhibit in October. Entry forms are found on the guild website and can be printed off or sent electronically. Please note the instructions regarding sleeves and hanging rods. Be sure to sign up for the date and time when your quilts will be photographed at Creative Sisters' Quilt Studio in August.

We are in need of many volunteers to ensure our Quilt Exhibit runs smoothly. Please visit the sign up table to find the job or jobs that suit your skills. Quilted items for the boutique, small quilt draw and items for the silent auction may be submitted right up until the guild meeting on October 16, 2019.

Your help in all these areas is very much appreciated!

Elaine and Ruthanne, Co-Chairs

## BOUTIQUE ITEMS

Aline Chan will collect items for our Quilt Exhibit boutique at the afternoon meetings. Darlene Ekmanis will collect them at the evening meetings. Used quilting magazines and books will be accepted. Magazines should not be older than 5 years and should be quilt related. Everyone who makes a donation will have their name in a draw to win \$50.

- Aline Chan



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# North Lambton Quilter's Guild Show



📅 Thursday, June 27, 2019 - Saturday, June 29, 2019

🕒 Thursday - Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

📍 Lambton Heritage Museum Grand Bend, Ontario, \$5 admission includes museum

NLQG Phone 519-786-6024

The North Lambton Quilter's Guild is celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2019. As part of this celebration, they are presenting a show that includes quilts of varying sizes and pattern hung fully open for visitors to enjoy, alongside clothing, wall hangings, quilted accessories, and vendors offering supplies and books.

 The background of the text is a vibrant border of autumn leaves in various shades of red, orange, and yellow. The text is centered and reads:
 

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**When: Saturday, November 9**

**Cost: \$45**

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 In the bottom left corner of the leaf border, there is a small signature that reads "Melissa...".

# Stash Buster Workshop



We ended our workshops for this year with a fun filled day with Deb Beirnes' Stash Buster Workshop on April 27th. Deb is an excellent and patient teacher who shared lots of tips and techniques with us. A fun day at Mannheim was had by all.



Photos taken by Sandy Bussey



## Schneider Haus Quilt Block Competition

Mary Blanchard and Cathy Zurbrigg, pictured here, each received “Honourable Mention” for their blocks in this year’s “Flora and Fauna” Quilt Block Contest.

Here are the names of those whose blocks were included in this year’s quilt.

**First Row:** Mary Blanchard, *Grandmother’s Flower Garden* (Honourable Mention), Patricia Galinski, *The Ants Go Marching*, Lisa Battler, *Friendship Dahlia*, Leah Mitchell, *Sunflower*. **Second Row:** Chris Galinski, *Goose in the Grass*, Patricia Ann Schultz, *Natural Attraction* (2nd Place), Gayle Fridhandler, *Springtime Munchies* (1st Place), Maria Wirth, *My Yellow Garden Part 2*. **Third Row:** Chris Galinski, *The Fox*, Jean A. Hilborn, *Memories of Kansas*, Cathy Zurbrigg, *Woodland Jewel*, (Honourable Mention), Judy Brownell, *Sunflower*. **Fourth Row:** Dr. Anthea John-Phillip, *Norse Bloom*, Irena Baltaduonis, *Moose on the Loose*, Maria Wirth, *My Yellow Garden* and Dr. Anthea John-Phillip, *May Flowers*.

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**Our rates remain the same as before:**

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**Our previous offer of a 10% discount no longer applies.**

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## PAL Quilts

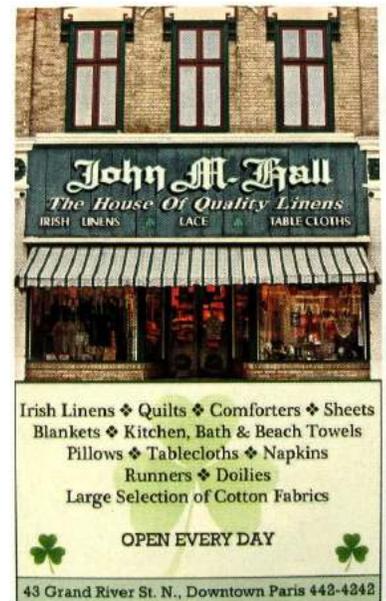
Please keep those quilts coming! The current total of PAL Quilts is 56, thanks to a large donation from the Caring Connection, the charity group at Creative Sisters Quilt Studio. The quilts for the new Hospice should be completed by our September meeting to be counted in this year's total. Thank you so much for your participation in this worthwhile endeavour. There is still batting available for PAL Quilts. Please call or email if you have any further questions. - Judy Siegner

## Help Needed to Solve My Mystery Before Quilt Exhibit Entrance!

Since I have completed a quilt I began in a workshop in the 90's, I am seeking help in finding out who taught this guild course. My instructions call it "The Two for One Quilt: Double Pinwheel/Twilight and "The Three for One Quilt". A half inch heart 'logo' encircles "92 and possibly initials; however, they are not legible. Please let me know if you can tell me who this mystery teacher was so I can "give credit where credit is due" with my quilt exhibit entry. Thanks! Kathryn Helwig, 519-745-4013 katpathelwig@gmail.com

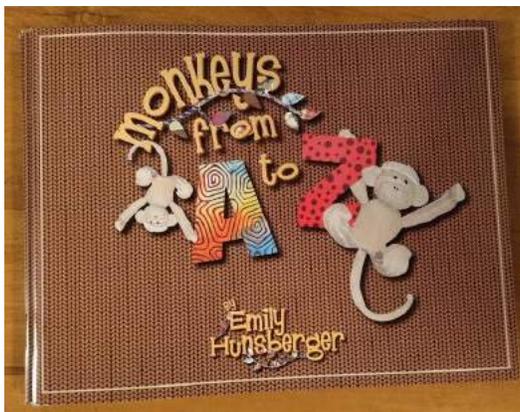
## Professional Guild Members

Any guild members who provide a quilt-related service or operate a quilt-related business have an opportunity to be listed on our website under "Member Professionals". Please review existing member listings to see what to include.

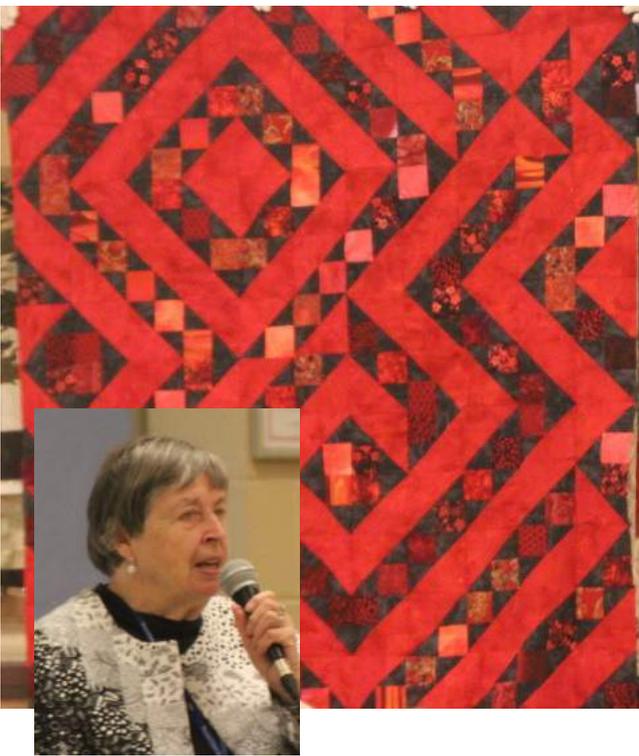




Several of our members' quilts were included in the St Jacobs Schoolhouse Theatre "A Sampling of Quilts and Fibre Art" during the Quilt & Fibre Art Festival.



Emily Hunsberger shared her sock monkey vignettes on the tables in the tea room. Copies of her book, "Monkeys from A to Z" are still available from Emily, proceeds going to Omas Siskona (Grandmothers together, part of the Stephen Lewis Foundation).



## May Show and Tell

Creators with their creations



## Program Schedule for 2018-19

June - Annual General Meeting, no speaker

### EVENING MEETING ONLY

As in the past, we are asking members with last names starting with A to M to help with set up and clean up, and members with last names from N to Z to bring a savoury or sweet treat for us all to share. Please also bring a mug for juice or water.

We will be looking for a new Vice President, as Inge Ford steps into the President's role, and Deby Wettges moves to being our Past President.



### Elected Officers of the Guild 2018-2019

**President:** Deby Wettges  
**Vice President:** Inge Ford  
**Treasurer:** Jean Cloes  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Andrea Heimrich  
**Secretary:** Doris Martin  
**Past President:** Lilla Hall

### Standing Committees

**Historian:** Vacant  
**Librarians:** Kathy Janzen & Helene Stevens  
**Membership:** Madeline Hughes (E)  
 Pat Lockyer (E)  
 Kitty Mitchell (E)  
 Betty Anne Scott (A)  
 Bettie Schuurman  
**Newsletter:** Marg Sandiford  
 Pat Lockyer - Mailings  
**Advertising Coordinator :** Marg Sandiford  
**Program & Workshops:** Bonnie Murdoch,  
 Barbara Pye, Sandra Bussey &  
 Darlene Ekmanis  
**Quilt Exhibit:** Ruthanne Snider, Co-chair  
 & Elaine LaRonde, Co-chair  
**Website:** Kathy Bissett  
**Facebook:** Marg Sandiford



## Quilting Months Ahead

Month	Day	Activity
June	12	Mannheim Sewing Circle Potluck
June	12-15	Quilt Canada in Ottawa
June	19	Registration deadline for our 2019 Quilt Exhibit
June	19	General Annual Meeting, evening only
August	12, 13	Exhibit Photo Sessions at Creative Sisters Quilt Studio
September	11	Mannheim Sewing Circle
September	18	Regular Guild Meetings
October	18,19	2019 WCQG Quilt Exhibit

Our website: <http://www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca/>