

Waterloo County Quilters' Guild

SCRAPS OF WISDOM

President's Message

Brrrrrrrrrrrrrr!!! Winter is finally here with all the bluster we knew it would bring. During these cold and snowy months we all tend to stay in and work on our own projects to avoid the outdoors. To me, sewing with a group has always been much more fun and rewarding in spirit than just working on my own. We are so lucky to have so many opportunities to share this joy with others and for others. Our Mannheim Sewing Circle each month and the upcoming Mini Retreat are only two of the ways we can get together. It doesn't have to be fancy or a fuss...just a couple of friends over for an impromptu afternoon of sewing and chatting. Maybe you may choose to make placemats for Meals On Wheels or a quilt for the Smile or PAL groups. Whatever idea works for you, try and include a friend.

Sew long for now, Deby



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.

Cancellations due to Weather - Members should consider a guild meeting to be cancelled if the universities are closed. KOOL FM will post such closures on their website.



Save the date for QUILT CANADA 2019!
June 12-15, 2019
EY Centre, Ottawa, ON



Happy Valentine's Day
Bonnie Murdoch's Heart Quilt

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 involved in the guild.

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February Program - Susan Forbes



'Row Houses' by Susan Forbes

Our February speaker is Susan Forbes, who will be entertaining us with her trunk show, "My Journey Through Quilting". Susan works and teaches at Creative Sisters Quilt Studio in Kitchener and hosts a monthly club 'The Curvettes' that focuses on her latest fascination with the **Quick Curved Rulers by Sew Kind of Wonderful**. Susan will delight us with a variety of quilts and showcase her love of specialty rulers and, of course, curved piecing.

Susan will be leading a workshop on Saturday, February 23rd at the Mannheim Community Centre and the project will feature the Quick Curved Ruler and the pattern, "Rings Revival", shown at the right. Come and see how easy it is to do curved piecing. There are spots available and you can sign up at the February meetings.

See page 3 for the supply list.

Sandra Bussey for the Program Committee

'Rings Revival'



Placemats for Meals On Wheels

Do you have a surplus of **ORPHAN BLOCKS??** What about spare pieces of fabric and batting left over from a past project? You may be looking for a quick and easy project to relax with in between more difficult quilting endeavours. Well, **placemats** are both easy and fun to make. Any cheerful pattern or design would be great just as long as your finished mats are either 12" x 18" or 14" x 20" in size. They also should be reversible (this will allow for more usage before laundering). We have been in touch with Community Support Connections and they are currently servicing over 300 seniors and shut-ins with Meals On Wheels in their service area. CSC would appreciate receiving whatever quantities of placemats we can supply. We are also looking for a volunteer to administer this project, so if you are interested, please let someone on the executive know.



Supply List for Rings Revival

57" x 57"

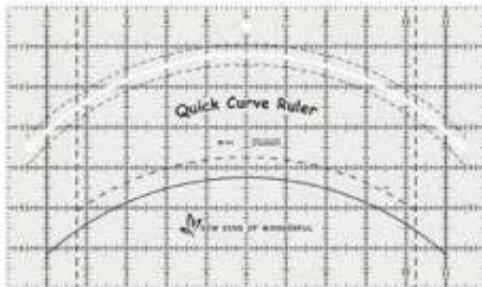


The Quick Curve Ruler© is the newest kid on the block. You can cut your curves, background blocks and square up the blocks with ONE ruler. It is amazingly simple and very effective in creating a modern look. You will love this ruler and the fact that there are many patterns and books available for use with this ruler.

Level: Confident Beginner and beyond

In this class we will cut and sew and arrange blocks to form a quilt. We will not get the entire quilt completed; however you will learn all of the necessary techniques to piece the entire quilt.

Ruler/template Required: Quick Curve Ruler© by
Sew Kind of Wonderful



Pattern: Rings Revival by SKW

FABRIC:

I encourage students to starch your fabric for your curved blocks as we will be working with curves/bias pieces.

- (14) 5" x 10" (6-orange, 6-blue, 2-plum)
- (14) 3" x 10" (6-orange, 6-blue, 2-plum)
- (14) 5" x 5" setting triangles (6-orange, 6-blue, 2-plum)

(6) 9" x 9" assorted prints for centers of rings (3-orange, 3-blue)

(1) fat quarter print for accent strips pieced in to background (orange)

2-1/3 yards assorted background fabric OR (32) 10" squares (I prefer yardage as you will then be able to oversize and square down to 10" square as I have found that 10" squares are sometimes not quite large enough)

4 yards backing

1/2 yard binding

Additional Class Supplies:

- Sewing machine with $\frac{1}{4}$ " foot in good working order
- Thread to match your fabric
- Rotary cutter with sharp blade (45 mm size)
- Rotary cutting mat
- 6" X 24" ruler and a 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 24 if you have one
- Your choice of product to prevent your ruler from slipping
- Best Press to starch your fabric (or product of your choice)
- Black Sharpie Marker
- Pencil & paper for taking notes

Happy fabric shopping! Any questions please contact me at sforbes@gto.net Susan Forbes

CLASSIFIEDS

HILLS AND VALLEYS QUILT SHOP TOUR

2019—MAY 2, 3, 4

Threads That Bind, Maxwell

Creemore House of Stitches, Creemore

Creekbank Sewing Machine Shop, Mount Forest

Country Concessions, Cookstown

Cobwebs & Caviar, Shelburne

**GRAND PRIZE \$1,000 Shopping Spree
SECOND PRIZES 10 \$100 Mini Sprees
THIRD PRIZES 15 \$50 Goody Bags**



IN SEARCH OF...rulers and other quilting tools to purchase or acquire for a new guild member and quilter. Please contact Lynne Barney, phone 226-790-1792 or email, kally.zeva@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.

CQA Member's Guild Challenge "Going Viral"/ President's Challenge 2019

Guild members... Please remember that the CQA Member's Guild Challenge "Going Viral"/ President's Challenge entries need to be ready soon. Make sure you are following the entry details shown on the CQA website (and on page 5 of this newsletter). Your entry should be brought to the March afternoon meeting. If you usually attend in the evening, you will need to make arrangements to drop off your entry with an executive member or someone else who can bring it to the March afternoon meeting. Those attending the afternoon and then later, members attending the evening meeting will vote for their choice for winner. The entry with the highest number of votes will be our CQA Member's Guild entry and winner of the President's Challenge for 2019. We will also choose the two with the next highest number of votes to receive a prize as part of the President's Challenge. The prizes for the winner and the two runners up will be presented at the April guild meetings. The winner's quilt will then be sent to CQA by the guild in time for Quilt Canada 2019 in June. All the quilts entered into this competition (with the exception of the winner—a picture will take the place of the actual quilt) will be given to the Quilt Exhibit Committee and then displayed as part of our fall exhibit.

- Deby Wettges, Guild President



CANADIAN QUILTERS' ASSOCIATION ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DE LA COURTEPOINTE

Quilt Canada, June 12 – 15, 2019 MEMBER GUILD CHALLENGE – “QUILTING GOES VIRAL”

The Canadian Quilters' Association/Association canadienne de la courtepointe is announcing a Member Guild Challenge. Only members of a CQA/ACC Member Guild may enter this challenge, which has the theme **“Quilting Goes Viral.”**

- All entries must follow the guidelines below. Each individual Member Guild may select **one winner only** from their Guild's membership, on or before April 30, 2019 for entry into this challenge.
- Guilds wishing to enter the Challenge must advise of their intent via email to Bonnie Rankin, rankinbon@gmail.com by Feb 1, 2019, so that space allocation can be arranged.
- All mini quilts must be received by May 15 - May 25, 2019 so they can be displayed at QC 2019, at the EY Centre in Ottawa. **Bonnie Rankin**, CQA/ACC Past President will receive the quilts at **235 Mojave Cres, Stittsville, ON., K2S 0H6.** Tel: 613-435-0238 email: rankinbon@gmail.com
- The winning quilt will be selected by Viewer's Choice during Quilt Canada 2019 and awarded a \$100 cash prize.
- All submitted quilts will remain in the possession of the CQA for approx. 11 months and will be returned to the owner/maker prior to Quilt Canada June 2020, in Edmonton.
- The CQA/ACC plans to take these quilts, as part of a travelling show, across Canada. Our Regional Reps and/or Board members will take the quilts to Guilds in their area to share the talents of our members.



The Challenge:

- **The Theme:** “Quilting Goes Viral.”
- Please use **Pantone, colour #18**, Ultraviolet (the 2018 Colour of the year), or the equivalent **KONA** colour, Bright Periwinkle, along with up to two (2) additional colours on the face of your quilt
- The quilt perimeter is to be **no larger than 72 inches**.
- Each quilt must be finished with either binding, facings or enveloped pillow case style.
- Please ensure that there is a **hanging sleeve**, at least 3 inches wide, for display purpose.
- All quilts must have a **label** with the Quilt name and Quilter's name visible on it.
- Please enclose the **Guild Entry Form** when your quilt is shipped.

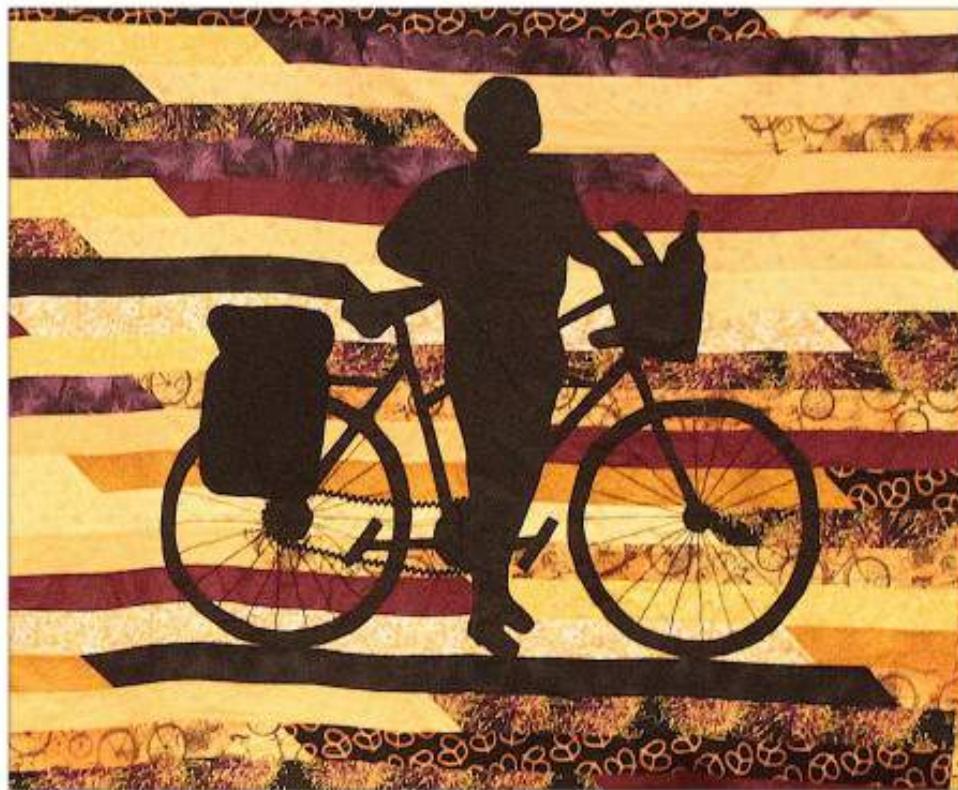
We look forward to your entry and thank you for your participation. Please send some photos of some of your Guild entries for posting on our Social Media sites. Most of all, have fun!

Heather Black, President CQA/ACC 2018/19

Using Up Scraps #20 with Vikki MacDonald

"Scraphy" Jelly Roll Quilt

Scraphy = Scr(ap) + (St)ashy



You are encouraged to make your own "jelly rolls" using scraps from your own stash. A purchased Jelly Roll has forty $2\frac{1}{2}$ - inch strips. This is enough to make a lap or twin sized quilt. Add more strips to the original forty to make larger quilts. Also, if you are working from your own stash, the strips can be any length. Here is a tutorial for a scrappy Jelly Roll Quilt:

<https://www.alandacraft.com/2017/08/19/the-scrappy-stash-jelly-roll-race-quilt-variation/>

If you have never made a jelly roll here are a couple of tutorials:

<https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Jelly-Roll-Quilt> (strips attached straight)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2bEJLnaZQOU> (strips are attached diagonally)

Once you have constructed your basic jelly roll quilt, why not embellish it? It can become a wonderful background, as in the quilt shown above. The image of the bike and rider was scanned, enlarged to the desired size, traced and used as a pattern for the silhouette. The spokes were embroidered. There are countless other possibilities using silhouettes or other embellishments.

FYI:

Where did the term "Jelly Roll" come from ?

<https://www.classicsewingmagazine.com/what-are-jelly-rolls/>

Mannheim Sewing Circle

The next Mannheim sewing date will be Wednesday, February 13, from 9am to 4pm. Bring your packed lunch and the sewing project of your choice, and we will provide tea, coffee and good company. Your \$4 donation helps cover the cost of the room rental. Find directions to the Mannheim Community Centre on our website or in your guild handbook.

Please note: In case of inclement weather, if school buses are cancelled in the morning, the Mannheim Sewing Circle will also be cancelled.

Megan and Tamara

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- Baby
- Christmas
- Comfort Quilts
- Memorial Room

And more Quilts!

Friday May 24, 2019
10am to 5pm
Saturday May 25, 2019
10am to 4pm

Dunnville Memorial Arena
275 Ramsey Drive
Dunnville, Ontario

PAL QUILTS

It's not too late! There are still kits available to make a quilt for the new Hospice Waterloo. You may get one at the February meeting or call me to arrange to get it sooner.

Judy Siegner



Registering Your Quilts for the 2019 Quilt Exhibit

Registration forms will be available in early **March** on the guild website or in paper form at guild meetings in March, April, May and June. Please complete **either** an online form **OR** a paper form for **EACH** quilt you wish to exhibit.

The last day to submit your registration forms is **Wednesday, June 19, 2019**.

Your quilts need to be completed by early August. All registered quilts will be photographed at the Creative Sisters Quilt Studio on either Monday, August 12 or Tuesday August 13. Specific times for photography will be set up later this spring. If you plan on being out of town on those two days, please arrange to have a friend take your quilts to the studio. The photographs are vitally important to Kathy Bissett as she colour coordinates the layout for the exhibit. The photographs are also compiled on memory sticks and sold at the exhibit.

We would encourage each and every member of the guild to exhibit a quilt this year. It does not matter if you are a Novice Quilter (a quilter with 2 years or less experience) or a Master Quilter (someone who has participated in a national or international show), whether your quilt is small or large enough to fit a king sized bed, all quilts are welcome.

Thank you, Elaine and Ruthanne, Quilt Exhibit Co-Chairs

EXHIBIT MAGNETS



Elaine LaRonde will provide kits to assemble our advertising magnets. The instructions for folding and printing the information are available on our website under "Members' Preparations". Six inch fabric squares are available or you may provide your own. Please return the finished magnets to Elaine as soon as possible and remember to take some along to leave at the quilt shops you visit.

Internet Resources for Quilters

Prepared by Inge Ford

This month the focus for this column will be on quilting podcasts and tutorials that are available. A brief description and link are provided for each one. Hope you find these resources to be useful.

American Patchwork & Quilting Podcast – Pat Sloan, a professional quilter, fabric designer, and author, hosts a free weekly hour long quilting podcast. She interviews quilt makers, authors, fabric designers, manufacturers and people who have contributed to quilting in interesting ways (e.g. interviewing Astronaut Karen Nyberg, who quilted in space). At www.AllPeopleQuilt.com, you will find the Podcast page which lists and describes each podcast, the player to listen to right there or to download to your computer or smart phone, the guests' photos, a quote and a link to each guest's website. This podcast has been going for 8 years, so there are many shows available to listen to while piecing a quilt or hand or machine quilting. I invite you to give it a try.



Hello My Quilting Friends Podcast – Leah Day, a professional quilter, author, and teacher, presents a fun, informative quilting podcast about life, making quilts and running a creative craft business. About three times each month, Leah shares interviews with creative business owners and stories from her own journey as a quilter and blogger, machine quilter and crafty entrepreneur. Podcasts, episode notes and additional information can be found on her website – www.LeahDay.com/podcast.



Bonnie Hunter – Bonnie describes herself as a Quiltaholic, more specifically a scrapaholic. She is a professional quilter, teacher, has authored many books, writes a regular column for Quiltmaker Magazine called "Addicted to Scraps" and operates a daily blog on Facebook with over 115,000 followers. While not a podcast, Bonnie hosts a free on-line quilting program. She has a web cam installed in her quilting studio, from which she runs "Quilt Cam" – an on-line impromptu quilting show. All of her archived programs can be accessed on her website. Bonnie hosts Quilt Cam as her time allows, and it's fun to watch live or to watch a saved program at your leisure. Quilt Cam, as well as her free patterns and much more, can be found on her website – www.quiltville.com.

***Each of these authors have published a number of books, some of which can be found in the guild library*



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!

Mini Retreat

at Emmanuel United Church
22 Bridgeport Road West
Waterloo

**Saturday, March 30,
2019**

9am to 8pm

Lunch and Supper
Included

Sandra Bussey,
Organizer

Sign up at the January
Guild Meetings

\$45 per person

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**Quilts of Valour - Canada will be hosting a Sewing Bee on
Saturday, March 2nd from 10am to 4pm
At the Royal Canadian Legion
57 Watson Pkwy South, Guelph**

Our mission is to ensure that injured Canadian Forces members are recognized for their service and commitment to our country. We give this support through the presentation of quilts to comfort our past and present Canadian Forces members.

Sewing, pressing, cutting, quilting or binding - all talents will be put to good use. If you are able to attend **please bring your regular sewing supplies and thread. Fabric and batting will be supplied.** Coffee and tea will be provided, please bring your own bag lunch.

Please RSVP to Rose Parr at 519-241-1371, roseparr@quiltsofvalour.ca or for a quicker response to questions, email rose@roseparr.com

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Quilting is an integral part of this region's heritage, so it is fitting that each year in May, communities come together to host an exceptional variety of quilting and fibre arts events. Be sure to mark your calendar, gather your friends and plan to attend!



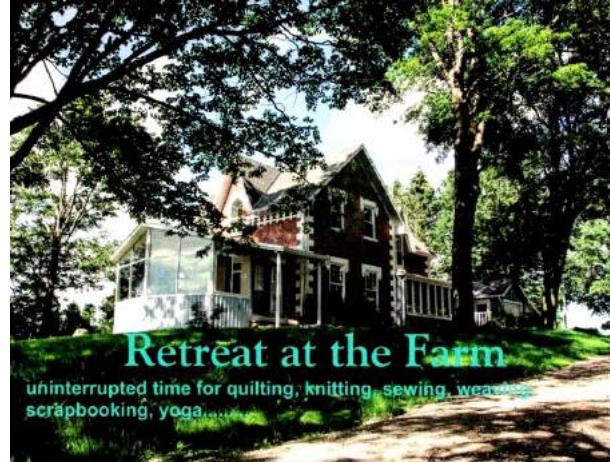
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CHAIR SALE

February 20th will be our annual chair sale!

The annual Chair Sale will be held at the **FEBRUARY** meeting this year. This sale gives members an opportunity to gather once-loved but no-longer-wanted treasures to sell hopefully to new owners. Bring your loonies and toonies and snatch up some real deals from your fellow quilters. Don't forget a container, **clearly marked with your name**, to collect the money you receive and to only bring what will fit on **ONE** chair.





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Accuquilt Workshop

January 17, 2019

"We had a fun day cutting up our stash-es into hexagons and triangles. I can't wait to see some of the finished quilts at 'Show and Tell'. The next Stash Buster Workshop is on Saturday, February 16th. See you there!"

- Barbara Pye,
for the Program Committee



Accuquilt System Workshop #2 with Barbara Pye



Saturday, February 16, 2019

We are getting together again to bust our stashes and cut hexagons and equilateral triangle quilts using the Accuquilt die cutting system. We will get lots of cutting and sewing done, so have a good breakfast and bring a hearty lunch with you to Mannheim from 9:30am to 3:30pm on Saturday, February 16th.



Supply List: You will need your sewing machine, thread, etc, cutting mat, rotary cutter and of course, your stash. If you wish to cut strips before you come you will need 5" strips of prints for either the hexagon or triangle quilt and 3.5" strips of cream/white tonals for the hexagon quilt. We will help cut strips at the workshop too.

- Barbara Pye, Simply Quilting, Quilting and Longarm Quilting Services

BOUTIQUE ITEMS

Aline Chan will collect items for the boutique at our Quilt Exhibit 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

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS FOR EXHIBIT

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

Please refrain from wearing perfume to guild meetings as some members are allergic or sensitive to them.



LIBRARY NEWS

Helene Stevens ordered the annual 'Block' book subscription from the Missouri Star Quilt Co and just received the first bi-monthly issue. It is the 'Early Winter 2018 Vol. 5 Issue 6' and has been added to the inventory. Helene says it was great to see the article referencing the Missouri Star Quilt Co. website in last month's newsletter. Last May, Helene and her friends went on a quilt bus trip to Missouri Star in Hamilton, Missouri—and had a blast!



Thank you for your generous contributions to oneROOF. We collected \$718.60 and 2 trunk-loads of toiletries, clothing and other necessities for homeless youth in our community.

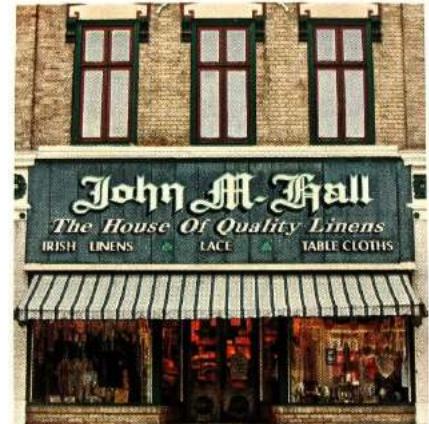


Save the Date & Time!

Tuesday, March 5th @ 3:00pm

Call to reserve your spot! Limited seating available.

WE ARE NOW OPEN THURSDAYS 10:00 - 7:00 PM

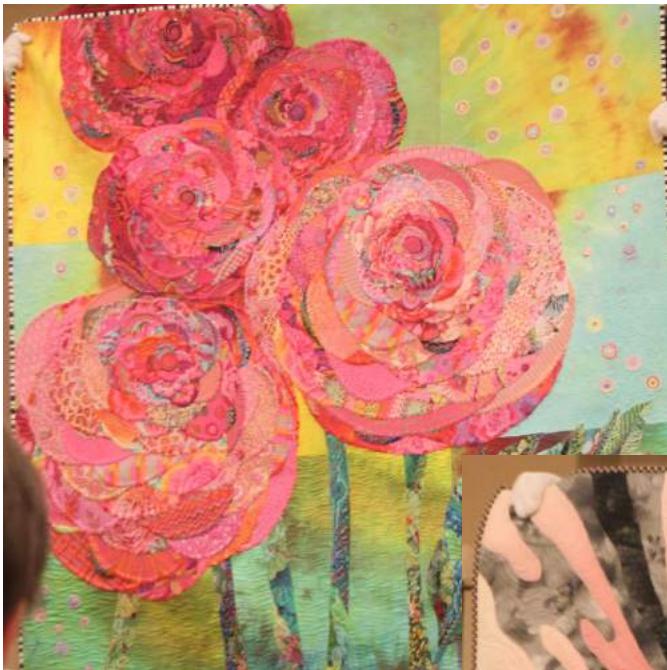


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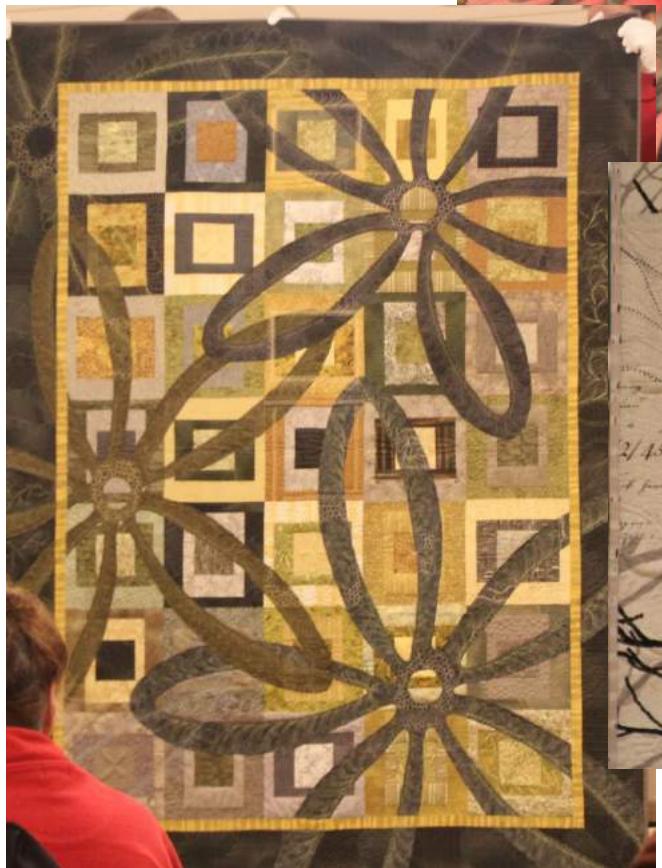
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If you know of a guild member who has become ill, please let our secretary, Doris Martin know so she can send a get well card from all of us.

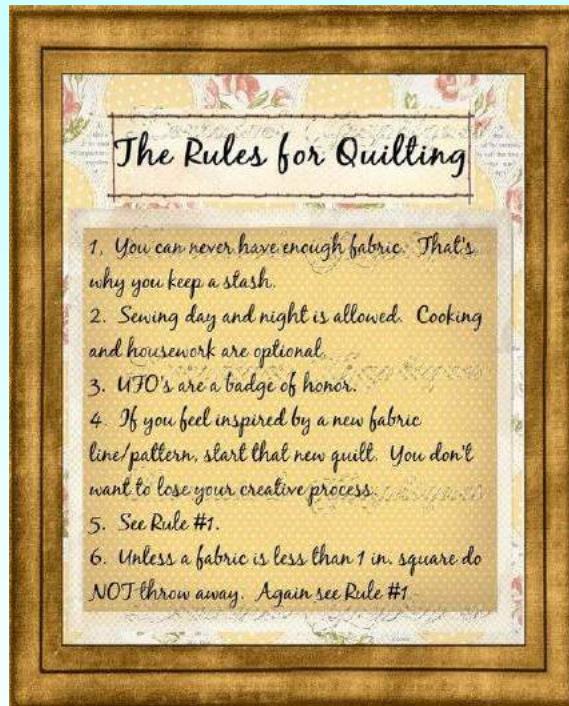


Thank you, Marilyn Farquhar
for sharing your lovely quilts
and the information about
the art of digital quilting.



Program Schedule for 2018-19

- February - Susan Forbes, Curved Quilts Workshop & Accuquilt Workshop #2
- March - Alin Chan & Mini Retreat
- April - Pauline Grondin & Stash Buster Workshop with Deb Beirnes
- May - Laura Cola of Sew Very Easy
- June - Annual General Meeting, no speaker



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
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- 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
February	13	Mannheim Sewing Circle
February	16	Accuquilt Workshop #2
February	20	Regular guild meetings
February	23	Curved Quilts Workshop with Susan Forbes
March	2	Quilts of Valour Sewing Bee
March	20	Regular guild meetings
March	30	Mini Retreat

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