

# SCRAPS OF WISDOM

## President's Message:

The quilt sandwich - a strong back, a cozy warm batting, a decorative top, a piece of thread holding it all together. Sometimes the same list could be used to describe the quilter - a person with a strong back, balancing children, parents, a job, the home, health issues, etc. This person is known to be warm and caring on the inside, always ready to give a hug when needed. Their life has been pieced together to make something beautiful for everyone to see. And yes, they too have a strong thread keeping all parts together.

- Lilla Hall, President

Are you looking to become more involved with the guild? Come June there will be some opportunities as we will need a new **Vice President**; Deby Wettges moves into the role of President, a new **Historian**; Ruth Hicks steps down after many years of serving our guild in this roll, a **librarian** and **two program coordinators for 2019/2020**. Please speak to Lilla Hall or Eileen Fennell if any of these offices are of interest to you.



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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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Happy Mini Retreaters! It looks like Saturday March 10th was a very successful retreat at Emmanuel United Church. Photo credit: Linda Henderson

**Meeting Cancellations due to severe weather**—listen to KOOLFM 105.3—if the universities are closed, our meetings will be cancelled. We will also post on our facebook page.



## April Program

### Tania Denyer

Tania Denyer of Ancaster, Ontario will speak to us on April 18th and the title of her trunk show gives us a peek into the fun to come: "Have Fun and Keep It Quilty". Tania was named 'Janome Canada Artisan' last fall and her quilts are fun and colourful. Her quilting is fun and innovative with words found here and there. On her blog, [www.gingerquilts.ca/blog](http://www.gingerquilts.ca/blog), she shared her adventure of making a quilt many years ago. It was a traditional block style. Years later, she added some colourful Kaffe Fassett fabric but still wasn't sure if she liked it. So back into the box it went. And then, she took it out of the box for a third time and cut it up! Those traditional squares became a colourful, modern quilt. And it is beautiful! Come and share her adventure and spirit. If quilters want even more inspiration, Tania will have quilt patterns for sale at the April 18th meeting.

- Carol Ross Williamson, for the Program Committee



'Peonies' by Tania Denyer, also 'Peeps' Spring Quiltet on the front page is also one of Tania's designs from her website, [www.gingerquilts.ca](http://www.gingerquilts.ca)

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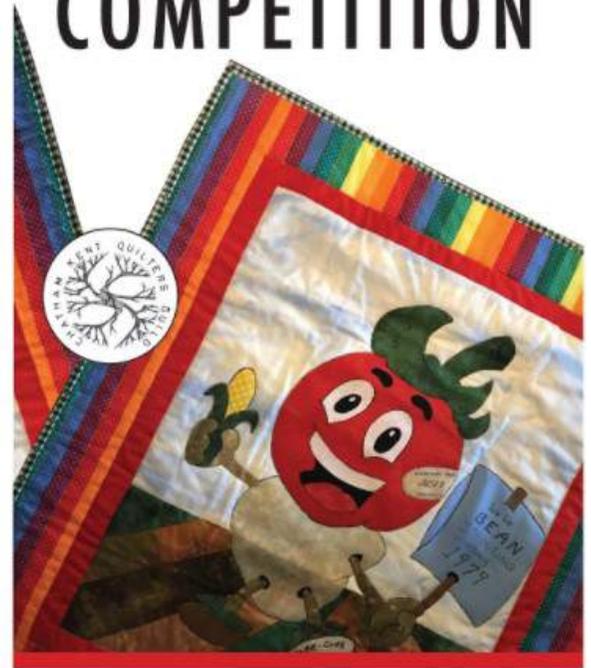
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**Ricky Tims Event**

Region of York Quilters Guild is hosting 3 days of workshops with Ricky Tims from May 15 to 17, 2018.

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## Using Up Scraps #16 with Vikki MacDonald

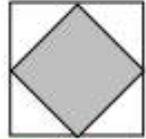
### Scrappy Firecracker



The block for this quilt is actually a square within a square block. The difference is that the centre square is pieced.

The centre square can be made any size you wish. In Vikki's quilt she used three 2" x 4½" strips to create the centre 4½" square which includes seam allowances. The background colour goes in the middle strip and and on the long sides of the "firecracker" colours so that the colourful fabrics form the firecracker.

The formula to determine the size of corner triangles divide the finished size of the centre square by 1.414 and add .875 (7/8), then round up to the nearest 1/8. Therefore:  $4 \div 1.414 = 2.83$   
 $2.83 + .875 = 3.7$   
 Rounded up to 3.75



Setting triangle charts can be found on the following websites:

<https://quiltville.com/onpointmathpf.html>

<https://www.generations-quilt-patterns.com/setting-triangles.html>



*Note: It is the measurement of corner setting triangles you need - not the side setting ones.*

### The Queen's Jewels Scrap Quilt

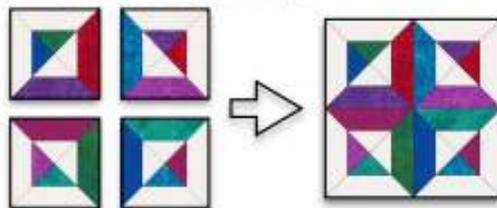
This quilt is based on the Repeating Cross block. To form the cross four blocks are each rotated so that the result is a cross. To construct it, join two equal width strips together and cut into triangles. Any width works.



For the scrappy Queen's Jewels version the fabric in the pairs of strips will be varied, with the background fabric remaining constant. This quilt works particularly well with jewel tones (royal blue, true purple, ruby red, emerald green, turquoise, etc.), while yellow, orange, yellow-green can detract from it.

To construct, cut triangles from a variety of strip-sets. When assembling the blocks, ensure that there is a variety of fabrics.

Next add 4 mitred borders around each set of four squares. The length of these borders should be the length of the block + 2 times the width of the strips. The width of these borders should be the same as the width of the original strips.





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**Friday, May 25, 2018 - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.**  
**Saturday, May 26, 2018 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Mildmay-Carrick Recreation Complex

## Mannheim Sewing Circle

Join us on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 from 9am to 4pm, for another Mannheim Sewing Circle. Bring the project of your choice on which to work and your packed lunch - we will provide tea and coffee. All are welcome! Your \$4 donation helps cover the cost of the room. Directions to the Mannheim Community Centre can be found in your membership handbook or on our guild website. Hope to see you on the 11th! - Tamara and Megan

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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!



# Piecemakers Quilt Show

Thursday April 26 10am-5pm  
Friday April 27 10am-7pm  
Saturday April 28 10am-4pm

Pyramid Recreation Centre  
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St. Marys, Ontario

# Piecemakers 2018

Featuring:

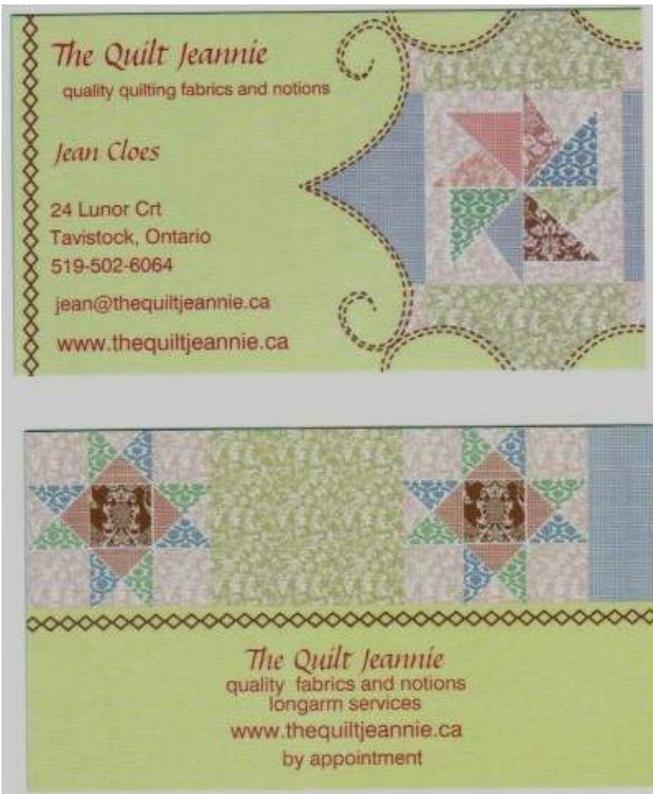
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## Professional Guild Members

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.

## PAL Quilts CHALLENGE: 50 QUILTS WANTED

The Leaning Tower of  
Quilts has reached

# 40

The top goal is within reach. Please help! 5 quilt tops were donated in February, 3 have been completed with the help of Caring Connection. We still have batting available for you to complete your own quilt.

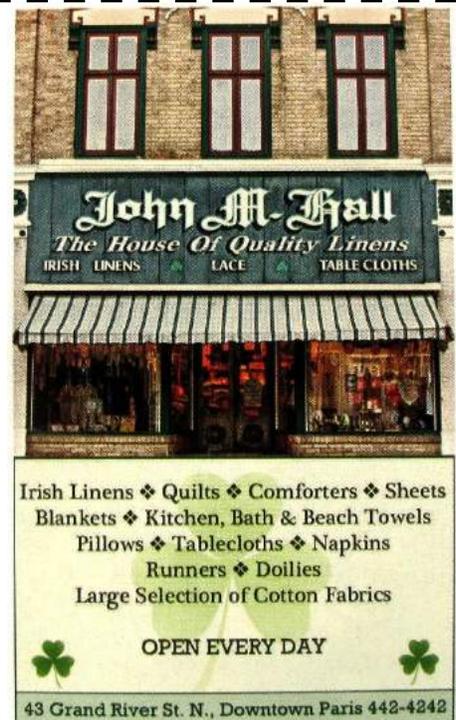


Some guild members are sensitive to scents.

Please refrain from wearing perfume to guild meetings.



**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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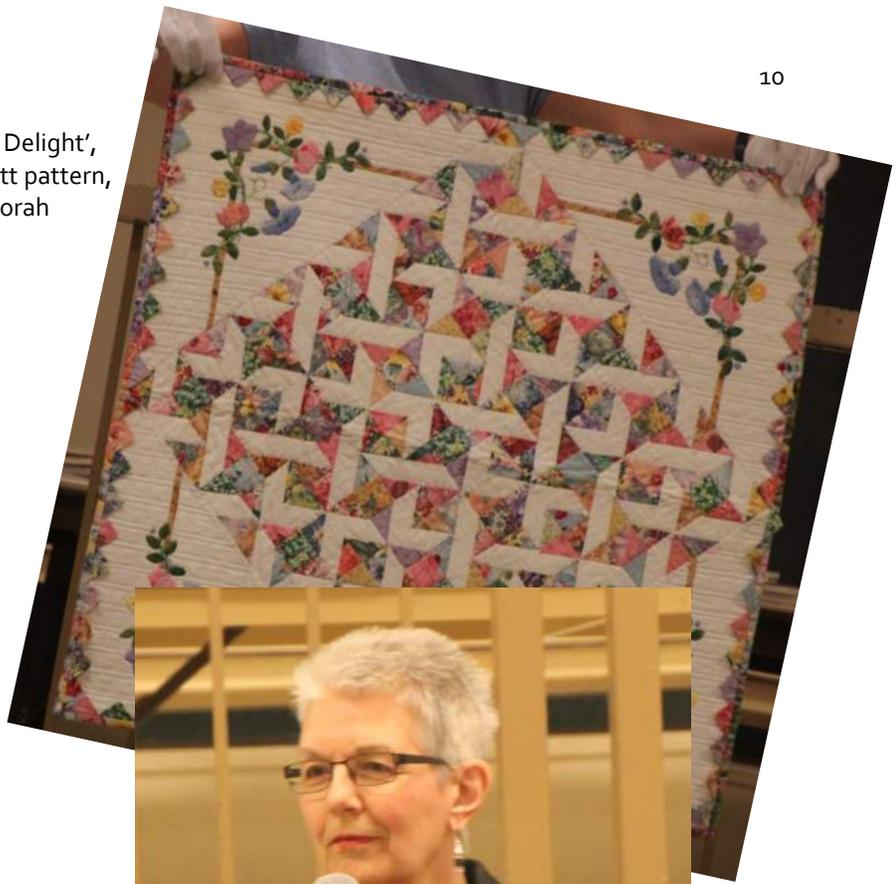
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Left: 'Garden Delight', a Kathy Bissett pattern, made by Deborah



Thank you, Deborah Beirnes for sharing your presentation, "Carpenters of Cloth" at our March guild meetings



Pat Janowski, above, with her star quilt on the right



'Bunnies' an original design by Karen Cassidy



Shanta Ragde, above, with her 'Flower Garden' quilt, on the right. This quilt was English paper-pieced and hand appliqued by Shanta. It was hand quilted by Marg Sandiford



'Star Quilt' by Scott Schau using his hand dyed fabric



Left - Abigail Costa (Lou Ann Kenney's granddaughter) with her stuffed carrot, made by Abigail with Lou Ann's guidance.

# Show and Tell

Right - Barbara Pye's jelly roll quilt, from Kate Henderson's book, "Striking Strip Quilts"



# More Show and Tell

Below: 'Among Friends', pieced by Lynne Thomson-Haven, machine quilted by Trudy Dey



These 3 quilts were made by Lynne Thomson-Haven for a refugee family being welcomed to Canada by her church last month. Above: 'Next Door Neighbours', below: 'Friendship Star', both pieced and quilted by Lynne.



Maria Wirth's 'Round Robin' revealed.



**Thank you, white gloves!**

## I'M Possible Project for Victims Services

### Revised: Large Nine Patch and Friendship Star Blocks - 12½" block

Some members found the original Stars and Chains blocks to be too small and fiddly. The Log Cabin block will remain the same. Robin Bogaert has redrafted the pattern as follows:

#### The Nine Patch

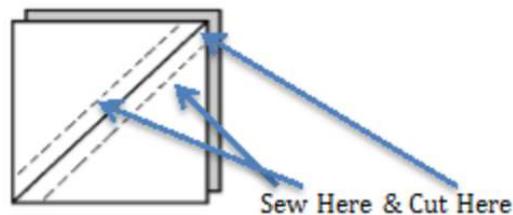
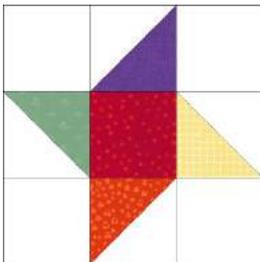


**Tuesday, April 24th** and **Wednesday, May 30th** are the dates for our **I'M Possible Work Bees** at the Waterloo Regional Police Dept, at Weber and Columbia. Parking is limited, so plan to drop off your gear and park in the Canadian Tire parking lot. Work Bees will run from 10am to 4pm each day, so bring your lunch. A few spots remain, please contact Robin Bogaert or Marg Sandiford.

You will need: 4 - 4½" squares of background fabric (cream, white or beige) and 5 - 4½" squares of coloured fabric (scrappy)

1. Use an accurate ¼" seam allowance throughout all sewing of this block.
2. Sew together all squares using the diagram above, sew in rows of 3 starting with row 1. Press rows opposite to each other, i.e., row 1 to the right, row 2 to the left and row 3 to the right. Sew rows together, pinning to butt seams and match corners.
3. Press the remaining 2 seams in one direction.
4. Makes 1 block, measuring 12½" square.

#### The Friendship Star



You will need: 2 - 4<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" light (cream, white or beige) background squares, 2 - 4<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" coloured squares, 4 - 4½" light (cream, white or beige) background for corners, and 1 - 4½" coloured centre square.

1. Make half square triangle by laying the 2 - 4<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" light (background) squares on top of the darker coloured 4<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares, draw a diagonal line across from corner to corner, pin and sew ¼" away from either side of the line, as shown above. Cut down the centre line to make 4 half square triangle blocks, 4 for each block, measuring 4½", trim to square as necessary. Press toward the darker coloured fabric.
2. Sew the block together, as shown above on the left, sew in rows, pinning, butting and ironing as you did with the 9 patch block. Makes 1 block, measuring 12½" square.

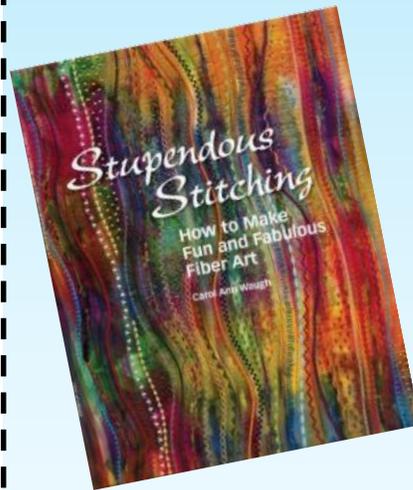
**Don't Panic! If there are still any of the smaller version of these blocks, don't worry, we will use them!**

# Library Challenge!

We would like to remind you that there is an ongoing library challenge. If you create a quilt inspired by one of our library books, show it during 'show and tell', then enter your quilt information onto the list in the library, for a opportunity to win the draw at the June Annual General Meeting.



## Stupendous Stitching



Bonnie Murdoch will teach another workshop featuring techniques from Carol Ann Waugh's book, "Stupendous Stitching". There are still a few spots available for this fun and popular workshop. Please contact Bonnie at 519-725-9455 if you are interested in participating. The fee for this workshop is \$15.00. Non-guild members are welcome too, the fee for them is \$20.

The Angela Grasse workshop has been cancelled.



Above: Jean Carberry, Pat Lockyer, Diane Meloun, Kathy Bissett, Ruth Hicks, Pat Hess and Glenda Dippel sporting their logo chatelaines.

Right: Charter guild member, Lynne Fisher modeling her WCQG sweat shirt.



## Don't forget your entry for our President's Challenge: A New Logo!

due at the May guild meetings

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**Quilted Postcard Challenge!**

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Postcards must be mailed by May 1, 2018 to be eligible for judging. \$1500 in prizes to be won, plus the sale of the postcards supports BC Children's Hospital! Click [here](#) for all the details of this special quilting challenge.

Consult the CQA/ACC April 2018 Member Newsletter forwarded to the guild membership on April 3, 2018.

Or check out their website <https://canadianquilter.com/> for other Quilt Canada Events.

# What are YOU planning for our 2019 exhibit?

**Do you have scraps of polyester batting taking up space in your sewing room?**

Deborah Beirnes mentioned that Robin Bogaert would be willing to collect these left overs to be used in stuffing pillows for heart surgery patients. Please bring these bits to the next guild meeting for Robin to take to the Elmira guild as they make these pillows.

**IMPORTANT NEWS:** The Smile Quilts Committee can no longer accept tops that are not quilted. The combination of receiving too many unfinished tops and the lack of someone to quilt them has made it impossible for us to continue to accept them.

We have over 12 tops to finish. We are fortunate to have 2 members who are willing to help us out with this problem now, but we do not want to get into this predicament again. The guild is supplying the batting and flannel backing for these much needed quilts. We have just purchased new flannels, so come and see them and place your orders. A reminder that orders placed at one meeting will be available for pick up at the next month's meeting.

Thank you for helping us with this important need. - The Smile Quilts Committee

# Program Outline 2017-2018

*So much is happening this guild year!*

**April - Tanya Denyer, Ginger Quilts**

**May - Susan Clarke**

**June - Annual General Meeting, evening only**



## Elected Officers of the Guild 2016-2017

**President:** Lilla Hall  
**Vice President:** Deby Wettges  
**Treasurer:** Darlene Yanke  
**Secretary:** Robin Bogaert  
**Past President:** Eileen Fennell

## Standing Committees

**Historian:** Ruth Hicks  
**Librarians:** Judy Pearce & Kathy Janzen  
**Membership:** Madeline Hughes (E)  
 Pat Lockyer (E)  
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**Newsletter:** Marg Sandiford  
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**Program & Workshops:** Bonnie Murdoch  
 Carol Ross Williamson &  
 Darlene Yanke

**Quilt Exhibit:** Bonnie Murdoch, Co-chair  
 & Ruthanne Snider, Co-chair

**Website:** Kathy Bissett  
**Facebook:** Marg Sandiford

## Quilting Months Ahead

Month	Day	Activity
April	11	Mannheim Sewing Circle
April	14	Stupendous Stitching Workshop with Bonnie Murdoch
April	18	Regular guild meetings
April	24	I'M Possible Work Bee
April	26-28	Piecemakers Quilt Show, St. Marys
May	11, 12	Four Corners Guild 20th Anniversary Quilt Show in Mount Forest
May	21-26	Quilts of Iceland, Ailsa Craig
May	22-26	Quilt & Fibre Art Festival, Waterloo Region and beyond
May	25,26	Making Memories Quilt Show, Mildmay-Carrick Recreation Complex
May	30	I'M Possible Work Bee

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