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December 2016



Every year we not only make placemats for meals on wheels, we provide quilts and collect food stuff for the Salvation Army Christmas hampers. But we also collect shampoo, deodorant, feminine products, other beautiful products to make a women feel good and donate these to the local women's shelter SOWINS

Keep Joy in our Christmas this year by sharing with those who need a little hand up.



Our Christmas Luncheon is this month right after a short business meeting starting 10am! A Trunk Show by Dianne

Birnie will follow the meeting.

Since this is a potluck meal bring a special dish to share with the ladies. I always like to make something that is special to my family at Christmas. This can be a main dish, salad or dessert. (for at least 6 people) If the dish needs to be reheated supply directions for our hostesses.

Items to bring for our luncheon....

Serving utensils for your dish

Place mat, plate, cutlery, cup, desert plate.

Reminder! Don't forget your 12" quilt square with the button from our Anniversary cupcakes ready to show at the meeting on the 14th?



...... from our Co-presidents

Turning the calendar page to December often causes mixed feelings....excitement about the upcoming holiday season and maybe a wee bit of anxiety over the many extra responsibilities we tend to take on. Shopping, decorating, cooking, creating, cleaning, travelling....all things that we tend to add to an already very full schedule. And because we are quilters...there is always just one more gift to stitch! I love the holidays and the many traditions and memories that are tied to the season. As we unpack our decorations memories unfold...ornaments created by our children, seasonal gifts from old friends, mementos of special trips or life eventsso many stories to remember. So many blessings to count. Thank you for gifts of generosity as we try to bring joy into the lives of our community members who may be enduring hardships this holiday. Your donations for the Salvation Army, SOWINS and Meals on Wheels will brighten the season for others who may not have the support, resources or good health that we enjoy. Thank you for keeping our tradition of gifting to the community strong again this year.

I am so looking forward to our December gathering....it is always a great way to "kick start" the holiday season. The button challenge, a special trunk show, our amazing-as-always show and tell and wonderful potluck luncheon....it promises to be a special day. And knowing that we are able to share our good fortune with others in our community makes it all the better! Thank you for making a difference in the lives of others, with your presence, your energy and your generosity! Happy holidays!

Helen



Happy Holidays!

Thank you for being part of our quilting guild. I so enjoy the wonderful comradery and sharing of ideas and quilting expertise. Joining the guild has been an awesome experience for me! I am totally amazed at the incredible artistic talent in our guild. You are simply the best!

I wish you a very Merry Christmas! I also wish you find lots of shiny bling and quilting stash in your stocking this year!!

Holly

PS: If you are still looking for a few last minute ideas, I collected a few links for you to check out! *Just for Christmas Lovers* - links to all kinds of tutorials and patterns of all kinds!!

http://www.allfreesewing.com//ml/1/?utm_source=ppl-

newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=allfreesewing20161129

Fab Shop Hop - Jelly Roll Tree Skirt

https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#drafts/158a00f143d796af

Cutest Forest Quilt

https://www.quiltfusion.co/public/freepatterns/d320533c86bacf2fb76df2aff7a99d70.pdf

Cutest Cartoon Quilts

https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#drafts/158a332e70cd61d0

Want to Receive a Free Quilt Pattern Every Friday? - Yes! Sign Up!

QuiltFusion - unclegravy@quiltfusion.com

McCall's has just announced a New FREE Block of the Week called Piecing the Past! Sign up on this link.

https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#drafts/158b0d24915c4c30

Month	Meeting / Class	Workshop Day
December	Dec 14 – Meeting & Christmas Luncheon	No Workshop in December
January	Jan 11 – Meeting & Sewing day	Jan 25 – Sewing Day & (Jelly Roll Race)
February	Feb 8 – Meeting & Sewing Day	Feb 22 – Binding Star with Pati De Broekert
March	March 8 – Meeting & Sewing Day	March 22 -





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COMMUNITY QUILTS

Thanks again for all your work on Community quilts. Your efforts are very much appreciated. We know there are lots of place mats in progress out there. Please remember to bring them to the December meeting. We donated 4 quilts to the families who lost their homes and everything to a fire in Penticton last October. Cheryl and Peggy



Thank you to Debra for a great class this past month. Learning how to use templates and sew with a Y seam were new to many of the participants. The tree skirts and table toppers were fun to sew and as unique as each of the quilters!

Annual Quilt Retreat February 16 - 19 Walnut Beach Resort

For more Info contact: Sharon Sutherland



PENTICTON QUILTERS GUILD MEETING DATES FOR 2016/2017

December 2016

December 14 - 10 am Christmas Luncheon

No Workshop in December

January 2017

Jan 11 - business meeting Jan 25 - Guild Sewing Day

February 2017 Feb 8 - Meeting Feb 22 - Workshop

March 2017

March 8 - Meeting

March 22 - Workshop

Please note that the dates in the last newsletter were incorrect.

April 2017

April 5 - MeetingApril 26 - Workshop

May 2017

May 10 - Luncheon

CQA NEWS with Rae French

CQA Sesquicentennial Project

Can you believe we are less than a month away from the start of Canada's sesquicentennial? (in other words, our 150th birthday?)

To mark this milestone, the Canadian Quilters' Association has set a goal of distributing 1000 quilts to families who are residing in Ronald Macdonald Houses across Canada. To achieve this they need the help of guild members from coast to coast to coast. What they are asking for is this:

That each of us makes one block (or several) or even an entire quilt top.

All blocks will be based on the same pattern, the SLAB block (directions follow). They are to measure 12.5" square (unfinished) and the only rule is that at least <u>one</u> fabric in each block must be from the Canada's 150th collections available from Poppins, Cherry Tree Quilts etc. Each block must measure 12.5" square unfinished.

Quilt tops can be one of two sizes: Small: 36.5" x 48.5" (3 blocks across by 4 blocks down) or Large 48.5" x 72.5" (4 blocks across by 6 blocks down)

So how do you make a Slab block? It is so simple!

- 1. Raid you stash. You can use fabrics from one colour family or go scrappy. Just remember to use a Canada 150 fabric somewhere in the block.
- 2. Cut fabrics into squares or rectangles, some large, some small.
- 3. Join 2 pieces of fabric together. Repeat this step several times.
- 4. Start joining the pairs together randomly. (See pages 20-21 in the winter 2016 Canadian Quilter to get an idea of how this might look) I will bring sample blocks to the January 2017 meeting)
- 5. Continue until you have a 12.5" x 12.5" square. If your block is larger than that just trim to correct size! Easy peasy!!!

The umbrella name for this project is THE BIG QUILT BEE. What fun to be part of such an auspicious group project!

These blocks/tops will be put together at Quilt Canada 2017 by anyone wishing to work on them using machines- domestic, midarm and longarm- donated by sponsors.

Watch for more information and updates in the January newsletter. In the meantime, good luck with finishing all those last minute gifts and do have a most Merry Christmas!

Rae French



Little Show of Large Quilts Saturday, December 6th, 2016 10 - 4pm Elks Hall - 8506 92 Avenue, Osoyoos Double "O" Quilters in Oliver are offering the following workshops

To add your name to the waiting list call Pam Dishkin 250.490.5305 or pfd@shaw.ca

Jan 18 - Creative Conclusions (Marianne Parsons)

Feb 22 - Paper Pieced Bid (Kathie Kirby)

Mar 22 - Fearless Free Motion (Marianne Parsons)



Dear CQA/ACC Member Guild,

Please share the following invitation with all of your members. Canadian Quilter magazine is always looking for article submissions... and since guilds represent the heartbeat of Canadian quilting, articles from members come straight from the heart of Canada.

Special request for the 2017 spring issue of *Canadian Quilter* magazine

The theme of the magazine is: Do you Guild? Deadline for submissions is December 15, 2016.

This is an invitation to all quilt guild members to write a 400 to 1,000 word article about a guild experience you would like to share with *Canadian Quilter* readers. The article could be about any of the following... or perhaps you have an idea of your own!

- Why do you belong to a guild?
- · What kind of activities does your guild participate in?
- · Has your guild reached a special milestone?
- Do you have a special story about one of your guild members? Perhaps he/she taught you something new, or contributes above and beyond and deserves to be recognized.

Photos are welcome and add visual interest to any article. Please send a photo of yourself (optional) and/or photos relevant to your article. Please send original photos from your camera or phone... no editing necessary. If you understand photo re-sizing, we need 300 dpi, at least 6" wide or 72 dpi, at least 25" wide.

Let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from members across Canada!

The Quilter

I learned to quilt on Monday.

My stitches were so fine.

I forgot to thaw out dinner.

So I went out to dine.

I quilted miniatures on Tuesday.

I think they are a must.

They really were quite lovely,

But I forgot to dust.

On Wednesday, it was a sampler. And the stipplin's such fun. What highlights! Oh what shadows! But laundry didn't get done.

My charm quilt was on Thursday, Green patches, blue and red. I guess I really was engrossed; I never made the bed.

It was wallhangings on Friday, In colors I adore, But I never seemed to notice The crumbs on all the floors.

I found a maid on Saturday! My life is now complete. While I can quilt the hours away; The house will still be neat.

Well it's already Sunday.

And I'm about to wilt.

I can't believe what I just saw
The MAID has learned to Quilt!!

Author: unknown





Quilt Show Volunteers (As of November, 2016):

Thanks to Kathy H who has volunteered to be our quilt show chair! Thanks to all of you who have taken on the following positions....

Secretary - Cathy H

Treasurer - Sherry B

Advertising - Diane S

Quilt Registration - Sharon S

Challenge Quilt - Pati

Raffle - Carol M-G

Merchants - Donna O

Boutique - Syd H

Admission Volunteer Coordinator - Co-Chairs: Tammy

B/Joy L

Hanging and Layout-- co-chairs - Yvonne M/Helen L

Chair-Kathy H

Ribbons-Marlene/Shirley

Hostess coordination____

hotos

Please see Helen or Holly if either of these vacant positions is of interest to you. We hope to have a full slate of volunteers for meetings that will begin early in the New Year.



Thanks to Judí R who has worked tirelessly to get our website updated and functional! We appreciate your time and expertise, Judí.

Penticton Quilters

Now, all of these tutorials show you how to make your ornaments with paper. Why don't I at least share how I made mine with fabric!? It's super-easy. You just need two 6.5" squares of fabric (size doesn't have to be exact, but they need to be at least 6") and one 6.5" square of Heat n' Bond or other fusible interfacing. You can use 2 squares of the same fabric (like my star on the right) or 2 different fabrics (like my star on the left).

Fuse your fabrics together with the fusible interfacing to make "2 sided fabric" and trim your square to 6"x 6". Then, use your rotary cutter and ruler to slice the square into twelve 1/2" x 6" strips. Then, just follow the directions in one of the tutorials. I told you this was easy! Go to the following site to assemble your Finnish Star.

http://www.acherryontop.com/articles/Finnish-Star-5021



Minutes Penticton Quilters Guild November 9, 2016

Helen opened the meeting at 9:10 AM Welcome

We had 5 visitors in attendance: SueC - RedDeer, Elaine - near Edmonton, Kathy G - Penticton, Edna R - Penticton, Marilyn - Lower Mainland, Shirley T-travelling former member of guild

Motion to accept the October minutes by Sherry Badger, seconded by Carol Maynard-Giles.

Announcements

Retreat - Sharon expanded on the details of the retreat to be held at the Walnut Grove Beach Resort in Osoyoos. February 16 - 19 2017.

Button Challenge - Rolande reminded us that the button challenge is due for judging at the December meeting

Newsletter - Diane says November 30 is the last day of submissions for the December newsletter. A reminder that if your Guild dues are not paid by then you will not receive the December newsletter.

Website - the website has a problem, we are aware of it and trying to fix it.

Show & Tell - once again we are in awe of the talent displayed by members of this guild! Thank you for sharing.

New Business

Quilt Show - Marilyn convinced us that the position of Show Chairman is quite easy. "A good chair has a good team" and all you have to do is co-ordinate! Still need volunteers for 4 positions as well.

Update on December Potluck Luncheon

There will be a short meeting starting at 10 AM followed by Dianne Birnie having a trunk show, then the luncheon. Joyce reminded us to bring our favourite dish and remember to label with your name on the serving dish and utensils. Also give instructions on reheating etc. can be salads, main dishes or desserts. Also please remember to bring your own placemat, plate, cup and cutlery.

At this time we will be collecting placemats for Meals on Wheels, food donations for the Salvation Army Food Bank and toiletries for SOWINS.

January meeting will be a short meeting and sew day as usual but the 4th Wednesday will also be a Sew Day with a jelly roll race for the community Quilts. Poppins Quilt Parlour has generously offered to cut the Jelly Rolls from the fabric we have on hand. You may also make your jelly roll quilt using your own jelly roll fabric. The Jelly Roll Race is a lot of fun and doesn't take a lot of time to make a quilt top! Debra will provide us with instructions.

Programs - Debra will be teaching how to make a tree skirt on November 23. For the February workshop Pati de Broekert will be teaching the Binding Star.

Treasurer's Report: Sharon gave us a financial update.

Library - Yvonne informed us the books donated by Doreen Raffa are now ready for borrowing.

Table Talk and Discussion The question was - Do you do Christmas sewing? What items do you make? The answers were many and varied - wall hangings, placemats stockings, ornaments and gift bags. Suggestion was made by Paige - Next year, let's have a Christmas Show and Tell at the October meeting to inspire us for Christmas.

Motion to adjourn by Marlene Robinson seconded by Kathy Hofmann.

The meeting was followed by a presentation on Sewing Machine maintenance by Wayne Pederson of Oliver.

Thoughts for the Christmas Season:

"The holiday season is a perfect time to reflect on our blessings and seek out ways to make life better for those around us."

~ Terri Marshall

In the spirit of giving...don't forget: Placemats for Meals on Wheels Donations for food hampers

Strathcona Stitches Presents

Coastal Colours & Connections
1st Annual Quilting Conference & Juried Quilt Show
April 28-30, 2017
Strathcona Gardens Recreation Complex—Campbell River, BC

Welcome to the Strathcona Stitches 1st annual Quilting Conference & Juried Quilt Show. Our theme this year is Coastal Colours & Connections. This three-day event is organized by the Strathcona Regional District and will take place at the Strathcona Gardens Recreation Complex in Campbell River, BC. We have a great lineup of West Coast instructors, lecturers and merchants and expect a large turnout for our first conference.

For more information or to download fillable PDF forms please visit our website at: http://www.strathconard.ca/strathconastitches





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