



Bits & Pieces

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



MARCH this year may have started off as traditional with a show of renewed energy, longer Spring days and then all changed dramatically into a cloud of apprehension. We had looked forward to welcoming our "snowbird" members, perhaps planning an April retreat and a return to a schedule of evening meetings.

My message over the last 48 hours has been rewritten at least three (3) times in order to stay on top of the most recent information from the Canada Public Health Agency, our source for guidelines on individual responsibility during this COVID-19 pandemic.

The Management Team has been pro-active, rational, composed and ready to make the best decision regarding what actions our Guild can take to do its share. You have received notices of March Guild cancellations with a promise that we shall track the situation closely.

Events in March remind us how a quilt has been (i.e. Red Cross) and always will be a symbol of comfort and caring. There is one upside, as stated by a member of the Management Team, "not to make light of the situation but thank goodness quilting is a great activity for self-quarantine."

Now that is positive!

My message is we care about each other, so be safe, "Be Calm and Carry On Quilting" at home.

MARCH MEETING CANCELLED

The Tuesday, March 24th Guild meeting, as well as March Workshops are regrettably cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

NOTE—Spring Retreat is CANCELLED

Due to Coronavirus concerns, the Lanark County Quilters Guild Spring Retreat at the McIntosh Country Inn in Morrisburg which was scheduled for April 15, 16, 17, 2020 has been cancelled. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Jossinet.

Gateway to Adventure - CQA Member Guild Challenge - Postponed to April Meeting

As the March meeting was cancelled, this challenge will now be shared at the April meeting.

Block of the Month

Spring is here and I can't think of any better way to celebrate it than by making this fresh pieced crocus. Soon the real ones will be peaking out of our gardens. Come by the Block of the Month table to see it in a row.



Upcoming Events

Workshops (Contact: Linda Lake or Marlene Starkman)

April 21 - Bethany Garner - The Art of Handmade Stitch workshop

April 28 - Tools and Techniques demo by members

May 23 - Celine Allaert of Blue Calla, Toronto, Waterlily Waxed Canvas Tote Bag Workshop

May 26—Trunk Show by Monique Wilson, AppleHill Quilting— My Quilting Journey

May 27 - Monique Wilson workshop- Psychedelic Slices. This variation of the stack and wack will create blocks for a 52" X 65" quilt

NEW fall trunk shows & workshops: Prices / times TBA

October 27- Beth Cameron - Domestic Goddess trunk show.

October 28 - Colour Vie Leaf Print Workshop

November 24 - Johanna Masklov trunk show

November 25 - Machine Foundation Paper Piecing using Johanna's Houses Pattern

WE NOW OFFER E-TRANSFERS FOR GUILD WORKSHOPS

The Backing

A Message from your Past President— Volunteers Needed

We have many new members, as well as many not so new, but all of you have unique and individual talents that should be shared with the Guild.....not only in Show and Tell!

Your Executive/Management Team is currently seeking the following positions: (to begin September 2020)

Vice President
Treasurer
Librarian

Publicity
Program
Social

Each of these positions currently has a friendly, experienced chairperson who will willingly guide and mentor you through the learning process.

WE NEED YOU. Please step forward. Please contact Marilyn Robinson if you are interested in learning more.

Two sewing machines are at a bar.
One turns to the other and says,
"Hey, aren't you a singer?!"
It turns and says, "Why? Ja-no-me?"

2020 Guild Challenge

The theme is birthdays. The challenge this year is a quilted item which includes your birth flower as well as your birth gemstone color, with a maximum perimeter of 150". The sign up and information sheets are at the Program Table.

Due Date: May guild meeting



Reminders



Notices: Notices of upcoming events, and other quilt related items for private sale will now be on their own table or on the end of the Membership table.

Workshop Fees: Program will charge an appropriate fee for workshops, subject to costs associated with the workshop presenter. **Fees are due at sign-up. Refunds are given ONLY if there is a family emergency or if the workshop is cancelled.**

Free Stuff: There is a large table in the centre of the room at the back for you to place items you wish to give away. However, you **must** remove any unclaimed items by the end of the meeting.

Website: Visit our website for the latest information on Guild activities, meetings, workshop news, upcoming events. Log onto www.lanarkcountyquiltersguild.com Comments welcome.

Newsletter: If you have any articles you would like included in the newsletter, or wish to start receiving the newsletter by email, please contact Hope Bell at 275-1018 or email at hopebell@kpmg.ca.

Membership: Any changes to your information in the Guild directory should be given to Janice Trudel.

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Executive Meeting: Tuesday, April 14
Next Meeting - Tuesday, April 28 @ 7 p.m.
Newsletter deadline—Friday, April 17