

Common Thread Quilt Guild

Annual Report

May 12, 2014

2014 President's Report

It is a pleasure to compile the 2013-2014 Annual Report for the Common Thread Quilt Guild. While going through the committee submissions, remembering all the quilts displayed at the Bring and Brag and at the Quilt Show, I just admire the dedication, artistic quality, and enthusiasm that this guild has for quilting.

The highlight of the year was the hosting of our popular biennial Ottawa's Mother's Day weekend Quilt Show *Be Inspired* at the RA Centre, which provided an opportunity for the guild members to showcase hundreds of the quilted items they had created — ranging from traditional bed quilts to amazing art quilt and quilted wearable. The show also gathered together an extensive merchant mall and a special exhibit of baby/child quilts. Congratulations to Linda Won and her team, the 2014 Quilt Show Committee, for a job well done. Thank you for the 2014 *Be Inspired* Quilt Show to the Quilt Show Committee, the volunteers and the members who presented their beautiful work or art - Kudos, Kudos and Kudos.

Community Projects: under the leadership of Catherine Parkinson and Victoria VanderLinden, with the help of their team and the all the members who made quilts of all sizes for our charities, I believe that you do make a difference in our community by providing quilts for those in need. Thank you. I really admire the amount of work and caring our membership puts into these projects.

Programme: Kudos to Sherrill Crowder for providing yet another excellent year by finding interesting and knowledgeable presenters that kept us on the edge of our seats. We learnt techniques and tools to help each of us produce beautiful quilted creations. Thank you for helping make our meetings so much fun!

Retreats were ever so popular and I would like to thank Barbara Till for providing us tremendous venues, excellent cuisine and wonderful weekends of camaraderie.

The workshops were well attended; Susan Campbell and Laurelle Callaghan provided us with new and interesting projects to inspire us to try new techniques, learn from experiences quilters and broaden our knowledge while developing new skills.

The Challenge was handled by Vicki Kubic with a good response from members. Vicki encouraged us to use every bit of fabric, even the very small ones to create amazing piece of art.

Library is another benefit we all enjoy as members. Del Jazey and her team were at their post at every meeting to ensure that each and every one of us was able to use this wonderful resource.

The Fat Quarter Club, leaded by Liz Villeneuve and Lyse Potvin with the support of their team was well appreciated every month by one or two lucky members who won the stack.

Shop of the Month with the fabulous Raffle Baskets is always appreciated by all the members, Thanks go to Catherine Patterson for putting together these opportunities to spend money at our meetings.

To keep us connected and informed, Catherine Patterson for our Website and of Rita Penner for our Newsletters. Thank you for your great work.

And last but not least, Membership. If it were not for the work of our Membership ladies, Rachel Mathews and Del Jazey, we would not have the funds to carry on, nor know who was attending our meetings, nor who the lucky recipients of the membership draws would be.

I have been honoured to serve as your President this year, thank you giving me this opportunity. I wish to also thank the wonderful, dedicated team that was by my side during the year, helping me through this journey; Shirley MacFadden (Past-President), and Carole Maisonneuve (Vice-President) for their support and guidance throughout this past year; Kirstin Fearon (Treasurer) and Judy Loree (Secretary) for the record keeping of our finance and meetings events. I want to wish Carole every success in the coming year as she will be our President and I know that she will be a great President.

The friendship and support given to me by the entire membership has made my time as President rewarding and memorable. Our guild could not continue to function without members willing to come forward to donate their time and energy to do the work of the guild.

I'd like to give a big round of applause to all our volunteers: past, present, and future!

The love of sewing is our common thread. Happy Quilting!

Jeannine Lemay
President

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM)
At the
Mouvement d'implication francophone d'Orléans (MIFO) Centre
Tuesday May 13, 2014

2013-2014 Annual Report:

The CTQG Annual Report was provided to members at the beginning of the meeting and formally presented by the president (Shirley MacFadden) during the AGM.

Motion made to accept the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 2012 which was moved by Linda Won and seconded by Carole Maisonneuve. There were no objections and it was passed by a majority member acceptance by a show of hands. No objections were voiced.

The Financial Statements were presented and there was one question. The member wanted to know if the income generated with the raffle baskets appeared in the budget and where it could be found. The answer was provided immediately: the amount raised with the raffle basket is under the fundraising section.

The Financial Statements was presented after reception of the
The report from the auditor was presented by the treasurer, Kirsten Fearon at the June 2013 meeting. The motion to accept the auditor's report was moved by Kirsten Fearon and seconded by Shirley MacFadden Geiger. It passed by a majority member acceptance by a show of hands. No objections were voiced.

Elections:

The following executive was nominated by acclamation as there were no other candidates, election was not required.

The Directors of the Common Thread Quilt Guild:

President:	Jeannine Lemay	Vice-President:	Carole Maisonneuve
Secretary:	Judy Loree	Treasurer:	Kirstin Fearon
Past President:	Shirley MacFadden		

Heads of Standing Committees:

Programs:	Sherrill Crowder	Membership:	Del Jazey / Rachel Mathews
Retreats:	Barbara Till	Workshops:	Susan Campbell /Laurelle Callaghan
Website:	Catherine Patterson	Library:	Nettie Jolley
Community Projects:	Catherine Parkinson / Victoria VanderLinden	Newsletter:	Rita Penner
Quilt Show Coordinator:	Linda Won		

Meeting was adjourned.

Financial Report As At January 31, 2014

	Feb 1, 2013 – 31-Jan-14	Feb 1, 2012 – 31-Jan-13
REVENUES		
RETREAT	\$ 8549.05	\$ 7620.00
WORKSHOPS	\$ 3085.00	\$ 3095.00
MEMBERSHIP	\$ 6590.80	\$ 6135.00
GUEST FEES	\$ 445.00	\$ 355.00
ADVERTISING REVENUE	\$ 664.00	\$ 548.00
CHALLENGE	\$ 240.00	\$ 245.00
FUNDRAISING INCOME	\$ 1803.40	\$ 2030.00
LIBRARY FINES & FUNDRAISING	\$ 176.50	\$ 240.60
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$	\$ 0.00
POSTAGE FEES	\$ 80.00	\$ 200.00
GUILD PIN SALES	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00
BADGES	\$ 79.50	\$ 144.50
QUILT SHOW INCOME	\$ 0.00	\$ 22729.85
Total Revenue	\$ 21738.25	\$ 41544.95
EXPENDITURES		
RETREAT EXPENSES	\$ 9945.76	\$ 6567.31
WORKSHOP	\$ 1942.00	\$ 2646.90
LIBRARY	\$ 384.21	\$ 275.30
NEWSLETTER	\$ 198.42	\$ 338.18
RENT	\$ 1950.00	\$ 3700.00
PROGRAM SPEAKERS/EXPENSE	\$ 2535.17	\$ 4013.47
COMMUNITY PROJECTS	\$ 1918.34	\$ 1859.38
CHALLENGE EXPENSE	\$ 235.59	\$ 26.88
MEMBERSHIP	\$ 41.76	\$ 151.13
OFFICE & GENERAL	\$ 787.51	\$ 1348.05
QUILT SHOW EXPENSES	\$ 0.00	\$ 17087.34
BADGES	\$ 99.48	\$ 135.60
FEES,DUES	\$ 0.00	\$ 118.65
FUNDRAISING EXPENSE	\$ 581.00	\$ 737.27
BANK FEES	\$ 79.31	\$ 82.52
Membership Gifts	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	\$ 20698.55	\$ 39087.98
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 1039.7	\$ 2456.97

Balance Sheet As At January 31, 2014

Assets	January 31, 2014	January 31, 2013
Cash & Investments	\$27,554.87	\$25,294.43
Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cash Advances	\$20.00	\$20.00
Prepaid Expenses	\$4,465.30	\$2,515.30
Total Current Assets	\$32,040.17	\$27,829.73
Liabilities & Equity		
Deferred Income	\$2,741.20	\$2,400.00
Accounts Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Retained Earnings	\$27,725.54	\$22,972.68
Net Income	\$1,573.43	\$2,457.04
Total Equities & Liability	\$32,040.17	\$27,829.72

Auditor's Report

8 Jun 2013

President,
Common Thread Quilt Guild
Orleans, Ontario

Dear Madam President:

RE: Review of Common Thread Quilt Guild Financial Records 2012/13

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution of the Guild I have reviewed the appropriate Common Thread Quilt Guild financial records and bank statements for 2012/13. All entries were verified against the bank statements as well as the documentation provided by the chairs of the various guild committees. Other than a couple of minor coding errors, which were discussed with the treasurer, no discrepancies were found during the review. As a result of the review I have found the Guild Financial records for 2012/13 to be complete and in good order.

I can provide no new recommendations this year. With documentation provided for each of the activities it gives a very detailed and complete record of the yearly financial activities of the guild. With this in mind, please convey my appreciation to the treasurer and all of the various committee chairs for their efforts to maintain the highest quality of record keeping for the guild. Their due diligence with accounting for the income and expenses by the people concerned for each of their respective activities makes the review quite easy.

Yours Sincerely,



Jack Hearffeld

CC: Guild Treasurer

Committee Year End Reports

Membership 2013-2014

Committee Chairs – Rachel Mathews and Del Jazey Membership Statistics

Membership statistics:

- 203 registered members which includes 13 free memberships*
- 4 members paid to have newsletter mailed
- 0 guild pins were sold.
- 72 guests attended meetings throughout year

Monthly Attendance by registered members: (on average 117 members attend meetings)

- 125 – June
- 104 – September
- 134 – October
- 132 – November
- 110 – December
- 118 – January
- 96 – February
- 105 – March
- 119 – April

Workshop Report 2014

Committee Chair: Susan Campbell and Laurelle Callaghan

We held 7 workshops and 2 sew days this past year at the Notre-Dame des Champs, 3659 Navan Road.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Workshop Name</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
• October 5, 2013	All Day Appliqué	Fran O'Neill
• November 2, 2013	Half Log Cabin	Alice Chancey
• November 16, 2013	Curvey Quilter	Victoria VanderLinden
• February 1, 2014	In Full Bloom	Elaine Quehl
• March 15, 2014	Happy Villages	Jan Kittle
• May 24, 2014	Fanciful Stitches	Fran O'Neill
• June 11, 2014	The Everything Goes Bag	Brenda Miller

Library Report 2014

Committee Chair: Del Jazey

We had a successful year in the Library. I had a great team of volunteers who made it possible to run smoothly - they are Maureen Irving, Ann-Louise Masek, Céline Champagne, Eleanor Conn, Pat MacDonald, and Andréé Faubert.

We presently have 524 books and 206 magazines.

We currently have 9 overdue for 2014, 8 overdue for 2013 and 8 overdue for 2012 which I am considering a write-off.

This year purchase was 13 new books and 4 new magazines and a template ruler to go with one of the new books.

Committee Year End Reports (cont'd)

Programs 2014

Committee Chair: Sherrill Crowder

The ongoing aim with programs is to provide a variety of topics and presenters as well as to encourage sharing and interaction among our members.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
• June 2013	The talented ladies of Art Wear Ottawa presented a fashion show.	Art Wear Ottawa
• September 2013	How to create "something from nothing" using leaders and enders.	Katrina Kahn of Sunshower Quilts
• October 2013	Featured Ottawa's own award-winning quilter Kathy Wylie and the art of appliqué.	Kathy Wylie
• November 2013	The making of batiks and the many varied projects using them.	Sheila O'Hagan
• December 2013	Social featured gift ideas, games and prizes.	--
• January 13, 2014	Demo night was a success due to the participation of members Chantale Richard, Victoria VanderLinden, Shirley Geiger, Tamara Allmendinger, Susan Kirkham, Judy Loree and Carole Maisonneuve.	Members
• February 11, 2014	Andrea Peters spoke about Underground Railway quilts.	Andrea Peters
• March 11, 2014	Jan Kittle's presentation focused on machine quilting.	Jan Kittle of Pickle Dish
• April 2014	Voting on the Challenge quilts took place and speaker Susan Curtis shared with us her work as a fibre artist with a focus on jackets.	Susan Curtis
• May 24, 2014	Social and Quilt show winners	
• June 11, 2014		

At each meeting, there is a **fat quarter draw** organised by Liz Villeneuve and Lyse Potvin as well as a **shop of the month**, coordinated by Catherine Patterson. An information board is maintained by Joyce Gunn. One of the highlights of each meeting is the Bring and Brag where we have the opportunity to see the impressive work of our members. By draw, a prize is awarded for this.

We also have the **Inch Collector** with Susan Baker who is collecting the perimeter of each project brought to the Bring and Brag in response to a challenge to all Guilds to see who has quilted the longest stretch.

Catherine Patterson arranged for the **Shop of the Month**, including the raffle basket.

Challenge: Vicki Kebic and Teresa Corbett

The suggestions and input of our members are greatly appreciated.

Committee Year End Reports (cont'd)

2014 Quilt Show

Committee Chair: Linda Won.

Committee members: Kathleen Scolah, Assistant; Barb Till, Set Up; Catherine Patterson, Merchant Mall; Kirstin Fearon, Treasurer; Paula Patterson, Programme; Carole Maisonneuve, Volunteers; Tammy Davies, Publicity; Sherrill Crowder and Susan Baker, Registrar; and Victoria VanderLinden, Special Exhibit / Static Display.

The Common Thread Quilt Guild will present their biennial quilt show for 2014 Mother's Day weekend at the RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. The theme is *Be Inspired*, with 200 quilts by our talented members on display. This year's Merchant Mall will have 21 vendors mostly from Ottawa and the surrounding area:

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| 1. 3 Dogs Quilting - Glide Thread | 12. Redfern (Irons) |
| 2. Country Patchworks | 13. Taylor Sewing Centre |
| 3. Cozy Quilts | 14. Textile Traditions |
| 4. Flair with Fabrics | 15. The Cotton Mill Threadworks |
| 5. Fran O'Neill | 16. The Country Quilter |
| 6. Heartworks | 17. The Fabric Box |
| 7. Just Me (w/4) | 18. The PickleDish |
| 8. Kallisti Quilts | 19. The Running Stitch |
| 9. Mad About Patchwork | 20. We R Quilts |
| 10. Ottawa Sewing Centre Inc. | 21. Yarn Forward & Sew-On |
| 11. Quilting Quarters | |

Show times are:

- Friday, May 9, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, May 10, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, May 11, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The price of admission is \$10 for one day or \$15 for the weekend. Admission is free for children under the age of 12 when accompanied by an adult. Buses are always welcome.

Take a break in the Patio where there will be a special exhibit "Three-Sees". There you can view sample blocks where the placement of light, medium and dark values within a block pattern can totally alter the resulting design so that you have to look very closely to determine whether multiple blocks are actually made of the same pattern.

Sincere thanks are extended to all that participated, the many volunteers, the members of the Committee, and especially Sylvia Gilfix for her Art Design.

Website and Newsletter

The function was divided between Catherine Patterson (Website and emails to all members), Rita Penner (Newsletter) and Carole Maisonneuve (financial side of advertising in the newsletter). This year, the Newsletter had a "make-over", and with the addition of the picture of the person contributing an article to the newsletter (where possible). The newsletter is sent to almost all members electronically with only 2 members receiving hard copies. This year, we had eight advertisers in the Newsletter.

Committee Year End Reports (cont'd)

Community Projects 2014

Current Committee Chair: Catherine Parkinson

Committee members: Victoria VanderLinden, Barbara Donaldson and Catherine Senécal.

The members of the guild continue to provide quilts for those in need by donating supplies and finished quilts, tops, and quilting in support of the following charities:

- **CHEO Oncology** — Summer 2013, 20 quilts were delivered to CHEO in the summer. In December 2013, 20 more quilts were delivered;
- **Kidney Foundation** - March 2013, a delivery of 6 quilts was made to the Kidney Foundation for distribution to the children on dialysis at CHEO;
- **Chernobyl, Belarus** - 97 quilts from our guild plus 10 from the Ottawa Valley Guild were sent via Mary Bernard of Brockville for use in the orphanages and affected communities;
- **Cuddle Quilts** — Barbara Donaldson oversees the distribution of supplies and the collection of the quilts to be given to the Ottawa Hospital General Campus at risk babies. 383 quilts were given between February 2012 and January 2013. Catherine Patterson delivers them;
- **Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre (EORC)** — This year, 29 quilts have been delivered for use by their Victims of Violence and Mental Health clients; 42 walker pouches were given in March 2013.
- **Interval House** – Summer 2013, 18 quilts were delivered for the women and children sheltered there; 10 quilts were delivered in January 2014.

Thank you to the generous members of the Common Thread Quilt Guild who make all this giving possible!

2013 Summer Contest

Required Reading", the 2013 Summer Contest, was well received: 46 items were turned in by the October deadline. Of the 24 quilts, Barbara Donaldson won the \$75.00 prize; of the 18 quilt tops, Sue Kingwell won the \$15.00 prize. We thank all of the members who participated, creating quilts from our own quilt pattern book for donation to our many charitable outreaches.

Upper Canada Village

June 22 and 23, 2013 were the dates for the annual display of quilts at the Fantastic Fibers Weekend, Upper Canada Village, Morrisburg. Common Thread Quilt Guild hung 10 quilts and provided minders for the display. A new opportunity was offered by the Village: two members were included in the Ross House quilting bee. They were costumed and given lunch. Sharon Kes and Trina St.Michel were delighted to be drawn for this event. Both had a great day quilting with the ladies and talking (and having their picture taken) by the visitors.

Thanks go to those who provided quilts and/or time to make the display a success: Evelyn Jago, Rita Penner, Marjorie Hanson, Cheryl Bunda, Sylvia Morin, Maria Clancy, Hazel Marshall, Carol McDonald, Catherine Senecal, Nancy Stass, Trina St.Michel, and Victoria VanderLinden.

Victoria also participated in the Challenge display based on the Battle of Crysler's Hill- 1813.

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