

The Common Thread QUILT GUILD

Newsletter

June 2014

Next Meeting: June 10, 2014

Doors open 6:45pm Meeting starts 7:30pm

Programme

Our June presenter is Brenda Miller. The first quilt Brenda owned was a churn dash variation made for her by a neighbour from bleached flour bags and calico. At a young age, Brenda enjoyed sewing doll clothes at her friend's house, then continued this interest by making her own clothes. Art was always her favourite subject. It was when she married that her husband's family introduced her to quilting. Brenda made quilts for her family, but it was Shirley Bobier of The Marsh Store who led her to combine her love of art and sewing. This resulted in her making many quilts, teaching, doing trunk shows and designing her own line of patterns under the label Among Brenda's Quilts. For Brenda, quilting is a passion, an art and a means of self-expression.

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Fat Quarter Theme: florals

President's Message

Carole Maisonneuve



As June is the starting point of the 2014/2015 Common Thread Quilt Guild year, I thought I would share my first message with all of you by expressing my thanks!

I would like to thank all those who volunteered to be on this year's guild committee. Without these volunteers our guild could not carry on bringing you all the wonderful things of quilting and fibre arts!

I would also like to thank the Quilt show committee volunteers for an amazing show! This show has certainly raised the bar for future quilt shows in our area. I would also like to thank our guild members for participating in the show by submitting an overwhelming number of quilts and wall art. You are an amazing group of individuals.

I would also like to send thanks to all the merchants who participated in various ways. You certainly help make our show 'complete'.

In closing, I would like to say that I am proud to be part of this guild and I will do my best to continue to make it fun and promote the quilting art world.

Carole Maisonneuve / Common Thread Quilt Guild President

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Membership – temporary position: Since it is time to renew your guild memberships, we will need some help at the beginning of the guild meeting (6:30-7:30) with processing those memberships during the June, September and October meetings. We would appreciate it. Sign up at the table when you come in or email Rachel at membership@commonthread.on.ca.

Newsletter – Please contact Carole Maisonneuve if you are willing to publish the newsletter for the 2014/2015 season.

LIBRARY

You will be able to take some books out at the June meeting and keep them all Summer for return at the meeting in September. Thanks for your cooperation.



Nettie Jolley / LIBRARY

"BE INSPIRED" QUILT SHOW UPDATE

The Quilt Show wrap up and pot luck dinner was held June 3, so it was too late to have an article ready for this month's newsletter but we were able to publish the list of winners of this very successful event. You will find it at the end of this newsletter.



Linda Won / QUILT SHOW CO-ORDINATOR

WORKSHOPS

June 11th : The Everything Goes Bag by Brenda Miller
9a.m.- 4p.m. (Wednesday)



A zipped bag that holds all of your everyday handbag stuff PLUS your tablet or iPad™ & your netbook computer. Two padded pockets inside cleverly stash a 7 ½" x 10 ½" tablet. In addition there's room for a 10 ½" x 7 ½" netbook. The zipped security pocket holds your valuables and there's tons of inner space for your everyday purse stuff. Zip it up at the top for a sleek and secure look. Made with foam batting for a soft yet stand-upishly wonderful look.

Susan Campbell & Laurelle Callaghan / Workshops



COMMUNITY PROJECTS SUMMARY



Committee: Catherine Parkinson (Chair), Sherrill Crowder, Barb Donaldson, and Victoria Vander Linden

How can you help? You can sign out a kit of donated fabric to sew into a top or finished quilt; or sign out a quilt top to be quilted; or donate a quilt, backing or batting.

1) The Common Thread Quilt Guild collects monthly donations of **Cuddle Quilts** for use at the **General Campus** of the Ottawa Hospital. Our goal for 2012-2013 is 350. **In May we received 30 cuddle quilts** bringing the previous total (245) to 275.

SIZE MATTERS: Check out the size requirements: for optimum utility, please make your Cuddle Quilts 18" x 24", or make them 22" square. Our battings and backings are cut 24" x 24" to finish 22" square.

2) We support the women's programs and seniors programs at the **Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre** with adult themed Comfort Quilts (40" x 60").

3) **CHEO Dialysis** - Children's quilts from tot to teen.

4) **Chernobyl Quilts** - All sizes from infant to adult can be donated for shipping to Chernobyl.

5) **Interval House** - Bright and cheerful quilts.

Catherine Parkinson / Community Projects

2014 SUMMER CONTEST

"The Circus Comes to Town"

The 2014 summer contest is off to a great start. 17 out of 20 kits have already been signed out. If you want to be part of this, come to the Community Projects table at the May meeting and speak to Victoria.



CONTEST RULES:

- 1) Each kit contains the same cheater panel top of a circus, plus a backing, binding, and a label.
- 2) Use the materials provided. Do not add borders unless you are willing to provide another backing and binding and use the ones included in the kit for another quilt- no returns!
- 3) Add batting and quilting. The quilting lines need to be a maximum of 4" apart. You do not have to follow the design given. An all-over design is best.
- 4) Your bound and labeled quilt must be returned by October 14, 2014.
- 5) November 11, 2014 a draw will be held from the names of all who have turned in their finished quilts. Two lucky guild members will receive \$45.00 each.



FAT QUARTER CLUB

THEMES FOR 2014/2015

June	Florals
September	Fall Colours: red, orange, yellow, green and brown
October	Halloween: spiders, witches, ghosts, pumpkins, orange & black
November	Christmas fabrics
December	snowmen, snowflakes, frosty wintery colours: silver, metallic, blue, white
January	Asian fabrics
February	Valentine fabrics, burgundy, red & pink
March	Batiks
April	Children fabrics and pastels
May	Butterflies and flowers
June	Beach theme or summer fabrics: shells, boats, sand castles, star fish, lobsters

Liz & Lyse / Fat Quarter Club

INCH COLLECTOR REPORT

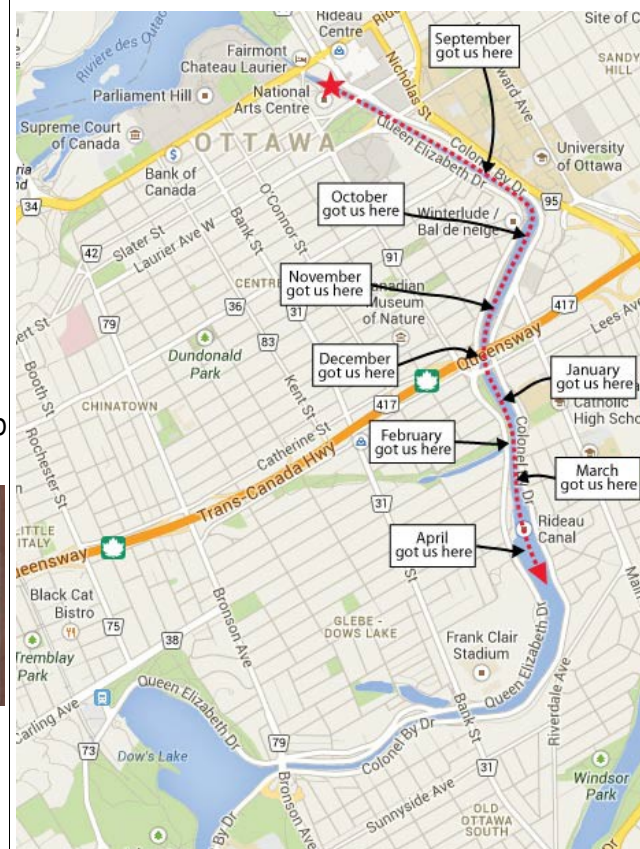
This year we seem to be transitioning from winter to summer, with little spring sandwiched in between. Make sure you leave your quilting rooms from time to time to enjoy the beautiful weather.

Our inches are contributing to the CQA Walk to Brock challenge and after last month's reported inches the walk arrived in Thunder Bay. There is a very active guild there that is also sending in their inch count each month.



CQA has until June 11th to reach its destination before their conference! I will be submitting our June total immediately after our meeting so bring as many finished projects that evening as you can.

Our inch total has allowed us to reach 3.2 kilometres along the Rideau Canal. We are just past the food concessions at Fifth Avenue. As you can see it takes a LOT of sewing to "inch" your way to a destination.



Susan Baker / Inch Collector

QUILTING BLOG SUGGESTIONS



Our first featured blog belongs to our workshop teacher on June 11th, Brenda Miller. She's a very accomplished quilter, teacher, designer and online presence. Visit her site, www.AmongBrendasQuilts.com. Her blog is right there, but make sure you click on the various tabs under the banner picture because each page is chock full of interesting things to read, do and watch. We're fortunate to have her visit from Strathroy. Brenda started this business in 2005 and has aggressively grown her offerings. Do you need polyurethane laminate fabric? She has it for sale in her shop, along with many nice buckles, clasps and zipper pulls. There are patterns as well as finished products and she prides herself on her clear and easy to follow instructions.

Our next blog belongs to Kaye Wood, a well known quilter who lives in a log cabin in the woods of Northern Michigan. From her site (www.KayeWood.com) you can go to her blog or shop, get tips or free patterns, watch one of her MANY youtube videos, or find a Kaye Wood certified teacher. Like many savvy online personalities, she's on Facebook and Pinterest or you can simply sign up for her newsletter to be delivered by email. In her [last newsletter](#) for example, she had an interesting guide for the use of various colours in your quilts.

"Certain colors can have certain effects on you. Not just physically, but mentally too. So if you're planning a quilt for say your bedroom, it's good to use colors that are tranquil and peaceful. If you really want your wall hanging to make a statement, try some bolder colours. Here is a list of colors and the different effects they have on us.

Violet: Suppresses appetite and provides a peaceful surrounding.

Yellow: Energizes and relieves depression, stimulates your appetite and helps improve your memory.

Red: Stimulates your brain wave activity, increases blood pressure and heart rate. Good for those afternoon tired spells.

Black: If you want to show strength, power and self confidence, this is the color for you.

Orange: Stimulates your appetite and digestive system and also energizes you.

Pink: This color relaxes muscles,

relieves tension and tends to be very soothing. Great in diet therapy as an appetite suppressant. **Blue:** Makes us calm, lowers our blood pressure and decreases respiration. Gives you an overall feeling of wellness.

Green: Relaxing and soothing mentally as well as physically. It helps those suffering from anxiety, nervousness and depression."

For your earliest copy of the current newsletter, go to last months newsletter and click on the link below. The new newsletter is usually up by the last week of the month before the next meeting. Or, add it to your bookmarks:

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NEWSLETTER NOTES

APQS, seller of longarm quilting machines, shower of gorgeous quilts, sharer of



quilting news and tips, will be at "Quilt Canada!", the Canadian Quilters' Association quilt show held in St. Catharines, on June 11-14 at Brock University.

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<http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2014.php> for full information. Anyone interested in buying a longarm machine could save almost \$4000 on the regular price.



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Sheila O'Hagan

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Sheila O'Hagan, one of our favourite fabric reps and a top-notch educator, will be visiting with an amazing trunk show.

Her mission: to show how traditional quilters can benefit from all the newfangled ideas that the modern quilting movement is embracing with such enthusiasm.

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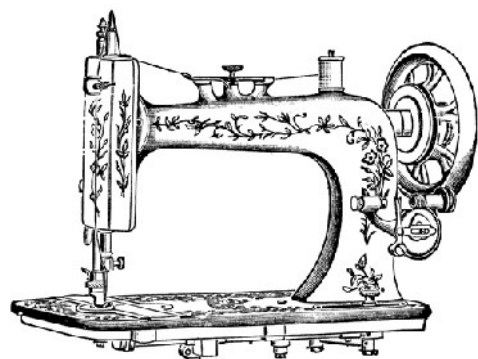
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CTQG 2014 Quilt Show Winners

Category	Entry Number	Name of Quilt	Member's Name
Viewer's Choice	WAM-002	Rose of Sharon	Pat MacDonald
Large Bed Quilt	1 st Place	White Labyrinth	Deborah Holden
	2 nd Place	Rainbow Mosaic	Susan Fundarek
	3 rd Place	Diamonds are Forever	Julia Baldwin
Medium Bed Quilt	1 st Place	Flower Basket Medallion	Deborah Holden
	2 nd Place	Omigosh!	Diane Dodds
	3 rd Place	Sarah's Quilt	Thelma Robbins
Small Bed Quilt	1 st Place	Over the River and Through the Woods	Deborah Holden
	2 nd Place	Sassy Tulips	Dani Kennedy
	3 rd Place	Chouette! Une Chouette	Chantale Richard
Wall Quilt / Pieced	1 st Place	Phoenix Rising	Laurelle Callaghan
	2 nd Place	The Big Bang	Heather Williams
	3 rd Place	Rosace de la Cathedrale de Leon	Chantale Richard
Wall Quilt / Applique, Mixed and other Techniques	1 st Place	Rose of Sharon	Pat MacDonald
	2 nd Place	Redwoods	Thelma Robbins
	3 rd Place	"Ellie"-Memories of Africa	Trudy MacDonald
Miniature	1 st Place	Crimson Carnival	Thelma Robbins
	2 nd Place	Star Gazing	Rachel Mathews
	3 rd Place	Stolen Stars	Barb Till
Art Quilt	1 st Place	Winter on the Rideau	Joan Bechthold
	2 nd Place	Let There be Light	Sherrill Crowder
	3 rd Place	Quilting Therapy	Pat MacDonald
Clothing and Accessories	1 st Place	Sylvie's Christmas Tree Shirt	Paulette Beauchamp
	2 nd Place	Spring! In My Crazy Patch	Eleanor Conn
	3 rd Place	Twin Bags	Sherrill Crowder
Hand Quilting	1 st Place	Oak Leaves	Kirstin Fearon
	2 nd Place	Country Gardens	Julia Baldwin
	3 rd Place	Sassy Tulips	Dani Kennedy

Merchant's Choice Awards

	<i>Quilting Quarters</i>	
Best Original Design		Colour Explosion (BLG-005)
Best Use of Thread	<i>The PickleDish</i>	Redwoods (WAM-015)
Best Use of Colour	<i>We R Quilts</i>	"Ellie" Memories of Africa (WAM-014)
Best Machine Quilting by the Entrant	<i>3 Dogs Quilting</i>	Colored Wholecloth (WAM-006)

Honorable mention to our four Beginners:

- Tammy Davies
- Diane Boucher
- Gail MacDonald
- Pamela Joseph