

October 1, 2014

Next Meeting

October 14, 2014. Doors are open at 6⁴⁵pm and Meeting starts at 7³⁰pm. MIFO Centre, 6600 Carrière St, Orleans.

Programme

Our October presenter is **M-R Charbonneau**, who lives in Ottawa. M-R stands for Michèle-Renée, but people find that a little long so it got shortened to M-R, which she loves. M-R loves talking about quilting almost as much as she loves quilting itself. Her “Let’s Talk Modern! Lecture and Trunk Show”, explores modern quilting over the last couple of years. She will share her passion for the style, her insights on what makes a quilt ‘modern’, and how you can make your quilts more modern if you’d like to give this style a try. She’ll also be bringing her modern quilts to share.

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Fat Quarter Theme

Halloween: spiders, witches, ghosts, pumpkins, orange & black

The Common Thread QUILT GUILD

President’s Message

While travelling throughout Europe these past three weeks I found that I was constantly reminded that quilting truly is part of the fabric of life. Though I did not see any quilts per se, I was amazed at finding many beautiful decorations that formed the basis of several quilting patterns. What was incredible was that some of these designs were on 6th century BC roman mosaics!

So now I feel energized and am looking forward at getting back into the fun of making quilts, choosing patterns, buying fabric, taking courses and, perhaps incorporating some of the designs I saw into some of my future quilts!

*“...some of these designs
were 6th century BC
roman mosaics!”*

Carole Maisonneuve



I have started reacquainting myself with my list of quilt projects, always a scary thing to do! Next I will ensure that I have the supplies I need (and if not, do a

few shop hops here and there). Then I will join up with my sewing girl-friends to share ideas and start moving towards completing my projects.

On that note, I look forward at seeing you at our October meeting.

Regards,

Carole Maisonneuve

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Outreach Recipients 2014-2015

Victoria VanderLinden

Reminders

Go Roundy Round: Workshop on October 4th.

Retreat: Sign up soon for one of the October retreats.



The Community Projects Committee collects donations of fabric, batting or thread and produces 4m kits of fabric to be sewn into tops or finished quilts by the membership. We provide labels to identify the quilts as a product of our guild. The quilts will be distributed to the following programs:

1. Cuddle Quilts:

22" x 22". These are given monthly to the Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit at the General Hospital. They can be cotton or flannel or a mix. Please-no invisible thread. The Guild provides battings and backings cut to size. If you wish

to take up to three at a meeting, see Barbara Donaldson at the Community Projects table.

2. Interval House, Ottawa:

40" x 60" or smaller. Interval House is a place of refuge for abused women and their family. Quilts are used there as well as being taken by the family.

3. CHEO Dialysis:

40" x 60". The recipients are on dialysis and/or awaiting a transplant. The ages range from 2-18.

4. Chernobyl, Europe:

any size finished quilt. Tops: 40" x 60" or smaller. One Canadian's dedication to aiding the people of this poverty stricken area has resulted in 15 years of giving to orphans, the elderly, children and families.

Quilts of every size and type are just one of the items sent with his shipment every spring.

5. Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre, Orleans:

40" x 60". The Centre uses our quilts as part of their programs for the elderly and for abused women.

6. NEW! The Infant and child Development Program of Algoma Public Health, Ontario:

40" x 50". The Parent Child Advisors there deal with 130 cases a year of at risk infants and children experiencing delays in development. Think crib quilt.

7. NEW! Ronald McDonald House, Ottawa:

40" x 60" or smaller. Children from birth to the age of 18 who have to come to Ottawa for outpatient work through



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Outreach Recipients (cont)

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CHEO can stay with their family here. The quilts will be given to the patients where it would be deemed helpful.

8. NEW! Cornerstone Housing for Women, Ottawa:

40" x 60". For 30 years, homeless women have found a home through Cornerstones. Through the staff at the Booth Street residence, we will offer the long and short term residents there a quilt.

Q: How fussy are we?

A: We find that, in Ottawa, even needy children can be particular

about what is on their quilt. No flowers on a boys quilt! No old colours on a teen's quilt! This makes it awkward for us, because the fabrics we have donated to us are often floral and dated. As quilters, we know that we can make a beautiful quilt out of anything (right?), but as charitable administrators, we recognize that we have to be careful about giving certain quilts to certain places.

Q: How can I help you give to children in Ottawa?

A: Give us quilts or donations of fabric with BOY STUFF on it: cars, dinosaurs, dogs, etc.

Give us quilts or donations of fabric that are unisex: bright, but absolutely no pink. Children, geometrics, stars, etc.

Give us 100 per cent cotton solids/blenders (tone-on-tone): no poly-cotton broadcloth.

Victoria VanderLinden



This summer we received a thank-you and photo from a recipient of the children's quilts sent to Algoma Public Health Infant and Child Development Program:

...What they're doing is such a kind gesture. Hayden loves the feeling of the thick quilt! No matter how hard she kicks it, it doesn't move. It actually went up with her to her crib for her nap too! And as I said I will be bringing it with her to the hospital when we have to go so she has a touch of home there too.

Thanks again for thinking of Hayden!

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October Retreats

Our first in-town retreats are fast approaching. You can choose October 17-19 or October 24-26. All in-town retreats, this year, are being held at the Notre-Dame-des-Champs Community Centre, 3956 Navan Rd.

We start at 10⁰⁰am on Friday and run until 5⁰⁰pm on Sunday. The fee for members is \$80⁰⁰ and for non-members is \$95⁰⁰. This includes meals.

You may sign up at the meeting or by emailing retreats@commonthread.on.ca.



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Library Update

We have received a generous donation of quilting novels for our library. One series features the Elm Creek Quilters and is written by Jennifer Chiaverini and the second series is written by Earlene Fowler featuring quilter and mystery solving Benni Harper. We hope you will enjoy them.

We still need some volunteers for the library. The library opens at 6:30 pm and we need some backup volunteers and another volunteer who can come regularly. Things run more smoothly if there are five people there. Thank you.

Liz Villeneuve



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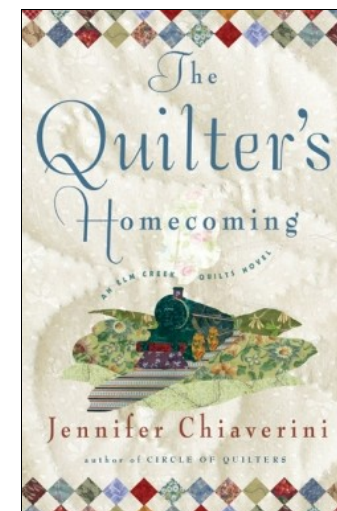


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UFO Challenge Instructions

Shirley MacFadden



1. Make a list, using our form on [page 6](#), of all the UFO's you would like to enter into this challenge. A UFO is any project you have already started by at least cutting the fabric before September, 2013.

2. Submit your list at the UFO Challenge table by the end of the October, 2014 meeting. **Include \$2 per UFO registration fee.** The more participants, the more prizes!

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3. Work on your quilts throughout the year. When completed (quilted and bound), show it at Bring and Brag starting November, 2014. Make sure to mention that it is part of the UFO Challenge, and receive an extra ticket for a special prize draw that evening. For each quilt finished, shown, and ticked off the list (**it's up to you to make sure it's marked completed**), your name is entered into the May year end draw.
4. **The challenge finishes at the end of May, 2015's Bring and Brag.** We're hoping that this challenge will motivate you to finish up some ancient projects, have some fun with a trip down memory lane, and as a bonus, have quilts completed for the 2016 quilt show!

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(8½" x 7¼")**Shirley MacFadden****UFO Challenge Registration**

Record below as many UFO's as you hope to complete for this challenge. Please print or type the details. Please include a \$2 registration fee for each quilt listed. You will need to bring your finished quilt to Bring and Brag at the guild meetings, starting in November, to record "Date Completed". Deadline is the May, 2015 meeting.

Your Name _____ Phone Number _____

No.	Date Begun	Description	Size	Status	Date Completed
1					
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3					
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Description: is to help you remember which quilt is which, use name or pattern of quilt, colour, theme

Size of quilt: lap, baby, table runner, jacket, etc.

Status: cut out, half pieced, completed top, sandwiched, mostly quilted.

Registration Fee: \$_____ x \$2 = \$_____

Go Roundy Round

Intro to Curves (part 1)

October 4, 2014

with Victoria Vanderlinden

Have you ever wanted to make Drunkard's Path, Winding Ways, Queen Anne's Crown or other old favourites, but were put off by the curved piecing? They are all TOO HARD, right? **Wrong!**

Intro to Curves will give you tips, techniques and tools to construct any curve. We use rotary cutting / freezer paper / special sewing machine feet and more to get you through curved patchwork.

You will go home a "curvy-er" quilter, with several samples of techniques to incorporate into your projects.

You do not have to take part 1 in order to take part 2 - each class stands alone.

Irene Walker

Easy Curves



Melon Variations



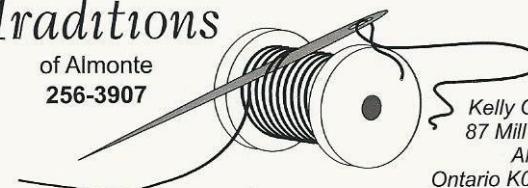
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Upcoming Events

Oct 4	Workshop: Go Roundy Round Part 1	Instructor: Victoria Van der Linden Members: \$40; Non-Members: \$45	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Oct 14	Regular Meeting	Program: Let's Talk Modern	MIFO
Oct 17-19	Retreat	Members: \$80; Non-members: \$95	Notre-Dame-Des- Champs C.C.
Oct 24-26	Retreat	Members: \$80; Non-members: \$95	Notre-Dame-Des- Champs C.C.
Nov 11	Regular Meeting	Program: Valerie Miller Trunk Show	MIFO
Nov 15	Workshop: Accquilt Go - Log Cabin	Instructor: Katrina Kahn Members: \$40; Non-Members: \$45	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Nov 21-23	Retreat		NavCan, Cornwall
Nov 29	Workshop: Print Windows Table Runner	Instructor: Valerie Miller Members: \$40; Non-Members: \$45	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Dec 9	Regular Meeting	Program: Holiday Social	MIFO
Jan 13	Regular Meeting	Program: Elaine Quehl Retrospective	MIFO
Jan 23-25	Retreat	Members: \$80; Non-members: \$95	Notre-Dame-Des- Champs C.C.
Jan 30 - Feb 1	Retreat	Members: \$80; Non-members: \$95	Notre-Dame-Des- Champs C.C.
Feb 10	Regular Meeting	Program: Sherri Hisey Trunk Show	MIFO
Feb 13-15	Retreat		NavCan, Cornwall
Feb 28	Workshop: Liberated Radial Piecing	Instructor: Elaine Quehl	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Mar 7	Workshop: The Big Block Quilt	Instructor: Joan Ramsey Burn Members: \$40; Non-Members: \$45	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Mar 10	Regular Meeting		MIFO
Mar 21	Workshop: Go Roundy Round Part 2	Instructor: Victoria Van der Linden Members: \$40; Non-Members: \$45	Notre-Dame-Des- Champ C.C.
Apr 14	Regular Meeting		MIFO
Apr 17-19	Retreat	Members: \$80; Non-members: \$95	Notre-Dame-Des- Champs C.C.