



Pieceful Times

June 2008

Meeting
MONDAY JUNE 2

7:00 PM

**St. Anthony's
Soccer Club**

St. Anthony St.
at Preston St.

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- just one block north of the
Queensway/ 417]



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- name tag
- mug
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Guests are welcome
[\$5 admission]

**Next Meeting
Monday SEPT 8**

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PROSE FROM THE CO'S!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

So many thanks are in order! First, thank you to everyone who made the AGM run so smoothly. All amendments were approved, and this paves the way for much simpler AGM's in the future.

Secondly, huge thanks to Michèle-Renée Charbonneau and Eden Thurston, who stepped forward to run the guild together next year as your new Co-Prezesses. We know these young, energetic, dynamic women will do a fabulous job, and we anticipate an exciting year ahead.

That V-word again

Thanks to all the volunteers who have offered their services to keep our guild active and vibrant. There is still a need for a well-organized couple of women to step into the role of Quilt Show Co-Chair ... without this, we will not have a show in 2009, but it's up to you, folks...

President's Challenge

Those of you who attend the June meeting will enjoy much merriment, yummy treats, and a special gift. You are to take this gift home and bring it back in September for our Viewers Choice judging as:

- a "little quilt" for the Maki House sale
- a baby quilt for the Rich Little Nursery or
- any little quilt for judging purposes, that you keep for your own use

Have a wonderful summer, everyone!

Your Co-Presidents,

Mary & Kris

THE MINUTES...

from the previous month's meeting will be posted on the Bulletin Board. If you have any corrections, please see Joan Dorsay.

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Information about guild policies, programs, etc. can be found in our Members' Guide available from the Membership Committee or on our website www.ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org

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JUNE PROGRAM

Topic: How to Prepare Your Quilts For Long Arm Quilting.
Presenter is Maggie Fontana, an experienced long-arm machine quilter.

Outline: This presentation will give you specific tips and suggestions so that a long -arm quilter will be able to maximize the overall impact of your quilt.

Enjoy your summer. Vikki Zulpo and Alison Tranter will be your new program organizers in September 2008.

Heather Le Serve

NEW EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following are new members of the 2008/09 OVQG Executive and committees. Congratulations and "Thank You" to them all.

Co-Presidents: Eden Thurston and
Michèle-Reneé Charbonneau

VP-Administration: Liane Thiry-Smith,
Trudy Selliger

Co-Treasurers: Adeline Alkan, Deborah Bouck

Secretary: Carol Kerfoot

Membership: Suzanne Nelson, Carol Baker,
Annette Boudreau

Workshops: Shirley Bolduc, Jody Taylor,
Margery Windover

Program: Vikki Zulpo, Alison Tranter

Magazines: Lorrie Church and Jutta Hof will assist
Mary Walsh

The position of Special Events is still open.

The remaining members of the Executive Committee and Committees will serve for another year.

One-day Bus Trip to Vermont Quilt Festival Sunday, June 29 -- 7 am - 9 pm

Pickup: Adult High School, Gladstone at Preston Street

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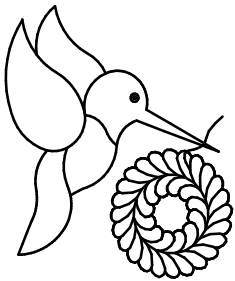
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"AT HOME WITH QUILTS"

Saturday, September 27 10:00 to 4:00 — this is a quilt show using homes as the venue! We have the support of the Sens Foundation for the charity Roger's House.

We're ready to take your volunteer commitment to:

- hostess in our homes (room supervisors)
- set-up at Maki House (hanging/displaying items) starting 26 Sept.
- sell at the Little Quilt Sale
- provide quilted items to display in the homes and SELL at the LQS
- serve cake & coffee/tea at Maki House
- be tickets sellers [one at Maki House and at each Home]
- sell raffle tickets
- encourage your friends and neighbors to buy at the LQS and tour the homes.

We have 2 photos and 3 items for the homes. Let us know how you can help. Remember all hanging items must come with the bar.

LITTLE QUILT SALE – create a wonderful item (or more) to sell: not only those wall hangings but the other sellable items useful as gifts and in your home. September 8 is the last date to turn them in. If you're interested in helping in the Houses or at the Little Quilt Sale, see Pat Amundrud or email vpprogram@ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org.



BABY QUILTS

Another 30 baby quilts were donated to the Special Care Nursery at the Civic Hospital. Thank you ladies. We have donated 283 quilts to date. Our total is still down a little from last year at this time. We need approx. 30 more baby quilts to reach our goal. Hopefully we'll do it at the June meeting.

Happy quilting and see you next year.
[Judy Black]

REPORT 2007-2008 CO-PRESIDENTS

The 2007-2008 year had the OVQG trying a number of new things: a new venue at St. Anthony's Soccer club and a new format aimed at providing opportunities to learn and to interact with other guild members. Although these changes provided some hurdles to overcome, our committee and executive did a great job adjusting and providing the membership with interesting programs and opportunities.

We had six monthly meetings, with the December meeting being unfortunately cancelled due to bad weather. Attendance at meetings ranged from 115 to 165, with the average being around 144 participants per meeting. The Little Quilt Auction was dropped this year due to declining effectiveness, but a new charity event "At Home with Quilts" house tour is in the planning stages and scheduled for this September.

Programs included: two demo nights on a variety of techniques including free motion embroidery, appliqué methods, felting, foiling, and even how to use black and white batting in one quilt. We also had three speakers from out of town. We began with quilt artist Hilary Rice, who spoke on her development as a quilt artist while showing her work. Our second speaker was quilt artist Laurie Swim, who gave a lecture on creating "Community Based Quilts" showing us a different form of inspiration for quilts and how group quilts can affect people's lives. Our third speaker, Susan Purney-Mark, came from the West coast and provided a fun-filled evening of trivia and a talk on the development of quilting patterns, along with a trunk show. And perhaps the best talk of all was given by our very own Jann Thulien who showed us how to set up our sewing spaces properly.

Meetings were set up to provide and "opportunity hour" which gave members time to browse the library and magazines, look at news

on the bulletin board, sign up for workshops, drop off a baby quilt, see the Block of the Month, check out the Store of the Month, talk to the Doctor on Call and register a UFO, buy raffle tickets on the donated basket, pick up a newsletter, have a coffee or tea, see quilts that had been shown at Show & Tell, or visit with friends.

In addition to meetings we had 11 well attended workshops, and a fellowship day in January where the attendees made mug bags to send to the CQA conference this June. Members also made mug bags at home, allowing us to send more than one bag per guild member. Two charity quilts were completed this year. One was awarded to The Glebe Centre, a long-term care facility for seniors. Another, the "Toasted Mocha Latte" quilt, was donated by Keitha Graham, with assistance from Grace Whiting and Nancy Francis, and the draw will be next October. Members also finished blocks for the Buckeye Beauty quilt, coordinated by Janet Major, that is to be our next raffle quilt. Newsletters were issued each month, including January (our month off). New membership cards were created and a number of membership draws were held to encourage people to remember their cards and wear their nametags. The OVQG handbook recording our policies and procedures was updated and published. Study fund scholarships were awarded to three members.

The financial report as of the first of the year and the year's budget were published. Our current financial status allowed us to have out of town speakers as well as rent the larger room on three occasions, alleviating some of our space constraints. A hands-free microphone was also purchased for the convenience of our speakers. The committees have kept costs in line with the budget, and the guild is in good financial shape going forward.

Kris and Mary

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REPORT 2007-08 VPADMINISTRATION

This has been my second year as VP-Admin. Once again, it was a pleasure and privilege to work with the guild executive and admin committees. As VP-Admin, I have been in a position to see how many people it takes to run well a guild that offers such wonderful programs and services to its members. A big thank-you to all the admin committees for their contributions. In addition to my VP duties, I have also been website coordinator, keeping the site up to date with information and events of interest to our members. On behalf of the guild, I also extend many thanks to our webmaster Daryl Xavier-Wellard of DRJ Graphics.

Barb Cloutier

REPORT 2007-2008 PHOTOGRAPHER

This is the first year that the Guild has used digital photography. We are trying to meet the needs of the website, our archivist and the newsletter, as well as special areas of interest such as guest speakers, charity quilts, baby quilts and block of the month. Hopefully by next year we will have the kinks out, and you will see more of the photos throughout the year.

Margaret Dunsmore

REPORT 2007-2008 NEWSLETTER

The format of the newsletter was changed this year and I've received many favourable comments from members. More and more members are now choosing the read their newsletter on-line with the result that we are now mailing to only 40 people and providing pick-up copies for another 40 or so.

Linda Doyle

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MAGAZINES COMMITTEE REPORT

Over the past year a complete Inventory of Guild Magazines was created and we went from one magazine subscription to six. New subscriptions purchased, for either one or two years, include Australian Patchwork and Quilting, Fons and Porter's Love of Quilting, Quilting Arts, American Quilter, A Needle Pulling Thread and American Patchwork and Quilting. We also have stocked up on supplies and hope to clean out the old magazine stash at the May Guild meeting sale so as to lighten the carrying load for next year.

Mary Walsh

LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT

Our first year managing the library has passed quickly. We had an average of 40 books going out each meeting and all books were circulated at least once throughout the year.

We have to date bought 15 books and were fortunate to have several donations from two of our guest speakers, Laurie Swim and Susan Purney-Mark. For the May meeting we held a used book sale to sell off some of the older books. The profits will be used to buy new books. Finally thank you to every to everyone who volunteered to help carry in or out the rather heavy book bins before and after our monthly meetings. There will be no library in June as we are off to Quilt Canada. See you next fall.

Dianne and Carolyn

ARCHIVIST REPORT

Over the past several month's I have organized the archival materials, discarding duplicates and identifying missing documents and photos, in preparation of scanning them onto CD-ROMs. I am grateful to all those who have supplied some missing material; especially Dorothea Powell and Grace MacNab. Hopefully, the scanning process can be done over the next few months.

Along the way, the filing cabinet which previously housed most of these materials was sold.

Procedures are being developed to keep the files accurate and complete in coming years. Containers will be purchased for the CD-ROMs and for the plaques, etc. which the OVQG has attained over our years of community service.

I was also asked to help out with rewriting the Guild's Constitution and By-Laws.

Donna Nesbitt, Archivist



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BLOCK OF THE MONTH

We have reached the end of our second year as your Block-of-the-Month representatives. Since September, we published 8 new blocks. The ideas for these came from such sources as quilting books and magazines, the internet, and shows. Many were redrafted, one was an original and for many, the construction instructions were modified and adapted to quick piecing methods when suitable.

We chose blocks that would require a variety of techniques: piecing, appliqué (hand and machine) and paper piecing, and presented several colour schemes in an attempt to appeal to a larger variety of tastes. Most blocks were at the beginner or intermediate level, but in addition to providing a range of sewing experience, an important consideration was to introduce blocks that the winner could then turn into an attractive quilt. We've seen a few fabulous bed size quilts and several delightful baby quilts made by some of our winners as well as other projects made by other members using our block patterns.

The total number of participants to date (not including the final May block) is 134; of that number, 48 individuals made the block of the month. We would like to thank all of you for your contribution, enthusiasm and words of appreciation and encouragement. Despite the work involved, we do have a lot of fun presenting the block-of-the-month to you as well as continuing to learn more about quilting, piecing and the infamous computer.

Have a great relaxing summer. We hope you will return in the fall rested up and ready to try more new blocks that we will be ready to share with you.

Lidia and Carole

A FUN SUMMER PROJECT!

Carole has created a fun word seek puzzle for us to try [see next page]. Just circle the listed words as you find them in the box of letters. The letters left over will form a quilting related phrase. Carole will have the solution available at the September meeting. Maybe we'll have a fat quarter for all those who bring in a successfully completed puzzle!



"Quilty" Word Seek

Circle the words in the puzzle. The remaining 26 letters will spell a BOM related phrase!

applique	fan	pattern	square
backing	floral	piece	star
baste	frame	pins	stencil
batik	freemotion	plaid	stitch
batting	heirloom	print	strip
bias	knot	quilt	tack
bind	leaf	remnants	thread
block	line	rows	tip
border	make	sashing	top
calico	mat	scraps	trim
colour	needle	seam	
design	pad	silk	
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Secret phrase: " _____ "

COMING EVENTS

June 2008

2-8 “Quilting on the Edge” - The Canadian Quilters’ Association national conference, St. John’s NFLD
INFO: Jennifer Gill 709-738-3239 or email:
j.gill@nl.rogers.com

19-21 “Shop Hop” — for info contact Taylor
Sewing Centre Brockville, ON 1-877-837-6140

20-21 “Muskoka Quilt Show 2008” presented by the
Pine Tree Quilters Guild Admission \$5.00
Bracebridge Fairgrounds, Bracebridge, ON
Tea Room, Merchant Mall, Door Prizes
INFO: Marta McIntyre 705-645-4732 email:
quiltshow@pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com

July 2008

12-13 “A Stitch in Time 2008” presented by the
Prince Edward Country Quilters’ Guild, Prince
Edward Commun’y Centre, 375 Main St. E. Picton ON
INFO: 613-476-0334 mjtucker@sympatoc.ca

19 “Quilts in my Garden”- presented by the Meaford
Hall & Culture Foundation, Meaford ON [on Georgian
Bay]. Quilts will be displayed in 7 area gardens. \$20
includes lunch at Meaford Hall's Terrace room.
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25-27 Paper-Piecing workshop at the Lodge on
Amherst Island: www.thelodgeonamherstisland.com

August 2008

7-10 Lowell Quit Festival, Tsongas Arena, Lowell
and Radisson Hotel in Chelmsford, New Hampshire.
Juried show, vendors market, etc. While there, visit
the New England Quilt Museum.
INFO: www.lowellquiltfestival.org;
www.nequiltmuseum.org

10-15 Shaded 4-Patch workshop at the Lodge on
Amherst Island: www.thelodgeonamherstisland.com

August (cont'd)

14-16 “Country Beginnings” Shop Hop
[see ad on page 4 for details]

September 2008

5-7 “Falling for Christmas” presented by the Buckhorn
Area Quilters’ Guild. Admission \$5. Weekend pass \$10.
Raffle, demos, merchant mall, members boutique, etc.

8-9 “Harvest of Quilts” Show and sale presented by the
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13-14 Canadian Button Convention presented by The
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buttons. It will include a show and sale room, seminars, a
live and silent auction of antiques and collectible buttons,
and sewing related items, as well as a display on the
history of buttons.
INFO: www.ottawavalleybuttonclub.ca

27 “At Home With Quilts” presented by the Ottawa
Valley Quilters Guild—a quilt show/fund raiser using
homes as the venue. 10 AM to 4 PM at various Ottawa
homes. Lunch and sale will be held at Maki House.
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October 2008

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