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MAY 2008

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MONDAY MAY 5

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Next Meeting
MONDAY JUN 2

PROSE FROM THE CO'S!



It's the sign for Peace and for Victory and for yes, Volunteers! And you will have no Peace until we are Victorious in finding enough Volunteers!

We are delighted that many have offered to fill committee positions and even some quilt show positions. But without a President (or two) and a Vice-President Admin. (who would be willing to follow the next President into the position), the guild cannot run. And without a Quilt Show Chair, that won't happen either.

Are you familiar with the movie "Never Ending Story"? (I know, kind of like our ongoing quest for a president). In that film, a young boy, Bastian, is reading the story of the mythical kingdom of Fantasia that seems destined for annihilation by the Nothing. The Nothing is a by-product of human apathy and despair, which "eat away" the dreams and goals of humanity. Bastian is fearful of what will happen to Atreyu, the hero of the story, when he suddenly looks up from the book realizing that **he** is the only one who can change the fate of the kingdom by getting actively involved.

Everyone reading this column right now is Bastian. The future of the OVQG is up to you. Or it will be replaced by Nothing.

Your Co-Presidents,

Mary & Kris

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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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"AT HOME WITH QUILTS"

Saturday, September 27 — This is a quilt show using homes as the venue! We have 6 ladies in west Ottawa willing to open their homes as a display venue for quilted items, actually showing how you use these items in your home. As with any quilt show, we need quilted items from OVQG members. Here are some suggestions:

- Bed quilts .. [we'll drape 3 or 4 on each bed]
- Art quilts
- Tableware [cloths, placemats, runners, toppers, etc]
- Kitchen items [toaster & mixer covers, tea cozies, aprons]
- Curtains, valances, shower curtains, chair covers
- Quilted book covers, journals, fabric bowls, pillows
- Children's items [baby quilts, bibs, dolls, animals, toys]
- Wearables — we need mannequins or display stands

We are featuring houses showing: (1) House of Autumn and (2) Glorious Colour House, (3) Doll/toys house, (4) Art house, (5) the Green (trees, leaves and honeybees) house, and a (6) Christmas house. Perhaps not all submissions will be displayed. The limiting factor will be space. My house, for example, can only take so many wall hangings.

Forward a picture to me so we can say 'yes, that would fit nicely into "X" House. Send to vpprogram@ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org Be sure to include information for the labels (made by, quilted by, size - if appropriate). Those of you without digital cameras, ask a friend or me to help out - we'll manage.

We need to have items selected by August 30. We'll need to collect the items by September 12. Tickets will be on sale at the September meeting with a deadline for the tickets with a lunch by September 12. There will be a description of the Houses and the sort of space available (i.e., number of wall hangings I can hang) at the May and June meetings.

In conjunction with the show, lunch will be available at Maki House, where we will also hold a

"LITTLE QUILT SALE"

Jann Thulien and Lorraine Yorke, our wonderfully organized workshop leaders, have agreed to take on the Little Quilt Sale. They will be looking for donated items to sell. The list given for the houses might provide inspiration. Proceeds from this sale will go to charity. Jann and Lorraine will need lots of helpers. (Remember the "V" word?)

If you're interested in helping in the Houses or at the Little Quilt Sale, see Pat Amundrud or vpprogram@ottawavalleyquilters-guild.org.



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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

As of this writing, we have been unable to find someone to be President of our Guild. The position of Vice President Administration is also vacant. These are two critical positions for the operation of our organization. If nobody steps forward we will not have a Guild.

We have found people to look after the jobs of Secretary and Treasurer on the Executive. Committee positions for Membership, Workshops, Program and Magazine Helper have been filled. We are still looking for people to look after Special Events and Volunteers.

[Georgia Beale, Beth Cameron, Alison Tranter]

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BABY QUILTS

Guild members were busy last month and another 45 baby quilts were donated to the Rich Little Special Care Nursery at the Civic Hospital. Our total is still down a little from last year at this time.

Thank you ladies. Your baby quilts are very much appreciated. [Judy Black]

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FOR SALE

M. Lindsay Lambert (613-730-7797) has four antique maple and oak supports, with attached clamps, for a quilt frame. He is anxious to sell these and is asking \$80.00 for the set, but his price may be negotiable.

Rene Syrenne (613-225-4403) has seamstress type collection of fabric left by his wife. He is willing to donate or perhaps sell.



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See previous newsletter for policies regarding guild workshops or visit us at the workshop table. We will have sign-up sheets and supply lists and samples of the class projects. **For more information contact: JANN (613) 225-8004 or LORRAINE (819) 682-3219 or email at workshops@OttawaValleyQuiltersGuild.org**

Workshop Locations:

Loblaws Cooking School: College Square—at the Loblaws Superstore at Baseline and Woodroffe intersection.

Maki House: 19 Leeming Drive is south of Carling Avenue—turn east off Crystal Beach Drive and look for the “log cabin” beside the little park (417 exit would be Moodie Drive)

Nepean Museum: 16 Rowley Avenue—Rowley Ave. runs north off Meadowlands Drive, just west of Merivale Road .

Mystery Sampler [CLASS FULL – reminder of dates & location]

Instructor: Fran O’Neill

Dates: Tuesdays; May 6 and May 20 (7 pm– 9 pm)

Location: Nepean Museum, 16 Rowley Avenue — Room B

Felted Dragon

Instructor: Wendo Van Essen

Date: Sunday May 4th, (1 pm – 5 pm)

Location: Maki House

Fee: \$40.00 **Extra fee:** \$20.00

Description:

Wendo will take you step by step through the creation of this feisty little dragon. We will make an armature and 'sculpt' him with a felting needle. You will have a choice of colours for your dragon and also a choice of what kind of claws you'd like him to have--either shell or semi-precious stones. You will take home a finished 6-8 inch tall dragon. You will need to bring an approx. 10 inch square piece of 2" thick upholstery foam.

Molas

Instructor: Pamela Griffin

Date: Saturday, May 24, 2008 (10 am – 3 pm)

Location: Maki House

Fee: \$30 **Extra fee:** none

Description: The Kuna in the San Blas Islands, Panama, traditionally make molas by hand but we will learn reversible machine appliqué while making our 3 Mola blocks.

Beyond Stippling Part I

Instructor: Elaine Quehl

Date: Saturday, May 31 (10 am – 4 pm)

Location: Maki House

Fee: \$50.00 **Extra fee:** none

Prerequisite: The ability to free-motion stipple quilt by machine.

Description: Are you in a stippling rut? Expand your repertoire of beautiful free-motion stitches! This course is designed for machine quilters who are familiar with free-motion stippling, but need creative ideas to venture beyond stippling. You will learn to stitch at least 20 different free-motion motifs, and have samples to take home. Motifs include various meanderings, swirls, nested designs, leaves, flowers, and organic designs. Experiment with cotton, rayon and metallic threads. The best thing about this method of quilting is that there is no need to mark your quilt top, and nothing to wash off after.



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2007-2008 ANNUAL REPORTS

Membership

This year our membership reached 241 with 33 new members.

In order to add to a friendly atmosphere at the meetings, we encouraged everyone to wear a nametag: either a handmade one or one purchased from us. Our purchased name tag was reformatted to make the first name larger and more easily read this year.

Something new this year was to 'card' members at every meeting. Membership caught on very quickly having their card ready at the door or wearing it in a conference badge holder around their neck. (We still have some to purchase if you would to pick one up for \$1.00)

A special thanks to Judy Smith for assembling our team of 'door people' at each and every meeting and also thanks to those of you who came to the meeting early to card, sell tickets, count, greet and 'do' the poker ships. This guild depends on volunteers and without your help we couldn't have done it.

[Keitha Graham and Suzanne Nelson]



Other committee annual reports will be in the June newsletter.

Workshop

We offered 11 different workshops this year and 3 multi day workshops for a total of 14 days. Only one workshop was cancelled due to lack of participants.

We would like to thank all those that participated in the workshops in the 2007-2008 seasons. We had approximately 138 participants for the different workshops.

We would also like to thank all 10 of the educational instructors that agreed to provide a workshop. These instructors are as follows:

Joan Dorsay, Hilary Rice, Elaine Quehl, Linda Palaisy, Pamela Griffin, Liane Thiry Smith, Laurie Swim, Susan Purney Mark, Fran O'Neill and Wendo Van Essen.

[Jann Thulien and Lorraine York]



Your completed charity blocks!

The "Anti-Ouch Pouch"

[an excerpt from SEWNews April/May 2008]

Mastectomy patients have often found that holding a small pillow tucked under their arm helps ease the discomfort. Unfortunately, this keeps one hand occupied and therefore limits activities. Cancer survivor and *Sew News* contributor Deon Maas combined her ingenuity and sewing talent and came up with a brilliant solution: the 'anti-ouch pouch'! It's a wedge shaped pillow with an adjustable shoulder strap. It resembles a tote bag so that it can be used inconspicuously in public. The shoulder strap leaves the hands free and gives a break to sore arm muscles.

To learn more about it and get instructions to make one, visit www.sewnews.com.

This could be a great service project. If you'd be interested in getting together with others to work on pouches, please see Linda Doyle at the newsletter table.

Block of the month
May 2008
“Spring Butterfly”

For June 2008 meeting

Last month we received 21 little duckies, which were won by Marion Anderson just in time for her to make a baby quilt for a soon-to-be great-grandchild. Congratulations Marion, and thanks to the 16 members who participated.

Our last block of the year is a colourful butterfly to whisk us out of a long snowy winter and glide us into a glorious summer. We drafted this pattern from a “Quilting from the Heartland” ad found in Quiltmaker issue 69

Fabric requirements:

6-9 different fabrics:-1 to 7—tone-on-tone, batiks, small prints in 5-7 different colours
8---black butterfly body and head
9---tone on tone white background (Bg)

Cutting directions: (refer to diagram for colour placement) If undecided about what colours to use, colour in the squares with coloured pencils

Fabric 1: cut 2---1½” squares	Fabric 7: cut 1---3” square
Fabric 2: cut 2---1½” squares cut 2---2½” x 3½” rectangles	Fabric 8: cut 1---1½” x 4½” rectangle cut 1—2” square
Fabric 3: cut 2---2½” squares cut 1---3” square	Fabric 9 (Bg): cut 1---3” square cut 7---1½” squares
Fabric 4: cut 4---1½” x 2½” rectangles	cut 1---1½” x 2½” rectangle
Fabric 5: cut 2---1½” squares	cut 2---2½” x 7½” rectangles
Fabric 6: cut 1---3” square	cut 2---2½” x 11½” rectangles

Sewing directions: (refer to diagram for placement and orientation)

This block is mirror imaged on each side of the central body
(NB: the letters will identify the pieced unit made from those instructions)

Wings:

A-sew 1½” squares of fabrics 1 & 2 together, vertically as in diagram.

B-place 3” squares of fabric 3 & Bg right sides together, draw a diagonal line, sew on both sides of it with a ¼” seam, cut apart on drawn diagonal, press to dark fabric and square up to 2½”

C-attach B to A as in diagram.

D-take your 2½” x 3½” rectangle of fabric 2 and place, right sides together, a 2½” square of fabric 3 in the corner as in diagram, draw a diagonal line in the direction shown in diagram and sew on it; cut off excess and press and press toward fabric 2.

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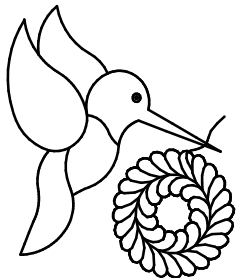
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May 2008

3-4 Hudson Quilt Show presented by the Village Quilters. Community Centre 394 Main Rd. Hudson, Quebec 10 AM—5 PM.
INFO: 613 723-3262

3-4 “A Bouquet of Quilts” presented by the Quinte Quilters Guild at the Quinte Curling Club, 246 Bridge St. West, Belleville ON. Admission \$5.

9-10 “Off the Bed, Off the Wall” presented by Port Perry Patchers, Scugog Community Centre, 1655 Reach St., Port Perry ON

9-11 “Threads that Bind Through Time” presented By the Common Threads Quilt Guild R.A.Centre, Riverside Drive, Ottawa, ON
INFO: www.commonthread.on.ca.

17-18 2008 Spring Quilt Show sponsored by the Adirondack Quilters Guild of Malone, NY
100+ quilts, vendors market, quilts for sale, etc.
INFO: 518-483-2918 or email bobarsin@westel.com.

21 Chatham-Kent Quilters Guild 10th Anniversary Celebration — Kay Wood Lecture and Demos. Various fees. INFO: Marlene 519-436-1200
email: mwarren@mnsi.net

23-25 ‘Quilts Kingston’ presented by the Limestone Quilters’ Guild and the Kingston Heirloom Quilters Portsmouth Olympic Harbour, 53 Yonge St. Kingston ON There is also an exhibit of quilts at the nearby Agnes Etherington Art Centre.
INFO: www.quiltskingston.org
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27-31 St. Jacobs 13th Annual Quilt Shows
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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

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 Community 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 admission includes lunch at Meaford Hall's Terrace room.
INFO: www.meafordhall.ca or bevans@meafordhall.ca

August 2008

7-10 Lowell Quilt 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

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 Settlers’ Village Quilters. Kawartha Settlers Village, 85 Dunn St, Bobcaygeon ON 10 AM—5 PM Admission \$5. Almost every heritage building on the site will be used to showcase over 200 heritage and new quilts.
INFO: Louise 705-731-0744 email: raylou.plante@sympatico.ca or visit www.kawarthasettlersvillage.com

October 2008

20-25 “Over 125 quilts on display from East Africa. Ailsa Craig Rec. Centre Ailsa Craig ON Classes from African teachers, slide show, lecture. \$7.00 at the door. Advance tickets \$15.00 for lecture slide show plus quilt exhibit. INFO: : e-mail garnet@cotton-by-post.com

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