Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Regular Meetings

May 18, 2016 Evening Only! doors open 6:30pm, meeting starts at 7pm. Nanaimo Curling Club – upstairs lounge 106 Wall St.

Next Executive Meeting

May 12, 2016 1:30 at Chase River Country Grocer, 82 Twelfth St.

Next Quilt Show Meeting

May 19, 2016 1:00 at Chase River Country Grocer, 82 Twelfth St.

Refreshments:

Members whose last names start with the letters V to Z, it's your turn to bring goodies to the meeting.

Remember to bring:

- · your nametag and cup
- library books
- change for raffle prizes
- completed raffle ticket envelope
- donation quilts / placemats
- food bank donations

Newsletter Deadlines

May 22, August 22 (for September)



see Quilt Show page 6&7

Remember to check our website for the show demo schedule, Merchant Mall vendors, Show Sponsors and driving directions to the Show.

Guild Website

If you have something of interest for our Guild web site, please send it to Sue Creba at suecreba@aquariusd.com

President's Pen

Mark your calendars: Victoria Quilt Guild show: May 6-8 at Pearkes Recreation Centre, 3100 Tillicum Rd. I'll see you there Friday. Our May 18 Guild meeting is an evening meeting only. Why do we volunteer? As someone said, 'to develop new skills...to experience personal growth & development'. On May 23, Happy Victoria Day!

At our April Guild meeting I brought in some donated fabric and made the offer to please help yourselves. Most of it was taken and for this I thank you. The left over fabric will be donated to another worthy cause. If you bring stuff to donate and there are no takers, please take it away after the meeting; we cannot store or dispose of it for you.

Speaking of our April Guild meeting...did you enjoy that PHD/PFD ceremony? Our Program Committee is talking of holding it again next Guild term which would be even more fun with more participants.

Take a minute to read the minutes, particularly Lorraine Jordan's request. She is asking for anyone who has any dress patterns that they no longer want or need to bring them to the next Guild meeting so that when she travels to Zambia this summer she can take the items with her.

"Use what talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best." Henry Van Dyke.

Vicki Zoltay, Guild President

Blocks with Borders - Challenge

COME OUT AND VOTE!! The challenge placemats will be on display at the May meeting and members are invited to vote for their favourite! Hope to see you there! Winners will be announced! I will be keeping the placemats for display at the show in June, and if you win one of the three lovely prizes donated by Cindy's Threadworks, they will be awarded at 3:00 pm on Saturday at our show! Good luck everyone!

Kathy Bush, Challenge Committee

Library News

This year has gone by so quickly! Just a reminder that everything is due at the evening May meeting. All materials checked out in May will be due in September, so you may want to bring a bag along to carry your checked out materials home. I would like to say a BIG thank you to the Library Team that works so hard at keeping the library running so smoothly. They are so awesome!!

Look for a few more discards to be offered up for sale at the next meeting at rock bottom prices before they head to recycling.

Wishing everyone a great summer. See you in September. The Library Team

Membership Renewals

April's Guild Meeting was early registration with 42 renewing their Membership. One new member registered, Margaret Sandeman-Allen. A big welcome Margaret, it's nice to have you join us.

May is also early registration, but remember it is only an evening meeting. Registration forms can be printed off the Guild Web page or it's the last page of the newsletter. Please print clearly (my eyes are not what they use to be). Fill it out before the meeting and attach your payment and drop it into the box at the Membership Table. Lija will be available for processing Credit Cards. *Judy Peterson, Membership*

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DID YOU KNOW? Nanaimo Quilt Stores

Back in the May 2015 Nanaimo Quilters' Guild Newsletter, we presented an article on the subject of the disappearing fabric shops here on the Island. It's been interesting to learn that this subject has come up in conversations and that some members have been making more of an effort to support our local quilt shops and those out of town. It was also interesting to hear some quilters who have been quilting for many years reminiscence about how and where we used to buy our fabrics and quilting supplies. The response from those newer to quilting was also interesting. Some never knew that Snip & Stitch and Serge & Sew started out downtown, or that Snip & Stitch once had two stores in Nanaimo, or that there had once been a fabric store in the Harewood Mall (now University Mall). So this month, we thought we could look back over the history of the stores in Nanaimo where we used to purchase our quilting needs.

During the late 1970's and early '80's we didn't have "quilt shops," so we purchased our fabrics and supplies from fabric shops or from the fabric departments in stores such as Eaton's and Sears, which were located downtown. Snip & Stitch Fabrics opened in 1967 in Harbour Park Mall (now Port Place) and later moved to Norwell Drive. Brewster's Fabrics on Commercial Street carried some cottons "in season," Chez Cloth in Harewood Mall and The Fabric Shop in Northbrook Mall (now Brooks Landing) carried a larger selection.

In the beginning of the 1980's things began to change with the arrival of shopping malls. With the opening of Woodgrove Centre, Eaton's relocated and Woodwards came to Nanaimo. Both had fabric departments and carried a few basic quilting needs. Snip & Stitch Fabrics opened a second location in the

CQA Report

We submitted 9,230 inches for the month of March and I'll be sending in another 5,919 from our April meetings. Marilyn reports from CQA that we have almost quilted our way from Lethbridge to Toronto so that's good progress. It took until nearly June last year to reach the goal so participating quilters are ahead of schedule this year.

Nanaimo Quilters' Guild is on the list of about 70 guilds who have contributed to the upcoming Quilt Canada 2016 show in Toronto. As reported earlier we gave \$250 which will be used as prize money in the juried show this year. The list of contributing guilds can be seen on the CQA blog.

For our new members or those who haven't visited the CQA website you can see all that is going on with this national quilters' support group at www.canadianquilter.com Make a cup of tea and take a few minutes to browse the site, look at some winning quilt photos and catch up on the latest info on the blog. A fun way to pass a half hour (or more!) *Christine Hustins*

Many thanks to Quilters Resources for helping us advertise our June 10 & 11 Quilt Show. Visit their website at www. quiltersresources.net

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mall. When Rutherford Mall opened (now Nanaimo North Town Centre) Sears relocated from downtown and was joined by Zellers and Fabricland. Over on Bowen Road at Bowen Plaza Fanny's Fabrics opened. When Country Club Mall opened Woolco, which later became Wal-Mart, also had a fabric department. The Fabric Shop from Northbrook Mall relocated to Country Club Mall, and a few years later, Fanny's Fabrics also relocated to Country Club.

Back downtown, Serge & Sew opened on Commercial Street in 1987, but later moved to the Nored Plaza in 1995. Fanny's Fabrics left Country Club Mall and moved downtown in 1993. In 1994 Country Crafts opened in Beban Plaza and carried quilting and craft supplies. In 1999, Gotta Habit Quilting and Craft Studio opened in the Cinnabar Valley area.

Gradually over the years the department stores phased out their fabric departments. By the mid `90's Snip & Stitch closed its Woodgrove location and expanded its Norwell store. Most of the other fabric stores had closed which left Snip & Stitch, Serge & Sew, and Fabricland as our local choices for purchasing quilting supplies.

Earlier this year (January) we saw the opening of a new fabric shop downtown called "My Favourite Fabrics." Sadly, this shop only lasted a few weeks as this, and several other business were destroyed by the fire on March 28, 2016.

We were informed at the Guild meeting on April 20 that Tanya Gruszecki, owner of "My Favourite Fabrics" store will be relocating to the Old City Quarter, in the space previously occupied by the wool shop "Mad About Ewe" on May 29.

History Committee: Marsha Whitmee & Greta Simmons

Nanaimo Quilt Show Demos

	Friday June 10	Saturday June 11
11:00-12:00	Joy Jenkins: "Stencils, Paint & Fabric ideas"	Sewciabelles: "Bento Box quilt"
12:00-1:00	S Drebnicki: "Square within a Square"	Jonanco Gals: "The Jelly Roll Race"
1:00-1:30	Coreen Zerr: "Thread painting"	Kathy Bush: "Mini fabric boxes"
1:30-2:00		Laura Morrissey: "Microwave bowl holders"
2:00-3:00	Loma Craig: "Disappearing Pinwheels"	Lorie Rogers: "Pillow cases and Yoyo's"
3:00-4:00	Sew Sisters: "Quilt as you go project"	Prizes & Awards

Program

Thank you to all guild members who participated in the PHD to PFD April trunk show. It was wonderful to see such a variety of projects. Although not all participants met their goal, each quilter had at least one finished item to present. Reasons/ excuses for not reaching their goal were humorous, varied and creative. Afternoon draw winners were Germaine Batchelor, Leslie Millward, Lorna Craig and Sue Artuso. Evening winners included Bonnie Dormuth, Greta Simmons, Judith McLaughlin and Vicki Dods. Prizes were \$20 gift certificates purchased by the committee at Fabricland, Serge and Sew and Snip and Stitch. Bouquets to Vannas: Becky Keizer, Ann Gillespie, Vicki Zoltay, Lorna Craig and Pat Ryan.

Our final workshop of the year was the Woven Tumbling Blocks Table Runner taught by Anne Savard. A good time was had by all. Many participants felt they would be repeating the weaving patterns in their sleep for many nights to come! Certainly not a class for Canadian wimps or Aussie whingers. Seventeen people took part and only one - Pat Montgomery - reached the basting stage. We all thought we would be done by noon. Naivety is bliss. Special thanks to Angels Audrey Hale and Lori Mudrie for all their help. We couldn't have done it without you.

There will not be a registration/info table at the May meeting as it is the AGM.

If you are interested in registering for Coreen Zerr's October workshop "Critters" please contact our chairperson: Janet Knecht at quiltyjan@gmail.com

Below: Woven Tumbling Blocks workshop. Above right: Becky Keizer shows one of her PFDs at the April meeting.



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Nominations 2016-2017

Urgently Required: One Guild Secretary

Required for the Evening: a Chair Person or Co-chairs; a 2nd VP; a recording Secretary; and a helper for Raffles **Also Needed**: One person for Publicity

Thank you very much to all those who have agreed to serve on committees for the 2016-2017 term. I know we have the ability to continue making our Guild an amazing gift for our region. So, please consider filling one of the above vacant positions. If not, consider the following scenario. Without the above evening volunteers, no evening meeting can be conducted. Even more drastically, no Guild Secretary means there can be no guild as determined by the BC Society Act.

Regarding all these positions, perhaps everybody thinks anybody, other than them of course, can do the job better than they could. Perhaps everybody thinks somebody else will volunteer because they have more skills, more time, more yada yada yada. Everyone in our guild has enormous pressures about which most of us are unaware and yet contributions are made. A suggestion, perhaps those who can be available for five or six months will offer to help for five or six months. Perhaps the 25% of this year's membership, who never volunteer (excluding our elderly and founding members), will overcome their shyness and believe that this is their year to shine. Perhaps, we won't need to stop being the amazing, gifting organization we have become and perhaps, there will be volunteers willing to share their time, energy, and talents for the benefit of the greater good. But, if we don't have more volunteers, we'll need to fold. But...Hope springs eternal. Submitted By: Norma Steven Past President & Nominations normated1@gmail.com (250) 390-1675

Quilt Bee Report

The Quilt Bee Committee is again offering quilt kits for the membership to sign out, allowing you to get a jump start on your quilt for the next Quilt Bee in January 2017. It may sound like a long way away but time creeps up on us all so why not get started over the summer! *Nancy Lutes*

General Meeting Minutes April 20, 2016

Meeting called to order by Vicki Zoltay at 1:00 pm. Some sad news: One of our former members, Judy Zerr, died March 30, 2016.

Advice to a Quilter: If you were to give advice to a quilter what would that advice be? Vicki's husband, Nick, gave advice from a man's perspective. He said he is not a quilter and therefore has no technical advice but is married to one and his advice is when a wife who is a Quilter says she needs no more fabric, that is false!

Hospitality: Linda Totzke/Mickey Lemmon reminder to all to sign out when leaving early, and include the time of leaving - this is for Fire Regulations.

Afternoon: There were 99 members present; 1 guest, Nick Zoltay, from Nanaimo. Judy Peterson welcomed Margaret Sandman-Allan from Victoria, who joined our Guild today.

Evening: There were 38 signed in members. There were 3 guests, Barbara Anderson (mother of Janice Gaudet, member), Bev DeGruchy and Joanne Christilain.

Motion to Accept Minutes:

Afternoon: Linda Campbell moved to accept the minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting as published in the April newsletter. Seconded by Norma Steven. Carried. (It was noted the 4 motions were missing the seconders in the newsletter). Evening: Nancy Lutes moved that the minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting be accepted as corrected in the newsletter. Seconded by Ann Gillespie. Carried

Treasurer's Report: Lija Bane presented the Treasurer's Report as at March 31, 2016.

Correspondence: Georgy Bowen/Greta Simmons (see also coming events ection on page 8)

Thankyou from Tanya Gruszecki for card re fire at My Favorite Fabric Store.

Sarah Schmidt, Executive Director, Nanaimo Arts Council: potential collaboration to turn squares made by children at Viex Kid Zone into a quilt. www.nanaimoartscouncil.ca 250.729.3947

Arts BC AGM Friday May 6 at 1 pm at Revue Stage Theatre, Granville Island. Conference on Granville Island May 5-7 called "PlaceMaking: Where Arts and Heritage Collide". Georgy has contact information.

Greta Simmons visited Main Street Yarn in Ladysmith where they have quilts on display and are planning quilting classes. When classes allow Iona McCauley will also be teaching. Thankyou letter from Nanaimo Family Life for our support.

Advice from a Singer Sewing Machine manual from 1949: Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Think about what you are going to do. Never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference dominates. Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade. When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so that your mind is free to enjoy your sewing. When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals. Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on. If you are constantly fearful that a visitor might drop in or your husband will come home, and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.

PHD AND PFD Ceremony: Presented by Bobbie Moss. 8 members displayed and described their projects, noting how many they had finished of the number they had set themselves. Draw tickets (one per finished quilt) were distributed to the participants. Participants: Afternoon: Germaine Batchelor, Sue Artuso, Lorna Craig, Becky Keizer, Lesley Millward, Pat Ryan, Ginnie Thompson. Draws were won by: Germaine Batchelor, Sue Artuso, Lorna Craig and Leslie Millward. Evening: Janet Knecht, Bonnie Dormuth, Sandra Radley, Judith McLaughlin, Becky Kaizer, Greta Simmons, Vicki Dods, Draws were won by: Bonnie Dormuth, Judith McLaughlin, Vicki Dods and Greta Simmons.

MOTIONS:

The motions will be read, discussed and voted on and correctly recorded in the Newsletter. It was noted by Elizabeth Murphy, Evening Convenor that if you voted at our afternoon meeting you cannot vote at this evening meeting.

Motion #1

It was moved by Germaine Batchelor and seconded by Sue Creba that we establish a budget of \$1000.00 for a Special Celebration for all members to recognize our Honorary and Founding Members, at the October 19, 2016 Guild Meeting.

Afternoon: No discussion. For – 91, Against – 2, Abstain – 6, Pass or Defeat – motion carried

Evening: Carried. NB: Germaine has volunteered to organize this special celebration.

Motion #2

It was moved by Germaine Batchelor and seconded by Christine Hustins that we establish a budget of \$500 for a Wrap-up Pizza Party for lunch on Sunday, June 12, 2016 following the Quilt Show take down.

Afternoon: For – 87, Against – none, Abstain – 12, Carried. NB: It was requested that gluten free should also be available.

Evening: Pass or Defeat - Carried

Motion #3

It was moved by Germaine Batchelor and seconded by Sue Creba that the Program Committee be approved for a \$500 Update and Replacement of Equipment Fund separate from their current operating budget of 2015-16.

Afternoon: Discussion followed as to what items may be required.

For – 98, Against – none, Abstain – 1, Carried

Evening: – Carried

Motion #4

It was moved by Germaine Batchelor and seconded by Caroll Rumo that a monthly free Workshop draw is available for any Guild Member who attends the meetings. The Program Committee will determine the specific workshop and value of the monthly draw. Effective in April 2016.

Afternoon: Extensive discussion followed.

Cheryl Tellier moved we table motion to give Committee time to figure how it is going to operate and come back with specifics. Seconded by Lori Skergit.

For – 93, Against – 1, Abstain – 5, Pass or Defeat – motion carried

General Meeting Minutes April 20, 2016, continued

Evening: Motion 4 was read and then an explanation was given from the afternoon discussion and the tabled motion was read out to the membership. The explanation regarding the tabled motion was agreeable to the evening membership.

Pass or Defeat - Carried

In response to a question about why we are spending this money, Vicki went over the reasons including the formation of the Ad Hoc committee and its purpose, resulting in 7 motions presented to the Executive Committee of which 3 were tabled and the above 4 have been presented to the Guild.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Block of the Month: Sarah Beyer. 20 blocks were turned in at the afternoon meeting, winner of the blocks was Maureen Bryson. Last month's winner, Sandy Dobson, completed the quilt and it is on the wall for Show and Share. At the evening meeting 9 blocks were turned in and the winner was Becky Keizer.

Challenge: Kathy Bush. Challenge for the upcoming Quilt Show. 20 placemats have been turned in so far. Remember if you wish your placemat to be returned please note this on your label or it will be donated.

Donation Quilts: Liz Simonson. We have about 60 quilts in now and would love to have 100. May meeting is the last time to hand in the quilts. Thank you to all who have donated.

Library: Linda Addison. Discarded books are available for members. Feel free to donate a loonie.

Quilt Bee: Sherry Drebnicki Quilt kits are available for the next Quilt Bee which is next January 2017.

Quilt-In for Syrian Refugees: Lise Skalos. 37 quilts were made and will be distributed in early May. Thanks to Jonanco for use of their facility and to Ginette Schewe who donated all the batting and quilted the larger quilts.

Quilt Show: Caroll Rumo. Caroll reported everything is coming together and the Committees are all on schedule. We have received 280 Call to Entry forms and that is enough. We have enough Depot Captains.

Gail Lambourne who is in charge of Publicity for the Show will send an email to all members announcing the show and asks that we forward it on to our friends and families. Also can be put on Facebook or other Social Media.

Volunteers for Selling Raffle tickets at Country Grocer, May 28, 29 and Nanaimo Town Centre, June 4 and 5 are still needed. Unfortunately 59 people have still not picked up their one book of raffle tickets to sell.

Ginnie Thompson still needs more volunteers for the show so please check out the sign-up sheets.

Caroll Rumo reported on Nanaimo Curling Club's renovations. The flooring will be replaced, but not until after our AGM. Air conditioning should be installed by the end of April. The walls are being painted and the bar area ripped out.

The City of Nanaimo is paving the parking lot and 52 parking spaces are cordoned off. A letter was sent to the Mayor and Caroll met with Parks Maintenance and the Construction Project Manager and they will make an adjustment so we will be short only 29 spaces. The project will not be finished before the Show. There will be a designated parking area for committee members and we ask that Guild members park

in the overflow parking to leave the regular parking area available for visitors.

June 6-12 has been named by the Mayor as Quilt Week and pictures will be taken with the Mayor for publicity purposes. The photo shoot will be June 1 at 10 am.

Norma Frank reported on the Quilt Show Boutique, 17 have signed up so far and 40 are needed. If you wish to put items in the Boutique for sale, please up a package and sign up for a shift (this is over and above the regular volunteer shifts).

RAFFLES: Elaine Cadell

Germaine Batchelor spoke of some items which have been donated for raffle gifts from the quilt room of Rose Heimes who passed away last fall. A label is attached to the items which have been donated.

Raffle Winners:

Afternoon: Mystery Fabric: Arlene Sanders. Name Tag Draw: Laverna Anderson, Sue Creba. Raffles: Heather Henderson, Ann Crawford,, Becky Keizer, Monika Kroeger, Sue Creba, Barbara Clements

Evening: Mystery Fabric: Judy Peterson.Name Tag Draw: Elizabeth Murphy. Raffles: Jeannette Blackmore, Elizabeth Murphy

SHOW & SHARE: Germaine Batchelor. Many beautiful quilts were displayed and shared with us. Draw was won by Linda Campbell in the afternoon and Becky Keizer in the evening.

Evening Meeting:

Lorraine Jordan made an announcement regarding the Charity that she donates to and works for – young women in Zambia who are learning to sew and have very limited resources. She would appreciate any help from Guild members who have any patterns (dress) that they no longer want or need to bring to the next Guild meeting so that when she travels to Zambia this summer she can take the items with her.

There being no further business Vicki Zoltay adjourned the meeting at 3:27 pm. *Georgy Bowen, Secretary*

BIB n' TUCKER QUILTING

May Sale

All floral textures and floral prints Any fabric with a food item

1/2 m minimum cuts

20%-30% off 2m + (same bolt)

Store open May 6, 7 11 - 4

while we are at the VQG show,

just 5 minutes away

Open May 23 Noon-4

1006 Craigflower Road Victoria ,BC 250-386-6512 (Mon- Thurs 10-4, Sat 12-4)

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Quilt Show News

Everyone is on schedule. To date, we have received 264 Call to Entry forms.

Job descriptions and depot captain checklists have been sent to all the Depot Captains. Meeting of depot captains, Call to Entry, Val Ansell, Lillian Charron and Caroll Rumo on May 18 at 6 pm before the Guild meeting. Will review delivery of quilts to Depot Captains at the May meeting.

Hanging Committee: The layout of the show is coming together. Still need one dress form.

Merchant Mall: merchants will be contacted re: extra tables, set up time and unloading and parking during the show.

Publicity: Coreen Zerr will be featured in the May issue of Nanaimo Magazine, and Blanche Gates will be featured in the Nanaimo News Bulletin in April. Members will be asked to send their friends an email about the quilt show in early May. Sue Creba will arrange to post the demo time schedule, a list of our Merchants and Sponsors and directions to the Quilt Show on our website.

Raffles: 72 raffle tickets were sold at the Parksville Quilt Guild. Still need volunteers to help sell tickets on May 28, 29 and June 4, 5. Of the 200 members, 66 people still have not picked up their assigned raffle tickets to sell.

Sponsors: To date we have the following level of sponsors: Platinum: 9; Gold – 4; Silver – 6; Proud Supporter – 11.

Volunteers: Quite a few areas still need volunteers. Volunteer sheets will be available at the May meeting.

Other: Sails and frames have been ordered from B&W. Lillian and Caroll met with Al Britton, Parks Maintenance and Mike Strain, Construction Project Manager. Mike informed us that the parking lot target date for clearing the fencing is June 30 not May 30 as previously noted by Al Britton. At the moment the fencing is taking up 52 parking spaces. They will attempt to move the fencing back to give us 33 more spaces by June 10, giving us 118 parking spaces. They feel the overflow areas won't be completely used by the June 11 volleyball games, the June 11 & 12 two picnic shelters, and the June 12 soccer game. We will also have parking at the side of the NCC to accommodate about 50 cars, for vendors and guild members volunteers. Next meeting to be Thursday May 19 at 1 pm. (This is a change from our previous plan).

Members Show Ballots

All members may vote on the Viewers Ballot AND the Secret Categories ballot. All volunteer members will pick up their ballots from the Information Desk and their names will be checked off the Membership list.

Those members not volunteering will receive their Viewers Choice ballot at Admissions when they pay their entry fee. They can still vote on the Secret Categories ballot which will be at the Information Desk.

The Past Presidents will pick up their Information package with their lanyards and Past Presidents' Awards ballots at the Information Desk. They may also request a Viewers Choice ballot and a Secret Categories ballot.

The Show Committee ballots will be distributed by Lillian Charron. Happy voting! Judith McLaughlin, Ballot Committee

Submitting your Quilt Show Items

Depot Captains will be contacting you after May 24 to let you know where and when to deliver your Quilt Show items. (They must be delivered by June 7). The Depot Captain closest to your home will have your Call to Entry forms after that date and will give you details of how to get to her place. She will also arrange with you a time and date that is convenient to you both. It is extremely important that each item you bring to the Depot Captain has some kind of identification sewn to it. Please put each item in a clear plastic bag (purchased at Guild meeting) so that we can maintain their cleanliness.

Please note that each quilt/art quilt must have a label sewn to its backing with your name and phone number. All quilts need a hanging sleeve. Quilts that do not have a sleeve attached will not be accepted. When the Depot Captain receives your items, she will give you a signed receipt from the bottom of your Call to Entry forms. You will need to keep and present this receipt to pick up your items on Sunday June 12. If you are not able to pick up your items on June 12, please have someone bring your receipt(s) and pick them up for you.

Depot Captains Meeting

Thank you to all Depot Captain Volunteers. Our Depot Captain information meeting will be on Wednesday May 18 at 6 pm prior to our Annual General Meeting. We will explain the duties of the Depot Captain. Trish (Call to Entry) will give a short explanation of the entry forms and how and where to pin the labels on the guilts. Val (Hanging Committee) will explain how the quilt sleeves should be attached and how quilts will be sorted. Depot captains have been emailed a copy of the Depot Captain Job Description and the Depot Captain Check List. Please bring any questions or concerns that you have to our May meeting or email us. If you are not able to attend the May meeting please let us know and we will make arrangements for you to pick up the Info packages from us. We look forward to working with you. It is always fun to get a sneak peek at some of the guilts prior to our show. Thank you again. Leslie Millward (Imillward@shaw.ca) and Sandy Dobson (sdobson@telus.net) - Depot Captain Cooridinators

Quilt Show Raffle Report

I am looking for volunteers for 2 hour shifts to help sell raffle tickets at: Country Club Mall, May 28, & 29 and North Town Centre, June 4 & 5. If you're interested in helping out I can be reached at 250- 741- 6071, or email me at judymp@ shaw.ca

All Raffle Tickets are to be turned in at the May Evening Meeting. Thank you to all those that sold tickets, and those that sold more than one book. Judy Peterson

Quilt Show News

Volunteer Jobs for the Quilt Show

Thursday, June 9: setup
Friday & Saturday, June 10 & 11: Quilt show
Sunday, June 12: Take down
**Most shifts are only 1-1/2 to 2 hours long

The Quilt Show is a big undertaking and only possible with the help of ALL Guild members. More help is needed for Thursday set up day and all of the other areas still need your help. Please email me with your availability and I'll let you know where the gaps are. Thanks!! Ginnie (brianandginnie@gmail.com)

SORTING & TAGGING OF QUILT HANGING RODS: About a week prior to the show.

SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS: (Before the quilt show) Please contact Judy Peterson if you can help out for a couple of hours at various shopping malls (judymp@shaw.ca)

ASSEMBLING FRAMES & HANGING QUILTS:

Thursday morning – help assemble the frames, hang quilts & stay for lunch or longer if needed.

Sunday morning – help take down quilts and dismantle frames.

SIGNAGE (Thursday & Sunday): Place signage around Nanaimo prior to the show, and pick up on the Sunday – perhaps with assistance of husband?

TEA ROOM (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC):

Thursday, Friday & Saturday: Food prep and table setup

Friday & Saturday: Several different jobs - Make tea/coffee; clear tables; put orders on trays; deliver food to tables; take food orders and payment, wash dishes.

HOSTESS (Friday & Saturday): Wearing apron & glove, walk around the show looking welcoming, check that people are wearing wrist bands, show the back of the quilt if asked; answer general questions from the public if necessary. One and a half hour shifts only.

VOLUNTEER RETREAT ROOM ASSISTANT (Friday & Saturday): Help make coffee, etc.

DONATION OF FOOD ITEMS:

Thursday/Friday/Saturday: Each Guild member is expected to contribute a plate of food – for use either in the Public Tea Room (squares, etc.) or the Volunteer Retreat Room (savory items suitable for lunches and/or squares, etc.).

Quilt Show FREE & Easy Advertising

We are all getting very excited about how close it is to Quilt Show Time! We need your help....

Calling on each member of the Guild to email at least 10 friends/acquaintances and tell them about the quilt show and invite them to come. Ask them to forward your email to their friends!

I will send a sample email to each of you, inviting you to the Quilt Show. You can forward this email to your friends and family and whomever you like! If you would like to add a personal note to your email, please do so...invite your friends to come see your exhibit(s) or have lunch in our great lunch room. Just make sure you change the personal information (signature part) at the bottom of the email before you forward it, so that your name, etc. is there.

You could also add the show to the "event" section of your FaceBook account and post show announcement reminders there. The emails and FB postings could be sent out at least 2 or 3 times between now and the show. For those that use Twitter, the week or two before the show, start sending out Tweets. The more we do, the more people will come to our show and make it successful. Let's all pitch in and do our part for advertising. *Gail Lambourne, Publicity*

THESE JOBS ARE GOOD FOR ANYONE WHO HAS MOBILITY ISSUES AS YOU ARE SITTING DOWN:

- BALLOTING (Fri or Sat): Assist with cutting, sorting & counting of ballots.
- ADMISSIONS DESK (Fri or Sat): Take entry money & hand out wristbands.
- RAFFLE TABLE (Fri or Sat): Sell Raffle Tickets during the show.
- INFORMATION TABLE (Fri or Sat): Answer general questions, give directions, give out Guild membership forms etc.
- TREASURER'S ASSISTANT (Fri or Sat): Help Treasurer count money and roll coins.



Block of the Month Scrappy Block Draw

The quilt show and evening meeting in the upcoming months influenced me to put a hold on my draw but I will be continuing this program in September. You seem to like it and I have been gratified at the response. I just love seeing the blocks you make. If you have any suggestions about a theme, colour choice or blocks for the upcoming session it would be well received. Perhaps you would like a theme of nature blocks, stars, etc for the year. I will be having another fabric challenge for October. I will continue the 12 1/2" block unless you tell me you'd like to change the block sizes. As always each block made will be a ticket to win all the blocks turned in. If the winner has her blocks pieced and quilted, she will pick a prize from my prize stash. The idea behind this program was to encourage you to try new blocks and to use up some of your stash. The prize for completion is to discourage UFOs.

From last month, Sandy Dobson (afternoon meeting) had her blocks pieced and quilted: a small baby quilt and placemats, both were donated to the guild. She had some cute frogs, turtles and butterflies appliqued onto the quilt. Such a cute idea. She picked out her prize book. In the evening meeting, Sandy Dods had a unquilted top to show us. So neat to see.

The afternoon had 20 Star Flowers turned in and Maureen Bryson won them. Becky Keizer won the 9 evening blocks.

Any suggestions and comments? Contact Sarah Beyer at 778-269-2380 (cell) or sarahbeyer@shaw.ca







Left: Sandy Dobson's quilted Celtic Twist. The applique is a great design choice. Centre: Maureen Bryson won the 20 Star Flower afternoon blocks. Right: evening blocks

Quilt Shows, etc.

Victoria Quilters Guild Colour in Motion Show May 6-8, Pearkes Recreation Centre, 3100 Tillicum Road \$5 weekend pass, www.victoria quiltersguild.org

Ridge Meadows Quilters Guild: Quilt Stories-every quilt has one! Friday Sept. 9 10-5, Saturday Sept. 10 10-3. \$5 Burnett Fellowship Church 20639 123 Ave. Maple Ridge, BC

Vernon Star Quilt Show, September 23 & 24, Vernon Recreation Complex, 3310-37th Avenue, Vernon, \$7

My Favorite Fabric Store is scheduled to re-open May 29 in

the Old City Quarter...where 'Mad About Ewe' is located.

The Stitcher's Muse is moving June 1 to 99 Commercial St, across from Diana Krall Plaza. Check their website for updates on the move, and possible closures in the days before.

Quadra Island Quilt & Garden Tour, June 25 & 26,10 -4. Tickets \$15, at Tourist Booth on the Island, Inspirations and Works of H'Art in Heriot Bay. Info: johnbev@gicable.com

World Quilt Competition XX will be judged August 18-20 at World

Quilt New England, Manchester, New Hampshire. Georgy has Call to Entry forms: deadline May 16. Canadian Co-ordinator: Debbie Macleodquiltluverdebbie@ netscape.net

Chris & Alicia of Dinkydoo Fabrics, Pitt Meadows want to team with BC Guilds to sponsor sew-ins and other guild events. www.dinkydoo.com

La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum has announced Call for Entry for the 2016 Quilt & Fiber Arts Festival. Entry deadline is June 30, festival Sept.30-Oct.2. www.laconnerquilts. org

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