



Next Meeting

March 18

Brechin United Church
Doors open at 12:30
Meeting starts at 1:00 & 7:00

Next Executive Meeting

March 11 1:30 p.m.

Country Grocer, 10th Street

Next Quilt Show Meeting

June 4 1:30 p.m.

Country Grocer, 10th Street

Newsletter Deadline

March 22 (22nd of each month)

Things to Remember:

- name tag
- your own coffee/ tea cup please!
- change for raffles
- library books
- UFO (to show and share)
- Show and Share
- placemats/comfort quilts
- block of the month (for March)
- newsletter
- baking or store bought goodies (if your surname starts with R/U/V)
- fat quarter fabric exchange
- a donation for the food bank:
suggested: Instant/Minute Rice
+ /or canned meat

Membership & Hospitality

Please stop at the Membership/ Hospitality table when you arrive at Guild meetings to sign in and pick up your ticket for the name tag draw.

Yummy Baking ...

Thanks to everyone who brings delicious goodies for our meetings. **For March, it's the turn of everyone with a surname beginning with R, U and V.**

Wanted:

A used sewing machine that will drop the feed dogs, has a needle down feature, and a some decorative stitches. A Pfaff would be wonderful as I have "Clip-On" feet. Avril Valentine 250-746-9212 or avrilvalentine@shaw.ca

From Our Presidents' Pens

Today was glorious; the sun was shining and warm and it was a joy to be outside to feel that warmth on our faces. Avril's husband wants to take off the snow tires next week; but she think that is tempting fate, after all she still has a pile of snow in her yard. Eimear had to extract the clippers from her husband's hands as he wanted to prune everything in sight! However, he got to cut down a dead bush and was a happy man!

The weekend of February 7 & 8 saw the informative and entertaining "Realism in Appliqué" class, with Charlotte Warr Andersen. We all learned a great deal and it was a real treat to see her amazing quilts in real life, so to speak. It seems that Charlotte would like to return and teach again and certainly my (E) name will be on the list for that class, if at all possible.

It was also my first class at the Oliver Woods Centre – what a lovely facility.



A huge Thank You to the Program Committee for organizing such a fun day at the February Guild meeting. There was a wide variety of topics to attract the interest of the members. Eimear, Bonnie Beil and I were upstairs and it was a room full of energy. I can only assume this was duplicated in the main hall. This was a premiere demonstration for both Eimear and me, and we both thoroughly enjoyed imparting our knowledge on our respective subjects, and I'm

sure the other gals teaching felt the same. I am only sorry I was not able to partake on the rest of the subjects offered; I could only look with envy at Bonnie's chenille scarves not to mention the demonstrations downstairs.

The February meeting also included the presentation of 66 quilts to Haven House. As always these quilts came, for the most part, from the Quilt Bee and the Bingo Squares, with the numbers being topped up by donations of quilts from those who could not attend the Bee. Congratulations to all who gave so generously of their time and caring.

While eagerly waiting for Spring, we are also looking forward to Margaret Miller's "Angle Play" Workshop on March 7 & 8, and Pippa Moore's Trunk Show at the March guild meeting. And on April 4 we have Pam Godderis Dangerfield visiting with her class "New Fangled", the name itself is intriguing! And exciting news, the Sewing Room Tour will be Sunday, May 24 and both Eimear and I will be proudly showing our recently renovated sewing spaces. No matter where you do your fabric creations, many will be interested in how you organize and make the best use of the space you have. I would love to know how many "I never thought of that" moments there will be during this tour.

Have a great month, everyone, and please continue to think about the contribution you could make to the guild by becoming part of the executive. We are actively searching for a group of people to take over the Program Committee. Our current committee has done a wonderful job and would be more than happy to pass on what they have learned. *Avril and Eimear*

New Executive Meeting Place!

Starting with the next executive meeting, we will meet at COUNTRY GROCER SOUTH END NANAIMO, 82 Twelfth Street. At Southgate Centre there is a traffic light at the old Island Highway and 10th Street. If coming from Nanaimo, go through this light and there is a direct right turn entrance into Country Grocer. From the South do not take the Parkway, continue on Highway 1 until the light at 10th (Southgate Shopping Centre) and turn left. Go to Lawlor, your first left and turn. Go to 12th Street & Country Grocer.



Program Committee

We are all looking forward to the "Trunk Show" and Sale of fabrics, patterns and notions with Pippa Moore at the March 18th guild meetings.

Although her class "African Sunshine", June 7 is full at the moment, we do have a waiting list and we are trying to make arrangements for a second class.

"HOT TIPS FOR COOL QUILTERS"

Wow, you instructors did an awesome job! A huge thank you to all of you! How nice to have our members stand up and share their expertise with the membership. Do you have some interest in doing a demo at the next "Hot Tips for Cool Quilters" event? Please contact us with your ideas ASAP.

Comment from Barb: How to organize sign-ups for such a day? If you sign up and show up – we love it. When you sign up and don't show up – you have taken a spot someone else would have enjoyed. Please take responsibility for yourself. If you can't make the class or event let the organizers know so they can place someone else in your spot.

Portraits: Charlotte Warr Anderson

Wow that was some class!! Charlotte was a quiet, shy woman but very knowledgeable about her work and her samples were unbelievable.

Angle Play: Margaret Miller

Saturday Mar 7 and Sunday Mar 8
Oliver Woods Centre 8:45 am-3:45 pm
Note: Lillian and Barb will both be in Disneyland. Cathy Welte may need some assistance setting up and clearing up after. Please assist her if possible.

The following people have registered:

Greta Simmons	Judi Moran
Bonnie Dimitry	Sue Artuso
Lorie Rogers	Irene Madsen
Karen D'Oliviera	Phillippa Zapf
Sandra Radley	Lori Mudrie
Heather Robertson	Leslie MacDonald
Margaret Barrand	Julie Garland
Barb Peters	Lise Skalos
Caroll Rumo	Morag Orr-Stevens
Trish Kirk	Sidney Lloyd
Wait list:	Norma Franks

New Fangled: Pam Godderis Dangerfield

Saturday April 4 8:45 am - 3:45 pm
Oliver Woods Centre \$35.00
We still have spots left. Please email Barb Root at rootco@shaw.ca to register (or cancel).

"Best and Worst Gadgets" at the April 15 Guild Meetings

This is a participation meeting. You are invited to bring the best and/or worst gadget you ever bought. We will take turns giving a quick description of our gadget, explaining its usefulness or uselessness. If you wish to SELL a

gadget: tag it with your name and \$ value and leave it on the sell table. After we have all talked we will have a little selling game. You might end up with a gadget you have always wanted - for a bargain price.

"Quilt Studio Tour" Sunday, May 24

(not the long weekend) 10 am-4 pm (approximately) Places: Ladysmith, Chemainus, Saltair, Duncan and Maple Bay. Refreshments at Barb Root's house in Saltair at day's end. Participants: 12 hosts, 45 travelling participants, 4 or 5 refreshments helpers. Find yourselves a driver, 4-5 passengers, maps and directions and have a fun-filled day with old and new friends. Suggestion: offer driver \$5 each for gas. More info in the newsletters and at Guild meetings.

DID YOU KNOW? Once a year, Program Committee chairs from all the Island Guilds meet to discuss exciting ideas for the coming year(s) By bringing in famous teachers from around North America and sharing the costs, we are able to learn from some extraordinary quilters. This special meeting takes place March 27 in Victoria. We don't yet have a Program Committee for 2009/2010. Attending that meeting means we could have a road trip, lunch out, see the Westshore Quilt Show, attend the meeting and get some great new ideas. Anyone interested? Call Barb @ 245-3320 or rootco@shaw.ca

Your Guild needs YOU!

Nanaimo Quilters' Guild Elections 2009

Ladies, it's that time of year again - the time when people decide to offer their services to the Guild, the community of quilters in which we are all lucky enough to participate!

If you wish to let your name stand for election to the Guild Executive for 2009 please let us know. As always, at the AGM, nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Please remember that a load shared is a load halved, and consider working with a partner. It really makes the commitment a lot easier! Remember, we are all in this together! *Eimear & Avril*





2009 SCHEDULE ~ WRITE THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY



DATE	AGENDA	PROGRAM
Mar 7 & 8	WORKSHOP 9-4	“ANGLE PLAY” Margaret Miller at Oliver Woods
Mar 11	Executive meeting	Country Grocer 1:30
Mar 18	Guild: Full business Short Program	“PIPPA MOORE TRUNK SHOW”
Apr 4	WORKSHOP 9-4	“PAM GODDERIS DANGERFIELD” at Oliver Woods
Apr 8	Executive meeting	Country Grocer 1:30
Apr 15	Guild: Short business, Full Program	“BEST AND WORST GADGETS” Show UFO’s
May 13	Executive meeting	Country Grocer 1:30
May 20	Evening meeting only	“ELECTIONS” UFO Prizes, Challenge Prizes
May 24	SEWING ROOM TOUR	Ladysmith, Saltair, Chemainus, Duncan, Maple Bay
June 4	Quilt Show Meeting	Country Grocer 1:30
June 7	WORKSHOP	“PIPPA MOORE”
June 10	Executive meeting	Country Grocer 1:30
June 17	Social	POTLUCK PICNIC

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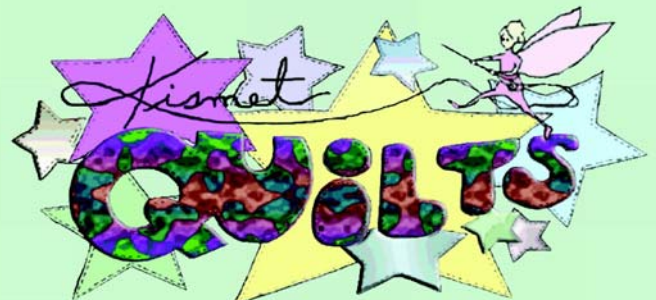
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Library News

It's hard to believe the year has passed by so quickly. If you forgot to return your materials, please return them to the next meeting.

Magazine Bags:

A reminder, please don't return your library books in the magazine bags. On meeting days, we like to get the materials checked in and ready for circulation and our check-in gals don't always have time to check each individual bag. Please make sure the magazines are all there and in the correct bag. It sure will help make our job easier. Thank you to those members who let us know when there is a mix up.

Here's a quilt site that you may want to check out, it's free and has some interesting demos: www.quilterstv.com
The Library Team

Quilt Bee Report

Our Annual Quilt Bee was held at the lovely new Oliver Woods Centre on January 31. We had a fabulous turn out of more than 63 quilters. Lots of work, laughs, and good food were shared by all. Thanks to everyone who helped out with this event - especially Lillian Charron and Cathy Welte for their guidance. Our total number of quilts this year was 66. These include nine "Bingo" quilts made from Bingo squares collected at our Christmas Potluck. Our quilts were presented to Haven House at the February Guild Meeting. A special thank you goes out to our kitchen volunteers, Marcia Miller and Chris Potvin; our "Bingo Quilters", the Thread Catchers; and our photographer, Avril Valentine. Prizes were won by: Cathy Welte, Tracy Belcher, Barb Peters, Kathy Bush, Shirley Fulla, Phyllis Prince, Norma Franks, Roberta Shepherd, Lori Mudrie, Louise German, Pat Bays, Vivian Scott, Mickey Lemmon, Buelah Friesen, and Doris Toms. Thanks to everyone who participated. What an awesome day! Looking forward to seeing you again next year. *Leslie Millward and Sandy Dobson*

February Raffle Winners

Mystery Fabric: Cheryl Tellier, Julie Seierson

Raffles: Barbara Waine, Chris Potvin, Val Ansell, Bonnie Dimitry, Cathy Welte, Leslie Millward, Sandra Radley, Lise Skalos, Shirley Herritt, Kathy Saunders, Dona Mae Bauer, Julia Fall, Val Wilson

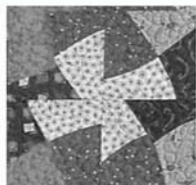
Show & Share: Shirley Herritt, Fran Nicklom, Bonnie Dormuth, Tuesday Shay

Door Prizes: Linda Addison, Georgia Zieglmeier

Block of the Month: Vivian Scott
Gail Lambourne & Margaret Carmichael



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A Panel on Professional Fibre Practice

Thursday, April 9, 2009 (Location: Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, 154 East 10th Avenue, Vancouver. Underground parkade will be open at 6:00) \$10 entry (refundable with guild membership) (free for current and past VGFA members). Seating is limited. We are very pleased to welcome these professional artists:

Jane Kenyon works in a wide variety of paint and mixed media techniques, but fiber is her passion, and she has explored weaving, dyeing, surface design, and all forms of stitching. Her current work is wall-hangings composed entirely of thread, created with free-motion machine embroidery. **Bettina Matzkuhn** has worked in fibre for 30 years with an emphasis on embroidery and fabric collage. She has animated and directed three award-winning films using textiles for the National Film Board of Canada and an interest in narrative continues to inform her work. **Katherine Soucie** is a fresh new clothing and textile artist/designer who studied Fashion Design. Her experimentation with non traditional materials and eco friendly textile processes has resulted in a number of design awards. Panel topics include: aspects of writing important to the craft disciplines, how to research and approach galleries, how to work with an agent, marketing for artists who produce wearables, working with PR/media, submitting works to a gallery/boutique/tradeshaw. **For further information: Gail Hunt, Program Chairperson, Vancouver Guild of Fibre Arts: 604-875-1276 (home), 604-684-6661 (studio), gailhunt@shaw.ca.**

Zucchini Carrot Loaf

I brought this loaf to the Charlotte Warr Anderson quilt class and many people asked for the recipe. I obtained the recipe from Thrifty Foods website. *Carole Dorward*

3 cups flour	2 cups white sugar
2 tsp baking powder	2 tsp vanilla extract
1 tsp cinnamon	3 large eggs
1/2 tsp nutmeg	1 1/4 cups grated zucchini
1/4 tsp cloves	1 1/4 cups grated carrot
1/2 tsp salt	3/4 cups walnuts
1 cup applesauce	1/2 cup currants

- Preheat oven to 350 and spray two loaf pans with vegetable oil.
- Place flour, baking powder, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and salt in medium bowl and combine.
- In a separate large bowl combine applesauce, sugar and vanilla. Beat in eggs one at a time.
- Add flour mixture and mix just until combined.
- Stir in zucchini, carrots, walnuts and currants.
- Divide batter between two loaf pans. Bake one hour. Cool 10 minutes then unmould and cool to room temperature.

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The Green Challenge Continues...

The aspect of a green life continues to ramp up. Every time I go to throw something in the trash, I think...can I repurpose this? I have quite a collection of net bags from oranges and recently have taken to acquiring a selection of things that rust. Lois Jarvis has a demo DVD and website on Rust Dying. It is simple and now you don't have to throw out that rusty colander, nail or iron pan you inherited from great grandma. A little cotton cloth (plain, printed or PFD), from your stash, works well. The Shibori method of wrapping cloth around an old wine bottle is fun and the rust creates brown lines in contrast to the fabric colour. If you add tannin to the mix you will get a grey tone along with the brown. These cloths make great backgrounds for appliqué, a base for further dying or photo transfer. Next month, a link to show you how to use those used tea bags...start saving now. Have fun and as the Latins say "Semper culcitat"...Always Quilting! Note my new email address: lorie.rogers@gmail.com

Food Bank Donations

I would like to thank all the members who are participating in the Loaves and Fishes Food bank donations. I took four (4) FULL boxes of food items and two (2) boxes of toiletry products this month. For March our suggestions are: Instant/Minute RICE and /or canned MEAT. Cheers, *Norma Franks*

SANDY DOBSON AND LESLIE MILLWARD – YOU DID IT!!!!!!

The first time you hosted the "Quilting Bee" and it was a resounding success. And 66 quilts for Haven House. What a great accomplishment. Thanks to all of our members who stepped up to the plate and got those quilts finished in time. Another job well done. *YOU GO GIRLS*



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Minutes of February 18 Membership Meeting

Meeting called to order at 13:00 by co-president Avril Valentine. 88 members and 11 guests in attendance. Avril noted that in the lower right hand corner of the Home page of our website, members can access information relating to shows or events. She received an e-mail from a community member asking for a quilt to be donated to a friend who is having chemotherapy. Florence Dorscheid graciously offered a quilt she had just completed.

Hospitality: Kathy Bush introduced our guests: from Nanaimo, Suzanne Chernoff, Elaine Evans, Joan Sawicki, Robin Flynn and 2 new members Aria Atrchi, and Janet Westcott; from Aldergrove, Heather Walker, NSW Australia, Debbie Ballantine, Duncan, Bettie Gerow, Ladysmith, Juanita Holland, and Stoney Plain, Alberta, Marie Rutter.

Secretary: Thank you cards were received from Nanaimo Family Life Association and Parent Child Services

of the VIHA. A notice of an Antique Quilt Show on Saltspring Island in March was received. A Get Well card was sent to Betty Wright.

Quilt Bee: Sandy Dobson and Leslie Millward extended their thanks to all participants in this years quilt bee. There were 50 plus quilts made for donation to Haven House. Leslie introduced Ev Smith who, on behalf of Haven House accepted the donation, and expressed their gratitude for our continued support.

A special thank you to our talented demonstrators. Meeting was adjourned at 15:00. Submitted by Lillian Dalton, Secretary.

Minutes of the February 18 evening meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1902 by Evening Chairperson Patty McRory. There were 42 members present, including new member Anna Bonell from Nanaimo. After announcements and correspondence from the afternoon were

presented, the Quilt Bee donation quilts were shown. A total of 66 quilts were sewn by guild members for the benefit of Haven House. Evening Demos were followed by Show and Share and the raffle draws and the meeting was adjourned. Content submitted by Val Ansell, Evening Secretary and transcribed by Lillian Dalton, Secretary.



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April Block of the Month

Thanks to all who participated in the February BOTM. You all did a great job! Congratulations to the draw winner, Vivian Scott. With spring and Easter just around the corner I have designed a 12 1/2" Easter Basket block using spring colours. As always, give me a call @ 758-1185 if you have any questions about the block.

Cutting and Fabric:

- Spring Floral** 2 5 1/4" squares
- Medium Violet** 2 7 1/4" squares
- Neutral** 2 6 3/4" squares
- Spring Green** 2 6 3/4" squares

Look at the neutral and the spring green squares. Is there a direction to either fabric? If there is, set the squares of the directional fabric right side up on the table with the same "up and down" sense. Place the two squares of the same fabric right sides together. Cut the two layers in half diagonally (corner to corner). Open the piles up and lay the triangles out with the correct up and down sense. You should have two left and two right triangles. Keep the direction of the pattern in mind when attaching these fabrics. The pattern calls for only one or two triangles of each of these four fabrics. Do you want to make 2 blocks? Cut more of these last 4 patches if you do.

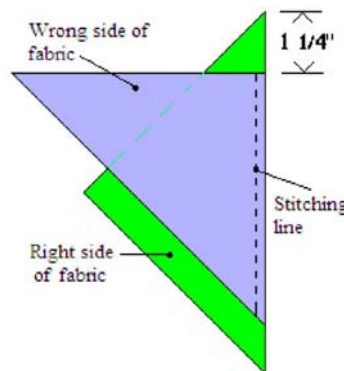
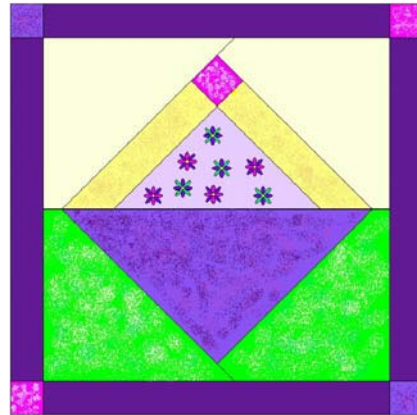
- Dark Violet** 4 1 1/2" x 10 1/2"
- Medium Yellow** 2 1 1/2" x 6 1/4"
- Medium Pink** 3 1 1/2" squares
- Medium Violet** 2 1 1/2" squares

Assembly:

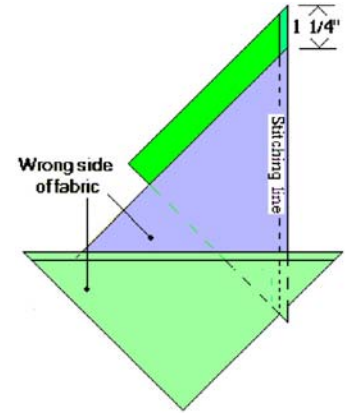
Bottom of basket

Look at sketch of block and note there is

a right and a left green triangle sewn to the violet basket. Watch for up & down sense of pattern when attaching triangles. Place both green triangles right side up as shown in diagram and mark 1 1/4" down from corner. Now sew one short side of medium violet triangle to one green triangle, as shown in diagram.



Press to purple. Place second green triangle in front of you with right side up and long edge to the right. See second diagram for placement of basket unit. Sew. Press to purple.



Top of basket

Sew one yellow strip to one short side of the floral triangle right sides together. Press to floral. Sew one pink square to the end of the other yellow strip. Press to pink. Sew this unit to the other side of the top nesting the seams. Press to floral. The pink square will form the corner. The neutral triangles are attached to either side of the yellow strips using the method for the bottom of the basket. Substitute "neutral" for "green" in the instructions and "top of basket" for "violet". Press to **neutral** to allow you to nest the seams of the top and bottom halves during assembly.

Assembling the Block:

Sew the top and bottom units together, nesting the seams. Press to bottom. Trim to 10 1/2" square. Sew a dark violet strip to two opposite side of square. Press out. Sew a pink square and a medium violet square to opposite ends of the other two dark violet strips. Press in. Lay the square and the strips on the table. Place the strips to put the **pink** squares in the top right and bottom left corners. Pin and sew. Press out. Val Ansell 758-1185



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March 21 & 22, Timberlane Quilters Guild Show, Powell River. website: www.tqguild.wordpress.com

March 27 - March 29, Symphony Of Quilts, Westshore Quilters Guild. Special displays, music, merchants mall, concession, raffle quilts, door prizes, boutique, hands on demonstrations. Eagle Ridge Community Centre, 1089 Langford Parkway, Langford. Friday, Saturday, 10-6, Sunday 10-4. \$5 www.westshorequiltersguild.com

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May 8 & 9, Sew'n Love, Orchard Valley Quilters, New Life Church, Kelowna, B.C.

May 22 & 23, Colour in Motion, Cranbrook Quilters Guild, College of the Rockies gymnasium, 2700 College Way Cranbrook May 22: 10 am to 8 pm, May 23 10 am - 4 pm. Admission \$4

May 22-May 24, Quiltafair, Fraser Valley Quilters Guild, Cloverdale Catholic Parish Hall, Cloverdale

May 29-31, Seasons by the Sea, Parksville Community Centre, 132 East Jensen Avenue, Parksville, Admission \$6 or \$10 for 3 days. Parksville Quilt House Quilters Guild. Workshops run June 1-4. Info at www.parksvillequiltthousequilters.com

June 18-20, 2010 Nanaimo Quilters Guild Quilt Show, Beban Park, Nanaimo

Thank You!

The Guild received a request, by a friend, on behalf of a friend who is once again going through chemotherapy for recurrent cancer. This woman has been "so cold" since resuming treatment her friend wanted her to be able to wrap herself in a warm quilt. But she doesn't quilt and turned to our guild. Without hesitation, Florence Dorscheid generously offered to make a quilt for this woman. Many thanks Florence! The Circle of Women and Fellowship continues to thrive.

Well Done!

Congratulations to Patty McRory! Her triptych "Three Sisters Mountains" has been accepted into the O Canada Exhibit in the International Quilt Festival in Chicago, Illinois from April 17-19, 2009! This was one of the three triptych projects that Patty took part in with Philippa Zapf and Kathy Bush. Well done Patty!



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