

Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild

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News from the Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June is here and the past year seems to have flown by. I feel very blessed by the volume of volunteering in our Guild, thank you ladies. I am positive everyone helps in the way that they can manage with our busy lives.

The majority of the executive committee is carrying on for another term and I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all and every one of you. I will not mention individuals as the chances are I would miss some one but you all know who you are. The Guild runs smoothly thanks to all the effort you have put in over the past year.

As I write this we are setting off again for 10 days on the sail boat but I look forward to seeing you all at the June meeting. If you cannot make it I hope you have an enjoyable and safe summer.

In Stitches

A big thank-you to all members who submitted entries for our Guild Anniversary Fabric Challenge!

Be sure to cast your vote for your favourite design at the June meeting.

We look forward to seeing the winning design come to life in fabric this Fall.

Wishing you a wonderful summer!

Karri & Diane

Janet

JUNE GREETERS

Kathy L & Grace L

SUNSHINE/HOSPITALITY:

We are looking forward to our June 21st Potluck dinner. It is always a wonderful evening with great food and friends.

Bring your ready-to-serve dish as well as serving spoons as needed.

As well, please bring your own place setting, cutlery and mug. We will have our usual decaffeinated coffee and tea, as well as a refreshing punch, glasses provided.

We will have the serving tables set up in the center of the hall to speed up the process of filling our plates. That will give us more time to party!

We will have lots of great prizes to win, and fun games to play.

We'll see you there.

Wanda and Joanne





FAT QUARTER DRAW

The theme for MAY is BLACK

A Farewell Note from Kate:

As my term as Programs Volunteer comes to an end I look back and what comes to mind first is what a blast it has been!

We've had some awesome speakers, played fun games, won great prizes and learned new skills from each other.

I have made so many new friends and I want to thank everyone for their help and encouragement.

This is a truly great Guild with so many talented, generous members.

I'm thrilled that so many more volunteers have stepped up this year to do programs and workshops.

So this is only a farewell as Programs Volunteer - I am REALLY looking forward to taking a seat in the audience and being an enthusiastic participant!

WE CARE COMMITTEE

(Gail, Susan, Leslie, Ginger)

We had 17 quilts handed in at the May meeting – thank you!
Total since September 2016 = 165

Reminder - Could we please have all the We Care workshop quilts completed and handed in by the June meeting...thank you.

Once I've collected the We Care donations from the June meeting and delivered the final batch of quilts to our recipients, I will prepare a year-end report to be sent through our e-mail distribution.

Thank you to all the We Care quilt makers for a successful year. Your time and generosity is much appreciated.



To show how much a donation was appreciated by a new mom who received a baby quilt while at the maternity ward at Chilliwack Hospital, I've included an excerpt of a note we received from her.

To the Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilt Guild:

We had our son at the Chilliwack Hospital on August 21, 2016 almost 7 weeks early. Because of being so early, he was transferred right away to the Burnaby NICU.

After 14 days of IV antibiotics for an infection and a three week stay, we were able to bring our miracle boy home.

We had been praying for a second child for 6 years and he was our answer to those prayers.

I just wanted to say thank you for the lovely quilt and for your time and care.

From M-J

CHILLIWACK QUILTERS GUILD RAFFLE QUILT

Chilliwack Quilters Guild representatives will be joining our June meeting to show their fabulous raffle quilt. Tickets will be available for sale so don't forget to bring a little cash!

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2017 MYSTERY QUILT

June: We've come to the end, our final clue. Are you excited? And this is an easy one (maybe).

Now remember your challenges are due at the September meeting. So you have a lot of time to mull this one over.

At the start I told you to make this object square or rectangular and that still holds. But for this month I am asking you to add something that extends over the edge. It can be 3D or it can be just a blip in the shape. You decide, I know you can do it. And that's it for clues.

See you in September and I really look forward to seeing what you have created.

Have a great summer!

Judi

REGISTRATION

In attendance at our May meeting were 47 members and 8 guests.

Cathy C received the Hamel's gift certificate.

Karri W received the Countryfolk gift certificate.

Inkek VG received the Graceland Fine Quilting certificate. Carla C received a gift donated by our guest speaker Jean Jones.

Karlie, Karri, Carla



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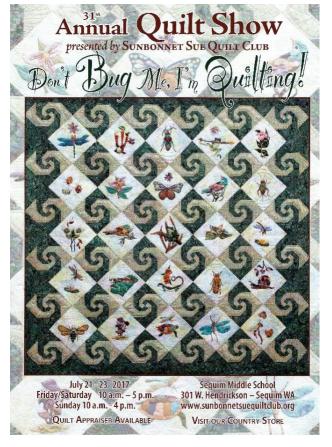
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Only a Quilter ... by Tom and Madge Powis June 2003

We've all heard the classic line that only a quilter would take yards and yards of material, cut it into little pieces and then sew them back together again. While this statement is true and a little funny to think about, it doesn't even scratch the surface of the things that only a quilter would do.

Only a Quilter would spend hours sewing several hundreds of buttons on a quilt to embellish it, but wouldn't take five minutes to replace a button on a pair of pants.

Only a Quilter would give the gift of a wedding quilt two months after the birth of the couple's second child.

Only a Quilter would put hundreds of dollars' worth of fabric into her fabric stash because she might find a use for it sometime, but wouldn't replace a 50-cent needle on her sewing machine.

- Only a Quilter would let three later-arriving patients go ahead of her at the doctor's office because she is on the verge of completing a block.
- Only a Quilter would rush to finish a gift quilt. Not so it's done in time for the recipient's birthday, but so it's done in time for Show and Tell.
- Only a Quilter would make a special quilt to give to her son, who would then have to attend quilt shows just to see it.
- Only a Quilter has a welcome mat at the door to her home and an "Enter at Your Own Risk" sign on the door of her sewing room.
- Only a Quilter invites everyone to see her sewing room, then says, "Don't look at the mess."
- Only a Quilter says, "I really don't need another project," then offers to make a quilt for a friend.
- Only a Quilter will buy more than she'll ever need of one fabric for her stash, but slightly less than is needed of another fabric to complete a project.
- Only a Quilter would drive 40 miles in a hurricane to attend a quilt show, but have her dinner delivered because it is drizzling.
 - Only a Quilter's family would put up with, understand and love a quilter.

BOOK REVIEW



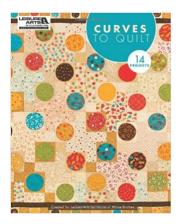
Precut Table Runners & Toppers has everything a quilter needs to create perfect table covers. Each project uses one of the popular precuts offered to today's quilters, reducing your prep time by half—not to mention these patterns are mostly quick and easy construction. All skill levels will enjoy these 13 projects. There's something for every quilter.



Nothing compares to the accuracy you get with paper piecing—and it's never been easier to learn! Amy Garro's step-by-step visual guide to precision piecing opens up a world of possibilities for the modern guilter.

Choose from 13 striking quilt patterns that appeal to the modern aesthetic, designed in Amy's sophisticated style, featuring clever color placement, unique settings, and a thoughtful use of negative space.

Discover time-saving tricks that will help you sew extreme angles, sharp points, and unique shapes with perfect results! Her tips for setting up your workspace, choosing the best tools, and transferring patterns will turn you into the expert.



This book shows quilters how to step out of their straight-seam comfort zone as they learn to add circular shapes to their quilting.

Beginner quilts make use of appliquéd circles and leaves added to basic patchwork. Intermediate projects use variations of the classic Drunkard's Path block and piecing curved templates to create unique designs. Advanced projects use multiple curves in the quilt design and also add curves to the borders and binding

LIBRARY REPORT

I would like to thank Nadia F, Grace M, Enid K, Janet S, Joanne B, Lyn R, and Debbie P for coming out to assist with the library inventory. Without all of these women it would have taken a much longer time to get the job done. Again, Thank You!!

To create more space in the library we have removed any duplicates, and these books will be available for sale at the next quilt show.

There are still a number of books that are overdue, so please all members look through your own magazines and books to see if you have one of them.

As a reminder ...when returning books place them in the return bin. Please do not remove books from the bin until one of the librarians has had the opportunity to check the book back in. This must include the placement of the books card for borrowing back in the envelope inside the cover. If the cards don't go back in we simply think you did not return the book and we will be asking you for it. Our books are marked with a green dot with the number on it, in the upper right hand corner of the book, and with a "Chilliwack PieceMakers" label.

Our library also includes a few CDs, mostly of the Juried Canadian Quilters Shows.

Please feel free to borrow books over the summer.

Library Committee Diane, Naida, Cindy and Grace