

President's Message

Welcome back to yet another year of happy quilting days! I would like to introduce myself, Tracey Davidson as your new president of Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild. I hope most of you know who I am, and if you don't, I look forward to meeting you and hopefully working with you in the upcoming workshops or Comfort Quilt Days, or even quilt till you wilt. I am hoping that the next two years is an enjoyable period of time, indulging in the improvements of our quilting abilities. We have lots of work /ground to cover so let's hope all goes smoothly.

This will be a new experience for me, so any suggestions will be greatly received. Please email me if you have any concerns or suggestions @ traceytalks@shaw.ca I hope you all had a great and memorable summer. Please bring in all your works of art so we can all enjoy them together at the Show and Tell section of our agenda.

Happy Quilting,
Love Tracey

P.S. We have a busy season ahead with lots of great things to accomplish in the fall, can't wait to get started!

Announcements:

On the topic of comfort quilts, I would like everyone to start thinking of three (3) places or destinations, on the north shore, to be recipients of our wonderful well-made quilts.

We will be taking a vote at the October meeting to see where these well-wanted quilts will go! EXAMPLES so far are: Sage House, The Hospice in North Van, the foster children of the North Shore, Ministry of BC.

Executive Positions: President – Tracey ; Program – Kim ; Secretary – Sharon ; Newsletter – Christiane ; Library – Roz ; Treasurer – Kathy ; **Membership-** Kerry

Kitchen team: Dorie, Jaye and Pat.

2012/2013 Welcome to our new & returning Executive

President: Tracey

Program: Kim

Secretary: Sharon

Newsletter: Christiane

Library: Roz

Treasurer: Kathy

Membership: Kerry

<http://gmdqg.ca/>

**WELCOME back
everyone
To a new year of
Quilting
September 2012**



Announcements: continued**GMDQG Bylaw Changes**

At the change-over executive meeting held in early July, the executive decided to continue the process of updating our bylaws. They have not been revised since 2001 and it was felt that the time had come to do so.

I agreed to chair a sub-committee to review the changes needed and oversee the process. Tracey Davidson and Barbara Milgrom also volunteered to be on the committee. We will be asking for 3 more volunteers at the September meeting. We would like the committee to be about 6 people to keep it a workable size. I think if we get many more than 3 names, we will probably do something like pull names from a hat. We might even consider changing the composition of the committee as we change discussion topics – so if you want to be part of a particular discussion, please let us know.

There are several items that have already been identified which need review and possible changes and they include:

- Executive term rules regarding time off between positions
- Definition of member in good standing
- How is membership obligation to be met
- Gender neutral wording.

There are likely others and we are hoping that the membership as a whole will look at the existing constitution and make suggestions.

I see the process unfolding over the course of the year. My suggestion would be to deal with one or two topics at a time and get tentative approval from the membership and then move on to the next topic and repeat the process. Then in the spring, we should be ready to present the completed document with all the changes having been previously tentatively approved. Hopefully then it would all pass on a formal motion to make the changes to the constitution in its entirety.

Because we are a registered society – to allow us to sell raffle tickets at show time – there is a formal process that must be completed to change our bylaws and it will cost us \$50 in filing fees to do so. I think that this process will take some work, effort and thought but I think it will be worth it. In the end we should have bylaws that are current, relevant and reflect what actually happens in our guild. I hope the membership agrees.

If you have any questions, prior to the September meeting, feel free to contact me at Sharon.walker1184@gmail.com or give me a call.

I look forward to this process.

Sharon

LIBRARY REPORT:**MISSING BOOKS**

What a fabulous library we have! We now have 433 books registered but the following 4 are missing and have not been signed out:

No. 121 – **Fabric Embellishing (the basics & beyond)** by Ruth Chandler et al

No. 192 – **Spellbinding Quilts, Wizards and Witches** by Maaïke Bakker

No. 261 – **Woven Ribbons** by Marilyn Doheny

No. 447 – **Embellishing with Anything** by Gladys Love.

If you have found these missing books please bring them to our September meeting.

Thank you.

Christiane

PROGRAMS:

SHOW & TELL - Please bring everything you've worked on over the Summer to share with us & your project from the Two Fabric Appliqué class if you've had time to work on it.....if not.....no pressure to share until it's finished.

SEPTEMBER – To get you ready for another quilting season, we will have the Knifex mobile scissor sharpening man on site to sharpen your scissors & secateurs (your garden pruning shears). The cost is \$4.00 per item. Please ensure your items are labeled with your name & bring them to the meeting in a box or bag labeled with your name, exact change is gratefully appreciated. They will be ready for pick up at the end of our meeting.

Also: If you've ever wondered where our much appreciated quilt shop owners find all the new and amazing quilting tools and books that we can't live without.....wonder no more, as we will have a presentation to learn about everything that's new & exciting from N. Jefferson (our favorite quilt shops' source). We'll also have news about a perk for being a member of our Guild!

WORKSHOPS:

QUILT TILL YOU WILT – October 26, 2012, Friday, 10am – 4pm
Join us for another fun, productive day working on the projects of your choice.

Place: St. Agnes Anglican Church, 530 12st Street East, North Vancouver

Sign up at the September meeting.....\$15.00

HAND QUILTING WITH DIANNE STEVENSON

November 3, 2013, Saturday, 10am – 4:30pm

Many of you expressed an interest in learning to hand quilt or to improve your hand quilting skills. We are very fortunate to have Dianne Stevenson, a QCA Teacher of the Year, pattern designer and an incredibly fun & entertaining person to teach our hand quilting class.

Place: Capilano Library, Potlatch Room

Sign up at the September meeting.....\$25.00.....Maximum 20 students.

PROJECT UFO'S – It seemed that having this challenge for our members really spurred them on to get some much loved projects finished. So by popular demand we will be doing this again this year.

Bring your loonies & toonies along with your list of UFO's (unfinished projects) & PHD'S (projects half done) to register with Hattie.

SIT & STITCH – A great & easy way to get to know your fellow quilters', plus get some quality quilting time in. Perhaps work on your U.F.O. or call it a P.H.D. then you can tell your friends that you're working on your PHD! Now won't they be impressed, when you are actually having a great day stitching. You pick a day/date & time that works for you. At our meeting an invitation is extended to all our guild members giving the date, time & place of the hostess (don't worry, the whole guild won't show up). It's a nice courtesy for members to tell you they plan on attending. It's up to you if you'd like to provide coffee, tea & goodies. If the timing falls over the lunch hour it's up to the individual to bring their lunch. You provide the venue for a wonderful day of stitching and getting to know our guild members plus earn your volunteer hours!

DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2012 – **Guild Bus Trip to La Connor Quilfest 2012.**

SOLD OUT – Ellie is taking names on a waiting list.

What a wonderful Guild Sponsored Fieldtrip this will be.....we hope that most members can join us for a day of fun, fellowship & creative inspiration at Quilfest 2012!

Transportation & entry into this not-to-be-missed show courtesy of the last GMDQ quilt show.

Please arrange your own medical coverage for the day in the U.S. if required.

Contact: Ellie by phone or email elliestockner@shaw.ca

Upcoming Events:

THE BLUE MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD has extended an invitation to our members to attend two one day workshops with BARBARA SHAPEL.

Oct. 6, 2012 – Thread Painting – Heron Moon

Oct. 7, 2012 – Currents, freezer paper machine appliqué

Details including photo's are on Barbara Shapel's website, google barbara shapel quilter

For more information & registration please contact Brenda Millar 604-931-5193 or bmillar1@shaw.ca

WHITE ROCK RETREAT

Friday, November 09 to Monday, November 12

We will be staying at the Ocean Promenade Hotel, 15661 Marine Drive in White Rock. Reservations: 1-888-976-2326 www.oceanpromenadehotel.com. A variety of rooms are available – from single bedrooms to 2-bedroom suites to share with others. Book your own room and let them know you are with the Grouse Guild, as we have arranged a special room rate for you.

The cost per person to rent the Conference (sewing) room is \$ 50.00 based on 16 persons attending. See Catriona (604) 985-2193 to reserve your spot and she will collect your deposit at the October meeting.

There are many restaurants within walking distance of the hotel, or if you are planning to rent a suite, bring your own food. There is also a daytime lunch/coffee shop in the hotel.

This is a great time to share ideas, finish off UFOs, or just sew, sew, sew.

Hope to see you there for a fun-filled weekend of quilting and getting to know each other a little better.

La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum (I have listed the event titles only).

703 South 2nd St., La Conner, Washington
360-466-4288 or www.laconnerquilts.com

JUNE 27 – OCTOBER 7: AT PLAY: ASOBI; QUILTS FROM JAPAN AND AINU EMBROIDERY Guest Curator, Miwako Kimura.

OCTOBER 5 - 7, 2012 - 2012 QUILT FESTIVAL – An International Juried & Judged Show featuring
Quilts – Wearable Art – Fiber Art

Quit Festival 2012 – Oct 5 – 7, workshops

OCTOBER 11 – DECEMBER 30, 2012 – MATERIAL MEN: Innovation & the Art of Quiltmaking.

Upcoming Events: continued

News from **Canadian Quilters Association. Quilt BC 2013** will be held in **Penticton May 16-18**, 2013.

There is information on their new blog: www.cqaquiltcanada.blogspot.ca It looks like a great conference! Maybe a bus trip could be organized for this event.

Also, CQA has a new blog and sign up for this blog is: www.cqacanadianquilting.blogspot.ca
Sign up and read about quilting across Canada.

KERRY**Request:**

I would like to borrow a copy of a magazine. It is Scrap Quilts, Fall 2011, Fons and Porter.

Dorothy**Extra things to bring to the guild meeting:**

Treats.....if you volunteered last month

Cheque book or cash to sign up for workshops

The list of UFO's you'd like to register with Hattie along with your loonies & toonies

The items you wish sharpened, labeled with your name and in a box or bag.....\$4.00 for each item

Show & Tell

A lunch and or project to work on as we have the room until 1:30pm

EuroTech
Sewing Machine Repair

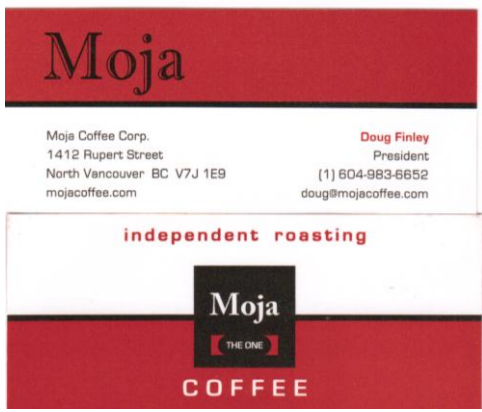
ALL DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES & SERGERS
FORMER ALBEE'S SEWING CENTRE TECHNICIAN

Factory trained by
PFAFF BERNINA ELNA
HUSQVARNA JANOME

Wei Hin Ng
Service Technician
t: 604.568.1238
w: www.eurotechsewrepair.ca



Serving the Vancouver area since 1989



Moja

Moja Coffee Corp. 1412 Rupert Street North Vancouver BC V7J 1E9 mojacoffee.com

Doug Finley
President
(1) 604-983-6652
doug@mojacoffee.com

independent roasting

Moja
THE ONE

COFFEE

Moja is a wonderful place to grab a cup of coffee and is located at the corner of Rupert Street and Harbour Avenue, across from the east side of Canadian Tire.

Moja takes pride in supporting our Community and we are very pleased to thank Moja for their generosity.


When in the area, please drop in for a coffee. Enjoy a Thomas Haas treat and say thanks for providing our guild with coffee every month.

**I go there a lot, it is wonderful.
Newsletter editor**

REMINDERS

- Q Name tags
- Q Mugs
- Q Change for coffee
- Q Library books

SUNSHINE Lady



Do you know of a member who is under the weather, call Jan.

Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 20/2012, 10am-1:30pm

NOTES