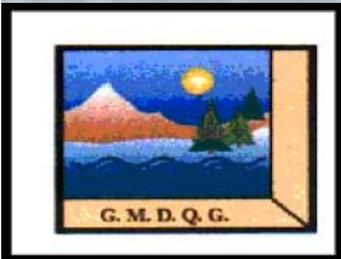


Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild



WELCOME to GMDQG

January 2013

Executive Group

President: Tracey

Program: Kim

Secretary: Sharon

Newsletter: Christiane

Library: Roz

Treasurer: Kathy A.

Membership: Kerry

<http://gmdqg.ca>

We meet on the third Thursday of the month at:
St. Martin's church
195 Windsor Rd. E.
North Van., from 10am - 1:30pm.

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JANUARY 2013

President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!!!

Welcome to a brand new year of starting over, or at least that's how some people like to look at life. I like to think it's a time of cleaning things up and getting things fixed. Put away the **Christmas** decorations and dust and clean that house. Then there's time to thinking about our current quilting projects, guilt free! With the weather being cold and wet outside, it's a great time to quilt. Finish the UFO's and get on with a new fun project.

It's also a time to think about what role you would like to play in the guild. A great way to meet people is to join a committee. It just so happens we need several volunteers to help with the quilt show. Think about it and let us know at the meeting! Or if you have questions this is the meeting to ask them. Yes, I will be discussing the quilt show on **January 17th** 2013. The first question I will be asking all of

you is " Do you want to have a quilt show? We are due to have one in May of 2014. This question should set the tone of the meeting. So think about it till then.

Also, it is time to think about what quilt you are going to be making to contribute to comfort quilts this year. We ask all members of the GMDQG to try and make one comfort quilt each year. It is to give to our current destinations we are discussing next month. You can pick up your kits from our comfort quilt team or make your own quilt out of your own stash. (some of us donate our own to make room for new fabric). I will thank you in advance for this task!

In short, I hope you have a happy time stitching your current project. This year is sure to bring lots of education, demonstrations, and new knowledge, to entertain each of our members. Good luck and happy new year in all you achieve in the new year.

Love Tracey

The North Shore Needle Arts Guild (NSNA), of which I am a member, is a chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America (EGA).

We are holding an exhibit of needlework, entitled "With My Needle", at the Silk Purse, 1570 Argyle Avenue, West Vancouver, from [February 5](#) through Feb 17, 2013. Viewing hours are 12pm - 5pm and admission is free.

The exhibit will include examples of traditional hand embroidery techniques, contemporary machine embroidery, and contemporary art quilts, as well as embellishment techniques. I'm sure that our GMDQG members will find lots of inspiration for their quilts from the needlework on display in the show. I will bring a few invitations to our January meeting next week for anyone who is interested.

Gloria

Bylaw Change Committee Update – January newsletter

The committee met on January 11, 2013 and discussed a couple of items that we would like to present at the February meeting as part of the ongoing bylaw update process. They are:

Section 2. Membership, point A which is the definition of membership in good standing and how people become members.

Existing wording is:

Each member of this Guild will read and sign a membership form and pay set annual fees before being granted membership in this Guild. By doing so, the new member has agreed to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws of this Guild. A member is a 'member in good standing' when the full annual membership fee has been paid and all membership obligations have been fulfilled.

The problem with the current wording is that no one can be in good standing in September when dues are paid because membership obligations could not possibly be fulfilled. It also does not recognize that some new members join mid-year and pay a prorated amount.

Suggested new wording:

Each new member of this Guild will read and sign a membership form and pay required fees before being granted membership in this Guild. By doing so, the new member has agreed to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws of this Guild. A member is in member in good standing when the full annual membership has been paid and all membership obligations from the previous year have been met. New members are in good standing when their membership fee has been paid and membership form signed.

Section 4 Executive Offices, point B which is the definition of executive term.

This one was brought forward in June 2012 when we were first discussing bylaw changes, so it is not new to anyone except the new members. This is an attempt to make it easier to fill executive positions when many of us are travelling more and/or aging and less inclined to step forward to fill executive positions.

This is the existing wording:

No member shall hold any position for longer than one term. Thereafter at least 2 years must pass after leaving executive office before any member is allowed to stand again for election to an executive position. Should the membership drop below thirty (30), this clause shall be waived.

This was proposed in June 2012 and I think should be left as is:

A member may serve on the executive in two consecutive 2-year terms providing the two terms are in different positions. Following those four years, the member cannot serve on the executive for the following two years. Or, a member may serve on the executive for one 2-year term, take one year off and then serve another 2-year term in a different position. Following those five years, the member cannot serve on the executive for the following two years. Should the membership drop below thirty (30), this clause shall be waived.

I am hoping that these changes generally meet with approval. The executive have seen a version of the member in good standing one – it was slightly modified this morning at the committee meeting and they were in agreement. After the guild meeting, I will update a further draft version of the bylaws to reflect the new changes and have them distributed.

Once again if you have any concerns regarding these changes, please feel free to contact me by phone or email. And if you have a section you would like to see reviewed, please let me know and we will look at it.

Sharon W.

WHITE ROCK RETREAT

Friday, March 15 -18th, 2013

Please join us for a wonderful weekend of sewing, friendship and fun.

We will be staying at the Ocean Promenade Hotel, 15661 Marine Drive in White Rock. Reservations: 1-888-976-2326. The hotel is located directly across from the beach and sea wall. Plan on arriving Friday, March 15th and returning home Monday, March 18th.

The cost for us to rent the conference room is \$50.00 per person, based on 16 attending. You book your own hotel accommodation (ask for our special rate.) Accommodations range from bedrooms for 1-2, to fully equipped suites for 2-4. You can bring your own food – or there are several restaurants in the area, plus a daytime coffee/sandwich bar in the hotel.

If you plan to attend, please bring the deposit of \$50.00 to the January meeting. Catriona will accept cheques or cash.

For more information call Catriona at 604-985-2193.

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**Upcoming meeting:
Thursday, January
17/2013, 10 am - 1:30 pm**

Scraps From the 'Scrap Bag'

A new year brings new beginnings and resolutions. I rarely make new year's resolutions, but I recently shared with Tracey, my resolution to not buy any fabric for the next six months and to try to use up some of my stash, for I seem to be drowning in fabric. My appetite for textiles appears to be much bigger than my capacity to use them! Production in the Schell household has slowed down markedly.

As some of you know, I personally have been having some fun over the past year or so with making tops out of the bags of scraps supplied to us by Nadine. I have so enjoyed challenging myself to find ways to combine these leftovers into something useful, and hopefully also producing pieces pleasing to the eye. Some of you shared with me that you too have had some fun with these bags full of surprises.

A lot of you got bags of scraps and it's now time to show off the items made from them to each other and to Nadine.

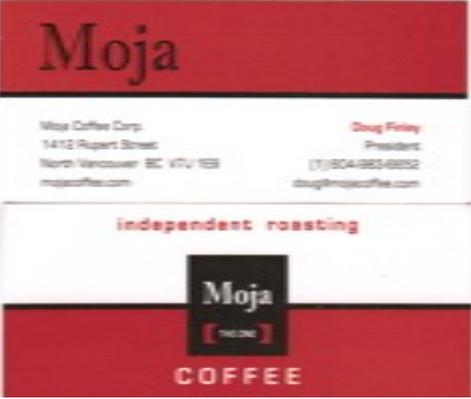
We have invited her to see the fruits of our labours at the January meeting on the 17th.

Even our fellow guild member Teresa Niwinska, who is still at her Hawaiian home, has left me a few non-quilty items to demonstrate how she has used the scraps in unique ways. She told me that she has had lots of fun playing and experimenting with them.

I know that many of you have given away quilts and other items, but if you still have any tops, quilts (finished or not), potholders, bags or other items made out of the scraps that were in those large bags, please bring them along to the January meeting to share.

Let's show our guest just what we can do with the generous "left overs" from her industry. I look forward to seeing what you have done with them too.

Linda S.



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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.



Reminders

Q Name tags

Q Mugs

Q Change for coffee

Q Library books

North Shore Food Bank Donations

Sunshine Lady

Do you know of a member who is under the weather, call Jan 604- 985-4701

