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<http://gmdqg.ca>

Well Hello Ladies and welcome to the marvelous month of March.

It is a time for the Irish, shamrocks, green things, Daylight Savings, First Day of Spring, and of course our great monthly quilt meeting.

I would like to thank everyone for coming to our February meeting last month, I think it was a great turnout for both the general meeting day and the next day following with our comfort quilts. Even having the Olympics on, with our Canadian men in the Semi-finals, we listened to them on our transistor radio while we stitched away making some of the comfort quilts. We beat the U.S. 1-0 that day. We went on to win the gold medal.

Our comfort quilts this year was a big success. I feel a lot of our members came out and participated if they could. Those who couldn't come let me know, and have taken a kit home to work on and will hand it in when they are finished. I also had quite a few ladies clean out their sewing rooms, and turned their fabrics into a comfort quilt, or two or three and have donated them to the guild. I thank them for that. For those who still want to, there are some kits made, or partial kits, or just binding, if you feel the urge to finish another one, you can always bring another one home to work on, at your leisurely time.

I hope to see everyone at our next meeting March 20th, 2014, until then, happy quilting,

Love,
Tracey

Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild
meets the third Thursday of the month
at St. Martin's Anglican Church
195 Windsor Road East, North Vancouver



When life throws you scraps ...

Make a quilt!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We had 45 members in attendance at our February meeting. Full time membership is full with 1 on the wait list.

By now, you all should have received the membership list, a second time from Tracey. The membership list is sent out each year, with the expectation that additions or deletions be made by each member, until the new list is sent out the following year.

Can you just imagine the confusion we would have had with lists being sent out with each change? Oh my gracious, since we've had nearly 20 new members join in the past 2 years, numerous updated email lists would have been a gong show!

What I have found to be most helpful in the past, is to print off the list when it comes and then make necessary changes to the hard copy. Trying to insert or delete names on the computer spreadsheet can be tricky as many computers don't "talk" to one another, depending upon current software, MAC/PC, etc.

Also, we can't put new members info in our newsletter, as the newsletter is posted on our website and that is against our privacy issue.

I hope this clears things up, and if there are any changes to the current list (i.e. a new email address, etc.) please let me know. If you did not receive the new membership list from Tracey, please let her know.

Piecefully yours,
Kerry

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

ROUND ROBIN ROW QUILT CHALLENGE – Connie Willoner

The next row is due at the March Meeting. We have a very creative and talented group of quilters doing this challenge. I am sure people will be surprised when they receive their completed rows.

SHOW & TELL

Please bring your Show & Tell items to share with us.

MARCH 20 PROGRAM – Gigi Hamer

Pippa Moore will be presenting her trunk show, An African Adventure, at our March 20th general meeting. It will include both the African-inspired quilts she has made and some information about the work she does in Uganda teaching sewing and quilting to women there.

She will bring a selection of African fabrics and prints, as well as some patterns which use these fabrics, and other African items and you will be able to purchase these after the trunk show. She will also bring a selection of some of the items made by the women who work with in Uganda (the Bitengye Designers).

Wendy Lynn, one of our new members, has very kindly offered to billet Pippa for 2 nights. Thank you very much, Wendy.

MARCH 22 WORKSHOP – AFRICAN SUNSHINE – Gigi Hamer

Thirteen guild members have signed up for Pippa Moore's African Sunshine workshop on **Saturday, March 22** in the Potlatch Room in the Capilano Library from **10:00 am to 4:00 pm**. We could squeeze in 1 or 2 more.

Please contact Gigi if you would like to join us. The cost is **\$50.00** and we can send you the supply list by e-mail.

"PROQUILTINATING"
Working on quilts
when you should be
doing laundry, or dishes
or picking up kids from school

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS *continued*

APRIL 17 PROGRAM – Trish Vickery

Krista Hennebury will be presenting her trunk show at our April 17 general meeting.

Krista has been quilting for 14 years on the North Shore. Many of you will remember her as a former member of this guild, or know her as a member of both the Lions Gate Guild and the Vancouver Modern Quilt Guild. When Krista began her quilting blog PoppyprintCreates.blogspot.ca almost 5 years ago, she became inspired by a new quilting aesthetic that she found online through the photo-sharing website Flickr and other quilting bloggers from around the world.

The instantaneous sharing of quilt designs via the internet with thousands of new and excited quilters lead to a mini-quilting revolution that has grown worldwide into the Modern Quilt Guild. Quilters became inspired by designer fabrics, simple and graphic geometric design, the abandonment of traditional grid layouts and the use of solid fabrics instead of prints.

Krista will share some of the hallmarks of the Modern Quilt movement, discuss why "everything old is new again" and talk about the excitement of rediscovering freedom in quilting-making.

Krista has suggested that we might be interested in her workshop "Improv Under the Influence" (the influence of traditional techniques, that is!). She specifically designed this class keeping traditional quilters in mind: you use traditional piecing and rotary cutting methods, but end up with a modern, improvisational design. No two quilts will be alike - everyone emerges with an original! Students may wish to create a wall hanging, table runner or pillow cover. The class is based on her piecing technique that starts with pre-cut 5" squares.

At the March meeting, Trish will discuss this proposed workshop and see if there are enough guild members interested to make a workshop viable.

MAY 15 PROGRAM – Mari-Lou Laisley

Ionne McCaulay has accepted our invitation to present her trunk show at our May 15th general meeting. Kim Carlson has kindly volunteered to billet her. Thank you very much, Kim.

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS continued

MAY 16 WORKSHOP – Mari-Lou Laishley

Colour for the Terrified Quilter- Colour and Value

Ionne McCaulay will be conducting a workshop for us on **Friday, May 16th** in the Potlatch Room in the Capilano Library from **10:00 am to 4:00 pm**.

She will be working from her book “**Colour for the Terrified Quilter**”.

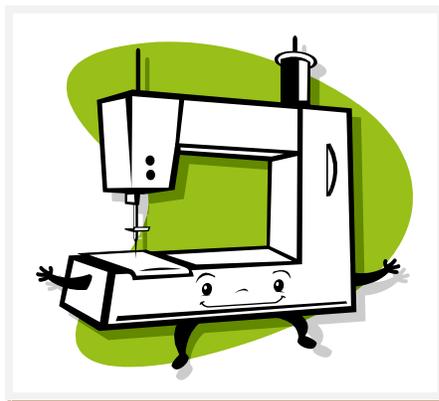
Do you have trouble choosing fabric colours for projects? Create your own reference book as we work through exercises using fabrics. Using plain talk and simple lessons, this one-day class introduces you to the colour wheel as a quilter’s tool.

Learn about how colours work together and how value choices affect your quilting projects. Study different colour combinations and find out why they work. Discover the difference between value and intensity and why that is important. Make your quilts sing with your very own colour choices!

The cost will be **\$45.00** per person and is to be paid at the March meeting. At the March and April meetings, there will be a sign up sheet and copies of the Supply List.

HOW DO YOU KNOW A QUILTER LOVES YOU?

SHE USES HER GOOD FABRIC FOR YOUR QUILT!



WHITE ROCK RETREAT

Clean & oil that machine – come join in the fun !

Friday, April 4th to Monday, April 7th, 2014.

The venue is the Ocean Promenade Hotel, 15661 Marine Drive in White Rock. Reservations: 1-888-976-2326 www.oceanpromenadehotel.com. Let them know you are with the Grouse Guild when you make your reservations. The hotel is located directly across from the beach and seawall for scenic walks and shopping excursions along the street.

The cost for us to rent the conference/sewing room is \$ 50.00 per person, based on 16 attending. If you decide not to attend your deposit will be returned if you find a replacement for yourself. Accommodations range from double bedrooms to fully equipped two bedroom suites. Bring your own food – or eat out at the many local restaurants. There is also a daytime coffee/snack bar in the hotel.

This is a great time to start new projects or finish those remaining UFOs. Get better acquainted with other members, share ideas and quilt!

You may also book for the day and make it your very own 'quilt till you wilt.' – for only \$ 20.00 per day.

For more information call Catriona at 604-985-2193

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

Plan on having a wonderful weekend of quilting and friendship



Library:

For our new members: a complete listing of books by title and author are on our website.

Requests can be made and put on hold.

Magazines are the last 2-3 years' editions

For the next quilt meeting remember borrowed books and magazines.

Ros

COMFORT QUILTS

I would like to thank all those who participated in the two day workshop for Comfort Quilts.

It was a productive two days, with some quilts finished and many more on the way. A special thanks to Pat, and all those who did some baking to help keep us going.

Lori has some batting for those who need it. Please contact us - it is a very big new bolt and difficult to transport unless you have a large car and when the batt is opened it expands even more!

Terry

A couple in their nineties are both having problems remembering things. During a checkup, the doctor tells them that they're physically okay, but they might want to start writing things down to help them remember. Later that night, while watching TV, the old man gets up from his chair. 'Want anything while I'm in the kitchen?' he asks.

'Will you get me a bowl of ice cream?' 'Sure.' 'Don't you think you should write it down so you can remember it?' she asks. 'No, I can remember it.'

'Well, I'd like some strawberries on top, too. Maybe you should write it down, so as not to forget it?' He says, 'I can remember that. You want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries.' 'I'd also like whipped cream. I'm certain you'll forget that, write it down' she says.

Irritated, he says, 'I don't need to write it down, I can remember it! Ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream - I got it, for goodness sake!' Then he toddles into the kitchen. After about 20 minutes, the old man returns from the kitchen and hands his wife a plate of bacon and eggs. She stares at the plate for a moment. 'Where's my toast?'

(Joke for the month, courtesy of Gigi!)

UPCOMING SHOWS

Until March 23, 2014

La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum

703 South 2nd Street

La Conner, WA

Creating Texture with Sue Spargo - Primarily a self-taught stitcher, quilter and artist, Sue Spargo is influenced by the beautiful and colorful work of primitive, craft artists around the world.

Out of the Blue with Whidbey Island Surface Design Association. Each artist was challenged to literally or figuratively create artwork with Out of the Blue as its theme. At this exhibit you will see contemporary quilts, handmade and hand-dyed textiles, mixed media, wearable art and wall pieces.

Timeless Treasures - Crazy Quilt selections from our Permanent Collection

www.laconnerquilts.org

March 28-29, 2014

Creative Stitches & Crafting Alive!!

Abbotsford TRADEX

March 29-30

StashFest 2014 - La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum

La Conner Civic Garden Club

622 S. Second Street (across the street from the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum)

La Conner, WA

Contact: patricia@stashfest.com

Hours: Preview - Sat 10-11; Regular hours - Sat 11-5; Sun 10-3

Admission: Preview - Sat 10-11 \$12; Regular - Sat 11-5 free; Sun 10-3 free

Details: StashFest 2014 is a unique two-day fundraising event for La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, featuring eight artisans presenting fabrics and wearables for quilters and textile lovers. A highlight of StashFest 2014 is the Sponsor Shop. National manufacturers and book publishers have donated goods to the Museum for sale at StashFest.

These include fabrics from new product lines, notions and quilting books.

www.stashfest.com

UPCOMING SHOWS continued

April 1-30, 2014

Fidalgo Island Quilters Quilt Walk

Downtown Anacortes Participating merchants display traditional, contemporary, and art quilts during regular business hours. Maps available at the Anacortes Visitor Center, 819 Commercial Ave, and at host businesses. www.fidalgoislandquilters.com

April 11-13, 2014

"E Pluribus Unum" Quilt Show Fidalgo Island Quilters Quilt Guild Hours 10am to 5pm daily, \$7 admission Wearable Art Fashion Show Saturday at 1pm Quilts of Valor/American Hero Quilts presentation ceremony Sunday at 1pm New venue, Swinomish Casino & Lodge 12885 Casino Dr, Anacortes, WA www.fidalgoislandquilters.com

May 2 to 4, 2014

Victoria Quilters' Guild 2014 Quilt Show and Sale – *Adventures in Quilting* Pearkes Arena 100 Tillicum Road, Victoria, BC

May 9 & 10, 2014

Langley Quilters Guild presents *The Threads That Bind Us* George Preston Recreation Centre, 20699 42nd Avenue (208th Street and 42nd Avenue) Langley, BC

May 17 - 19, 2014

Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters' Guild is celebrating 30 years with a Quilt Show Saturday and Sunday 10:00 - 5:00 pm. Monday 10:00 - 4:00 pm. Held at the Cumberland Cultural Centre, 2674 Dunsmuir (back door), Cumberland, BC. Admission is \$5.00. Join us for a Quilt Show, Quilt Raffle, Raffle Baskets, Guild Boutique, Merchant Mall and Cupcake Tea Room. For more information contact Marcy Horswill at horswill@telus.net or Nerissa at 250-941-1809

June 13 & 14, 2014

Lions Gate Quilters Guild 2014 Album of Quilts Show

Capilano University Sportsplex 2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver

June 11 - 14, 2014

Quilt Canada 2014, St Catharines , ON Canadian Quilters' Association Registration Dates Delegate Registration - Oct 15, 2013 Day Student Registration - Jan 15, 2014
PLEASE NOTE: Online registration closes at midnight Eastern Time, Thursday May 1



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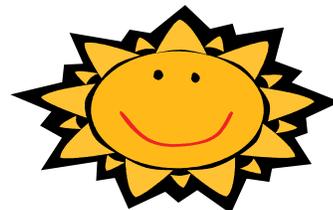
Moja takes pride in supporting our community and we are pleased to thank Moja for their generosity.

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!!!

- ✓ Name Tags
- ✓ Mugs
- ✓ Library Books
- ✓ Show and Tell



Do you know of a member who is under the weather?

If so, please call

Jan

604-985-4701

Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 20th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(doors open from 8:30)

Apologies for any errors/omissions.

Contact Margo for changes at 604-986-3415 or margojnovak@gmail.com