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April 2018

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month.

April 5, 2018

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

at the Mainway Arena
(Auditorium)

4015 Mainway Drive,
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Guests are always WELCOME!

Admission is \$ 5.00

President's Message

Jean Decaire



Wow! It's hard to believe that Spring has arrived! I love this time of year, when the leaves start budding and the gardens start growing. Everything is fresh and green. I can't help but feel optimistic and light hearted after a long, frosty winter.

It's also hard to believe that we're more than half way through this guild year. Time seems to march on at a much quicker pace than it used to! Having said that, there is still lots of time for projects and quilting. Read on in the newsletter to learn about our next workshop and when and where to bring your completed President's Challenge project. Find out about the June Auction and upcoming Quilt Draw. If you' are a new member this year, or on the Executive, read about the tea planned for New Members.

As always, do what you enjoy and enjoy what you're doing!

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Elections for the 2018/2019 Executive!



Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for some of the vacant positions on next year's Executive. Should you wish to become more involved in how your guild operates, the following positions remain available:

Vice-President Comfort Quilts

Library Web Maven **Programme Membership**

Please consider joining the HQG Executive. A full description of each position's responsibilities is available on the website.

For further information, please contact **Sue Paquette** at 905-335-2041 or email **smpaquette@cogeco.ca**.

Editor's Note: Joining the executive is a great way to get to know your fellow quilters and feel part of the guild. It's been fun, too!

What to bring to the meeting

Name tag and membership card

Outreach quilts and Inspirational Hearts

Guild History items/photos

Library books

Sew and Share

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Treats from members with surnames **S** and **T** ... and remember your mug!

Items for the "Free Table"

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Newsletter

The next HQG newsletter will be in APRIL. The deadline is **Monday, April 16, 2018.**

Susan Atherton

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Executive

The Executive meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday. However, a meeting is **NOT** scheduled for April 2018.

REMEMBER: HQG members are always welcome to attend. Plan to **COME and SEE** what being on the Executive is all about!

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Past President Sue Paquette

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New Member Ambassadors Brenda Forsey, Cathy Marion and

Linda Young

Outreach (Comfort Quilts) Estelle Probert

Outreach (Neonatal) Annette Guenther

Outreach (Quilts of Valour) Alison McDonald

Program Katherine Hunter and Catherine MacMaster

Workshops Joyce Hughes and Diane Thurner

Block of the Month/Mystery Quilt Susie Leaker

Social Brenda Forsey, Cathy Marion and

Linda Young

Library Janet Fisher

50 / 50 Draw Susan Lauzon

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Anniversary Celebrations Carol Brown and Melba Stadler

Quilt Show Convenor Sue Paquette

Volunteering for guild activities is a great way to meet other quilters while having fun and contributing to your guild.

ELECTIONS for the 2018 - 2019 EXECUTIVE will be held at the June meeting. THINK about getting involved!

INCLEMENT WEATHER: Guild meetings will be cancelled if the City of Burlington decides to close Mainway due to weather conditions. Weather closure information will be updated on **www.burlington.ca** or call **(905) 335-7738** for a recorded message. Should a facility closure occur, we will make every effort to send out an email notice of the meeting cancellation to all members, but the above information will ensure you are up to date.

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Membership

Sheila Keating and Donna Vetter

Please drop by the Membership table to pick up your copy of the 2017-2018 membership booklet, if you have not already done so!



As always, thank you to everyone who wears their name tags. Need one? Ask us!

New Member Ambassadors

Cathy Marion, Linda Young and Brenda Forsey



New members along with those in the Executive are reminded to keep **Saturday, May 5th** free for the **New Members Tea**. Come and enjoy some refreshments and good company from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at 1540 Riley Ave in Burlington.

Please RSVP to Cathy Marion at bcmarion@sympatico.ca or call 905-335-6335.

Treasurer Bill Hunter

HQG members may pay membership dues or workshop fees with cash, by cheque or an e-transfer. Please see one of the executive for the security question and answer when paying by e-transfer. Be advised that the bank will charge you a small fee for the transfer. haltonquilters@gmail.com

Secretary Kathy Jones

Know a guild member who would appreciate receiving a card for illness or to offer condolences? Please contact me at **kath.j.jones@gmail.com** or phone (905) 847-5934.





HQG Scholarship

The Halton Quilters Guild will provide a \$500.00 to a Halton student



who is enrolled in post secondary textile courses. Detailed information about the scholarship as well as an application form are available on the HQG website.



50 / 50 Draw Susan Lauzon

Congratulations to **Alison MacDonald** who won \$83.00 in March's 50 / 50 draw. Remember ... you need a **TICKET** to **WIN**! So bring your loonies, toonies and small bills and buy your tickets - 2 for \$1, 5 for \$2 and 20 for \$5.



Thank you for your support, and best of luck to everyone!



While we are still waiting for spring ...



... we'll see you at the April meeting! Members whose surnames begin with **S** and **T** are asked to bring the treats for the evening. Please remember to label items which are gluten-free or which may have nuts. Bring your own mug (\$0.50 for a styrofoam cup).

May — U to Z (If you missed your turn, please bring your treats in May!)
June — Pot Luck Dinner

Brenda Forsey, Cathy Marion and Linda Young

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President's Challenge 2017-2018

Jean Decaire

Use a favourite photo as the colour inspiration to create a quilt or wall hanging, in any size. The photo may be one you've taken, seen online or found in a magazine. Use it for choosing the colours of your fabric. It is not necessary to duplicate the photo or do a quilting interpretation.

Choose three to seven colours from the photo to create your project. If your photo has two or more shades of one colour, then each will count as a separate colour choice. Your challenge project can be created using a pattern of your choice or your own design - solid fabrics only!

Finished projects should be brought to the June meeting. Please have them submitted by **6:30 p.m.** for judging. Remember to pin your photo to the front of your quilt or wall hanging so we may see your inspiration ... AND, of course, HAVE FUN!



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Library

Due to a reduction in the guild's storage space at Mainway, we needed to cull the library materials. The four of us (see photo to the left) have had so much fun, laughing and getting to know one another as we met to organize the guild library. Many thanks to the HQG members who assisted us in this task!

Fortunately we were able to sell some of the beautiful books from our collection to our own guild members. We hope that everyone enjoys making new quilt projects from the books they bought!

As we complete our time together on the Library Committee, we look forward to seeing a new group of volunteers taking over the library tasks!

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Outreach

Quilts bring comfort ... one quilt at a time

One of our guild's aims and objectives is to "participate in community projects". Members are encouraged to either complete a guilt kit provided by Outreach, make a quilt from their own supplies, sew neonatal items OR participate in February's Outreach Day, so together we can give some "comfort" to others in our community.



Comfort Quilts

THANK YOU!



Thank you for the 10 lovely quilts handed in last month. Our total for this guild year now stands at 155 completed guilts! We have also completed our second round of donations to various long term care residences and charitable organizations, all of whom are very pleased to receive the beautiful guilts made by the ladies of our guild.

Once again, if you are aware of a particular facility and wonder if they would like some of our quilts, please send me the name so that we can make sure that we include them in our mailings. You may also know of an individual who is undergoing medical treatment or is struggling with some personal issues and feel that they would really appreciate receiving a guilt. Please pass their name on to us as well so that we can get a guilt to them.

As usual, we will have a selection of quilt kits available at the April meeting, so please feel free to drop by and sign one out.

Happy Stitching!

Your Comfort Quilts Team (Outreach)

McMaster Neonatal Outreach

Annette Guenther, Neonatal (Outreach)

200 ... YES, that's right ... 200 Inspirational Hearts were handed in at the March meeting. Thank you, Ladies!

On Tuesday, March 13th I delivered the hearts to the NICU at McMaster's Children's Hospital. On Thursday afternoon Deb Bernard, the Clinical Leader in the NICU department, called to thank us for the hearts. Deb said that she and the staff were overwhelmed by our generosity and kindness. The hearts had been received by the families with love and tears. Deb then wondered if they might ask for more! I said to consider it done!!!!

So, Ladies ... I have cut up more fabric and packaged it up for you to pick up at our April meeting!

Just an hour of our time a month helps the little ones to fight their courageous battle to live. Yes, we do make a difference!

Need the instructions? Email me at annettebguenther@gmail.com or check on the HQG website.

Editor's Note: Here is Annette's granddaughter, Brooklyn, hard at work sewing Inspirational Hearts



Quilts of Valour

Our mission is to ensure that our Canadian Forces members are recognized for their service and commitment to our country. We give this support through the presentation of quilts to comfort our "past and present Canadian Forces members in their time of need."



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Workshop

General Workshop Information:

Joyce Hughes and Diane Thurner

- Workshops are \$40.00 for guild members and \$55.00 for guests (due BEFORE workshop). A supply list will be provided at the time of payment. (cash, cheque or etransfer)
- Workshops are held at ST. STEPHEN UNITED CHURCH, 2258 Parkway Drive, Burlington.

Remember to bring your lunch to the workshop. Coffee and tea will be provided.

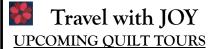


Friday, May 4, 2018

"Oh, My Stars!"

Guild member **Susan Lauzon** will instruct us on making this lap size quilt. A sample will be on display at the Workshop table at our April meeting. The requirements for other sizes will also be available for those interested. Please come by to sign up and ask any questions you may have.





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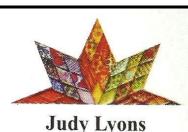
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Programme

Catherine MacMaster and Katherine Hunter

APRIL 5, 2018 Guild member, Lynne McCulloch will present a trunk show of her creative quilting, wall hangings and art clothing. A retired High School Visual Art teacher, Lynne quilts "to express my creative ideas through colour, line and texture". Lynne has been a participant in several juried shows (Quilt Canada, World of Threads) and was a CQA National Juried Show finalist at Quilt Canada 2017.









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Thanks to Jean Decaire, here are some photos from the presentation by Sue Patten in March.





From the Editor: Susan Atherton I mistakenly thanked Joyce last month for sending in Ode to the Rotary Cutter, so my apologies to whomever sent it! I also forgot to credit the poem's source. But I had deleted the email, of course.

In the Works: Thank you to Cindy Wright for the idea of featuring the lifetime members of our guild. Watch for this in May's issue of Snippets.

"Stitches Through Time" School Project Update Katherine Hunter

A draw for a beautiful batik quilt made with material donated by Northcott Fabrics will be

held at our June meeting. Tickets will be available at the April meeting — **\$2 each** or **3 tickets for \$5**. The funds raised will be used to buy batting and equipment in order for more classes to participate next fall.



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Programme Update for June Guild Meeting

Katherine Hunter

While working on the Loonie Auction as the Programme component of June's Pot Luck Dinner, it became apparent that a great deal of running around to find enough donations for the prizes was going to be necessary. So what to do in its place? Yes, the aim is to raise funds to continue our education and community projects but ALSO the purpose for the evening's event is for our guild members to have some fun while doing it!

So here's what is happening ... a BINGO with a quilter's twist.

Game Card Instructions (with permission granted by Fons and Porter "Love of Quilting" Sept/Oct 2006) A Bingo card/block measures 10½". Each fabric must be chosen from one of the following: paisley, batik, floral, geometric, heart, leaf, metallic, holiday, novelty, plaid, solid, star, stripe, or 1930s print. A black print will be used for the centre square.

5 (21/2") squares assorted yellow and orange prints

5 (21/2") squares assorted blue prints

4 (21/2") squares assorted pink and purple prints

5 (21/2") squares assorted red prints

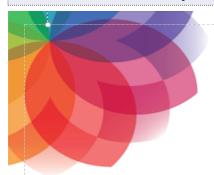
5 (21/2") squares assorted green prints

1 (21/2") square black print

Block Assembly

- 1. Join 5 yellow/orange print squares to make 1 row. In the same manner, make one red, one blue, and one green row.
- 2. Join two pink/purple squares. Make 2 pink/purple pairs. Join one pink/purple pair to each side of black square to complete pink/purple row.
- 3. Join the rows, placing pink/purple row in center, to complete one Bingo game card/block.
- **N.B.** Please staystitch 1/8" around the edge of your block.

We would ask that you donate the block to the guild to make a quilt for a draw in the Fall to raise funds for the School Project. (Editor's Note: Why stop at making one Bingo card? Play a few!)



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May 15 to 17 Ricky Tims, York Quilters www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca/ricky-tims-event/ NEW!

May 22 to 26 Quilt and Fibre Arts Festival, St. Jacobs / Waterloo Region

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June 8 to 10 Quilts Kingston 2018, Kingston Heirloom Quilters and Limestone Quilters' Guild, Kingston

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