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Schoolhouse Quilters' Guild
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May 2017

Monthly newsletter of the Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters Guild • Box 1507 Comox, BC V9M 8A2

President's Message

Several of our members caught the 10 am ferry to the Powell River quilt show on Saturday, April 8th.

Time flew by as the group sat in a section of the ferry, where we could sit face to face and chat as we love to do. I was enjoying the free coffee until I had a leaky lid mishap!

Upon arrival, we were welcomed by several very enthusiastic volunteer drivers, ready to transport us to their show.

At the hall entrance, who did we meet but Moreen Reed, who used to belong to the Schoolhouse Quilters, a short time ago.

Within this entrance hall was displayed several quilts honouring Canada's Sesquicentennial. My favourite was a collage of symbols, most of which are very uniquely Canadian. The collage, collectively, created the image of a maple leaf.

Since the show, I have seen a couple of versions of this art on-line. Initially, I thought it was a panel but as I examined it more closely, I saw very tiny appliqués pieces.

For example some of the tiny pieces were an inukshuk, ice skates, a Mountie hat, a toque, a curling rock and broom, a goalie stick, the Stanley Cup, mittens, and many animals like moose, a bear, and a beaver. I think you get the picture. I loved it!

My group of 3 visited the vendors area first. (You don't want to miss out on the best selection!). No

bolts, but lots of kits and fat quarters. I did find two 1/2m batik pieces for \$5 each.

One vendor made beautiful wool jackets and vests where she had embellished the garment with wool roving. Beautiful work!

At one vendor, I had to take photos of the 3 two-fabric Bargello quilts as each was quilted differently. I have, as yet, only done the black and white flimsy Bargello that many of you have seen.

Despite being a smaller quilt show, the quilts were many and varied. We walked the aisles twice - once to see the quilts and read labels, and the second time to quickly select our viewer's choice and vote. We had a ballot to select our favourite small, medium, and large quilts.

My most difficult choice was for the small quilt as I had at least 3 fantastic choices.

Every hour they announced draw prize winners but we weren't so lucky.

Since our return ferry was to depart at 8:45, we had lots of time and arranged a visit to the lone quilt store in town. It proved to be a very nice shop with a couple of fabrics that I couldn't resist.

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We enjoyed a really nice dinner at "Coastal Cookery" Restaurant. Other groups raved about their meals at other restaurants, so don't hesitate to enjoy a meal if you visit the town.

On the ferry we had a mini "show and tell " as we shared our purchases and finds from the "White Elephant" table.

Try to take in one of these shows that the local guild takes so much effort and pride to pull off.

It was a long day, but a day worth remembering.

Raelene



This is from the quilt show.

This is from April Show n' Tell



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Empire Days
**QUILT
SHOW**

May 20, 21 & 22, 2017

Cumberland Cultural Centre

2674 Dunsmuir, Cumberland, BC

Admission: \$5 (under 12 free)

Saturday & Sunday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Monday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Quilt Raffle – Guild Boutique – Raffle Baskets
Merchant Mall – Tea Room

THE

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QUILT SHOW



CANADA 150
1867-2017

BIG QUILT BEE 2017

Well done ladies! Thanks for the great response for quilts, flimsies & blocks for quilts for Ronald MacDonald Houses across Canada. 11 flimsies & 87 blocks were mailed to Toronto in March.

I have collected 5 more flimsies & 8 blocks which I will be sending off on May 5th. That will be the deadline, so please pass them on to me before that date.

Last week, CQA reported they have reached the half-way count of 500 completed quilts.

PS: If anyone is heading down island, I have a completed CQA quilt bee quilt to be delivered to Kaleidoscope quilting in Duncan. The quilts collected there go to the Victoria CQA representative who will deliver them directly to the Ronald McDonald House in Vancouver. Please contact me @ 941-1809. Nerissa.

Nerissa

MAY 20, 21 & 22 EMPIRE DAYS QUILT SHOW

It's almost show time!

Planning has gone very well thanks to all the super, hard working Committee members.

We are now in the final stages and are looking for volunteers. Thanks to all who have signed up already.

There are various "positions" available & shifts vary from 2 to 2½ hours.

There are a few sit- down jobs for those who can't be on their feet for too long.

It's a lot of fun, so if you haven't signed up yet, or have questions, please speak to Florence Labrecque.

It's going to be a GREAT show!!

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From the Editor's Desk

Newsletter Advertising:

To advertise in the newsletter please contact Joan Johnsen for rates. Submit advertising by the **15th** of the month for inclusion in the next month.

forjj1@shaw.ca

Newsletter Deadline:

Please submit all entries for the newsletter by the **20th** of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

Submit articles to Hope (current editor) using the email:

editor@schoolhousequilters.com

Guild Meetings

Our guild meets every Thursday from 9:00am to 9:00pm for quilting at the Cumberland OAP Hall.

General Meeting (September to June) on the **1st** Thursday of each month at **6:30 pm**

Executive Meeting (September to June) **3rd** Thursday of each month at 1:00pm

No meetings in July or August, just wonderful sewing days...

Our Website:

www.schoolhousequilters.com

Memberships

Don't forget to renew your membership. You need to be a paid member to enjoy the benefits of the guild...

Comox Valley Exhibition (CVEx) Quilt Show

August 25, 26 and 27, 2017

The time draws near.

As always our number one requirement is quilts but those can't be registered until the Entry Book comes out in May. One can't register them but please think about which ones you want to enter.

Right now our focus is **volunteers**. Gail Hampton has generously offered to be the volunteer coordinator. Starting May 4, she will have a volunteer board available each Thursday at the OAP Hall for people to sign up.

Please, if you can spare the time for these dates, volunteer for some aspect of the Quilt Show.

I do really like to promote the Challenge Quilt category. The Theme for this year's CVEx is 'Canada - 150 and Growing' and the quilt must reflect the theme. The Quilt can be up to 48" square and any technique and is open to any quilt, fiber art piece or wearable made in the twelve months preceding the Show.

We look forward to another successful Quilt Show at CVEx 2017 so please do that mental list of possible quilted items for registration and/or volunteer your time. And even if you are unable to do either of those mark the dates on your Calendar and come and admire.

Judy Morrison

Comox Valley Exhibition

2017 Quilt Show

Friday, August 25
Saturday, August 26
Sunday, August 27



Participant Guide & Entry Forms
available Online June 1st

Entry Deadline Aug 16, 2017

Email: info@cvex.ca Web: cvex.ca

CAMP HOMEWOOD RETREAT

Mark the Dates . . . our next Camp Homewood retreat is scheduled for **October 18th – 22nd, 2017**. We have found the *four* day retreat provides us with lots of valued time for sewing and socializing. **Please note this retreat will run from 11am Wednesday to 11am Sunday**. Sign up will start at the June business meeting. If you do not feel you can attend for a full four days please do not let that deter you from registering as it is a possibility for some of you to attend for three days only.

Depending on sign-up numbers we will also have the option of opening up the guesthouse for more private rooms. For further details concerning the guesthouse please speak to one of the retreat coordinators listed below. The cost per individual for the *four* days will range from \$252. to \$305., depending on the room you choose. The starting range of \$252. is a bunk style dorm room which sleeps up to 7, however on average there are usually anywhere from 2 to 5 in these rooms. Individuals in these rooms have shared bathroom/shower facilities. There is a separate handicapped washroom available to any that may require ease of access to toilet or shower. There are also newer rooms available which sleep up to 3 and have their own wash-room, including shower/tub. These rooms are either \$287 with 3 sharing the room or \$305 with only 2 sharing. All prices include 3 meals a day along with snacks in the evening consisting of cookies/squares, fruit, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. The meals at Camp Homewood are excellent . . . and you will never walk away hungry!

If you have never been to a retreat at Camp Homewood we urge you to give it a try. It is a lot of fun and a great way to get to know your fellow quilters. Over the past couple of years we have seen a number of quilters who have attended retreat for the first time, and we continue to see more of them becoming regulars . If you wish to sign-up or for further information please contact one of the retreat coordinators listed below. Our contact details can be located on the guild website under “retreats” or by viewing the membership list.

For those of you who plan ahead the dates for our spring 2018 retreat are February 14th – 18th, 2018. We look forward to seeing some new members as well as all of our regulars at one of the upcoming retreats.

Beverly Luck
Terry Vadeboncoeur
Sharron Woodland

Canada 150

Hands Across the Water 2017

Campbell River Friendship Quilt Guild would like to invite you to celebrate **Canada** at our Hands Across the Water.

When: September 30th 2017 10 am – 3:30 pm

Where: Fraternal Order of Eagles Hall 1999 14 Ave, Campbell River. Park at the front of the building, the hall is around the back. Not a huge parking lot so carpool if possible.

Cost: \$18.00 includes lunch, a trunk show by Daphne Greig, merchants and some great take homes!

How: We invite you to wear red and white. Our guild members are making Fascinators to wear and we would love to see lots of other people wearing them too!

Please register by the 15th of June. We will open registration to anyone not a member of the five hosting guilds after the 15th of June.

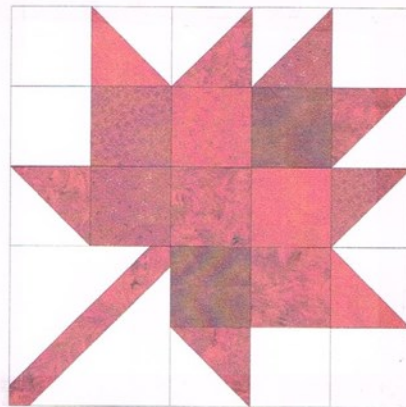
Your registration should include your name and guild affiliation and a cheque made payable to CRFQG. If you require a gluten-free sandwich please indicate this on your registration. Send your registrations to:

Sandy Widen
252 River City Lane
Campbell River BC V9W 8H2

Please find attached the pattern for the block exchange and the challenge quilt specifications.

Island Sewing has very generously donated a Pfaff Creative 1.5 sewing and embroidery machine. We will be only offering \$5.00 raffle tickets for the machine to our guests at this event. The raffle will be drawn that day. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards CRFQG's Community Projects Fund.

If you have questions about this event please email Lois Kelly at dandlkelly@shaw.ca or Nancy Johnstone at nancyjo@telus.net



CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

WHITE (NOT Cream or Beige, can be white on white as long as it shows as white)

Cut 5 squares $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$

Cut 4 squares $3'' \times 3''$

Cut 1 square $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

RED

Cut 8 squares assorted reds $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$

Cut 4 squares assorted reds $3'' \times 3''$

Cut 1 rectangle $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 7''$

DIRECTIONS

Draw a diagonal line on white $3'' \times 3''$ squares. Place right sides together with red $3'' \times 3''$ squares. Sew a scant $\frac{1}{4}''$ on both sides of drawn lines and cut on drawn line. Press and trim to $2\frac{1}{2}''$.

Turn under $\frac{1}{4}''$ on long sides of red $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 7''$ rectangle. Place diagonally on white $4\frac{1}{2}''$ square. Applique by whatever method you like.

Assemble maple leaf as per diagram.

Block should measure $10\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$ unfinished.

Business Meeting Programs

May 4th Fabric Dying

Margaret Kelly and Gail Teillet will be telling us about dying fabric. They will have some samples and would be happy to answer questions at the break. Also they will have fabric for sale.

June 1st - Garage Sale.

Starting about 5:30 those who wish to sell Quilt Related Items may set up a table or share a table with a friend. The sale will continue during break. Then we will have our draws and show 'n tell. This may be a good time to do a little spring cleaning.

June 15th - Pot Luck

Stay tuned for more information.

PLACEMATS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Since we are having the Quilt Show in May this year, we have decided, with the approval of the executive, that we will delay the placemats collection for Meals on Wheels from the June business meeting to the September business meeting.

In addition, we are having 2 days for cutting kits for placemats for Meals on Wheels, the Christmas Hamper program, and the Soroptipaks for the Transition House.

We plan to have a "cutting bee" on May 25th at 10:30 and again on June 8th at 10:30. We have donated fabric for fronts & back...both Christmas, non Christmas...plus batting.

All are welcome to assist in the "cutting bee", many hands make light work & we could really use the help.

Thanks,

Sharon Latham

Book Review!

skinny quilts & table runners: from today's top designers

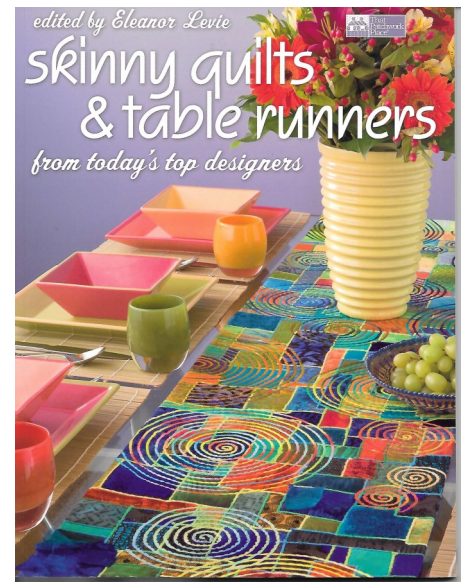
edited by Eleanor Levie

That Patchwork Place, Martingale & Company 2008

Quilt Guild library # 145

Have you a hankering to try 'new to you' techniques from well known designers?

Quilting time is precious, so why not try a skinny quilt or table runner, rather than a full size quilt? "skinny quilts & table runners" contains 15 different projects by such prominent quilters as Kaffe Fassett, Marti Mitchell, Yvonne Porcella and Jane Samsaman.



The 15 designers in the book each present a project reflecting their unique style of work. You will find a great variety - from fused to machine and hand applique, felted embellishments to cutwork applique and prairie points.

Each project is introduced with a wonderful full color photo, followed by the finished measurements, a list of required materials, cutting and assembly instructions as well as patterns. Directions are clearly given and, thankfully, go beyond 'quilt as desired', to include suggestions for quilting your work.

You may have already seen some of these runners in Magazines. Carol Taylor (Arc-I-texture) has been featured in quilting magazines and "Quilting Arts" several times. Her unique piece consists of circular couching on a fused collage of rectangles. Karen Echmeier has presented a skinny seascape adapted from her book, "Accidental Landscapes".

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A "Garden of Seasons" by Barb Cribb of Wild Thymes Pattern Co. uses wool felt for a stunning runner loaded with trillium, roses, yellow stock and juniper berries. "Tea 4 Two" by Laura Wasilowski is a fused runner consisting of whimsical teapots and cups and can be completed in only a few hours.

A touch of humor makes "skinny quilts & table runners" a delightful read. Two pages of notes about the designers gives more insight into the focus of their work - check their websites to see more of their work!

This book has been followed by 'skinny quilts & table runners II', published in 2009, presenting projects by well known quilters such as Sue Benner, Karla Anderson and Lonni Rossi.

So far a follow up to # II hasn't been published but these two library books are well worth a viewing - perhaps you will get hooked on runners.

Lois Warner



May 2017 WORKSHOP NEWS

Joan's Roll-Top bag workshop was a hit in April and we hope to see some of them at the next show-and-tell.

Only ONE workshop left before summer. It's Jan Hill's applique class and we're currently taking names for the waiting list if you would like to be included.

Beginner Machine Applique with Jan Hill - May 27th, 2017 - \$32.00

This is a class for beginners to machine applique.

In the morning, Jan will talk about products and techniques and give you helpful hints. You'll get a chance to test fusibles and machine stitches and in the afternoon you will work on a project of your own.

At the next meeting, we'll tell you about the first class we have coming up in the fall.

Remember – workshops are a great way to not only learn something new, but to meet members you might not otherwise see at sewing Thursdays or meetings!

Your workshop committee

Eva Hansen, Lynda Reid, Bonnie Smith

Volunteer Opportunity—Newsletter Editor

Are you looking for a challenging, exciting volunteer position with our guild. Consider taking over the Newsletter Editor position in September. This is a fun, exciting and sometimes challenging 'dare I say JOB' that I have had the pleasure of doing for quite a few years now.

It is time for some new ideas, perhaps you have some.

If you are interested please contact me (Hope) at the guild or via this email editor@schoolhousequilters.com for more information.

I usually spend about a minimum of 5 hours a month putting the articles (contributed by members) plus the advertising together. Our newsletter goes out from September to June (10 issues).

Skills required would be a **minimum** of the following:

- Extensive knowledge using software, the current newsletter is done in Microsoft Publisher but could be done in any software that can create the current format and able to save to a pdf file for publication.
- Knowledge of sizing and manipulating graphics files that our advertisers and contributors send in. Formats include jpg, pdf, word docx, png, excel and other formats.
- Ability to communicate via email with our advertisers and article contributors as well as our printing company.
- Able to meet deadlines.

Sounds like fun, it is so think about it and let me know. You would need to be able to do a mock up for practice for the September deadline with my help of course.

Hope

Volunteer Positions

Newsletter Advertising

We need someone to look after getting advertisers for our newsletter. Without our advertisers we would not be able to make printed copies.

If you are interested please contact Joan Johnsen.

Show n' Tell Photographer

We need someone to take over for Barb in taking pictures of our wonderful quilts.

If you are interested please contact Barb Messer to learn about this fun volunteer



Refreshment Rota

Each month has been allocated letters of the alphabet. If your last name begins with one of the letters for that month, then that is the month that you are responsible for bringing a snack to the business meeting in the evening.

Having said that, if you just feel like baking or bringing something to any business meeting, regardless if it is your "turn" or not, you are more than welcome to do so!

Month	Surnames beginning with:
September	A, B
October	C, D, E
November	F, G
December	H, I, J.
January	K
February	L
March	M
April	N, O, P, Q, R
May	S
June	T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

The Kitchen Cops

Happy May Birthdays

Webber	Carreen	5/1
Clark	Paulette	5/3
Olson	Melanie	5/13
Johnsen	Joan	5/16
McEwen	Mary-Jean	5/17
Manders	Tina	5/20
Morris	Renie	5/25
Levirs	Brenda	5/30
Hill	Jan	5/31



Guild Member Personal Information

If you need to contact any of our guild members, executive or committee members please go to the **Members Only** page and then to **Memberships** on our website for the most up to date list of all email, addresses and phone numbers of current guild members. Remember you will need to be a paid member to get the userid and password to enter this area.

To protect the privacy of our guild members' personal phone numbers or email addresses will not be published in the newsletter unless specifically requested by the committee member. Most committees have a guild email address that is redirected to their personal address.

If your committee does not as yet have one or you are organizing a special event please send an email to our webmaster using webmaster@schoolhousequilters.com to request one.

As a paid member you have received the login and password for this section. If you do not have access to a computer or printer please see Hope to request a paper copy of our newsletter. If paper copies of newsletters are not picked up 3 months in a row your name will be taken off the paper copy list. If you will be away, please arrange for another guild member to pick up your paper copy.

SUNSHINE

If anyone knows a guild member who has been ill or has illness or a death in their family or who just needs to be cheered, please call:

Trudy Thorne
(phone number on membership list)

Or email:

sunshine@schoolhousequilters.com

so that a card may be sent

Personal Information Changes

Please notify the Membership Committee of any changes to your email, phone number or address.

The Membership Committee will then pass this information on to those who need the information to update email lists, and membership files.

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May 20 - 22nd

at the Cumberland Cultural Centre

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Got something you would like to raise at an upcoming meeting? Please let me know by email no later than the day before the meeting so that we can allocate our time more efficiently in the business portion of our meetings. This includes items to be addressed under Members' Announcements.

My email address is

secretary@schoolhousequilters.com

Patti (Secretary)



Word Search Puzzle Bring to June Meeting

Sewing Elements 1

Beverly Michaluk

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