



Lions Gate Quilters' Guild



February 2008

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Happy Valentines!

Thank you to everyone who is bringing a mug to the meetings. In case you don't know you can collect a charm square and a pattern for a charm quilt, courtesy of Thread Bear, from Dorothy Moseley if you show her your mug when you come. Each month Dorothy has a different fabric. Bringing mugs allows us to cut down on our garbage and also helps our budget!

If you need space to layer a quilt or lay out pieces to have a good look and arrange them you can use the gym on the Tuesdays of our meeting days after 10AM until an hour before our meeting time. You could even sew! We are already paying for this time because the set up is done first thing in the morning. Just let me know and I will arrange access for you. If I am away on holiday just call the church office (604-987-6800) in the morning to arrange entry. If I am not there, my friend Angela who works in the office, asks that there be at least 2 people so that she doesn't need to worry about a single person's health or safety because the office is quite distant from the gym. Just identify yourself to her as being part of the Lions Gate Quilters Guild.

Edna Simpson will be contacting those who signed up to cut kits or do some layering or machine quilting, for

Community Quilts, to arrange a time to do it with her. If anyone else would like to work on this before the Community Quilts workshop on March 7 and 8th, Edna would be delighted to hear from you.

The next COPS days are February 16th and March 15th at the Bridge Community Church. See Marg Marlow's write-up for further information.

Our February 26th meeting looks to be very interesting and full. We will have a short business meeting, and an election followed by Louise Jackson's presentation about working with silk.

See you at the AGM!



Things to Remember:

- Name Tag & Membership Card.
- Coffee Mug
- Library Books and fines
- Money for 50/50 draw and workshops

Guild meetings are held the fourth **Tuesday** of the month at:
St Andrews and St Stevens
corner of 27th St and Chesterfield

Next Guild meeting – Feb 26—7:30pm
Next Executive meeting – Mar 3– 7:00pm

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LIBRARY

Bev Dunphy— Librarian



Greetings from the Library

Report will be given at next meeting. Please remember to return your library books and pay any overdue fines. The money collected from fines goes directly to buying new books

Name Tags - Remember to bring your name tag with you. If you forget it I will have sticky tags for a donation of 25 cents - remember, you can't win the door prize without a name tag. Look for people with a colour border on their name tag, this means they are either a guest or a new member. Please help them to feel welcome!!

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MEMBERSHIP

Vicki Digby—Membership Coordinator

January 2008 brought 7 new members so our total number of members increased to 245. We had 83 people renew their membership in January. The door prize was won by, Lydia Jakovec, who had joined the Guild moments before winning. Congratulations!

There are a couple of ways to receive your renewal form this year, it is posted on our website, and it is printed on the back page of January's newsletter. Please follow the instructions on the form & either mail it or bring it to the February meeting. However you renew, your new membership card and your quilt show tickets will be ready for you at the next meeting.

Please remember to bring your completed form:
this will save a lot of time and make the renewal process so much more efficient! Thanks.

As this is a Quilt Show year, it is important to renew your membership by March 16, 2008 in order to qualify to hang any quilts in the show.

PROGRAM

Maureen Van den Dool—Program Coordinator

February—AGM

After the AGM we will have the opportunity to listen to Louise Jackson from "Mostly Silk" Her talk will be on how to sew with silk and her silk sewing journey. View her beautiful silk products and shop until you drop!!

March

Guest speaker TBA

April

Community quilts

With Community Quilts occurring in March this year the CQ Committee asked that the display of completed quilts be done at the April meeting. News about an exciting guest speaker for the March meeting will be forthcoming.

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Edna Simpson– Community Quilts Coordinator

Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8

Friday, March 7 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, March 8..... 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

at Highland United Church gymnasium, Edgemont Village

Please note **Friday starts at 9:30am** because of day care parking at the church and it would help them if we don't arrive until that time. Saturday, however, starts at 9:00 am. There is limited parking in the church's parking lots - in front (off Edgemont Blvd.) and in the back (off Brookridge - accessible off Ridgewood Drive). **DO NOT USE** the SuperValu parking lot. It might be a good idea to drive together or have someone drop you off.

We are looking forward to seeing your finished quilts from last year(s) and ask that you bring them to the workshop days.

Tea, coffee and goodies will be provided but please bring your own mug and lunch if necessary. If you are able to bring cookies or snacks on one of these two days, please call Dorie Piercy at 604-985-1574 so that she can organize the setting up of refreshments.

Do consider coming for 1 hour - 2 days as there are many ways you can help (from sewing your own quilt - or with a friend, layering & tying quilts, sewing on labels, hemming on bindings, ironing and cutting fabric). I hope you will join us as it is a very worthwhile day. The two quilts that are being given to the Variety Club Telethon 'Show of Hearts' will be given on Sunday, February 17th to the family (from Victoria).

SPRING RETREAT

Mavis Walkley– Spring Retreat Coordinator

Friday to Sunday April 4-6, 2008

For 20 years our members have enjoyed spending a spring weekend at the Conference Centre where everything is under one roof and one can relax, have their meals made, get some sewing done and have a social time with other quilters.

Will there be a spring retreat at the North Vancouver Outdoor School Conference Centre this year?

The number of registration forms given out at the January meeting fell shy of the number required to make the retreat viable so PLEASE consider coming and encourage friends as well so that the weekend can go ahead as planned. This will be done on a first come-first served basis. If you require a registration form, please phone me and I will mail one to you.



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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominating committee is very pleased to report that we now have volunteers who have stepped forward for each of the executive positions being vacated at the end of this term. But it is important to remember that more nominations are very welcome and can be done by contacting Isabelle Jenkins or Dorothy Moseley prior to the February Guild meeting or nominate a willing candidate from the floor at that meeting. The current candidates are as follows:

Treasurer – Janet Kugyelka
 Newsletter Editor – Sherry Jonn
 Librarian – Nancy Sunderland
 Program Coordinator – Ursula Greiner
 Member-at-large – Bernadette Sousa

Profiles

Nancy Sunderland - Library Coordinator

During the four years that I have been a member of the Lions Gate Quilters' Guild I have had the pleasure of making new friends and learning from others in many different ways. The creativity displayed through show and tell, the presentations, workshops and seminars and quilt shows have inspired me immensely.

I have enjoyed and benefited from the wonderful books that I have taken home from the Guild's library. These books are the tools that shape and direct the work that I do as a quilter. I eagerly look forward to bringing home a book or two and dream up ways that I can incorporate my new knowledge into a quilt.

When I was asked if I would consider being on the executive, I thought that the library would be the best fit for me. I would be pleased to take on this job.

Uschi Greiner—Program Coordinator

My name is Uschi Greiner and I have been quilting for twelve years. I have been a member of the Lions Gate Quilters Guild for six years and would now like to become a more active member. I like working as part of a team and that is why I would like to be the program coordinator.

Sherry Jonn—Newsletter Editor

Hello, my name is Sherry Jonn and I have only been a member of the guild since late 2006. I have been quilting about seven years now, I started to quilt after I was working at a local fabric shop and had to help many of the members of the guild with their fabric purchases! I was hooked after the first one. I like to volunteer for different things and since I am pretty good with computers, I decided to volunteer for the newsletter. I hope to serve everyone well in that role, I am committed to getting it out in a timely manner and promise to keep it as refreshing as it currently is!

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TIDBITS FROM THE TREASURER

Janet Kugyelka, Treasurer

Thanks to everyone for your attention to the Financial information at the January meeting. Feedback to the executive suggests the membership seems to feel this amount of detail meets our needs.

At the February meeting, a provisional budget, as approved by the executive will be presented for a membership vote. Subsequent to the meeting there are two items that have been adjusted:

- 1) The advertising revenue will be more accurately budgeted as \$850 (instead of \$1200)
- 2) Upon request of a member(s), we have added a Sponsorship item of \$450 in the 2008 year for the North Vancouver City, North Vancouver District, and West Vancouver

Libraries. This would be to provide funds specifically toward

updated quilting books for public circulation. This has been something which the Guild has supported in former years.

This means that the projected budget has approximately a \$900 shortfall for the current year.

The executive feels that the Library Sponsorship, High School Scholarship, and items such as the of Album of Quilts Social event Sponsorship are discretionary items that can be reviewed yearly, taking into account the financial performance of the Guild during the previous year(s). Bearing in mind that we are a non-profit organization, and we retain about a years operations funds in reserve, the current executive feels that a small deficit budget is a reasonable proposition.



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Album of Quilts 2008

September 19, 20, & 21, 2008—Lucas Centre

Pat Gormely—Quilt Show Coordinator

Many thanks to all of you who continue to offer your assistance and support for the show. Admission ticket packages will be available at the membership table at the February and March meetings.

For those members who were not in attendance at the last meeting, some changes to the show were announced.

- Hours of operation will be Fri./Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All quilts will be picked up by 6 p.m. on Sunday. Attendance is very slow late Sunday afternoon. This change will save on facility rental charges and overtime custodial fees. It also allows members to be home on Sunday evening.
- There will not be a catalogue. This is a luxury we can no longer afford and will provide savings of \$2500. Descriptions will still be hung on the quilts.
- After considerable discussion with the committee and listening to input from the executive and individual guild members, a decision has been made to continue the tradition of the guild social on the Saturday evening of the show. The social is viewed as a very positive guild event and allows us to view the quilts in a leisurely manner. (i.e. with a glass of wine in hand).

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 19, 2008 – you must have current membership in the guild to be eligible to hang a quilt in the show

April 22, 2008 – quilt registration begins

May 27, 2008 – quilt registration continues

June 30, 2008 – final day to register quilts

ALBUM OF QUILTS COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Coordinators – Pat Gormely and Debbie Mitchell

Boutique – Lorna Ruelle and Marilyn Sewell

Education – Renata Doerfert, Paula Wohlgemuth and Leslie Forbes

Finance – Elaine Anderson

Merchants' Mall – Pam Cave

Publicity – Sherry Jonn

Quilt Descriptions – Krista Hennebury

Raffle Quilt – Dianne Ritter

Registration – Elaine Fjoser

Set up/take down – Carol Piercy and Dianne Ritter

Volunteers - Vicki Digby and Angie Gursche

BUS TOURS



SPRING QUILT SHOW BUS TOUR

Fidalgo Island Quilters' Show

When: Saturday, April 5, 2008 (8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

Where: Anacortes, Washington

Cost: \$40.00

Here's a great opportunity for some spring-time inspiration - hundreds of fresh quilts to view, and amazing colours in nature! The highlight of the trip is the quilt show, of course, but included is a drive around the Skagit Valley tulip fields, and time in Anacortes for shopping at 2 quilt stores and taking in the quilt walk. There's also a stop at Bellis Fair Mall for supper on the way home. Bring a friend, and make new ones amongst your fellow travelers.

Sign up at the February and March meetings; logistical details will be provided at this time. Booking is on a first-come, first-served basis. Please bring the exact amount if you can, or pay by cheque made out to LGQG. The fee is non-refundable, and covers the cost of the bus, the entry to the show, and the driver's tip. Family and friends are welcome!

Contact Anne Field, 604-464-0715, quiltan-drun@gmail.com if you have any questions. Hope you'll join us!



MEMBERS AT LARGE

Do you know a member who is ill or otherwise needs cheering up? If so, please give the information to Members-at-Large, Isabelle Jenkins or Dorothy Moseley, (or any other executive member) to have a card sent from the Guild.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Marg Marlow—Workshop Coordinator

C.O.P.S.DAYS 2008

Saturday Jan. 19
 Saturday Feb. 16
 Saturday March 15
 Saturday April 5
 Saturday May 10
 Saturday June 14

Put these dates on your calendar and be prepared to come on out and have some fun with your fellow quilters and friends! The Jan. date will already have happened, and I know those who dropped in had fun!

\$10.00 registration fee, and bring the usual plate of sweets or savories!

Start signing up at the January 2008 meeting!

All these dates have been booked at the Bridge Community Church, 515 W. Windsor

PAINTING SUNFLOWERS, with Coreen Zerr

This 2 day class will cover the tricks and fun of painting your own fabric to create those luscious colours of the sunflowers and fall leaves as well as designing the fabric into an autumn splendor of colour arrangement. The first day we'll paint our fabric and the second day will be used to design your quilt using these fabrics. Quilting tips and designs will be demonstrated as well.

Date: **Sat. & Sun. April 12 & 13, 2008**

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Can-Lan Ice Sports, off Mt. Seymour Parkway

Cost: \$140.00 which includes \$25 kit fee.

Kit Includes: paints, fabric, brushes, and misc. needed for painting. Small supply list.

Registration begins at the January meeting!

MELTDOWN & BURNOUT, with Eileen Neill

Eileen had been experimenting with non-traditional materials for the past 3 years. In this 2 day workshop we will explore materials such as tyvek, polyester sheers, plastic wrapping paper, and puff paints to make interesting surfaces, which can then be applied to fabric to make small wall hangings. In working with these materials Eileen has tried melting them using various heating appliances with interesting results. The first day we will mainly experiment with the materials and techniques. On the second day we will use the exciting samples that we have made to make a small wall hanging.

Date: **Sat. & Sun. May 3 & 4, 2008**

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Can-Lan Ice Sports, off Mt. Seymour Parkway

Cost: TBA

More information will follow. REGISTRATION BEGINS AT THE FEB. MEETING

WORKSHOP SIGNUP:

To clarify workshop signup and to make registration fair to every member the following procedures will be followed:

If class fills on first night of registration with maximum # of registrants, Registration will be closed. If class over fills on first night of registration, there will be a lottery.

If the class does not fill on the first night of registration the workshop committee will decide if class will go ahead. If class does go ahead all those registered on the first night would be guaranteed a spot. Further registrations would be collected on a first come basis.

In other words, if you really want to attend a workshop, make sure you get your cheque in to the workshop committee either in person, by mail, or with a friend by the first night of registration.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 24 ~ March 9/08: *Under the Indian Sun*, Artist Wendy Rao, FibreEssence Gallery, 3210 Dunbar Street, Vancouver.

April 4-5, 2008: *Garden Party Quilts*, The Fidalgo Island Quilters, Anacortes Washington.

April 11-12/08 : *Sacred Cloth* - Squamish, B.C. at St John the Divine Anglican Church, 1960 Diamond Road.

April 11-12/08: *Quiltsville 2008*, Oliver Community Centre, 36003 – 79th St, .Oliver, B.C Fri. 10-8, Sat. 10-4. Quilt show

May 2-4, 2008: *Quilt Fever 2008*, Victoria Quilters' Guild, Saanich Fairgrounds.

May 30-31, 2008: *Quilts in the Valley*, Abbotsford Quilters Guild—Tradex Centre

June 2-7, 2008: *Quilt Canada 2008*, CQA/ACC, St John's Newfoundland and Labrador

July 26, 2008: *Gardens of Quilts*, Mayne Island Quilters Guild, Japanese Garden Dinner Bay Park

August 8-10, 2008: *Quitfest*, Assoc. of Pacific Northwest Quilters (APNQ), Washington State Convention & Trade Centre in downtown Seattle.

August 22-24, 2008: *Quilting in the Mountains*, Sun Peaks

September 19-21, 2008: *Album of Quilts*, Lions Gate Quilters Guild, Lucas Centre North Vancouver

September 27, 2008: *For the Love of Quilting*, Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild, Chilliwack United Church Hall.

DETAILS AT LGQG INFORMATION TABLE

If you have a concern, comments or suggestions which you would like addressed at an executive meeting, please submit them to any one of the executive in writing or by email.

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