

Lions Gate Quilters' Guild



March 2007

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Happy St Patrick's Day to all the Irish, Irish descendants, and the Irish chain pattern lovers. Thank you for all the support and positive feedback after the February meeting.

I had a great time and learned a lot at the Thread Bear Workshop on 'Sashiko – the art of Japanese Quilting'. I highly recommend it and didn't find it difficult at all.

Our March 22nd meeting is going to be held at the **Kay Meek Centre** and full instructions are enclosed for directions and parking. Let's try going green and car pooling. The Kay Meek Centre doesn't allow refreshments in the theatre so we are only going to have drinking water available in the hall outside the theatre so please have your tea or coffee before you come.

I hope you are looking forward to hearing Reynola Pakusich's presentation on the use of special Ethnic Fabrics, as much as I am. There are still a couple of spots left for the workshop on the following day. Just call Marg Marlow or Lynn Will to get signed up.

Membership and meeting attendance has declined since we moved our meeting place to the Squamish Recreation Centre. Our financial concerns were discussed at the Annual General Meeting in January (Our venue eats up a huge chunk of our membership dues). Also with

our meeting night unavailable for two meetings this spring and the concern with storage of our library, the executive is arranging for another venue for future use. This may mean our meeting night might change to a different day of the week. The place we are examining presently is less than half the present cost and has a kitchen and large hall with lots of windows. Please check your next newsletter for the day and place of our April meeting.

The executive is under the impression that the Guild owns a microphone. If anyone knows anything about it please speak to one of the executive.

Co-ordinators are still needed for The Quilt Show 2008, the Raffle Quilt, Archiving the Guild and for the newsletter's 'Member of the Month'. Many thanks and much appreciation goes to Trish Sherman for her contributions to the 'Member of the Month' articles in the newsletter. If you are at all interested and are not sure what is involved or would like to share the job with someone else please speak with one of the executive or email us through the web site. Perhaps there is someone else who would also like to have a partner in the process.

Rosalind



Our next Guild meeting is at:

The Kay Meek Centre

1700 Mathers Ave, West Vancouver

Next Guild meeting – Mar 22—7:30pm

Next Executive meeting – Mar 26– 7:00pm

Things to Remember:

- ⇒ Nine patches—Hand them in before the meeting
- ⇒ Name Tag & Membership Card.
- ⇒ Fall Seminar Registrations

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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Marg Marlow—Workshop Coordinator

C.O.P.S. Days for Spring 2007!

Saturday April 21st Time: 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Please note Time)

Saturday May 12th, Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Bridge Community Church,
515 West Windsor St. N. Vancouver

Price: \$10.00 plus a plate of savories or sweets

C.O.P.S. Days are booked for your enjoyment and camaraderie of your fellow quilters. A time to finish a project, or start something new. There's always something to do to have some fun!

Art 101 for Quilters, Experimenting with Colour and Design

With Barb Mortell

The idea for this workshop is to give the student a good groundwork in the Basics of Art. We'll look at design and colour principles in a variety of ways. Experimenting with some of these aspects of design will give you food for thought and a stronger foundation for your quilt making, whether you are interested in traditional quilts, or innovative quilts or your interest lies somewhere in between. Arriving to class with an open mind and few expectations of making a "prize winning" quilt will give you the most satisfactory results. Using the tools we are accustomed to (paper and pencil, sewing machines, scissors, and rotary cutters) we will play with the principles of design. The varied schedule of exercises will include (among other things); drawing and colouring – both with pencils and

thread, cutting and piecing, writing, thinking, talking and sharing ideas, appliqué, composition and cutting and pasting. It's a basic art class, so come and have fun learning the basics!

Dates: Fri. Sat., & Sun. April 27, 28, & 29th, 2007

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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

Price: \$110.00 Last chance to sign up at the March meeting! 4 spots available

Workshops are booked for your enjoyment! Don't forget to bring your cheque book or cash to sign up!

Each class has a maximum number of students the teacher will accept, or the facility allows. Registration begins at 7:00 p.m. before the meeting starts, then again at break. In the event there are more registrants than spots, a draw will be held after last sign-up date, participants will be notified, and supply list and confirmations will be sent out.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Workshop fees are non-refundable. If there is no waiting list, you can choose to find a replacement. You are responsible for obtaining payment from your replacement and notifying the committee the name & ph. # of that person. If a class is cancelled due to insufficient registration, you will receive a full refund.

Cheques for workshops will be cashed once sign-up has been completed, class is full, and Supply Lists have been sent out. This is usually 2-3 weeks before class begins, or right after last sign-up day and class is full.

Guild Cancellation Policy: After registering, and you find you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to find a replacement and to get payment from this person. If a workshop is cancelled by the Workshop Committee due to insufficient registration, you will receive a full refund.

LIBRARY

Bev Dunphy, Librarian



Greetings from the Library

The Library is closed this month. You will keep your books until the April meeting with no fines assessed for the month of March.

SPRING RETREAT

Mavis Walkley– Spring Retreat Coordinator

Friday, April 13 - Sunday, April 15

All of those who got their registration forms in by the February 22nd meeting will be going to the Spring Retreat in April. I will have all information for you at the March 22nd meeting. If you are not there to get your information package, you can have a friend pick it up or I will mail it to you.

PROGRAM

Maureen van den Dool— Program Coordinator

Our March 22 meeting featuring Reynola Pakusich, will be held at the Kay Meek Theater located at 1700 Mathers in West Vancouver, next to West Vancouver Secondary school. From all points in West Vancouver, proceed on the Upper Levels highway to the 15th St exit #11 south to Inglewood. Turn right off 15th onto Inglewood and turn right at the Parking sign for Kay Meek Centre between 15th and 17th. Kay Meek Centre is located at the top of the parking area. Additional parking is available in the teacher parking lot off Mathers. Parking on Mathers St. is for residents only and others will be ticketed. (See pg. 8 for map)

Tables will be set up to collect and distribute the 9 patches so please bring them to the meeting. Fall Seminar will also have a table for workshop sign ups, lecture ticket sales and challenge quilts. The Library will be closed this month so hang on to your books or swap with a friend.

I hope everyone is busily sewing on their mystery quilts and 9 patches. Several people were at the last COPS day doing just that. Check for future dates and come join us to get motivated and sew up a storm. We are planning to participate in the May 12th COPS day to finish off our mysteries. Sign up early!

I'm excited about fall seminar and can hardly wait. For those of you who don't or can't participate, I'm cooking up a lovely mini mystery for the fall. It will be very small and do-able with a Christmas theme in mind.

The wheels are already turning for January '08 if you can believe it! Anyone with creative ideas to share, let me know.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

By Kathryn Gillis

Many thanks to Tricia Sherman for writing some wonderful articles about our members. Tricia is such a busy person (just finished filming her 4th episode of Great Canadian Shop Hop, still owes the CQA Newsletter 2 articles, preparing to film at Spring Market and trying to teach at the same time)

I would like to invite any members who are interested in continuing with the Member of the Month articles to contact me or talk to me at the meetings. The toughest part of the job is getting people to agree to be interviewed (we are all so shy).

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Program Schedule

List of guild meeting programs

Mar	Reynola Pakusich Trunk Show—At The Kay Meek Centre
Apr	Barb Mortell and Stacey Armstrong Trunk Show
May	Vivian Zuba Slide Show

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.

MEMBERSHIP

Vicki Digby-Membership Coordinator

Happy Rainy Season!

To date we have 188 members who have either renewed or newly joined the Guild. Please help me welcome these new members Denise Roberge and Sharon Bovee. Vicki Digby was the door prize winner for February. Congratulations!

Membership renewal: Your renewal form was included with your January newsletter (also available on our website). Please fill it out and either mail it or bring it to the March meeting. *In order to continue receiving the benefits of membership in our guild you need to renew your membership now!! You have one month grace period to renew your membership before you lose guild privileges.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me through the website.

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 - so remember to bring your own. Look for people with a green 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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TIDBITS FROM THE TREASURER

Janet Kugyelka , Treasurer

The guild has closed the credit card account used for the Boutique at the last two quilt shows. Any revenue to the guild from the Boutique was consumed by ongoing service charges from the account, and the show committee and executive agreed that it was simply to expensive to maintain.

Final numbers for Album of Quilts 2006 are still pending, but despite the tremendous dedication of the show committee and volunteers, neither the show nor the raffle quilt were as financially successful as in former years. This has raised financial concerns, given that we don't want to exhaust the financial cushion that the guild has been fortunate to accumulate over the years.

We are moving to an electronic format for the newsletter, and the executive is working on securing an alternate venue that will be less expensive while meeting our current needs for space, library storage, as well as ambience.

When I served on the nominating committee, many said they would "love to help" but that a full executive position was just too much to take on. At this time, I am in need of and would greatly appreciate one of the membership stepping forward to provide me (as well as the newsletter editor) some appreciated assistance by taking the on role of organizing the collection of advertising revenue for 2007.

It is a very manageable task for an individual, but one which, in addition to other guild responsibilities, has been very difficult for me to perform. Please call or email me --- I'll give you all the information, electronic files etc and could even buy you lunch at a great East Indian buffet that I've just been introduced to....

Call For Entry!

A Celebration of Spirituality and Faith through original Fibre and Fabric Art, Squamish, B.C. 2008. It will showcase quilts (max. size of 45"x 60"), wall hangings, miniature quilts and wearable art created to visually express deeply held beliefs and spirituality of individuals or groups. The show will run Friday and Saturday, featuring guest speakers and a tearoom.

For more information contact St. John Anglican Church 604-898-5100 or Ruth Fenton 604-898-3368

Quilt Surfing

By Paula Bohan

A Quilt Site with A Lot of Personality!

I think quilt designer, author and teacher, Ami “rhymes with salami” Simms, must be great company and a lot of fun at parties. Her humour and personality show all over her website, www.amisimms.com!

I’ve been surfing Ami’s site for a while now, but I just realized that she sells fabric, notions and gifts, along with her patterns and books. The commercial aspects of the website are not the focus, and it has lots of fun treasures for quilters.

Ami is the originator of the “WORST Quilt in the World®” contest, which ran from 1995 to 1997. The winners and runners-up are still on the website, and the quilts and their descriptions are hilarious! I’ve browsed through them several times and I still crack up. It would be great if this contest still ran regularly. Maybe I’ll write to her to lobby for it.

A “Show Me Your STASH!” challenge on the website encourages quilters to send in one photo of their stash. Browsing through these photos made me feel quite virtuous that my stash is housed in one cabinet and an ottoman. The quilters who have sent in photos have rooms full of fabric! Some rival quilt shops! This will be useful if you ever need to convince your partner that you don’t have enough fabric. I also pick up a couple of ideas for fabric storage when I finally get a sewing room.

Ami was inspired to start the Alzheimer’s Art Quilt Initiative because her mother suffers from the disease. The Initiative takes donations of small art quilts (maximum 9” x 12”), which are auctioned off to raise money for Alzheimer’s research. The quilters who donate quilts receive a chance of winning a Bernina Aurora 440. That is enough to get me motivated to try creating a small quilt for this cause. There is also a travelling exhibit of quilts interpreting Alzheimer’s disease.

These two sections of the website, along with “QUILTS” on the side bar make up a very satisfying cyber quilt show.

“Watch Your Step!” also provides inspiration with quilt surfers’ photos of quilty designs on floors all over the world. I’m going to send in my photos of the mosaic floors at the Wynn Hotel in Las Vegas – they would make beautiful appliques. And my husband thought I was crazy when I was taking them!

The website also includes many fun and interesting “Tips & Tricks” and “REALLY Useful Links” about quilting and other topics. I guarantee you’ll find something you can use.

Have FUN at www.amisimms.com!

If you have any suggestions for websites that might be of interest to our guild members, I would love to have them. Please e-mail me at paulamb@shaw.ca. Thank you to Martin for your suggestions – I’ll be using them soon!

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FALL SEMINAR 2007

Marg Marlow—Fall Seminar Coordinator

We had a very successful Presentation at the Feb. meeting, with lots of activity selling Lecture tickets, Challenge Kits, and Workshop spots. We are hoping for the same at the March meeting being held at Kay Meek Centre in West Vancouver. After April 15th, Registration will be opened to the public and other Guilds, so register early to be sure you get the workshop you most want! Cheques are payable to: LGQG Fall Seminar 07

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The power point presentation from the February meeting is now posted to our website at:

www.lionsgatequiltersguild.com

If there are 3 workshops you want to take, decide which one you want the most and use this as your 1st choice, then 2nd choice etc. You may be lucky and get into all your choices! **Please make out a separate cheque for each choice. Thank You**

Guild Workshop / Seminar Cancellation Policy

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Quilt Show:

April 27-29/2007 Orchard Valley Quilters Guild presents Silver Threads Celebrating 25 Years of Quilting.
The Kelowna Curling Club, 551 Recreation Avenue, Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 7V4 Friday 5 - 9, Saturday 10 - 6, Sunday 10 - 4. Features: Large Quilt displays, Past Award Winning Quilts, Trunk Show, Workshops, Demo Quilt, Quilt Raffle, a Boutique and Merchants' Mall. Please come and share with us our 25 years of friendship through quilting. Contact: Marguerite Berry (250) 868-1269 or mberry11@shaw.ca

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COMMUNITY QUILTS 2007

Edna Simpson– Community Quilts Coordinator

What a nice change to have 70 people attend our February workshop!!! Everyone seemed to enjoy the days and a lot of work and socializing went on. There were also many more who have been working on quilts at home. We finished the workshop with 80 completed quilts on hand and then were pleasantly surprised to receive 29 more at the guild's general meeting on February 22nd.

Many people helped to make our Community Quilts project succeed.....it started with the planning, the buying (& washing/ironing) of fabric, the making of quilt kits, the layering of quilt tops handed in, the transporting of supplies (in at least 25 tote boxes) to the church, the making of the quilts, the refreshments and the financial contribution from LGQG. To everyone of you who have helped
THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The nine gift bags (donated anonymously) that were given out at the workshop during the coffee breaks were enjoyed by the recipients and added an element of fun to the day.

We hope to show the quilts at the APRIL meeting so if you happen to finish yours by then, please bring it to the March meeting or phone me. Otherwise you have until next year . If anyone needs batting to complete their community quilt, please phone me and we will arrange for you to get it.

Here are two of the recipes requested from the workshop. The first one comes from Dorothea Matewish and was it ever good!!! .

CRANBERRY FETA PINWHEELS

1 pkg. (170 gr) Craisins (sweetened dried cranberries)
1 tub (250 gr) spreadable cream cheese
1 cup Feta cheese crumbled (Canadian Feta has less salt)
OR goat cheese
1/4 cup chopped green onions
4 large (or 6 medium) spinach tortillas *

Mix first 4 ingredients well. Divide & spread mixture over tortillas. Roll up tightly, wrap in plastic & refrigerate 1 hour or overnight preferred. To serve, cut in slices - 48 or more.

⌘ you can use other coloured tortillas as well.



Dorie Smith contributed this second recipe. The name is a little misleading as it was the fruit that people noticed most.

Christmas Carrot Loaf (recipe is for 3 loaves)

1 1/2 cup chopped maraschino cherries
1 1/2 cup glazed fruit
1 1/2 cup currants
6 oz. can frozen orange juice
3 cups grated carrots
1 1/4 cup butter or cooking oil
3 cups sugar
7 eggs
2 tsp. baking soda dissolved in 1 tsp. water
1/2 tsp. salt
2 tsp. baking powder
5 cups flour
1 tsp. vanilla

Mix the 3 fruits together. Add orange juice (maybe a little more) and leave overnight. Add carrots. Beat butter, sugar and eggs till fluffy. Add remaining dry ingredients and vanilla and mix well. Then add fruit mixture. Line loaf pans with wax paper and fill. Bake at 350 for 1 1/2 hr. or until done.

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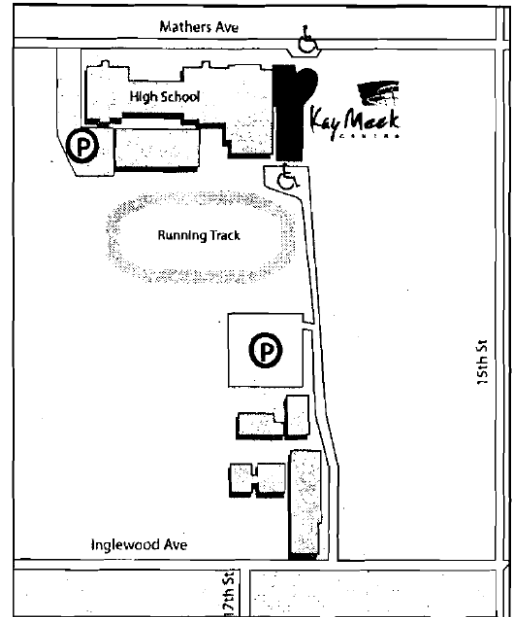
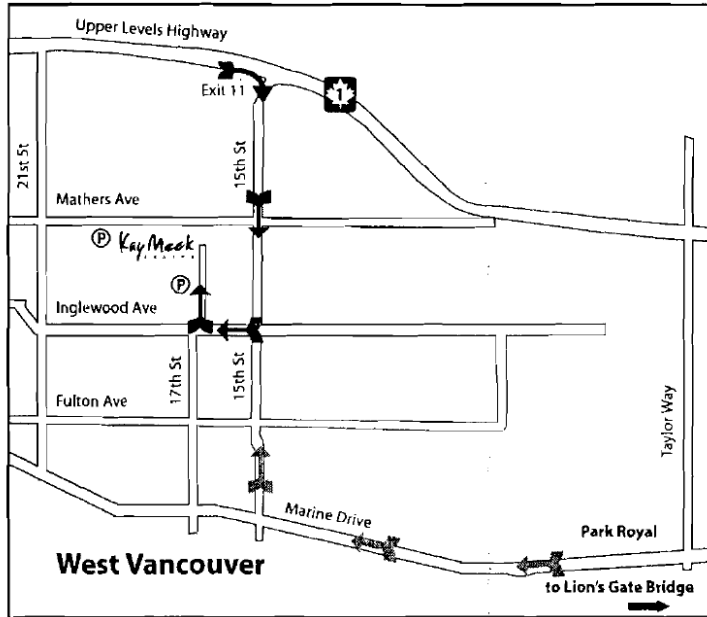
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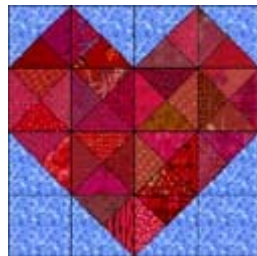
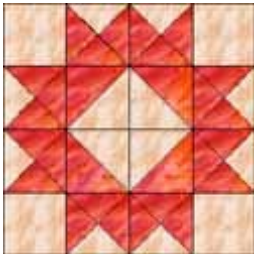
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QUILT BC MAY 2-5, 2007

Barbara Beatty—Tour Coordinator

If you did not get a list of people interested in going to Kamloops for Quilt BC and you want one, you can email me at bbeatty@telus.net and the list can be emailed to you. Put LGQG or Quilt BC in the message line or I might not open it!

Copies of the list are also available at the membership table at the March meeting at Kay Meek Centre.



IN THE COMMUNITY

Call for Crafters

On March 14 and 15, 2007, the North Van Community Arts Council is holding a Jury for the upcoming craft fairs, **Folkfest Craft Fair** (Thurs. June 14-Sun, June 17) and the **Canada Day Craft Fair** (Sun. July 1, 2007).

All exhibitors must be members of the North Van Community Arts Council. Jury Fee of \$10 will be charged, which is applicable for one or both craft fairs. Only hand made crafts by the submitting artist accepted by the jury may be sold or exhibited. The jury will take place at City-Scape Community Art Space, 335 Lonsdale Ave. To book an appointment call the NVCAC at 604.988.6844.

The NVCAC is also seeking **artists and artisans** to participate in the **2007 Art in the Garden Tour**, taking place on Saturday, May 26 and Sunday May 27. Interested artists must complete and submit an application form along with slides or photos, a bio, an artist statement and the \$15 jury fee. For more detailed information and to obtain an application form, please contact the NVCAC at 604.988.6844.



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Mar 1—April 8, 2007: *Strange Beauty*— Blackberry Studio, Port Moody Art Gallery

April 1-30, 2007: *Quilt Walk*—Downtown Anacortes

April 6-7, 2007: *Threads Through Time; Celebrating 25 years*—by Fidalgo Island Quilters, Anacortes Middle School, 2202 “M” Ave (Corner of 22nd and “M”)

April 20—22, 2007: *Fraser Valley Quilt Guild Quilt Show* at Cloverdale Rodeo Fairgrounds. Details inside newsletter

April 20—22, 2007: *Let There Be Light Quilt Show*—Sunshine Coast Quilters Guild

April 27—29, 2007: *First Ever Quilt Show 2007*, by Westshore Quilters at Eagle Ridge Community Centre, 1089 Langford Parkway, Victoria.

May 2—5, 2007: *Quilt BC* in Kamloops sponsored by CQA/Acc and hosted by Sagebrush Quilt Guild

May 25-27, 2007: *Nanaimo Quilters Guild 2007 Quilt Show* at Beban Park Recreation Centre in Nanaimo

July 18-Sept 16, 2007: *Beyond Borders*, by the Pacific Coast regional group of FAN, in the Quilt Museum at La Conner

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FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR
 I invite everyone to submit items of interest for the newsletter, especially all the accomplishments made by our members.
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