



# Lions Gate Quilters' Guild

April 2008

## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

### VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I can't remember – did March come in like a lamb? Because it sure went out like a lion. Now that we have had snow, sleet, hail, lightning and thunder, when can we expect the plague of locusts? But the blossoms (and weeds) do assure us that spring is here!

And spring always brings the promise of beauty to come – which is amply demonstrated by the numerous quilt shows on the calendar. One of the most outstanding of these is our very own. Registration starts in April – and remember, your quilts don't have to be completely finished – just enough of the top done so it can be identified in a photo. And I want to encourage our new quilters to enter a quilt – or two. I once read an article urging new quilters to participate in Show and Tell and public shows since it encourages others and boosts confidence. I also have learned that quilters have generous souls and will ooh and aah over every quilt they see. After all – we were all novices at one time!

Sincere thanks once again to Mavis Walkley who has retired after many years of service to our Guild organizing the Spring Retreat. Appreciation also goes to Brenda Sangster, Julie Sangster and Edna Simpson for the assistance they provided. It is unfortunate that this year's Retreat had to be cancelled but the many reasons outlined by Mavis made it quite clear that Outdoor School is no longer a viable facility. A volunteer is needed to coordinate future Retreats – please look for the notice further on in the newsletter.

Thanks also go to Anne Field for her efforts in organizing the bus trip to Anacortes for the Quilt Show. That this also had to be cancelled points out that we lead busy lives. But I believe she is now thinking about the Seattle show – so plan ahead!!

Speaking of beauty – haven't we seen some spectacular trunk shows? We are fortunate to be surrounded by so much talent to inspire us and move us forward on our quilting paths.

Happy stitching!

### POSITION VACANT

Your Guild is looking for the names of members interested in serving as *Spring Retreat Coordinator*. Anyone interested is asked to advise any one of the Executive – by e-mail or written note – no later than May 31.



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 – Apr 22—7:30pm**  
**Next Executive meeting – Apr 28– 7:00pm**

### Things to Remember:

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

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## LIBRARY

*Nancy Sunderland-Librarian*



Happy Spring everyone,

Just a friendly reminder:

Please remember to bring back you library books. There are 13 books overdue since February and 31 books overdue in March – total of 44 books! If you cannot make it to the meetings to return your books - see if you can get a friend to bring them back for you. Overdue fees are \$1.00 per book per month.

Nancy

## MEMBERSHIP

*Vicki Digby—Membership Coordinator*

Dear Members,

The Guild currently has 184 members. We had one guest at the March meeting. Elaine Fjoser was the winner of the Door Prize. Congratulations

The 2008 Membership lists have been printed and will be available for pick-up at the April meeting. If you know of a member that will not be at the meeting please pick up theirs for them. Thank you. This will simplify a big job!

*I would like to the members to consider receiving their member's list in a PDF format via e-mail for next year. This will save the earth's resources and the Guild money in photocopying costs. Of course, Guild members that do not have computer access would still receive their paper copy at our April meeting. Please give me feedback about this issue through the membership email on our website.*

Big thanks goes out to Janis Falk and Myra Frampton of the Thread Bear for donating enough quilting supplies so that we will have two door prizes for the next few months. So remember your name tags ladies, for awhile you will have two chances to win!

Happy quilting!  
Vicki Digby  
Membership Coordinator

## PROGRAM

*Uschi Greiner—Program Coordinator*

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.

May  
Barb Mortell—Trunk Show

June  
Social

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## COMMUNITY QUILTS

*Edna Simpson– Community Quilts Coordinator*

At the general meeting on Tuesday, April 22 we will have Frances Robinson, Program Director for Sage House (home for abused women and children) as our guest speaker. They have received many of our community quilts over the last 16 years.

There will also be a showing of the quilts that have been made by many of our members recently. There will be many different patterns and sizes to see. This will be a chance to appreciate the work that has been done and to encourage you to join us in the future on this project.

If you still have unfinished quilts from past years, please finish them for 2009. There is no point buying more fabric and making kits if they are not completed.

Thank you to all who have contributed in one way or another on the community quilt project—it is most appreciated.

Edna

## SPRING RETREAT

*Spring Retreat Coordinator*

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# Quilt Surfing

By Sherry Jonn

This is something that I found on the website [www.stitchinheaven.com](http://www.stitchinheaven.com), I found that website as I was reading the Nanaimo Quilters Guild newsletter of Dec 2007.

**Only a Quilter ...**

by Tom and Madge Powis  
June 2003

We've all heard the classic line that only a quilter would take yards and yards of material, cut it into little pieces and then sew them back together again. While this statement is true and a little funny to think about, it doesn't even scratch the surface of the things that only a quilter would do.

Only a Quilter would spend more hours sewing several hundreds of buttons on a quilt to embellish it, but wouldn't take five minutes to replace a button on a pair of pants.

Only a Quilter would give the gift of a wedding quilt two months after the birth of the couple's second child.

Only a Quilter would put hundreds of dollars worth of fabric into her fabric stash because she might find a use for it sometime, but wouldn't replace a 50-cent needle on her sewing machine.

Only a Quilter would let three later-arriving patients go ahead of her at the doctor's office because she is on the verge of completing a block.

Only a Quilter would rush to finish a gift quilt. Not so it's done in time for the recipient's birthday, but so it's done in time for Show and Tell.

Only a Quilter would make a special quilt to give to her son, who would then have to attend quilt shows just to see it.

Only a Quilter would use freezer paper in the production of something to keep someone warm.

Only a Quilter has a welcome mat at the door to her home and an "Enter at Your Own Risk" sign on the door of her sewing room.

Only a Quilter invites everyone to see her sewing room, then says, "Don't look at the mess."

Only a Quilter says, "I really don't need another project," then offers to make a quilt for a friend.

Only a Quilter will buy more than she'll ever need of one fabric for her stash, but slightly less than is needed of another fabric to complete a project.

Only a Quilter would give a quilt book to the guild auction then bid on it to get it back.

Only a Quilter would drive 40 miles in a hurricane to attend a quilt show, but call out to have her dinner delivered because it is drizzling.

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## BUS TOURS



Every two years the Association On Pacific Northwest Quilters (APQN) hold a Quiltfest in Seattle in August. This year it is on the weekend of August 8-10, at a new venue, the Washington State Trade and Convention Centre.

This announcement is so you can start thinking about joining the bus trip to experience this exciting show—it has been very popular. I'm looking forward to going for the first time, myself! Members of other guilds, friends and family are welcome. Sign-up will be at the May and June meetings.

In 2006, tickets were \$55 (\$45 for APQN members), and that included the bus fare, show ticket and driver's tip.

Additional information such as day, schedule and 2008 trip cost will be available at the April Guild meeting. To find out about Quiltfest online, go to [www.qpqn.org/quiltfest](http://www.qpqn.org/quiltfest).

Many thanks to Barbara Beatty for sharing her documentation about this trip.

Anne Field and Brenda Sangster

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## Album of Quilts 2008

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

Pat Gormely—Quilt Show Coordinator

### ALBUM OF QUILTS SEPTEMBER 19,20 &21

This month each member should receive a package with important forms for registering your quilts and volunteering to work at the show. Please read the forms carefully and follow the instructions when completing them. The descriptions that will be hung on the quilts are based on the information you provide on the Registration Form so it is necessary to be accurate.

Have you noticed how many quilt shows are being staged in the month of May, around the Lower Mainland and in Victoria? Hope you are planning to attend a few. It may provide the inspiration or impetus you need to complete your quilts for our show.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

April 22, 2008 – Registration of quilts begins.  
 May 27, 2008 – Registration of quilts continues.  
 June 24, 2008 – Registration of quilts continues.  
 June 30, 2008 – Registration of quilts closes.  
**September 19, 20 & 21 – Album of Quilts Show**

**Happy Quilting,  
 Pat Gormely,**

**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!!

### Quilt Registration for 2008 Show

1. Registration will be held during the April, May and June meetings. You must be a member of the guild, in good standing, by March 19/08 in order to be able to register quilts for the show. The first and second choice registration forms and Rules of Entry are being mailed to all members in early April. Please fill in ALL sections of the registration form. All forms must be legible so please type or print clearly and remember to keep your descriptions to 50 words or less. All the first choice quilts will be hung. If we do not have enough space to hang all the second choice quilts, they will be selected in the order that they were registered. If you need instructions for the quilt sleeve we will have them on the registration table at the meetings.
2. We ask registrants to provide a 4"x6" color photo of the quilt attached to your registration form. For those who are unable to provide a picture we will take pictures for you. The cost is \$1.00 per picture. Pictures must be provided, or taken, at the same time that you register your quilts.
3. Copyright: registrants must provide information on where their pattern comes from—ie: kit, magazine, book, workshop, teacher, original design. It is important to acknowledge everyone who has worked on your quilt. This information should be written under the Quilt Construction Information on the registration form.

Registrations may also be mailed to me or dropped off at my home. **NO** registrations will be accepted after **June 30/08**. Please call me if you have any questions.

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## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

*Marg Marlow—Workshop Coordinator*

### C.O.P.S.DAYS 2008

There are just two COPS days left, hard to believe!

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!

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

Sign up at the meetings or show up and pay then!

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

### Meltdown & Burnout with Eileen Neill

In this workshop we will explore some non-traditional materials such as Tyvek, polyester sheers, plastic wrapping paper, metallic fabric paints, and puff paints to make interesting surfaces. These melted and distressed pieces can then be applied, to fabric to make small wall hangings. In working with these materials I have tried melting them using various heating appliances with unusual results.

The first day we will mainly experiment with the materials and techniques. On the second day we will use the interesting samples that we have made to make a small collaged wall hanging.

Date: Sat. & Sun. May 3 & 4<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Canlan Ice Sports

Cost: \$115.00

There are still a few openings if you would like to join this workshop.

Please call or email me [workshops@lionsgatequiltersguild.com](mailto:workshops@lionsgatequiltersguild.com)

### 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

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

**May 3-4, 2008:** *Blooming Quilts*, Pacific Spirit Quilters, Shriners' Hall, Burnaby, BC

**May 9-10, 2008:** *Quilts In Bloom*, Langley Quilters Guild, George Preston Rec Center, Langley, BC

**May 10, 2008:** *Quilt Show Fort Fraser*, Fort Fraser Community Hall

**May 24, 2008:** *Quilts in the Chapel*, Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild, St. Marten's Anglican Church, North Vancouver

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

**June 2-8, 2008:** *Quilt Canada 2008*, CQA/ACC, St John's Newfoundland and Labrador

**June 14-15, 2008:** *Quilts in the Mountains*, Whistler-Blackcomb Admin Building/Kids Kamp, Whistler, BC

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

**August 8-10, 2008:** *Quiltfest*, 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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**Community Quilts Coordinator** .....Edna Simpson

**Spring Retreat Coordinator** .....TBA

**Quilt Show Coordinator** .....Pat Gormely

**Raffle Quilt Coordinator** .....Dianne Ritter

**Quilt Show Tours**.....Anne Field

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- Show and Tell
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