



Lions Gate Quilters' Guild

May 2009

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

I came across this on the web - claiming to be by Juanita K.

Bard (with apologies of course!)

To Stash or not to Stash...is that the question?

Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer

The slings and arrows of outrageous
misorganization

Or to take arms against a sea of clutter

And by opposing end it? To organize?

To give away? To sew not more?

Nay...To sew I must perchance a new patchwork

Or try a new paper piece pattern

For who can bear the whips and scorns of

The ever present 1/2 price sale ads

That makes a calamity of our credit cards..

To file or not to file my patterns

To group by pastels and darks

And by organization to say we end

The heartache of rummaging around

For just that right piece of fabric

That our sewing is heir to, 'tis a consummation

Devoutly to be wish'd..to organize,

To conceal in boxes...and boxes galore

In plastic containers that overflow on the floor

To organize, perchance to achieve it....ay, there's the
rub;

For in that great organization of fabric what dreams

may come

When we have shuffled off this mortal

unorganization

Must give us pause there's the respect

That makes calamity of so organized a sewing room;

For who can bear to whittle down her Stash...

The pangs of that separation of fabric

To grunt and sweat under the strain

Of not seeing forever the beloved Stash...

But that the dread of something after death,

The undiscover'd boxes...from whose boundary

No traveler returns, puzzles the will

And make us rather think we have

To give to others that we know not of?

Thus conscience does make swappers of us all;

And thus the native hue of resolution

Gives way to the pale thought and enterprises

Of that great moment with this regard

To our current Stash...Organize...give away!!!!

And lose the name of clutter... Soft you now!

Oh, fair quilters... in they orisons

Be all my Stash remember'd.....

Seminar class registrations are now open to the general public and other guilds – it's going to be a great event, so let's get those classes filled!!!

See you on the 26th, when our speaker will be Gail Hunt - don't forget COPS day on Saturday May 23 and DROP-IN day on Tuesday May 26th. Also - our own Anni Hunt has a solo show at the Craft Council of BC Gallery on Granville Island - "Containment" runs until June 14!

Carol

Guild meetings are held the
fourth **Tuesday** of the month at:

St Andrews and St Stephens

corner of 27th St and Chesterfield

Next Guild meeting: May 26 7:30pm

Next Executive meeting: June 1 7:15pm

Things to Remember:

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

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FALL SEMINAR

Marg Marlow—Fall Seminar Coordinator

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Fall Seminar 2009 had a successful registration at our March Presentation meeting, but we still have lots of openings for registration at our next meeting. I have been receiving registrations by mail, so if you really want to take a class, don't wait until it is full or cancelled.

Our Guest Teachers are:

Sue Benner www.suebenner.com from Dallas Texas

Pamela Allen www.pamelart@homestead.com from Kingston, Ont.

Gail Garber www.gailgarberdesigns.com from Albuquerque, N.M.

Lilly Thorne from Abbotsford

Anne Hunt from West Vancouver

Linda Sharp from North Vancouver

F. Dianne L. Stevenson from Burnaby

'The Challenge' Get in on a little fun with Kathy's challenge kit, for a mere \$2.00 For sale through Kathy McColeman or at the meetings.

Theatre Presentation Tickets: Being held at Capilano University Arts Theatre. Come on out and enjoy our two presenters, Sue Benner and Pamela Allen who are sure to give you lots of inspiration and laughs. Tickets are \$10 each and are available through Linda Sharp or at the meetings.

We don't plan on cancelling any teachers so come on out and support our International, Canadian, and Local Talent.

Having said that, read on.

"What? The workshop that I meant to register for was cancelled? You bet, even popular workshops are cancelled due to low early registration numbers.

As soon as you have decided on your workshop, come on over to the Seminar table with your cheque made out to: LGQG Fall Seminar or mail to Marg Marlow...address in member list

The Guild cancellation policy applies to all Seminar Workshops.

If volunteers are available for the next meeting registrations, please, just show up...Thanks.

PROGRAM

Dianne Ritter – Program Coordinator

Programs

Fabulous show and Tell last meeting! During the 35 minutes show and tell we saw some fabulous quilts including a project that was 30 years in the making – a newly completed antique! To date one third of the registered COP/UFO projects have been completed and shown to the guild. Amazing. Just a reminder that in order to be entered in the draw for the \$ you have to complete at least one of your registered projects and SHOW it to the guild during show and tell at the May or June meeting.

Gail Hunt will be presenting her lecture “A Space for Sewing” and a small trunk show at the May meeting.

The June meeting promises to be an exciting one. Pippa Moore will be presenting a slide show about her time in Africa, our last show and tell of the COP/UFO challenge will take place, we will have our June social with time to chat and indulge in some goodies, and at the end of it all we will draw for the winners of the cash in the COP/UFO challenge. Three people are going to go home very happy! You might be one of them!

I'm busy working out plans for next fall and would welcome any suggestions for speakers that you might have. Please don't hesitate to e-mail me your ideas at programs@lionsgatequiltersguild.com.

Dianne



Journal for June

So far we have focused on some of the elements of design for our Journal quilts. This month I thought we would venture into the world of themes or ideas. So...the theme for June is.....**My Favourite Place To Be In The World**. Using whatever methods you prefer create a journal quilt depicting your very favourite place to spend time. This could be a favourite from the present or the past. Remember to be curious and have fun!

Retreat Song

(Sing to the tune of “A Few Of My Favorite Things”)

Pfaffs and Janome, Bernina and Husky
Rulers and cutters and pins that aren't rusty
Tension that's even and geese with their wings
These are a few of my favorite things.

Walking feet, needles and threads of all colors
Patterns and fabrics an hot tea with crullers
Quarter inch seams that I sew while I sing
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the thread breaks, when the blade's nicked,
when my points look sad
I simply remember my favorite things and then I don't
feel so bad.

Trips to the US and stops at the border
Who knew that I would become such a hoarder
Stashes get bigger and credit cards sing
These are a few of my favorite things.

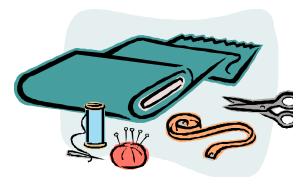
Books and design walls, scissors and cotton
Applique, ditch stitch and piecing that's spot on
Free motion quilting that goes round in rings
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the day's done, and my brain's numb, and I'm
going mad
I may be off kilter but I am a quilter, and so I don't
feel so bad.

Written by Lana K.

This was given to me at the last guild meeting and I cannot for the life of me remember who it was! Please email me and let me know so that I can let everyone know who you were. It is a great fun song, let's sing it at the next retreat!

Remember I'm always open to new and fun items for the newsletter, keep them coming!



MEMBERSHIP

Katie Droho—Membership Coordinator

Dear Members,

The Guild currently has 165 members. We have 2 new members this month. Please look for and welcome Bev Elliot and Maxine Glover to our Guild. Vicky Digby was the winner of the Door Prize. Congratulations

For those members who requested a copy of the membership list, the 2009 Membership lists have been printed and will be available for pick-up at the May meeting. If you know of a member that will not be at the meeting please pick up theirs for them. And if you requested your copy by e-mail, then you already have it! J Thank you!

Happy quilting!
Katie Droho
Membership Coordinator

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.

LIBRARY

Nancy Sunderland— Librarian



Everyone agreed that the new set-up for the library books worked out well. We pulled the tables out from the wall and added another row to make lots of room for the books and for people to walk around the tables. This allowed room to put quilts up on the back wall for everyone to enjoy.

I hope you liked the new books and DVDs that I chose last month. Please let us know what you think. It is your input helps us to determine what to bring into the library.

We are experimenting with the DVDs and if you like them we will likely get some more. Borrowing DVDs works just the same as books. The fee for overdue DVDs and books is \$1.00/month. If the books or DVDs are lost, you will be asked for the replacement cost.

Keep reading and enjoy

Nancy

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LARGE**

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

Upcoming Guild Events

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WHAT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
Sat May 23	COPS Day 9.30 - 4.30	St Agnes Church
Tue May 26	Drop-In 10.00 - 4.00	Meeting Hall
Tue May 26	Guild Meeting 7.30	Gail Hunt
Mon Jun 1	Executive Meeting	Anne Pelton's
Thurs Jun 4	Newsletter Submission	Deadline for Newsletter
Sat Jun 13	COPS Day 9.30 - 4.30	Bridge Community Church
Tue Jun 23	Drop-In 10.00 - 4.00	Meeting Hall
Tue Jun 23	Guild Meeting 7.30	LAST DAY FOR UFO CHALLENGE!!! & Pippa Moore

This is a reminder of the upcoming WestCoast Quilt Shop Hop.

All of the listed shops are there for your pleasure and remember as quilters we need to support them as much as possible. If not then the next time you need just the perfect piece of fabric or a nifty new gadget to make your quilt "perfect" they may not be there. The store owners work very hard to keep things fresh and interesting for quilters of all ages and skill.

The stores will have special for the shop hop and there are some prizes to be won.

Car pool with your friends and make a day of it!

THE 4th WESTCOAST QUILT SHOP HOP Friday, May 29th to Monday, June 1st, 2009 9:30am to 5:30pm

Come by yourself, with friends or family for a fun filled time of "hopping" around the Lower Mainland's quilt shops. Make sure you have your "passport" stamped at each store, Collect the block kits especially designed for you and enter for the great prizes.

Quilted Treasures	Coquitlam	604-936-4778
Quiltopia	Maple Ridge	604-467-8458
Wineberry Fabrics	Surrey	604-597-7934
The Quilted Bear	Ladner	604-940-7051
A Quilted Stitch	Fort Langley	604-455-0115
The Cloth Shop	Vancouver	604-224-1325
A Great Notion	Abbotsford	604-853-8390
A Great Notion	Langley	604-575-9028
Quilt Essentials	Abbotsford	604-853-5444
Hamels Fabrics	Chilliwack	604-792-3231
A Creative Edge	N. Vancouver	604-982-0088

WORKSHOPS COORDINATOR

Joan Herrin

FUTURE WORKSHOPS – 2010

Here is information about future workshops that have been booked for 2010!

DRAWING ON YOUR STASH – ART BASICS FOR THE FUN LOVING QUILT MAKER with LINDA SHARP:

DATE: 3 Saturdays – January 16th, 23rd, & 30th, 2010

Linda is our own local talent and has a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting and printmaking and an equally impressive number of Tupperware bins full of fabric!

SPRING RETREAT:

The only dates available were Friday, February 12th to Sunday, February 14th, 2010 so mark your calendar now.

ESTERITA AUSTIN:

Esterita will be coming to our Guild to give a presentation at our meeting on Tuesday, April 27th, 2010. She will follow this with a 4 day workshop from Wednesday, April 28th to Sunday, May 1st, 2010. Visit her website to see her work www.esteritaaustin.com

C.O.P.S. Days

Saturdays:

May 23 at St. Agnes Church,
530 E. 12th, off of Grand Blvd.

June 13, at the Bridge Community
Church, 515 W. Windsor

Time: 9:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. \$10 plus the usual plate of goodies.

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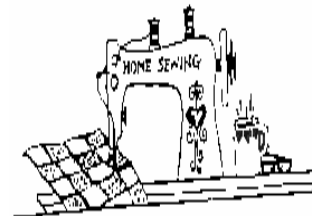
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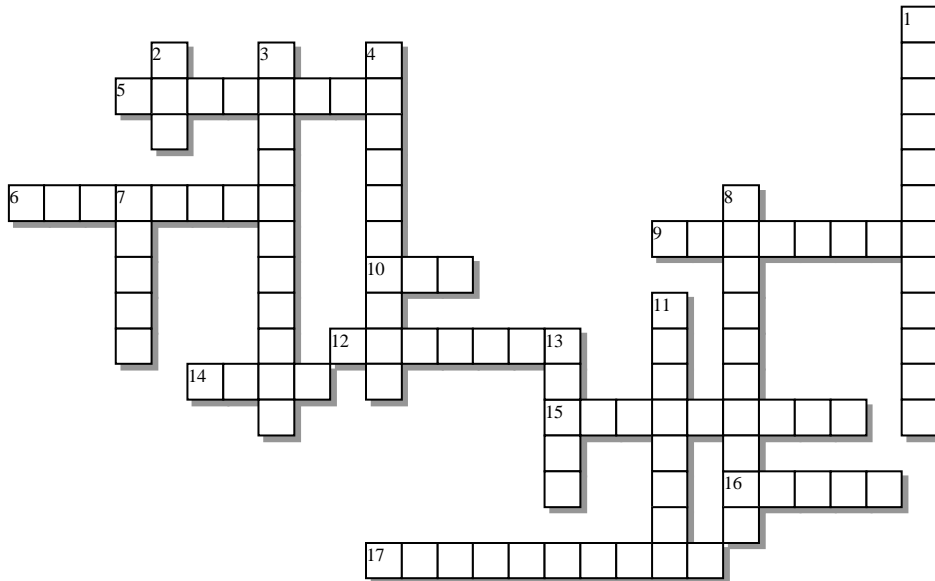
Workshop Cancellation Policy:

If a class overfills on the first night or registration, there will be a lottery.

If 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.

May Crossword

**Across:**

- 5 - It is good for your soul and there is sure to be lots of it!
 6 - What you will have after you have pieced all those shop hop blocks
 9 - A shop hop is a "_____ " for Quilters
 10 - What you use to get from here to there
 12 - The best people to Shop Hop with
 14 - Road Trips allow you lots of time to do this with your friends
 15 - Going to places you have never been is an
 16 - Plan this to ensure maximum shopping opportunities
 17 - These will help you avoid "barking dogs"

Down:

- 1 - Collect one of these from every shop
 2 - It is easier to navigate with one of these
 3 - Think Green and take one of these with you
 4 - Don't leave home without it - Marg's favourite quilting tool!
 7 - A pause to refuel
 8 - This will increase your chance of making it to more shops
 11 - Time manager
 13 - No doubt this will increase by the end of the day

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 15-June 13, 2009: *Water Studies*, CityScape Community Art Space, 335 Lonsdale Ave, N.V.

May 22-24, 2009: *Quiltafair*, Fraser Valley Quilters Guild, Cloverdale Catholic Parish Hall, Surrey.

May 29-31, 2009: *Seasons By The Sea*, Parksville Quilt Festival, Parksville Community Centre, Parksville, BC

August 20-22, 2009: *Ricky Tims Quilt Seminar*, Hosted by APNQ, Lynnwood, WA, See www.apnq.org for more information.

Sept 12, 2009: *Quilts at Tanglebank Gardens*, 29985 Downes Road, Abbotsford BC, 10-5

DETAILS AT LGQG INFORMATION TABLE

QUILTER FOR HIRE

I am looking for someone in the Vancouver area to make custom quilts for my daughter and son. I would like two twin size quilts, timeframe is flexible. I would like one with raindrops on it (in blue colors) and one with leaves on it (in green colors). I am open to the quilter's creativity and have a flexible budget. Any help would be wonderful! I tried local quilt shops but can only find people who are willing to sew something I have already pieced but I am looking for someone who can do this start to finish, I have no crafty bones in my body!


Tricia Collingham tcollingham@cfenet.ubc.ca

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