



Lions Gate Quilters' Guild

September 2008

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Well we are off again into a brand new season of 2008-2009 quilting with so much to look forward to!

Dianne Ritter has agreed to take over the program portfolio that was vacant. Thank you Dianne. You will see her report later in the newsletter.

I hope you are able to see the Quilt Show and to participate in it. This is a great opportunity to educate the public about quilting and promote the growth of quilting, which is one of the three major purposes for our Guild to exist. The other two purposes are: 1) to provide a community service by giving quilts to shelters and homes for the aged and 2) to bring ideas and learning experience to the members of the Guild, namely you.

Taking part in these activities enables you to fully appreciate your craft and what it can do in and for the community. One of our members said recently "I never really enjoyed the Guild before I started volunteering". Being part of the activity also allows you to get to know people in the Guild so that when you go to meetings you are not feeling that you are entering a crowd of strang-

ers but that you are going to be with friends. You are also helping us to achieve our mandate as a Guild.

None of the jobs that you can volunteer for are onerous. Nor do we expect you to work alone. We meet, as an executive, once a month on the Monday evening following the general meeting. We gather for about two hours and everything else with the exception of the Quilt Show, Community Quilts and the Fall Seminar, which are handled by separate committees, are handled by email or telephone.

We need volunteers! The nominating committee will be starting in October to gather names for the new executive so please put your name forward so we can have a full slate of candidates for each available position, and reap the rewards as a volunteer for 'your' quilting Guild!

See you at the Show.

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 Stephens
corner of 27th St and Chesterfield

Next Guild meeting – Sept 23 - 7:30pm
Next Executive meeting –Sept 29- 7:00pm

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SPRING RETREAT

Marg Marlow – Spring Retreat Coordinator

SPRING RETREAT 2009!

DATES: Friday March 27th – Sunday March 29, 2009
Mark your calendars!

Our Spring Retreat will be held at Edenvale Retreat Centre which is located on 38 acres in the beautiful Fraser Valley. www.edenvaleretreat.ca

A gentle walking trail, delicious home-cooked meals, a spacious sewing room, spotless bedrooms to share, (private is also available), Goodie Bags, not to mention the peace and tranquility that greets you. What more could you ask for! Except of course all your friends joining you for this fun get away weekend!

Each registrant will have a table to themselves, and we will also have a cutting table set up.

Meals included are Dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday, or a light breakfast and a Brunch.

COST: \$250.00 (add \$22 if you would like a private room)
Registration begins at our Jan. 27, 2009 meeting. \$100 deposit required at that time, with full payment at our Feb. 24, 2009 meeting.

CHECK-IN TIME: 3:00 p.m Friday

CHECK-OUT TIME: 3:00 p.m. Sunday (we must check out of the bedrooms by 11:00 a.m. as they have another group arriving at 5:00 p.m.)

Minimum registrants is 16, maximum is 20 – 22

MEMBERSHIP

Vicki Digby—Membership Coordinator

The Guild currently has 187 members. We had 1 visitor and no new members at the June meeting. However, we had one member join by mail in July. Please welcome Linda Ingham to our Guild. The door prize was won by **Lin Steele**. Congrats!!

I hope you had a fantastic summer! I spent my time madly finishing quilt for the show and kayaking. I can't say which I enjoyed more, the outdoors below the sunshine or indoors under a cool fan. Both were great.

Special thanks to Linda Harris for volunteering to buy the monthly door prizes. I really appreciated her help. Linda has moved on to other endeavours, so I am looking for a volunteer to acquire the monthly door prizes. Since my term as membership coordinator is finished in Feb., it isn't a long commitment. Please call or email me if you are interested in helping out.

If you have any questions regarding membership, please feel free to either phone me or see me at the membership table at our General Meeting.

Cheers,
Vicki Digby
Membership Coordinator

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR

FALL SEMINAR 2009

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INVOLVED HELPING TO PUT FALL SEMINAR TOGETHER, PLEASE LET ONE OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS KNOW. ONE OF US IS USUALLY AT THE WORKSHOP TABLE AT EACH MEETING. COME AND

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!!

PROGRAM

Dianne Ritter – Program Coordinator

It seems that I am lucky enough to be your program coordinator for the remainder of the term! I will be meeting with the executive later this month to get up to speed on where we are at in the program planning but in the meantime thought that I would get us started with a little something to help you clear up those UFOs (for the uninitiated that stands for Un-Finished Objects although I prefer to call them COPs, Creative Ongoing Projects).

I don't know about you but sometimes when I walk into my sewing room all I can hear is the COPs in various drawers and baskets calling out to me to please finish them! My friend Andrea says that's why she wears her IPOD, when it's playing she can't hear them! At any rate I heard about this program that has been successful at other guilds and thought we should give it a try and see how it goes.

I am looking for enthusiastic people to join me on the program committee so if you would like to help but don't want to be the "person in charge" now is your chance to exercise those volunteer muscles!

I am also looking for input from members on what sort of programs/speakers/challenges you would like to see. The more input the better. You can e-mail me at programs@lionsgatequiltersguild.com with your great ideas.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the guild and am looking forward to working with the executive and guild members over the next year and a bit.

Dianne

Sept 2008—Marie Roper & Bobby Britnall Presentation

Oct 2008—TBA

Nov 2008—Sewing Sale

Dec 2008—No meeting—Xmas Break!

UFO CHALLENGE 2008/2009

- Register your project(s) with enough detail to identify (the name of the project, a block, a picture etc and how long it has been a COP/UFO)
- Pay **\$2** for each project registered
- Registration starts at SEPTEMBER meeting, ends at JANUARY meeting
- Deadline for completion is Show and Tell at JUNE meeting
- If project is completed earlier, identify and show to the sign-up person and then show it to the guild during show and tell
- For each project completed, your name will be included in a draw
- NOTE: "completed" means quilted and bound!!

Names(s) will be drawn for the money collected (if fifty people sign up someone could win \$100!!!!)

You get the idea right? Your COPs/UFOs can be anything from a bag or table runner to a king sized quilt just as long as there is some quilting involved.

Even better than the potential to win money is the thought of getting those old projects off your plate so there is room for some new ones!!!! After all who doesn't like to start a new project?

Carol's Quilt Classes at Home

Fall 2008

GALAXY OF STARS

A star sampler supreme with a unique layout! You'll learn lots of tricks and techniques. The class does have homework.

Tuesdays 10 am - 1 pm Oct 7, Oct 21, Nov 4, Nov 25, Dec 2, Dec 16 \$126 + \$10 pattern fee

SEMINOLE THREE

If you've never done Seminole, it's time to learn what the excitement is all about!

Wednesdays 10 am - 2 pm Oct 22, Nov 5, Nov 19, Dec 3 \$112 plus pattern

FOLDED STAR

Use folds to create lovely, 3-D stars who simply can't lose their points! An original design.

Wednesday Nov 12 10 am - 4 pm \$42 plus pattern

Private groups always welcome!

Carol Piercy lives near Edgemont Village, N. Van
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New Arrivals

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Mc Kenna
Ryan



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www.fabricana.com

LIBRARY

Nancy Sunderland— Librarian



An inventory was done in August.

There are currently 602 books listed in the library.

There are 34 books missing, 27 are overdue books that were not returned for the inventory count and are expected to be returned in September, the remainder have been missing since 2007.

Newsletters from 1989 to Sept '05 will be removed from the library and destroyed. This was a decision made at the June Executive meeting as the newsletters are stored on disc.

27 donated books have been added to the library in August. The rest of the donated books were put on sale at the June General meeting, all funds were passed on to the treasurer. Overdue fines were also passed on to the treasurer.

The library master list has been updated and a copy is available to give to the website coordinator for updating our LGQG website.

A subscription to the Quilting Arts magazine will be available in the library starting in October.



For Sale:

A great way to start your quilting career at home! 'Inspira' Quilting frame, extends to 120", has all accessories, video, patterns, 20 extra bobbins, 10 pkg. needles, everything you need to get started. I have had it set up to 60" wide, great to start smaller projects. This goes hand in hand with the Pfaff Grand Quilter, Hobby 1200 (quilting, sewing) machine, which has a 9" arm opening. I have quilted free motion for 25 years and I am not adaptable to the frame! So I am willing to sell this 'set' for \$1800.00! Make and offer! Call Marg Marlow 604-898-9365 or margmarlow@telus.net

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www.carola.ca

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Drive to the rear of the Remax Building

GOODBYE FROM MILLIE!

Hi everyone

As I said in the June meeting, thanks so much for the many good friendships and enjoyable times I have had at our guild. If anyone is coming to southwestern Ontario, please look me up. my new address is 360 St Andrew St E, Fergus ON N1M 1R1 519-787-1993 milliecumming@sympatico.ca
Millie Cumming

Goodbye Millie, good luck at your new home, we will miss you!

Your friends in quilting, the Lion's Gate Quilters Guild

Album of Quilts 2008

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

Pat Gormely—Quilt Show Coordinator

A big thanks to all the volunteers for our upcoming show.

We know that it will be great, make sure you vote for your favorite quilt, it will mean a lot to the member who wins it!

See you there!

QUILTING TIPS AND TRICKS AND QUOTES

This I saw in the Mayne Island Quilters Guild newsletter (no name was attached to it), it was their Tip of the Month.

When you finish making a quilt, use some of the fabrics to make a "pillow case" for the quilt to be stored in when not in use. Make a zipper closing so the quilt can't "escape". The zippered pillow case acts as a dust cover. The scraps of fabric help identify what's inside. If the quilt should need repairs, the fabric from the dust cover can be used.

I personally will use this for my quilt after the show!

Quilt Surfing

By Paula Bohan

Blogs and Blog Rings

If you haven't come across blogs on the internet yet, you might want to check out some of the great quilting ones for inspiration.

The term blog is short for "web log," which is essentially a public diary on the internet. Bloggers choose what to post on their blog, so every blog is as individual as the blogger is. There are some very creative and talented people expressing themselves through their blogs.

Quilters' blogs usually include updates and photographs of their ongoing and finished projects. This is my favourite part. It's like an online quilt show. I don't usually read all of the text, which might include family updates and stories of daily trials and tribulations.

Some bloggers are very imaginative in "decorating" their pages. The best blogs are well-designed and easy to read. Many include quilting tips, free patterns or illustrated technique lessons. Some quilt bloggers also design mystery quilts and post clues on their blog on a regular basis.

Blogs are usually non-commercial. A few blogs support an online business and update customers on new items or store events. Most, however, are just regular quilters who like to show off their projects. Some bloggers also sell their wares on www.etsy.com, which is like eBay for handmade crafty items and craft supplies.

Many quilting bloggers also cross-over into other crafts like knitting, crocheting and cooking.

A couple of my favourite quilting blogs are

Quiltville (www.quiltville.blogspot.com)
Happy Zombie (www.thehappyzombie.com/blog/)
That silly lil' doe (www.thatlilidoe.typepad.com/)
Pam Kitty Morning (www.pamkittymorning.blogspot.com/)

In the margins of many blogs you will notice lists of the blogger's favourite blogs to visit and icons for one or more "blog rings." These can lead you on an endless journey around the internet. A blog ring links a group of like-minded bloggers and bloggers join blog rings get more visitors to their sites. You can click on "next," "last" or "random" on the blog ring icon to go to another blog on the ring. Some of the quilting blog rings I like to surf are:

Stashbusters
Quilt Mavericks
Liberated Quilters
Artful Quilters
Canadian Textile Artist

Just "google" these terms and you will find the home of the ring or a member's blog to get you started. Before you get started, I must warn you that surfing blogs can be addictive and may seriously cut into your quilting time!

If you have any suggestions for websites that might be of interest to our guild members, I would love to receive them. Please e-mail me at paulamb@shaw.ca.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Marg Marlow—Workshop Coordinator

Guest Teachers from England, Bobby Britnall and Marie Roper will do a presentation at our Sept. meeting called "Two Artists, Two Stories"
Both of their workshops are FULL!

Fall Workshops:

'Everybody Gets The Blues', by Carol Piercy

A fun quilt that can be made any size. Based on 5" squares of various blues (or any other colour!), plus scraps for the wonky stars.

Can be done as a fabric square exchange if desired. The wonky stars will get made, but the quilt will not be put together in class, just laid out.

All Skill Levels

DATE: Saturday Nov. 1st, 2008

TIME: 9:30 – 4:00 P.M.

COST: \$45.00 includes pattern

LOCATION: St. Agnes Church, 530 E. 12th St. (off of Grand Blvd)

'One Classy Cabin', by Pippa Moore

This old time favourite is given a new sophistication in the off-centre format of African fabrics juxtaposed with neutrals. Or create your version with dark scraps and light. Begin construction on either version of the eye-catching quilt in class. Finishing techniques will be discussed. www.pippamoore.ca

All Skill Levels

DATE: Saturday Nov. 22nd, 2008

TIME: 9:30 – 4:00 P.M.

COST: \$50.00

LOCATION: Canlan Ice Sports, (off of Mt. Seymour Parkway)

'The Joys Of Journalling', with Pippa Moore

Enjoy a day of play, as you are introduced to a variety of new quilting techniques, and have the opportunity to practice using them in a journal format. A terrific way to explore some non-traditional approaches to your work, and discover which are your favorites.

All Skill Levels

DATE: Sunday Nov. 23rd, 2008

TIME: 9:30 – 4:00 P.M.

COST: \$50.00

LOCATION: Canlan Ice Sports, (off of Mt. Seymour Parkway)

Don't forget to bring your cheque book or cash to register

COMING:

'Seminole Strip Quilt', with Carol Piercy

Date: Sat. Jan. 17th, & Sat. Feb. 7th, 2009

Sign up starts at the Oct. meeting

C.O.P.S. DAYS THIS FALL: Mark your calendars!

DATES:

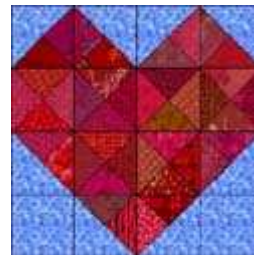
Saturday Oct. 18th, at St. Agnes Church, 530 E. 12, off Grand Blvd.

Saturday Nov. 15th, St. Andrews & St. Stephens Church, 2641 Chesterfield

Saturday Dec. 6th, at The Bridge Community Church.

Cost: \$10.00 plus your plate of sweets or savories! (the best part)

COPS (Creative Ongoing Project Session). Now's the time to meet your fellow quilters who just love to create with fabric. Bring an old project that needs to be finished, or start something new...There's always something to sew...sew much fabric...sew little time!



If you have a concerns, 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

Sept 28, 2008: *Uncommon Threads*; The Art of Fashion, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver, BC Sun 2-?. \$10 Adm.

October 3, 2008: *FibreEssence open studio day*, Catherine Nicholls, Linda/Laura Kemshall, Canlan Ice Sports, North Vancouver, BC, see info table for more information.

October 3-5, 2008: *Not Just Quilts II*, Textile Arts Guild of Richmond, Richmond Cultural Centre, Richmond, BC. \$5 Adm.

October 4-5, 2008: *Quilts by the Bay*, Boundary Bay Quilters Guild, Cliff Drive School, Delta, BC, Sat/Sun 10-4, \$5 Adm.

October 17-19, 2008: *Toronto's Creative Festival*, Toronto, ON, www.creativfestival.ca for more info.

October 18-19, 2008: *Quilters' Harvest*, Blue Mountain Quilters' Guild, Montgomery Middle School, Coquitlam, BC, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4, \$5 Adm.

October 18-19, 2008: *Harrison Mills Country Quilt Show*, Harrison Mills Community Hall, Harrison Mills, BC, Sat/Sun 10:30-4 pm, \$2 Adm.

Nov 7-8, 2008: *Creative Expo*, Vancouver Convention Center, Canada Place, Vancouver, BC, www.bcscreativeexpo.com for more info.

Nov 18-30, 2008: *North Shore Needle Arts Guild Exhibit*, Silk Purse Gallery, West Vancouver. Tue-Sun 12-5 pm—Free kids seminar, see info table for more details.

January 8-10, 2009: *Quilting at the Lake*, Lake Havasu Stitchers, Lake Havasu, AZ, This is a 3 day retreat with nationally known teachers, warm weather anyone?

DETAILS AT LGQG INFORMATION TABLE

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- Your calendar to set dates
- Show and Tell
- Cheques for workshops, retreat, and membership dues
- Library books
- Membership card
- Mug



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