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Quilter's
Guild

Winter 2010

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President's Message



Happy New Year Ladies!

I would like to wish everyone a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2010. It was good to see everyone at our January meeting. It is always fun to get caught up on how everyone enjoyed the Holidays with family and friends and as usual our Program Committee never lets us down - it was a great morning.

2010 seems to have come very quickly and with it comes our September Quilt Show. We get a sneak preview of some of the quilts that will be on display at the September Show during our 'Show And Tell' time every month and yes, I can assure you it will be as spectacular as ever.

We are getting great turnouts on Wednesday mornings. There were 26 of us out the morning we met in December. It's fun. We get to see what other people are working on, exchange ideas and have a few laughs. Sure beats housework.

Joe and I will be away for a couple of months. I look forward to seeing you all at our April meeting.
President
June Crisafi

February Guild Meeting

Our next Guild meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 24th at Hartley Hall, in Buckhorn.

Our guest speaker will be Louise Plante from Bobcaygeon. Louise will bring us a slide presentation on the Hawaiian method of appliqué – including her stunning quilt.

Guild elections will be held in June so start thinking of some nominations. One open spot is Vice President. Pam Dickey will have a complete list of open positions in April.

Programs and Workshops

On **March 25** we will be holding a workshop for the **Quick & Easy Fat Quarter Quilt** --- just 8 fat quarters (+ borders) and you'll have a lap or throw size quilt. You can go bigger, you just need more fabrics.



April will bring us **Anita from Cotton Mill Threadworks** with a presentation on all kinds of threads and product at our meeting. The next day, Thursday, April 29, we will be able to use her extensive thread display to experiment using different machine techniques, with take-home samples of those techniques. Cost is \$20.00.

At our **May** meeting, we will have the pleasure of a slide presentation on the **2009 International Quilt Show in Japan, by Helen Hubert**, a very talented friend of Margaret MacKenzie. We are looking forward to seeing some stunning quilts.

Helen will also be teaching a workshop on **Fabric Postcards**, those great little examples of fabric art which can be mailed. She will have kits (\$7.00) available for everyone taking the class.



That brings us to the end of another year – in **June**, we will once again be 'wowed' by our **Mystery Quilter** --- one of our own. Following the meeting, we will have our annual **June Lunch** --- details to be announced later.
Stay tuned.



The Traveling Quilter

Freezing in Florida! – Gretchen Kuntz



Here we are, the wind is howling, it's dull, cloudy and cold, winter jackets have been pressed into service, there are whitecaps on the bay – and we're in Florida! Who would believe it? What's a girl to do? When in doubt, tour the quilt shops! We used the Country Register, which we also have at home, to make up a list of quilt shops in the area. Tuesday morning we set out, with Colleen the Irish-accented GPS all programmed for our adventure.

Country Bears and More in Clearwater is one of my favourite stops. They have a nice selection of most everything, including a lot of flannels and Civil War fabrics. There was a very noisy group in the back since it was the day for the ladies to come and work on their projects, which made me homesick for our Wednesday group. The staff there are friendly and quite knowledgeable, even the owner's retired husband, who also works there.

Rainbow's End in Dunedin had almost doubled their showroom in the several years since I'd been there. It is the largest shop I have ever seen, with a wide selection of all kinds of fabric, a wall of books and patterns hanging from hooks everywhere. Sadly, the staff here is notoriously unfriendly and not particularly helpful so you really have to know what you want yourself. It is certainly worth a trip to see.

Colleen must have been into the Guinness at lunch since our route to the Happy Apple in Palm Harbor took us on a long and winding trail. It was a disappointment as it had only a couple of dozen bolts in a sewing machine store. Not really worth the soaking we got dashing into the store through a torrential downpour.

Quilt 'til you Wilt in Hudson is a fun spot. The two resident cockatiels have a large WE BITE sign on their cage, but the rest of the staff is much friendlier. It's not a large store but the shelves are crammed with fabric and the owner has invented the neatest tool called the Binding Buddy. It's such a simple idea I can't believe no one else had ever thought of it. I got one and will bring it in.

Our last stop was Nana's Quilt Shop in Brooksville, a mid-sized shop with a very friendly and helpful owner. I didn't buy too much, a couple of patterns – and some purple fabric that called out to me - but it was a fun day, once Colleen sobered up and quit taking us through back streets and alleys. Cousin Marion and I are looking forward to turning some more pages in the Country Register and finding more great shops.
Gretchen Kuntz

Patchwork from India – Rina Stuart

Our son Russell, returned from an 8 month "round the world" trip on December 2009. He visited about 14 countries, including India. While in India he bought me a patchwork throw. This was made by Villagers somewhere in, I believe, Rajasthan. It truly is patchwork. There are pieces of neck trimming from various Indian type shirts and other pieces that could well be vests (underwear as I know it).

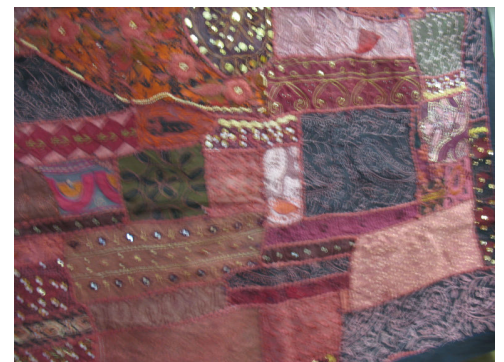
Most of the pieces are intricately embroidered by machine & many have sequins & beads.



The method of construction is not completely clear but I think the pieces are hand couched onto backing material. Colour co-ordination was not of any importance as the whole quilt (for lack of a better description) was then dyed. A black border was subsequently stitched on by machine.

The quality of the workmanship is not very good and in my opinion would not stand up to use on a bed. It is my intention to sew a sleeve on the back and hang said piece on the wall of my entrance area. Initially I thought I could make a passable quilt out of it but feel it would be better left exactly as it was purchased.

It will remain a treasured reminder of our son's trip Round the World along with 20 odd postcards. Anyone who missed seeing it and is interested, can give me a call & I'll be happy to show it off & have a cup of tea with them.
Rina Stuart





Heritage Day

Buckhorn Community Centre
Saturday, February 20, 2010 - 9am to 4pm
Free Admission

- Pancake breakfast 9.00 am, barbecue following*
- Food court throughout the day featuring foods from 14 different countries, from local residents showing food of their heritage*
- Lindsay Fur Trappers and MNR
- Skating & 100.5 KRUIZ FM Celebrity Hockey Classic
- Kids activities and games • Horse drawn sleigh rides*

DEMONSTRATIONS INCLUDE

Quilting, fence building, traditional honey collecting, trapping, paddle making, spinning, vintage fur fashions, Fleming College survival shelters, straw bale house building, Spring Pole Lathe demonstration

*nominal cost may apply

Why Buy 100% Cotton?

When quilting cotton is highly preferable over polyester/blend...

- Cotton fabric will hold a press while others do not.
- Don't forget how many hours you spend creating your beautiful quilt! Ensure your fabric will hold up for many years with 100% cotton.
- When selecting your thread, we also recommend 100% cotton thread. We've all tried buying cheap thread for our projects. Unfortunately, it breaks easily, and can cause issues with your sewing machine. Many people don't realize how much nicer 100% cotton thread is to sew with, until they try it! We've done it & proven it time & again - Do a test yourself!

(from Quilters Dream)

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2010 Quilt Show Quick Facts:

There are 12 categories for Viewer's Choice. A red ribbon will go to the winners and a blue ribbon to the runner's up.

There will be 2 Special Categories:

1. President's Choice
2. Hand Quilting

Pat Clayton will bring quilt entry forms to the April meeting. Completed forms are due back in June.

Block Challenge "Autumn Treasures"

Kits are available for \$5.00 from Yettie. You can make 2 blocks with the fabric.

Toonie Draw - Donations should be given to Linda Black by June so all items may be catalogued, etc.

Show Poster, Postcards, Bookmarks

Extras are available for you to distribute See Johanna Genge.

Butt Ugly Fabric Guild Challenge

Over 30 members are involved in the Butt Ugly Fabric Challenge. Bring your competed masterpiece accompanied by a small swatch of the 4 fabrics to the June Meeting.

Advice from a 1949 Singer Sewing Manual



Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Think about what you are going to do . . . never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference predominates. Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade. When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so your mind is free to enjoy your sewing . . . When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag full of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals. Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on . . . If you are constantly fearful that a visitor will drop in or your husband will come home and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing as you should. .

(from Celtic Heart Knitting and Quilting)

January 2010 Guild Meeting The Quilts of the Kawarthas Registry

Our January guest speakers were Anne Cleland and Pam Gray from Bobcaygeon. They discussed The Quilts of the Kawarthas Registry which was formed in 1995. There are 959 quilts registered to date. The following information was taken from the brochure.

The Registry is a joint project between the Kawartha Region Arts and Heritage Society, and the Kawartha Piecemakers Quilting Guild. Eligible quilts are those made in the Kawarthas or now residing in the Kawarthas. It can be any size, new or old.

Why a Quilt Registry?

Many people own quilts that have been in their families for generations. If only these quilts could talk! They can! In their own way they can tell us many things. They can tell us what colours of fabric were popular at a certain time; what kinds of materials were being used and what quilting patterns, blocks, and appliqués were the favourites.

It doesn't stop there! If the quilt is signed or labeled it can tell us who made the quilt and where it was made. Even if it isn't signed or labeled, the owner may have a wealth of information about the quilter, particularly if she/he is an ancestor.

How do you register your quilt?

Any member of the Registry Committee would be pleased to register your quilt. This can be done by making an appointment to bring your quilt(s) to Kawartha Settlers' Village, 85 Dunn St., Bobcaygeon, or by a member(s) of the committee coming to your home. A group such as a quilting guild may make an appointment to have several quilts registered at a meeting.

The Quilts of the Kawarthas Registry will be a history of the quilts in the Kawartha area. Hopefully the quilts will in the end, tell the story of that same Kawartha area and of the people who have lived there in the past and who are living there now. For more information about the registry or to make an appointment to register your quilt/quilts, please call 705-738-5730 or 738-6163

Note: There is no charge to have a quilt registered. A picture is taken of the quilt and forms are completed providing information about the quilt maker and the quilt owner. Each quilt is assigned its own registration number.



The Traveling Quilter Louise Holloway



I am off tomorrow (8th Feb) to visit my 9 month old niece in Geraldton, Australia for nearly 3 weeks. I have made her another quilt and will forward you a photograph of Molly and the quilt once I arrive.

I am not looking forward to the 24 hours I have to spend sitting on a plane. I fly from Toronto to Frankfurt and then to Singapore and then still have a 5 hour flight to Perth where Molly (my niece), Andrew (my brother) and Kelly (my sister-in-law) are.

I will look forward to seeing you all again in March.
Louise



And here is Molly with her new quilt!

My niece is Molly Dickinson 9 months old and she lives in Geraldton, Western Australia

Quilters Kitchen

Slow-Cooker Beef Stew

2 lb stewing beef cubes
4 potatoes, peeled and cut in wedges
3 carrots, cut in chunks
2 onions, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 ½ cups beef stock
1 can tomatoe paste
1 bay leaf
1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
1 cup frozen peas
½ tsp salt
¼ tsp pepper
2 tbsp all-purpose flour



Preparation:

Trim and cut beef into 1-inch cubes. In 18 to 24 cup slow – cooker, mix together beef, potatoes, carrots, onions, garlic, beef stock, tomatoe paste, bay leaf and Worcestershire sauce. Cover and cook on Low for 10 to 12 hours (or on High for 5 to 6 hours) or until beef and vegetables are tender.

Add peas, salt and pepper. Increase heat to High. Whisk flour with 2 tbsp water; stir into stew. Cook, covered, for 5 minutes or until thickened. Discard bay leaf.

From the Canadian Living Test Kitchen

Tangled Threads Quilt Shoppe

261 Charlotte St., Peterborough

Tel: 705-876-8707 Store Hours: 10:00am – 5pm

IN-STORE SPECIAL FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

80/20 COTTON BATTING - \$8.99/M

50/50 BAMBOO BATTING - \$9.99/M

WHILE QUANTITIES LAST!!!!!!

QUILT RETREAT VIAMEDE RESORT

WEEKEND OF MARCH 19, 20 & 21 INQUIRE in store

Needleworks

182 George Street, Peterborough

Tel: 705-742-3337

Needleworks will be having a sale for St. Patrick's Day.
Fabric and machines will be on sale

Take a Snow Day!

...and enjoy reading your Winter 2010 Newsletter. Many thanks to all who provided information. Please send info for the next Spring 2010 Newsletter to:
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Calender of Events:

**Quilting
at the Lakes**

Autumn Splendour

Buckhorn Community Center
September 10, 11, 12, 2010

Quilt Fever 2010

Etobicoke Quilters' Guild
March 26, 27, & 28 Admission \$5.00
Neilson Park Creative Centre
56 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke, Ontario
Two galleries of quilts, members' boutique, merchants' mall, tea room, door prizes and raffle.

www.etobicokequiltersguild.com

Piecemakers 2010 Quilt Show

Huron-Perth Quilters Guild &
The Stonetowne Quilters Guild
April 22, 23, 24 Admission \$6.00
The Pyramid Recreation Centre
St. Mary's, Ontario

Kaleidoscope: Antique Quilts from the collection of Carole and Howard Tanenbaum includes quilts made in the United States, Canada and England, mostly during the 19th century. They were used as bedding, as lap robes and slumber throws, and as fancy piano covers in Victorian parlours.

Sept. 23 to March 31, 2010

The Textile Museum of Canada

55 Centre Street, Toronto

www.textilemuseum.ca

Florida Quilt Shows for our Snowbirds...

Today's Pleasures ...

Tomorrow's Treasures XIII

Suncoast Quilting Circle

March 5 & 6 Admission \$6.00

St. Petersburg College

Gibbs Campus Gymnasium

6605 5th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, Florida

www.suncoastquiltingcircle.org

Into the Garden Quilt Show

Ladies of the Lakes Quilter's Guild

March 5 & 6 Admission \$5.00

The Imperial Swan Hotel

4141 South Florida Avenue, 7th floor

Lakeland, Florida