

Kempenfelt Quilters' Guild

See you at our next meeting

Thursday, February 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Making friends one stitch at a time.

Feb., 2018
www.kqg.ca

Next Month's Meeting

March 15th at 7:00 pm

Lion's Gates Banquet Hall,
386 Blake st. Barrie, Ontario

President's Message

So who's had enough of winter???

A big thank you to all those who participated in our UFO sale last month (both sellers and buyers).

This month our own Dana Romanish will be teaching us the art of Japanese sashiko. I think this a great form of quilting since it is so portable and doesn't take such a long time to finish! "Sashiko embroidery was used to strengthen the homespun clothes of olden times." (says Wikipedia) "Mostly geometric patterns are used to make this work." I hope you are looking forward to trying out this technique.

We have had someone come forward with a quilt top and backing and someone to long-arm the item so we will be giving a charity quilt away this year after all. You know who you are – thank you!! We will let our guild members see the finished product before it goes to its new home.

Please take note of Dana's supply list in this Newsletter of what to bring to the meeting this month.

Stay warm.

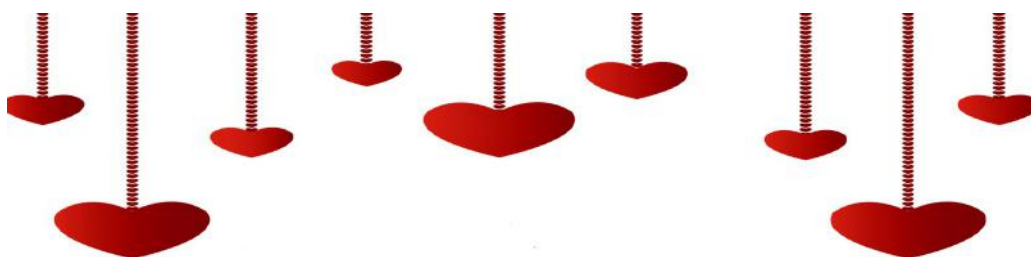
Janice Baird, President



One of the many beautiful quilts brought in for "Show and Share" at January's meeting. Keep them coming ladies and see page 4 of this newsletter for some more pictures.



Please remember to bring a suitable needle and your basic sewing kit for February's meeting. Fabric and embroidery thread will be supplied for the Sashiko mini workshop. Come prepared to learn and have some fun trying something new! See **page 2** for more information about this event.



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Break Time Treats this Month are
thanks to:

Grace Cameron
Susanne Coulson
Estelle Dion
Nicole Pelton
Waverley Reid



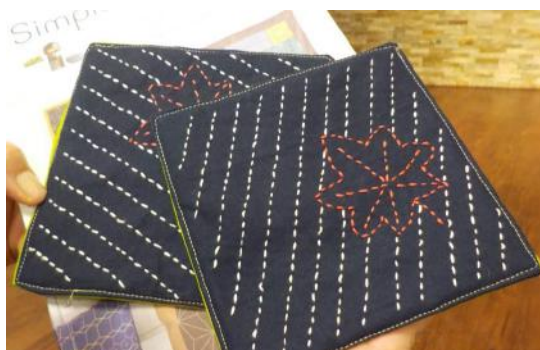
Check in with our Facebook page for
monthly contests and some quilt-y
Friday funnies. Plus, view more
pictures from previous guild meetings
taken by our guild
Photographers Payge Morris and
Gisele Levesque!
www.facebook.com/KQGBarrie/

Program for February

February will be a Mini Make and Take Sashiko workshop. Nicole Pelton, Janice Baird, Robbie Siebert, Barb Bull and Payge Morris will be helping our program director Dana Romanish show us how it is done! These ladies volunteered to learn how to do it so they could pass their knowledge along to us in smaller groups. Rumor has it you will catch on fairly easily too!

Please remember to bring scissors and a darning type needle. (or sashiko needle if you have it in your notions inventory) The needle should be approx. 2" long, sharp, not too thick and have a large enough eye to accept embroidery floss. *Embroidery floss and material will be provided for one sample per quilter at the meeting.*

Extra kits will be available for \$2.00 each.



Sashiko samples we will be working on at February's mini workshop meeting!

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A NOTE FROM YOUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

We have the opportunity to host Dorothy Wu (<https://dorothyfuquilts.wordpress.com>) for a workshop in Barrie this summer. We are looking for someone to take on the set up of a weekend workshop. We have many people interested in attending so if you are willing to work with the executive in this endeavor please contact me -
Dana Romanish ([705-817-4741](tel:705-817-4741))

Program Info for 2018

March - Book Review

April - Carla Alexiuk, CQA teacher

www.quiltingbytheriver.ca

May - Pauline Grondin, Professional Storyteller

www.paulinegrondin.com

There will be a "Show and Share" at each of these meetings, so please bring in your finished projects to show off what you are working on in 2018!

Comfort Quilts



This past month we received 6 lovely Comfort Quilts. Thanks to Estelle Dion, Nicole Pelton & Joan Acheson and Helen Gourlay. Thanks also to Grace Cameron for a fabric donation. *A special thank you goes to Fabricland who has donated a bank box of kid friendly panels and fat quarters.*

Kits will be available at the next Guild meeting.

Thanks everyone, 36 quilts received and counting!

Our next get-togethers at Grace United Church are:
February 16 & 23, March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27 and May 11 & 25.



Block of the Month



The Block of the Month program is zipping right along to blocks 9 and 10 .

Remember to show blocks 7 and 8 to Julie at the February Guild meeting for a chance to win a prize!

A reminder from membership to sign in at each meeting. There is a prize draw at the end of the year for perfect attendance! Also, there are a few paper copies of this newsletter available at the membership table for guests and those who do not receive it via email.

Easter Basket Dream for Barrie Community Kids

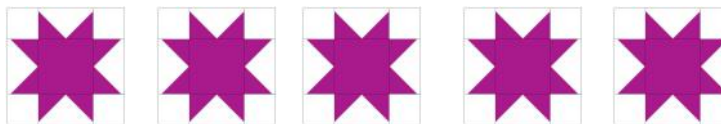


The guild has been contacted by Andrea Zado, a former KQG member who is currently working on a project with Redwood Park Communities in Barrie. Redwood Park Communities provides transitional housing for women and children in our area.

(www.redwoodparkcommunities.com) Andrea is hoping to provide each child in the program with a basket for Easter! She is looking for some sewing volunteers to help her with approximately 21 baskets/bags made out of some fun scraps (I know you have a few) that can be filled by other community sponsors and re-used throughout the year

by the kids. She will even accept pillow cases as a useful alternative. As this is an Easter project, she is hoping to receive them by mid March. Andrea will be at the February meeting to provide more information if you are interested in volunteering your time and scraps to help out this great community project.

KQG Resolutions



It's that time of year... you know, when all your resolutions of January are long forgotten about by mid February! That is why KQG is here to help with your quilting related resolutions with our Resolutions program. Jill Anderson is kindly heading up this venture once again. She has extended the deadline for last year's resolutions to be brought in till February and she is currently taking NEW resolutions for this year. For those members who are new or for those who have forgotten, here is how it works:

- * Resolutions usually begin in January of the current year and run till January of the following year (you can thank Jill for this year's extension!)
- * There are no limits as to how many resolution items each member submits. More resolutions can be added until the end of June.
- * **The fee is only \$2.00 to sign up for resolutions no matter how many items you list!**
- * Upon completion of the resolutions, the members name will be entered into a draw for a chance to win the money collected by the program at the end of the year.
- * Each item must be clearly identified as finished (ie quilted, bound and labelled) or unfinished (pieced top only). All items must be quilt related. Clothing items count if they are finished and quilted. Comfort Quilts can be used as submissions but only if they are finished (no quilt tops here).
- * When you complete a resolution bring it in before the end of the year and an executive member (or former executive member, Jill) must sign off /witness that the resolution was in fact finished for a chance at the final draw.
- * **Please feel free to then add your item to the "show and Share" pile for the entire Guild to witness your masterpiece!**

Show and Share

Do you want to see more images from last month's meeting? You now have two locations to see more pictures. Our new website www.kqg.ca is up and running and our Facebook page is updated after every monthly meeting.



An a-maze-ing log cabin variation

Red and white all Canadian BOM



Adorable heartfelt "memory bear"

Geometric grey and yellow beauty.



Quilting on the Internet

When I first volunteered to take up the position of Newsletter editor on the KQG executive I was approached by Almeda Comeau who was wondering if I would be interested in adding an internet related section to the newsletter. I told her that was a funny little coincidence because that was exactly what I was hoping to do. Almeda then showed up at the next meeting with a list of at least **80 different websites** she's frequented over the years for me to browse! Needless to say I am still working on getting around to all of her suggestions but here are a few blogs that I have enjoyed and found through the great suggestions of Almeda. Thank you for sharing Almeda! If anyone else has anything internet and quilting related they would like to share with the rest of the guild, email me at joannersb@gmail.com or hand me a good ol' fashioned paper copy like Almeda did.



www.cluckclucksew.com Allison Harris' blog has been around for years and you can tell by the amount of good stuff going on. She updates her blog regularly so there is always something new to see.

There are a large amount of tutorials that include some free "how-to" patterns, the "tips and tricks" section is definitely worth looking into. Plus, there is the cutest Pumpkin patch quilt pattern I have ever seen in her online store along with many other great patterns. A recent post contains a link to her free "I Heart You" mini quilt pattern, perfect for this time of year!



Daydreams of Quilts

www.daydreamsofquilts.blogspot.ca Anita LaHay writes this blog all the way from Alberta. It is a fairly traditional blog as it focuses on writings about her sewing journey and

everyday life. She has some tutorials and links to online classes through Craftsy and to her Etsy store but I really find interesting her "Pixel Heart" quilts and all the variations she has been creating along the same but different theme. Also, there was a very interesting blog post in December of 2017 titled "What I learned doing Craft Shows in 2017" that really made me appreciate the craziness craft show vendors go through just to try and make a little money (or lose a lot of money) from their passion.

hyacinthquilt designs.blogspot.ca

Cindy Lammon is a Martingale Press author so if the name seems familiar its because you might have one of her books, perhaps purchased from the library sell-off because I know the KQG library had a few! I like her blog because it is simple and straight forward without all those extra ads and "click here" distractions. She has beautiful photography and simple little stories about the sewing projects she is working on. Plus, there is a drool worthy January post of her impeccably organized sewing space! There are a few free quilts to make on her Tutorials page including a "Nine Patch Snowball" that would make an adorable comfort quilt.



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MEETING ETIQUETTE:

Please...

Turn your cell phones to vibrate or turn them off.

Do not stand up to take photos of the beautiful quilts and block the view of those seated behind you.

Don't wear perfumes during meetings; some people are highly sensitive to them.

Respect our speakers, listen during presentations and visit during breaks.

Thank you.

Inclement Weather:

On inclement weather days the decision about whether or not our guild meeting is running will be based on if Georgian College's evening classes are cancelled. Listen to local radio stations or check the college website for this information.

NOTE: Please use your best judgement to assess local road conditions and stay home if you feel it is unsafe to drive.

50/50 Draw

Tickets are 3 for \$1 and can be purchased at the beginning of the meeting or during break.

Upcoming Quilt Shows of 2018

Quilt Fever 2018 taking place at Neilson Park Creative Centre, **March 23 & 24** 10-5 daily Admission \$8.00 featuring prizes, draws, pick-to-win, Members Boutique Merchant all and Tea Room. Full details at www.QuiltFever.ca

Quilts on the Grand 2018 taking place at Centre Wellington Sportsplex, Fergus Ontario, **June 8 and 9th** Daily Admission: \$7.00 featuring display of quilts, Quilt challenge, Merchants, Lunch/Tea. For details: www.grandquiltguild.ca