

Pieces and Patches

Abbotsford Quilters Guild

April 2007

P.O. Box 325 Abbotsford, BC V2T 6Z6

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 10, 2007 10am and 7pm at Bethel Reformed Church 3260 Gladwin Road

President's Message

The days are longer, we will soon have lots of sunshine (other than the current liquid variety) and many of you are anxious to get out in your gardens. It is interesting that a large percentage of quilters are also avid gardeners. Must have something to do with the joy of creating and combining colour that draws so many of us to both interests.

Please be sure to check out the program for our next meeting - very interesting!
Also, read over and consider the positions available for executive. If you belong to the guild as a way to meet new people - being on the executive is a great way to get involved. If you have never taken on a position - please think about it. New ideas are always welcome and with as large an executive as the guild has, there is a need and a place for everyone.

See you at the next meeting,
Lois Brown, president



Your Guild Executive

- ★ President Lois Brown
- ★ Past President. Carolyn Jennings
- ★ Co-Vice President. Ann Smallbrugge
- ★ Secretary (day). . . Lynn Weisgerber
- ★ Treasurer Marilyn Schoenberger
- ★ Library (day). Agnes Unger
- ★ Membership (day) Elsie Gates
- ★ Newsletter (day) Sherry Redekop
- ★ Program (day) Diana Olsen
- ★ Publicity (day). Iris Klenk
- ★ Friendship (day) Julie Shellenberg
- ★ Sunshine (day). Joy Bean
- ★ Photography (day). Joyce Metcalf
- ★ Hospitality (day). Donna Neufeld
- ★ Workshops (day) Jane Cannon
- ★ We Care (day) Ingrid Chow
- ★ Archives Sharon Wettstein
- ★ Community Events.....Arlyne Harper & Ann Gosslin

- ★ Co-President Kate Burzuk
- ★ Vice President. Arlyne Harper
- ★ Secretary (eve) Shirley Prosser
- ★ Quilt Show Marilyn Isaak & Lois Martin
- ★ Library (eve) Hilda Munro
- ★ Membership (eve) Gail Penner
- ★ Newsletter (eve) Susan Barker
- ★ Program (eve). Lin Neifert
- ★ Publicity (eve). Penny Vance
- ★ Friendship (eve). Noni Eden
- ★ Sunshine (eve). Alice Stevenson
- ★ Photography (eve). Cindy Cervo
- ★ Hospitality (eve). Debbie Brama
- ★ Workshops (eve) Denise Pohanke
- ★ We Care (eve). Harriet Tomashewski
- ★ Bus Trips. Linda Peeling

Bus Trip

The trip to Kamloops had been cancelled. Cheques and money will be returned at the April meeting.

MARTINGALE PUBLISHING HOUSE

The 18 travellers are

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| Sherry Redecop | Linda Peeling |
| Agnes Unger | Ella Koster |
| Elsie Gates | Ginette Carr |
| Joan Rollason | Joyce Metcalf |
| Darcey Peters | Arlyne Harper |
| Ann Smallbrugge | Nearissa Kasper |
| Rita Van Veen | Myra Olsen |
| Arlene Nolan | Jo Newton |
| Tracey Neufeldt | Anneke Van Dyk |

Cost is \$7 payable to your driver.....
We will meet at Seven Oaks behind the Bay at 8 AM....on Monday April 2nd
Bring all needed ID and American \$\$
We will make a stop on the way back (time permitting) but the tour starts at 1 PM.
See you all on the 2nd.

Linda Peeling

Community Events

Thank you to those who let their names stand to help at the Bradner flower show. We will be asking for volunteers for the Fibre Fest to be held at Tradex May 11 and 12. If you would like to volunteer before the April meeting, please call Anne Gosselin at #####.

At the May and June meetings we will be seeking volunteers for the BIG show, the Agri Fair over the August long weekend. Please volunteer if you can.

Arlyne and Anne



Membership Report

Attendance	Guests	New Members	Renewals
AM - 82	6	2	0
PM - 43	0	0	0

Door Prizes:

AM

Susan Barker and Jo Newton

PM

Shirley Prosser and Ann Smalbrugge

h If you would like to receive the Membership List as an email attachment please contact Gail at ***** @ *****

New Members:

#447

Mary M. Steegstra (Oct)

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#448

Bonnie Dickie (Nov. 21)

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With apologies Dorothy's information was missed last

#441

Dorothy Hagglund (Mar.25)

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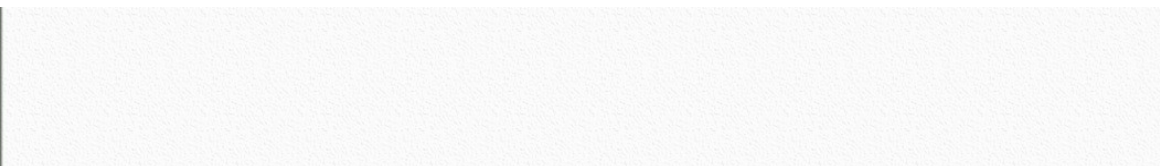
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Changes to Address list:

Myla Barker, #####

Janet Currie, #####

Carole Ann Thomas, #####



Birthday list for April

Apr. 2	Alice Van Der Muelen
Apr. 3	Susan Blank
Apr. 5	Bonnie Boyd
Apr. 11	Doris Read
Apr. 12	Kamalini Abraham, Myla Barker, Lorraine Walker
Apr. 18	Lynne Weisgerber
Apr. 19	Svea Young
Apr. 21	Leila Carson
Apr. 24	Joan Rollason
Apr. 25	Kathleen Dunville, Laura Peleshytyk
Apr. 27	Nancy Campbell

Canadian Comfort Quilts

I would like to have all

- > blocks that people are doing for the Canadian Comfort and Remembrance
- > Project in over the next couple of meetings. I want to do up the quilts and
- > send them back with my son in the summer.
- >
- > Debbie

We Care

We will not be available to have a workbee after the April morning meeting, but hope to have more kits ready for members to take home to complete.

We have distributed 245 quilts since September to Transition House, Special Care Nursery and Victims Services.
Keep up the good work!

Ingrid Chow (d) - #####

Harriet Tomashewski (e) - #####

The Web Page

Our Guild Web Page is now at
<http://abbotsfordquilters.org>

You can find the broken crayons quilt pattern at
http://abbotsfordquilters.org/broken_crayons_instructions.pdf or by going to the **Pieces and Patches** page on the Web Site and clicking on the link that is provided on the page.

Some other information that you might want to check on from time to time is a listing of Quilt Shows that are within driveable distance from Abbotsford, along with other shows that may be of special interest to members.

If you have ideas or suggestions for items of interest to include on the webpage

contact Susan at #####

Just a short update from all of us at the Art Therapy Program.

The girls at **Peardonville** are enjoying the program and so far they have completed a variety of projects.

I think their favourites were the totebags and the boxer shorts. They have completed enough Sun Bonnet Sue blocks for a child's quilt for the Daycare and are making more. Some of our volunteers have mentioned that some of the Abbotsford members have commented that even though they are not able to come on Wednesday mornings they would still like to contribute in some direct way. This is very doable. We do need volunteers who can work from their own homes to help with making quilts, or finishing Sun Bonnet Sue quilts, and to quilt, tops donated from the island and other distant areas. It is less expensive to mail quilt tops - and as we all know they are those who just love to create the tops and never get around to finishing the quilts. Other women and/or guilds are getting together to create one or two show quality quilts or works of art for fundraising efforts. This is very important to the success of the **Missing Women's Legacy Society's** programs and if your interested in helping in these ways, please contact **Julie Schellenberg - #####**
- to brighten her day.

Val Hughes

Workshop Report

Quilt Show

It's not too early to plan a project or two for the 2008 Quilt Market Boutique. You can earn money on these items and spend it freely for more crafts.

There is no limit on items you may submit, but they must be made by a guild member and fabric related. Consider small items such as baby quilts, toys, coasters, and the extremely popular tote bags in bright colours.

Remember the majority of customers who come to the show are crafters themselves and appreciate a well finished item --- straight seems, pressed, matching threads, tight buttons and buckles.

Get those creative juices flowing and lets fill the boutique with irresistible merchandise, proudly displayed. Boutique Co-ordinator, Joyce Scott #####

Next Quilt Show Committee meeting will take place on May 1 at the home of Marilyn Isaak at 7:00 p.m.

Lilly Thorne's Embellishment Class is the last class offered this quilting year. You will learn all about paint stick, crayons, foiling and take a fresh look at beads, buttons, ribbons and yarns. The class is on Saturday, May 12 from 10-3pm at Quilt Essentials. Although the class is full we will gladly add your name to the waitlist.

Thank you to all who responded to our request for ideas for next year's slate of workshops. If you have further recommendations or leads about excellent teachers and their classes, please stop by our workshop table at the April meeting. Happy Spring!

Denise Pohanke (e) Jane Cannon (d)

April meeting: Setup and Take Down

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call a friend and ask her to take your place? Remember, we have many small jobs that need to be done that don't require lifting or carrying.

Morning:

Laura More
Martha Neufeld
Jo Newton
Amanda Paetkau
Carole Parisotto
Barb Patterson

Evening:

Hilda Munro
Lauri Pauker
Linda Peeling
Christina Radnai
Doris Read
Jacquie Roberts



Building Blocks

Quilt

Upcoming Events:

Fraser Valley Quilters' Quilts from the Heart Quilt Show

April 20, 21 & 22, 2007 Precious Blood Roman Catholic Church Parish Community Centre 17475 - 59th Avenue Surrey (Cloverdale Area), BC Friday & Saturday April 20 & 21, 2007 10:00 am - 6:00 pm **Sunday April 22, 2007 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Tickets: \$5.00**

Merchant Mall Boutique - Items for sale made by FVQG Members Tea Room Raffle Quilts Preemie Quilt Display Quilt Challenge Daily Demonstrations

April 27 - 29, 2007 Silver Threads - Celebrating 25 Years of Quilting presented by the Orchard Valley Quilters' Guild - Kelowna, BC. Contact: Marguerite Berry at #####

April 27 - 29, 2007 First Ever Quilt Show 2007. Westshore Quilters at Eagle Ridge Community Centre, 1089 Langford Parkway, Victoria, B.C.

The response for the name tag holders was overwhelming. 65 Kits were made and all went out. I've even had a call for more! When I attended the evening meeting I discovered that the designer of these terrific holders was Kate Burzuk. I want to thank her again and let everyone know whose design it was. Here are the instructions for those of you who preferred to take it home.

You received – 1-18 X 5 ½ inch piece of fabric –folded

- 1 8 X 5 ½ inch piece of fabric – folded
- 2 6 X 5 ½ inch piece of fabric – folded
- 3 3X 5 ½ inch piece of clear plastic
- 4 2 inch wide straight bias strip 44 inches
- 5 Zipper

-Lay your zipper facing down 4 in. up from the bottom of the unfolded 18 in. piece of fabric. Sew zipper close to the teeth. (Be sure you will not sew over the end of the zipper when binding your holder).

-Sew the folded side of the 8 in. piece (now 4in.) to the right side of the zipper.

-Lay the last piece of fabric folded side up (3 in.) on top of the 4 in. piece folded side up. You can sew a line any where straight down to create 2 pockets. Pin to folded fabric. You now have the inside of your holder.

-Bind one side (5 ½ in. side) of the clear plastic. Fold over the holder to show the front. Pin the plastic down so the binding is up creating a clear pocket to insert your name tag.

-Bind the around the outside encasing all the edges.

-Find the crease of your holder and that is where you can install your eyelets to feed your neck string threw. (I will have them at the next meeting (prior to 10 am).

At April's meeting we will have Wendy Rao. Her topic is "Portraits a Quilted Art".

She will have quilts on display and asks that you not touch them unless you are wearing gloves. She will speak for approximately one hour so Lois has agreed to keep the meeting short. I'm sure all of you will enjoy this speaker. Do check out her web site at www.bluefusionstudio.com .

Happy quilting

Diana Olson (d) Lin Neifert (e)



March Executive Report

Elections were high on our topics of discussion this meeting. Our guild needs the continued generous gift of time from Our members to make our guild the fun, inspiring and educational group that it is.

The policy on refunds was looked at once again. The executive decided the Policy should be kept as is.

It's in P&P (Policies and Procedures)

It's time to think about next year and the positions that are open. If you are thinking of getting more involved check out the job descriptions in the P & P. These descriptions are the basic 'What you are expected to do'. Members are encouraged to add their own flair to the job. Please check the bottom of the last page for the date your copy was printed. It should be Oct. 2006. We have made a few minor changes since then, but not in the job description section. Don't have a copy? Look in the Guild Info Binder on the table before the next meeting.

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