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Scraps of Wisdom

Co-Presidents' Message **Celebrate New Beginnings!**

We hope everyone had a great holiday over Christmas. We look forward to a wonderful new year and new beginnings. Finish something old, start something new and stretch our comfort zone just a little. We can't wait to see what you come up with!

Eileen Fennell and Kathy Langill



We are still looking for a someone or two to do program co-ordinating. We will help and, as a team, we can get the guests YOU want. Or we will all be sitting there looking at each other with no guest speakers at all. Looking forward to talking with you.

We are also looking for two fun loving ladies to work with us as vice presidents. As you have seen, it doesn't take a lot of talent or experience. If we can do it, so can YOU! Grab your friend and give us a call.

Eileen Fennell and Kathy Langill

Meeting Cancellations due to severe weather—listen to KOOLFM 105.3—if the universities are closed our meetings will be

cancelled. We will post on our facebook page as well.





Judy Pearce "Crisp January Morning

The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild provides an opportunity for quilters to learn in a supportive, sharing, social environment. We encourage you to get the most out of your membership by becoming more deeply involved in the guild.

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ATTENTION: Members with a long arm business

In January we will be presenting our second "Focus on Quilting" program with a long arm quilting infor-I mation session. We invite those members with a long arm business to contact us to register to share Information with the membership at this meeting via a small table display. (Please note: preregistration is required in order to participate.)

Elizabeth King & Elizabeth McDowell Heagy

January Long Arm Expo (from our "Focus on Quilting Series")

Join us for this informative session on the art of long arm quilting presented by a knowledgeable panel of long arm quilters.

Hear different perspectives, both from those who are in the professional quilting industry, and from those who quilt for personal use. Learn how to prepare your quilt properly for optimum results. Benefit from the experience of fellow members completing their first quilts. See where long arm quilting is headed with computerized quilting and original digitized designs.

Perhaps you have considered getting something quilted professionally, or maybe you are in the market for a long arm for personal use. It could be that you just enjoy knowing more about all things quilt-related. This in-depth presentation will feature both information and samples from some of our own members. You will have an opportunity to have a close-up look at the quilting, speak to the presenters for additional information, and collect business cards from those offering professional quilting services. We thank those members who have generously shared their time and expertise to make this event happen.

I Elizabeth McDowell Heagy & Elizabeth King





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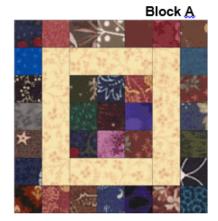
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Darlene Yanke, Assistant Treasurer, is now writing cheques and preparing deposits working closely with Linda Collins, Treasurer. You may give funds to be deposited or expense reimbursement forms to either of them.

Using Up Scraps #1 with Vikki MacDonald





Size of Cuts

Cut Size of Squares					
Usin	g 1½" Squares	Using 2" Squares			
	One Centre 9-Patch	One Centre 9-Patch			
Block A	Two rows of 5	Two rows of 5			
	Two rows of 7	Two rows of 7			
Block B	Two rows of 3	Two rows of 3			
DIOCK B	Two rows of 5	Two rows of 5			
		-			
Cut Size of Background Strips					
Block A	Two 1½" by 3½"	Two 2" by 5"			
	Two 1½" by 5½"	Two 2" by 8"			
	One 3½" Square	One 5" Square			
Block B	Two 1½" by 5½"	Two 2" by 8"			
	Two 1½" by 7½"	Two 2" by 11"			



Row 1 - Alternate blocks starting with A: A B A B A B etc.



Row 2 - Alternate blocks starting with B: B A B A B A etc.



Note:

While the illustrations show a light background, a dark background with lighter squares is just as effective.

"Hubby Has His Toys, Now You Get To Have Yours"

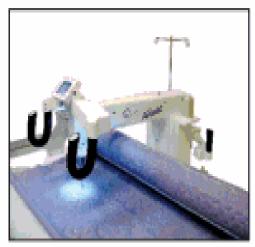


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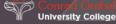
Dr. Janneken Smucker

Janneken Smucker, a 5th generation Mennonite quiltmaker, is author of Amish Quilts: Crafting an American Icon (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013). As Assistant Professor of History at West Chester University in Pennsylvania, she specializes in digital history and American material culture. Smucker's lectures will explore the historic context and cultural and consumer meanings surrounding Amish/Mennonite quilts and Hmong needlework.



https://uwaterloo.ca/grebel/events/bechtel-lecture-dr-janneken-smucker





140 Westmount Road North Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, N2L 3G6 519-885-0220 | grebel@uwaterloo.ca

February 4, 2016 7:00 PM

Schlegel Community Education room

"Abstract Art or Country Craft: The Quilts of the Amish"

Dinner and lecture Punch at 6:30 Funds raised will be used for the Archives and Mennonite Studies programs at Grebel.

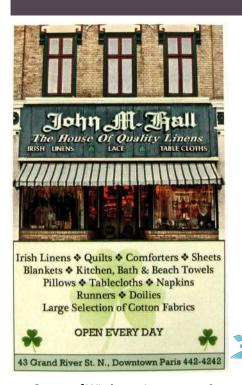
Tickets are \$75 (\$45 Charitable receipt). Contact Alison Enns 519-885-0220 x 24217 or aenns@uwaterloo.ca February 5, 2016 7:00 PM

Great Hall

"Unexpected Intersections:
Amish,
Mennonite, and
Hmong Textiles and the Question of Authenticity"

Free admission

Reception to follow



Annual "Chair Sale"

The annual Chair Sale will be held at the MARCH meeting this year due to our having a vendor in February. This change gives members added time to gather once-loved but no-longerwanted treasures to sell hopefully to new owners.

Elizabeth King & Elizabeth McDowell Heagy



Quilt Exhibit Honourable Mention ribbons go to...

... Vikki MacDonald for her "Dear Old Dead Aunt Jane" blocks designed by Jane Stickle, border designed by Linda Johnson, pieced by Vikki MacDonald, quilted by Cheryl Czaplinski, Sew Unique Quilting, Campbellcroft, ON, and "Affairs of the Heart" designed by Aie Rossman, appliqued by Vikki MacDonald, quilted by Cheryl Czaplinski, Sew Unique Quilting, Campbellcroft, ON. Vikki received her ribbons at our November guild meeting from Charlene Stevens.

Did you know guild members may advertise for **FREE** in our classified section?

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Officer Raine Galley

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CQA/ACC Collecting "Inches" from Quilt Guilds Across Canada

Once again, CQA/ACC is collecting "inches" from guilds. They are travelling from Lethbridge, AB (QC2015) to Toronto, ON (Mississauga) home of Quilt Canada 2016. They will track the inches on their map of Canada every month and keep you posted on just where they are. The journey is 3,627.28 km and that is 142,806,299.2 inches, so they need your help getting there.

Please measure the inches around the perimeter of your 'Show & Tell' and charity quilts and email the information to Kathy Bissett at wcqg@wcquiltersguild.on.ca who will forward our "inches" onto them. Thanks for participating on this trip to Toronto!

I IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN <u>ARRANGING</u> A BUS TRIP TO TORONTO FOR QUILT CANADA 2016, PLEASE LET KATHY LANGILL OR EILEEN FENNELL KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

A Reminder from the Smile Quilt Committee

Now that we are all back to our usual quilting routines after the Christmas season, this is just a short note to thank everyone who has turned in a Smile Quilt this quilting year and to remind you that we are continuing to give out batting and backing. Just get a requisition sheet at the Smile Quilt desk by the Main Library entrance, fill it out and we will have your order ready at the next guild meeting. Sometimes, if you are early, Helene and Jean will fill the order the same afternoon.

We do want to remind you that we also give out LABELS.
These labels have the guild's mailing address on it. It's fine if you make your own labels, but be sure to include the guild address. This information is under Smiles Quilts in our Membership Handbook. The hospital asks that this information be on the quilts, as some recipients want to write a 'thank you' note and the hospital does not have this information.

Smile Quilt Committee – Joan Doke, Helene Doerfler, Peggy Herlick, Jean Munroe, Jennifer Robinson and Marilyn Weckworth





Don't forget about the

Library Challenge

Details in the September newsletter



Ten Good Reasons to Buy Fabric

- 1. It insulates the cupboard where it is kept.
- 2. It keeps the economy moving. It is my duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills and fabric shops.
- 3. It is less expensive and more fun than psychiatric care.
- 4. I'm participating in a contest the one who dies with the most fabric wins.
- 5. It keeps without refrigeration, you don't have to cook it to enjoy it, you'll never have to feed it, change it, wipe its nose or walk it.
- 6. Because I'm worth it.
- 7. Like dust, its good for protecting previously empty spaces in the house. Like the ironing board, the laundry basket and the dinning room table.
- 8. Its not immoral, illegal or fattening. It calms the nerves, gratifies the soul and makes me feel good.
- 9. Because it is on sale.
- 10. Buy it now, before your husband retires and goes with you on all your shopping expeditions!



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White Memory Quilts

Over the years, guild members have generously made many Memory Quilts that have been donated to Grand River Hospital's Bereavement Program. They are given to families who have lost an infant due to stillbirth, SIDs or another catastrophe. While we have some lovely colourful quilts waiting to be donated when needed, the Hospital has requested some white quilts. These are given to families of varying faiths, in particular Hindu and Muslim, in accordance with their beliefs.

At the January meetings, white quilt kits will be available for members who wish to help fulfill this need. Some kits will include squares to be sewn together and then quilted. Others will be whole cloth for those who enjoy doing free motion quilting. They will be labelled to indicate what is in the bag. The only restriction in putting together these quilts is that they must be all white (including the quilting) and there should be no images of animals or people. Quilts should be signed out and returned at the February meeting.

Thank you in advance for supporting this Outreach program.

Pamela Clarkson

If you know of a guild member who has become ill, please let our secretary, Silvia Cadman, know so she can send a get well card from all of us.



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to allow time for those doing setup at guild meetings and come **AFTER** 12:45pm and 6:15pm





Touch Quilts

Charlene Stevens delivered these 33 Touch Quilts made by our members to the Alzheimer's Society in time for Christmas giving.

Be Sure To Check Out.

the latest books in the Library

- "Color Continuum" by Emily Cier
- "Friendship Strips & Scraps" by Edyta Sitar
- "Kaffe Quilts Again" by Kaffe Fassett
- "Modern Quilts Illustrated" by Ringle and Kerr (numbers 6,7,8,9 & 10)
- "Outstanding Owls for Appliqué" by Darcy Ashton
- "A Patrick Lose Christmas" by Patrick Lose (get a head start on next Christmas!)





Library Inventory will be Wednesday May 25 from 1—4pm so the books can all be accounted for before the June meeting when you'll be able to take them home for the summer!

Apple Fritter Cake

submitted by Shari Turner

This is the cake she brought to the Guild Exhibit Wrap Up at Bonnie's

For the batter:

- 3 cups all purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup white sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup butter, melted

6 small apples cored, peeled and diced (Shari doubles this)

For the topping:

- 1 cup butter, melted
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons all purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon

For the glaze:

- 2 cups icing sugar
- 5 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

(This glaze can be halved as it is very sweet)

Method

Mix all batter ingredients (except for the butter and apples) together in a bowl. Once combined, carefully pour in melted butter, mixing slowly so it doesn't splash all over. Pour batter into greased 9 x 13 pan. Evenly distribute apples over batter. In separate bowl, mix together the topping ingredients. The topping will be thick, so drop scoops of it evenly over the apples. Then take a knife and drag it in a swirly motion all over the pan allowing the topping to combine a little with the apples and batter. Bake at 350F for at least 40 minutes, possibly longer. If it begins to brown, top loosely with foil. Once baked, allow to cool for 20 minutes, then pour glaze over cake.



Mannheim Quilting/Sewing Circle

Join us on January 13th from 9am to 4pm for the first Mannheim Quilting/Sewing Circle of 2016! Bring the project of your choice and your lunch; we will supply tea, coffee and good company while you sew. Directions to the Mannheim Community Centre can be found in your guild handbook or on the WCQG website. Your voluntary donation of \$4 helps cover the cost of the facility. Please contact Megan Stauch or Tamara Gilhuly with any questions!

Please note: In the event of inclement weather, the Mannheim Quilting/Sewing Circle will be cancelled if the schools are closed In the morning.

BLOCK EXCHANGE



Anyone interested in joining the block exchange hosted by Shari
Turner and Marg Sandiford can still sign up at the January guild meetings. There has been lots of interest,

so we'll be dividing into a number of groups. We're planning to get together on Monday, January 25th for a potluck lunch to decide block design and group assignments. Potluck location will depend on the number of participants, so we'll keep you posted!

PAL QUILTS:

Palliative Quilts for Lisaard and Innisfree House

Please refer to your members' handbook for the guidelines or contact Judy Siegner for further information. Your donated quilts for this project will be received at the program table following Show and Tell.

Thank you to everyone who responded to the IPM 2016 Raffle Quilt Block Challenge!

Your blocks were amazing! The IPM Quilt Committee was thrilled to have 80 raffle quilt challenge blocks submitted for the judging which took place Friday, December 4th at the OPP office in Teviotdale. The committee thanks everyone who participated, and looks forward to assembling these into spectacular quilts for the annual raffle.

Judges Elizabeth King and Bonnie Murdoch determined the top three blocks based on criteria such as workmanship, creativity and incorporation of the theme. Both judges live in Waterloo and are members of the Waterloo County Quilters' Guild. King has judged nationally for the Canadian Quilters' Association and Murdoch organized the Waterloo guild exhibit in October. Both are long time quilters.



First place was awarded to the entry from **Mary Katherine Hopkins** of Guelph. Mary Katherine's block was a meticulously researched depiction of Wellington County. It was created from hand-dyed fabric and used both quilting and embroidery to show all the towns, rivers, lakes and forests of the county.

Second place was a brightly coloured and whimsical winter scene by **Nancy Winn** of Waterloo. It integrated more than thirty shades of green in the collection of tiny houses and embroidered trees.

Third place was a stunning jewelled sunflower by **Robin Bogaert** of Waterloo. The block was skillfully thread painted and beaded. The judges admired the intensity of the thread work on both front and back.

The judges gave honourable mentions to the blocks submitted by **Anne Peters** of Guelph and **Judy Pearce** of Kitchener. Both submitted well-designed pastoral scenes using contemporary quilting approaches.

As a special feature this year, IPM Chair Ron Faulkner; Minto Mayor and Wellington County Warden George Bridge and host farmers Anne and Earl Schneider, were also invited to select their personal favorites. After careful consideration, IPM Chair Ron Faulkner selected a traditional patchwork featuring an appliqued walking plow. "This brings back memories of plowing. It represents so many things; a tremendous cross-section of all the elements of agriculture", said Faulkner. The block was made by Mary Townsend of Arthur. Mayor George Bridge chose the rooster made by Brigitte Dimock of Puslinch. He admired the intricate detail, use of colour and the workmanship in the block. Host farmers Anne and Earl Schneider selected a block with a farmer looking out at a peaceful autumn farm scene made by Pat Hooker of Mount Forest. Each of the submitted blocks will be incorporated into quilts which will become prizes for the annual raffle fundraiser. The determination of where the blocks will go will be based on artistic decisions by committee chair Renske Helmuth. These quilts, showcasing local talents, will be unique and spectacular treasurers. This year's challenge had a fresh new approach. Northcott Silk Inc. generously provided the prizes for the competition in the form of fabric bundles valued at \$125, \$100 and \$75 for the top three blocks as determined by the judges.

The raffle quilts will be displayed at "The Fresh Taste of Quilting" Quilt Show and Competition a the Harriston Curling Club on August 19 & 20, 2016. The show will feature entries in 11 different categories. There is \$4200 available in prize money donated by generous supporters. The show will also feature a merchant mall, tea room and viewers' choice. For more information check out the IPM website: www.plowingmatch.org/home-2016

THE RAFFLE QUILT 2015

2015 Raffle Quilt Winner & Results

Janet Willard, Development Co-ordinator for Lisaard House and Innisfree House accepted a cheque for \$4700 and a donation from Sandy Zubrigg, the winner of the quilt, at our November guild meeting. These hospices receive partial funding from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. They are a registered charity and rely on the generous donations of the community to augment their funds.





Pictured above are: (L to R) Linda Collins, Janet Willard, Bonnie Murdoch and Judy Siegner



Some of the many guild members who participated in the making of the raffle quilt.



True North looking very much at home in Sandy Zurbrigg's log cabin near North Bay, Ontario.









Congratulations to Dianne Gilchrist, winner of the quilt auction.

Dianne submitted the

winning bid of \$625 on the stunning, queen-sized quilt.

The beautiful blocks were made by 18 members of the Waterloo County Quilters' Guild and organized by Marney Heatley. The quilting was done by Audrey Vrooman.

We thank everyone who submitted a sealed bid, and extend a special thank you to Quilters' Guild members: Audrey, Bonnie, Olga, Marg, Shari, Shelagh, Darlene, Kitty, Ginny, Betty, Betteanne, Bernice, Frieda, Jean, Aline, Margaret, Ulke, Jennifer, Marney and Lynne.

Enjoy your quilt, Dianne!





Mennonite Relief Sale 5oth Anniversary Quilt

Designed and orchestrated by Emily Hunsberger, this 84" x 105" quilt was quilted by the Erb Street Mennonite Church quilters, along with Carol Huehn, Emily Hunsberger and Marg Sandiford in November and December. It is ready for binding and to be entered into the Relief Sale Quilt Auction in New Hamburg during the last weekend of May 2016.





"Focus on Quilting"

Program Outline 2015 -2016

January - **A Longarm Expo** is the second **"Focus on Quilting"** event. Marilyn Farquhar will be our organizer for this learning experience.

February - We look forward to **mini workshops**, lecture style, with some of our own members, plus a machine care talk by Vernon Knorr from Creekbank Sewing. Our third **"Focus on Quilting"** is hand quilting and Emily Hunsberger will organize hand-quilting workshops this month.

March - Nancy Wells, Guelph, ON, will share her beautiful appliquéd quilts in "My Appliqué Journey".

April - **Carol Seeley**, Campbell River, BC, is accomplished in many genres of quilting. In addition to presenting **"My Quilting Journey"**, Carol will conduct 3 landscape/seascape workshops.

May - Dorothy Fu, from the Toronto area, will discuss her diverse quilting interests, from hand quilting to machine quilting, from traditional work to portraiture and from piecing to machine appliqué, during her informative trunk show.

June - Annual meeting, evening meeting only

Elected Officers of the Guild 2015-2016

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Elizabeth McDowell Heagy

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Quilt Exhibit: Bonnie Murdoch

& Ruthanne Snider

Website: Kathy Bissett

Our website: http://www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca/



Quilting Months Ahead

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Month	Day	Activity
January	13	Mannheim Quilting and Sewing Circle
January	20	Regular Guild Meetings
February	10	Mannheim Quilting and Sewing Circle
February	12,13	Hand quilting workshops with Emily Hunsberger
February	17	Regular Guild meetings
March	9	Mannheim Quilting and Sewing Circle
March	16	Regular Guild meetings
April	13	Mannheim Quilting and Sewing Circle
April	20	Regular Guild Meetings
April	21,22,23	Carol Seeley Landscape/Seascape Workshops