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President's Message

Welcome to Fall. We have had glorious weather - great to be outside. Unfortunately that is not good for quilting, unless you have some energy left for the evenings. But the nice thing about the weather and the colours, is all the "fall" placemats, runners, and bed quilts that are in a pattern for you to indulge in.

Don't forget to make your placemats for the Meals on Wheels project. Also remember to bring your items for RAFT (see further in this newsletter for more info) - all to the November meeting. If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would still like to donate, you can drop them off to me or contact the ladies who are collecting them (Carolyn Brandy for Meals on Wheels, and Karen Jensen for RAFT donations).



I have heard from Canadian Quilters' Association (CQA) regarding our proposal to host the show in 2014. But a few more details need to be ironed out before confirmation. This is very exciting for Niagara, as we will be able to see the best of Canada's quilts in our own backyard, as well as be able to attend workshops that you might never be able to.

CQA is hosting a show in 2012 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 29 to June 2 at Dalhousie University. I've seen the list of workshops that are being offered. There are so many that I would like to take..... Also CQA has asked the guilds to help with this show, by making "Catch of the Day" goodie bags that will be given out to the delegates for this show. Patterns are available from me.

Program and workshop conveners are working on next year's program. If you have heard of a speaker who would be a great addition to our monthly meetings, contact Lynda Iannandrea or one of the others from the workshop committee.

Christmas is fast approaching. I've booked my trip to the sunny south for some relaxation before the Christmas rush, and hopefully will hit a few quilt shops or shows while I'm down there.

I hope that everyone has a happy holiday, with friends and family and maybe even get a few projects done for gifts as well.

Marilyn Michelin
President

Social Hour:

Doors open: 6:30 pm

November: last names beginning with **F, G, and H** asked to bring the goodies for this month.

January: last names beginning with **I, J, & K** are asked to bring the goodies for this month.

Sunshine Report



Report to Secretary Donna Murray, 905-356-2457, members who require special sunshine due to illness of bereavement.



Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild meet the third Wednesday of the month at the Merritton Community Centre, 7 Park St. St.Catharines

Dates: Nov. 16, 2011	Jan. 18, 2012
Feb. 15, 2012	Mar. 21, 2012
Apr. 18, 2012	May 16, 2012

Remember to Bring:

- Name badge
- Membership Form
- Membership card**
- Mug for drink
- Money for Loonie and 50-50 draws
- Show and Tell
- Block of the Month

2011-12 Executive Committee

Officers:

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Block of the Month:	Joan Wilson
Community Outreach:	Lynne Wilkinson
Social:	Mary Ahle Sophia Etherington
Workshop:	Fran Inglis Tia Philips Marilyn Yeo
50/50 Draw:	Karen Jensen Lisa Thoms
Loonie Draw:	Elaine Baty Joan Mackenzie

Constitution Changes

A constitution committee has worked over the summer to make some changes to the constitution. A copy of the changes is included with this newsletter for you.

We will be voting on these changes at the November meeting. Please remember to bring your copy to the November meeting.



Book Sale

Wed. Nov. 16, 2011 (Guild Meeting Night)

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE NHQG EDUCATION FUND

<u>Prices:</u>	Commercial Patterns	50¢ ea.
	Soft Cover	\$1.00 ea.
	Hard Cover	\$2.00 ea.

Wanted: Books e.g. Novels, Quilt, Cook etc.

NO MAGAZINES THIS TIME

Donated items **will not** be returned to donor.

Drop off: 6pm - 6:20pm at Merritton Community Centre.

Sale time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Bring a tote for you purchases.

Questions – Nina 905-562-4859

Volunteer Fest at Brock University

On September 16, 2011, Theresa Bell, Sue Moskal, Donna Murray and Gloria Meyer attended Brock University's VolunteerFEST on behalf of the Guild. This was a new venture that Brock added to their annual VolunteerFEST. They wanted to try some on the spot "hands-on" volunteering. Other agencies were also in attendance to provide students with information on volunteering year-round.

It was a cool start to the day, but at least it remained sunny. Gloria pieced a simple quilt top ahead of time and students were encouraged to stop by and try their hand at tying a quilt. As well, students were asked to decorate a white quilt square with messages of encouragement, artwork etc. These quilt squares were included in a second quilt top. This quilt top will be tied at a later time. Both quilts will be donated to the YWCA Women's shelter on behalf of the students at Brock and the Guild. The event was deemed a success and may be repeated again next year.



Brock University's VolunteerFEST

November's Program

November's guest speaker is known to many quilters as "The Thread Lady". In reality, she is Anita Zobens. She will inspire you to try something new, because she will show you so many wonderful things you can do with threads.

Anita will have her products for sale at the meeting if you're interested.

Don't miss the November 16th meeting!

Lynda Iannandrea, Program Chair-quilt-lady.



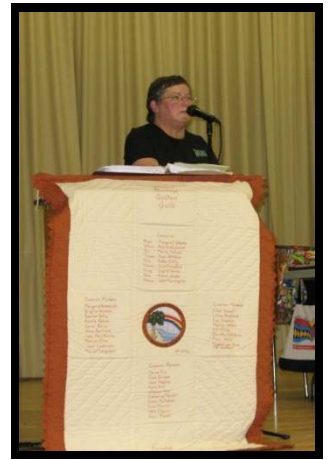
Community Outreach

Guild members, who volunteered to finish the quilt tops for Community Outreach, are asked to return the quilts at the November meeting. This would be greatly appreciated.

Lynne Wilkinson

September's General Meeting

Kay Hannah was our guest speaker from Acton, Ontario. The title of her trunk show was "Out of Control, with the Layer-Four & Cut Technique. Her scrappy and fat quarter friendly quilts incorporated traditional, contemporary, and original designs. Using her collection of quilts, Kay focused on the technique and creative use of a stash.



Kay Hannah

Niagara Heritage Quilter's Guild will submit a proposal to the Canadian Quilters' Association for NHQG to host 2014 Quilt Canada in the Niagara Area.

Nina Stahlschmidt explained that Pauline Johnson donated her time and talents to prepare the artwork for our quilt show, **Quilts of Niagara – A Symphony of Talents**. Pauline was given a gift certificate to express the Guild's appreciation.

The awards from **Quilts of Niagara – A Symphony of Talents Show** were presented to Carol Cunningham – President's Choice Large; Joanne Visser - President's Choice Small; Barbara Bowman – Viewer's Choice Large; Paula Perri – Viewer's Choice Small; Olga Johnson – Member's Choice Large; Karen Witteveen – Member's Choice Small, Roberta Masecar – Innovative (Nell Van Veen award).

An element of the quilt show was an Apron Contest for guild members. Barbara Morrison presented the prizes to the 18 contest winners.

Fifty- Fifty Draw - Sandra DeYoung won \$90.00.
BOM - Doris Carbert won 13 blocks.



Kay Hannah's Quilt

Niagara Heritage Quilters Guild Workshops

The November "Open Thread Bar" workshop with Anita Zobens is now full. Thank you to all who registered quickly!

Sign up early to avoid disappointment!

Registrations for the following classes may now be made in person at any guild meeting, by email workshop@nhqg.ca, or call Marilyn at 905 935-5232 until Nov. 16, or Fran 905 397-9036 after Nov. 16. Fees for members: \$30 (cash or cheque). Classes will be held at Rehoboth Christian Reform Church, 4878 Jepson St., Niagara Falls, 9:30am – 3:30pm.

Sandy Simmelink: Pond Flower Wall Hanging: Thursday Feb. 16, 2012

This popular class features Sandy's original 3D water lily flowers. A small 8 ½ x 11" wall hanging is made. Students will have a chance to improve their machine quilting skills as well as perfect binding skills, and making the very unusual water lily flowers. The kit includes all materials (all pieces for flowers, embellishments, top, batting, backing and binding) to fully complete this wall hanging. By the end of the workshop, this small project is well on its way to completion, with only hand binding left to do. There is a variety of kit colours that are sure to please all tastes – all tops and binding are made from soft soothing, watery colours of Bali material. An alternate colour scheme of wild and wonderful colours, including pink, lime green, etc., will also be available. Kit fee to be determined.

Kim Maticiw: Thursday March 22, 2012

A workshop has not been chosen yet. Our choices are: Flower Pounding, Introduction to Art Quilts, or Introduction to Curve Machine Piecing. Visit the workshop table to help us decide.

Susan Purney Mark: Taster's Choice: Thursday, April 19, 2012

Come to the buffet! Susan will put on a spread of different surface design techniques and products for you to sample... *there's something for everyone*. Learn all about our special friend "Angelina" and all her fibers. We'll play with foil and painted fusibles, create stamped images, and use photo transfer methods. So much fun, so much to learn! To view Susan's work, go to www.susanpm.com. There will be a kit fee for materials.



Meals on Wheels Placemats

We are off to a good start on our placemats for Meals on Wheels. Thanks to everyone who sent some to September meeting, and thanks to Doreen Taylor for collecting them for me. There is still plenty of time to contribute to this project. We still need quite a few to reach our goal of one for each senior client of Meals on Wheels. I will collect them at the October and November meetings



If you are a new member, and want further information, just flag me down at the meeting or give me a call at 937 8562.

Carolyn Brandy

R.A.F.T.



Members of our Guild are very generous. We usually support this community effort at the holiday time. At the November meeting, we will collect items for the teens (ages 16-20). **NEW** items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soaps, deodorants, socks, mitts, toques

and scarves for both girls and boys will be appreciated. Also bags of candy, hand lotion, etc. will be gratefully received.

Those of you who sit together might prefer to pool your gifts and make up a festive little shoebox or a cloth bag, (marked "girl" or "boy"). There will be a box at the back of the hall for collection of these items.

Cincinnati Bus Trip – Update

The bus for the Cincinnati trip is only half full. At least 20 more people are needed to make this trip a go. The closing date is November 30th.

Up Coming Events

September 10, 2011 - March 25, 2012 – Wellington County Museum and Archives – **Building Warmth: A Log Cabin Exhibit** – Aboyne. For more info, contact Amy Dunlop, Curatorial Assistant at 519-846-0916 ext. 5232, amy@wcm.on.ca

November 11 - November 13, 2011 – York Heritage Quilters' Guild – **Art for Body & Soul** – Toronto. For more info, contact Judy Messenger tickets@yhqq.org or visit www.yhqq.org

April 21 – April 22, 2012 – Trent Valley Quilters' Guild - **The Fabric of Our Lives 2012** – Trenton. For more info, contact Colleen Elliott at 613-398-0377, usuallyhere@rogers.com or visit <http://trentvalleyquiltersguild.com/>

May 5 - May 6, 2012 – **20th Anniversary Quilt Show** – Stoney Creek. For more info, contact Linda Arsenault at 905-512-512-4719, linsquilts@yahoo.ca

May 26 - May 27, 2012 – Pembroke Log Cabin Quilters' Guild – **Once Upon a Quilt** – Petawawa. For more info, contact Linda Spagnolo at 613-687-2947, i.spagnolo@synpatico.ca or visit www.pembrokecabinquilters.com

June 1 - June 2, 2012 – **Quilts by the Bay** – Owen Sound. For more info contact Sue Cole 519-599-2384, suecole711@sympatico.ca

June 8 - June 9, 2012 – Hamilton Quilters' Guild – **Quilts in Bloom** – Hamilton. For more info, contact Gail Berry-Graham at 905-389-5111, gailberrygraham@yahoo.ca or visit www.hamiltonquiltersguild.com

June 8 - June 10, 2012 - Limestone Quilters' Guild and Kingston Heirloom Quilters – **Quilts Kingston** – Kingston. For more info, contact Ann Oastler at 613-389-7002, aostler@cogeco.ca or visit quiltskingston.org

June 8 - June 9, 2012 – Grand Quilt Guild – **Quilts on the Grand** – Fergus. For more info, contact Linda Austin at 519-843-4171, linda-austin@live.com or visit www.grandquiltguild.ca

June 15 - June 16, 2012 – Goderich Quilters' Guild - **It's the Berries Quilt Show** – Goderich. For more info, contact Betty Thomasson at 519-524-4333, brubet@hurontel.on.ca or visit goderichquiltersguild.com



Brock University's VolunteerFEST

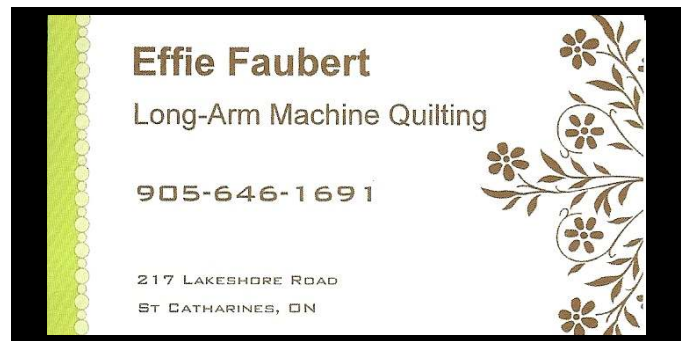
White Gloves Helpers for November are:

Paulette Burnaccioni, JoAnne Dickinson, Carol Wylde, Holly Dirksen, and Mall Accursi

October General Meeting

October's meeting started off with the power going out just before the meeting was to start. Fortunately for us, there were power lights that came on and that it only lasted for about five minutes. As it was a stormy night outside, we kept our fingers crossed. Our speaker, Irene Dewar, told us about how she got started in quilting, a few tales along the way and presented her quilts that showed a variety of techniques. Some of her quilts were in pattern form available through Brambleberry Cottage Quilts. The business part of the meeting was short with reports about the bus trip, RAFT, and the Book Sale at the November meeting. Over 20 quilts were returned for the Slave Lake donation.

50-50 winner of \$ 85.00 was Joanne Visser .
Block of the Month winner of 5 blocks was Doris Carbert.



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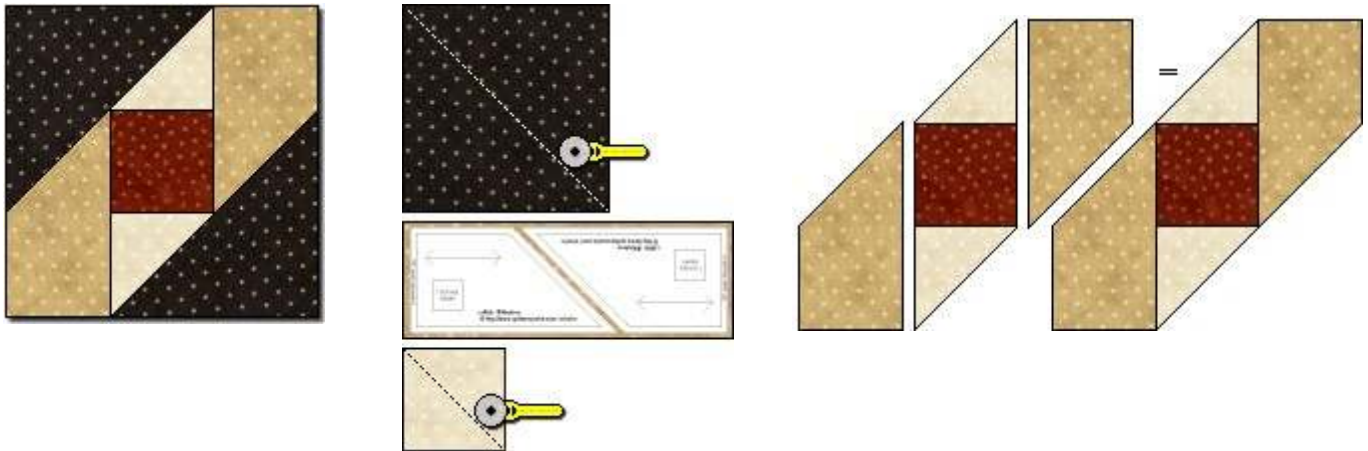


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BOM Nov- 2011 ATTIC WINDOW
 Jan 15 2009 Marcia Hohn



This makes a 9" block ! All fabric is with a small print.
 Cut the black 6-7/8" square in half once on the diagonal to make two Half Square Triangles...
 Next, use the template provided below to cut two medium shade brown colour trapezoids from an 4" x 11" strip (there's one template just rotate it to get two shapes from the one strip).
 Now cut the " off white" colour 3-7/8" square in half once on the diagonal to make two Half Square Triangles...
 Cut one burgundy 3-7/8" square.
 Using a scant 1/4" seam allowance now and throughout the block making, sew an off white half square triangle to the top and bottom of the burgundy 3-1/2" square...
 Then add the trapezoids to the left and right.
 To finish up the block, add the black half square triangles as shown at left!

