



BRANT QUILTERS VOICE

February 12, 2015



IT'S GOING TO BE CANADA'S SESQUISENSATIONAL IN 2017
AS CANADA CELEBRATES ITS 150TH BIRTHDAY!

FEBRUARY MEETING

The program will be a "Stitch and Chat" evening. Members of our Program Committee will each be making up ten baggies with stitching projects for you to work on during the meeting.

Susan Baldauf - Woven Felt Heart Basket with embroidery embellishment
Kay Boyd - Owl Key Fob
Mary Connan - Scissor Charm Project
Roseline Dufour - English Paper Pieced Mug Rug
Lorraine Gerdald - Felt Easter Bunny and Chick
Rica Maguire - Turnover Pin Cushion
Patricia Ryckman-Fleming - Broderie Perse Peony

Please bring your sewing kit with sharp large and small scissors, needles, neutral threads, pins, 12" ruler, etc. You will be able to choose the project you would like to make and we will be there should you have any questions. This will be a nice evening to relax, do some hand stitching and visit with other members.

Patricia Ryckman-Fleming
Program Chair

✓ Name Tags

✓ Pop Tabs

✓ Library Books

✓ BOM—SWEET DREAMS

✓ Finished Cuddle Quilts / Take a kit home

✓ 50 / 50 Draw: \$1 a ticket, 3 for \$2

✓ STRIPPERS EXCHANGE —BLUES

✓ Find the thimble

✓ Outreach Meeting, first Monday of the month

✓ Spring Retreat—full / waiting list

✓ Demos at 6:45 PM—Easy hexagons with Sarah

✓ Show & Tell—I LOVE MY TOOL

✓ Please support our advertisers. Note that Hamilton Sewing Machines give guild members 25% off fabric when you show your membership card.

CHECKLIST

FEBRUARY 12TH MEETING

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

Demo starts at 6:45 PM

Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

St. George United Church

9 Beverly Street East • St. George • ON

PAT PYBUS

Pat Pybus passed away January 8, after a long and valiant battle with cancer. She will be missed by all and remembered for her generosity and kindness.

Pat was a major asset to the guild and, through her creative talents, unselfishly donated many work of arts to the Guild and its outreach program. A tribute to Pat's involvement in BHQG is planned for the near future.

Our sympathy to Pat's family on behalf of our BHQG family.

Roseline Dufour
President, BHQG



HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Cathy Eagles

Betty Kerman

Lynda Ryan

Ann Verth



THE HIDDEN THIMBLE

Find the hidden thimble in the newsletter.

Email Aline or leave a note at the Membership Table on where it is located and you will be entered into a draw to win a prize. You have to be present at the meeting to be eligible for the prize draw.

JANUARY DRAW WINNERS!

- ° FIND THE THIMBLE: Lorraine Gerdald
- ° 50 / 50 DRAW: Lorraine Gerdald
- ° DOOR PRIZES: Diane Thomas and Carla Rutherford



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline: 3rd Friday of each month

NEXT DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 20, 2015 FOR THE March issue

BHQG EXECUTIVE MEETING

Thursday, February 19, 6 PM

Blue Dog Café, 199 Brant Avenue, Brantford



CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH MEETING

February 10, 10:00 AM at Rica home

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE



President's Pieciful Corner

I am amazed with the wealth of information that I find regarding quilting, whether in books, magazines, WEB sites etc. It seems that many of the old techniques have been modified or a new tool created for them. It is now simpler or faster to produce quilts from these techniques. Such is the case with the demo on hexagons. Come meet Sarah while she demonstrates her finding at the February demos. See more info in the newsletter.

So no matter what your source of inspiration is, our objective here at BHQG, is to strive to introduce the world to quilting and to help fan our passion for it.

Happy Sewing to all!  And Happy Valentine's Day!

Roseline Dufour, President
roselineduf@hotmail.com



LIBRARY NEWS

This month's *new library book* is - **QUILT BLOCKS GO WILD!** 10 + fun and funky projects that turn the traditional into a rad blast from the past.

The **MAGAZINE OF THE MONTH** will be a hit as always. On order is **QUILTING FOR DUMMIES**, as requested.

If you want to reserve any of these items, drop me an email and I will reserve one for you - first to ask gets it!

kimberly.callaghan@hotmail.com

Happy Valentine's Day!

Your library team!

Kim, Susan, Lynda & Betty

kimberly.callaghan@hotmail.com

LIBRARY BUCKS

Want to win a prize at the Library Auction in May?

- ♦ Why not **create a block of a technique presented at the Round Robin in January? Ten auction dollars will be given for a block.** Easy money!
- ♦ If you do a **written report on a book** borrowed you will also be given money.
- ♦ If you walk into the library, you are given money.
- ♦ So do not hesitate! You still have time to collect money for the auction. Next month you will be given more details about the auction.
- ♦ See you in the library in February!



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Replacement Guild Lanyards \$6

DEMOS



At our February guild meeting, Sarah Yetman will be presenting the **Hickory Nuts** rulers. These rulers will allow you to make medium to large hexagons while using the quilt-as-you-go technique. Machine or hand sewing are used as you assemble this unique project. Be in the kitchen at 6:45 pm for this demo.

OF INTEREST TO QUILTERS

March 27–29 Etobicoke Quilters Guild Quilt Fever 2015
Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke. \$5
<http://www.etobicokequiltersguild.com/>

April 16-18 Heritage Quilt Exhibit of Vintage Hats & quilts \$6
<http://www.bachfestival.ca>

April 17–19 BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD RETREAT,
FIVE OAKS.

April 24 & 25 Mississauga Quilters Guild "Off the Walls and Under
the Covers", Burnhamthorpe Community Centre, 1500 Gullenden
Drive, \$7. kayemonk@rogers.com

May 1-3 Gathering of Quilts, Guelph Quilters Guild \$10
<http://www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca/> clmaltby@hotmail.com

May 1-3 Kawartha Quiltmakers Guild, Feelings in Fabric 2015, Pe-
terborough Sports & Complex Centre
kgg2015@gmail.com

May 1-3 Think Outside the Box. Windsor Quilters Guild WFCU,
8787 McHugh St, Windsor
annmueller19@cogeco.ca / cilhockley@bell.net

May 2 & 3 Quilted Odyssey 2015, Brampton Quilters Guild Quilt
Archdekin Recreation, Brampton <http://bqguild.wordpress.com>

May 2-3 Halton Quilters Guild, Stitches in Our Time 2015
Crossroads Centre, Burlington <http://www.haltonquiltersguild.com/>

May 7,8,9 Pieces of Magic, Oxford Quilters Guild \$7
<http://www.oxfordquiltersguild.com>

May 10 - Sept 27
Grand National, Joseph Schneider Haus, Kitchener
www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca

May 18th - 23rd - Quilts of France, Ailsa Craig Recreation Centre, \$12
<https://www.ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca/>

May 29–30 Stoney Creek Quilters Guild, A Waterfall of Quilts
Sherman Recreation Centre, Stoney Creek browning@nas.net

June 6 & 7 Arnprior & Area Quilters Guild Show, Quilting in the
Valley, \$6 www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com

June 6 & 7 Stitching Among Friends, Quilting Corners Guild,
Alliston Curling Rink. Alliston
judy.cotter@yahoo.ca

June 5 & 6 Grand Quilt Guild presents Quilts on the
Grand Centre Wellington Community Sportplex, Fergus
www.grandquiltguild.ca/ blm@execulink.com



GUESTS

A fee of \$5.00 per meeting is charged
for all guests attending each meeting.



BHQG

BHQG PINS - \$5 only

Proudly wear a BHQG Guild pin. Please see
Membership to purchase one.

REACHING OUT TO GUILD MEMBERS

Do you know a Guild Member who is sick or has lost a loved
one? The Guild sends out "Get Well/ Sympathy" cards to mem-
bers. Please send a note to Aline. We rely on your information to
reach out to our quilting friends.

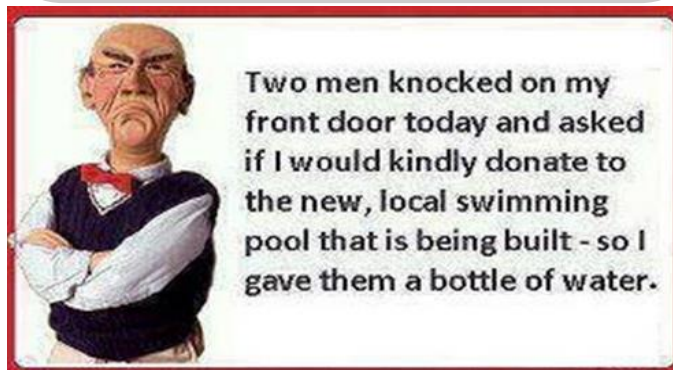
SHOW & TELL THEMES 2015

February	I Love My Tool
March	Borders! Borders And Then Borders!
April	Fool you! It isn't what it looks like
May	I-ron
June	My Favourite Unfinished Quilt Top

SHOW AND TELL

I ♥ my tool!

Show us your favorite tool! Is it the dart tip
that you use as a stiletto
or the seam ripper that you inherited?
Bring it and show it off at our show and tell.



Two men knocked on my
front door today and asked
if I would kindly donate to
the new, local swimming
pool that is being built - so I
gave them a bottle of water.

PLEASE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO YOUR NEIGHBOURS



Take a moment to introduce your-
self to those sitting beside you.

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WORKSHOPS

SMOKEY HOLLOW ESTATES
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Our January workshop was successful. Seventeen women worked on UFOs or outreach projects.

WORKSHOP: February 14, 10 AM - 4 PM

Kay Boyd will cover basics of quilting and colour using your scraps. You may coordinate your fabric, if you wish. This workshop should appeal to any level of quilter wishing to use up her scraps. Cost of \$20 includes coffee, tea and snacks. BYO lunch. Contact us to sign up, receive your supply list and workshop outline.

Your Workshop Committee,

Mary Connan & Lorraine Giraldi

connan@sympatico.ca

QUILTING TIPS

Scissors - Choose the best scissors for the job you are doing. Have at least three sizes of scissors - cutting shears, small scissors to keep beside your machine and embroidery scissors. Keep them sharp and test them on the fabric you will be using, they should slice through the fabric easily and **never** use them for anything but fabric. Use utility scissors to cut paper and plastic templates. You might like to try out and purchase a pair of serrated scissors for fine work they cut beautifully.



Patricia Ryckman-Fleming

SPRING RETREAT 2015

Thank you to everyone for the very positive response to our invitation to this year's BHQG Spring Retreat 2015. The Quilt Fling Chapter 25 to celebrate 25 years with the theme

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

will be held on the weekend of April 17 -19, 2015 at Five Oaks in Paris.

At this time, we are accepting names for a **WAITING LIST**. We may be able to accommodate a few more persons as plans are finalized.

The cost for this all-inclusive weekend is \$235 per person, sharing a double room. If you wish to be added to the waiting list, fill out a registration form and hand it in. If you are notified of space availability, full payment will be required.

Your BHQG Spring Retreat Planning Committee:

Sue Baldauf, Joanne Beard, Aline Chan, Roseline Dufour, Sue Green, Helen Harper and Ann Verth

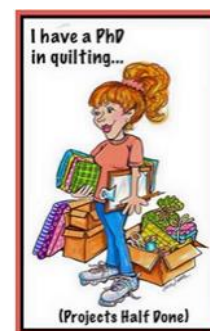
Facilitators: *Kim Callaghan and Judy Taylor*

DID YOU KNOW...

...after June 2015, BHQG will no longer be renting out our poles and hardware to hang quilts at shows. Lack of storage space and people to take care of this program were the reasons cited for terminating it.

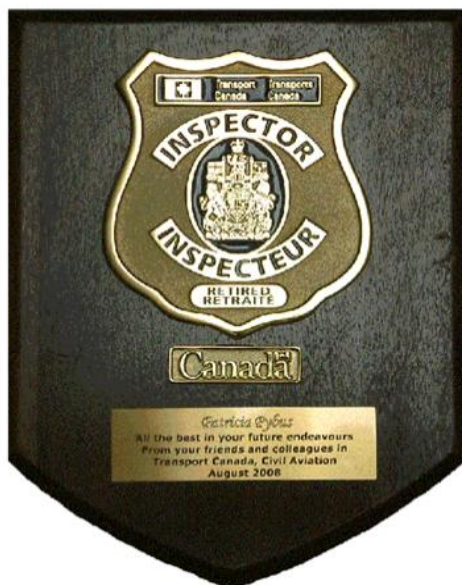
...we are looking for a person or persons willing to sew dog beds. If this is of interest to you, please speak to Mary or Aline. It is easy - you fill pillowcases with donated scraps sew up the opening.

...our WEB site is undergoing a facelift. We hope to be able to re-launch a new and interactive WEB site before the end of June 2015.





PYBUS, Patricia, succumbed peacefully to lung cancer January 8 2015 at Brantford General Hospital palliative care unit following a valiant four year battle . Pat is survived by loving husband Dennis, Sister Marlene (Lawrence) and Niece Sylvia (Jerome). Pat spent several years as a flight instructor and later joined Transport Canada having retired in 2008 as Acting Regional Manager, Civil Aviation Enforcement. Possessing many creative interests, Pat was an accomplished artist, wood carver and engaged in various needlecraft and knitting activities. In particular, she was an avid member of the Brant-Haldimand Quilters Guild. Sincere thanks to the Nursing Staff and Doctors at Brantford General Hospital, Stedman Community Hospice, Bayshore Home Health and to Dr. John Goffin and staff at Juravinski Cancer Centre. Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society appreciated. Respecting Pat's request, cremation will take place, there will not be a service.



MUSIC FEEDS THE SOUL...

Over the Christmas holidays, *Joy Archer* was looking into **buying a keyboard** for the nursing home where her husband, Donald, stays. She saw one advertised at a store at a reasonable price. Her brother, David, was going to share in the cost of the purchase with her.

The store manager asked her what the keyboard was going to be used for and if she had experience with it. Little did he know that Joy has taught music and had used a similar one. She told him she was going to use it at the Hardy Terrace Nursing Home for Alzheimer patients. She had until Tuesday of the next week to decide on the purchase and had to discuss it with her brother.

When Joy was getting into her car, someone from the store ran out to get her and told her the two managers wanted to talk to her. The men were going to share the cost of the keyboard and give it to her as a gift. Joy was speechless with gratitude and broke into tears of joy. She hugged them. Her angels, she called them.

They added a stand for the keyboard and an accordion stand to put the music on. They delivered it all **no charge** the next morning. It has a nice tone and lots of neat rhythmic sounds. She recently bought a pedal for it. She may buy an amplifier as it cannot be heard in the large room.

The nursing home had been selling tickets on Christmas Baskets. Joy asked what the money was going to be used for. It turned out that the money was to help buy a keyboard for the music program for the Alzheimer patients to enjoy. It is amazing how things work out.

The first time Joy played on the keyboard, the patients really came alive to the music and singing. Sometimes, patients are placed in the home and forgotten. But if she can bring some joy to them, then her mission is accomplished.

It has been a Wonderful Christmas and the keyboard has been used over and over again. These pictures are from the New Year's party - and the keyboard played an important part. Donald is in the bottom picture. The patients sang all evening, old songs, Christmas songs, anything they could remember. And **they enjoyed all the food Joy brought them.**

Thank you, Joy, for showing us part of your heart and soul. And thank you for sharing your music with us at our December gathering. You are an inspiration and a blessing.



BHQG \$500 SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are in schools across Ontario.

In Brant, students who are considering working in the field of fabric arts have the opportunity to apply for a \$500 Scholarship offered by our guild.

A copy of this application is being mailed to each secondary school in both the separate and public school boards.

If you know any eligible young person, encourage her/him to ask their Student Services department for an application. Should other qualifications be equal, the Scholarship may be awarded to the student whose parent or guardian is a BHQG member.

The deadline for submission of the application is extended through April 2015. The scholarship committee will make a decision and notify the recipient and their school by June 1, 2015.

Sue Baldauf, Chair, Scholarship Committee



SWEET DREAMS

FEBRUARY 2015 - #5 Peanut Clusters and #15 Corner Block

Dear Dreamers

In February, everyone will receive two patterns. Make one block of Peanut Clusters and four Corner Blocks. The print copies will be at the February guild meeting and the pdf copies will be sent at the beginning of February.



Happy Valentine's Day and Sweet Dreams to everyone.

BOM committee - *Sue Baldauf, Aline Chan, Joanne Beard, Roseline Dufour, Sue Green, Judy Taylor and Helen Harper*



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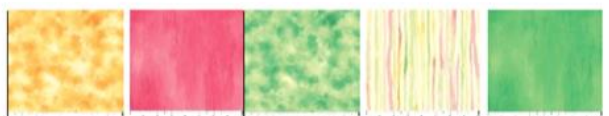
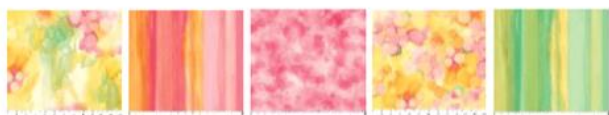
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Finished Embroidered Center ~ 8" x 21". Finished Quilted Table Runner ~ 16.75" x 29"

Design by Robyn Kingsley for Bird Brain Designs

Class Cost: \$54.00 includes kit with pattern, embroidered center and fabric for top and binding. Batting & backing not included.

Class Time: 6 hours

Thurs. January 29 & February 5, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm or Saturday Feb. 7, 10 am – 4 pm



Double Flap Pillow

\$15, includes pattern.

Learn three techniques. Pillow forms available for purchase at class.

Class Time: 3 hours

Thursday Jan. 22: 6:30 – 9:30 pm or

Wednesday Jan. 28: 10 am – 1 pm or

Thursday Feb. 5: 10 am – 1 pm or

Saturday Feb. 14: 10 am – 1 pm

Triangle Frenzy Runner

Only takes a yard of fabric to create a 20" x 46" runner. Class Cost: \$32 (includes pattern). Ruler is not included. You may use the studio ruler – first come, first serve. Class Time: 6 hours
Fri. Feb. 27 & March 6
10 am – 1 pm

Hobo Handbag

This handbag has a cell phone pocket on the outside and a button closure. Three options to choose from.

Class Time: 6 hours

Cost: \$26.00 (includes hobo bag pattern)

Saturday Jan. 24 & Jan. 31 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Wed. Feb. 11 & 18, 10 am – 1 pm

Thurs. Feb. 12 & Feb. 19, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Check the website for class details.

<http://www.heirloomtreasures.ca/classes/>