

LIONS GATE QUILTERS GUILD

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



What a show we put on! The creativity and skill shown by our guild members is amazing. I am so proud to be associated with all of you. Thanks to all of the volunteers, those that entered their quilts and especially the quilt show committee members who worked so hard to put it all together.

I am looking forward to the June meeting where we can relax and spend some time together before the Summer break.

I found something the other day that I thought I'd share with you over the next few newsletters because it's a bit too long to share all at once. It really resonates though

It's titled "Only a Quilter" and written by Tom & Madge Powis

The first excerpt goes like this:

Only a Quilter would rush to finish a gift quilt. Not so it's done in time for the recipients' birthday, but so it's done in time for Show and Tell.

Only a Quilter would make a special quilt to give to her son, who would then have to attend quilt shows just to see it.

Only a Quilter invites everyone to see her sewing room, then says, "Don't' look at the mess."

I hope you all have a lovely Summer.

Diane L, President



June Dates

June 25

2 - 4pm Slow Stitch/Community Quilts Backing and Batting

7.30-9pm Monthly Guild meeting

Quilt Show Ribbon Winners & Guild Social

St Andrew's & St Stephen's Church, Chesterfield Avenue, North Vancouver

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QUILT SHOW NEWS

Hard to believe that the Show has now come and gone, after so much planning and so many challenges over the past two years.

Timing doesn't allow for any feedback in this edition of the Newsletter but there will be a full rundown on all aspects of the Show in the September edition, and some updates at the next meeting.



PROGRAMS

I'm hoping everyone had a great experience at our Quilt Show!

This month's Program will be our Guild Social and Wrap-Up of the Quilt Show.

Please join in for some fun prizes and celebration at our last meeting before summer break. Show and Tell will be Show ribbon winners only, so please remember to bring your quilts.

We have some interesting Program offerings for the Fall.... Stay tuned!!

Carol C, Programs Coordinator

HOSPITALITY



Thank you to all of those who brought treats to our May meeting.

Just a reminder that the Programme Committee will be taking care of special treats for our June meeting, so you do not need to bring anything to share.

Due to the high cost, and environmental impact of single use paper cups, please remember to bring your own cup/mug.

Thanks again. See you at our June meeting!

Dorothy, Lesley, Renee, and Marsha

WORKSHOPS

SLOW STITCHING

Slow Stitching get togethers will continue June 25, 2 to 4 pm at St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's Church on Chesterfield, the afternoon of the Guild meeting.

CAROL CHERNOV, MACHINE QUILTING

Saturday, September 21, 2024 - Highlands Church

Carol will teach us more about quilting on our domestic machines. She gave us an inspiring lecture a couple of years back and I look forward to her approach for regular machine quilting. See website for registration links.

TOPIC TO BE ANNOUNCED

Saturday, November 2024 - Highlands Church

We have a date booked and are looking for a class (or maybe a Christmas-themed sewing project). More details to come.

EXTRAVAGANZA 2025

Saturday, January 25, 2025 - Gleneagles Clubhouse

The date is set, the venue is booked, ideas to come!

CQA

The Guild is a member of the Canadian Quilters Association



For those Guild members attending the Edmonton show, please send any photos you may take to me, in particular those of the Guild members who have juried quilts in the show!

Check out the [CQA website](#) for more information on seminars, and everything quilting across Canada!



Save the Date

*June 18 – 21, 2025
Welcome and Award,
Ceremony June 18 (evening)
Show Hall Open June 19 – 21
at the International Centre,
Mississauga, Ontario*

*More information coming summer
2024*

MEMBERSHIP

A warm welcome to the **new** member who recently joined us, **Anne W.** This brings our total membership to **122** members. I know there will be more new members that express an interest at the Quilt Show!

There were 79 members in attendance at the May meeting with 2 guests, including one visiting from Winnipeg!

Remember – the best advertising we can do for the Guild is through our members – bring your friends or family or neighbours to any Guild meeting. It's free to join us as a guest!

At every in-person Guild General meeting you will get a 'free' door prize ticket – with eligibility of winning one of the 3 door prizes. Thanks to **Pam C.** for making the pouches for the May meeting, and to **Annilene H.** for the gifts for the June meeting.

Door prize winners from the May meeting were: **Judith P., Susan L. and Mona M.!**

Donations from any members of 3 similar homemade items would be most appreciated – a little something personal rather than my boring gift bags. Just bring them and leave them at the Membership sign-in desk for future door prizes.

Membership Sign-in Desk: please sign in at the desk in the front lobby upon your arrival – we are finding this works really well. Reduces the traffic a bit – just remember if you come in the back entrance to go to the front entrance to sign-in.

REMINDER: Please bring in the Quilt Show lawn signs and stands to the June meeting. If you are not at this meeting, please let me know. Interesting note: 89 lawn signs were picked up by members and put up around the North Shore, etc.

Guild Bookmarks For the Guild Quilt Show, we designed a generic information bookmark to hand out to potential members. My heartfelt thanks to **Tanith** for all her help in the design of this bookmark.

New Membership email effective immediately the new email address for Guild Membership is membership@lionsgatequiltersguild.com. Please use this email address going forward!

ENJOY your summer!

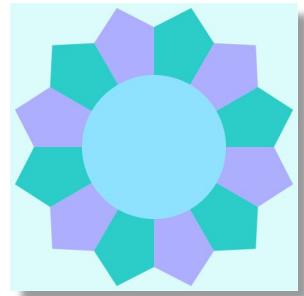


Information Bookmark

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Just to remind everyone that on the afternoon of our June meeting, we will have some batting for Community Quilts available at the church from 2 to 4 pm.

It really helps if you email either Brenda S or Linda H (contact details in the covering email) with the size of your quilt top and whether you intend to quilt it on a standard machine or on a long-arm one (it makes a difference on how much extra we need to allow).



Also if you need backing, please include a picture of your quilt top so we can select something that matches.

COPS



*Layering quilts at COPS
Quilt by Dorothy M*

Highlands has let us know that their hall rental fee will be going up in September. In fairness, this is the first increase in over a decade and it's still a very reasonable price for the North Shore.

This means we'll have to get a little stricter on the 15 sign-ups minimum to cover the cost of our [COPS Days](#). We really don't want to get too tough on cancellations (life happens), but please be aware that some COPS Days may revert to Zoom if we don't have enough people. This hasn't happened since last year, and we'd like to keep it that way.

If you've never attended one of our monthly sewing/social days, consider joining us to try it out. Even if you don't sew a stitch because there's so much chatting (!), it's still a blast, and the potluck lunches are definitely worth it (this Guild excels at many things!).

January COPS Day will be via Zoom to give out-of-town members a chance to join in and of course the Extravaganza takes place that month in person.

Look out for the return of Sew-cials (via Zoom) after the summer break, likely on weekends.

Summer COPS Day in July

We're fully booked for July 27th in Lions Bay unless some are willing to share a table, if you're hand sewing, for example. I'll be emailing those who've registered soon to see if some are able to double up, so [sign up](#) if you'd like to be on the waitlist.

COMMUNICATIONS

We've been very fortunate to have one of our new members, Hilary D, volunteer to create a new logo for the Guild. Our existing logo was very dated and we did not have access to the original graphics files, so the images were very poor quality.

After a lot of discussion and revisions, we will be able to present the new logo at the September meeting.

Tanith, Communications Coordinator

LIBRARY



Don't forget - All books must be returned at the June meeting, so that the Library can be inventoried over the summer.

Happy Quilting!

Carolann

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Do you know a member who is in need of a hug, a kind word, or a happy card? Please let us know and we will reach out to them on behalf of the Guild.



Contact Sarah Gibson & Anne O'Brien [email us here](#)

ADVERTS

Members can place one free advert in the Newsletter every calendar year. "Wanted" ads submitted by members are free, within reason.

Additional members' ads and commercial advertising are accepted for an upfront fee of \$15 for a business card-sized ad, and \$22 for a quarter page.

Contact the [Communications Co-ordinator](#) for more details.