

THE COMMON THREAD – February 2018

Hamilton Quilters Guild Newsletter



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Upcoming Meetings

General @ 7:15	Executive @ 7:15
Wed. Feb. 7 Elaine Theriault, Scrap Quilts http://crazyquilteronabike.blogspot.ca/	
Cuddle Quilts 9:30-	Workshop 9 - 4
Tues. Feb. 20	Sat. Feb.17

Please provide Lori Burch with your newsletter submissions no later than the 25th of the month.

Reports

Barbara Lazier, President

We all have an Achilles heel. For my family it is their lungs, I am no exception. From the time I contracted Whooping Cough I have been very careful to protect those babies. Having my yearly flu shot is always high on my priority list.

I knew I was not feeling well at the last meeting. What an understatement! By the time I got into see the doctor, I was sent home with an armful of medications and then sent for chest x-rays. This was not a good sign. The super flu was about to crush me and I was about to go down.

I headed off to Florida the day after seeing the doctor. This was fortunate as I was able to stand at this point. Within a day I was so sick eating was not an option. Somewhere around the week two mark when the vertigo nausea part of this flu kicked in, I thought to myself, "This too must pass." Fortunately it has.

Each day I can see I am getting a little better. Small steps. One bonus, I have lost 6.5 lbs. I know that it will come right back when my appetite returns but the thrill of seeing that number on the scale: priceless.

Judy Lindsay, Treasurer

If you need a cheque from the Hamilton Quilters Guild, **please advise me by email prior to February 3, 2018.** I will bring the cheques to the meeting, so please track me down. Thank you.

2018 Quilt Show Volunteers Needed – Carol Finucane

We have interesting & fun positions available. Something to suit everyone.

Consider volunteering some of your time on the Thurs, Fri or Sat for the following:

Tea Room	Boutique	Admissions
Registration - Quilt set up (Thurs.) – take down (Sat.)		
Cuddle Quilts	Volunteer room	Tombola

Stop by the sign up table, (at the back of the room) prior to the start of the meeting and at the break, or email carolf215@hotmail.com if you want to volunteer but I won't be at the Feb 7th meeting.

Quilt Show Quilt Registration –Barbara Lazier, Barbara Mahaffy

When you are getting ready for the February meeting, don't forget to bring your quilt registrations forms for Quilts in Bloom 2018. The Rules document and Registration form are attached as separate documents to the newsletter. Please print as many registration forms as you need.

All registrations must be completed in full including photo and description statement before they will be registered. If the photo or description is coming by email, the form will be set aside until all the elements are received. The photo can be of any stage of the quilt including scattered fabrics, a segment of the quilt or the whole piece completed. It just needs to be enough to give us an idea of the colours and style of quilt so that the hanging will be pleasing. We are looking forward to seeing a great variety of quilts hanging on display in June!

President's Challenge Quilt Show 2018

The Challenge theme is: "It's in the Bag"—full details attached to this newsletter. If you see that piece of fabric you can't live without but don't know what to do with it or see that bag pattern you absolutely have to have while you are out and about, you can use those for the challenge.

If you have any questions about it, please contact Gail Berry-Graham at gailberry@me.com.

Cuddle Quilts

This month's date: February 20th Time: 9:30 till 2:30 pm

Place: Harmony Baptist Church, 1763 Upper James Street above Rymal Road and across from the Egg and I Restaurant. Enter from the rear parking lot.

What to bring: your lunch. We supply coffee, tea and cookies.

Supplies needed: A Quilt to quilt or a quilt kit will be available for you. Bring your sewing machine as we don't have a lot of hand sewing to be done at the moment.

We will be bringing quilt kits to the Guild meeting for those of you who can't make it to Cuddle Quilt day.

Come see us in the back of the Guild Room. If you are making your own Cuddle Quilt, please a reminder that 100% cotton is appreciated. Also if you need batting or backing to finish your quilt, please ask me. If you would sew the binding on, we will sew it down for you. Next month's meeting: March 20th, 2018

Library

New library books for February:

F13 -Free motion meandering- a beginners guide to machine quilting- Angela Walters

I4- Improve Patchwork- Dynamic Quilts made with line and shape- Maria Shell

M9- Making Connections- a free motion quilting workbook- Dorie Hruska

M13-Modern Machine Quilting- Make a perfectly finished quilt- Catherine Redford

S22-Simple Fun and Quickly done- 18 easy to sew table runners, bags, pillows and more- Terry Atkinson

We have been buying new books based on the responses we received in the survey we did last fall.

We want to thank those who responded and gave us suggestions. As always, if you have a book you think would be a great addition to the library, please let us know!

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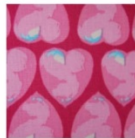
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Quilt Show 2018

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February 15 - 17



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Program

In February we are welcoming Elaine Theriault. She is an active blogger and she will be talking about Scrap Quilts. You can take a look at her blog at <http://crazyquilteronabike.blogspot.ca/>.

Thank you again for to Wendy Hayes, Thelma Leech, and Nan Dorey for their heartfelt presentations in January.

We are starting the process of planning the programming for the 2018-2019 year. Do you have some speakers you would like us to contact?

Program committee: Shelagh Daly and Shirley Burley

Workshop

Thanks to everyone who attended Gail Berry-Graham's Machine Quilting workshop. It was a great day! We learned lots and really enjoyed ourselves. Gail is a terrific instructor! We're very lucky to have her in our guild.

This month's UFO day is Saturday, February 17. Please join us for a day of quilting at Christ Church, 92 Highway 8, Flamborough from 9am to 4pm. Bring your unfinished quilting project(s), sewing machine, sewing supplies and lunch. We'll supply large work stations, raised cutting tables, large pin-basting tables, irons and ironing boards, as well as tea, coffee and treats. All this for only \$10.00. Pre-register or just come out to the church that day.

March 17 and April 21 are UFO days. (The Elaine Theriault workshop planned for April 21st had to be cancelled because all the topics she teaches have been covered at guild workshops in the past two years.) For those who can't attend UFO days on Saturdays, please note that our UFO in May will be held on Thursday May 17. If we get a good turnout for this day, we'll schedule another UFO on a Thursday in the summer.

June 16 workshop is a "Borders and Bindings" class with Patti Carey from Northcott Fabrics. She will be our speaker in March. Patti is well known for this workshop which is her favourite one to teach. The fee for the workshop is \$50.00 plus a \$20.00 kit fee. The kit comes with all the precut fabric we'll need for the workshop.

Please see Kate and Kerry at the workshop table in the hallway to register for these workshops. Please let us know if there are specific topics or instructors you'd like to have at our guild and we'll do our best to arrange them. The workshop committee exists to meet guild members' needs!

Social

For coffee time at the February meeting of the Hamilton Quilters Guild:

Healthy Treats are to be supplied by Lyn Garbett and the Hamilton Quilters Guild.

Three Dozen Treats are to be supplied by Carole Battersby, Janet Heastont, Marilyn dePass, Robin Lane, Linda Jackson and the Hamilton Quilters Guild.

The coffee/juice fund appreciates the donations from Angie McNulty, Jill Walton, Muriel Middleton, Leslie Taylor and Margaret Childs that will be used to supply the drinks and paper goods required at the meeting.

Attachments to this Newsletter

1. 2018 Quilt Show Rules and Registration Form
2. 2018 Quilt Show President's Challenge Rules
3. 2018 Quilt Show President's Challenge Registration Form

**HAMILTON QUILTERS GUILD
PROGRAM AND WORKSHOPS 2017-2018**

Updated January 30, 2018

Program 7:15 – 9:30 2nd Wed. of month	Workshops Christ Church, 92 Highway #8, Flamborough (Greenville)
February 7, 2018 CHANGE OF DATE Elaine Theriault Scrap Quilts http://crazyquilteronabike.blogspot.ca/	Feb 17, 2018 UFO
March 14, 2018 Patti Carey – NorthCott Interesting Quilts from Unusual Fabrics https://pattispatchwork.com/	March 17, 2018 UFO
April 11, 2018 Kathryn Wagner Link Show & some of the strange questions I have been asked over my 25 years as a Quilter by non- quilters www.kathysquilts.blogspot.com	April 21, 2018 UFO
May 9, 2018 Celeste Compion Simpler and the Beautiful - The Shweshwe Saga http://www.meerkatshweshwe.com/	Updated: Thursday, May 17, 2018 UFO
June 13, 2018 Pot Luck Dinner	June 16, 2018 Patti Carey Borders and Binding
July 11, 2018 TBA	July 21, 2018 UFO
August 8, 2018 Fabric, Sewing, quilting table sale by members	August 18, 2018 UFO