

THE COMMON THREAD – May 2017

Hamilton Quilters Guild Newsletter

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"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

— Mark Twain

Upcoming Meetings

General @ 7:15	Executive @ 7:15	Cuddle Quilts 9:30-2:30
Wed. May 10	Mon. May 8	Tues. May 16 Potluck
Stitch Out 7 - 9		Workshop 9 - 4
Wed. May 24 Library Book Sale		Sat. May 22 UFO day \$10

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

Reports

Barbara Lazier, President

A certain sign that Spring must have arrived is the number of Quilt Show flyers on the counters in our local Quilt Shops. My heart skipped a beat when I spied a familiar bookmark advertising a Show that was close by and occurring in a few weeks. "Zippidy Doo Dah," I thought to myself. This would be just the ticket to reduce my stress, wandering through beautiful quilts and seeing what goodies the vendors had to offer for sale. A quick phone call to a friend meant that I had a pal with which to share the experience.

Isn't it strange what makes us happy? My siblings all head outside to tend to their gardens, I tend to my fabric. Don't get me wrong I love gardens but there are only so many hours in a day and I choose to spend what hours I can sewing.

Happiness aka contentment comes in many forms. The older we become the less razzle dazzle we seem to need: Good friends and supportive family fill our souls. Seize the day and celebrate Spring in whatever way works for you.



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Quilter	Name of Quilt/Pattern	Quilter	Name of Quilt/Pattern
Mary Edwards	Bitty Block Quilt, Nautical Table Runner	Pat Male	Old Cars
Terrie Kelly	Candle Mat, It's a Jungle out There	Judy Carpenter	Tea for Two
Margaret Thomas	Wedding Wishes, Baby Wishes	Barbara Mahaffy	Split 4 patch
Alison McDonald	Feather Frenzy		

Membership

We will be taking membership renewals for the coming year at the general meeting on May 10th. We will be out in the hallway before the meeting and at the break. Please print the renewal form from the website, fill it out and sign the waiver. We will issue you a new membership card and a receipt. The fee is still \$35 and you can order a name tag for \$7 if you would like.

Social

A thank you for the following members for their contribution of 3 dozen treats: Wendy Hayes, Sandy Johnson, Barbara Lazier, Arlene Wilson, Shirley Burley and Carole Battersley. Thank you for the cash donation towards healthy treats by Lucy Marko and Janet Heastant. Thank you for the donation towards the Juice/Coffee Fund by Betty Carter, Jennifer Baker, Brenda Lupton, Gayle Dymont and Leslie Taylor. Please bring your treats to the kitchen by 6:30.

Library

The following books will be added to the library in May.

M4- Make Your Bed by Leslee Evans

Q5-Quilts from the House of Tula Pink

B5- Borders and Finishing Touches 2 by Bonnie Browning

W6- Wine Country Quilts- Rymer, Cyndy, L & Rounds, Jennifer

C3- Color Moves- Kemshall, Linda

DVD28- Thread Therapy with Dr. Bob- Superior Threads

In addition to the regular library time at the Guild meeting, the library will be open on Stitchout Night, May 24. We will have the books spread out so that it is easier to see them and you will have a longer time to browse! As usual, guild members are able to take out up to 5 books at a time.

AND THERE WILL BE A BOOK SALE!

We have recently removed some books from the library and those will be available to purchase for a MINIMUM donation of \$2.00 each. Proceeds from the sale will go toward purchasing new books. Please bring change to make your purchases since we will have limited change available.

Continue to let us know of any books you think would be good additions to the library. We always welcome your input!

Cuddle Quilts

This month's Date - MAY 16th (our potluck) TIME - 9:30 am till 2:30 pm

Place - Harmony Baptist Church, 1763 Upper James Street above Rymal Road and across from The Egg and I Restaurant.

Supplies needed -A project to work on, or a kit will be available for you. Bring your Sewing machine if you wish. We supply a cutting station (with cutting boards and rotary cutters) plus irons and ironing boards. We usually have hand sewing to be done, so if you don't want to bring your machine you don't have to. Please just come out and have fun.

This month is the last chance to take a quilt kit for quilting for the summer, also I will have breast pillow kits as well as a few placemat kits. Come see me in the Fireside Room. If you are making your own quilt for Cuddle Quilts, please just a reminder that 100% cotton is appreciated.

Thanks again to everyone. Next month's meeting June 20th

HAMILTON QUILTERS GUILD - PROGRAM AND WORKSHOPS 2016-2017

Updated Apr. 25/17

PROGRAM 7:15 – 9.30 2 nd Wed. of month	WORKSHOPS	STITCH OUT, 7 – 9
May 10 Suzanne Neilson Suziequilts@blogspot.ca	Sat. May 20 UFO day - \$10	Wed. May 24 Focus on the library! You will have plenty of time to review library books & borrow up to 5 books for the summer (library not open @ at June potluck). We have recently purged some library books which will be available for purchase (for a nominal fee) ONLY on Wed. May 24 NOTE: You will be able to borrow books @ the May 10th general meeting AND on Wed. May 24
June 14 Pot Luck Dinner Annual Meeting	Sat. June 17 UFO day - \$10	No stitch out
Sept. 13 Members Show & Tell	Sat. Sept. 23 UFO day - \$10	

Upcoming Events

<p>Alliston Quilting Corners Guild 2017 Quilt Show June 10-11 "Stitching Among Friends"</p>
<p>Canadian Quilters' Association Quilt Canada 2017 June 14 - 17, 2017 The International Centre Toronto, ON</p>
<p>Queen's Bush Quilters of Markdale, Ontario 2017 Quilt Show June 23-24 "Sew Much to Celebrate, Eh!!"</p>

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please create placemats throughout the year for the Meals on Wheels clients which will be collected up to and including the December pot luck dinner. The placemats are very much appreciated by those who receive them, are a great way to practice a new technique and use up scrap fabric. Please consider creating placemats to help keep this project the success it has been for many years.

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