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Next Meeting

April 13, 2023 at
7 pm @ Baker Centre.

President's Message

Greetings Quilters!

Yes, I am on the road again/still. Just spent a week with my quilty peeps at a private retreat outside of Calgary. Fun times.... Lots of laughter and quilting along with a little retail therapy and a road trip to Priddis to do sign painting with Quilter's Palette! You know how it is, "What goes on at the Retreat, stays at the Retreat." My next retreat starts March 30th at Sylvan Lake. I will be back for the April Meeting. In the meantime, I am surfing various "Quilt Cruise" sites to see if there is anything that interests me. A couple have serious possibilities.

Volunteers are needed for the Quilt Show June 2-4th at Centre Ice Plaza. A sign-up sheet will be available at the April meeting. Without volunteers, this event cannot happen.

The By-Laws require that "The Society must hold an Annual General Meeting between 31 and 180 days after the date of fiscal year end." Our AGM will be held



Source: <https://www.istockphoto.com>

President's Message continued...

June 8, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Baker Center. The following will be on the Agenda:

- 1) A motion to reconfirm our Christmas Sale Policy (<https://nebula.wsimg.com/ff8d98b0f8cbb74058c03c90ca90e0c6?AccessKeyId=F66BE465C491783EC989&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>);
- 2) A motion to increase our fees to \$40 annually; and
- 3) The election of officers to the Executive Committee.

Item #2 is not something that we have taken lightly. There has not been a fee increase for some time and it is now appropriate to meet the operational requirements of the Guild and provide value added components.

As to Item #3, the by-laws state that "At each AGM, directors shall be elected from among the members for a 2-year term. The total number of directors, continuing or newly elected, shall be at least 3 and not more than 12."

The current Executive Committee has 5 members. Of these, three are continuing and the 2 whose terms are up have advised that they will not seek re-election. While feasibly 3 people could carry out the work of the Executive, at least 5 is desirable to undertake the responsibilities.

On a totally different note, we are gaining significantly in the daily allotment of sunshine each day. I for one am very happy about that.

Happy Sewing,

Linda

Needs a little touch up when I get home, but a great way to spend an afternoon with friends.





The
Quilted Raven

Tips from The Quilted Raven Fabric Marking Tools

There are a wide variety of marking tools on the market and several different companies make them. Clover, Bohin, Prym, Sewline and Taylor Seville are a few. The choices can be a bit overwhelming.

You may wonder which marking tool is right for you. Ask yourself, what is the purpose and what type of mark do you need to make?

To be a good marking tool it must:

- be easy to see on your fabric
- easy to erase or remove
- not break easily
- not dry out

Prior to using any marking tool on a project, TEST IT! Make sure it will do what you want. Testing them over time is preferable to ensure that you do not ruin your project. I went to several manufacturers websites and there is little or no information on the marking tools. Information can be found by asking fellow quilters which marking tools they like to use or searching the internet to find the top marking tools specific to the style you are looking for. ie chalk, water soluble, air erase pens.

Different Types of Marking Tools

Hera Marker

- the Hera Marker is a plastic tool
- it temporarily creases fabric
- you need to press firmly to leave a mark on the fabric
- can only be used on if fabric is on a hard surface

Chalk

- three styles: pen, wheel or disc
- comes in a variety of colours
- never dries out, they last a long time
- easy to use but may smudge
- the pencils leave a finer line, but lead does break, and they have to be sharpened
- the pencils come in mechanical pen form or a regular pencil
- the wheel makes thin lines, you cannot make dots with a wheel marker
- tailor's chalk is a small disk of chalk, pressing too hard can make lines difficult to remove

Fabric Marking Tools continued...

Water Erasable

- these pens allow you to mark fabric and erase with water
- to remove marks, you must follow manufacturer's instructions on how to remove
- the pens could bleed on fabrics
- it is not recommended to leave the marks on a long period of time
- can only be used on light to medium-coloured fabrics
- heat can set the marks, either by ironing or left out in the sun

Air Erasable

- the markings from these pens may fade over time
- it is best to mark when working on a project, so you do not have to remark
- heat may affect the marks leaving them darker than originally marked

Another tool for your kit is a **Fabric Eraser**. This eraser differs from a regular eraser, it will remove marks and not leave a residue on the fabric.

The Quilted Raven carries a variety of marking tools including several styles of chalk marking tools.

One final remark to remember!

Test, test, test before using. Mark lightly to ensure the marks will come off. Ensure you have a marking tool to use on both light and dark fabrics.

Kathy Yurris
The Quilted Raven



Canadian Quilters Association's

Quilt Canada Conference

*Enjoy the East Coast hospitality when Quilt
Canada goes to Halifax in June 2023.*

See details in the link provided.

<https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2023/>

LIBS ELLIOT IS COMING TO YELLOWKNIFE!!!!

MAY 11-14, 2023



Elizabeth (Libs) Elliott is a textile artist and designer exploring the intersection of technology and traditional craft by using generative design to build handmade quilts. A deep appreciation for craftsmanship, design history and future-focused applications are all reflected in her work. She studied Material Art & Design at OCAD University and received a B.A. in Cultural Studies at Trent University. Her commissions include work for individuals and corporate clients such as Absolut Vodka. She has exhibited her work and done speaking engagements internationally. She designs fabric collections for Andover Fabrics, Inc. Her work has been covered by press such as Gizmodo.com, DesignMilk and Casa Vogue Brazil. She lives and works in Toronto, Canada.

Trunk Show and Lecture - Thursday, May 11/23

Libs will be discussing her work at a lecture which will be held at the Baker Centre during our regular monthly meeting - 7:00 pm. This lecture will be free for all members and invited guests.

Three Exciting Class Opportunities!!!

*Classes are filling fast.
Don't delay...register today*



EPP - English Paper Piecing

Fri May 12

6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

\$47.50 for members (\$77.50 for non-members)

In this evening class, we are going to slow things down and learn the basics of English Paper Piecing. Libs will teach us techniques to make this hand sewing technique fun. Always wanted to make fun hexagons - then this class is for you. A kit purchase for \$20.00 will provide you with most of the essentials required. All you need to provide will be sharp scissors, your choice of fabrics and a sense of adventure.

Y - Seams Not Cry Seams

Sat May 13

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

\$47.50 for members (\$77.50 for non-members)



*Classes are filling fast.
Don't delay...register today*

In this workshop, you will learn all about how to tackle y-seams, from making hexagon blocks to piecing blocks together using y-seam methods. We will trouble-shoot common issues. The project that will be worked on will measure approx. 19"x19" so perfect for a cushion cover or mini quilt, but the sky is the limit for making a larger quilt once you become comfortable with this new technique. Fabric cutting instructions will be provided once you have registered so you will be able to come to the class and get sewing right away.

Bloem Quilt

Sat May 13 - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

and Sun May 14 - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

\$142.50 for members (\$172.50 for non-members)



The way this pattern was designed, possibilities bloom before your very eyes as you rotate the pieces to see a wide variety of final design options. It's like a colourful kaleidoscope. Two layouts are provided in the pattern - Bloem 1 & Bloem 2 - that result in 6 different design options. The quilt can be made in two sizes: 48"x48" or 64"x64". Instruction regarding pattern purchase will be given once you have registered. Check out #bloemquilt on Instagram for colour inspiration!!!

How can I register??

Registration is now open. You may register at our next meeting – April 13/23 or by contacting Donna at baja@ssimicro.com. Spaces will be limited so don't delay...reserve your spot by paying today!! Options are to pay by EMT to Donna at or in person at the next Guild meeting.

Regular cancellation policies are in effect.

If you have any questions, contact Donna!!

Show n' Tell from March Meeting



FOR SALE



PFAFF Passport 3.0 for sale
\$650.00 has been serviced.

Contact Kathy at 444-9777

Hi there,

I am looking for a "new to me" sewing machine. Preferably a Janome with a larger throat. I am also interested in a Sweet 16. My phone number is 587 984 9828 and my email is kellyvos1314@gmail.com.

Until Next Time...Be Amazing.

Kelly Vos

Draws

The following draws take place at each Guild meeting:

Mystery Bag
\$2 each
Members only

Door Prizes
Free
Members &
Guests

Thank you for
coming
Members &
Guests

Recipe Corner



We all struggle when preparing meals for our families while we have been spending the day quilting. Your problem is solved here in our new QUILTER'S RECIPE CORNER!! Each month we will give you a quick, tasty and healthy option so you can spend more time working on your projects and not in the kitchen! If you have a recipe that you use that's quick to prepare, please send it to us at YKQuilters@outlook.com. We would love to use it in our Corner.

Stew Good to Be True

Slow cooker beef and vegetable stew

Provided by Leslie Bromley

Source: The Looneyspoons Collection by Janet and Greta Podleski

Ingredients:

2 pounds of stewing beef, trim fat, 1-inch cubes
3 cups peeled and cubed potatoes
2 cups chopped carrots
1½ cups chopped onion
2 cups no-salt added tomato sauce
1 can (10 oz/284 mL) reduced-sodium beef broth, undiluted
1 tbsp Dijon mustard
2 tsp minced garlic
1 bay leaf
1¼ tsp each dried marjoram and dried thyme
1 tsp granulated sugar
½ tsp each salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 tbsp cornstarch
¼ cup minced fresh parsley

Directions:

- Combine all ingredients except cornstarch and parsley in a 3-quarter or larger slow cooker. Cover and simmer on low setting for 8 hours.
- Combine cornstarch with an equal amount water and stir until lump-free. Add to stew and mix well. Cook for 1 more hour. Stir in parsley just before serving.

Enjoy!

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Newsletter Submissions

Please send articles, news, favorite quilt websites, tips, and other quilt related items for the newsletter to:

leslie06thomas@gmail.com

With the subject "For the Newsletter"

Deadline for submissions is the 3rd Thursday of the month by 7:00 p.m.

Guest Policy

Guests are welcome to join us at any meeting. If a guest returns for a second or subsequent meeting, there is a \$5 charge per visit. For details, please see the full policy on the website.

Members Giveaway Table

More and more Guild members are purging their stashes and offering items to Guild Members at the meetings. We will be setting up a table in the outer hallway for any items you would like other members to treasure.

Meeting Etiquette

Please be courteous when someone has the floor and refrain from other conversations.

Executive for 2022-2023

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Cindy Taylor (Membership), Debbie Gillard (Web Site), and Leslie Thomas (Newsletter) and Charlene on our social media pages.



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Members for Sale Items FREE

Businesses	\$35 full page
	\$20 half page
	\$10 quarter page
	(or equivalent)

