April 2018 Newsletter





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Meet the Executive

This section of the Newsletter will be used to introduce the Members of the Executive.

Our Past President is Cathy Drummond and here is a little about her:

I grew up in Kentville, left to go to university in Ontario and finally moved back to Nova Scotia 40 years later. I was taught to paint by my mother and grandmother and, in the 70's and early 80's I painted quite seriously. 5 of my paintings are in the Canadian War Museum through a commission in 1980. I stopped painting when I got too busy in my jobs with the government, thinking I would start again when I retired. 20 years later, it was hard to pick up again, but a lucky chance took me to see Laurie Swim's show at the Mary Black Gallery. I signed up for a workshop with her and then joined the Guild. It's been a wonderful experience to learn so much and make so many great friends. Quilting and my other new pastime of golf are making my retirement very fun!

Stay tuned to see who will be introduced next Month.

Don't Forget:

- April Meeting is on April 9th due to Easter Monday
- Our meetings and workshops are Scent free
- Wear your Name Tag
- Library Books
- Sew and Tell
- Cash or Credit Card for class registration etc.

Executive Members

President – Christine Bell – dogonit@live.com or 902-766-0202 Vice President – Pam Wells – pamela01wells@bellaliant.net

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Past President – Cathy Drummond – cathydrummond@eastlink.ca

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Show and Tell – Rose Lesage – cybera13@hotmail.com or 902-789-3314

Workshops – Chair, Debbie Breeze – debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca or 902-857-3524 (Members Marjorie Skinner and Mary Gray)
Monthly Program – Chair – Rose Lesage – cybera13@hotmail.com or 902-789-3314

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Newsletter – Gail Stryde

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2018 Meeting Dates

(All meetings are held on Mondays at the Trinity United Church Hall in Mahone Bay)

April 9, 2018 - 6:30 for 7pm

May 7, 2018 - 6:30 for 7pm

June 4, 2018 - Closing Pot Luck Dinner and AGM

Sept 10, 2018 - 6:30 - for 7pm

A Quilter's Query:

(This section will include a puzzle, trivia etc.)

Unscramble these quilt related Words.

- 1. timre
- 2. paletemt
- 3. tinbasg
- 4. shinasg
- 5. abis
- 6. ragin
- 7. pwokrhatc

Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2018

President Christine Bell called the meeting to order at 1 pm. She welcomed returning member Heather Stewart. No guests were in attendance. Christine thanked Pam Wells, who covered workshop committee duties, and Krista Garber as Acting Secretary.

In response to last month's appeal regarding vacant positions, the following volunteers have assumed new roles:

Newsletter: Gail Stryde

Dessert Party Chair: Marilyn Harris-Hart.

Program Committee: Alison Low (with Gail Stryde remaining on committee)

Treasurer's Report - Ann Phelan

The treasurer's report for February 2018 was presented. Moved by Ann Phelan and Seconded by Bev Drysdale to approve the report. Motion carried.

Ann advised that \$1000 was being transferred to a savings account designated for guild donations. Up to half of this amount will be used for 2018 quilt show prizes. Ann discussed examples of increasing costs for workshops, the quilt show and other events over recent years. In the upcoming year, members will be consulted on options such as holding different types of events, modifying the schedule for events, or increasing ticket prices.

^{*}Answers on page 5.

The budget for the upcoming fiscal year 2018/19 was distributed to members on February 28, 2018. Ann Phelan moved & Patsy Perkins seconded adoption of the FY 2018/19 budget. Motion carried.

Alternative payment methods through E-transfers and "Square" credit transactions are now being processed more frequently.

At the Executive Committee Meeting on Feb 21, 2018, an increase in membership dues to \$30 was approved in principle. Diane MacMillan moved and Lynda Anscombe seconded approval of such increase. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes - Pam Wells

Minutes of the February Guild meeting were circulated in the newsletter. Adoption of the minutes as submitted was moved by Krista Garber and seconded by Linda Duffley. Motion carried.

Membership – Krista Garber

Guild membership stands at 133. Membership renewals will begin at May meeting.

Workshop – Pam Wells

A colour theory workshop will be presented by Linnet Finley on April 14, 2018. Fee is \$35, plus a \$10 kit fee (payable in the class). This year's Extraordinary Quilter, Janet Barker, will hold a two-day workshop, "What if" on April 26 & 27, 2018. Two remaining seats are available, which will open to non-members on March 14. The one-day workshop "A Walk in the Woods" is scheduled for April 28, with 3 spaces currently available. Supply lists are available on CQA website.

Library - Marilyn Verburgh

The new Fons & Porter magazine is now available.

Program – Rose Lesage

Today's program is a trunk show by Pam Tracy.

Newsletter - Gail Stryde

Newsletter material must be submitted 2 weeks before publication date. Christine commended Gail's redesign of the newsletter format and extended thanks on behalf of the members.

Quilt Show - Barb Himmelman

Quilt show planning is progressing well. Forms for quilt show entries will be available soon. Members may enter up to 3 items in the show and may indicate on the form whether they object to having item displayed on pew instead of hanging. Each quilt must have a label.

Bev Drysdale emphasized the importance of raffle ticket sales. In the summer, raffle tickets will be sold at the Lunenburg Farmers Market on July 19 and Aug 16, along with one day to be determined at Hubbards Farm Market.

Members are encouraged to place small items for sale in the Artisan Boutique. Items that traditionally sell well are Christmas ornaments, pin cushions, bags, placemats, table runners, and fabric bundles. Large quilts will not be sold in boutique, but may be indicated for sale in the show. A form will be distributed for items to be registered for sale at the boutique.

Cuddle Quilt Day- Donna Veinot

Polyester batting was purchased at Avonport Discount Fabrics and is available now for those wishing to sandwich quilts ahead of the day. Notices will appear in the Bulletin /Lighthouse Log on Mar 7/8, and 14/15, 2018 and in church bulletins for two weeks prior to our March 17, 2018 Cuddle Quilt Day.

Information

Dessert Party - 5 member tickets and 20 non-members ticket remain available for the party on April 25, 2018.

Suttles Canada Quilt – Ballots will be drawn at the May meeting for two donated quilt tops.

<u>Volunteer awards</u>- Members should submit nominations for the "Volunteer of the Year" award to Isabel Fancy.

Slow quilting – The next meeting is scheduled for March 12 at the Biscuit Eater.

<u>Mini retreat</u> – The Executive Committee toured the Quarterdeck in Summerville Beach as a potential venue for the first Guild retreat on May 8-10, 2018. Eight villas are being held, and four are currently booked. Members interested in attending should e-mail Christine Bell, no later than March 31, to reserve villa space.

Next meeting: April 9, 2018, returning to our regular meeting time of 7 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM.

Sew and Tell

Marilyn Verburgh - Baby Quilt and Layer Cake and Charm Square quilt
Pam Wells – Cutting garden Wall hanging
Vicki Burke – Quiltworx Wall hanging and Runner
Denise Milheron – Scrappy Purple Mania and Tifton Tiles
Cheryl Borden – Wall hanging
Isabel Fancy – Black Flowers
Jill Green – Storm at Sea
Michele Stevens – Sample Blocks from 2004!
Beth Lawrence - Jacket

Program

Pam Tracy delighted attendees with a large and stunning collection of her quilted wall-hangings, including works inspired by the paintings of Kandinsky and Klimt, wildlife scenes and modern/abstract designs.

Respectfully submitted by

Krista Garber, On behalf of Sandy Emenau, MBQG Secretary

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Treasurer's News

We had 9 eTransfers and 8 Square transactions so far in March which is wonderful. We are very happy to provide these easy and quick options for you to pay for workshops, memberships, etc.

Program News

April program will be an applique Trunk show by Kathy Higgins

Should you have any program ideas for the meetings, please email Rose Lesage – cybera13@hotmail.com

Workshop News

Update for March 20, we have 4 spots available for Linnet's workshop. Contact Mary Gray to register: graymary007@gmail.com

Saturday, April 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trinity United Church Hall All About Colour - a colour theory workshop for quilters with Linnet Finley. Fee for members: \$35, non-members \$55, space permitting

Spend a day answering all the questions you've ever had about colour! Learn how to make your quilts grab the eye and your colours sing. Understand how colour actually works!

The morning will be spent learning the mechanics of colour. What makes certain combinations work? What are value, hue, and saturation? How do we actually see and understand colour and how can this knowledge be applied to fabric selection?

The afternoon will be hands on and participants will make their own fabric colour wheel with colour scheme examples to serve as a take home reference.

A \$10 kit fee will cover all fabric/supplies beyond the basics (sewing machine, etc.)

Our 2018 Extraordinary Quilter: Janet Barker (JB Quilt Designs on Facebook)
A couple of spots are available for Janet's workshops. Supply lists and pre-class homework have been sent by email to those who've paid the fee.
Contact Marjorie Skinner to register: michaelskinner537@gmail.com

April 25 - Dessert party and trunk show at Mahone Bay Legion, Pond St.

April 26-27 - What If? A design workshop, starting with the Uneven Nine-Patch block and exploring options by shifting, rotating, folding, and changing colour placement.

April 28 - A Walk in the Woods: Make a variety of leaf shapes using 2.5" strips, stem strips and some background fabric to make 3 leaf blocks for a table runner or quilt. Start collecting strips in your colour scheme now.

PUZZIE Answers: 1. Miter 2. Template 3. Basting, 4. Sashing, 5. Bias, 6. Grain 7. Patchwork

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And a reminder: if you are unable to attend a workshop, you're welcome to find a replacement for your spot and collect the fee from her. If there is a waiting list, we'll refund your money so that another guild member can attend.

Looking ahead to the fall, after our quilt show... Wednesday, October 17

Cheryl Arkison will lead a workshop during the day and present a trunk show in the evening at Trinity United Church Hall. She is the author of Sunday Morning Quilts and the designer of the slab block we used for the Ronald McDonald House quilts last January. Her quilts are based on the traditional and familiar with a modern flair for colour, design and quilting. Her website: cherylarkison.com. We'll begin taking registration at the May meeting.

From the workshop committee: we appreciate hearing your suggestions.

Mary Gray: graymary007@gmail.com

Marjorie Skinner: <u>michaelskinner537@gmail.com</u> Debbie Breeze: debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca

Annual General Meeting - Volunteers Needed

The Guild's Annual General Meeting is coming up in June and, at that time, we will need to fill positions that are falling vacant. These are:

Vice President – filling in for the president when necessary, attending executive meetings and taking over as president in two or four years;

Chair for the Workshop Committee – with two experienced helpers, organizing workshops for the Guild and attending executive meetings; and,

Show and Tell coordinator – setting up for Show and Tell at the meetings and having a list of the quilts shown.

If you have interest in these, or any other volunteer jobs in the Guild, please contact Cathy Drummond – 902 624-0977 or cathydrummond@eastlink.ca these jobs are great learning experiences and wonderful ways to meet other members and form new friendships, especially if you are new to the Guild.



In the Community

Slow Quilting

We gather with our handwork at the Biscuit Eater in Mahone Bay from 2-4pm on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month.

New members, new quilters are most welcome! Come and see what we are doing, maybe you will be inspired to start a handwork project!

Dessert Party

Our 18th annual Dessert Party with an Extraordinary Quilter is coming up Wednesday April 25 at the Mahone Bay Legion. We are very pleased to welcome Janet Barker as our Extraordinary Quilter. Tickets (\$7 plus a homemade dessert for members and \$15 for non-members) are on sale now and can be ordered by email to mahonebayag@gmail.com

SAQA

Transitions, it is a juried show of 29 works by 19 SAQA members from Atlantic Canada, all done on some aspect of the theme "Transitions". It opens at the Craig Gallery at Alderney Landing in Dartmouth on March 28 until April 29. It will be in Yarmouth from August 2 until September 28, the Inverness Centre for the Arts from October 5 to 31, and St. John's Centre for the Arts from January 11 until March 9, 2019. Be sure to check it out as some of our Members have their work showcased in the show.

New Members Tea will be held at Trinity United Church Hall on May 15, 2018 from 2 – 4 pm.

Quilt Show News

There are six months to go before our MBQG Show! Hope many of you are preparing your quilts for this wonderful show.

Cathy Drummond will have submission forms to pass out as well as information regarding the forms at April meeting. We encourage all of you to enter your quilts. This year members can enter up to 3 quilts in the show. Please read the form carefully to ensure you understand any requirements for information. The information on the guilts to be entered in the show is due on the 30th of June.

So many wonderful quilts, runners etc. are displayed at our show and tell that we hope will be entered in the September show.

A reminder to all that the Sales Boutique accepts quilted articles such as tidy totes, pin cushions, hot mats, placemats, small quilts, pillows, fat quarters. This is a great opportunity to sell your handmade articles.

Cuddle Quilt Day Update

On behalf of the guild, I would like to thank Donna Veinot for a wonderful and successful Cuddle Quilt Day. Bringing the guild together with many community members, this day is always fun and fulfilling.

There are many members of the guild working behind the scene to help make this day a huge success, and I thank them as well. But someone needs to be the lead, and Donna took it on, because she believes in the end goal.

By the end of the day we had 121 finished quilts of various sizes with a number of others taken home by guild members to be completed. A wonderful accomplishment.... Thank you Donna and guild.

Christine Bell, President, MBQG

The hall was buzzing with laughter, chatter and hard work



At the Meeting:

(This section will feature a picture from Sew & Tell)

Here is Jill Green (left) showing her Storm at Sea Quilt



Odds and Sods:

(This section will feature a variety of items: for sale items, other requests and letters received)

1. The following request was received from Lynn's Quilting Studio:

From time to time customers are looking to have a quilter make a quilt or project for them. The studio would like to make of list of quilters who would be interested in making quilts for others.

Our most recent request, is a customer requesting a T Shirt quilt to be made. If anyone would be interested in going on the list, they can email their name and contact information to Lynn's Quilting Studio – at lynnsquiltingstudio@gmail.com. The list of names would be shared with the customers who are looking to have a quilt made. We have several requests in the run of a year. It would be a great referral system for those who make quits for customers. Some are baby quilts, T shirt quilts just to name a few.

2. The Indian Point Fire Hall has received many packages of quilt binding amongst things that were donated for sale to raise money for the Comfort Centre at the hall. If anyone would like some, it is with Cathy Drummond (cathydrummond@eastlink.ca) or 902 624 0977. It is Wrights, double-fold, 3 yds. per pkg and 65% polyester, 35% cotton. Numbers of packages and colour: 25 brown, 18 oyster, 5 white,5 black, 10 navy, 6 light blue, 3 pink and 2 royal blue. It dates from a time when the list price was \$2 a package. The Fire Hall would appreciate a small donation to its fund in exchange for any of it, but this is not necessary.

Please contact Cathy directly if you are interested - cathydrummond@eastlink.ca

FOR SALE - WHITE SuperLock Serger, extra thread spools, instruction manual and cover.
 Gently used. As is. Best offer, please contact Anna Davison <u>annadavison@eastlink.ca</u> or 902-624-9575



4. A thank you note received from Hillsview Acres, Milton, Queens County on March 26, 2018

To: Mahone Bay Quilters Guild,

On behalf of the residents at Hillsview Acres, I would like to send along our greatest appreciation and thanks for the beautiful quilts and wheelchair quilts that were presented to us in this weekend for the residents. The residents were extremely excited and appreciative of the items and of your generosity shown through the gifts.

It is through such devoted volunteers and community groups, such as yours, that we continue to feel connected to the community around us and feel as though we are appreciated by many. Your wonderful gifts of love have helped to bring an extra smile to the residents' faces.

Many thanks and all the best to your group and their work.

Sincerely,

Audrey Wamboldt, Recreation Director

Upcoming Quilt Shows

(This section will include notices we receive for upcoming quilt shows)

•	The Northumberland Quilt Guild will be having their annual "Show and Sale" on August 4th
	and 5 th from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm at the Decoste Center, 85 Water Street in Pictou,
	N.S. Admission is \$5.00 per person, which includes refreshments