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Meet the Executive

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

Heather Sanft is our Workshop Chair, here is bit about Heather: I was born at the Grace in Halifax before the new bridge went in so my dad, my maternal nan & mother had to drive from Dartmouth around the Bedford Basin for my delivery. My mom & nan taught me numerous crafts from a young age. Scrap & crazy quilts full of memory fabrics were most common & all the grandchildren received a log cabin for our wedding. I have a 'stairs to the station' square from my nan's midwife.

We lived in BC for 22 years so all my schooling, & degree in Anthropology & Museology from UBC were finished before I brought my BC hubby home (40 years ago) to NS to start a life of commercial blueberry & vineyard farming.

I have also done weaving, spinning, knitting, hooking & some quilting even though I seem to be known for basketry.

I appreciate all the wonderful talent in our guild & hope to improve my humble skills in quilting greatly by being closer to you all.

Stay tuned to see who will be introduced next Month.

Don't Forget:

- Our meetings and workshops are **scant free**
 - Wear your Name Tag
 - Sew and Tell
 - Questions for "Quilting Q&A"
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2018 Meeting Dates

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

Dec 3, 2018 - Doors open at 5pm

Jan 7, 2019 – 12:30 for 1:00pm

Feb 4, 2019 - 12:30 for 1:00pm

Mar 4, 2019 - 12:30 for 1:00pm

A Quilter's Query:

Seeing we are now into the Christmas season, I thought it would be neat to see how many quilt related words you could make out of the word Christmas. A list of the words I found are on page 4.

Meeting Minutes

Mahone Bay Quilt Guild

November 5, 2018

Pam Wells called the meeting to order at 7 pm. She welcomed new member Janet Strachan.

Minutes

There being no errors or omissions, it was moved by Rose Lesage and seconded by Donna Veinot the approval of the minutes of Oct. 1, 2018.

Treasurer's Report

There being no questions, it was moved by Ann Phelan and seconded by Christine Bell the approval of the treasurer's report.

Membership

Krista reported that we now have 141 members. Suggestions from the new member meeting held immediately prior to the regular guild meeting:

1. We will institute a buddy system for new members. If you want to pair up with someone or if you want to be a buddy, starting at the December meeting, meet @ 6:45 in the parlour.
2. Information will be sent out about starting a bee on the weekend for those people who work through the week.

Workshop

Heather reported that for those who attended the Cheryl Arkison workshop and trunk show, it was fun and enjoyable.

Mary reported that the first of Linda Naugler's wool applique workshops was held on Sat. The next workshops will be on Nov. 17 & Nov.24. There is a waiting list for both.

Marjorie talked about the skills day being held Jan. 19 (storm day Jan. 26). Pam will teach trapunto, Rose will teach hand quilting (rocking stitch) and Barb will teach hand quilting (stab stitch). Sign up starts tonight.

Library

Marilyn informed members that the library will be closed at the Dec. meeting. She also asked everyone to return all books at the Jan. meeting so she can weed through them in preparation for the yard sale in the spring.

Program

Our Dec. meeting will be a pot luck. Rose asked everyone to please email her what they will be bringing so she can prepare tags for the dishes. Also let her know if you will be participating in the ornament &/or pincushion exchange.

Newsletter

No report. Gail not present.

Quilt Show Recap

Barb Himmelman reported that we made a profit of \$3700. The show was well received by the public. This was our first year in a new venue, so some lessons were learned. The minister and trustees of the church were very helpful. Barb thanked all volunteers for their help.

Father Christmas

Sandy Bruce reported that this event will take place during the last weekend of Nov. and the first weekend of Dec. at the Visitor Information Centre (VIC). A sign up list for volunteers was distributed. Drop off will be Nov. 22 and since this is a smaller venue, only small quilts, wall hangings and decorations please. Sandy's bee will do the set up on Thursday evening. The annual tree lighting will take place on Fri., Nov.23 at 7 pm followed by a sing a long at the Anglican Church. The VIC will be open that evening from 6-7. On Dec. 1, the VIC will be open an extra 3 hours because of the Reindeer Fun Run for Autism NS.

Margaret Hennigar Library

Our guild has been asked to do a small quilt display at the library at the LCLC in early Jan. Pam asked for a volunteer to curate the event.

Cuddle Quilt Fabric

Donna Veinot brought in a donation of fabric to make cuddle quilts. Free to whoever wants it.

Quilts of Valour

Jill Green brought some free fabric for making quilts of valour.

Meeting Adjourned

Wanda Taylor moved the adjournment of the meeting at 7:25 pm.

Sew and Tell

Jill Green – Friendship Rings quilt. Quilted by TLC.

Sandy Emenau – Walk in the Woods runner & Remembrance Day runner

Marilyn Verburgh – Jelly roll rug

Judy Marshall – Sunflower – quilt of valour

Pam Wells – One Block Wonder quilt

Kristina Hawkins-Harris – quarter inch hexies

Sandy Bruce – Crazy quilted & embroidered pillow, jointed teddy bear

Donna Veinot – pillow 3 trees

Denise Milheron – Boxed In quilt

Michele Stevens – “Like a Hurricane” one block wonder quilt

Program

Linda McDonald provided a trunk show of her beautiful quilts.

Respectfully submitted

Sandy Emenau, Secretary, MBQG

Membership News

[Help Welcome Our New Members](#)

With our recent increase in membership, we have many "newer" faces, and the meetings provide limited opportunity for them to meet others. At the new members meeting in November, a suggestion was made for new members (anyone that feels uncomfortable or wants to meet new people at meeting) to meet in the parlour between 6:30 and 6:45 prior to the start of meeting.

Any "older" member willing to sit with a "new buddy" and help answer questions about the guild can come to the parlour to be matched up with someone to host for the duration of the meeting. In this way, new members can easily meet a variety of members, as well as each other.

We are not defining "new" or "older" member. If there are unfamiliar faces at the meeting, and you want to get to know more members, you are more than welcome to come to the parlour before each meeting.

Prior to the December potluck, we will give this a try for the first time. "Older members" are encouraged to stop by to meet a new member. **Please remember to wear your name tag.**

[Name Tag Orders](#)

Starting in January, printed name tag materials will be available as a kit. Included are: cotton front panel printed with Guild logo and your name, batting, red cotton backing and pin back. Price is \$5. Because your name must be printed in advance, please advise Krista at krisgarber@aol.com if you would like to purchase a name tag kit.

Orders previously placed for assembled name tags are ready for pick up and will be at the sign-in desk.

[Membership Volunteer](#)

Krista is looking for a volunteer to assist her in redesigning/assembling the new member's kit in early 2019. This should involve only a few meetings. Familiarity with Microsoft Word would be helpful. If interested, please email her at krisgarber@aol.com

[New Members](#)

We would like to extend a warm welcome to new members Janet Strachan and Paul McDonald.

Quiz Answers: chart(s), charm(s), math, match, stash, trash, star(s), chair(s), cart(s), trim(s), chat(s), arm(s), cash, mat(s), and art.

Program News

Hi everyone! The Christmas potluck is coming up on December 3rd. Please remember to bring your own plate, cup, utensils, etc.! Also, serving utensils for your food dish! If your dish needs to be cut into serving pieces, please do it ahead of time!

Remember the pin cushion and Christmas ornament exchange. Please attach your name to your item so that the person receiving your item will know who made it.

We will be doing a **collection for the food bank** again this year. **Nonperishable Food or money contributions** are requested!

Please email me to let me know what dish you are you bringing for the potluck?

Doors open at 5:00 pm and we will eat at 6:00 pm.

Rose Lesage,
Program Chair
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Workshop News

SKILLS DAY will be on **Saturday, Jan 19th** with *Jan 26th as storm date.*

Quilting Stitch – Rose Lesage - 10am – 12:30pm

Rose will be teaching the running quilting stitch. This method allows you to pick up several stitches on your needle, while keeping the stitch length consistent. For this class you need something ready to quilt. It can be something as simple as 2 inch or 3 inch squares sewn into a square big enough to at least fit your quilting hoop or Q Snap Frame. In addition, bring a sewing kit. You need a thimble! If you'd like to learn my method of quilting without marking, bring a straight pin and a small ruler!

Stab Stitch Quilting – Barb Robson – 10am – 12:30pm

If you are having trouble hand quilting with the running stitch, then the stab stitch is the answer or if you have never tried hand quilting, this is the stitch to learn! Your stitches will be even, top and bottom stitches the size you want them. If you have problems with your wrist or hands, arthritis or carpal tunnel syndrome then this is the hand quilting stitch you should learn. This is a very relaxing, stress-free class. It is a technique-oriented class though there will be some discussion on marking methods.

Trapunto – Pam Wells – 1pm – 3:30pm

Trapunto is a centuries old form of quilting that adds stuffing to quilts for an additional decorative touch. Traditional trapunto is hand done and great examples of this form was made popular in Provence, France. Today, machine trapunto makes the technique a much quicker process. This workshop will demonstrate traditional, machine and shadow trapunto techniques. Many beautiful designs can be made with hand

quilting, walking foot or free motion quilting so don't feel intimidated as anyone can trapunto! This is a technique based workshop but I will have a number of patterns available and you will have time to experiment.

For information on Workshops, please contact:

Mary Gray: graymary007@gmail.com

Marjorie Skinner: michaelskinner537@gmail.com

Heather Sanft: hms@canada-wine.com

Free Patterns

(I will share links to free patterns here, if you found one you would like to share, please send it to me at mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com)

Remember, if you have anything to share, please send it to me, Gail Stryde, at mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com

Library News

The Library will be closed during the December meeting. Please return all outstanding books to the January meeting.

Odds and Sods

Anyone Interested in a Weekend Bee?

If there are any working Guild members who might be interested in forming a bee that meets on weekends, please advise Krista at krisgarber@aol.com

The names of the interested Guild members will be exchanged, and the details of bee meetings (location, time, frequency) can be determined by respondents.



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. We will meet on December 10 on Jan 14 and 28.

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

Father Christmas Festival in Mahone Bay

We were asked again this year to decorate the Festival Welcome Centre with festive quilts etc. This year it will be located in Visitor Information Center. Here are the hours the Centre will be open during the 1st weekend in December. Drop by to see the beautiful display.

Saturday, Dec 1st 10-7 pm

Sunday, Dec 2nd 10-4 pm

You can find out more details about the Festival here:

<https://www.mahonebay.com/2018-father-christmas-program>

Anyone Interested in a Quilt Tour to Paducah?

This was passed on from Mayflower Quilters:



Atlantic Tours & Travel

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Quilt Lover's Tour

April 20, 2019 | 11 days/10 nights

Celebrate Spring with Atlantic Tours as we travel to Paducah, Kentucky to attend the American Quilter's Society (AQS) Quilt Show. Paducah transforms into Quilt City USA each Spring when international and domestic quilters attend Quilt Week. Merchant Mall features 400 vendor booths, featuring all the supplies you need and demonstrations of the latest tools and technology available to the modern quilter. Other events include the National Quilt Museum, Eleanor Burns' Quilt in a Day under the Big White Tent, Rotary Antique Quilt Show and Vendor Mall, and Hancock's of Paducah Quilt Shop is a must. The dazzling world of Quilting is bursting at the seams with matters in the quilting art. Gather your friends and family, quilters and non-quilters for this fantastic tour to Paducah.

Saturday, April 20:

Halifax to Bangor, ME

Sunday, April 21:

Bangor to Hasbrouck Heights, NJ (CB)

Monday, April 22:

Hasbrouck Heights to Charleston, WV (CB)

Tuesday, April 23:

Charleston to Paducah, KY (CB)

Wednesday, April 24 & Thursday, April 25:

Paducah, KY (CB)

Expand your knowledge as you attend events at the AQS Quilt Show

Friday, April 26:

Paducah to Charleston, WV (CB)

Saturday, April 27:

Charleston to Amish Country, PA (CB, D)

Sunday, April 28:

Amish Country to Milford, CT (CB)

Guided tour of Amish Country

Monday, April 29:

Milford to Bangor, ME (CB)

Tuesday, April 30:

Bangor to Halifax, NS (CB)

TWIN	TRIPLE	QUAD	SINGLE
\$2425	\$2069	\$1895	\$3639

Per Person in Canadian Funds, No Tax



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Quilts of Valour

I know of several members who currently make quilts for the Quilts of Valour program. Here is an article from the President of Quilts of Valour on how you can help with their 10 year anniversary celebration goal of presenting 20,000 quilts by 2020. A link to the block pattern is provided in the article.

Quilts of Valour – Canada



Quilts of Valour - Canada Society

*Supporting our injured Canadian Armed Forces members,
past and present, with quilts of comfort.*

*Offrant un soutien à nos membres blessés, passés et actuels,
des Forces armées canadiennes, avec des courtepointes de réconfort.*

The mission of **Quilts of Valour – Canada** is to present quilts to injured or ill military members, past and present. At this time, Canada has over 45,000 injured veterans (average age of 45). To date, Quilts of Valour – Canada (QOVC) has presented close to 12,000 quilts. Our goal is 20,000 by 2020. We have a long way to go.

Quilts of Valour will be celebrating its ten year anniversary as a non-profit society in 2019. QOVC is hoping you will help us celebrate by making log cabin blocks /or finished quilts for our injured military members. The block is an unfinished 10 1/2 inch log cabin block made in reds and whites representing Canada with a yellow centre representing a light in the window/welcome home. **Click [here](#) for the block pattern.**

Quilts of Valour will have a larger booth than normal at Quilt Canada 2019, thanks to the generosity of the Canadian Quilters' Association (CQA/ACC). We will be inviting a number of distinguished and celebrity guests from the Ottawa area to sew pre-cut log cabin blocks at the booth; each guest will have a sewing coach to help with the block. Drop by our booth at Quilt Canada 2019 to encourage our guests as they try their hand at this art form.

Your blocks or finished quilts can be dropped off at our booth OR please send your finished quilts or blocks to the following:

Western Canada Linda Gerein, 14 Pueblo Court Whitehorse Yukon Y1A6V3

Central Canada Marcie Erick, 633 Douglas Drive Swift Current. SK S9H 0M7

Ontario Elizabeth Seamans, 117 Malcolm Street. Angus. ON L0M 1B0

Southern Ontario Don Oliphant, 4094 St Clair Parkway Port Lambton ON N0P 2B0

Eastern Canada Mary Ewing, 11 Hillside Drive New Albany NS B0S1P0

Quilts of Valour thanks you for your support!

Mary Ewing

President **Quilts of Valour – Canada Society**

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At the Meeting:

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



Jill's "Friendship Rings"

Upcoming Quilt Shows

3rd Bay Quilters Show and Sale, Hackett's Cove, July 5, 6 and 7, 2019. Please see attached poster for more details. If you have any questions or ideas for the Show, please contact Mamie at 902-823-3398 or e-mail: mamieboran@eastlink.ca or myself, Eleanor at 902-823-1991 or deo@eastlink.ca.