



KINGSTON HEIRLOOM QUILTERS

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Tuesdays:

Mar 11 - Boutique workday *Note date change!*
April 1 - Boutique workday
May 6 - Boutique workday
June 3 - Potluck lunch

Thursdays:

Feb 20 - Workday
Mar 20 - Workshop with Jocelyne
April 17 - Workday
May 22 - Annual General meeting
June 19 - Workday

Message from your Presidents

Donna Hamilton (& Anjali Shyam)



There it goes again! *Another* snow storm is blowing and howling outside my window as I write this. Have you been shoveling as much as I or maybe more? And Anjali was lucky enough to have chosen the ice storm weekend as the time her family was to move to their new home! What fun!

On the bright side, I've done a lot of quilting this winter. I hope you have too. And I'm looking forward to dead ticks, and dead boring ash tree beetles. I hope my perennials make it, as the frost has crept deeper underground than it has in many years. Spring is going to be glorious this year and can't come soon enough!

Back at the Church, we've been working hard, beginning preparations for our quilt show in June 2015. Be sure to sign up to coordinate an area or volunteer to help a fellow member with her area. We need all hands on deck for a large variety of jobs that need to be done. Many hands make light work. We've done it before and I know we can do it again!

If you find some neat things we could do for the boutique, please let Anne know about it. She is collecting all our ideas. The first meeting of each month will have a focus on making something for the show.

Baby quilts are going home to be bound and heading to the hospital. Quilts made from orphaned blocks seem to be flying out. We'd had a lot of fabric flying in as others downsize their stash too.

We've had challenges with Claire's quilt especially seeing the quilt lines on that pale green background. We've found that a graphite pencil does the trick, thank goodness. The border is heavily quilted, but I think we're close to finishing it and we're ready to do a few rolls. Yeah! We've also decided to put the squiggly quilt pattern (designed by Claire, based on her initial "C") only in the four corners. We will be putting a 1 inch cross hatch in the alternate blocks instead and think that will emphasize the appliquéd blocks.

Lorna has been going through our library and trying to reorganize it in a better way. She's been putting out more books for you to see on the table. If you want to check out lower shelves where some books are, please ask another member to help if you have physical issues. The library is there for you to use. Please do so. We now have some newer books talking about "modern" quilts and how to make them. Take a look and see if any of these appeals to you.

I have certainly been enjoying our "Show and Share" and I hope you have too. Keep the quilting coming.

We now have new business cards. Please take some and share with any friends who might want to join us. They are easier to carry in your purse than the brochures. In your travels to stores further afield, please share.

Happy quilting and meet you at the Church Hall!

Fran Hunt

Ros Hanes

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of long time KHQ member Fran Hunt. Fran was the one who first suggested we try St John's Anglican Church as a venue for our meetings when we needed to find a new home. It turned out to be a very successful move. Thank you, Fran.

Other memories of Fran:

Eleanor Clark: I have good memories of Fran – we worked together as co-chairs for registrations for one of the early quilt shows and I enjoyed working with her. Besides helping me with registration of the show, she was juggling care-giving for her husband and packing up to move from her house on Collingwood to Mowat apt. She never lost her cool! She was a great lady.

Donna Hamilton: I remember working with Fran on several occasions, usually over some computer issue. But she did come to me for help in designing a banner quilt she was making for the Kingston Choristers, one of the choirs she belonged to (she was a very good singer). We tried several ideas but it wasn't working for her. She didn't use any of what we did that day, but that's the way designing goes. She did make and complete an original quilt for the Choristers.



The Winning Piece for Claire's Challenge

Donna Hamilton

I recently discovered that Mary Ann McAndrews, the quilter of the winning piece for Claire's Challenge, had sent me information about her wall hanging to the email I rarely check! That means you can enjoy her quilt once more and hear its story. Here it is...

Weeds are just flowers.....

Mary Ann McAndrews

When I drew the colour *brown* from the 1st bag and *garden* as my theme from the second, it took me almost a month before I decided to find a quote first and then see what would follow.



Using a book of quotes I have from Winnie the Pooh, there were multiple drawings before any sewing took place. After I basted the trellis down on the background fabric, the 'What-ifs' took over and the trellis was removed. Strips of tan were sewn to silk and then the pieces were woven in and out to get the shadowing effect and then appliquéd to the black fabric.

The embroidered words didn't stand out as well as I would have liked after I chained stitched them, so using a single strand of floss, I used a button hole stitch over the chain stitching. The dimensional flowers were then placed on the trellis (there were still roses in late October at Sally Hutson's) to balance the overall piece. Appliquéd butterflies were over embroidered on the black using a chain stitch.

After asking Ros what the complimentary colour was, (I would have used the wrong colour), the green touches were added and the beads were the final embellishment. I found I had to stop, when I tried to appliqué a gecko to the rocks because it was getting too busy.

As always for me, there was more time thinking and planning than actual stitching. And even now, I find I want to add more to the rocks. I tried to work some tating into the rocks as well but gave up.

It was fun and certainly a Challenge.

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Sylvia Currie

Base

1 3/4 c. crushed vanilla wafers
1/2 c. butter, melted
2 Tbs. sugar

Filling

8 oz. pkg. cream cheese, softened
1/3 c. sugar
1/2 c. sour cream
1 egg
1 1/2 tsp. grated lemon peel
1 tsp. vanilla
1/4 c. seedless raspberry preserves, melted

Heat oven to 350 degrees. In a small mixing bowl, combine wafers, butter and 2 Tbs. sugar. Press evenly into ungreased 8" square baking pan to form base. Set aside.

In a medium mixing bowl, combine cream cheese and 1/3 c. sugar. Beat at medium speed with a mixer until smooth. Add remaining filling ingredients. Beat at medium speed until well blended. Spread filling evenly over base. Bake for 50 – 55 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely. Drizzle preserves over filling. Store in refrigerator.

Embroidery Trunk Show

Ros Hanes



On November 5, 2013 we had an interesting display of beautiful embroidered pieces, some made by members (mostly those who also belong to the Catarqui Guild of Needle Arts) and some purchased or inherited.

Hilda had a marvelous sampler made with silk on wool in 1826 by her great grandmother, Grace Boyle Ackland at the age of 8.



Winter Anyone, eh?

Donna Hamilton



It feels like the never-ending winter. It began in earnest on Dec 15, 2013 as my plane from Orlando, Florida, landed in Syracuse. The pilot and airline staff wanted to get in and out as quickly as possible. They were flying back to Orlando, the lucky dogs! We were 20 minutes early, but the airport was behind in luggage handling. We had to wait almost an hour to get our bags! I hope the plane left before then, as the snow storm had started. And it's still going as I look out my

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window right now, almost 2 months later! (Thank God the picture on the bottom of page 4 is NOT my window! Although if it keeps snowing like it is, I just might have to dig for my car.)

And then we had another ice storm. During the last one in January of 1998, my power was off for a week. But the ice started melting the next day. This year, we lived in a winter wonderland for ... too long! It was over a week before the ice dropped off the trees.



Luckily, my power only went off intermittently, the longest time being about 2 hours. I don't think there were many tree branches left to come down with the power lines. The city has certainly worked hard to deal with the problem over the years. I know other areas of Kingston were not as lucky ... as the great fire on Princess Street was being fought the night the ice storm began. Many around that area lost their power early.

Toronto was also not as lucky. The pictures and videos I saw reminded me

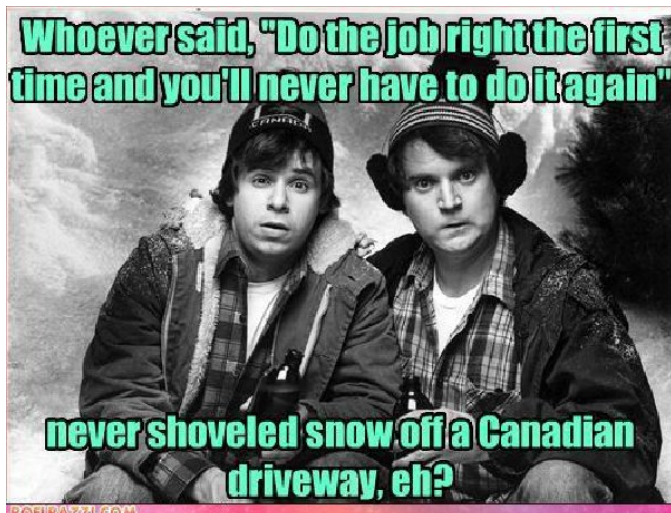
of war zone Kingston in ice storm 1998. And yet we had more ice this time and more ice than Toronto. I wonder where the wintering birds, squirrels, chipmunks and other assorted wild life went and kept warm and fed. This winter I have learned about:



- the "Polar Vortex" and how it can dip pretty far south bringing very cold (-25C and lower) temperatures,
- the "Texas Low" and how it picks up moisture from the Gulf of Mexico and turns it into lots of snow by the time it gets here,
- how you can take a carafe of boiling water and throw it outside when the temperature is -20C or lower and the water will evaporate, never touching the ground,
- how salt doesn't work when the temperature dips below -10C.

I hear people saying this is just like an "old fashion" winter. Our ancestors were certainly tough. They had to be!

And so I ask you: Which Canadian are you?



Snippets

- ** **NOTE: Our first meeting in March is on the 11th not the 4th!**
- ** Our Christmas Pot Luck Lunch on Tuesday December 3rd was a great success as always. Leftover goodies were plated up and sold to raise money - \$44.35 this time plus some items for the Church food bank.
- ** We will find out on February 24th if our quilts, *Decades of Fashion* and *December Rose*, are going to the Canadian Quilters' Association National Juried Show at Brock University, St Catherine's, June 11-14th.



- ** Gail Jennings is the winner of the second set of raffle blocks.



Jeanine, the winner of the iris blocks, has presented us with the next raffle block, an appliqué heart and hand. These will be due at the General meeting, the second meeting in September.

**** Show and Share**



Baby Quilts

Baby quilts are still coming off the assembly line at a furious rate; we are madly working hard to reduce the amount of fabric we have on hand from all the recent generous donations. However there is a small holdup in the line – we need more people to volunteer to do the binding. If you can help out next meeting that would be great.

Ros Hanes (& Peggy, Joan & Pat)



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The Beverly Macdonald Memorial Quilt

Donna Hamilton



The *Beverly Macdonald Memorial Quilt*, pictured to the left, is completed. It was long arm quilted and looks much better in person. It's at *Stitch by Stitch*. Please drop by and see it before it goes to "Big Brothers, Big Sisters".

Two of our members won a set of blocks that were left over.



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Upcoming Events

Mar 21-23, 2014: Fibreworks Kingston: Carol Soderlund in "Transformations: Using Disperse Dyes and Stitch" For more information see website: <http://fibreworkskingston.blogspot.ca>

Apr 5-6, 2014: Rouge Valley Quilters' Guild - Rhapsody of Quilts Show
Rouge Valley Quilters' Guild of *Pickering, Ontario*, invite you to their Rhapsody of Quilts Show on Saturday (10-5pm) and Sunday (10-4pm), Apr 5 and 6, at the Pickering Complex Centre, 1867 Valley Farm Road, Pickering, ON. Admission: \$6. For more information contact: Lisette Léveillé Email: rvqgquiltshow@gmail.com Website: <http://www.rvqg.com/>

April 24-26: Piecemakers 2014 Quilt Show
Huron Perth Quilters Guild invite you to "Piecemakers 2014 Quilt Show" at the Pyramid Center, 317 James Street South, *St. Mary's, Ontario* on Thursday April 24 10am - 5pm, Friday April 25 10am - 7pm, and Saturday April 26 10am - 4pm. Admission fee is \$6. Wheelchair accessible. Free parking. For more information contact Joseph Hisey at 519-272-0934 or email josephhisey@gmail.com. Web site: huronperthquiltersguild.com

Apr 26-27: 2014 Quilted Treasures Quilt Show 2014
Rayside Balfour Stitchery Guild invite you to their "Quilted Treasures" Quilt Show at the Edgar J. Leclair Community Centre, *Azilda, Ontario* (behind the Arena) on Saturday April 26 from 10am to 5pm and Sunday April 27 from 10am to 4pm. Admission is \$5. For more information, call Darlene Charbonneau 705-690-8470

May 3-4: "Quilt Show - 2014"
Quinte Quilters' Guild presents "Quilt Show - 2014", Saturday 10am - 5pm and Sunday 10am - 4pm, at the Quinte Curling Club, 246 Bridge St W, *Belleville, ON*. Admission \$6; husbands admitted free! Lots of free parking. Guest artist: Joan Rieve. Antique quilt display, large and small quilts, textile artwork, wearable & accessories display, Merchant's Mall, Glen Ray Scissor Sharpening & Sales, raffle, quilt sales. For more information, call 613-848-8607 or email quiltshow@quintequiltersguild.ca or visit www.quintequiltersguild.ca.

May 23-25: "Waterways Quiltfest 2014"
Thousand Island Quilters Guild invite you to "Waterways QuiltFest 2014", Friday & Saturday May 23 & 24 from 10am to 5pm; Sunday May 25 from 10am to 4pm, at the Brockville Memorial Civic Centre, Magedoma Drive, *Brockville, Ontario*. Admission \$6 per day. Lots of free parking, handicap accessible building, lunch and tea room, door prizes, raffle, Guild Boutique with new handmade items for sale, merchant mall. Lots of fantastic quilts on display. Guild Member Challenge. For more information contact Linda Moir at 613-923-1583 or email lmoir1@gmail.com. Web site: www.thousandislandsquiltersguild.com