



## KINGSTON HEIRLOOM QUILTERS

### NEWSLETTER, May 2016

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#### Meeting Dates:

##### Tuesdays:

June 7 – General Meeting & spring pot luck luncheon.  
“Silhouette Challenge” due

##### Thursdays:

May 19 - work day  
June 23– work day, Sharron’s Raffle block will  
be raffled

*June 8-12 Quilt of Belonging at Royal Kingston Curling Club*

#### Message from Your Presidents

*Donna Hamilton (and Anjali Shyam)*

Our ski and snow birds have all returned to a very dry coolish spring. Thank goodness for the rain today. It’s almost mid-May and I’ve only just put down grass seed as it’s been too chilly. My snow peas are just peeking out and thinking that maybe it’s not such a good idea. I have tiny spinach and lettuce seedlings that are growing *very* slowly. My cucumber seedlings keep dying. I’m trying to fool the animal who ate all my pea seeds last year by growing my pea plants inside and then planting them outside. So far, touch wood, they are doing OK, no doubt due to the plastic domes I use overnight. The tulips, as always, can bloom even in the not-so-warm springs.

The upside to cooler weather is that we can stay inside and quilt. And we’ve been busy. Many baby quilts, touch quilts, and our own quilts are being made. As Sally has



been telling us, the touch quilts are very popular with the patients, their families, and staff. So keep them coming. Ros has made great progress on the Canada Quilt with the help of many including Diane D. It won't be long and we'll be taking home sections to work on. Please remember to bring any fabric you think might work on the quilt. Our Silhouette Quilt Challenge is due the first meeting in June. Will yours be ready or should we be asking for an extension? The Member's Raffle Block from Sharron is due at the second meeting in June. Who will win it?



Many thanks to Sylvia for educating us with her talk and trunk show on spinning and knitting. And thanks to Simone for her two mini-workshops: one on making chenille blocks (many ended up in our touch quilts) and the second on a wreath-style table topper. All of these were a lot of fun as you can see elsewhere in this newsletter.

It was unfortunate that Quilts & Other Cover-ups was unable to make first our March meeting (due to icy roads), and again in April. Maybe another time. The cancelation of Anna Hergert's "Mystical Mola" workshop due to personal reasons was a big disappointment.

Now we have to figure out what workshop(s) we will have in the 2016-17 season. Be sure to tell your Executive of any ideas.

Happy quilting!

## The Quilt of Belonging

*Donna Hamilton*

June is almost here and the Quilt of Belonging with it. If you haven't signed up yet, be sure to do so. If you don't work at least one shift, you have to pay to see it. Kingston's Town Crier, Sophie Kawala, Mark Gerretsen, and Mayor Patterson will be joining us at the Opening at 2pm Friday June 10.

Be sure to tell your friends and family and give them a Rack Card. Posters are also available to put up at Doctor's offices, and such. If you are on facebook or twitter, be sure to tell all.

*Quilt of Belonging*

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## Baby Quilts

I had a phone call from Sandra Weller, one of the two ladies in charge of the Hugs program at KGH. Sandy thanked the Heirloom Quilters for our support in making baby quilts. She also explained that it was a committee at the hospital that had made the decision that they wanted no more tied quilts for infants and small children. This rule is now in place and we are machine or hand quilting the baby quilts. If anyone is knitting baby outfits for the Hugs program, buttons and ties should no longer to be used. I sent 14 quilts at the end of April

*Joan Bales*



## Returning Across Country from Beautiful British Columbia

*Nelly Kamphuis*

While in Invermere, B.C. this past winter, this caught my eye. Attached to a fence around the elementary school are these shapes of some of the animals that live in the area. They were painted with many bright colours by students, and it looked to me like bright scraps sewn together to make a pleasing design.

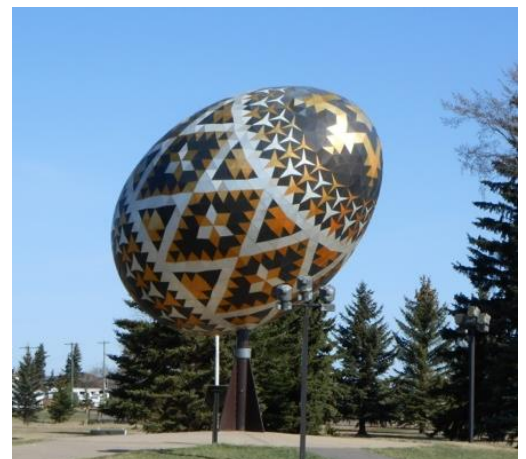


During our long trip back to Kingston, we stopped in Vegreville, Alberta for a good look at the 'Vegreville Pysanka', the world's largest Ukrainian Easter Egg.

It is made of anodized aluminum, and the aluminum skin weighs 2000 lbs., the internal structure 3000 lbs., the base 27000 lbs., and it rotates in the wind.

It has:  
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Doesn't it remind you of quilting designs?



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**Mini-Workshops with Simone**

*Donna Hamilton*

Simone was busy this winter planning two mini-workshops for us. At the first meeting in March she showed us how to make Chenille style blocks. Lorna is seen with her finished block that she made into a pot holder, ideal for her husband.



In May, Simone showed us how to make wreath-style table toppers. All you needed were four inch squares in two complementary colours & batting. I even finished mine! (no UFO!)



If you see something neat and quick to make, maybe you (or another member if you're too shy to teach) can share it with us all.



# Touch Quilts

Sally Hutson



With three more Touch Quilts delivered to Arbour Heights last week, we have now completed fourteen with more waiting to be finished.

The wife of one of the residents said that her husband was so pleased with his quilt, that she donated \$50 to us for supplies.

I also happened to meet the manager (?) of Arbour Heights. She asked if they could give a quilt or two to residents who have dementia but are on not on the

lock down floor yet. As long as these quilts can be of use to any patient, "that is okay with KHQ". Obviously the staff are pleased with our Touch Quilts.



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## “A Stitch in Time”

*Donna Hamilton*

I hope you got a chance to visit the new Tett Centre with the Kingston Fibre Artists Annual Show and Sale. It was on from April 2 through 30<sup>th</sup> at the Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning. I know most of these ladies and their work. This year they stretched themselves and did more painting on fabric than they usually do.

Each year they challenge themselves. This year’s challenge was “The Tett through the Years”. They could choose any or all of the uses the Tett building through the years since its inaugural brewing days. The results were fun. They even told the story of the murdered night watchman who is said to haunt the site to this day...



Hilary Scanlon, *Sitting on a Fence circa 1900*



Sandy Garner, *Hope*



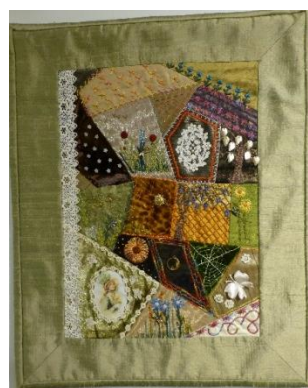
Janet Elliott & Robin Laws Field, *Windows on the Tett: then & now*



Detail of the *Windows ...*



Susan Farber, *Totems*



Margaret Morris, *Silk Crazy Patch*



## Show and Share



Here are a couple of colourful quilts made by Mary Catherine and Lorna to be donated to the Syrian refugees.



Mary Catherine made a Caribbean doll and purchased some exciting fabrics from Burma and Malaysia while on her cruise in the far east.



Rosalie is back from the south with an attractive table runner we might like to try.



Jocelyne has her completed placemats from Rosalie's Workshop last year.



Diane D. has her completed stack and wack quilt for her granddaughter. It was quilted by Simone.



Sally is showing her beautiful new quilt top made from her collection of batik fabrics.

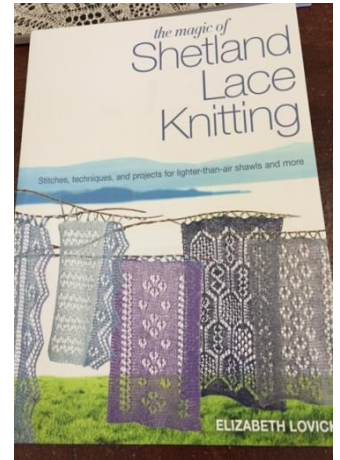
## Spinning ,Weaving and Knitting with Sylvia Currie

Anjali Shyam



At our April meeting, Sylvia enthralled us with her skill as a weaver and spinner. She talked about her visit to the Shetland islands in the UK. It was very interesting to learn how the women multi-tasked, knitting with needles stuck on a belt, while working in the field. She told us about muskox roving, her exciting workshops; her enthusiasm was infectious.

Sylvia brought her prized pieces to share. The most heirloom piece, beautiful scarves, her challenge hat and , my favorite , the beautifully knitted necklace.



We thank Sylvia for sharing with us to further understand and appreciate this art form.



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## Snippets

- \*\* Sharron's new raffle block challenge is called "Twisted Sister's Choice". These are due June 23, our final meeting before the summer break and will be raffled that day.
- \*\* If you missed Kym's print show, you missed seeing another interesting talent of one of our members.



To the left is Kym's "Azure Evanescence". Be sure and ask her how she made it. It is quite interesting and if I repeated it here, I'd probably get it wrong! Another artistic talent hiding in our members...



- \*\* Our applique group is finishing up enough butterflies to make two quilts. Here's one of them ...

- \*\* Look at this picture of everybody with their heads down working hard. There is the applique group in the foreground and the group quilting on the tulip quilt. In the background there are people working on the touch quilts, some more putting baby quilts together, and finally several concentrating on Simone's table topper workshop. What a busy bunch!



- \*\* We do hope that new members Lois, Jan, Nayda, Joyce, Wendy and Pauline and returning member Karen have enjoyed their year with us. It's been busy and fun with lots more coming up.

## Upcoming Events

### May 21 - Sep 5, 2016: My Corner of the World Art Exhibition

Canadian and international artists interpret their "corner of the world" in this colourful exhibition of exquisite art quilts. This 80 piece show was developed in collaboration with SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates). A two-part exhibition, it consists 40 pieces from *SAQA Canadian member artists*, and 40 pieces from *SAQA International member artists*. The artwork includes representational as well as abstract pieces, portraying a wide range of interpretations of the theme – from the geographical to the meta-physical. The Exhibition is held at Stratford Perth Museum, 4275 Huron Road, Stratford, ON. The Opening Reception will be held on Saturday, May 21, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. We are pleased to welcome Incoming SAQA President

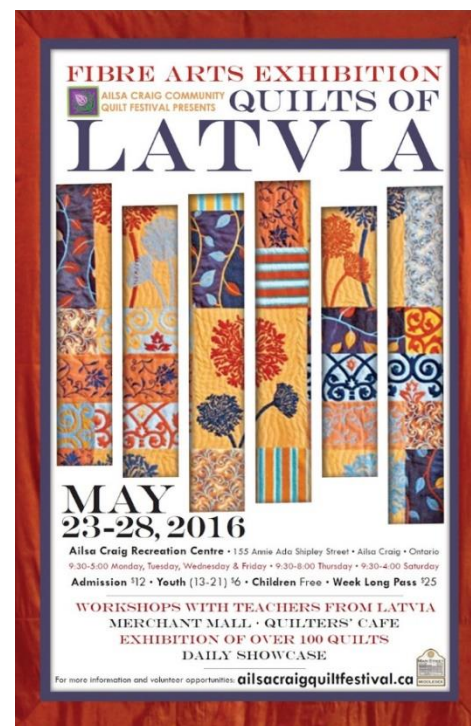
Lisa Ellis, as well as other SAQA Representatives, who will offer opening remarks. Hours: daily 9am - 5pm. Admission: \$7 Adults; \$6 Seniors & Students; \$20 Family. For more information, visit <http://www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca/>

### **May 23-28 2016: Fibre Arts Exhibition: Quilts of Latvia**

Alisa Craig Community Quilt Festival presents Quilts of Latvia at the Alisa Craig Community Centre, 155 Annie Ada Shipley Street, Alisa Craig, ON. Hours: 9:30am - 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday; Thursday 9:30am - 8pm; Saturday 9:30am - 4pm. Admission: \$12, Youth (13-21 years) \$6; Children free; Week long pass \$25. Week long festivities features: workshops with teachers from Latvia, Merchant Mall, Quilters' Cafe, Exhibition of over 100 quilts, and daily showcase. For more information, visit <http://alisacraigquiltfestival.ca>

### **May 27-28, 2016: "D.O.T.S. Quilt Show "**

Dunnville's Own Tiny Stitchers presents *D.O.T.S. Quilt Show* at Dunnville Memorial Arena, 275 Ramsey Drive, *Dunnville, Ontario* on Friday May 27 and Sat May 28th from 10am to 5pm both days. Admission is \$7 and men are admitted free. Show features Quilts, Merchant Mall, Boutique, Raffle Quilt, Silent Auction with featured artist Jennifer Houlden of "[Quilts by Jen](#)", a quilter, and pattern designer. Jen will demonstrate the techniques that she uses in her patterns at 11:30am and 2:30pm daily. Free parking; handicap accessible. Visit their web page at <http://www.dunnvillequiltguild.com/> or contact [dotsquiltshow@gmail.com](mailto:dotsquiltshow@gmail.com).



### **June 3-4, 2016: "Quilts in Bloom"**

Hamilton Quilters Guild present "Quilts in Bloom" on Friday June 3 from 10am to 7pm and Saturday June 4 from 10am to 4pm. The Show features over 200 quilts, president's challenge, popular vendor mall, members' boutique, tea room, live demonstrations. It is held at 630 Trinity Road, *Jerseyville, ON*. Admission is \$8. For more information, visit <http://www.hamiltonquiltguild.ca/index.html>

### **June 9-12, 2016: "Quilt of Belonging"**

The [Quilt of Belonging](#) is coming to *Kingston, Ontario*, to the [Royal Kingston Curling Club](#), 130 Days Road, Kingston, Ontario K7M 9G4. **Hours:** Thursday & Friday (Jun 9, 10) 10-8pm; Saturday (Jun 11) 10-5pm; Sunday (Jun 12) 10- 4pm. **Admission:** \$8 (Children 12 years and under are free).

### **June 11-12, 2016: "Quilt Gems "**

Quilters Guild of Renfrew & Area present their 2016 Quilt Show, "*Quilt Gems*" on Saturday June 11 10am - 5pm, Sunday June 12 11am - 4pm at Ma-te-way Activity Centre, 1 Ma-te-way Park Drive, *Renfrew, ON*. As well as the Show, there will be several raffles, a Tea Room, Demos and a Merchant's Mall. Admission: \$6. For more information, contact Barbara Jamieson at 613-432-6005 or email [barbarajamieson38@yahoo.com](mailto:barbarajamieson38@yahoo.com)

### **June 15-18, 2016: "Quilt Canada 2016 "**

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### **July 9-10, 2016: Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild Quilt Show**

Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild presents their 2016 Quilt Show, Saturday July 9: 10am to 5pm and Sunday July 10: 10am to 4pm, at the Wellington & District Community Centre (Essroc Arena) Belleville Street, Wellington, Ontario. Admission \$6. There will be judged competition, quilt sales, raffle quilt, guest artists, demonstrations, merchant mall, members' boutique, Women's Institute café and more. For more information visit <http://www.pec.on.ca/quiltersguild/> or follow them on Facebook - Prince Edward County Quilters Guild Quilt Show 2016.