



BLUEWATER QUILTERS' GUILD

NEWSLETTER

Website: www.bluewaterquiltersguild.ca
Pauline's Place - 769 2nd Ave East, Owen Sound

APRIL 2024

Guild Meeting Dates

May 20, 2024 - In person
June 17 2024 - In person
September 16 2024 – in person
Please mark these dates on your calendar!

Guild meetings are held on the third Monday of the month, except for December

All meetings begin at 7 pm

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Treasurer

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What to Bring to meetings

- Don't forget your name tag
- Bring your Show and Share items

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Deadline for the next newsletter

April 25th, 2024

Send information to
bluewaterquilters@gmail.com



Monday April 15, 2024

7pm

"In Person Meeting"

Bayshore Community Centre- Christie Hare Room

Anne Ruhl Murray - Trunk Show

Anne is an award winning and published quilt maker, from Maxwell Ontario, who enjoys every step in the quilt making process. She was using her mother's sewing machine at the age of 11 and completed her first quilt in 1974, well before the first quilt store appeared in Canada. Some of us saw her Trunk Show in Maxwell last June.

It was only recently that she became interested in raw-edge appliqué and it is now one of her favourite quilting techniques. Using ten of her own pieces, (including both her first raw edge quilt and have most recent appliqué quilt) she will share her ideas on how to make your raw edge appliqué look professional and have fun doing it.

- Don't forget Show and Share

From the Co-Presidents

Ladies, another great Zoom meeting took place in March. I know Krista Moser was a real hit with our members - many thanks to our Programme Committee. Our April meeting will be held in person and that will be a great time to reconnect with each other. Surely by then the weather will cooperate! We look forward to seeing everyone there. Happy Spring everyone!

Cheers Marianne and JoAnne

Paulines Place

Due to most members being away, Pauline's Place will be closed the week of April 8-12. If you have a specific need Mary Martha Flood would be happy to help you.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE



- **May 20** - In Person - **Marilyn Brocklebank** - Judy Niemeyer Quilts Trunk Show
- **June 17** - In Person - **AGM and Anne Marie Rowland** Trunk Show

Suggestions for speakers or workshops can be sent to any of the Program Committee members –

- **Program Committee-** Connie Morris, Bonnie Casemore, Jackie Playter and Katrina Clarke

Special Interest Groups

Zoom links will be sent to the membership closer to the time

- **Machine Embroidery Group.** Please note meeting date change to **April 18** at 7 pm. Topic is "pop up embroidery". More details will follow in early April.
 - Any questions? please contact Joy Johnson at 519-374-5600 or by email at joyngarry@gmail.com
- **Stashbusters-** Stash Busters meets the last Monday evening of the month at 7 pm. Next meeting is April 29., 2024
 - Contact Kim Clark kdclark@wightman.ca
- **Sew Sisters** –For April our 'Zoom get together' will be April 10 from 7-9pm. Hope you are able to join us!
 - Contact Catherine at pethcatherine@gmail.com.
- **Handwork group** Monday handwork Zoom is paused for now. Please contact lynda@chiotti.com if you are interested in a handwork remote meeting, with your preferred day and time

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Workshops for Members by Members

Program Committee is looking to meet your needs for "Workshops By Members for Members" as spring is approaching and we can usually count on decent weather!! Do you have a special technique or pattern to share with like-minded individuals?

- We will have a table at our April 'In Person' Meeting and would be interested in your offerings and needs for workshops on techniques or patterns.
- There has been some queries into making barn quilts and we would like to know if that is an interest of the membership.
Come visit us and chat!!

A Special Thank You in to Martha Chown for the fabulous job she did for International Quilt Day. There are lots of pictures on our FB page. It was an outstanding and professional presentation at all 4 sites and in the store windows!!

Executive Positions

It is time to be putting together next year's executivemaybe you would like to volunteer for something you'd like to do**we need a Vice President or 2 co-vice presidents, a secretary, 4 people to work on the program committee, 2 for the social committee.**

Perhaps you and a friend would like to serve on a committee togetherone of the best benefits of serving on the executive is getting to know other members better and talking about quilts and quilt related activitiestalk to Ruth Gole (519-376-0551) or Carol Seaman (519-371-4787) anytime or at the April meeting and we'll give you a job description to look over and answer any of your questions.

Get involved and get to know your fellow members! Join the team to produce a year of great quilting experience for every member.

Guild Notes

- **Note - the Guild meeting dates** are on the first page of this newsletter in the upper left. Mark them on your calendar. This also lets you know which meeting are in person and which ones are on Zoom.
- The **next BQG Executive** meeting will be held on **Monday May 6, 2024** at 7pm via Zoom.

Caring Thoughts

Do you know of a member who would appreciate receiving a get well or sympathy card from the Guild, please contact Lera Ryan 519-986-3502, leraryan194@gmail.com

Welcome to returning member Marion Gibson and new members Vicky Duncan, and Sharon Fletcher, all from Owen Sound

A new member open house is being planned for the later part of April, more details will follow once a date can be confirmed.

Membership

We have 123 members so far this year!!

SPECIAL - Membership for months April to June 30 is \$25. Name tag (pin or magnet) cost is \$15

- A membership form can be downloaded from the website or contact membership team Ruth Anne Kuhl at kuhlkim@gbtel.ca

Payment options:

- Make cheque payable to "Bluewater Quilters' Guild" and mail to Pauline's Place, 769 2nd Ave East, Owen Sound, N4K 2G9
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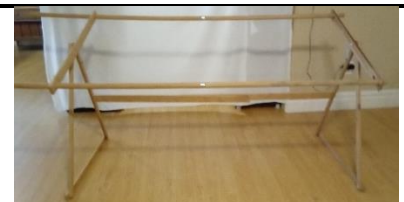


FOR SALE

Edmond quilting and embroidery hoop, stands 31" high, adjustable angles, hoop size 18x27" and removable.

- Quilting frame, adjustable to 80" wide. **Both items FREE.**

Contact Donna at 519-370-0112 or email gdusher@bell.net. Willing to deliver to Owen Sound.



Beginner Quilting Classes

Classes will start April 1st from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.. This class is full, but if you are still interested or would like classes to be in the evenings, please call Carol Seaman at 519-371-4787 and we will try to fill another class – there will be another Beginners class in September.

We have been asked about a **Beginners class for children** (over 12), so if you might be interested in helping lead that class, please let me knowthis could possibly be in the summer or a “summer camp” type of class that would run for 5 days – your ideas and suggestions are welcome.

Community Quilts Report



March brought us National Quilters Day and we would like to thank Martha Chown and her volunteers for all their efforts to showcase the beautiful quilts that our members contribute to the Outreach Program. Their efforts to bring the Bluewater Quilters Guild to the public eye is greatly appreciated. Many more individuals that visited the presentations and viewed the window displays now have a better appreciation for the beauty and comfort that your quilts bring to our community.

Dispersments

- Dog beds.....13
- Oncology.....15
- Deserving individual...1
- Activity mats8 to Alzheimer Society
- Pregnancy Centre.....10

Oncology Quilts We empty this shelf so quickly!

There are many prepared kits of precut fabric to make oncology sized quilts. These are ready for pick up at Pauline’s Place and will be available at the April meeting. The preferred quilt size for Oncology is 70”x50”...but we are so happy to receive any and all your creations. You are also welcome to drop in and put together fabric of your choosing from the stash.

Baby Quilts

We have received word that the Pregnancy Centre has had an upswing in need and our shelf will soon be bare. There are panel quilts in kits ready for pick up at Pauline’s place and the fabric room has lots of children’s prints for bright and happy quilts.

Activity Mats

We have sent the last of the fidget quilts on our shelf to the Alzheimer Society! They still have an ongoing need and we still have lots of supplies. There will be kits available for the April meeting. We managed to supply more than 100 mats in the past year and we have received very positive feedback about the value they provide to the recipients. Let’s keep this needed supply going.

Support for M’Wikwedong

We have donated a bundle of fabric to help in the making of Ribbon Skirts and Tobacco Ties. They very much appreciate this support.

Pauline’s Place (769 2nd Ave East, OS) is available for activities by all members. Please, make use of this great resource. All planned events are on the paper calendar at Pauline’s Place, or check the calendar on the website. Your Community Outreach team will be in the building on Tuesday mornings (9 to 12) and Thursday (9 to 2). Please join us whenever you can.

Keys are accessible from any executive member or by contacting one of the Community Quilts committee.

Come join us at Pauline’s Place! The tea pot is always hot!

- Bonnie Greason bgreason.59@gmail.com
- Mary Martha Flood mmflood@bmts.com
- Janet Price quiltsnquavers@gmail.com
- Shirley Jarvis shirleyjj76@gmail.com



"The Best Little Shop Hop" spring Shop Hop is
May 2, 3, 4, 2024.

Check out our website - thebestlittleshophop.com

"Canadian Quilter" Magazine

Our Guild is a member of the Canadian Quilters Association. You can access the magazine by using the following information
Guild #D868B8EE5E

bluewaterquilters@gmail.com

- Password: Paulines712dream!

SPECIALTY RULERS

If you have any rulers you aren't likely to be using please consider donating them to Paulines Place."



OWEN SOUND FALL FAIR QUILT SHOW

- Dates for this year's fair are **Sept 6 & 7, 2024**. Put this on your calendar now!!
- There will be four (4) categories to enter your quilts into this show (It is not a competition, just a quilt show for people to enjoy seeing what you have made).
- Details will be available in April at the guild meeting.

However, before the April meeting you can think about if you'd like to do a demonstration, be a greeter, make a mini quilt (more details soon), help set up or take down the quilts (local firefighters are again going to do the actual hanging), help with getting advertising out into the community, assist helping children with small quilting activities, or volunteer to walk around keeping an eye on the quiltsthere are lots of ways that all of us can take part in this opportunity to show off our quilts and our guild to the communityyou may even have some ideas to help us with the planning.

We would like every member to take part in the show even for just 2 hours – so think about what you'd like to do. Registration forms will be available and sign-ups for volunteer jobs start at the April meeting....

Committee members include Bonnie Casemore, Connie Morris, Ruth Gole, JoAnne Dewhurst, Irene Devlin, Joanne Beacock, Judy Chalmers, Lera Ryan, Janet Price, Marnie McDonough, Sharon Hayes, Gladys Pennachietti, Marianne Gilmore and Carol Seaman. **Talk to them if you have questions or ideas!**

NEXT QUILT SHOW MEETING IS TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd AT 1:00 P.M. AT PAULINE'S PLACE

Coming Events - 2024		
til end of Jun	Carpenter of Cloth Solo Quilt Show by Deb Beirnes..over 35 quilts on display	Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, 110 Rockway Rd, Kitchener during school hours only . Phone the office at 519-743-5209, to be sure that viewing the exhibit is available.
til Apr 30	Exhibition - The Thread of the Story- When Artefacts inspire Art	Bruce Country Museum and Cultural Centre
Apr 19-20	"Quilted Expressions", Oakville Quilters' Guild	QE Banquet and Conf Centre, 2245 Speers Road Oakville https://www.oakvillequiltersguild.ca/show2024.html
Apr 18-20	"Labour of Love Quilt Show" Fri 10-4, Sat 10-7 and Sunday 10-4	Exeter United Church, Exeter ON Proceeds to Exeter United Church
April 27	"From Our Stash to Yours" Sale Orillia Quilters Guild	Ramara Centre Hwy 12
Apr 27,	"Quilts on the Grand" by Paris Quilting Bees	Paris Presbyterian Church 164 Grand River St N, Paris ON cheran1165@gmail.com or pqbquiltinginparis@gmail.com
May 3-4	"2024 Harvest of Quilts Show and Sale" Settlers' Village Quilters	Bobcaygeon Curling Club, 49 Mansfield St., https://www.settlersvillagequilters.ca/
May 3-4,	"Niagara Modern Quilt Expo" by Niagara Modern Quilt Guild	Meridian Community Centre Fonthill, ON https://www.nmqexpo.com/
May 10-11	"Still Stitching Together" Quilt Show, Port Perry Patchers	Scugog Community Centre, Port Perry https://www.portperrypatchers.com/quilt-show

May 31- June 1	"It's A Charming Quilt World" Exhibit Grey County Charmer's Quilt Club & Threads That Bind	Osprey Community Arena, 494196 Grey Road 2, Feversham, https://threadsthatbind.ca/
May 31- Jun 1,	"Quilts in Bloom" Hamilton Quilters' Guild	Merritt Hall, Ancaster Fairgrounds, 630 Trinity Rd S Jerseyville, ON https://www.hamiltonquiltguild.ca/
Jun 7-8	"Quilts on the Grand" by Grand Quilters Guild	Fergus Sportsplex https://grandquiltguild.ca/quilt-show-2024/
Jun 14-15	"Ottawa Quilt Show" Common Thread Quilt Guild	Earl Armstrong Arena, 2020 Ogilvie Rd Ottawa, ON https://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/
Jun 19-22	Quilt Canada - Edmonton	Edmonton Convention Centre



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Spotlight on Ruth Anne Kuhlby Ellen Crymble



Ruth Anne calls herself a "farm girl from Keady". She grew up on a farm and still lives in Keady with her husband. She counts herself lucky to have 3 children, one daughter in law and two grandchildren.

Ruth Anne worked at RBC for an impressive 43 years. She loved all of the different jobs she did but found the last post even more rewarding working in the RBC Securities division. She is the Treasurer of her church and of the local Agricultural Society that she belongs to as well. She decided to retire from banking in 2021 just as Covid was calming down and she hoped was making an exit. She knew her retirement years would require her to pursue her interests.

Growing up she had watched her mother and grandmother sew. There were doll clothes to make and as she entered the business world there were business clothes to make. She took Home Economics in High school. Pauline McCutcheon, the person we named our Studio after was her favourite Home Ec teacher. Ruth Anne joined the Bluewater Quilters' Guild in 2021 and immediately dove into activities. She came to the Tuesday Community Quilts group and volunteered to cut up scraps of fabric into useable pieces. She helped where she was needed and then decided to take the leap into lessons. She was amazed at how much she learned in the 'Introduction to Quilting' classes taught by Carol Seaman and Kim Clark. She is hoping there will be a "Beyond the Beginner Class" because she knows she will benefit from that as well. She has loved the companionship of other quilters and the camaraderie that goes along with it.

Her leap into the Membership Committee in 2022 was quick and she has loved meeting the new and returning members in person at the Bayshore. She encourages new members to get involved in some capacity as you really learn a lot. She has loved the experience of being able to "shop the fabric for free" at Pauline's Place or pick up a pattern and a kit to create a top for Community Quilts. She has appreciated those who do the long arming or hand quilting since she has not felt comfortable with either.... but that might come. She would like to try paper piecing next if there is a class offered. Ruth Anne does not have a favourite pattern or block. So many choices means she tries a new pattern each time she makes a quilt. Her first quilt was made 12 years ago for her son and daughter in law on the occasion of their wedding. She still has a Log Cabin UFO in storage and one day might do something with it... or not.

Her advice to new quilters and new members is to get involved. Go down to Pauline's Place on a Tues. or Thurs. morning and see what it has to offer. So many quilt kits and more fabric to choose from than you could ever imagine. Get involved in making a quilt for your community. Take a class. Teach a class if you have the skills. Sign up for Beginner classes if you don't

know how to get started. Sign up to volunteer at events like the Quilt Show at the Fall Fair, Quilt days, etc. Get involved by volunteering to sit on the Executive. Do you have a good program idea?

So when you see Ruth Anne sitting at the membership desk at our next in person meeting please say hello. She likes to look after new members so they feel welcome. She would love to put the name to the face. Don't forget your name tag when you come to the meeting. Thanks Ruth Anne for looking after our Members.

2023-24 Executive

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Bluewater Website ... the Future

Our website is due for an overhaul. Although it seems like yesterday when we started our website, it has been 12 years. So we need interested people to get together and come up with ideas for a redesign.

Before you come, please take a look at various websites to come up with suggestions.

We are also looking for two people who would be interested in taking over the website role.

When: **May 1, 2024**

Where: Joy Johnson's home, 822750 Sideroad 1, Chatsworth

Time: **7 pm**

Please let Joy Johnson know if you are interested. joyngarry@gmail.com

OPEN HOUSE ON MON. APRIL 17TH. (Before our next 'in person' meeting)

Some of your Executive will be onsite for your browsing, pick-up, drop-off, matching help & chats. If you are looking for something specific for community quilt projects please call Janet Price or Bonnie Greason a week in advance so that they have what you need ready. Otherwise drop in between 3 and 6 pm. Parking is available behind the building. Tour the studio, visit the library, get some support, check out Our Stash, pick up fabric, have a cup of tea or coffee before heading to the Bayshore for our meeting beginning at 7 pm.

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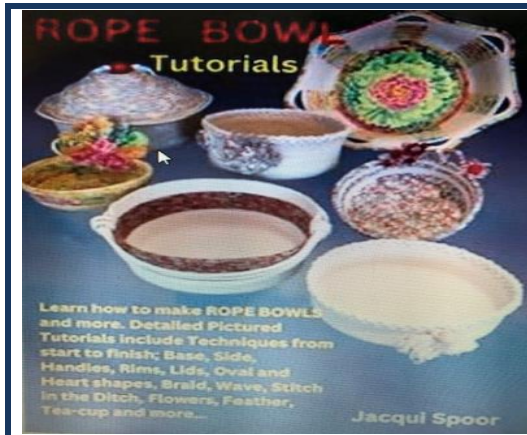
- April 17 at 7 pm join Kim Jamieson-Hirst for her webinar - How to Conquer Your Fear of Free Motion Quilting. To purchase tickets and for more info visit the CQA website.
- Join in the mystery quilt along - Oatmeal Raisin. Clue # 4 is now on the CQA website.
- Thinking of attending Quilt Canada in Edmonton 2024? Registration is now open for members and non-members.
- National Juried Show entry form is live on the CQA website.
- Interested in entering the Trend Tex Challenge - Prairies to Mountains? Purchase your kit and checkout the guidelines on the CQA website.

Looking for Interest in a Zoom Art Quilting Group for 2024\25

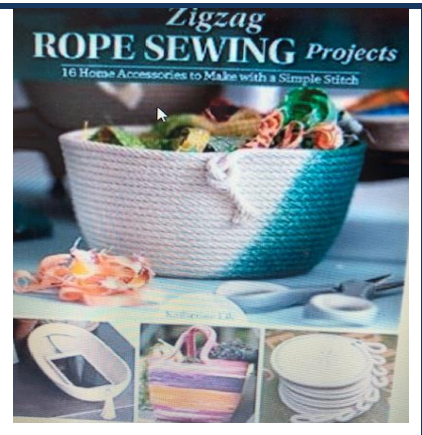
- All experience levels welcome, from toe dippers to committed enthusiasts.
- This would be a group for people wishing to encourage themselves to learn about and try new things. Members would decide on a challenge project theme for the year and monthly discussion topics.
- Please email Süz Warkentin at susawark@icloud.com if you are interested. No commitment required at this stage. I will contact people to set a meeting time to workout the details once I have your feedback. Looking forward to hearing from you!

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- First is access to Libby; the Ontario Online Library. Here you will find thousands of books and magazines, searchable by topic. Eg. Free-Motion Quilting by Angela Walters
- Libby also has audiobooks if you like to listen to something as you sew.

The North Grey Union Public Library has a wealth of quilting related resources and has added Creativebug - an online platform for classes in arts and crafts (including quilting). There are even classes in using Cricut and cooking.

Thank you Notes for Our Donations

- **From the Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre** - With our gratitude we thanks you all for the lovely quilts you thoughtfully made and kindly donated to our Centre. We appreciate it so much. May God bless you all. Thank you so much for your support
- **From the Brightshores Auxiliary Gift Shop** - On behalf of the Brightshores Hospital Auxiliary we would like to thank you for your donation of the beautiful quilt you sent us. It was won by Mary Trelford and we raised \$900 from the sale of tickets.

