Oxford Quilters Guild *disPatch* May – June 2024



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Members of Oxford Quilters Guild,

Our year is coming to a close very quickly. Weather has turned and we change gears to gardening, holidays and sleep overs with grandchildren. Fun times ahead!!

It has been a great year of learning, sharing and laughter. I do hope you have enjoyed all amazing times together with some amazing teachers/speakers.

There are many people to thank, but I'll not name you individually. For those that planned programs, volunteered in the Artisan Market, organized events, shared at Member Sharing, took positions on the executive, organized challenges and those did so much behind the scenes,I appreciate all that you did in whichever activity it may have been.

Working with the executive gives you a different viewpoint of what needs to be handled and how to carry it out.

As we move toward the end year, please remember the Chicken Challenge, the Members Show and the Yard Sale that we can all be involved with.

Hope to see you all at the banquet and again in September.

So many great things happen at the ICAC -a great place hang out!!

Pat

Pat Palmer, President

MAY MEETING

THREAD TALK with Gail Berry Thread Educator for Superior Threads

Join Gail as she takes you on a journey of all things thread. Ever wonder what thread to use for what project? Or even, should I use different threads for different parts of my project? Can I use the same thread for piecing, quilting and embellishments? We will talk about how threads are made, how/why to choose a thread for a particular project and their differences and similarities.

Thursday, May 2 at 2 and 7pm – in person at ICAC Visitors welcome - \$10 at the door.



JUNE MEETING and BANQUET

Pieces of Time

By AnnMarie Rowland AnnMarie is a singer, songwriter, and collector of Antique Quilts from and entertain us at our banquet in June 2024.

In the true folk Music tradition, her songs tell stories torn from the pages of her life, from history, from quilts and people she meets along the way.

Music and Quilts have a way of bringing people together, building community and preserving stories. This program, "Pieces of Time" combines both.

Banquet details:

Date: Jume 6, 2024 Location: Ingersoll Legion, 211 Thames Street North, Ingersoll Cost: \$25.00 (Turkey Dinner) Social Time: 5:00 - 6:00 Dinner to follow Tickets Available from Gwen Tracey (Cash/Cheque) or from Sophie the ICAC Administrator

SNEAK PEEK SEPTEMBER MEETING

Pojagi: From Ancient Korea to modern Canada

Part lecture and part trunk show, this fun talk tells my journey from Canada to Korea and back again. While in Korea, I studied the ancient art of Pojagi, Korean patchwork. Back in Canada, however, the Korean materials are more difficult to find, so I adapted pojagi techniques to readily available western materials with some great results.

Thursday, September 5 at 2 and 7pm – in person at ICAC Visitors welcome - \$10 at the door.





Epida

THE CHICKEN CHALLENGE is a silent-auction fundraiser for the Arts Centre and an opportunity for members to show their creativity, in any medium.

The key rule is simple --- It must be Chicken themed!

So be a good egg and get those creative juices flowing!

Members will be welcomed to donate **up to two pieces of work** for this fundraiser. We would encourage you to **take a picture of your work** and provide it to the Arts Centre, for promotion leading up to and during the auction period.



Let us (Jeff Lounsbury, Lorraine Stevens, Pat Palmer, Mike Jaycock, and Linda Trowell) know what you are submitting, **no later than May 21st.** Provide us with a description of the piece(s), your name, email address, suggest d minimum bid and suggested bidding increments.

A Google Sheet page will be prepared for you to **register your donation(s)** and you will be able to access it through a link that will be provided in the Friendly Friday newsletter.

The Silent Auction will be active from June 1st until June 22nd (closing at 1:00 p.m.) A total of three weeks!

Your donated work should be delivered to the Arts Centre on May 28th and 29th.

Bid sheets will be prepared by the committee! So get crackin' and come up with some egg hatching ideas!!

Alma



QUILT RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE: November 1,2 and 3^{rd.} Join us for a fun filled weekend of quilting, laughter, sharing and good friends! Applications will be available in August. Any questions? Contact Judy Millard. 519-536-0441

OXFORD QUILTERS' GUILD COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECT

May and June 2024

Quilts for Survivors of Residential Schools is collecting 12.5" blocks at Quilt Canada in June. For our next project, we will be making blocks to donate to this cause. Please use 100% cotton fabric for your blocks. Quilts for Survivors has rules/guidelines on what types of images should be avoided in blocks/quilts donated to their organization. These images may be triggering for the recipients of the quilts and should be avoided:

No religious fabrics—crosses, plus signs, churches, etc.

No school related fabrics-rulers, alphabet, paper, wording, children, scissors

No travel related images-buses, planes, trains, cars, boats

No graphic illustrations or images –ie weapons, inappropriate wording, foul language, references to alcohol or drugs.

No gang related fabrics—ie bandanas

Star blocks are wonderful and may include orange coloured fabric—the colour on Every Child Matters T shirts. Check for orphan blocks in your sewing rooms that you might be able to donate.

Please note that on the Quilts for Survivors website, a different size of block is requested. We are making 12.5" blocks! We will collect these blocks at our next two meetings and Janet will take them to Edmonton for us.

Thanks again for your support! Gail McHardy-Leitch

PILLOWCASES FOR INDWELL

Thank you everyone for your support of our Pillowcases for Indwell project. 116 pillowcases were given to Marissa and Melissa at our April 4th afternoon meeting. They were very appreciative of our efforts and assured us that their residents will appreciate our gifts.



UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

THREAD BUFFET, your way! – THREAD WORKSHOP With Gail Berry – Thread Educator for Superior Threads

Come and join us for the day playing with threads. We will do some applique and some free motion quilting. The morning will be focused on a bit of each and the afternoon you can "focus in" on the skill that you want to perfect. Gail will be there the whole time to coach you through it.



Saturday May 25 – from 10 to 3pm at ICAC Cost: Member - \$65.00 Non ICAC member - \$75.00

REGISTRATION BEGINS: February 1 for ICAC members and March 7 for General Public. Payment must be made at time of registration. Please email <u>teresa.scherle@gmail.com</u> to register and arrange payment

2025 Quilt Show



Our Show will be May 1, 2, 3, 2025 - just a year away! I want to encourage everyone to work on the challenges (Medallion and Japanese) as well as other quilts for the show. It would be awesome to have at least one quilt from every member to show the community what a diverse group we are! We have every skill level from beginners to accomplished artists, traditionalist, art and modern quilters all melded together. The show is a great motivator to finish those projects languishing in our 'unfinished" pile!

Every other year the guild makes a quilt and donates it to the ICAC for the purpose of fund raising. I would like to thank Leslie Michie for taking on the task of organizing this project - it is well underway and will be ready, so that ticket sales can begin in fall.

If you have questions or want to be part of the organizing committee, please contact me. Gwen Tracey 519-495-6192 or <u>gwentracey@execulink.com</u>

QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE 2025





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Bring it our way so we are able to sort through your donations gradually prior to the show! Please label your boxed or bagged donations with the Quilt Show Boutique. Items can be left in the closet near The Studio entrance.

Drop any member of your 'sorting committee' a quick note of your donation. Thank you so much!

Lorraine, Carol and Alma

2025 Quilt Show Challenges

Challenge #1 – JAPANESE MAGAZINE CHALLENGE

Your project can not be larger then 72" or smaller then 48" in perimeter

It does not need to be a replica of your picture but does have to represent it in some way.

Colour is of your choosing but does have to be in Quilt Form (3 lavers)

Any embellishments are also of your choosing

Remember a photo of the actual picture will accompany your project at the Quilt Show.

Challenge #2 – MEDALLION CHALLENGE

The challenge is to create a "medallion" Style quilt.

- A medallion quilt has a centred block or panel surrounded by multiple, plain, pieced or appliqued borders.
- No bigger than 90" wide/long no smaller than 45" wide/long.
- Must have a minimum of 4 borders.



Library News

Thank you everyone for your patience while I completed the inventory this year. It is always rewarding to get a chance to put my hands on every book. We have such an interesting collection of books covering so many topics and techniques. I have placed a list of missing books on the back

table. Please have a look at it to see if you recognize any of these books. Hopefully they are hidden in some unknown corner of our sewing rooms.

I challenged everyone to sign out a book that had not been taken out since the 2016 inventory. There are quite a few to be found. I also mentioned I would be creating a challenge for next month. When I got



Quilters Anonymous



home after the meeting I realized if I waited until the May meeting it didn't give you a lot of time to complete it so I finished it and I am including it in this DisPatch.

The goal of this challenge is to delve a little deeper into our library collection. When you complete one of the items, make sure you fill out the appropriate section on the form. Some items require you to actually sign out the books while others you can do while at the Centre. I hope many members will take on this little challenge. Return your form to the Centre before the June banquet. There will be prizes!! All those that complete the challenge and hand in their form will be entered into a draw. There will also be a prize draw for anyone who completed at least 5 of the items on the challenge so hand it in even if you didn't have time to finish it all. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

Be sure to take a look at the new books on display as well as the new DVD series. Remember, if you know of a book we should add to our collection, drop me a note and I will do my best to find it and add it.

Finally, I would like to welcome and thank Gerri Ketchum for volunteering to be another Librarian for our guild. Many hands always makes lighter work. Thank you Gerri!

Keep reading and creating. *Leslie*



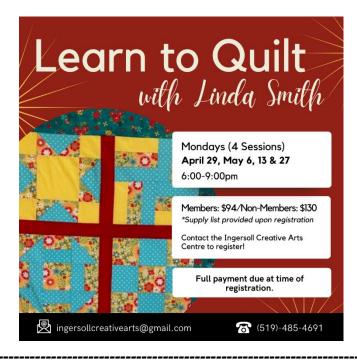






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Oxford Quilters' Guild Spring Library Challenge

Complete each challenge filling in the required information on this sheet. Return it on or before the June banquet for a chance to win a great prize!

1. Sign out a book you have signed out before because it was just that good!

Title __

Dates you signed it out____

2. Find a book that is a collection of quilts. What was your favourite quilt in the collection.





Fri., June 7th • 10am to 7pm Sat., June 8th • 10am to 4pm Centre Wellington Community Sportsplex 550 Belsyde Ave E., Fergus, ON

Display of Quilts Quilt Challenge Contest Vendors Lunch/Tea FREE Parking Wheelchair Accessible Admission \$10

www.grandquiltguild.ca



Title ____

Name	of your favourite quilt
Page #	
3.	Find a book with a new technique that you want to try.
Title	
Techni	que that you want to learn
4.	Share a favourite book from the Library and why you like it.
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Why do	you like this book?
Name:	
5.	Write down a sewing organizational goal that you want to achieve this summer.
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6.	Find a book by one of this year's speakers.
Title	
Author	
7.	Read one of the quilting novels from the library.
Title	
8.	Sign out a book that hasn't been borrowed since 2016.
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9.	Find 2 books that are about colour and how to use it in your quilts.
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10.	Find a book that is about the history or quilting.
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