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Patchwork Press

A MOMENT WITH MONICA

What a year we are having at guild. Block history is off to a great start. Many of us have enjoyed a retreat weekend. Several community quilts have been put together. Will those Christmas projects be finished in time? Yes, Christmas and the holiday season is approaching fast. I am one step ahead of some as my Christmas tree is still up! Before thinking about Christmas however, I would like us to remember the brave men and women of our armed forces who went to war and fought for freedom. If I was to make a Remembrance Day quilt I am not sure just what the design would be, the stitching, however, would be the names of all our veterans. I will wear my poppy as a reminder of those who died for freedom and then take a minute to appreciate this great country we live in because of that freedom. On November the Eleventh let us all remember.

Christmas, my favourite time of year. I like the carols, the smells, the decorations, the traditions, and most of all I really like the foods of Christmas. Yummy fruitcake, shortbread and chocolates tend to be staples in my Christmas diet. Yes I pay in January! Traditions and foods aside, Christmas is the time of year for family and friends. My Christmas wish is that you all get to spend a special moment with your special someone this holiday season. A really great hug is the best present! From my home to yours a Very Merry Christmas and I will see you back in the New Year. Have a great holiday season.

Merry Christmas, everyone,

Monica



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QTYW (QUILT 'TIL YOU WILT)

Next Quilt 'Til You Wilt is Saturday, November 5 starting at 8:30a.m. and ending at ??? (Lynda still needs a volunteer to stay late as she has another commitment that night.) Come and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow quilters while you get a head start on some of your Christmas gifts. There is no charge for this day. If you wish to bring a Pot Luck lunch or dinner, or snack treat to share, that would be great. This should be a fun day for all.

Merry Christmas, everyone!

Lynda MacKenzie

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

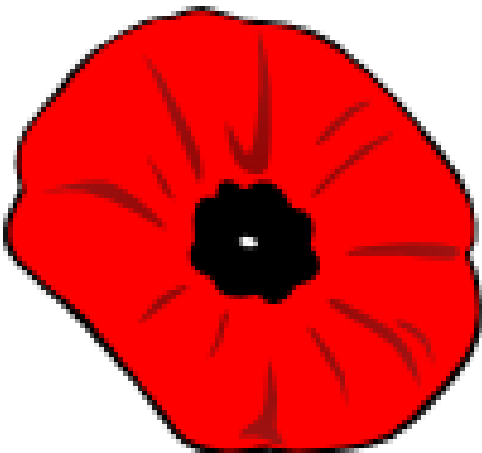
Our block histories and row robins are continuing as scheduled. If you have an idea for a program night please contact Claire E. Johnson at 250-554-2450 or johnsonclaire@hotmail.com.

For upcoming programs please check your e-mail blasts.

There will be a Christmas gathering on Monday, December 12th. Details will follow in our e-mail blasts.



NOVEMBER 11TH IS REMEMBRANCE DAY



Take time to remember those who have fallen and those who are serving on our behalf so that we may live in a democracy.

Remember: Freedom is never free.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Just a reminder that the next Project Day is November 9th at Katja's. Bring your lunch and sewing supplies and enjoy the day. We have piles (and piles) of "stuff". Batting will be available very soon.

QUILT SIZES!!!!!!!!!!

Kids Quilts: 40" x 60"

Cancer and Women's Shelter: 50" x 70"

Those are approximate sizes, of course, as our patterns don't always work out just so. Batting is our greatest expense and with our current budget quilt sizes will now become very important. A few inches either way is okay, but that does not mean more than a few inches, ie: 18" or 10" is way too much. The last child's quilt (3-6 yr old designs) I quilted was 58 x 75 and way too big for our criteria; it means only one child will get a quilt instead of two.

If our budget was unlimited, size would not be a problem. FYI, we used 9 bolts of batting last year.

Jeri Biron



A QUILTER'S GUIDE TO ONLINE ACRONYMS

In this day of tweeting, twittering, facebooking and texting a whole new language is developing. Here are a few of the latest acronyms dealing with quilting.

BDNQ - Bad Day Not Quilting

CAT - Creating Artistic Treasures

COP - Creating Ongoing Project

FIU - Finishing It Up

HSY - Haven't Started Yet

PEBSMAQ - Problem Exists Between Sewing Machine

PHD - Project Half Done

PIGS - Projects in Grocery Sacks

RUF - Really Ugly Fabric

SABLE - Stash Accumulation Beyond Life Expectancy

SQ - Stupid Quilt

STASH - Special Treasures All Secretly Hidden

TGIF - Thank God It's Finished!

WHIMM - Works Hidden In My Mind

WIP - Work in Progress

WISP - Work In Slow Progress

WIVSP - Work In Very Slow Progress

WIWMI - Wish It Would Make Itself

WOMBAT - Waste of Money, Batting and Time

THE QUILT TRUCK

Well I never...

Early one Sunday morning in late July my family and I were driving along Highway 1 near Piapot Saskatchewan, when my husband suddenly told me to pull a U-turn at the next available spot. When I asked why, he said “Didn’t you see that quilt truck?” I must admit I missed it totally. He said he noticed this truck parked along the highway in a small pull out and noticed the quilt on the side. As we were going by he noticed a set of stairs going into the truck. Needless to say, we turned around and there was a mobile quilt store parked by the highway. The owner kindly opened up for us (after starting up the generator!) and we did some shopping – one of the strangest places I have ever bought high quality quilting fabric and notions! We got to talking and this is her story.

She modelled the truck after a mobile bus quilt store she saw down in the states. As she lives on a farm, she already had her truck license. She and her husband bought the trailer one year and converted it into a complete store – with fabric, kits, and notions. By the next year she was in business, with around 1500 bolts in stock. She posts her route and schedule in the small town papers and stays in one place for several days. The local quilters come to her. Although she had planned to travel year round, last year’s severe weather put a halt to that – the snow was so bad even the 18 wheeler couldn’t get out of her yard! She has a small living area behind the cab and a tiny kitchen in the front of the “shop” so ladies can stay and have tea. She has built up a steady clientele of quilter’s whose farms are simply live to far away from quilt stores to conveniently get there in person. She takes orders and drops them off on her rounds.

She was very gracious and after a long chat with her we continued on our drive to Winnipeg, marvelling at the unexpected treasures you sometimes find en route!

If you have a story about an unusual quilting experience why don’t you consider sharing it?

Lorraine Balogh



MEMBERSHIP 2011-2012

As of October 31st we have a total of 104 members: 79 full members, 22 and 3 lifetime members. The Membership Directories are still available. Please pick up your copy from the sign-in table.

Gail Tulloch

Additions to the Membership Directory.

The following members' information does not appear in our 2011-2011 Directory:

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Corrections to the Membership Directory.

Brenda Eckstein's e-mail address is: norbreckstein@shaw.ca

LIBRARY - Come Browse, Loan and Enjoy

YOUR Sagebrush quilter's Guild Library is one of the great benefits of membership.

Each book has a sticker on it to replace the item to the correct bin. all that is available:

12 bins of Quilting Books

One bin of Quilter's novels

Five subscriptions to quilt Magazines

patterns

videos - CDs

Sharpener for Rotary cutter blades.

Signing out your loan:

please include your name, phone number and date of loan (day, month, YEAR)

Returning your loan:

at the next quilt meeting.

Your librarians will replace the sign out card and re-bin the book/item.

Books that have not been signed out since 2007 will be available for sale at the Dec 12 meeting.

Joy Gothard



QUILT-INS

Wednesday Morning: 9:30 to Noon

**Coordinator: Joyce Worsfold
250-374-7770**

Friday Morning: 9:30-Noon

**Coordinator: Olga Noakes
250-579-2546**

November 2 Delores Owen

November 9 Donna Hartnell

November 16 Marcia Skaarup

November 23 Joyce Worsfold

December 7 Marie Allen

December 14 Jeanne Chambers

December 14 12:30 Luncheon at ABC

November 4 Barb Kenyon

November 11 Sandy Madden

November 18 Doreen Frederick

November 25 QUILT OUT

December 2 Marg Johnson

December 9 Gladys Klepachek

December 16 Delores Owen

QUILT-OUTS

Quilt-Outs are held from 9am to 4pm on the last Friday of each month at the Kamloops Seniors Village (1220 Hugh Allan Drive). You are welcome to "drop in" at a charge of \$5.00 per session.

Anyone wishing the three-course lunch (provided by the Kamloops Senior Village) may place her order with Doreen. The cost is \$7.00 and the lunch is brought to the room where you will be sewing.

Free parking is also provided.

For further information contact Doreen Frederick at 250-374-6119.



UPCOMING EVENTS—2012

With a new year just around the corner it's time to start marking our calendars with special upcoming dates. Here are a few to get you started:

SAGEBRUSH GUILD SPRING RETREAT - Sorrento - March 29 - April 1, 2012

GATHERING OF THE GUILDS - Kamloops - April 28, 2012

"PIECES OF HISTORY RE-STITCED" - A heritage quilt show - Salmon Arm - June 9, 2012

SAGEBRUSH GUILD AUTUMN RETREAT - Sorrento - November 1 - 4, 2012

More information on all of the above events will be available in future newsletters.

Twas the night before Christmas, I'm glued to the tree.
 I'm wondering what Santa brought just for me.
 Could it be fat quarters or a pattern or lace?
 Or a quilt kit, I said, with a smile on my face.
 And that's when I heard him,
 "Hi Santa," I said
 "You know....good little girls should be in their beds ".
 "I know I should Santa, and now I've got caught.
 But I was just so excited to see what you brought."
 "Well, let's take a look in this room where you work."
 He shook his head quickly, And left with a jerk.
 I heard him exclaim as he put it in gear.
 "You've got enough stuff, I'll see you next year!"

May Santa find lots of space in YOUR Quilt Room!

