

**Special Edition-April 2021**

*Here Comes The Sun
And I say It's All Right
The Beatles*

In this April edition you will see:

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Mary Connan - Art Quilts

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Preview of BHQG May Meeting

Trunk Show - Kathy Wylie

- ◆ **SEWcially Distanced Calendar**
- ◆ SEWcial - None this month
- ◆ Workshops - see newsletter for ZOOM workshops
- ◆ No 'in person' Cuddle Quilt gatherings
- ◆ No 'live' Guild Meetings or Executive meetings
- ◆ Spring Retreat cancelled for 2021
- ◆ President's HOUSE Challenge....see past newsletters for instructions
- ◆ Corona Quilting Challenge - continue working on your projects - check previous newsletters for info
- ◆ Keep saving your pop tabs for Bonnie M
- ◆ BOM 2020-2021 - KEEP WORKING ON IT!
- ◆ Keep the 2022 quilt show in mind

Highlights of March 11 Meeting

Stormy weather and power outages on Manitoulin Island prevented Jackie White from presenting her trunk show at our March meeting. Luckily for us, our guild members stepped in to save the day. Jackie has been rescheduled for June 10 meeting.

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Carrie Browne

Kim Callaghan

Faye Duke

Marg Gurney

Carolyn Robinson

Kyla Smyth

Cindy Taylor

Joan Tressel

**What is High SEWciety?**

Monthly ZOOM meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month, 1 PM and 6 PM. Zoom link will be sent the day before.

Preview of BHQG May Meeting

Trunk Show by Kathy K. Wylie - Kathy is an international award winning quilter. She is interested in a broad spectrum of quilting techniques. Her style is known as "contemporary traditional". More information about Kathy's trunk show will be included in the May issue of the Special Edition.

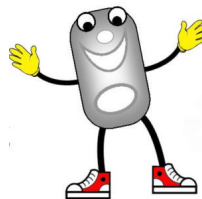
April Meeting - Think Spring

Make something special for a **Spring Show and Tell** - a wall hanging, pretty block, placemat, table runner, or even a quilt. The list is endless. Just make it cheery and bright to welcome the Spring.

Make yourself a Spring bonnet to wear to our meeting. You might even win a prize.

**Message from the Queen of Pop Tabs!**

"With all of this isolation we are doing, it is too bad we don't collect corks!!!! But my camping club is still collecting pop tabs. The money raised is still going to the Ronald McDonald House. So don't forget to keep those little tabs for me and hopefully, down the road, we will be together again so I can collect them." Bonnie also collects them from beer cans, pet food, etc. Thank you! **Bonnie MacDonald**

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR
MAY ISSUE**

NEXT DEADLINE: APRIL 20

We solicit articles & request that they be kept to a 1/4 page / 200 word maximum.

**Who are the members of the BHQG Program Committee?**

Joan Tressel - chairperson

Roseline Dufour - co-chair

Janice Ferguson - secretary

Judy Taylor

Leela Chan

Keith Baldrey

Linda Baldrey

Catherine Eagles

BHQG EXECUTIVE MEETING

Virtual Meetings as arranged, on Zoom.

CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH

No Cuddle Quilt Meetings DURING Covid-19

Program Schedule for April – June 2021

| Month | Program Title | Information |
|---------------|---|--|
| April 8, 2021 | Zoom -Trunk Show Sharon Fisher <i>My Quilting Adventure Thus Far</i> | Sharon Fisher is from Mt Forest Ont. She has been inspired by Kim Diehl, Lisa Bongean, and Sue Spargo. Sharon combines her love of texture and color with traditional, primitive and whimsical themes. |
| May 13, 2021 | Zoom - Trunk Show Kathy K. Wylie <i>Beauty is all around</i> | Kathy Wylie is from Whitby, Ontario. She is an international <u>award winning</u> quilter and known for her appliqué (<u>Apliquick™</u> distributor). She uses a broad spectrum of quilting techniques. Her style is contemporary /traditional. |
| June 10, 2021 | Zoom - Let's Celebrate Trunk Show - Jackie White | Virtual Strawberry Social Jackie White is from Manitoulin Island. She is a quilter, pattern designer who will be of interest to our modern quilters www.jackiewhitequilts.com |

April Meeting

Please zoom in on APRIL 8th to welcome Sharon Fisher, our guest speaker from Mount Forest, Ontario. Sharon's trunk show *My Quilting Adventure Thus Far* promises to be a delight.

Sharon took her first quilt class in the basement of a house over thirty years ago. Being a single Mom of three small children and embarking on a new career, this first quilt took about ten years to complete.

Constantly challenging herself with new ideas and techniques, Sharon has taken classes at quilt shops both in Canada and the United States. Having had the opportunity to learn from Lisa Bongean, Kim Diehl, Mary Elizabeth Kinch, Sue Spargo, Judy Eckhardt to name a few, Sharon's love for texture, wool applique and hand stitching evolved.

Combining her love of texture and colour with traditional, primitive and whimsical themes, Sharon uses embellishments to enrich basic designs. During this process, she created a niche for herself as a teacher in the true traditional style of quilting by sharing her skills and passions with other beloved quilters.

In 2016, Aunt Bea (Bernina Q24 Longarm) began residing at Sharon's house and a new love for Long Arm Quilting began and continues to progress.





President's Corner

Hi everyone!

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying the spring weather. It has been so nice to be able to have my doors and windows open to let the fresh air in while I am sewing.

I found this kind of interesting - in April of 1851, 170 years ago, Canada (the Province of Canada) had it's first official postage stamp - the 3 pence beaver stamp. We had a stamp issued sixteen years before Canada became a country!

I hope you have been enjoying our online Zoom meetings. My favourite part is the break out rooms at the end. I have learned so many tips with this chance to meet other people.

Remember if you are the first in the room, wait a few minutes as others may take a little longer to join.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter!

Becky McAlister
President

OFFICERS 2020-2021

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| President | Becky McAlister |
| Past President/Nominations | Sue Baldauf |
| Vice President | Vacant |
| Recording Secretary | Stephanie Nemeth |
| Treasurer | Lorraine Giraldi |
| Membership / Front of House | Aline Chan |
| Program Committee Chair | Joan Tressel / Roseline Dufour |
| Workshop | Kelly Kerrigan / Brenda Konyu |
| Newsletter Editor/Webmaster | Aline Chan |

COMMITTEES

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Spring Retreat | Jackie Kaye |
| Library | Kim Callaghan / Asst Susan Archer |
| Quilt Racks Committee | Sue Baldauf |
| Community Outreach | Rica Maguire / Stephanie Nemeth |
| Touch / Fidget Quilts | Sue Baldauf |
| Historian | Roseline Dufour |
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| Publicity/Info to CQA | Sarah Yetman |
| Archives | Carol Hunter-Ward |
| Social | Mary Connan |
| Pop Tabs | Bonnie MacDonald |
| 50/50 Draws | Jackie Kaye / Linda Bodkin |
| Block of the Month | Sue Baldauf |
| Bus Trips, Fall | Roseline Dufour |
| Scholarship | Sue Baldauf |
| SEWcials | Sue Baldauf / Roseline Dufour |
| Demos | Cathy Eagles & Linda Baldrey |
| Special Project | Roseline Dufour |
| Greeter | Joan Tressel |
| Membership | Sharon Hamilton / Janet Perrodou |

Strut your Stuff

Have you been working on a project this month? Send Aline a photo of your flimsy or your quilted project before the 20th of each month so that the photo can be included in the next month newsletter. I know that I get inspired when I see other people's work. We are counting on you!

QUILT EXPO 2022

THEME ?

TITLE ?

WHEN ?

WHERE ?

FORMAT ? (FACE-TO-FACE or other)

WANT TO JOIN THE
STEERING COMMITTEE

or

Want more information, send email to
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PROOF-READERS: Sue Baldauf, Anne Maguire, Gwen Brewer, Roseline Dufour, Becky McAlister.

BHQG SEWcial

Due to the provincial lockdown restrictions, there will be no SEWcial in April.

Stay safe and healthy and continue to sew at home.

Sue Baldauf and Roseline Dufour



BHQG BOM 2020- 2021

LEAVES IN MOTION

The Autumn Beauties have finished their flimsies of this beautiful quilt. The final set of instructions has been sent out with tips on batting, quilting and binding. Soon we shall see many finished quilts in Show and Tell.



If you had not signed up and wish to make the quilt, we would be happy to share the patterns.

Contact Sue Baldauf at suebaldauf@hotmail.com

Your BHQG BOM committee

Kelly Kerrigan, Brenda Konyu, Jackie Kaye, Sue Baldauf



'THINKING OF YOU' cards



If you know of a Guild member who is in need of a card for illness, sympathy or 'thinking of you', please let Stephanie know. stephanieandbob@hotmail.ca

SPRING RETREAT 2021

Chapter 30 - "Pearls of Wisdom"

Any questions— please feel free to send an email to

jackie.kaye123@gmail.com

Respectfully,

Jackie Kaye & Committee





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SAVE THE DATES: JUNE 16-19, 2021
CQA/ACC is excited to present a virtual alternative to our Quilt Canada conference in 2021. What better way to celebrate 40 years than an online party? Registration will occur in the spring of 2021.

MUG RUG KITS

There will be kits made up to make mug rugs, just like the ones in the pictures. For anyone interested in making one, two, or more, you can pick up a kit at Rica's home.

Thank you,

Rica



Mary Connan - Art Quilts

At our ZOOM meeting, Mary Connan inspired us with her unique fabric arts quilts. Our members had many questions about Mary's techniques. We enjoyed finding the little gnomes in the houses on one of Mary's quilts.

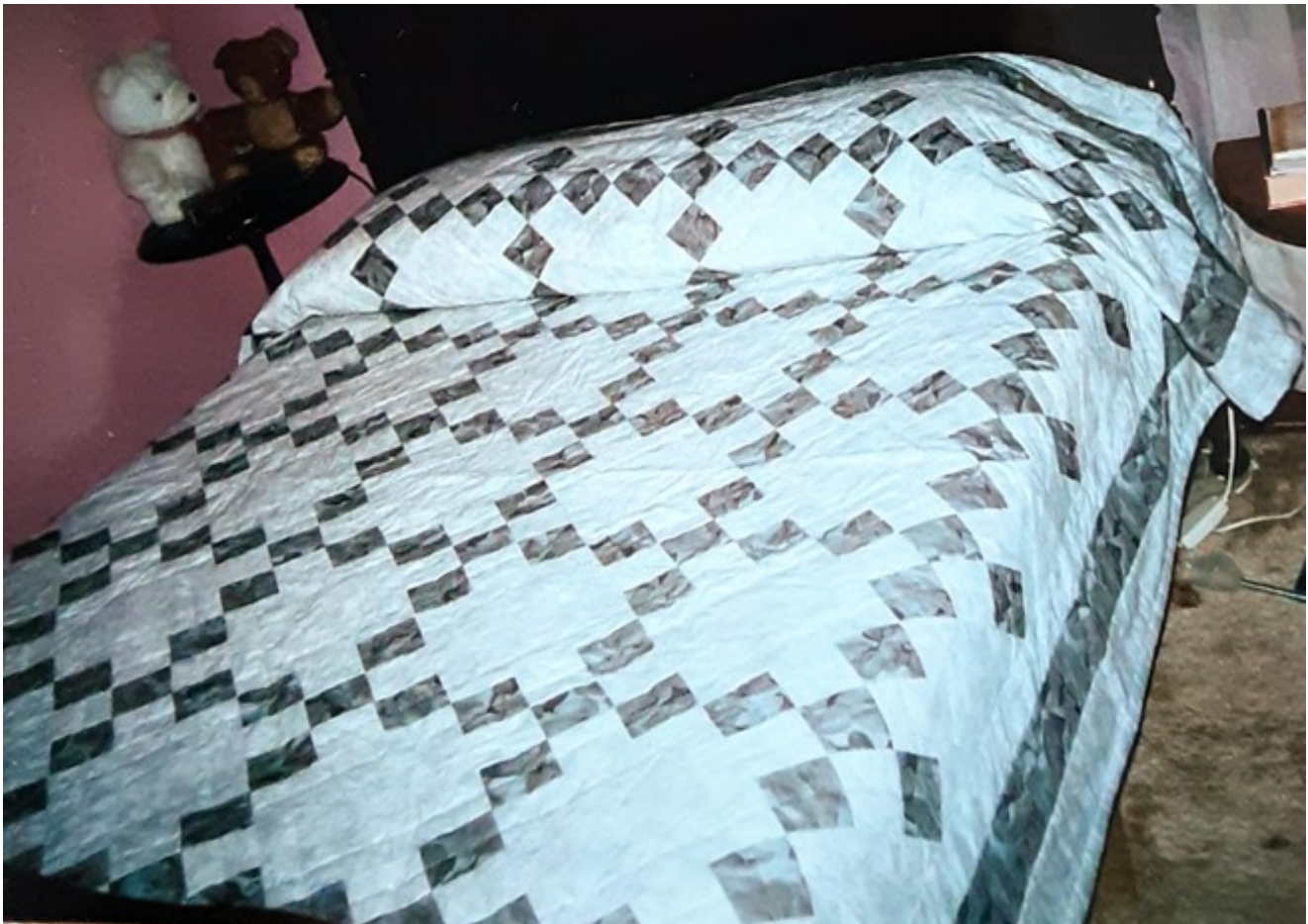
STRUT YOUR STUFF



Linda Bodkin – Irish Quilts

STRUT YOUR STUFF

To celebrate Saint Patrick's day, Linda shared two of the lovely Irish Chain quilts she made for her daughters.



Joan's Sewing Room

As a preview to the High SEWciety virtual studio tour on March 25, Joan Tressel shared pictures of her sewing room and discussed how it is organized. Don't let the pictures fool you. Joan's sewing room is never this tidy. She promises to send a picture of her room on a normal 'messy' sewing day.



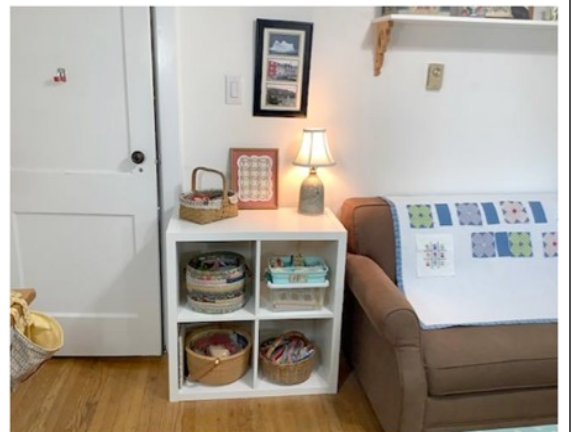
Joan's fabric is sorted by size and stored in plastic bins. The bins fill six cubbies of an Ikea cupboard. By adding casters and a padded plywood top this cupboard becomes a moveable pressing station and provides extra work space when needed. A small container on the cupboard holds spray starch, water, and a mini-iron.

A smaller Ikea cupboard is designated for the supplies Joan uses for appliqué and making miniature quilts. Hundreds of her tiny scraps are stored in braided bins and baskets. Special rulers, a small cutting mat, and a wool pressing mat are also housed in this cupboard



Joan uses an antique cupboard as her cutting table. Rulers that are only used occasionally hang on the back of the cupboard doors. The cupboard and drawers are large enough to hold patterns and all of Joan's quilting supplies.

Her most frequently used rulers are kept in a stand at the back of the table for easy access.



Joan keeps special threads and embroidery supplies in a house-shaped shelf unit which hangs beside her sewing machine.

Joan has a sewing machine set up at each end of her room. The cutting and pressing stations are central and easily accessed. The best light for sewing, however, is at the machine in the window. An added bonus is a view of the trees and birds outside. It makes a pleasant retreat from the worries of the day.



OUTREACH

with Rica



BHQG ZOOM WORKSHOPS

Hi Quilters!

⇒ In March we started our bargello workshop.

What a great class it was!

⇒ We will continue at the April 17 workshop to finish the second half.

⇒ On May 15, Aline will show us how to finish the quilt with borders and magic binding.

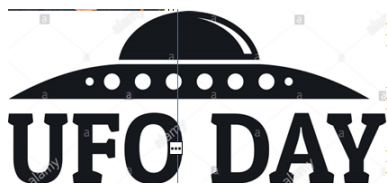
⇒ Please note that the May workshop will also be a UFO day for everyone! Please let Kelly or Brenda know if you are attending so you can get the Zoom log-in details.



Sincerely,

Kelly: nanakerr57@gmail.com

Brenda: konyub@hotmail.com



Quilts of Valour:

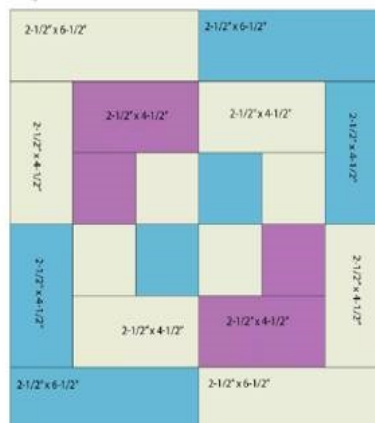
We are doing blocks for Quilts of Valour again and are asking for help from all members that can assist.



Blocks are 12½" sq. unfinished, either Log Cabin or Bento box. The strips in all the blocks are cut at 2½" and the centre squares are 2½".

Log Cabin: centre squares 2½". You can do one red, and one white or yellow. From there continue to build around the centres, red on one side, white/cream on the other. I'm sure everyone has made many of these.

Use this schematic as a cutting reference for making the bento box patch sizes. All squares are cut 2½" inches by 2½". It is perfectly fine to sew bento box quilt blocks one patch at a time.



OUTREACH CHARITY TOTALS 2021

Check here every month to see the total progress BHQG Outreach Committee is making during 2021 by quilting gifts for various charities in our community.

| Quilts | Burp Towels | Pillowcases | Placemats | Baby Bibs | Adult bibs | Mug Rugs | Stockings | Fidget Quilts |
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If you would like more information on making items for OUTREACH, please speak to Rica Maguire or send her an email: 1maguire1@rogers.com

Thank-you to all who have made donations to the Outreach program, whether by quilts, flimsies, fabric, batting, etc. We appreciate any and all assistance our members give. Thank-you.



QUILTS OF VALOUR:
Contact: Elizabeth Verticchio
elizabeth.verticchio@quiltsvalour.ca

TOUCH / FIDGET QUILTS

Touch Quilts are often referred to as Fidget Quilts.

Contact our coordinator:
Sue Baldauf & Committee





BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD Quilt Expo 2022---October 28th and 29th, 2022

Even though we are not in 'normal times', we have decided to proceed with planning our **BHQG Quilt Expo 2022**. I expect that planning a quilt expo would be somewhat normal at this time. We have looked at our Quilt Expo diaries and we are on schedule according to our timeline.

What needs to be done going forward:

- ✓ Chairs for all committees and list of volunteers to assist with committees at the planning stage
- ✓ Determine options and timeframe for proceeding with a 2022 Expo, modifying, postponing or whatever options government regulations determine in view of Covid restrictions.

The success of the **Quilt Expo 2022** relies on the support and the participation of all the members of our guild. Please consider signing up for a chair or volunteering on one of the following committees, by emailing Roseline roselineduf@hotmail.com, Sue B. suebaldauf@hotmail.com or indicating on our BHQG meeting on April 8th. If you would like more details on any committee, please feel free to reach out.

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| Advertising- promotion, design, flyers, etc. | White glove & greeters- greet attendees and monitor quilts to ensure everyone is wearing white gloves. |
| Opportunity Quilt draw- quilts have already been made, organize selling 'tickets' for draw during the Quilt Expo | Tombola Table- encourage members to donate small items, arrange staffing and do draws. |
| Pre-registration of quilts – receive information on quilts and help receive quilts, make labels for all entries | BHQG Display- working with BHQG Executive committee to showcase the work of the guild, Outreach work, membership, Quilt of Valour and the various BHQG activities |
| Hallway display – decorate entrance area and remove at end of Quilt Expo | Security – to be provided by the Best Western |
| Displaying of quilts- help set up posts, hang and remove quilts. Will need some strong willing people to join committee to help set up. | Treasurer- help establish the budget, manage funds and provide financial picture on conclusion of the Expo |
| Quiltique- organize items to be sold, display and sale | Secretary - record minutes for meetings and any other correspondence needed. |
| Vendors – book vendors, organize their set-up space, assist with their set-up and tear-down (if needed) | Featured Artist(s)- TBA Special Display- TBA |

Dates to remember: BHQG QUILT EXPO 2022 OCTOBER 28 & 29, 2022

Sue Hendsbee Studio Tour



BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD

Membership Application
2021-2022

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Is this information new? Yes / No

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Youth Membership: Youth's age at December of current year (signature of guardian required)

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Birth Month

Name

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Signature Date

I am currently a member and will be 80 years of age
by September 1, 2021. YES

I still have to fill out this form and sent it in.

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Dear BHQG members

As spring approaches, we need to consider some of the usual business affairs of our guild. In the past, as your Past President, I would be addressing the slate of officers for next year and asking for volunteers or nominations to various positions. Instead, we all realize that Covid-19 has forced us to do things differently.

My proposal is that we accept the slate of officers from last year, 2020-2021, to stand for one more year 2021-2022. This motion has been approved by your executive and I now ask the membership to vote for its acceptance. This vote will be by email. Please respond to Becky only if you disapprove. A non-response will be considered as approval.

The **position of Vice-President is still vacant. If you wish to volunteer for this position, please let Becky know. Her email is rde2goquilting@gmail.com**

Please find attached, the slate of officers.

Sincerely,

Sue Baldauf, Past President.

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Vice President: Vacant

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Verna Radford's placemats from Sue Baldauf's workshop





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