

# BHQG

## BRANT QUILTERS VOICE

May 14, 2015



### MAY MEETING

At our May meeting, we are having five guild members doing trunk shows. Come out and see what our fellow quilters are working on. The members participating are Linda Bodkin, Ally Bryant, Debbie Desforages, Bonnie Kelley and Georgie Szabo.



*Patricia Ryckman-Fleming, Program Chair*

### DID YOU KNOW...

... that the financial statement for the quilt show has been finalized and will be made available for your perusal at the May meeting

...that BHQG will be purchasing a new trailer to house our quilt racks as the present one is unable to accommodate all of the racks and that we will continue to rent the racks to the guilds who have rented from us in the past

...that our present trailer will be sold for a sum of \$500 on Kijiji

...that BHQG will, in 2016, name one of the BHQG award at the Paris Agricultural Fair in memory of Betty Stevenson. BHQG will also be adding \$200 worth of books in the library in memory of Betty.

... that the BHQG Executive will be having its meeting at the Blue Dog café on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM.

...that membership renewals start in May?

### HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

Aline Chan - Mary Lou Pizzey - Judy Taylor



### APRIL WINNERS!

- FIND THE THIMBLE: Jeanette McColl
- 50 / 50 DRAW: Bonnie MacDonald
- DOOR PRIZES: Honey Fish / Linda Raney



### 25th RETREAT BLOCK WINNERS -HOUR GLASS SPOOLS

Bonnie Greenwood and Bonnie MacDonald

They each won 20 blocks!

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline: 3rd Friday of each month

NEXT DEADLINE: MAY 22, 2015 FOR THE June issue

- CHECKLIST**

  - √ Name Tags
  - √ Pop Tabs
  - √ Library Books
  - √ BOM—SWEET DREAMS
  - √ Cuddle Quilts / Touch Quilts —Take a kit home
  - √ 50 / 50 Draw: \$1 a ticket, 3 for \$2
  - √ STRIPPERS EXCHANGE
  - √ Find the thimble
  - √ Outreach Meeting, first Monday of the month
  - √ Demos at 6:45 PM
  - √ Show & Tell
  - √ CHEQUE FOR PAYMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL \$35—EARLY BIRD DRAW IN JUNE

### DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

Demo starts at 6:45 PM

Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

St. George United Church

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### DEMOS



You will be amazed. Learn how to make a block by sewing only one seam and this block will create different patterns. Join Roseline in the kitchen at 6:45 pm for this demo.

### THE HIDDEN THIMBLE

Find the hidden thimble in the newsletter. Email Aline or leave a note at the Membership Table on where it is located and you will be entered into a draw to win a prize. You have to be present at the meeting to be eligible for the prize draw.

### BHQG EXECUTIVE MEETING

Thursday, May 21, 6:30 PM

Blue Dog Café, 199 Brant Avenue, Brantford



### CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH MEETING

May 4, 10:00 AM, at Rica's home



### President's Pieceful Corner

How are you doing with your UFOs? Are they halfway or totally completed? Here is my challenge for the May guild meeting. There will be a tally sheet hanging on the wall. I challenge you to write on it your name and the number of 'flimsies' that you own. (DEFINITION: Flimsies are finished quilt top that are waiting to be quilted). The person who has the most flimsies will win all of the library bucks that I have accumulated since September in time for the Library Auction. And how much do I have? It is for me to know and for you to find out!

Happy sewing to all!

*Roseline Dufour*, President  
[roselineduf@hotmail.com](mailto:roselineduf@hotmail.com)

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE



The Nominating Committee has been hard at work during the last few months. The slate of officers is almost completed but we are still looking for someone to take over the position of Program Director. Patricia has graciously offered to pass along lots of helpful information to whoever takes over the position. As a point of interest, all of the presenters for 2015-2016 have been secured. If this is of interest to you please speak to *Anne Maguire*, *Roseline Dufour* or *Sue Baldauf*. They will be pleased to answer your questions.

### EXECUTIVE 2014-2015

President	Roseline Dufour
Past President / Nominating	Anne Maguire
Vice President	Sue Baldauf
Recording Secretary	Kay Boyd
Treasurer	Anne Maguire
Membership / Greeters Social Correspondence	Aline Chan / Sue Green / Joan Tressel
Program Committee Chair	Patricia Ryckman-Fleming
Workshop Chair	Mary Connan / Lorraine Gerald
Newsletter	Aline Chan
Library:	Kim Callaghan / Susan Archer / Lynda Ryan
Quilt Show Chair 2018	

### COMMITTEES

Retreats / Bus Trips Chair	Sue Baldauf
Quilt Racks	Sue Baldauf
Outreach: Cuddle Quilts	Rica Maguire/Stephanie Nemeth
Historian	Roseline Dufour
Photography	Linda Rainey
Quilt Documentation / Archives	Carol Hunter-Ward
Socials / Potlucks	Joy Archer / Mary Connan
Pop Tabs	Bonnie MacDonald
50/50 Draws	Anne MacFarlane / Gay Spong
Block of the Month Chair	Sue Baldauf
Publicity / CQA contact	Deb Desforges
Scholarship	Sue Baldauf
Website	Mac MacLaggan

Replacement Guild Lanyards \$6

### MAY is MENTAL HEALTH Awareness month

The theme for the Mental Health Awareness month is "Mind Your Health". A focus of the theme is to create a motivational effort that will put toward the goal of building public recognition in regards to the importance of mental health and to the overall health and wellness of those around us. There is a connection between the mind and body. We are encouraged to take positive actions and protective measures for one's own mental health and whole-body health. Care for each other.



## OF INTEREST TO QUILTERS

**May 1-3** Gathering of Quilts, Guelph Quilters Guild \$10  
<http://www.royalcityquiltersguild.ca/> [clmaltby@hotmail.com](mailto:clmaltby@hotmail.com)

**May 1-3** Kawartha Quiltmakers Guild, Feelings in Fabric 2015, Peterborough Sports & Complex Centre [kgg2015@gmail.com](mailto:kgg2015@gmail.com)

**May 1-3** Think Outside the Box. Windsor Quilters Guild WFCU, 8787 McHugh St, Windsor  
[annmueller19@cogeco.ca](mailto:annmueller19@cogeco.ca), [cilhockley@bell.net](mailto:cilhockley@bell.net)

**May 2 & 3** Quilted Odyssey 2015, Brampton Quilters Guild Quilt Archdekin Recreation, Brampton <http://bqguild.wordpress.com>

**May 2-3** Halton Quilters Guild, Stitches in Our Time 2015 Crossroads Centre, Burlington <http://www.haltonquiltersguild.com/>

**May 7,8,9** Pieces of Magic, Oxford Quilters Guild \$7  
<http://www.oxfordquiltersguild.com>

**May 8–10** Festival of Quilts, Ottawa Valley Quilters Guild, featuring TOUCH QUILTS, [www.ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org](http://www.ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org)

**May 10 - Sept 27** Grand National, Joseph Schneider Haus, Kitchener  
[www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca](http://www.grandnationalquiltshow.ca)

**May 18th - 23rd** - Quilts of France, Ailsa Craig Recreation Centre, \$12  
<https://www.ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca/>

**May 26-29/** Quilts for the World, St Jacobs Mennonite Church 1:30 PM opening ceremonies. Featuring Joan O'Malley who sewed Canada's first flags that waved. Only public appearance in Canada!

**Special Guest:** Ontario's Lieutenant Governor who is interested in quilting!

**May 29–30** Stoney Creek Quilters Guild, A Waterfall of Quilts Sherman Recreation Centre, Stoney Creek [browning@nas.net](mailto:browning@nas.net)

**May 29–30** Sarnia Quilters Guild, A Feast for the Eye, Grace United Church, 990 Cathcart Blvd, Sarnia, \$6  
[www.sarniaquiltersguild.org/](http://www.sarniaquiltersguild.org/)

**June 5 & 6** Quilts on the Grand, \$7, Centre Wellington Sportsplex, Fergus [www.grandquiltguild.ca](http://www.grandquiltguild.ca)

**June 6 & 7** Arnprior & Area Quilters Guild Show, Quilting in the Valley, \$6 [www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com](http://www.arnpriordistrictquiltersguild.com)

**June 6 & 7** Stitching Among Friends, Quilting Corners Guild, Alliston Curling Rink. Alliston  
[Ludy.cotter@yahoo.ca](mailto:Ludy.cotter@yahoo.ca)



## BHQG

## BHQG PINS - \$5 only

Proudly wear a BHQG Guild pin. Please see Membership to purchase one.

## REACHING OUT TO GUILD MEMBERS

Do you know a Guild Member who is sick or has lost a loved one? The Guild sends out "Get Well/ Sympathy" cards to members. Please send a note to Aline. We rely on your information to reach out to our quilting friends.

## SHOW & TELL THEMES 2015

May	I-ron
June	My Favourite Unfinished Quilt Top



## SHOW AND TELL

### I-ron

Do you have an iron that is your pride and joy? MAY is iron month. Bring it and show us why you cannot live without it.

How about the cheapest iron you own or the oldest one you have?



## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

No new members in April.



## PLEASE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO YOUR NEIGHBOURS

Take a moment to introduce yourself to those sitting beside you.

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## WORKSHOPS

### MIGRATING GEESE

Saturday, May 16

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM cost \$20

BYO lunch tea and coffee supplied

This workshop takes place at: **ETONIA UNITED CHURCH HALL**

(highway 2 halfway between Paris and Princeton)

**INSTRUCTOR: LAWNA ESLARY**

**MIGRATING GEESE** is a unique technique for quilts and pieced borders. Lawna will also demonstrate a quick and easy technique for making flying geese. Please note the change in venue.

Saturday, June 13

UFO/outreach workshop - the last for the season...

Your Workshop Committee,  
*Mary Connan & Lorraine Girdaldi*  
[connan@sympatico.ca](mailto:connan@sympatico.ca)

### QUILTING TIPS - Cleaning Your Sewing Machine

Clean your sewing machine often and always after making a large quilt. Use a small good quality paint brush to clean, it will pick up the lint in the bobbin and other easy to reach areas and bristles will not be lost in the machine. I am always surprised at how much lint and fuzz has crowded into my machine in a short period of time. If we don't regularly clean our machine it can get completely clogged - I've seen it happen so check it often.

Change needles for new projects and a couple of drops of oil below your bobbin will not go amiss.

*Patricia Ryckman-Fleming*

## SPRING RETREAT 2015

### A SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Reviewed by Kay Boyd

**BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD** celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> year of annual Quilt Retreats and naturally, this year's theme was "Silver Anniversary". The weekend activities revolved around this theme and included a Saturday night **banquet soiree by special invitation**. There was a lot of 'bling' including the wonderful and creative fascinators everyone had made in a special crafting event. Glitz was everywhere.

Once again, there was a cast of characters circulating throughout the banquet trying to convince everyone to vote for a quilt in order to be crowned Queen of the Patchwork Lane Quilters. Suddenly, one of the cast members clutched her throat then fell forward with a great thump on the dining table and lay motionless. Good Heaven's, not again! At the last retreat, one of the cast members was brutally murdered by her conniving husband and now it seemed to be happening again! Who did this dastardly deed? CD, the local police woman was in attendance and took over the investigation. Just as "Meg Longfellow" was about to be handcuffed and arrested, the coroner's report arrived and all was revealed.

This dramatic and hilarious mystery dinner was once again the highlight of the evening dinner. Cast members included Bonnie MacDonald as Jennie Lovestrong; Anne Maguire as Louise Meekmilder; Aline Chan as Madge Smith; Joy Archer as Grace Stevens; Mary Connan as E-vonne; Kay Boyd as Meg Longfellow, Deb Deforges as Det. Constance Donna (just call me C.D. Colombo); Joanne Beard as Cindy Sinclair. Director was Roseline Dufour, and the producers were the Retreat Committee.

A great evening with lots of laughter culminated this silver anniversary to a 'sold out' event. Don't miss next year's Retreat. You have to sign up early just as soon as registration becomes available – that is if you want to join the fun!



**My GARMIN (GPS)**

I have a little GARMIN, it sits there in my car  
 A Garmin is a driver's friend, it tells you where you are.  
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 It's better than the normal ones, my Garmin is my wife.  
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 It tells me when to stop and start, and when to use the brake  
 And tells me that it's never ever, safe to overtake.

It tells me when a light is red, and when it goes to green  
 It seems to know instinctively, just when to intervene.  
 It lists the vehicles just in front, and all those to the rear  
 And taking this into account, it specifies my gear.

I'm sure no other driver, has so helpful a device  
 For when we leave and lock the car, it still gives its advice.  
 It fills me up with counselling, each journey's pretty fraught  
 So why don't I exchange it, and get a quieter sort?

Ah well, you see, it cleans the house, makes sure I'm properly fed  
 It washes all my shirts and things, and keeps me warm in bed!  
 Despite all these advantages, and my tendency to scoff  
 I only wish that now and then, I could turn *my Garmin* off.  
 {Adapted, With thanks from Barb Minutillo (*originally titled My Satnav which is what they are called in Europe*)}

**BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP****SPRING RETREAT 2015****Five Oaks, Paris, Ontario**

- 6 tbs. chopped onion
- 4 tbs. margarine or butter
- 6 cups peeled and cubed butternut squash
- 3 cups water
- 4 cubes chicken bouillon
- ½ tsp. dried marjoram
- ¼ tsp. ground pepper
- 1/8 tsp. ground cayenne pepper
- 8 ounces of cream cheese ( add more for a creamier thicker soup)

In a large saucepan, sauté onions in margarine/butter until tender. Add squash, water, bouillon, marjoram, black pepper and cayenne pepper. Bring to a boil; cook 20 minutes or until squash is tender.

Puree squash and cream cheese in a blender or food processor in batches until smooth. Return to saucepan, and heat through. Do not allow to boil.

**OUTREACH CHARITY TOTALS**

Check here every month to see the progress BHQG is making during 2015 by quilting gifts for various charities in our community.

Cuddle quilts / Lap quilts	30	Burp towels	28
Taggy blankets	15	Placemats	5
Pillowcases	4		

THANK YOU TO ALL!

**LIBRARY NEWS****MAY BRINGS LIBRARY AUCTION!!!!**

Bring all the library bucks you have collected. You can still collect them before the auction and prepare to bid. I have patterns, fat quarters, threads, a ruler rack and some nifty cute tools all to be auctioned off.

This month's book is *Alison Glass Appliqué - An Essential Guide to Modern Applique*

Also in the library are some donated quilting novels from Patricia Ryckman-Fleming.

Your library team!

**Kim, Susan & Lynda** [kimberly.callaghan@hotmail.com](mailto:kimberly.callaghan@hotmail.com)



# SWEET DREAMS

## MAY 2015 - #7 CHOCOLATE RASPBERRY FUDGE

Dear Dreamers

In May, everyone will receive the pattern #7 Chocolate Raspberry Fudge. Please make one block with this pattern. The print copies will be at the May guild meeting and the pdf copies will be sent at the beginning of May.



Sweet Dreams to everyone.

BOM committee - *Sue Baldauf, Aline Chan, Joanne Beard, Roseline Dufour, Helen Harper, Judy Taylor*



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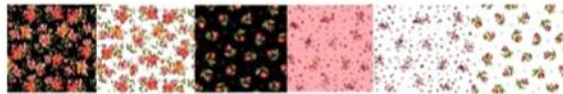
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Block of the Month  
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## NUMBER OF SQUARES FROM A FAT QUARTER

99	2" squares
56	2 1/2" squares
42	3" squares
30	3 1/2" squares
20	4" squares
16	4 1/2" squares
12	5" squares
12	5 1/2" squares
9	6" squares
6	6 1/2" squares



## Heirloom Treasures – Spring 2015 Classes

Below are the classes that are being offered at the Heirloom Treasures Studio this spring (April through June). Registration for classes can be made in person at the studio, by phone or through our website (under Classes). Class fee must be paid prior to the class beginning. A 10% discount will be given for any fabrics/supplies bought in the Studio for class, however you are welcome to use fabric and supplies from your own stash. If you find a class or classes that you would be interested in, but the time scheduled does not work for you, please contact us. We are very flexible and will do our best to accommodate any reasonable request.

**Beginner Quilting** - Let us take you into the wonderful world of quilting and learn all you need to know about quilting while you make a lovely sampler quilt. Working on beautiful traditional blocks you will also learn how use a rotary cutter and ruler, how to sew a scant ¼" seam, how to square up your blocks and how to add borders and finally binding using modern techniques. Class Fee: \$75 (Six – 2 hr. sessions)  
Date: Wednesday, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Time: 7 – 9 pm

**Back To Square One Quilt** - This beautiful quilt is fat quarter friendly and uses light and dark shades to create a stunning modern look. The design and pattern by Jean Boyd features the quilt in two sizes - quilt #1: 49" x 61", quilt #2: 37" x 49". Class Fee: \$45.00 (Three – 2 ½ hr. sessions) plus fabric & pattern. Pattern \$10.00 – if you purchase your material for this class from Heirloom Treasures, the pattern is free. Date: Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup> Time: 10 am – 12:30 pm

**Purses Galore** - Swing into spring with a new purse. This series features three different styles of purse – the Hobo Bag, the Juliet Bag and the Catalina Sling. Each bag has options for fabric manipulation, and embellishment or you can leave it sweet & simple. Make one bag, or two or all three – the choice is yours. Class Fee per bag: \$30 (two – 2 ½ hr. sessions per bag style), plus fabric and pattern.

Hobo Bag: Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 1 – 3:30 pm

Juliet Bag: May 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 10am – 12:30pm

Catalina Bag: June 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> 10am – 12:30pm

**Fusible Machine Applique** - This applique class uses Patch Abilities patterns and is the perfect introduction to fusible applique. Come into the Studio and pick your pattern from a variety of designs (eg. cats, hummingbirds, tulips, nursing, snowmen, etc.), grab some scraps from your stash and join us for the fun of fusible applique while creating a small wall-hanging of a favourite thing.

Class Fee: \$36.00 plus pattern and fabric (three – 2 hr sessions)

Date: Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> OR Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Time: 10 am – 12 pm

**Stained Glass Table Runner** - Using fusible interfacing, a variety of 2" squares and Clover Quick bias, this runner is a quick and easy way to add a festive touch to your Christmas table that will be enjoyed for many years.

Class Fee: \$48.00 (four 2-hr sessions) plus fabric and pattern book Christmas Traditions in Stained Glass

Date: Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & June 4<sup>th</sup> Time: 2 – 4 pm

**Woven Lattice Table Runner** - Using a focal fabric and 3 coordinating prints, create

this stunning table runner. The lattice is created using a bias tape maker or a belt loop attachment for the serger (the choice is yours) and fusible thread and some simple weaving skills. This runner can easily be transformed into a bed scarf by simply making it longer! Class Fee: \$36.00 (two 3-hr sessions) plus fabric. Date: Friday May 22<sup>nd</sup> & Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> Time: 1 – 4 pm



Woven Runner

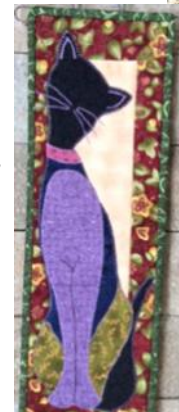
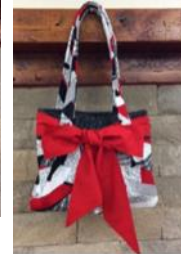
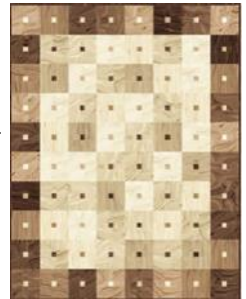
**EZ Breezy Table Runner** - This table runner and place mat pattern is perfect for all those large-scale prints that have been giving you that come-hither look. Quick-to-stitch and super trendy, the finished project makes for a great gift for any special person in your life. Finished sizes: Table runner: 15" x 47", Place mats: 14" x 18 1/2" each

Class Fee: \$30 (two 2 ½ - hr sessions) plus fabric & pattern

Date: Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 7 – 9:30 pm OR Thursday June 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10 – 12:30 am

EZ Breezy Runner



Fusible Appliqué



Stained Glass

