

NOTICE

Next meeting on Zoom, December 9 at 7 PM.
 Holiday Program
 Zoom details will be sent to you just before
 the meeting.

What is High SEWciety?

Monthly ZOOM meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month.

Next meeting: January 27th 1:00-2:00 PM:

Brimfield Ruler & How To Organise Your Rulers

SIT, SEW, CHAT

Zoom link will be sent the day before.

SEWcially Distanced Calendar

- ◆ SEWcials—see announcement in this newsletter
- ◆ Workshops - details in this newsletter for ZOOM workshops
- ◆ No 'in person' Cuddle Quilt gatherings
- ◆ No 'live' Guild Meetings or Executive meetings
- ◆ Spring Retreat in 2022: March 25 - 27, Cambridge Convention Centre.
- ◆ Keep saving your pop tabs for Bonnie MacDonald
- ◆ Next High SEWciety: January 27, 7-8 PM.
- ◆ Quilt Expo 2022: September 30, October 1, 2022 at Best Western Brantford

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Hamilton

Susan Hendsbee

Carol Hunter-Ward

Elizabeth Martin

Karen Murray



Read Becky's message and learn more about these.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR JANUARY ISSUE

NEXT DEADLINE: DECEMBER 20

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



Month	Program Title	Information
Dec 9	Christmas Sharing (Virtual) <i>Let's get festive</i> <i>Set the scene</i> Decorate your computer space for Christmas, pour yourself a Christmas beverage, bring a Christmas treat, wear your ugliest Christmas sweater or something festive.	Christmas readings from 3 members – a selection of short stories, poems. Christmas Cookie Recipes- 2 members. Punch recipe and a Christmas toast. Christmas Nostalgia - Roseline's family tradition of the Tourtière.
Jan 13	Brandy Maslowski Quilter on Fire	Trunk Show

BHQG Program Committee

Roseline Dufour - co-chair	Joan Tressel - co-chair
Janice Ferguson - secretary	Judy Taylor
Leela Chan	Catherine Eagles

BHQG EXECUTIVE MEETING

Virtual Meetings as arranged, on Zoom.

CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH

No Cuddle Quilt Meetings DURING Covid-19



DECEMBER PROGRAM

Christmas Celebration

Join your BHQG friends for some Christmas fun. There are sure to be a few surprises. Cozy up in a comfortable chair and listen to our Christmas stories and favourite family traditions. Get *gussied up* in your best Christmas sweater or festive outfit. Add some bling and bring a cup of cheer with a treat or two for Santa and his deer.

Don't forget virtual treats are calorie free!

Please come and share your Christmas spirit with us.

Trunk Show – Brandy Maslowski - January 13

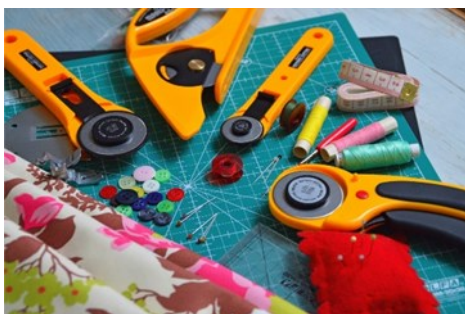
Quilter on Fire



Brandy Maslowski is a fibre artist and teacher known for her pursuit of more joy and less overwhelm in the classroom. She loves quilting, hiking, travel and tea. From clumsy beginner quilter to showing her fibre art in galleries, Brandy has had a 30 year passion for fabric, stitch, colour, and texture. You can find her as the Quilter on Fire online and listen to her weekly podcast at www.quilteronfire.com.

A Quilter's Journey: From Firefighter to Fibre Artist - Brandy Maslowski is a quilt teacher, speaker, author of the children's picture book 'Kristy's Quilt' and host of the Quilter on Fire podcast. After 15 years as a firefighter, her spirit was crushed. In those difficult times, quilting was her escape. Her hands guided the fabric through the machine and her world softened. The texture, colour and boundless possibilities of fabric ignite a passion in Brandy that heals her stress and leaves her feeling refreshed and joyful. She shares her story to bring more joy and less overwhelm to quilters all over the world.

Quilt Speaker, Teacher and Author www.quilteronfire.com



HIGH SEWCITY

The Program Committee is scheduling **High Sewciety** on the ZOOM platform, until a decision is made for us to meet face-to-face. We invite our members to join us on the various dates mentioned below for a short presentation on Zoom, then to Sit, Sew & Chat with your fellow Quilters.

January 27th 1:00-2:00 PM: **Brimfield Ruler & How To Organise Your Rulers**

February 24th 7:00-2:00 PM: **Crumb Quilts**

March 17th 1:00-2:00 PM: **Slow Stitching**





PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi everyone!

Seasons Greetings everyone!

Can you believe it's December already? I hope everyone has time to finish their quilted gifts. I am sure it will be last minute for me, once again. In case you're in my shoes and need an idea, here is a link for a cute cup shaped mug rug by Crafty Staci:

<https://www.craftystaci.com/blog/to-go-cup-mug-mat>

In the next few days, Aline will be emailing out a survey to help guide our committees in the future. We would really appreciate having them filled out to guide us in our decision making.

Wishing you all have a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year!

Becky McAlister
President

POP TABS

Thanks to all of the members, read 'drinkers', that have saved their pop tabs for my camping club, the Brantford Sun-Downers.

I even had some members deliver them to my home during the Pandemic! This year, the Ontario collection was a great success!

We were able to donate over \$1000 to the Ronald McDonald House in London, Ontario.

You see, it doesn't matter how small your donation is,

EVERY LITTLE POP TAB DOES MATTER.

A big THANK-YOU to all.

Bonnie MacDonald



PULL A TAB!

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Quilt Expo 2022	Roseline Dufour



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BHQG SEWcial

Once again, we had a successful SEWcial in November but despite our limited space, we did not have a full house.

Counting your organizers, Roseline and Sue B., there were only 6 spaces out of 12 in use. A wonderful opportunity to sew and socialize in a safe comfortable environment was missed. Please don't hesitate to join us for our December SEWcial.

We hope that all the spaces are used as 10 BHQG members pre register and attend. It is very important that if you do register and are not able to attend, please let me know ASAP. Your space will be given to someone on the waiting list.

We will meet on Thursday, December 9, 2021 from **9:30 am to 3:30 pm** at the St. George United Church.

If you wish to join us, you must be **double vaccinated and show proof** to us at the church. In accordance with protocol outlined by the church, we will take all the safety precautions necessary for our protection against the spread of the Covid virus. Procedures include having body temperature taken on arrival, hand sanitizing and wearing face masks for the duration of our time together.

Remember there are only 10 spaces and you **must pre-register**. Once we have a list of attendees, we will follow up with more specific details. Each month, we will reassess having SEWcial. We will start a **new list each month** so everyone must go through the registration procedures again.

If you are interested in joining us, please email me. Remember you **must pre register at** suebaldauf@hotmail.com

Stay safe. Happy Quilting.

Sue Baldauf, BHQG Sewcial
suebaldauf@hotmail.com

Sue Baldauf and Roseline Dufour



BHQG BOM 2021- 2022

CHRISTMAS MORNING

We have 22 Candy Caners signed up to work on this new BHQG BOM (Block of the Month) project "CHRISTMAS MORNING". The first instalment of instructions was in September. The second set of instructions was emailed in November.

With the belief that there is always lots to do at this time of year, the next set of instructions will be held back until the new year.

If you have not signed up yet, there is still time to catch up. Contact Sue Baldauf at suebaldauf@hotmail.com
Merry Christmas and Happy Quilting to all

Your BHQG BOM committee

*Kelly Kerrigan, Brenda Konyu, Jackie Kaye,
Sue Baldauf*



SPRING RETREAT

Chapter 30 - "Pearls of Wisdom"



OUR SPOTS WE ARE NOW 75% FILLED! If you are thinking of attending, register now to avoid disappointment.

For our new members, retreat is a time to gather together, get to know each other and forget the world outside. We can work on our own projects at our leisure, or we can take part in Aline's class and make one of her beautiful quilts. (Instructions and fabric requirements provided in advance). Retreat is also a time for much fun as we have both a silent and a Chinese auction full of goodies, bingo, vendors' mall, etc. Delicious meals and snacks are provided for us in our private dining room. Don't forget all the camaraderie and laughter.

COME JOIN US!!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

1. Will we be required to wear masks? As it now stands, yes if we are walking around, no if we are sitting at our individual 6 foot table or eating. If restrictions change we will follow provincial guidelines.

2. How do we get to Cambridge Hotel & Conference Centre? From the north, access Hespeler Rd. South via 401. Hotel is on the right. From the south, take Hwy 24 N to Ainsley, then Hespeler Rd. North. Full directions will be included in registration package sent out to registrants in February. Any other questions? Please email Jackie at

jackie.kaye123@gmail.com

'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.
steph.nemeth@outlook.com



QUILT EXPO

Once Upon A Quilt 2022

SEPTEMBER 30th & OCTOBER 1st, 2022
 Best Western Brantford Conference Centre
 19 Holiday Drive
 Brantford, Ontario



The **Steering Committee** hope that many of you are busily working on your quilts and quilted items. Our aim, by having a quilt expo, is to motivate others in the community to take up quilting and to inspire them. What a great opportunity to help others develop the art of quilting!

Favours



The first 50 paying visitors (on each day of ONCE UPON A QUILT 2022) will receive a favour. We are, therefore, looking for your help. We would appreciate it if you can make a mug rug (7 inches by 9 inches). Let your creativity soar as any style or design will be accepted. The

mug rugs will be collected in June 2022. More information will be provided as we get closer to the final date.

TOMBOLA



If anyone is interested in donating an item for the Tombola table, please contact Jackie Kaye at

Jackie.kaye123@gmail.com or by phone at 519-484-2143 to let her know what you will be donating.

To show her appreciation, a draw will be held at the Quilt Expo 2022 from all contributors. Winner will receive a small Go-Iron that is great to take to retreats, classes or at home when a large iron isn't required.

REGISTRATION of Quilts

See our January 2022 newsletter article on how you can register your quilts and other important information.

QUILTQUE



Members can choose to donate items with all proceeds going to the guild – or you can sell your items and reap the profit (10% paid to the guild). For more information contact:

Rica Maguire ricamaguire52@gmail.com or
 Stephanie Nemeth steph.nemeth@outlook.com

Activities to be showcased at our **Once Upon A Quilt 2022** will be featured in our monthly newsletter.

January: **Hall Display**
 January: **Marketing & Advertisement**
 March: **Quilt Sleeves**
 April: **Volunteers**
 May: **Prizes**

SPECIAL DISPLAY

Have you started making a Christmas stocking for



our **Special Display**? Please read the October newsletter for instructions.

Email Janet jperrodou@rogers.com or
 Phone [519-752-8943](tel:519-752-8943) if you have any questions.

SPRING RETREAT 2022
"Chapter 30 – Pearls of Wisdom"
Cambridge Hotel and Conference Centre, Cambridge

It is very exciting for your Spring Retreat committee to finally say...

"Yes, we are having a Spring Retreat this coming spring."

We are limited to 35 participants who are fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

where - The Cambridge Hotel and Conference Centre
 located off the 401 on HWY 24/Hespeler Rd in Cambridge

when - Friday, March 25 to Sunday, March 27, 2022

cost - \$368 for a single person
 or \$299 per person for a shared room (2 queen beds) with
 your friend.

payment details - Full payment reserves your space.
 payable by cheque, etransfer, or cash
 payable by Tuesday, February 15, 2022

this all-inclusive cost includes - all retreat activities
 -room rental and full use of hotel facilities and amenities
 -all meals and snacks
 -all taxes and gratuities

retreat activities - sewing in our dedicated sewing room
 -sewing class with Aline Chan
 -dining and social activities in our dedicated dining room
 -vendors mall on Friday afternoon
 -good fun

how to register:
 -registration form included in this BHQG newsletter

You have 3 different ways to complete your registration.

- a) mail form and **cheque payable to Brant Heritage Quilters Guild**
 to Jackie Kaye, 38 Woodside Dr., Mount Pleasant, ON. N0E1K0
- b) mail form to Jackie Kaye at above address and etransfer full payment to
 the Guild's e-transfer account: bhqq.etransfer@gmail.com
- c) Hand deliver form and cash to Jackie Kaye at above address

Please do not register if you are not double vaccinated.

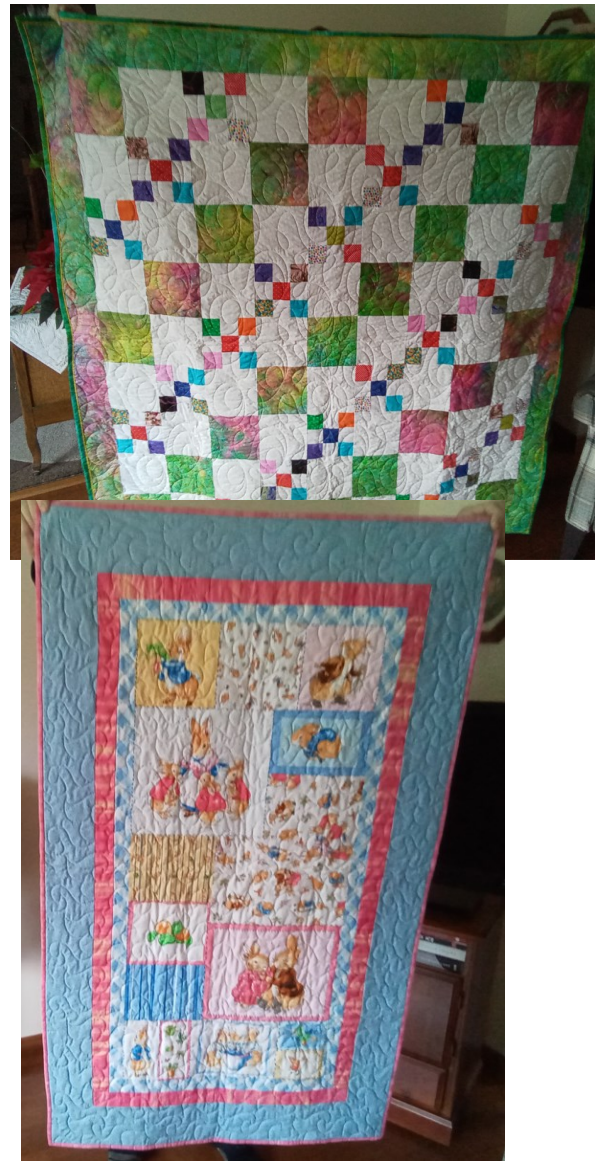
Jackie Kaye and Spring Retreat committee

Application form on
last page.

OUTREACH Photos by Rica



OUTREACH

**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	Taggy Blankets	Angel Wraps	Placemats	Baby Bibs	Adult Bibs	Mug Rugs	Stockings	Fidget Quilts
72	106	28	12	20	41	0	17	146	6	18



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



PROJECT BAGS

Our January workshop is going to be with our very own Joan Tressel.

Joan is going to show us how to make a project bag.

These bags are great for keeping your projects organised and all in one place.

Joan will show us how to make an average size one but she will show you

how to make them in seven different sizes!

We will send out the material list in December to those who have registered.

👉 **Draw for a prize: You may win one of Joan's treasured project bag, just for completing one!** 👈



- ◇ Added bonus: **Joan will provide the plastic for your first bag.**
- ◇ Another added bonus: **Judy is donating the Zipper.**
- ◇ **Added bonus: Class will be recorded and available for 30 days. So even if you cannot attend the Zoom session, you can still view it when it is recorded on YouTube.**
- ◇ Added Tip: Joan will teach us how to work with plastic film (sewing and pressing).

Register early!

Cost is \$15. Zoom Date: Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 9:30 AM.

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So send your registrations early!





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REGISTRATION FORM - SPRING RETREAT 2022**"Chapter 30 – Pearls of Wisdom"****Cambridge Hotel and Conference Centre, Cambridge****PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER IF YOU ARE NOT DOUBLE VACCINATED.**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE # HOME _____ CELL _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ Phone _____

Medical dietary needs: Dairy ___ Gluten ___ Vegetarian ___

Please provide details:

Master Class with Aline? YES ___ or No ___

ACCOMMODATION: (please circle one)

Double - \$299 per person (2 queen beds)

Share with? _____

You must make arrangements with your partner named above.

Single - \$368 per person

Payment details:

Full payment will reserve your space. We are limited to 35 spaces.

Please indicate your option of payment.

Cheque payable to BHQG ___ Etransfer ___ Cash ___

Non-Members may register Jan 31, 2022 and pay a \$5.00 fee for a temporary membership. This is an insurance matter.

NSF cheques will be charged \$35.00

Refunds – at the discretion of the BHQG Retreat Committee

I hereby release the Brant Heritage Quilters' Guild from any loss, injury or damage of any nature including death while attending this retreat.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

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