



BRANT QUILTERS VOICE

DECEMBER 2022

<http://www.BrantHeritageQuiltersGuild.com/>



Next General meeting December 8 St George United Church, 7 PM.

Doors open at 6:30 PM.

Masks are encouraged and proof of vaccination has been paused. We have members or family members who are immune compromised. Out of consideration, we encourage everyone to keep a safe social distance.

**BRING CASH FOR THE
CHAIR 'SALE'**

Pre-Meeting Dinner December 8, 4 PM

After SEWcial, we will head over to the Dragon Restaurant for dinner at 4 PM. You can meet us at the church hall and we will walk over or meet us at the Dragon Restaurant.



SEWcially Distanced Calendar

- ◆ SEWcial – 10 AM on our meeting day
- ◆ Dinner DECEMBER 8 at 4 PM at the Dragon
- ◆ Cuddle Quilt / Outreach gatherings: as announced
- ◆ Keep saving your pop tabs
- ◆ TGIF Club—details in the newsletter

Happy DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joy Dunning
Sue Hendsbee
Carol Hunter-Ward
Liz Martin



December Program

WOW! It was with great enthusiasm that your **BHQG Program Committee** has been hard at work organizing fantastic and exciting activities for the December 8th **BHQG** meeting.

First of all, we encourage all members to bring their special personal beverage and to dress up in their Christmas finery.

6:45 **Watch** a demo with Catherine Eagles.

6:45 **Purchase** different items at the Christmas Chair Sale

7:00 **Work** on your Christmas broach kit that you will receive when you arrive. Please bring your sewing kit (paper and fabric scissors, embroidery needle, embroidery floss (white, red), threader, etc.)

- ◆ **Eat** various delicious Christmas cookies
- ◆ Joy Archer will **entertain** and lead you in a sing-along.
- ◆ **Participate** in various games and win wonderful prizes.

Each member is asked to make a quilt block composed of 25 (2-1/2 ")squares of different fabrics and bring buttons and such to mark their squares for Jingo Bingo.

- ◆ **Show** your Christmas quilts and items to all who are present.
- ◆ Best of all **share laughter and fellowship with your fellow quilters.**

An enjoyable time for all.

N.B. We will be setting up a box at the registration table for those who wish to donate financially to the Food Bank.

Your BHQG Program Committee

*Joan, Catherine, Judy, Janice, Verna,
Stephen & Roseline*

DECEMBER DEMO

With Cathy Eagles

X's and O's

We are going to look at two different blocks that are made from two and a half inch strips. Sewing four blocks together makes a newer more interesting block in both cases. These blocks could be used all in one quilt, or separated into two quilts. A great use for a Jelly roll.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR JANUARY ISSUE

NEXT DEADLINE: DECEMBER 16 (EARLY DATE BECAUSE OF CHRISTMAS WEEK)

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



CHRISTMAS CHAIR SALE

Are you ready for our Christmas Chair Sale that will be held at our Christmas Social Program on December 8th, starting at 6:45 PM? Please encourage our members who have so graciously volunteered to rent a chair for the evening by purchasing from them.



If interested, e-mail roselineduf@hotmail.com

PLEASE BRING CASH!

PROGRAM 2023**UPCOMING PROGRAM**

January 12th Trunk Show (ZOOM). **Cindy McChesney** is an avid quilt enthusiast, teacher, lecturer and longarm quilter for over 40 years. Her specialties include creating unique quilts from pre-printed panels, Mastering Math for Quilters, basic graphing and Colour Exercises for Quilters.

February 9th Trunk Show (Zoom) **Brett Lewis** - known as the Natural Born Quilter — is from Edmonton, Alberta. When his son was a newborn, Lewis and his partner received a quilt as a gift. Lewis was so impressed by the colour and detail of the patchwork; he began researching the hobby online. By the spring of 2016, he was officially hooked. The first year, he made between 10-12 quilts. Come and hear of his quilting journey.

March 9th Trunk Show – **Robin Bogaert** is a longarm quilter, creator and blogger at quiltingintheloft.com and has many years of quilting experience. Robin resides in Waterloo. Robin's roots in quilting are traditional, however she appreciates modern quilt design as well and considers the focus of work to be designing, teaching, trunk shows, free motion quilting, ruler work and thread painting. At the moment, we are planning an in-person trunk show but should the weather be inclement (blizzard conditions and others) we will be transitioning to a ZOOM presentation.

To be announced the closer we get to the date. Check your emails!

QUILT SHOWS**THE YEAR 2023 – FYI ONLY -NO OTHER DETAILS**

March 24, 25: Quilt Fever, Etobicoke Quilters Guild

May 26-27: Lindsay Quilters Guild

Thousand Island Quilters: Quiltfest 2023

A Feast for the Eyes, Sarnia: 2023

Quilt Canada 2023 – June 8 – 10, 2023 – Halifax Convention
Centre, Nova Scotia

Prince Edward County Quilters – Wellington July 8 – 9

The Quilted Boutique

There will be two door prizes of \$20 at each meeting.

WINNERS!

\$20 Gift Certificates from
The Quilted Boutique.
November winners are
Rose Marie Robinson and Sharon Oldfield

BHQ SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our guild is proud to support the youth of our community in their interest in the field of fabric arts. We grant awards of \$50 to students with highest marks in Grade 11 Fashion and Creative Expression HNC3C, and Grade 12 World of Fashion HNB4M, in each of the secondary schools. These Proficiency Awards are presented at the regular awards ceremony or convocation at each school. As well, the winning students are offered free BHQG one-year memberships (which can be transferrable).

At this time, we are happy to report that at North Park Collegiate and Vocational School (NPCVS), Alexandra Bailey is the winner of the Grade 11 award and Cassandra Colling is the winner of the Grade 12 award. Congratulations to these 2 students!

Sue Baldauf, Scholarship Chair





PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi everyone!

December is here and it seems like just yesterday we were returning to guild meetings in September. We had a very successful and fun day sewing at Five Oaks. Our instructors, Sue Baldauf and Sue Clark, were prepared to instruct us and stretch our skills. They were excellent.

Watch for Spring Retreat registration forms as December is our last in-person meeting until March. Rhonda and her committee are ready to get things rolling.

Our program committee is on board with a very entertaining Holly Jolly December meeting.

On a personal note, I have purchased a new (floor model) Amara long arm machine. Hopefully I will be up and running very soon.

Have a super holiday with your friends and family!



Joanne

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Quilt Expo 2026	



Visit our Library!

Presenting our new Librarian, Pat O'Connor, standing on the right, next to her assistant, Sue Archer.

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SEWCIAL

In December, make plans to attend our SEWcial at the church during the day of our guild meeting. Once again, we are offering this wonderful opportunity to sew and socialize in a safe comfortable environment.



We hope that all the spaces are used as 10 BHQG members are invited to 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 8, 2022 from 10 AM to 3:30 PM at the St. George United Church.

Masks are encouraged but no longer required and proof of vaccination has been paused. We have members or family members who are immune compromised. Out of consideration, we encourage everyone to keep a safe social distance.

If you are interested in joining us, please email me. Remember there are only 12 spaces (10 members and 2 organizers) and you must pre register at suebaldauf@hotmail.com. Each month, we will reassess having SEWcial. We will start a new list each month so everyone must go through the registration procedures again.

There will be no SEWcial during the months of January and February.

Stay safe. Happy Quilting.
Your BHQG SEWcial organizers

Sue Baldauf and Roseline Dufour

FIDGET/TOUCH QUILTS

Thank you for your interest in making fidget/touch quilts for Outreach.

From past investigation, we know that these quilts have benefits for young children and special needs youth in sensory awareness and the development of fine motor skills. The elderly, especially those with Alzheimer conditions, find comfort and entertainment in these projects.

Please bring your quilts to the December meeting as we are not meeting in-person in January and February. We will be collecting some finished Alzheimer quilts made from the kits that have been distributed. We have more kits ready with 6 inch pre-cut fabric squares.

Look for Joy Archer at the guild meeting with some more kits prepared by your BHQG committee to help you make a fidget/touch quilt.

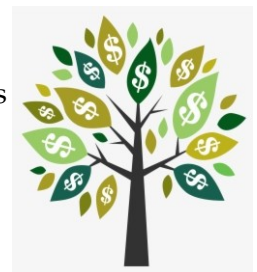
Your BHQG Fidget/Touch Quilt committee,
Joy Archer, Sue Baldauf,
and Judy Taylor

**TGIF** words of encouragement

We now have **14** members who have signed up for our *Thank Goodness Its Finished* activity. Can we get more brave souls to attempt to get it done? Imagine the satisfaction that you will feel when **Thank Goodness It's Finished**. Is something holding you back? If you commit to scheduling a half hour per week to this project, it will get done.

When you take a small bite at a time, you will see progress. We believe in you and know that you will finish it. To celebrate your achievement, you will be asked to show your project or projects at our June 8th guild meeting. We will cheer you on as you will have achieved a new level in your quilting journey.

N.B. The winners will be randomly selected to win three gifts certificate: \$10, \$30, and \$50.
(Talk to Roseline if you still want to sign up.)



BHQG SPRING RETREAT 2023 - Chapter 31**Where:** Hidden Acres, 1921 Line 37, New Hamburg, Ontario**When:** Friday, March 10th to Sunday, March 12th, 2023**Cost:** \$210.00**PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER IF YOU ARE NOT DOUBLE VACCINATED!****NAME:** _____**ADDRESS:** _____**EMAIL ADDRESS:** _____**PHONE: Home:** _____ **Cell:** _____**EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name:** _____ **Phone:** _____**DIETARY REQUIREMENTS**Dairy Gluten Free Vegetarian Diabetic Other:

Please provide details: _____

ACCOMMODATION

Hidden Acres lodging is comprised of some single and some double rooms. Please note we are limited to 22 participants and rooms will be assigned. If you would like to bunk in with a quilting buddy, please provide your buddy's name _____

Additionally, please indicate if you have any mobility or health issues that need to be taken into account when considering your room assignment. _____

*Note that participants will be required to bring their own bedding and towels.

PAYMENT DETAILS

Receipt of your full payment (\$210.00) will reserve your space. Please keep in mind we are limited to 22 participants! NSF Cheques will be charged \$35.00. Refunds will be issued at the discretion of the BHQG Retreat Committee.

Please indicate your preferred method of payment:

Cheque Cash

If paying by cheque, please make cheque payable to the Brant Heritage Quilters Guild.

If paying by cash, please bring your full payment to the December 8th BHQG meeting.

Receipts will be issued upon receipt of your payment.

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 :** _____**Contact:** Rhonda Bennitt email: rhondabennitt@hotmail.com Cell: 905-308-5565

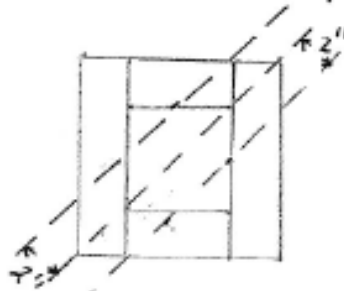
November Demo with Cathy Eagles

A Salute to Autumn

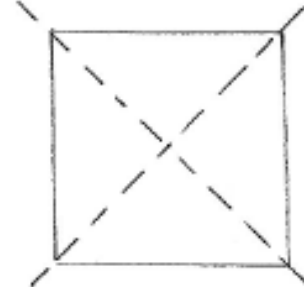
Demo. by C. Eagles



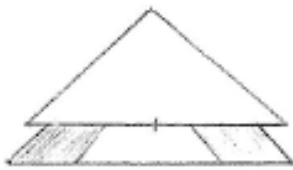
Cut 1 $5\frac{1}{4}$ " square.
Sew $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
rectangles top
and bottom.
Sew a $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
rectangle to each
side. Trim to $9\frac{1}{4}$ "
square.



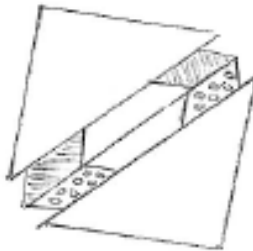
Cut!
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diagonal
and 2"
each side.



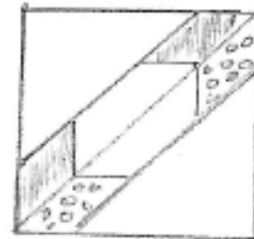
Square: $10\frac{1}{2}$ ".
Background
colour.
Cut along both
diagonals.



Mark centres.
Sew a background
triangle to each
2" strip.



Sew 2 of
different
colours
matching
triangle points



Trim to $8\frac{1}{2}$ "
square. Use
diagonal seam
to guide trims.



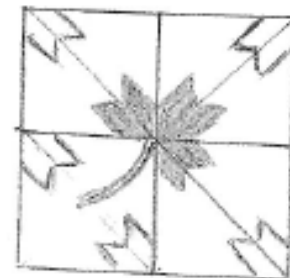
For border,
join triangles
into strips.

Stem: Use fusible web.

For 16 blocks:

4 autumn-coloured batiks (fat $\frac{1}{4}$ s)
plus one fat quarter for stems.

Approximately 22" by WOF for
background. (Cut 8 $10\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.)



Four blocks
together.
Use a design wall.
8" block multiples.

WORKSHOP JANUARY 21, 2023

Inspector Clue-Sew has another mystery case for us to solve.

Please join us for a Zoom workshop Saturday, January 21st at 9:30 AM.

The cost is \$10.

A new clue will be sent out by email every hour until the mystery layout is unstitched!

A supply and cutting list will be sent out before the meeting.

Sign up for the workshop with Colleen Fauvelle rubbyq231@gmail.com

E-transfer to be sent to the Guild's account bhqq.etransfer@gmail.com

NOTE: We are not meeting in-person in January and February.



Roseline shows the art of appliquéing.
Photo by Ofelia



Joanne Beard's blocks from her workshop with Sue Clark at Five Oaks. If you missed the workshop, you have an opportunity to visit Cathy's demo at the December meeting to learn how to make another version.



TOUCH / FIDGET QUILTS

Touch Quilts are often referred to as Fidget Quilts.

Contact Joy Archer to learn more!



From Your Outreach Committee...

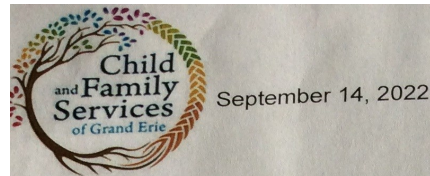
Many thanks to those members who completed baby/children's quilt tops from "kits" that were provided – especially if you added some fabrics of your own. Barb Minutillo and I put together batting and backings for these tops and then they were delivered to Joanne for quilting. We are so appreciative that Joanne is doing this for our guild.

We currently have 17 adult/teen quilts in inventory which will be delivered in December.

Distributions for October and November included:

- ◆ Health Unit's Healthy Babies Program – 3 baby quilts, 5 bibs, 3 taggy blankets
 - ◆ Pregnancy and Resource Centre – 10 burp towels and 8 bibs. They are not accepting quilts at this time, but would appreciate "receiving" blankets.
 - ◆ Friendship House – 3 baby quilts, 14 burp towels, 5 bibs, 4 taggy blankets
- ⇒ December's Holly Jolly Holiday meeting will find the Outreach Committee participating in the chair sale. We are offering lovely quilted wall hangings, bed and table runners, bags and some children's items. You may just find that last minute gift you need.

THANK-YOU TO ALL THOSE
WHO HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING
OUTREACH.



September 14, 2022

Brant Heritage Quilters Guild
c/o Stephanie Nemeth
Box 311
St George ON N0E 1N0

To The Thoughtful Members Of Brant Heritage Quilters Guild,

Thank you for your continued generosity! On behalf of Child and Family Services of Grand Erie and the children coming into the care of our Agency, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for choosing to donate another 2 quilts and 14 various colorful themed pillowcases to our Compassion Kits this year.

It is very scary that first night, week, month ... to be removed from the environment you are familiar with – even if it is unsafe – and taken to live with strangers – no matter how kind they are – with none of your own belongings. We believe that our Compassion Kits will help children coming into care feel a little bit more 'in control of their destiny' and provide some reassurance that their future will be brighter – even if it doesn't look like it at that particular moment.

The concept of Compassion Kits was proposed by former youth in care and members of our Youth Advisory Committee. Thanks to your generosity and caring, we will be able to include your donation of lovingly made quilts and pillowcases as part of the Compassion Kits that are given to every child coming into care and/or moving to a new home.

We hope these kits will in some small way help kids adjust to their new, safe homes.

Thank you a hundred times over for your kindness.

Yours truly,

Wanda Vella, Compassion Kit Committee Member
on behalf of the staff and families served by CFS GE



Becky McAlister draws for the President's Challenge Winner...



Joy Archer holds up an outreach quilt she made and donated...



Judy Taylor demonstrates the Art of Beading at the Round Robin...



Cathy Eagles presents her monthly demo's. November's demo was a Salute To Autumn!



Day Retreat at Five Oaks



Five Oaks Day Retreat

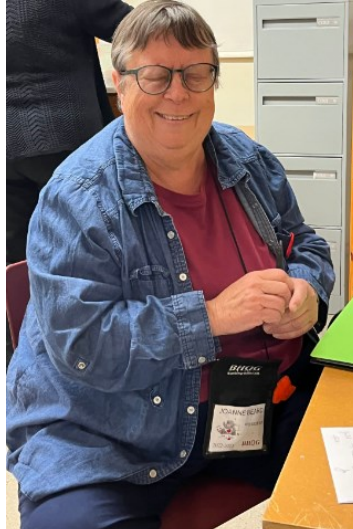
'THINKING OF YOU' cards



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

NOVEMBER MEETING RECAP

PHOTOS BY VERNA RADFORD



ROUND ROBIN & DEMO AT NOVEMBER MEETING

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Day Retreat at Five Oaks Conference Centre.

