

**BHOG****BRANT QUILTERS VOICE**

February 11, 2016

**FEBRUARY MEETING**

In February, Kelly Dumaresq from Markham will be our guest speaker. Her passion for scrap quilts... making them, sharing them and teaching them... will be presented in her trunk show called "My Scrap Journey".

*Sue Baldauf*  
Program Chair

**DID YOU KNOW ...**

...that the Log Cabin quilt block with a red centre traditionally symbolizes the hearth of home, and a yellow center represents a welcoming light in the window.

During the American Civil War, a Log Cabin quilt with a black center hanging on a clothesline was meant to signal a stop for the Underground Railroad.

...that Rose Marie Robinson wonders if anyone with a Bernina 7700QE like hers, would be willing to help her become more familiar with her new machine.

...that our Outreach group has a new project to make Angel Wraps for babies who don't make it home from the hospital. It is meant to help families grieving the death of a newborn child.

...that everyone is welcome to attend our Executive meetings. Our next Exec meeting is Feb18, 6:30 PM at the Blue Dog in Brantford.

...that our visitors last month were Joan Howes (Meals on Wheels / Red Cross) and Deborah Ward (Brant Family & Children's Services) - they came to thank us for our contributions to Outreach. Thank you, Members, for your caring & generosity!

**DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM**

**Meeting starts at 7:00 PM** St. George United Church  
9 Beverly Street East • St. George ON

- √ Name Tags
- √ Pop / beer / cat food tabs
- √ Library Books
- √ BOM—SWEET DREAMS
- √ Cuddle Quilts / Touch Quilts — Take a kit home
- √ 50 / 50 Draw: \$1 a ticket, 3 for \$2
- √ **STRIPPERS Club - 9 modern browns**
- √ Find the thimble
- √ *Outreach Meeting, first Tuesday of the month*
- √ Demos at 7 PM
- √ Show & Tell
- √ Paper Bag Princess
- √ Library opens at 6:15 PM
- √ Placemats for Canada's 150th birthday in 2017

**CHECKLIST****FEBRUARY DEMO**

The demo at the beginning of the meeting will show you how to make a Valentine's Placemat using a variation of the Log Cabin quilt block pattern.



*If you have a demo to show our members, please see Sue Baldauf or Aline Chan.*

**HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Cathy Eagles	Alice Farrenden	
Angelika Johnson	Betty Ramsey	
Lynda Ryan	Wendy Sutherland	Ann Verth

**THE HIDDEN THIMBLE**

Find the hidden thimble in the newsletter. Email Aline or leave a note at the Membership Table, telling 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.

**JANUARY WINNERS!**

- **FIND THE THIMBLE:** Alice Farrenden
- **50 / 50 DRAW:** Beryl Arnold
- **DOOR PRIZES:** Jill Lise / Joy Archer

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

**Deadline: 3rd Friday of each month**  
**NEXT DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 19, 2016**

**BHOG EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**Thursday, February 18, 6:30 PM**  
Blue Dog Café, 199 Brant Avenue, Brantford

**CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH MEETING**

**First Tuesday of each month**  
**Feb 2: 10:00 AM at Rica's home**





## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone!  
It feels like winter has just arrived and already, we are looking to its end.

At the January meeting, we had a nice introduction to our new project of CELEBRATE CANADA'S 150th ANNIVERSARY in 2017 with the Round Robin of placemat demonstrations. Thank you to Stephanie Nemeth, Aline Chan, Judy Taylor. (and Sue B.)

Were you able to make your 12inch Churn Dash block kit into a placemat this month? The red and white colours make it very "Canadian" but look for your little flag motif which will be distributed at the February meeting. Use it to accent your Churn Dash placemat or save it for your next Canada placemat. Each month, we will collect them and with your name in the draw, you could win a prize.

I am very proud to be a part of this caring energetic group. When Stephanie Nemeth described the Angel Wraps (little fabric papooses) which the Outreach committee is busy working on these days, it made me cry. Tears of sadness for the parents who have lost a newborn and tears of pride and joy for the generosity and caring of our group.

*Sue Baldauf, President*



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## Quilt show 2018

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## BOOK REVIEW—SUBMITTED BY Gay Spong

**MCCALL'S QUILTING MAGAZINE:** There is much information to bring one up to date with new tools & ideas - especially the Skill Building Page.

**CREATE QUILTS WITH A COLORFUL SPIN,** A Modern Twist by Natalie Barnes with Angela Walters. There is a considerable amount of information on Colour, Contrast and Composition on Design that was clearly illustrated with many, many pictures to illustrate how to utilize colour in our Quilts. There are several patterns ranging from making a picnic tote to making a circle shuffle quilt.

## OF INTEREST TO QUILTERS LOVERS

**March 3 - July 3** The Myth & Majesty of Scotland, 10th Annual Wee Quilt Challenge, McDougall Cottage, Cambridge ON.

<http://mcdougallcottage.com/>

**April 1-3** BHQG Retreat, Five Oaks, Paris ON.

See item in this newsletter.



**April 16 & 17** Sunshine Quilt Show

Trillium Manor, 12 Grace Ave., Orillia 705 259-0854

[Marilyn.lippert@rogers.com](mailto:Marilyn.lippert@rogers.com)

**April 21 - 23** Piecemakers Quilt Show

Huron-Perth /Stonetowne Quilters' Guild—The Pyramid Centre, St. Mary's, Ontario [www.huronperthquiltersguild.com](http://www.huronperthquiltersguild.com)

**April 29 - May 1** Quilted Expressions, Oakville Quilters Guild, 2245 Speers Rd. Oakville \$8. <http://www.oakvillequiltersguild.ca/>

**April 22 - 23** Creativ Festival, Mississauga <http://www.csnf.com/>

**May 13 & 14** Elliot Lake Quilts North, 705-461-3045

Gentle Shepherd Ch, 3 Ottawa Av [jmenzies@personainternet.com](mailto:jmenzies@personainternet.com)

**May 23 - 28** Quilts of Latvia/ Fibre Arts Exhibition

Ailsa Craig Community Quilt Festival, Admission: \$12.00; Week Long Pass: \$25.00 Ailsa Craig Recreation Centre, 155 Annie Ada Shipley Street, Ailsa Craig, [ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca](http://ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca)

**June 15 - 18** Quilt Canada 2016, Toronto, International Centre

<http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2016.php>

**JUNE 16 - BHQG TRIP TO CQA'S QUILT CANADA 2016.**  
SEE ABOVE LINK FOR INFO.

**Aug 19** International Plowing Match & Quilt Expo, Harriston Curling Club, \$7 [www.plowingmatch.org](http://www.plowingmatch.org)

For other shows in Canada <http://www.canadianquilter.com/>

### THE PAPER BAG PRINCESS

At our January meeting, we offered an *Ugly Fabric Challenge*. All our packages are distributed!

Your finished projects will be due at the May meeting and prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories.

*Bonnie Kelley & Dianne Thomas*

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (and guests)

Please introduce yourself to the people sitting next to you.

BHQG extends a warm welcome to our visitors and new members.



## 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.

### VACANCY—PROGRAM CHAIR

Please contact Sue Baldauf if you are willing to take on this role.



## SPRING RETREAT 2016 QUILT FLING Chapter 26 April 1-3, 2016

We do still have a few spots available for the retreat if you decide to join us on April 1-3 at Five Oaks.

Your planning committee is working hard to ensure that there is a good balance of activities and sewing time which along with the catered meals makes for a great weekend away. For those who have already signed up, your booklet will be available at the meeting on February 11, 2016.

Come to the retreat desk to pick your folder up. Information on the class run by Aline Chan should be available by the meeting as well.

*Joanne Beard, Chair, Retreat Committee*



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## BHQG WORKSHOPS AT SMOKEY HOLLOW

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PARIS QUILTERS BEES have invited us to a UFO workshop at Etonia United Church

February 27 from 10 AM - 4 PM

Cost is \$5.

Bring your lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

Our next workshop will be FRIENDSHIP CHAIN with instructor Joan Doherty.

March 12 at Smokey Hollow

10 AM - 4 PM

Cost \$20

Please contact Mary Connan or Lorraine Giraldi for sign up and supply list.

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



### OUTREACH CHARITY TOTALS 2016

Check here every month to see the total progress BHQG Outreach Committee is making during 2016 by quilting gifts for various charities in our community.

Quilts	Taggy Blankets	Burp Towels	Pillowcases	Placemats	Angel Wraps	Iroquois Lodge, Ohsweken Touch Quilts
20				20		

If you want to participate by making these quilted gifts or/and would like more information please speak to Rica or send her an e-mail [1maguire1@rogers.com](mailto:1maguire1@rogers.com). For Touch Quilts, contact Judy at [sewfashionable@sympatico.ca](mailto:sewfashionable@sympatico.ca).

These are some of the January contributions.



### QUILT CANADA BUS TRIP

June 16, 2016

The bus has been booked for the trip to the International Centre in Toronto to attend Quilt Canada 2016 show. We will be leaving Brantford at 8:15 AM from the usual car pool lot and will leave Toronto at 3:00 PM for an expected Brantford return time of 4:30 PM.

The cost will be \$30 each which includes a tip for the driver. There will be storage underneath and above our very comfortable seats. There is a permission slip included in the newsletter and you can **sign up starting in January**. The bus has 39 seats.

Bus tickets will continue to be sold at the meeting for \$30. You will have to pay your entry fee upon arrival at the Centre. This centre is all on one level. Cost at the door is \$18. You can also purchase your tickets online for \$15.

*Joanne Beard*, Convenor [beards@cogeco.ca](mailto:beards@cogeco.ca)



Brant Heritage Quilters Guild

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

### CELEBRATE CANADA'S 150th ANNIVERSARY WITH 150 PLACEMATS

This new project will be for the second part of our 2015-2016 SEASON, lasting for 5 months from January to May 2016. It will involve free instructional kits and regular demos at the guild meetings, with incentive prizes as well. The project's goal is to have a collection of at least 150 Canadian placemats for Outreach to distribute in 2017.



Before that happens, this collection of Canadian placemats will be on display at the Bell Homestead in June 2017 as part of the Brantford community's historical celebrations.

In this February newsletter, please find instructions for the traditional block Log Cabin which you can download. A FEW additional copies will be available at the membership table at the guild meeting. With this information in hand, we suggest you make a placemat using the log cabin block. The demonstration at the beginning of the guild meeting on February 11th will show you how to make a Valentine's Day placemat using a variation of the log cabin design. With a little Canadian Innuksuk motif, it could be very Canadian don't you think?

Our collection of placemats should reflect something CANADIAN and may be a SPECIFIC YEAR of Canada's history. Becky McAlister assigned years to many members and shared information about Canada's history year by year. Each month, she will add more historical tidbits in the CANADIAN HISTORICAL QUILT TRIVIA section of this newsletter. Can you think of a way to use a log cabin block in your placemat design of your chosen year? Have fun! Remember each month, you will be asked to add your FINISHED PLACEMAT to the guild's collection and in return you will receive a draw slip for a chance to win the monthly prize. *Sue Baldauf and BOM Committee*

### CANADIAN HISTORICAL QUILT TRIVIA

.....with Becky

- ⇒ In 1811, John McIntosh developed the McIntosh red apple
- ⇒ In 1942 Donald Hings and Alfred Gross invented the Walkie Talkie. Gross also invented the pager in 1949
- ⇒ In 1940, the paint roller was invented by Norman Breakey
- ⇒ The Ganong Candy factory was founded by James and Gilbert Ganong in 1873
- ⇒ In 1931 Pablum was created by pediatricians at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto

For the Canada 2017 placemats we are asking participants to give us their information about the placemat they have created and we will take that information and make labels for them. *Please let us know:*

Your Name	
The year being recognised	
Your inspiration for the placemat	
Date and place when it was completed	

### LIBRARY NEWS

Your library team has 2 NEW BOOKS this month:

- ⇒ The Complete Photo Guide to Art Quilting - all you need to know to Design & Create unique art quilts
- ⇒ Skinny Quilts & Table Runners 2
- ⇒ There are also a couple of magazines.



If you wish to reserve either of these books or magazines, drop us an email.

**LIBRARY BUCKS:** You get \$1 for coming into the library, \$10 for doing a book review and emailing it to Aline & \$20 if you bring in a completed project from the book you borrowed. The auction takes place in **JUNE**. **REMINDER:** Please return your library books on time so others can enjoy borrowing them. **AMNESTY:** Starting in January, for books outstanding / borrowed up till December 2015, you will get bonus library bucks for returning them — \$5 Bonus Buck per item.

## ROSE MARIE'S 2016 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

The Guild has inspired me to add a New Year's resolution to my usual "exercise more, practice music more, get better organized" mantra. I want to join the ladies with fists full of "library bucks" who last year cleaned up on the bags of fabulous fabrics and quilting supplies at the annual auction! I'm starting late, but here is my plan:



**First**, I'll go into the library. Bingo! I will have one library buck to add to my pitifully small collection!

**Inspired** by the amnesty for over-due books, I will return the three library books which have been collecting dust on my shelf. (I am hopelessly behind in my reading, but have been loath to bring them back - hoping that some magical "time warp" will give me an opportunity to create beautiful quilts from each of them.) This could earn me 15 bucks.

**The library** rules say I can earn 20 bucks for completing a project from each book; nowhere do I see a requirement re the *size* of such a project. I figure I have time to make a small item (a pin cushion? a placemat?) from each, earning myself an additional 60 bucks! And finally,

**I will** write a brief review to earn an additional 30 library bucks. I can already see myself bidding for sewing supplies and fat quarters in June!

### NINE BY NINE - 9-PATCH Quilts, 9 WAYS - Cyndi Hershey

This book is great for a novice quilter like myself. The first chapters deal with basics such as fabric selection and construction technique. Subsequent chapters offer a variety of quilt patterns based on the 9-patch design, together with detailed instructions. I used the 9-patch method for a pin cushion, but the Sudoku Sampler is definitely on my bucket list of quilting goals!

### SKINNY QUILTS & table runners II - edited by Eleanor Levie

Distinctly different designs are offered in this book, featuring the work of 15 celebrated quilters. Designs range from patchwork in the traditional "Rhubarb Crisp" or geometric "Rungs", attainable by less experienced quilters, to one-of-a-kind art work of "Cut Flowers" or "Waking Up, down the shore". (I will leave these ones to the "pros".) Easy to follow instructions and detailed illustrations are included for each design.

### UNDERGROUND RAILROAD SAMPLER - Eleanor Burns & Sue Bouchard

Historians in the readership will know that as many as 100,000 people escaped slavery between the American Revolution and the Civil War via the Underground Railroad, many arriving to safety in Canada. Blocks in this sampler quilt represent signals used along the route, and the author includes a brief explanation of each, together with a suggested skill level and detailed instructions. Quilts made from single designs are illustrated as well as samplers in various sizes. I'm a big fan of the sampler style of quilt - I will either be borrowing this book again or purchasing a copy myself when I'm ready to start another major project.

Submitted by *Rose Marie Robinson*



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Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**WHY PEOPLE JOIN QUILT GUILDS**

Quilting guilds are packed with people who are cut from the same cloth, sharing the same passion for fabric, sewing, colour, and beauty. You will likely discover an array of aesthetics and skill levels among the group — not to mention a veritable patchwork quilt of personalities! — and it's all part of the fun. The common thread lies in the eagerness to share stories about quilting. And we promise, this gang *will* understand all the hard work you put into a project!

## BHQG BLOCK OF THE MONTH - - LOG CABIN FEBRUARY 2016

This month's block is the traditional log cabin. It is an easy pattern with lots of versatility in design. Traditionally, it is made in lights and darks, representing the sunny side and the shady side of the house with a red square in the middle for the hearth.



In these instructions, the block is done in blues for the dark side, yellows for the light side and red in the middle. The pattern uses fabric strips of 2 in wide.

### Fabric Requirements

You will need fabric strips in a variety of darks and lights. This is a good way to use up your stash. If you like, use only 2 colours like these instructions. Darks and lights. Colour A or darks ( blues) total about 60 inches of 2 in. strips. Colour B or lights (yellows) total about 45 inches of 2 in. strips. The middle square of red is 2 in. x 2 in. If you are using short scrappy strips, there may be more waste.

**You have been provided with a red strip of fabric.** Cut your red square and save the leftover to use whenever you wish in another month. The idea is to make both sides of the house in contrast to each other.

### Cutting

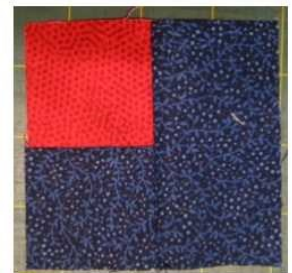
As you cut strips arrange them as in photo

Red - 2 in. square	Yellow - 8 in.
Blue - 2 in. square	Blue - 8 in.
Blue - 3.5 in.	Blue - 9.5 in.
Yellow - 3.5 in.	Yellow - 9.5 in.
Yellow - 5 in.	Yellow - 11 in.
Blue - 5 in.	Blue - 11 in.
Blue - 6.5 in.	Blue - 12.5 in.
Yellow - 6.5 in.	



**Instructions** - *Use 1/4 in. seam allowance. The 1/4 in. specialty quilting foot is strongly recommended.*

1. Sew red and blue square right sides together. Press seam away from the center.
2. Sew 3.5 in. Blue along the long side of the rectangle. Always use pins at each end of the strip.



3. Refer to all the following photos and see how the log cabin is assembled.

The strips are added in a rotating manner adding the longer strips.



4. Refer to photo on left. First sew the 3.5 in. strip of Yellow.  
5. Then add the 5 in. strip of Yellow.



6. Continue adding in a rotating manner. Sew the 5 in. strip of Blue.  
7. Next sew 6.5 in. strip of Blue.  
8. Trim the unit to make 6.5in square.



9. Continue adding in a rotating manner. Sew the 6.5 in. strip of Yellow and then sew the 8 in. strip of Yellow.  
10. Next sew the 8 in. strip of Blue and then sew the 9.5 in. strip of Blue.



11. Continue adding in a rotating manner. Sew the 9.5 in. strip of Yellow and then sew the 11 in. strip of Yellow.  
12. Next sew the 11 in. strip of Blue and then sew the 12.5 in. strip of Blue.

13. Finally, trim the block to make a 12.5 in square.