

Spool Talk



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September 2023

TRENT VALLEY QUILTER'S GUILD

Meetings are normally held on the third Wednesday of the month September through June at Brighton Community Centre, Brighton, Ontario. The doors open at 1:00 p.m. and we meet from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. You may also join the meetings via Zoom. A link to the meeting is emailed to all members each month.

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**President's Message****Sarah Roberts**

My-oh-my, where did the last two months go?? Summer has flown by, and we are planning a Guild year of exciting programs, workshops, UFO's and retreats.

I don't know about you, but all my resolutions to get work done in my sewing room this summer just haven't happened. After the quilt show, many of us took the time to relax, entertain friends and family, go places and do things that had been put on the back burner. But I am ready now! Although it is steamy hot as I write this, cooler temperatures are coming, and that sewing room is beckoning.

We have quite a few new members since we have been able to having meetings in person again, and I look forward to being able to match names on a list with faces in the room. Our September program aims to help with that, with some fun mixers to help us get to know each other.

There are some new faces on our Executive Committee and Committee Convenors group, and new members bring so many wonderful new ideas. Change is always good to keep our Guild a fun, inspiring place to be. As well, look for a Suggestion Box at the sign-in table as you come into the meeting, and if you have an idea for a program or workshop, drop a note in the box!

I am looking forward to my tenure as President of the Guild and to seeing all your smiling faces again.

See you on September 20!

Vice-President's Message**Joan Cohrs**

No Report

Nominations/Past President**Rita Downhill**

No Report

Treasurer**Diane Cichon**

No Report



Maple Leaves Quilt

Membership

Joan Cohrs & Louise Swallow

Welcome back to everyone and a special welcome to all our new members. We are so pleased that you have chosen to join us.

Membership fees (\$40) are now due and can be paid by cash, cheque or e-transfer to treasurer@trentvalleyquiltersguild.com. Membership forms are available on the website and I will have some copies at the meeting.

Louise will be placing an order for name tags after the October meeting. If you would like one, please see Louise (\$6).

See you on the 20th!

Quilt Show 2026

Program

Marie Newman & Lesley Poper

Another quilting year is starting. Marie Newman and Leslie Poper are the Program Committee members for the next year.

Some of you who are new to the guild might have a few questions about what we do exactly. Basically we are planning the program for each meeting. Some meetings will be trunk shows, guest speakers or fun activities for Christmas or other times of the year.

Make sure you convey any requests to Marie or Lesley. Your membership sign up sheet allows you to make your requests on the forms. Even if it is someone you follow on the internet. Zoom presentation are an option especially in the winter because of the weather.

September 20, 2023 Program is a Guild information session and a chance to get to know other members.

Marie Newman

Workshop

Debbie Searle

Workshop committee has a fun lineup of full day workshops that will include some extra treats and surprises. So quilters lets dust off those sewing machines after a long summer's rest and look for us at the September Guild Meeting and sign up.

October 27 we are pleased to have one of our own members, Yvette Chilcott instructing "Beginning Quilt Making" for beginners and those wanting a little refresher while constructing a 42"x54" quilt top.

November 24 we are also pleased to announce "Free motion Quilting" with domestic machine by International Award Winning Quilter, Kathy W. Wylie.

Space is limited to 20 per class, workshop details including cost and supply lists will be provided at sign up. See you all on 20 Sep!

Debbie Searle, Judy Elliot, Kathy Filson, Janet Parker and Dianne Zevenbergen
Workshop Committee

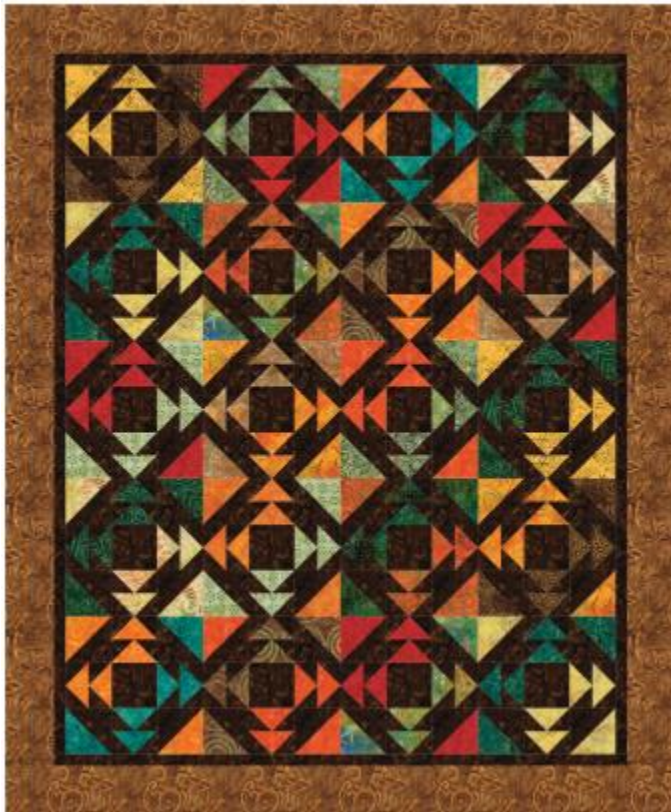
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Comfort Quilt

Cathy Herrington & Janet Spittle

With summer over, Comfort Quilts are back to our twice monthly meetings....where we have sew much fun sewing, layering quilts and catching up with each other. Our meetings are held at the: **Brighton Community Centre - 1st Wednesday of the month from 9 to 3** **Frankford United Church - 3rd Thursday of the month from 9 to 3** For all our new (and old) members...we would love to have you join us. A requirement to being a guild member is to participate in the making of a Comfort Quilt....whether it be making the quilt top (50" x 60" or smaller)...or you can help out by sewing backings together, sewing binding and hearts on, layering the quilts or pressing fabric. If you have any questions, feel free to call/email me.



Arrow Quilt

Website

Anne Pennington

Hello everyone, I'm the new webmaster, taking over from Sue Davies – who did a fabulous job of it!

There is a members only area of the website, and the password to access it is the word fabric – all small letters. Do not get too attached to the password – as it will change around mid-October timeframe. We update it yearly so that it is only available to current members. Having said that, do write it down and put it in a safe place, and then replace it with the new password when it comes. In the member area you will find our blog, where you can find mug rug patterns, mystery quilt patterns, pictures and other tidbits. The other part of the member area is for History and Pics – great memories are stored here!!

Some of our pages are updated by an administrator. For updates on these pages, please be patient, as we accumulate a few updates before we forward them on to save on website costs. The calendar, workshop, history and pic, members blog page, quilt show pics pages can all be updated by me on the fly, so they should be quicker to update 😊.

Welcome to new members – if you are looking for fun things to do with the guild I suggest you get in the habit of keeping an eye on both the calendar and workshops pages! Looking forward to another fun year with everyone!

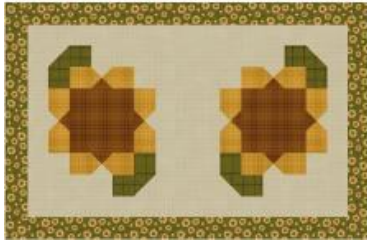
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Library**Judy Elliott**

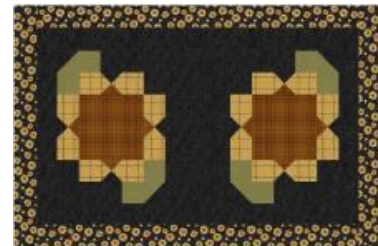
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UFO/PHD**Midge Trauzzi**

Our group began on Friday, November 25th, 2011, by me with the support of 5 quilters and now meets on the 2nd Friday of each month except December, at the Brighton Community Centre (where the guild meetings are held). The meeting time is from 9:00 - 3:30. Brown bag lunch or buy locally for the long lunch. Lug a mug. Often treats. Tea and coffee provided. You do your own dishes! Fee for the day is \$6.00. You have your own table and work on your own project (s) - unfinished objects or project half done or starting something new. There is a show and share throughout the day and always someone to help when you have run into a concern. It is an enjoyable day quilting either by machine or hand sewing, and to get to know members of the guild and also non guild members. Signing up is required. It is fully supported in the constitution by Trent Valley Guild but NOT financially. We have space for 36 quilters now up from the original 24 as we use the full hall. The room is set up so that we are very safe. Any questions please give me a call or send me an e-mail.



[Wooly Sunflower Table Runner](#)

**Christmas Placemats****Janet Kivisto**

The Christmas Placemat campaign is now officially on! 🍷 🎄

This is the time of year that our Guild prepares placemats to be used by meals on wheels/ Community Care for their annual Christmas dinners in our catchment area (Brighton, Colborne, Trenton, Sterling, Frankford).

Quite a bit of Christmas fabric has been donated for this project and it will be available for you to pick up from our table at the back of the room at the next three guild meetings.

See you at the Christmas table!

Sunshine**Linda Cowburn**

No Report

Social**June Armstrong & Tina May**

No Report



[How To Free Motion A Spider Web](#)

Retreat 2023	Pat Brinklow & team
Retreat 2024	Debbie Dupuis

Welcome back! Another summer is almost history with fall just around the corner!

It's hard to believe that the annual TVQG Retreat is less than a month away. As most of you may already know, Retreat is being held at Glen House Resort on October 3 - 5th.

Retreat Committee members, Elaine Combdon, Cheryl Lafferty, Sarah Roberts, Alice Rozon, and I finalized plans for retreat.

Our goal was to have 30 quilters. As of September 10th, we are at 29. As with any event, there may be last minute cancellations. If you would like to fill this vacant spot or be added to a waiting list for any further cancellations, please contact any of the committee members.

Our on-site vendor will be Paige Dickey owner of Taylor's Sewing Quilt Store in Brockville. Paige will be on site for most of the day Wednesday.

Members who registered for Retreat can expect to receive several emails in the next two weeks that will cover what to bring, what will be provided, when to arrive, etc.

This year's committee is looking forward to a fun filled retreat experience for all in attendance!

Wishing Debbie Dupuis, Retreat Convenor, and her committee well for the upcoming 2024-2025 Retreat planning.



Square Dance

Mini Retreat

Midge Trauzzi

Mini retreat is held twice a year in mid-May and mid to late October. It was begun in March of 2010 by Alison Cirinna with a committee of 6 people. Sadly, Alison passed away in February of this year. She is greatly missed.

It was created to share the love of quilting with quilters who often did not go to the wonderful big retreat that the guild holds in October, but we have quilters who often go to both. It is now a committee of 7 people of which I am currently the contact person. It is a full day on Thursday 9:00 - 7:30 and on Friday from 9:00 - 3:30. A catered dinner is usually included. Price varies between \$40.00 to \$70.00. Sewing machines are left up on the Thursday evening and the room is secured. Lug a mug. Tea & coffee provided. Great goodies to eat. Show and share, RAFFLE tickets are sold and you could win fabulous gifts. \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. We have games and surprises and the mini market for sewing related items. throughout the 2 days. As well we have a vender who brings wonderful fabrics and deals and often has threads, needles, batting you may need. We have space for 36 quilters. The mini retreat is fully supported in the constitution by Trent Valley Guild but NOT financially. Committee members are Pat LeBlanc, Cheryl Lafferty, Linda Thayer, June Armstrong, Marilyn Magee, Elaine Combdon and Midge Trauzzi



[Fall Mug Rugs](#)



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