



## CAMPBELL RIVER FRIENDSHIP QUILTER'S GUILD

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### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Spring! I hope I am not being too optimistic. My crocuses and azaleas are in full bloom right now and are very beautiful, so it must be spring.

We have been a very busy Guild in this New Year, with the spring retreat, which was great fun. I encourage anyone who has not attended a retreat to try it out. We have beautiful accommodations and it's always amazing to me just how much quilting I get done - way more than if I had tried to do it at home. With a beginner class that was very successful, upcoming classes that I am sure will prove to be interesting. And a Mystery Quilt weekend in April.

I'd like to thank the quilters, who look after the library, who collect and distribute our Community Projects, who set up our workshops, who keep track of what our Guild is doing, who greet new members and visitors, and who keep our retreats working so amazingly well and all those who generally make our Guild run

smoothly. You all do an awesome job! Some of these ladies will be stepping down this year so don't be surprised if you are asked to help out in one these capacities. We have a wonderful Guild and it is because so many of you volunteer your time and effort to make it so.

Don't forget to come to the Book and Magazine Exchange at our March B Nite, March 26th. There will be many treasures to be had. Also Tips and Tools at the April B Nite - Patti is going to show us all her gadgets - should be very interesting!

Happy Quilting!

JoAnne

### CAMPBELL RIVER ARTS

**COUNCIL** has given our Guild a \$350 grant to go towards a workshop. It will be held in the Spring of 2009. Nancy and Carol will be looking for ideas so if you have a favourite teacher in mind please do share with them.

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**Hope everyone** is able to check out our website. Our web mistress Donna, has updated the website - new pictures under Show and Tell, updated Vocabulary, Block of the Month. Check it out - don't forget to Reload the page - View and then Reload. Here is the address:

<http://www.crfriendshipquiltguild.com/index.html>

Thank you Donna for all that you do for our Guild.

We received a letter from the **Kootenay Guild** who has not only applauded our sponsorship of a traditional quilt category for the CQA 2009 exhibit, they too have stipulated that they want their monies used to sponsor this category as well. Just as all quilts start with one small patch!

**Other news:** Check out the Canadian Quilters spring 2008 magazine and read an article written by our own Barb Round called **Posies, Passions and Pathways**. Enjoy the quilts and flowers of the Quadra Island Quilt and Garden Tour 2007. Proceeds from the tour go in part to fund a Quilters Marathon producing comfort quilts for children undergoing cancer treatments.

**HANDS ACROSS THE WATER, HAW**, will be held in Powell River October 25<sup>th</sup>. Judy Farrow will be the guest speaker. Geri is our liaison person and has informed us that there will be billeting available for those who find the travel a bit cumbersome to do all in one day.

<p><i>It's time for a spring cleaning!</i>                  Bring in your sewing machine for a service or repair and save</p>	<p><u>CLIP &amp; SAVE</u>                  Purchase anything at regular price between March 1 &amp; May 31 and get <b>DOUBLE YOUR KEY TAG PUNCH!</b></p>
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### To all new members and newcomers:

**A Nite** - Business meeting is held 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month from September to May - start time 7 p.m.

**B Nite** - Social nights are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month from September to May - start time 7 p.m.

**Xmas Party** - is held in place of the December A Nite meeting. There is no B Nite in December.

**June Wind Up Party** - is held in place of the June A Nite meeting. There is no B Nite in June.

### Membership Dues are:

\$35 - September to June

\$20 - January to June

\$10 - Honorary Membership - for those who live out of town and cannot make it to the meetings.

This entitles them to the newsletter, attendance at Workshops and Retreats and Hands Across the Water events.

Membership entitles you to the newsletter 5x/year, borrowing rights to the library, to receive notices about Guild happenings, retreats, workshops, participation in Quilt Shows, participation in

Hands Across the Water events and all other Guild events.

Membership Dues are payable by the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting in attendance - either A Nite or B Nite attendance.

### UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS:

Victoria Quilters are hosting "**Quilt Fever 2008**" May 2-4<sup>th</sup> being held at the Saanich fairgrounds, 1528 Stelly's Crossroad, Saanichton. Friday and Saturday 10am to 6pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm. Admission is \$5. Contact

[www.victoriaquiltersguild.org](http://www.victoriaquiltersguild.org)

The Abbotsford Quilters Guild is hosting "**Quilts in the Valley**" May 30 and 31. Admission is \$5, free parking at the Tradex Centre at the Abbotsford Airport, Abbotsford. Friday 10am to 7pm and Saturday 10am to 5 pm. For information you can go to

[www.abbotsfordquilters.org](http://www.abbotsfordquilters.org)

Association of Pacific Northwest Quilters host their biennial show, "**Quiltfest**" highlighting quilts from BC, Alberta, Yukon and Northwest Territories as well as from Alaska, Idaho, Montana and Washington.

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It will be held at the Washington State Convention and Trade Center in downtown Seattle. For more information about the Quiltfest or workshops contact 425-558-1983 or [info@apnq.org](mailto:info@apnq.org)

To find other quilting events across Canada and the USA, go to [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com)



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### RETREATS:

**A Mystery quilt retreat** will be taking place on April 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> at the Oyster Bay Resort with Carol Seeley. Ladies, remember to bring some additional lighting for sewing as the lighting isn't the best. An extra blanket may come in handy as it is still a little on the chilly side if you are staying in the chalets.

**\*\*\* If you are looking for a new home** for your outdated corelle wear dishes and all that mismatched cutlery that seems to find its way into our drawers the retreat committee has the perfect place for it!

**Other upcoming retreats** are scheduled for November 14-16<sup>th</sup> /08 and a Spring Retreat in March of 2009. If you haven't been to a retreat, you really need to participate in one. Not only do you get some quilting accomplished but you get the opportunity to meet and visit with your fellow guild members. An awesome way to **make your guild more than a meeting!** Lots of laughter and lots of fun is inevitable! For further information or participation contact Melissa or Coleen.

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**At our last A MEETING** held in March, JoAnne presented a slide show from the CQA exhibit held in Kamloops last May. There was no commentary to accompany the presentation but the oohs and ahhs and wows made by the attentive audience as quilts were paraded before our eyes demonstrated one was not needed. What a great idea to bring the show to us! Can only imagine how impressive it was to see it up close and personal!

Next month's **BLOCK OF THE MONTH** is Arkinsas Crossroads done in spring colours with a white background. The lotto square will be any 10" yellow fabric.

**B night** this March will be a **BOOK EXCHANGE** ... so bring any books or magazines you'd like to trade for something fresh and new to you!

Lois B. gave us an update on the **COMMUNITY PROJECTS blitz**. 25 baby quilts were made for the hospital and Salvation Army as well as 4 adult and 3 children's quilts were made for the RCMP. A collectively fantastic job ladies!

**ELECTIONS** are coming up ... I know I don't just speak for myself so I will say ... **WE** want to thank each and every one of you ladies who have or will be taking on a role in our Guild Executive or as a committee head, making our Guild a vital and fun organization. A proverbial bouquet of roses or fat quarters is in order! Our Guild is ever grateful. I think there should be a position for a workshop angel(s) ... Lois are you interested in leading a training workshop?

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**The beginner quilting class** and informal come and quilt for the day at the **Masonic Hall** were not only fun but productive. Cost wise and room wise this was a perfect venue so we will try and have more of these **casual "day" retreats** here if there is enough interest.

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### EDITOR'S NOTE:

I just want to thank my fellow Guild members for being so patient and supportive when it comes to our newsletter. It has been a learning experience and with each newsletter, I am less clumsy with the "formatting" and able to work a little more with the content! I encourage all of you to email me with newsy stuff, quilting tips, recipes or anything you'd like to see in the

newsletter. Just email me directly or at [addicted2quilting@hotmail.com](mailto:addicted2quilting@hotmail.com)

### PS

I am looking for someone to help me with contacting advertisers ... they just need a reminder and as I forget about it until I'm ready to start the newsletter ... it's like oops and doh! So pretty please ... someone ... smiles, wink wink!! I was calling advertisers at the last minute for this newsletter and to each of them I must say thank you, thank you!

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**HOT** off the presses or should I say out of the oven, Elaine has agreed to give out her "secret recipe" for:

### **PUMPKIN BARS with CREAM CHEESE ICING**

4 eggs  
2 cups white sugar  
1 cup vegetable oil  
1 398 ml can pumpkin (or two cups fresh pumpkin cooked and mashed)  
2 cups all purpose white flour  
1 tsp salt  
2 tsp baking soda  
1 tsp cinnamon

4 oz cream cheese (125 g)  
4 tbsp butter  
1 tsp vanilla  
2 cups icing sugar

Combine the eggs, white sugar and oil in a large bowl. Beat until lemon-coloured and thick. Blend in the pumpkin.

In another bowl, mix together the flour, salt, soda and cinnamon. Add this to the pumpkin mixture a half-cup at a time, mixing well after each addition.

Pour into a greased and floured 9" x 13" pan.

Bake at 350 F for 35 to 40 minutes or until a cake tester comes out clean. Cool.

In a small bowl, mix together the cream cheese, butter and vanilla. Add enough icing sugar to make a thick icing. Spread over the cooled cake. Cut into squares.

This recipe can be made ahead and freezes well. Serves 10.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

#### **April 2**

Executive meeting at Lois K's home

#### **April 4-6**

Mystery Quilt Retreat, Oyster River Resort

#### **April 9**

A Nite Business Meeting - 7pm - Community Hall

#### **April 18**

Guild Lunch - Moxies, 1360 Island Highway

#### **April 23**

B Nite Social - 7pm - Community Hall

#### **April 26**

Sybil Andrews Day

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### **May 7**

Executive Meeting - Lois Kelly's home

### **May 14**

A Nite Business Meeting - 7pm - Community Hall - **ELECTIONS**

### **May 23**

Guild Lunch - San Marcos

### **May 28**

B Nite Social - 7pm - Community Hall

### **May 31**

Sybil Andrews Day

### **June 11**

Wind Up Party - 6 p.m. - Community Hall, Lounge - Corinne Zerr

### **July**

Christmas in July - Coleen Vowels home

### **August**

Fabric Dying

### **Magnifying Glass**

Use a magnifying glass in reverse to view your quilt design. (A "door peep" - that little peekaboo thingy in your hotel door does the same trick). Lay out your blocks, arrange your colors, and then stand back and view the whole design.

### **Pipe Cleaners**

Use a pipe cleaner to clean your sewing machine. You can remove lint and dust from those hard to reach places. Don't forget to remove your bobbin and throat plate and get all that lint out from beneath there too.

**Email** me some of your favourite tips so I can enlighten the rest of us ☺ Quilt on!! Leslie

**A few MORE TIPS from the masters:**