

CAMPBELL RIVER FRIENDSHIP QUILTER'S GUILD

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Crfriendshipquiltguild.com Jan - Feb 2008



Happy New Year to all of you and here's hoping that 2008 is full of quilting magic! I wonder how many of us made a new year's resolution involving a quilt or quilts! I know I did ☺ So many quilting ideas, not enough lifetimes! Let's hope we don't end up in SELE ... stash exceeds life expectancy. Hehe

I want to start off the newsletter with a thank you to all our sponsors for their support and donations for our Hands Across the Water event, helping to make it a great success:

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the "Guild Members"

Thank you thank you!!

*Here's some exciting news and it was our own guild that was the driving force in its implementation: the **Canadian Quilting Association** will be including a "traditional quilt" category in its 2009 juried show. Our guild donated \$250 for prize monies with the stipulation that it be awarded to a traditional quilt and the CQA has honored our request. So let's make sure lots of traditional quilts are entered so that we can be sure to see this category included in future events.*

*Speaking of quilt shows ...it has been suggested that we host our show in **2010**. Debbie and Geri are our Quilt Show Committee leaders. They would like us to give some thought to our upcoming show so that at our next A meeting in February we will be able to have a discussion and set a date for this fabulous event.*

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Community Projects committee has been busy organizing several events. Twenty-nine placemats were made by guild members and donated to **Meals on Wheels** who are so thrilled that we continue with this project every year because the recipients of the place mats are so happy to receive them.

Our annual **quilting blitz** was held last Saturday (Jan 19) at the Yuculta Lodge making comfort quilts for the RCMP patrol cars and baby quilts for the Campbell River Hospital and the Salvation Army. Many thanks to all of you who were able to help out with this project.

Volunteers are still needed to help out with the residents of **Yuculta Lodge** making friendship quilts. Please talk to Shirley if you can help out.

There will be a **beginner workshop** on the 16th of February at the Masonic Hall. Anyone who would like to use this time as a "**mini retreat**", you are more than welcome to come. The cost is \$10 for attendance at either the workshop (placemats) or to work on your own projects. Please contact **Rita or Nancy** if you are interested. For other upcoming retreats, dates and availability, these ladies are the ones to talk to.

Make sure you register your **UFOs** with Fran (projects started at least a year ago and have not been worked on in the last 6 months). This might be the motivation you need to turn some blocks or a floppy into a quilt. Remember there's no charge to enter a UFO but

there will be a \$1 charged for each one that isn't completed on time ☺. The monies collected are used to purchase some wonderful prizes for those who do complete their UFO(s)☺.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SHOWS

Abbotsford Quilters Guild is hosting their "**Quilts in the Valley**" quilt show Friday (10am-7pm) and Saturday (10am-5pm), May 30-31 in the Tradex Centre at the Abbotsford Airport. The cost is \$5 and parking is free.



Our new web site is up and running check out the new...

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Website: www.stitchesquiltshop.com

Email: stitchesquiltshop@saltspring.com

Prince Edward Island tourism is celebrating 100 years of Anne of Green Gables. A textiles showcase titled **Kindred Spaces** will be running from September 12, 2008 to October 12, 2008. The showcase is taking place at the Shops of Confederation and will be open to artisans from across Canada. Prizes will be awarded for the top three entries in each category (Kindred Spaces and 100 years of Anne). For more information feel free to contact me

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(Leslie Schulte). *Deadline for entry submissions is June 21st.*

Quiltfest 2008 is inviting residents of Alaska, Alberta, British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, Northwest Territories, Oregon, Washington and the Yukon to enter quilts and wearables in the juried and judged **2008 Pacific Northwest Quiltfest** to be presented by the Association of Pacific Northwest Quilters at the Washington State convention and Trade Centre, Seattle WA on **August 8, 9, & 10, 2008**. Information and entry forms are available at www.apnq.org.

Courtenay Schoolhouse Quilters' Guild has organized a bus trip to this Quiltfest 2008 event. Presently it is full but if you would like to have your name added to the wait list in the event room becomes available, please feel free to contact Joan Fentiman at thefents@shaw.ca The cost is \$102 Canadian which covers the bus and ferries. Also required is \$145 US which covers 2 nights motel, double occupancy, plus the share of costs for driver's accommodation for 2 nights and quilt show fee.

The Tradex Sewing & Craft Show in Victoria will be taking place April 4-5. It is a sewing and crafting Extravaganza to shop till you drop or take in some of the more than 80 fabulous seminars, stage shows and hands-on classes. For further information or registration you may contact:
Lorraine Caillet at 1-888-245-6777

A quilting tip: to remove fuzzies from your cutting mat, try using a "swifter" dusting cloth. Using a little elbow grease ☺, scrub the mat with the cloth and your mat should look like new.

Presenting Something New..

WACKY WEDNESDAYS

SAVE! SAVE!

Jan. 16, Feb. 20,
Mar. 19, Apr. 16...
Seeing is Beleving.
You just gotta check this out!



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Block of the month for February can be found at the following website <http://www.quilterscache.com/A/AuntDinahBlock.html> and the 10" square is red.

Don't forget "**Sybil Andrews**" day, the last Saturday of the month to bring your sewing machine and catch up on some quilting projects. The total cost is \$20 and is split amongst the ladies (up to 8). Come and bring your lunch and quilt for the whole day, away from home and interruptions. For more info talk to Maryanne.

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Calendar of events

February 2008

1-3rd Retreat at Oyster River

6th Executive Meeting at Lois Kelly's home

13th A Night Business meeting with special guest from Huckleberry's (gadgets)

22nd Guild Lunch at Boston Pizza, 1309 Island Hwy

23rd Sybil Andrews Day

27th B Night Social

March 2008

5th Executive Meeting at Lois Kelly's home

8th Workshop with Pippa Moore, Masonic Hall 10am

12th A Night Business meeting, CQA 2007 slideshow

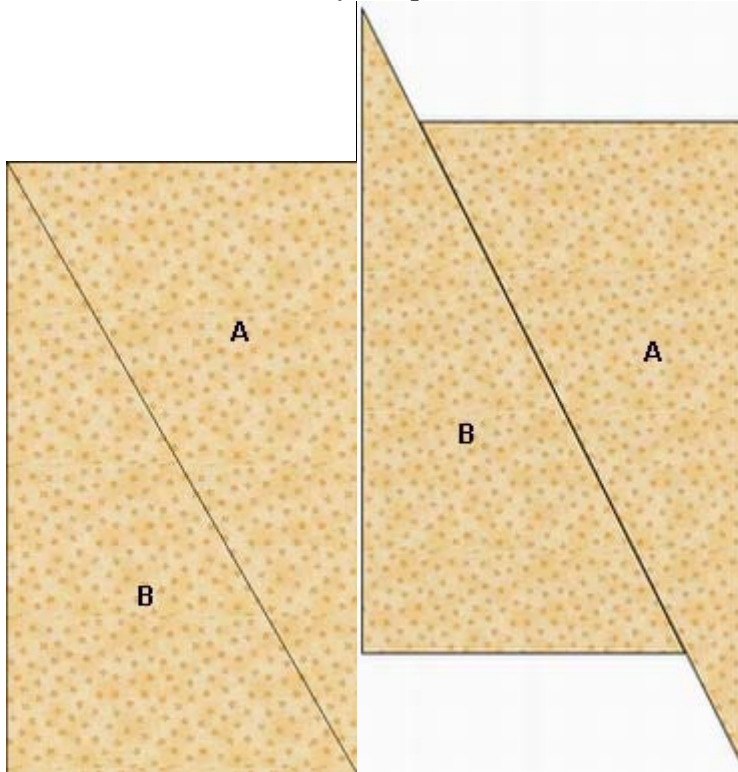
21st Guild Lunch at the Lookout Grill, 921 Island Hwy

26th B Night Social

29th Sybil Andrews Day

Another quilting tip ... ever heard of diagonally piecing your backing?

This technique can be used when the fabric you want to use for the back is only a little narrower than the width of the quilt. Here's how it works:



By sliding the fabric down on the diagonal, you gain more in the width, how cool is that!

If you want to learn more about diagonal piecing go to

http://www.horizonquiltpatterns.com/diagonal_backing