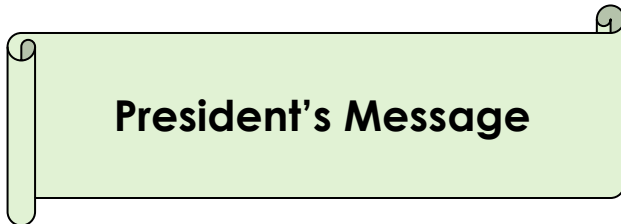




# BAQG News

November 2024



I would like to start off by saying thank you to all the members for giving me the honour of being the Guild President for the next two years. I will have big shoes to fill following Georgie and every other person who has held the role. For those of you who don't know me I thought I might give you some background about who I am, where I'm from and my history with quilting.

I am the oldest of four girls whose family is originally from Maynooth and Bancroft, but I've lived in and around Peterborough since 1971. I graduated from nursing as an RN in 1984 and started my career at St. Joseph's Hospital. When the Emergency Department closed there, I moved over to Civic emergency and worked in many roles from front line nurse to a Director of Emergency until my retirement in 2020.

I have been happily married to Keith since 1994. I am the mother of Travis and Morgan and the grandmother to Charlotte, Keith, George and Owen. We live in Buckhorn on a 100-acre farm where we raise beef cattle, have some laying hens and a plethora of cats. (Anyone who comes to visit gets a free cat then they leave.)

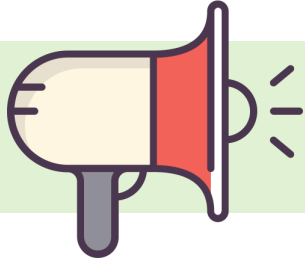
I have always been a sewer. I started as most women of my age group did in home economics class and went from there. I made a lot of my own clothing for years and, when the kids were small I made all of their clothes. When we moved to the farm in 2004 there wasn't really a dedicated sewing space and work was taking a lot of my time, so I didn't sew for many years. I had decided that when I retired, I would learn to quilt.

Fast forward to 2019. My son had moved out, so I now had a space that I could make a sewing area! Hooray! I retired in January of 2020 with visions of travel, sewing and new adventures. Then COVID happened. I put my name on the BAQG waiting list. With no openings and no one to teach me I turned to the internet. My first quilt was sew-a-long, supposedly for beginners. It was called 100 blocks in 100 days. It wasn't until I had more experience that I realized it wasn't really a beginner quilt but it taught me a lot about the basics of quilting.

Then I got a long-awaited call from Grace that I was able to join the Guild if I still wanted to. Boy did I! I love being a part of the BAQG. It is so rewarding to be in a room where everyone there speaks your language and loves the same thing you do. I will try to do a good job as your President. But the guild is so much more than a leader. We are only as strong as our members. From what I've observed, we are an amazing strong and active guild. Here's to many wonderful adventures and years sewing together.

***Sincerely, Colleen***





# Guild Info and Updates

## BAQG Executive

President: Colleen A  
 Vice President: Sheila S.  
 Past President: Georgan M  
 Treasurer: Laurie P  
 Secretary: Gretchen K

## Standing Committee Members

Program: Laura S, Maureen P, Sue S, Anne C  
 Membership: Lucie R, Pam H  
 Social/Kitchen: Irene K, Yettie I  
 Library: Ann B, Cheryl W  
 Nominating: Georgan M

## Other Committees and Contacts

Quilt Show: Sue T  
 Raffle Quilt: n/a  
 Comfort Quilts: Loren M  
 Children's Program: Yettie I, Pat C  
 Christmas Placemats: Elsie S, Martha V  
 Photographer: TBD  
 Website: Peggy P  
 Retreat/Sew Days: Laurie P, Kathy McA  
 Newsletter Editor: Sue K

## Sew Days and Retreats



The remaining **Sew Days** for 2024 are scheduled for Tuesday, November 12 and Tuesday, December 10 at Lakehurst Hall. Cost is \$5 per day.

New location and dates for the **March Retreat**: Elim Lodge Christian Retreat & Conference Centre; March 4th to 7th. An email with more info will go out soon. Sign up will begin at the Christmas meeting/luncheon in November.

## The next Guild meeting and Christmas Potluck will be held on November 27th at Lakehurst Hall

The presenter will be our very own Sheila Shauf who will share stories about her quilting journey as well as having product from her shop for sale.

*Remember to bring your own plate, cutlery and cup. Food will be provided by members whose last name begins with A—L.*

## Quilt Camp 2024

This year's Quilt Camp was another resounding success! The children, aged 10-16, were introduced to the fundamentals of quilting. Each child made a 10 block sampler quilt from traditional blocks while learning the names and historical background of each block. Every one of this year's students was able to make the blocks, piece the top together, sandwich the quilt, machine quilt and machine bind their quilt.

The students were taught the importance of making and attaching a label to the back of their quilt.

Each student went home with a booklet that included all the block patterns as well as other tips and information about quilting.

This could not have been accomplished without the help of our volunteers: Sue T, Martha W, Kathy M, Laurie P and Jaime W, a returning camper about to start on her post secondary education.

A big thanks to the organizers Yettie I and Pat C!

The quilts will be on display at our Quilting at the Lakes quilt show in September 2025.



Thumbs up to Linda S.



In June, Linda S and Pat H attended Quilt Canada in Edmonton to see Linda's fabulous Salish quilt which was on display in the CQA Rosette 2023 winners area. Linda's quilt received many compliments from show attendees.

**Congratulations Linda!**



## Library News from Ann B

It's fun starting a new year in the library as we have a whole new budget to work with. Cheryl W has joined me and I think we make a great team.

We are continuing to have books for sale at the weekly sew days on Wednesdays, as well as at the monthly meetings. All money goes back into the library for new books.

Speaking of new books, we have had some requests and have branched out a little into more handwork as that's what we're all doing on Wednesdays. Embroidery, cross-stitch and Sashiko are becoming more and more popular. **Carol Doak's "Show Me How to Paper Piece"** is one of the new books. It makes it look so easy!

Books aren't the only items in our library. We have a list of specialty rulers that members are willing to lend out (and are always on the lookout for more) and a library of quilting stencils (as well as several quilting template books). These are in a big fabric folder behind the wall in the Church as they don't fit on the library shelves.

Don't forget that we also have a GO Accuquilt Cutter. It has an 8" block mix and match, and also a 2 1/2" strip cutter. There are also templates for a pick-up truck and a camper. This is available to borrow from Gloria Curry, who originally purchased it all.

**All the sign out sheets and lists are in the front of the blue library sign out book.**

**We would also like to remind you to return books within a month unless you are actively using them in order to give other members a chance to look at them.**

### Here are the new books so far this year.

#### **37 CELTIC QUILTS: A New look for Ancient Designs, Beth Ann Williams**

Exquisite interlacing Celtic Patterns in timesaving techniques (fusible web, machine appliqué with invisible stitches). Tips on making stained-glass-style Celtic quilts with readymade 1/4" usable bias strips. There are projects included in the book.



#### **38 CELTIC PIECED ILLUSIONS, Karen Combs**

Mystical Celtic designs created with only two simple blocks, building grids and options, color temperature/value/transparency/texture/inspiration, templates, with patterns

#### **39 APPLIQUÉ MADE EASY, Karen Costello Soltys**

A very clear how-to with great diagrams and top tips for preparing shapes, placing and layering, unit appliqué, stitch sampler, perfect corners/ curves/points, bias stems/vines/ basket handles, stained glass appliqué, Electric Mola, spray starch and Templar appliqué, freezer paper, folk art, dimensional, reverse, cutwork, gallery

#### **40 CELTIC FANTASY: Rhapsody Quilts, Ricky Tims**

Fusible applique and machine quilting, with designs, project and full-size pattern

#### **53 SASHIKO AND BEYOND: Techniques for Quilting in the Japanese Style, Saikoh Takano**

#### **54 SASHIKO MADE SIMPLE: Japanese Quilting By Machine, Alice Allen**

#### **57 SASHIKO 365, Susan Brisco**

## On the Road

On our recent trip to Nova Scotia's South Shore, I made my yearly visit to HW WoolWorks. Heidi, the owner, hand-dyes beautiful yarns, and has a great stock of bright, fun fabrics. She specializes in Kaffe Fassett. I never leave the shop empty-handed. If you are near Mahone Bay, It's worth the stop. Subscribe to her newsletter at least—always worth reading!

[thewoolworks.com](http://thewoolworks.com)

Chris Goedhuis



### ROM Celebrates the Artistry of Quilts in Canada

On October 8th, 43 quilters made their way by bus to the "Quilts in Canada" display at the ROM in Toronto. We were treated to a guided tour of the quilts by three very knowledgeable guides. The guides shared the history and background of each quilt, including one by Alice Williams, a local quilter well-known to many of our guild members.



Look closely at this quilt. It's made of over 8,000 light and dark triangles, hand-stitched!

## Comfort Quilts

699 quilts have been collected for comfort quilts since 2015!

### **Who will give the 700th quilt to the program?**

If you know someone who could use a quilt, please let me know and we can get it to them. We can supply batting to you for comfort quilts and we also have some fabric kits at the church if you are interested.

**Loren**



## Sample Quilt Workshops

Judy Darke will be offering a series of workshops to make a sampler quilt. There will be five one day workshops altogether. The techniques will include perfect points, triangles, flying geese, paper piecing with freezer paper, machine applique, working with curves, cathedral windows, a 3D windmill block, and of course, squaring!

Two blocks will be assembled and machine quilted in each workshop. There will be a different idea to quilt each block using a walking foot, and/or free motion. You will learn nine or ten ideas for machine quilting. On the last workshop day you will learn to assemble your blocks using a quilt-as-you go method using sashing.

This workshop is suitable for everyone You may be a beginner quilter (and I will give you extra help on Wednesday mornings if you want it). Or you may be a confident quilter who wants to practice machine quilting, or learn the quilt-as-you-go method using sashing. Or you may want to take the workshops "just because"...









# Quilt Show 2024

**September 5-6, 2025 at the Buckhorn Community Centre**

## ***Latest News & Updates:***

Our October show meeting was very productive and we were able to nail down several items we had been discussing.

After input from Guild members, we have decided that food is the issue we want to support. Our profits from the show will be donated to local school breakfast and snack programmes.

Many concerns about our aging partners climbing on scaffolding to hang our quilts were expressed to the committee. After researching the system used by the Kawartha Quiltmakers' Guild, the committee has decided to rent their system. Quilts with sleeves hang beautifully and easily on this system. We are encouraging all members to place either permanent or temporary sleeves on quilts they wish to enter in the show. There will be a demonstration of how to apply a temporary sleeve at a future meeting.

**Sue T.**

## ***We have a Featured Quilter!***

Elaine Theriault has agreed to be the featured quilter for our September 2025 Quilt Show.

Elaine is a very talented lady. In her sewing box you can pull out many various cards of a pattern designer, author, magazine contributor, quilting teacher and demystifier, TV guest of several quilting programs, and an educator for Husqvarna Sewing Machines. Whew! Then there is Elaine's blog, "Crazy Quilter on A Bike".

Elaine travels for work and pleasure and this summer recently walked a section of the El Camino which is an ancient pilgrimage trail that originated in the Medieval times in Spain. Well done!

Please join us in welcoming this talented energy bound lady!

***Kathy L.***

## The Boutique Rules (yes, we do!)

Winter is coming! Time to take cover indoors, dust off those sewing machines and start working on the items you'd like to sell in the Members' Boutique. Here's a reminder of what can be sold.

- ◆ Quilted items made by Member
- ◆ Quilt related items i.e. fabric, patterns, magazines and books, barn quilts, tools, rulers, cutting mats, etc.
- ◆ Sewn items made by Member
- ◆ Knitted or crocheted items made by Member
- ◆ Cross stitched or embroidered items made by Member

### ***Of special note!***

All products must be handcrafted by the Member. Manufactured items will not be permitted in their original state or with minor changes. Beads may be used only as embellishments on quilted or embroidered items. No jewelry will be accepted.

15% of all sales in the Members' sales area will be donated to the Guild.

Chris B. and Grace H. continue to accept items for the donations area. Please feel free to bring your items to Wednesday sewing circles or to any of the monthly meetings.

Thank you to everyone for your past, present and future contributions to the Members' Boutique.

***Boutique Committee: Sue K, Carol D, Chris B, Grace H.***



## The Last Page...

### ***Thinking About 'The Stash'***

Whether big or small, growing or shrinking we all have some sort of stash. Sue T. found a fun and interesting article on line about 'The Stash'. Here's the link:

<https://annjrippin.wordpress.com/2016/11/16/>



Once again, the Buckhorn Community Centre is hosting the Festival of Trees. Local businesses sponsor a tree or a décor item to be raffled off. The draw takes place on December 11th at the BCC. Approximately 45+ businesses are expected to participate this year. There will be lots of variety of themes with the trees and décor items. Come for a visit and get into the Christmas spirit!



The kick off for the festival this year is Friday, November 22, 4-8 pm with a Christmas Market. Or come for Tea and Treats on a Monday or Wednesday from 10 am-2 pm starting November 25th. Reservations preferred but not required. Call 705-657-8833 to reserve a table. The Festival is open weekends starting November 23, 11 am-3 pm if you just want to come and browse and/or purchase tickets for a chance to win your favourite tree or décor item.

For more info, please visit the website at <https://www.buckhorncommunitycentre.com/wp-content/>



*Thanks to everyone who provided submissions for this newsletter!*

**The submission deadline for the next  
BAQG News is January 15, 2025**

Please send your reports, stories, photos, recipes, ads, etc., to Sue K. at [baqgnewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:baqgnewseditor@gmail.com).

*It's going to be a busy and productive year!*

***Thank you!***