

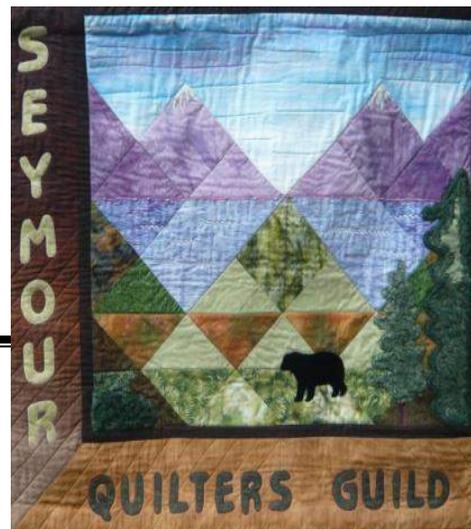
Seymour Quilters Guild Newsletter

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NEXT ZOOM MEETING:
February 9, 2022



Purposes of the Society are:

1. To bring learning experience and inspiration to its members by way of workshops, demonstrations for the public, show and tell, speakers, and other programs.
2. To provide a service to the community by the creation of quilts for those in need.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT *Maureen O.*



Welcome to 2022.

Looking forward, we have the (red) romance of St. Valentine's Day, the (green) of St. Patrick's Day, the (pastel) colors of Easter, the (yellow) April/May daffodils and the (pink) blossoms of spring in Vancouver. See how colors influence our vision of the world around us? As quilters, we creatively select, blend and audition fabrics for the next and the next project. What fun!!

Looking back to the past 2 years, I have decided that the standard blue of a face mask is just not my color. Red lipstick is my thing. Neither are the clear plastic and black masks flattering to my complexion. Nor do I feel the urge to hop into our truck and drive across Canada to block streets in Ottawa. So ... the sooner we (I) can stop wearing this safety protection the happier I will be. Do what you must to stay safe and well so that we can once again enjoy the camaraderie of our meetings.

Cross your fingers for the CQA June Show to go ahead in person. The joy of learning from their instructors can't be beat. The opportunity to see sewing talents and creative designs take hours to integrate to ask yourself "could I do that?" Or, "how was that done"? The last time CQA was here, the weather was perfect. Vancouver showcased its best vistas. The colors of spring and the warmth that we enjoy from the sun is your stimulus to move ahead with bold new projects with colors you have never used before.

Look ahead, not back. Think Spring, think warm thoughts and think of all the brilliance of the colors around you.



Happy Quilting
Maureen

PS: When you do put on your spring lipstick, make sure it is a new tube. Cosmetics over 12 months may not be safe for you anymore. Just sayin'

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

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Quilts of Valour

Suzanne P., Norine McC.

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Lorna L-J., Esther E.

Refreshments

Marianne W., Gail McG.,

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Next Board Zoom Meeting

Wed., February 23, 2022

@ 1:00 pm

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wed. March 9, 2022

via Zoom 12 noon – 2:30 pm

Zoom details will be emailed to all members two days prior to meeting.

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

Our next general meetings will have a little different time frame. At Executive, it was decided that Show and Tell is an essential part of celebrating our talents. Questions and feedback benefit all of us. Rather than try to squeeze S & T into the end of a meeting we will include it as part of the agenda before any speakers. In doing so, we plan to complete the meeting in 75 minutes and invite our guests to join us at 1315. We will try this out and evaluate how we do.

This is the 20th Anniversary of the Seymour Quilters Guild and we want to have a celebration in September. Stay tuned for our plans, our themes and whatever we can dream up!! So far, we have not started to think of what we will do so any input from members new and seasoned is most welcome.

We hope we will not need to Zoom through this. Ideas Please!!!

Membership Meeting Dates 2022

Please mark your Calendar

General Membership meetings will be held on the SECOND Wednesday of the month, starting at 12 noon, via Zoom until it's safe to meet in person. Zoom details to be sent by email two days prior.

February 9

March 9

April 13

May 11

June 8

SOSAH Days (Sew our stash at home) to be held the FIRST Wednesday of each month, via Zoom. Reminders to be sent by email.

March 2

April 6

May 4

June 1

Attachments to this February Newsletter:

- Agenda for General Membership Meeting, February 9, 12 noon – 2:30pm.
- Minutes of General Membership Luncheon Meeting, December 8, 2021, will be submitted for approval at our February 9 Meeting.

REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

Moira S. and Sharon R.

We would like to welcome our two new members, Marsha M. and Helen J. and we have reinstated one Life Member - Sylvia A. This brings our membership up to 65 with 18 Life Members.

This is one reason we did not put a number on your Membership card as the list seems to be ever evolving and any number we may have put on would have changed with these additions. You can look at the Membership List and write your number on your card that appears in the first column as apparently Fabricana in Coquitlam does ask for a number. We have one person on our Wait List.

Congratulations to our monthly winners who were on line at our AGM/General Meeting, Isabelle J., Leslie C. and Gail McG. There was a surprise draw for our participants of the "Who Am I" article that we run each month. This was a gift certificate from the Cloth Shop being mailed out to our winner, Anne W. Thank you all for supporting this activity to get to know each other a little better.

Here are this month's submissions:

Who Am I # 19:

"I am new to quilting but not so new to sewing. I did tailoring and design way back in high school plus, in the early years of my first marriage, I made all the valances in the kitchen and dining room of the house as many of us did. I even remade all of the couch and loveseat cushions as a fun project. Then life was busy with two boys and work ... I only picked up the sewing machine again a few years ago to help make a baby quilt as a baby shower get-together. It truly sparked something of joy and creation and I haven't looked back.

Something unique about me is that I was a hobby athlete. From swimming to biking to running, I joined all activities, even trying a Canadian Ironman triathlon ... swimming 2.4 miles, biking 112 miles, running 26.3 miles ... all in one day!! I enjoyed it so much over eight years and lots of mini events. I have now completed 3 Canadian Ironman competitions. Unfortunately, running has taken a toll on my knees so now I'm pretty limited to the pool which I love!"

Who Am I #20:

"I was attending an event one late November 1973 (I think it was) and there were a few ladies there who belonged to VARIETY (the children's Charity) and were talking about the kids Christmas party that was coming up on the first Sunday in December and they asked my friend and I if we were interested in volunteering. We said yes, and it was a great fun event with nice people volunteering and we were hooked after seeing the happy faces of all the kids! We joined and I could say the rest is history!

At first it was known as the Women's Auxiliary (we did all the volunteering and the men took credit, ha ha). I think it was 1980 when we became just one club and Grace McCarthy was designated as our first member, followed by Barbara Stewart (who really was actually supposed to be the number one but conceded to Grace).

We really immersed ourselves in all the events of the Club and were having a good time doing it and made some life-long friends. For quite a number of years we were the editors of the Newsletter, coordinated the entertainment for the annual Christmas parties, when on the Board headed up the Monthly Giving Committee, member of the Heart of Variety Committee, member of the Variety-at-Work Committee (which is the heart of volunteering), all this of course over many years.

MEMBERSHIP (CONT'D)

Moira S. and Sharon R.

Every two years there is a Convention as it is an international organization and we hosted here in Vancouver several times and put on a world class event. I personally went to Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Sydney, Australia to mention a few of the conventions. There were many US cities and Canadian cities that hosted along with Great Britain, Channel Islands, Ireland, Israel, Barbados - just to mention a few.

After 40+ years I am starting to wind down now and picking and choosing what I can get involved with. Not feeling like the ever-ready bunny right now, but that could also be COVID and am feeling like re-evaluating my volunteer activities in general. All I can say is to-date it has been a great organization to be involved with all these years but attrition and change is in the wind in that organization as well. Nothing stays status quo forever and I am Happy with what I have contributed."



Happy Valentine's Day from Sharon and Moira

PROGRAMME/WORKSHOPS COMMITTEE

Marilyn, Les and Barb M.



It is unbelievable that we are already in February. Lunar New Year has been celebrated and Valentine's Day is coming up.

MEETINGS (see also SQG website [MEETINGS page](#))

- January's visit with Mary Elizabeth Kinch was interesting from the antique quilts to the influences felt by past quilters. Her addition of the role of blacks and First Nation quilters gave an even more complete picture of early quilting in Canada.
- **9 February** – Janet Harper, our Canadian Quilters Association Lower Mainland Regional Rep, will speak on CQA and what it means to be Regional Rep. Please bring your questions and learn about the organization that has been supporting quilting and quilters for 40 years. For the history of CQA go to the History tab in the menu at the bottom of the HOME page on the [CQA website](#).



Find out more about Janet Harper at [Fibre Art Network](#)

- **9 March** – Corey Ralph, of [Sew Manly Quilting](#), will present *Boys on the Block III – Quilting and the Emotional Relevance of the Art*. The lecture examines the emotion it takes to start a project and sometimes the energy it takes to complete it.



➤ **13 April** – Janet Barker – *Confessions of a Hex Addict.*

From Janet: – “I have a confession to make about my Confessions – I hate Y-seams! After a brief look at English Paper Piecing, we will spend the rest of the hour exploring the many ways of constructing Hexie and Half-hexie quilts using a variety of settings to avoid those pesky Y-seams.

We’ll check out a few specialty rulers and also discuss patterns that use only standard rulers. In addition to the tried and true, some new designs will also be presented, fresh from my design wall.”



WORKSHOPS (see also SQG website [Workshops page](#))

➤ **16-and-18 March** – Corey Ralph of [Sew Manly Quilting](#) will teach the *Harmonic Convergence inspired by Ricky Tims Workshop.*

Corey has permission to teach this course. In addition, we “will explore applique ideas to embellish your work.”

- Dates: Wednesday, March 16 and Friday, March 18
- Time: 10 am to 1:30 pm each day
- Cost: \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members
- **Pattern required** - \$10 for the pattern if you do not have one or *Ricky Tims’ Convergence Quilts* book
- Register through the website – there is a link on the [Workshops page](#)
- Also on the Workshops page there are several examples of Harmonic Convergence wall hangings made in the past by members



See more photos on SQG website



➤ **20 and 22 April – Janet Barker – Hex Trade Workshop.**

From Janet: “Using simple strip piecing techniques and a 60° ruler (or your favourite triangular ruler), join Janet to explore the many possible block variations in this hexagon sampler quilt. Triangles are cut and traded to create new patch combinations such as spinning stars, baby blocks, pinwheels, hexagonal wagon wheels and pieced triangle variations. Note that there are no Y-seams involved! Janet will also dip into her extensive collection of hexie samples to show alternate sizes and settings, demonstrating that a wide variety of projects can be made using your Hex Trade block designs. The required pattern is included in the course fee.”

- Dates: Wednesday, April 20 and Friday, April 22
- Time: 10 am to 1 pm
- Cost: \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members, includes pattern
- Registration is through the SQG website’s [Workshops page](#)

Note: A **60-degree ruler with a blunt tip** is required for this course.

Janet uses the Jaybird Quilt Hex N More ruler. If you do not have a 60-degree ruler or would like the one Janet uses it can be ordered during registration from Programme/Workshops at a cost of \$37 (tax included) until February 15, 2022.



See more photos on SQG website



OTHER ACTIVITIES

- [SOSAH – Sew Our Stash At Home Day](#). The Zoom connection is open from 10 am to 3 pm. All members are welcome to come for a short time or all day. It is an opportunity to visit and get to know other members in a less formal setting.
- On 2 February we played with improv, shared quilting projects, and visited
 - Upcoming SOSAH Days – March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, 2022
- [UFO Challenge](#) – We are at it again! We encourage you to find your UFO’s and send the list to Barb M who will track finishes shown at meetings in Show and Tell until June. One finish = one ticket on a draw at the June luncheon.

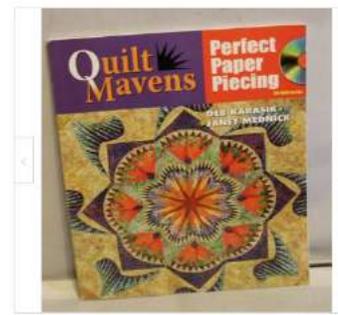
Happy Quilting, Marilyn C, Les O, & Barb M

CAN YOU HELP ??? *Linda S.* (My apologies to Linda S. - I had forgotten to include a picture of the cover of the book in our January Newsletter) S.Brown

"I lent a book to a friend who accidentally sent it off with a box of books. She replaced the book for me but unfortunately the patterns are on a CD which come with the book.... and the book that she bought and gave to me does not contain the CD.

I am wondering if any member has this book. I actually have the book but I would like to borrow the CD that goes with it in order to have the pattern of a quilt that is on my bucket list.

The book is called **Perfect Paper Piecing** by the Quilt Mavens and the authors are Deb Karasik and Janet Mednick. I have included a picture of the cover of the book.
Many thanks for looking.



The book is not in our library (I have checked). Is there anyone who can help me?

I can be contacted at: schell@axion.net schell@axion.net "

REFRESHMENT *Marianne, Gail and Wendy*

The Refreshment Committee is asking for a volunteer to join us. It is a great way to interact with all the members. If you are interested, please contact Marianne W. at 604 985-8442, Gail Mc. at 604 985-9409 or Wendy W. at 604 924-1759. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Stay safe. Your Refreshment Committee.

WEBSITE *Judy S.* <http://seymourquiltersguild.ca>

What's new on our website?

- ❖ There are links to some online collections of vintage quilts, as mentioned by Mary Elizabeth Kinch, our January speaker. See [Guilds, Associations and Museums](#).
- ❖ There is a link from Nancy J re Ellen Harding Baker, a 19th century American astronomer, and her Solar System Quilt. A very interesting story. See [Guilds, Associations and Museums](#).
- ❖ There is a new [Interwoven Art Workshop Gallery](#). This was a fun workshop. Each quilt was different!
- ❖ Members sent in photos of convergence quilts they had made in past workshops. Find them on the [Workshops Page](#) and think about signing up for a workshop while there are still some spots available.
- ❖ The January Show & Tell is posted, and photos of your projects are welcome for the February 9 Show & Tell.

Hope you enjoy having a look. Carry on quilting. Judy



QUILTS OF VALOUR

Suzanne and Norine

News Flash - we have a new Quilt of Valour project! As we get closer to being able to meet in person, I'm happy to start back again with this program. Thanks to Yoskyl for forwarding an email about a quilt called 'With Glowing Hearts'. I called the shop, Snip and Stitch Sewing Centre in Nanaimo, ordered the kit and the very next day, there it was on my door step. I love doing business with small, independent Canadian stores.



Over the next month or so, I'll get the fabric cut and organized into blocks. I hope some of you will be able to participate in making them up. Let me know if any of you are interested.

Suzanne & Norine

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Linda F., Connie and Janet

Take a look at these two quilt kits that I put together from our Community Quilt stash. Now, I need volunteers to get them sewn. Everything is included, including batting, binding, and backing.



The pink one is about 40" square, while the blue one is about 34 " x 48".

Aren't they cute!

Please, please give me a call and help out your community (check your Membership List for Linda F's. Tel No.)



CQA

Barb C.



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CQA - <https://canadianquilter.com/>

- ✓ Quilt Canada 2022 Reconnecting June 15th-18th Vancouver.
- ✓ You will find a list of Teachers and Lecturers on the website Webinars via Zoom: Wednesday, February 9 at 4pm, the always interesting and entertaining Angela Walters brings her one-hour Trunk Show and Q&A.
- ✓ Saturday, February 19, Noon Shannon Prince from Ontario brings us Buxton Quilt Stories.
- ✓ Shannon is the Curator of the Buxton National Historical Site and Museum which preserves the history of African Canadian Quilting
- ✓ 2022 CQA/ACC re-run Quilt Along has begun with the first block Quebec released January 19. This is the rerun of Quilt Blocks for the New Millennium started in 1999.
- ✓ Don't miss: Janet Harper, CQA Area Rep, speaking at upcoming February 9 meeting.

I'm happy to be our guilds CQA Rep and should you have any questions regarding CQA you may email me. Check our Membership List for my email.
