

# NEWSLETTER LETHBRIDGE CENTENNIAL QUILTERS GUILD

## MARCH 2011

Corie welcomed approximately 80 ladies, including one guest and one mini guest (Kiera). Corie did not have a lot of announcements, but invited members to email her if they have any small items that may be displayed in the Atrium of the hospital during May.

One of the duties performed by the past president is to fill the roster for upcoming vacancies. Some vacancies were filled during the meeting, but the following is a list of all the vacancies to be filled as announced by Janet at the beginning of the meeting. If there is any spot you feel you'd like to fill, please do not hesitate to either email Janet or talk to her at the next meeting.

- ❖ Secretary
- ❖ Treasurer
- ❖ 6 positions on the program committee
- ❖ 3 positions on the workshop committee
- ❖ 1 position on the community workshop committee
- ❖ 1 position on the membership committee
- ❖ 1 position on the community services committee

Especially new members are encouraged to take part in a committee, since doing so is probably the fastest way to get to know lots of members in the guild.

Doreen Tompson, chair of the Library Committee, requested that all books are returned at the next guild meeting for the yearly inventory. Also, when you return books, please look at the letters on the sticker on the spine of the book and place in the cupboard in alphabetical order.

**Quilt Show News:** Lia Britton, chair of the program committee, announced that the program tonight consists of making brooches for the Quilt Show. The plan is to present each visitor of the show with a brooch, so the estimate is that we'll need at least 1 500 brooches. Effie, chair of the quilt show committee, encouraged members to send in their entries asap. Deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>. A draw was made for members who had already entered quilts – won by Ruth Atwood. Doreen Rombough explained how to put a sleeve on a quilt (see end of Newsletter) and explained that the sleeve cannot be pinned on, but must be sewn on, because it might damage your quilt and your quilt won't hang as nice in the show. Connie Chaplin announced that the posters are ready to go, members were invited to take some with them and post them in appropriate public places. If you were not at the meeting, please arrange with Connie to get some.

**PLEASE NOTE:** we are going to need a lot of brooches for the quilt show, and all members are requested to do their part and continue making brooches. Please bring any brooches you have made to the next regular guild meeting as well as the meeting in May, so that pins can be attached to the back.

In conjunction with the quilt show, two of our local quilt shops announced their challenges:

The Fabric Addict has packages for sale at \$ 5 each. Each package contains enough background fabric for 6 blocks and you add your own scraps for the other parts of the blocks. For every block that is returned to the Fabric Addict, your name will be entered for a draw of a big basket full of gorgeous prizes.

Hopscotch challenge "The Creative Soul". Finished projects should be handed in at the shop before the beginning of May and will be on display there. You have the choice of a "Heather package" or a "Elissa package" (or maybe you'd like to try both !! Every item in the package must be used on the front of your project, you can add to the content whatever you wish, but the maximum perimeter of the work is to be 160". Packages are available at Hopscotch for \$ 18.50 each.

**Program:** some ladies had already started to work on brooches and everybody else joined in after all the announcements. Different things were going on at different tables and Teresa Mereski worked away on her handy dandy fabric cutter, cutting out enormous amounts of circles of 4 different sizes. Thank you Teresa ! During a fun period of working together and getting lots done (a total of 362 brooches were made tonight), the program committee members found time to do the miscellaneous draws.

The doorprize was won by Doreen Rombough, Sherry Timm was the lucky winner of the Treasured Stash and Ruth Dueck, Nellie Kadijk, Marilyn Martens, Nancy Adachi and Elizabeth Stroeve all came away with a Loonie Draw prize.

The meeting was, as usual, capped with a great show and share.

The **next regular guild meeting** will be on April 26<sup>th</sup> 2011 in the LSCO small gym.

Hostesses: Frances Schultz, Willie Schaupmeyer, Anne Whiteside, Wendy Bushell, Ginger Shaw.

Program:

- Display Theme: any items made from Oriental fabrics.
- Treasured Stash: oriental FQ
- Program: Pjam will show us how to do Japanese Origami quilts. The members will be able to try their hand at this, by making one or two squares. Please bring a needle and a thimble, since there is a little handquilting involved. Because one or two squares will probably be no good to anyone, Pjam has offered to combine the squares made at

the meeting into a community quilt. All materials for these squares will be provided, but **please don't forget to bring your own needle and thimble.**

- Show and Share: All members are encouraged to bring their latest projects to show to our other members – all quilts are welcomed, we love to see what everyone else made !! Please don't be shy about showing us what you've made !!

## How to sew a sleeve on your quilt:

- ❖ Cut a strip of fabric 8" x (width of quilt – 2") patched if you need to for length
- ❖ Hem the short sides of the strip – double fold the edge over and stitch
- ❖ If you wish to have the sleeve on your quilt permanently,
  - press the strip in half length wise, wrong sides together to make a long tunnel
  - catch the raw edges in between when you are sewing the binding on
  - hand sew the loose fold on the quilt “with a little give” (slide the tunnel up just a little to give some extra room for the rod.
- ❖ If you do not wish the sleeve to be attached permanently,
  - fold the strip in half length wise, right sides together to make a long tunnel, stitch with ¼" seam allowance
  - turn tunnel inside out and press flat.
  - hand sew both long sides of the tunnel to your quilt, “with a little give” when you're sewing the bottom on the tunnel (see above)

# East Meets West

Creston Valley Quilters' Guild  
Quilt Show, Sale & Tea



Creston & District  
Community Complex



April 29-30, 2011

Friday 10:00 am to 8:00pm

Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm