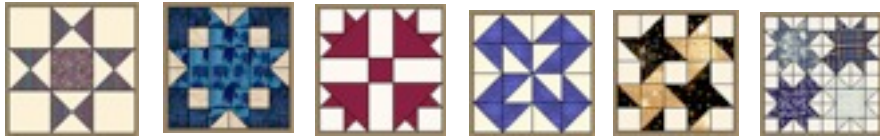


# BEHIND THE SEAMS



The October 22nd & 23rd UFO Days were very successful and I believe a lot of fun was had by all. I was very inspired by the many projects everyone was working on. Here are some of those projects:

The next UFO days are December 3rd & 4th, at Sparrow Studioz. Saturday will be 9:00 am to 9:00 pm and Sunday will be 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Once again I would like to thank Sparrow Studioz for allowing us to use the studio space for our UFO days free of charge.

Christine

## Draws & Such

Support the guild and you could win some great loot. Remember to bring you loonies and toonies for the draws !

And for a chance to win a whole bunch of 2.5 inch WOF strips, bring one yourself. For each strip you bring, you will receive one ticket for a chance to win them ALL! The fabric theme for the November draw is LEAVES.

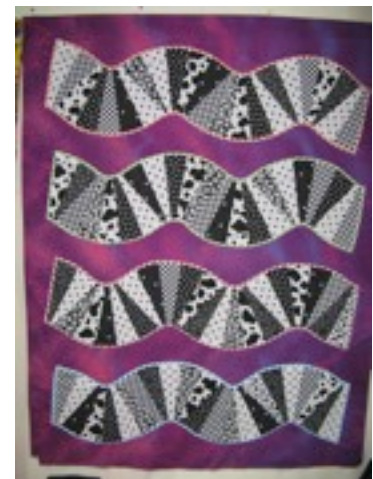
Colour or motif?

You interpret the theme.

You can only win when you buy a ticket!



some of the items worked on at the UFO days in October  
There was no charge to come and we each received a great Halloween TREAT! (fat quarters and a free pattern!!)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!

Our Quilt Show wound up Saturday evening and I just want to congratulate everyone involved for a job extremely well done. To everyone who supported the guild by attending the show; to everyone who allowed us to display their beautiful quilts; to all the volunteers who helped arrange our display on Thursday and then to take it all down on Saturday; and especially to the Quilt Show Committee for all their hard work and hours of time invested in giving us a very successful quilt show; to everyone, a most heartfelt THANK YOU!

I also want to thank all the members who participated in the Boutique and helped to make it a big success. We had a beautiful display of more than 300 items and I'm pleased to advise that we had

sales in the amount of \$1,225.50 with a total of \$141.60 going to the guild.

And last, but not least, I have been asked by my husband to tell you how pleased he is with his new quilt and to express his appreciation to the guild. For those of you not present at the draw for the charity quilts, my husband was fortunate to have his ticket drawn for the Autumn quilt. And on that note, I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting this coming Thursday.

Charlene



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MEMBERS WHO WERE BORN IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER



Wishing the following members all the best on their birthdays!

- Pauline Michaud 11/20
- Nancy Rohachuk 11/05
- Betty Perrin 11/08
- Isobel Wilson 11/09
- Carolyn Hagstrom 11/14
- Liz Curtis 11/16
- Linda Rafuse 11/16
- Brenda Goodkey 11/26



**Charity Committee News**

Have you all been working on a table runner for the Hope Mission? If anyone has made Christmas runner(s), please bring them to the meeting, they would love to have them for this year's Christmas dinner.

Also bring any finished baby quilts for the angel network. Linda will be mailing a batch in soon! Also, big thanks to Jo MacAuley for taking over the charity committee for Linda!!!!



SHOW AND TELL

Bring your finished quilted items for show and tell. We all want to see the beautiful things you have created since the last meeting. Remember to put your name on each item you bring & you get enter into a draw for a goodie bag!

CREATE \* SHARE \* INSPIRE

Here is a snapshot of the speaker for the November meeting...

I hope you all had a fantastic time at the quilt show. It's a privilege to be a member of such an awesome guild. Thanks to all the volunteers that helped make our show a success and a special thanks for all the constructive comments that will help make next year's show even better.

#### **How about that Merchant's Mall?!?!**

Tons of goodies to be found. I saw a lot of you there buying fat quarter bundles and jelly rolls. I can't wait to see what you make. I also heard from some of you that missed out on the opportunity to buy fabric from the ten different quilt shops in the merchant's mall. This next announcement is going to be especially exciting to you guys. Our NOVEMBER SPEAKER is Ingrid from Quilt Essentials in St. Albert. Ingrid has graciously offered to take time away from her busy schedule planning classes and running her gorgeous shop which just moved to a newly renovated, bright open space. To help celebrate our love for pre-cuts, Bradie has agreed to give away a pattern to the entire guild. Her Window Panes pattern is being included with this newsletter as a free download. She asked me to tell you that it is the perfect pattern to make with some of the pre-cuts Ingrid will be selling. She will even help you pick the perfect fabric for your Window Panes quilt. With that I give you the description of this months Program... ..

#### **NOVEMBER SPEAKER is Ingrid from Quilt Essentials in St. Albert Cakes, jelly rolls and more - no fat, no calories!**

Quiltessential Co. St. Albert is the largest supplier of pre-cut fabrics in the area. Come and see quick, easy ways to "cook" these layer cakes, jelly rolls and more into quilt "recipes" with zero calories. Tips to use up your stash into other pre-cut projects that are fun and user friendly. Lots of ideas, samples and lots of products!

We will bring Charm Squares, Layer cakes, Jelly rolls, patterns, rulers and ideas. We accept cash, Visa and Mastercard.

AND.... last but not least, we are getting ready for our Big Christmas Celebration as we welcome International Award Winning Quilter Karen McTavish to our guild. Read more about her Award winning quilting here... <http://www.designerquilts.com/awards.html>

#### **"The History of Wholecloth and Trapunto Quilting"**

Karen will reveal her techniques for wholecloth and trapunto quilting, use of stencils, helpful techniques for hand-quilted effects for feathering, discussion of useful products, "Quilting for Show" with her award winning trunk show and book signing opportunities.

**BREAKING NEWS...** The December Meeting is going to be held in the same location as our quilt show. In order to accommodate the extra bums in the seats we have secured the Council Chambers next to the brand new Library. It is auditorium style seating so everyone in the room will get an up close and personal look at Karen McTavish's award winning wholecloth quilts. If you haven't seen them in person, you are going to be glad you got such a good seat. The sound and lighting are extraordinary! I am most excited about the heated underground parking! There is no excuse not to come for the fantastic trunk show and all the yummy treats.

**Matt**

## A Cuppa with Quilts

Where I come from when one needs a break, whether it be from scrubbing floors or from fun at the sewing machine one has a Cuppa. This would usually be a cup of tea but may include coffee. So make yourself a cuppa and enjoy a little inspiring surfing on the World Wide Web with your quilting sisters. I hope to share some of the sites I find inspiring with you from time to time. Some will be eye candy and some will be instructional. I find myself at many of them via Southern Cross Quilters Guild., an on line guild that I belong to for Aussies and Kiwis.

Bonnie McCaffery is a name many of you will recognise. She is a quilter and teacher and likes to travel. She was at the Birmingham, UK Festival of Quilts and has made to vidcasts of the show that include some interviews with quilters. You will find them here: <http://www.bonniemccaffery.com/vidcasts/062.html>  
Watch part one and then part two. There are lots more vidcasts here to explore, I haven't watched them all

The Quilt Makers of Cairo were at the Birmingham show this year. I had heard about their work from the SCQG and was lucky enough to hear an Australian quilter, Jenny Bowker talk about them when I was at the Houston Quilt Festival last year. The following link is to a review of their show in Birmingham with an interview with by Luana Rubin from eQuilter.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHzWRui7Kjk>

The following link is to another vides where you will see Tarek Abdelhay and Hosam Hanafy working on their quilts.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SP4ZxAwcvz0&NR=1>

There is lots to explore from these two links as well.

And here is a site to inspire our quilting. Sharon makes feathers look so easy when she demonstrates how to use the quilting halo.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpmMYIDCrZw>

I have tried a quilt halo and really enjoyed using it. But I can't do feathers yet.

And here is where you will find the winners of the International Quilt Festival in Houston for 2011.

<http://www.quilts.org/winners.html>

Enjoy

Sandra Hamilton

## BLOCK LOTTERY

Take part in a new addition to the Guild offering this year with a monthly block lottery. There is no charge to participate. At each meeting Anna-Marie

Yurkiw-Davies (who is running the lottery) will have a pattern and one piece of fabric for you to make a block, adding from your own fabric stash. Bring your finished block to the next meeting and you will be entered to win ALL the blocks from that meeting! Need more details, please speak to Anna-Marie.

The Block lottery has proved to be quite popular! Anna-Marie will make approximately 40 blocks for the November meeting! These blocks go fast, so make sure to get one during the coffee break at the Guild meeting!

**FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO GOT A BLOCK KIT AT THE OCTOBER MEETING, PLEASE BRING YOUR FINISHED BLOCK TO THE NOVEMBER MEETING FOR A CHANCE TO WIN ALL THE BLOCKS!**

### Christmas Challenge

Take part in a one month creativity challenge! It simple:

1. Buy a fat quarter from Charlene Wong at the November meeting for \$2
2. Make something with, for or about Christmas.
3. Bring your FINISHED item to the December meeting, where all guild members will vote for their favorite. if yours gets the most votes, you win prize!

**Final Raffle Ticket Sales Report - A Quilt 4 all Seasons Raffle Tickets**

A total of 84% of Raffle Tickets were SOLD!

The winners were:

Spring - Tracy Segin

Summer – Ron Schaffler

Autumn – Clem Wong

Winter – Richard LaRose

Thanks to all who participated in this fund raiser, making blocks, putting them together, quilting, binding and selling and purchasing tickets in order to raise funds that will enable SPQG to continue to promote an appreciation for quilting as a traditional craft and a contemporary art form; to provide educational opportunities by presenting general meetings, speakers, workshops and other activities related to quilt making; to preserve and perpetuate the tradition of quilt making.

**An update from your ACCSC representative Joan Smith...**

Strathcona County Small Business and Tourism representative invited our guild to participate in Christmas in the Heartland November 27th from 1 to 4 at Bremner House historical site, bring some quilts to show, showcasing or selling their work, and being there to talk to participants about quilting.

I will be there to sell ACCSC raffle tickets as a gesture to reciprocate to them for ACCSC organizing and including us in Alberta Art Days.

The event is marketed as a cultural and arts experience of the rural countryside in Strathcona County -

The address of Bremner House is: 53452 Range Road 225 (just north of Hwy 16). If you require any additional information please feel free to let me know - I will do my best to provide it for you!

link here to Strathcona County Small Business and site on Strathcona.ca that has information pertaining to CITH:

[http://www.strathcona.ab.ca/departments/Economic\\_Development\\_and\\_Tourism/Tourism/strathcona-county-holiday-events.aspx#bremner](http://www.strathcona.ab.ca/departments/Economic_Development_and_Tourism/Tourism/strathcona-county-holiday-events.aspx#bremner)

Thank you to the volunteers participated in demonstrating quilting at Alberta Art Days at the Community Center; the Guild received a \$775.00 honorarium thanks to the following volunteers:

Heather, Wilna, Charlene, Linda, Cindy, Sandra, Liz, & Barb,

Alberta Art Days was a great opportunity to talk about Sherwood Park Quilt Guild; to show one of the completed raffle tickets, talk about charity quilting projects and promote our Quilt Show in November. Thank you for making our Guild demonstration successful.

ACCSC are developing a new 5 year Strategic Plan, and as members we are invited to provide input. Workshops are being planned for the coming year that we can participate in, and we can suggest topics. Topics suggested are: Art books, could be paper, fibre art, other media; Sculpture; Scratch film making; Breathing to project better; Festival master class from the Glasgow fringe festival organizer. Send any demo/lecture ideas to ACCSC president, Carol Gibney.

ACCSC needs a board secretary, any volunteers? Thanks to all Alberta Arts Days participants. Art Expo Feb 10-12, 2012, we have opportunity to book a table again this year for guild for approx. \$50.00 for a 10'X10' booth? Celebration for the Arts, May 12, 2012, opportunity to display and promote artwork, including fibreart/quilting. Chris Munn, Strathcona County Rec. & Parks rep. attended and congratulated all on Alberta Art Days & the Mayor's Celebration of the Arts in May; updated Public Art Policy is in draft including: grant program for both individual and group funding, equipment funding, and further development of Youth Program. Words in the Park event Nov. 19 at the Library. Festival of Trees, Snowglobe program, empty snowglobes being filled by Strathcona County artists with original art will be available. Tara Polinski, SC Facility Services announced plan for a Summer program at The Agora, making courtyard space free every Sunday throughout the summer for artists to display and sell. Food at the Agora was tabled, it is suggested groups contact George with specific needs. Cultural Directory: database to promote members, every member is listed free, email, phone, website, address. Additional full page, 1/2 or 1/4 page, business card available at additional charge.

ACCSC raffle tickets available, \$5.00; call to artists or crafters to submit items to be considered to be included in prize packages; Artists selected will be paid for items up to \$150.

Festival Place, Black and White event Nov. 19; \$125.00 to fund children and youth programming. Live and silent auction. Adult puppet show. Wine, food.

I am so happy to report that the 2011 Sherwood Park Quilt Show was a fabulous success! This was only due to the fact that we had an amazing group of dedicated volunteers who brought the show plans to life. The Quilt Show Committee would like to thank all the volunteers who decided to donate their valuable time to support our guild's presence in the community.

I would like to give special thanks to:

Brenda Buerger, who I'm sure in a previous life may have been a drill sergeant. Her organization and professionalism gave our vendors an exceptional experience at our quilt show. I'm sure she was the first to arrive and last to leave on each day she was there. In addition, Brenda planned her own feature quilter display, prepared her own labels, and had hubby Allan help her take the whole thing down.

Joan Smith, who rocked the raffle tickets. Joan worked tirelessly to sell as many tickets as humanly possible. She spent months of preparation, paperwork, and accountability for every ticket in every book all the while keeping us in line with all the necessary rules and regulations.

Liz + Tom Curtis and Barb + Murray Few These four together were like our right hand man. They handled the printing, signage, pick up and drop off of racks, music, hospitality, door prizes, set up and take down, plus any and all miscellaneous jobs no one else volunteered for.

Cindy Morrison for managing all the volunteers, advertising, and all the finances.

Dorothy Goble organized the youth challenge and provided many miscellaneous items for hospitality and raffle draw use.

Charlene Wong and her Ladies in the Boutique.

Richard Larose and Clem Wong for set up and take down. I swear Clem was up and down that ladder 500 times during set up. Lois Miller, Carole Martens, Christine Wigggett and Penny Barrett for coming to save our day during set up, and everyone else who came to help with take down. I wish I had taken names or photos or something, we were grateful for each and every one of you coming to help. You will have give to us a couple of days before asking if we will ever do this again.

Biggest Hugs to you all,

Bradie Sparrow

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Upcoming dates

**Nov 13th**

Craft sale in Chipman, AB Free admission! In the Chipman National Hall. Contact Jenn for more at 780-363-3962.

**Nov 13&14th 2010**

Kim Caskey Kaleidoscope Class. A 2 day event to make a unique art quilt. Held at Sparrow Studioz. Only \$35 for guild members! Speak to Matt for details.

**DEC 9-12 2010**

Butterdome Craft Sale. It's the 20th Anniversary of this event. Admission is \$7 Adult, \$5 Seniors. Visit worldofcrafts.ca for complete details.

**DEC 11 & 12th 2010**

2 Day Quilt till-u-wilt at Robin Hood Learning Center. Please speak to Chris for more details. There is limited space in the classroom!



Oops, we missed it! October was breast cancer awareness month. So here is your reminder to care of yourself, get a mammogram and donate to help find a cure!

Your newsletter!

I would love to hear some feedback about the newsletter and what you would like to see in it. Please let me know at guild meetings or by email at [donnatowndrow@gmail.com](mailto:donnatowndrow@gmail.com)

If you have any newsy bits to add, just send them in!

Tbanks!

Donna

