



## SNIPPETS

### Happy New Year!

Have you ever bought fabric you loved so much you couldn't cut into it and use it in a quilt? Years ago a friend gave me some beautiful fabric from France. The brand name is "Souleiado" and the designs are based on old block prints that were originally printed in Provence. They are beautiful prints and wonderful fabrics to work with. I decided to finally use this fabric in a quilt, perfect for the blues and white quilt I always wanted to make. As luck would have it, the longer I worked on the quilt the more I realized I would need more of this fabric. Thanks to Google I was able to find a store who had the fabric "French Connections" in North Carolina <http://www.french-nc.com/>. Once I got over the shock of the price I decided it was worth it to have more of this fabric. It was here before I knew it and amazingly the fabric is an excellent match to mine which was printed in France and the new fabric was printed in Japan. My top is now done and ready to be quilted and I even have some of the fabric left to use in another project! I would hate for it all to be gone!



# MAHONE BAY QUILTERS' GUILD



## January '09 Newsletter

January 5, 2009 - President Patsy Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. There were 22 members present with no guests.

### MINUTES:

Approved as distributed on a motion by Brenda Lohnes, seconded Donna Veinot.

### MEMBERSHIP:

Sandy Bruce reported 72 regular, 4 free memberships, 7 life members totaling 83 members so far in 2009.

### LIBRARY:

Sharon Lawrence noted that new books yet to be catalogued will be available at the next meeting. Laurie Swim has donated magazines which will be used either as gifts or library fundraisers.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$14,759.92 less Expenses: \$1,814.96 leaving a balance at this date of \$12,944.96 A motion to accept her report was moved by Treasurer Marilyn Verburgh, seconded Barbara Himmelman. Motion carried.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter was read from Christmas Daddies, thanking the Guild for the \$1,350 donation presented at the 2008 Telethon by Barb Robson, Patsy Perkins and Donna Vienot.

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

**Anna Davison** drew members' attention to three sign up sheets:

- (1) list compiled from suggestions for future workshops
- (2) Donna Veinot's workshop for a "penny rug" wallhanging
- (3) Cuddle Quilt Day sign up sheet

The exchange blocks made in conjunction with an Ontario Guild are now in. There was some discussion as to whether these should be made into a raffle quilt, but the matter was delayed for decision at a later meeting.

Batting will be available for Cuddle Quilt Day.

February meeting is the Guild Valentines party. Anna provided Timtex for a card exchange and members wishing to participate signed up. Please contact Anna if you would like to be involved but were not present at the January meeting.

**Laurie Swim:** There's an article in the Feb/Mar. issue of *Quilters' Newsletter Magazine* entitled "Fantastic Fabric Faces" featuring our 2009 Extraordinary Quilter (EQ) Pam Allen. Laurie would welcome suggestions for an EQ in 2010.

# FROM PATSY

Hi Ladies:

As I write this it is a very cold day and likely to continue cold for a few more days. There is, of course, a warm side to all this cold for I have found, that as the weather has become colder my interest in working on my quilts under progress has increased substantially. I hope that all of you have been keeping warm under your various quilting projects.

As you will see from the minutes we now have a budget in place for 2008-2009. It has been very illuminating to study the financial affairs of the Guild. Thanks to everyone who helped in the process and especially to Sandy Bruce who has presented the figures in a very easily understood format. One of the bonuses of having gone through the project is that we now have a template for developing future budgets.

Cuddle Quilt day is coming up very soon and I hope to see many of you there. This is one thing that we can do that will definitely help those in need. Please come for the day or whatever part of it that you can manage.

The February meeting will be our Valentines Party. I look forward to seeing you there.

Patsy



## LIBRARY

Bev Drysdale and Karen Colp will be our "Library Assitants" for February..

## OLD BUSINESS:

**Beginner Quilting Course** - Sandy Ternoway reported that information has gone out to local media re quilt course, and she requested members take posters for display in their areas. She delivered seven cuddle quilts to Shoreham Village who were delighted to receive them. Particular thanks to Frances Daniels for her donation.

**Betty Hutchison Memorial** Barb Robson: The draw for the two \$500 certificates in memory of Betty will be made at the Feb. Meeting. All names entered will be drawn to ensure two winners are known at time of draw.

**Avonport Scholarship** to the Pictou Retreat. In order to be considered, a person must meet the following conditions: Resident of NS since 2007, born between 1969 and 1990 with no need to be a member of any guild. Deadline for entries postmarked no later than Jan. 16/09.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Barb Robson has entry forms for both the quilt show and sale to be held again at the IWK. The show opens on March 19 and runs through to the 22nd in the Parker Reception Room at the hospital.

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

**Draft Budget** had been circulated and Patsy opened the subject for discussion. Various questions arose regarding quilt show income and expenses, as whether or not there is a quilt show in 2010 will impact on this budget. Sandy Bruce spoke to this, pointing out that Oct.1/09 to Oct.1/10 figures would only have upfront expenses for a quilt show. Our next budget will have no income from a Show.

Linda Mills, co-ordinator of the 2008 Dessert Party, raised the matter of the increased cost for this event, if it is to be organized in the way it was held in 2008, i.e. Fire Hall rental for dessert party, plus rental for workshops at the United Church. The Fire Hall rental unexpectedly increased from \$300 to \$900. It was suggested that maybe we should look at another venue for the dessert party, or lower the attendance, or meet with the Blockhouse people to discuss their costs. We were not notified of price increase. Patsy thought Johanna Rafuse (2009 co-ordinator) has already been in contact with the Fire Hall, and will make sure we have a written contract this year. Various alternative scenarios were discussed.

Barb Robson suggested we should keep in mind that the idea of the first Dessert Party was a thank-you to members and was not meant to be a fundraiser.

Sharon Lawrence questioned whether Budget discussions were the right time for this detailed look at the Dessert Party. Anna Davison will contact Johanna to see if the contract has been signed. If not, perhaps we can consider changing venue. Executive will make a decision and report back. Patsy drew the meeting's attention to the circulated Skeleton Draft Budget for Oct/09 to Sept/10 with no quilt show in that year, showing a carry forward to 2010/11 fiscal year of 2870.27. Though it seems we have a lot of money right now, these figures show that it will disappear quite quickly. Anna raised the matter which instigated the whole budget subject, that is the donation of the 2008 raffle quilt funds to Feed Nova Scotia (see Minutes

**REMINDER:**  
**BRING TO  
CUDDLE QUILT  
DAY**

**Saturday January 26, 9am**

**or come when you can!**

**Please bring with you -**

**\*Quilt tops** sandwiched with batting ready to tie (it is always helpful to make the most of our volunteers time to have some quilts ready to be tied).

**\*Quilt tops** ready for sandwiching

**\*sewing supplies**, your machine if you have volunteered to bring it, scissors etc (yarn and needles for tying are provided)

**\*lunch** if you plan to stay for the day, tea and coffee and sweets are provided

Dec/08). Anna, a founding member of the Guild, listed the reasons that she, Val Hearder and Michele Stevens expressed during their discussions around forming a Quilters' Guild, namely for quilters to learn from one another and grow together, to help, guide and support each other in their quilting endeavours.

There was much discussion on the subject of fundraising to provide for the education of members and whether or not any of the funds raised should be donated to charity. It was pointed out that we do in fact make various donations to charities over the year in the form of Cuddle Quilts, Preemie quilts, wheelchair quilts, Blankets of Love, and the Challenge Quilts proceeds given to Christmas Daddies. Barb wondered whether if the raffle funds will actually be for education, we could perhaps give a percentage of the profit.

Various members pointed out that when they voted for the motion to donate the Raffle Quilt funds to Feed Nova Scotia, they were under the impression that the Guild had an excessive amount of money on hand. Having perused the budget, many people expressed the view that had they known the overall financial situation, they would have voted differently in November.

Elaine MacAulay said that while she personally did not like selling raffle tickets for other than charitable reasons, she would be very happy to rescind the motion she made in November re the Raffle Quilt funds and the seconder to the motion agreed. **It was moved by Elaine MacAulay, seconded by Sandy Alexander, that the November/08 motion to donate \$2,663 to Feed Nova Scotia be rescinded. Motion carried.**

The Draft Budget was therefore amended to remove the donation to Feed Nova Scotia. **Anna Davison moved that the amended draft budget be accepted as the Guild's Budget for 2008/2009 fiscal year. Seconded by Sandy Bruce. Motion carried.**

Patsy thanked Sandy Bruce, together with Marilyn Verburgh, for their work in producing the budget figures, and the members for dealing well with this difficult subject.

**BITS AND PIECES:**

Mabel Talbot received the extra copy of *The Canadian Quilter*, and Barb Robson brought the large "cheque" she, Patsy and Donna displayed on TV!

**SEW AND TELL:**

\*Elaine brought two cuddle quilts she had made with Ann Wood's leftover blocks from which the award-winning car quilt was made. [Secretary's note: Photos of the car are shown on P.56 of the Winter issue of *The Canadian Quilter*, the CQA publication]

\*Sandy Alexander showed a Christmas gift, a framed miniature quilted landscape.

Motion to adjourn was made by Brenda Lohnes.



# DATES TO REMEMBER

## February 2, 2009 – Guild Valentine’s Day Party and Pot Luck Dinner

Let’s have a good turnout and everyone come to share in some delicious food and friendship. We’ll be drawing for the 2 Retreat Scholarships, see below under “Quilters Retreat”.



February 7, 2009 - “Penny Rug Workshop” with Donna Veinot. This is a “handwork” class, no sewing machine required!

*Penny Rug - by Donna Veinot*

March 20-22, 2009 – The **IWK Quilt Show and Sale** sponsored by the Mayflower Quilters Guild, takes place at the Parker reception Room at the IWK Children’s and Women’s Hospital, University Avenue, Halifax.

April 30, May 1 and 2, 2009 – “**Dessert Party and Workshops with Extraordinary Quilter – Pamela Allen** – Mark your calendars now, start thinking about what desserts you might bring along for our famous smorgasbord. Check out Pamela Allen’s work at <http://pamelart2.homestead.com/quiltythings.html> Explore her website and enjoy her wonderful approach to quilting. Looks like it is going to be a fun-filled learning experience!

September 23-27, 2009 – **Quilter’s Retreat at Pictou Lodge** – The registration form for the Retreat will be out shortly. As chapter members of Mayflower, we are able to register 2 weeks ahead of non-members. Teachers are Kathy Higgins, Heather Stewart and Joen Wolfrom. **Don’t forget - if you are interested in going, give your name to Anna by January 30. We’ll be drawing for 2 lucky winners of the “Betty Hutchison Memorial Scholarship”.**

April 21 – September 6, 2009 – “**Kaleidoscope Quilts: The Art Of Paula Nadelstern**” at the American Folk Art Museum, New York City. This is the American Folk Art Museum’s first one-person exhibition highlighting the work of a contemporary quilt artist. Paula Nadelstern has achieved international recognition for her innovative and complex designs inspired by the bilateral symmetry of kaleidoscopic images. Her artistic vision encompasses science, history, and tradition, expressed in crystalline patterns composed of slivers of jewel-like fabrics. Organized by Stacy C. Hollander, senior curator and director of exhibitions. Group tours: (212) 265 1040 , ext 38; Public programs: (212) 265-1040, ext 105 [www.folkartmuseum.org](http://www.folkartmuseum.org)



June 20, 2009 - **The Mariner’s Quilt Guild** will be holding a quilt show on Saturday, June 20, 2009, at the St. Vincent de Paul Parish Centre (Forest Hill Parkway) Dartmouth

**July 17 – 19 - *From Start to Finish*** - A three day summer workshop being offered by Laurie Swim. This workshop will cover the many approaches and techniques used in her own work. Participants will start with a provided landscape that will demonstrate the processes and will be encouraged to add their own interpretation to make it an original work of art. Finishing and hanging will be covered as well.

The workshop is to take place at Teri Springer's studio, a wonderful well-lit space right on the water in Chester. There will be a maximum of ten spaces available. The course for the 3 days is \$250 plus a reasonable kit fee of \$25. Coffee, tea and snacks included. To secure a space, contact Laurie at [laurieswim@eastlink.ca](mailto:laurieswim@eastlink.ca) or call 640-2220 or 1-877-272-2220. To see Laurie's work, go to <http://www.laurieswim.com>

**March 20, 2010 – July 18, 2010** –Yes, the date is right, 2010! Plan ahead, save your loonies to go to London, England and to see a wonderful exhibiton of the quilts from the Victoria and Albert Museum Collection along with quilts from other Museums and private collections. A must-see exhibition for sure. Bookmark this site to keep up to date on news from the V&A.

[http://www.vam.ac.uk/exhibitions/future\\_exhibs/Quilts/index.html](http://www.vam.ac.uk/exhibitions/future_exhibs/Quilts/index.html)

## ODDS and ENDS



Ruth Searle suggested I reprint this little bit of advice from the Singer Sewing machine manual in 1949...

“Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Think about what you are going to do. . . never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference predominates. Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade. When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so your mind is free to enjoy your sewing. . .

When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag full of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals. Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on . . .[If] you are constantly fearful that a visitor will drop in or your husband will come home and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing as you should.”

When I did a search for the above, I found this response from

<http://www.theblackbirdhaven.com/blog/2008/3/9/1949-singer-sewing-manual/>

“Well, how about this instead:

Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Turn the radio to a classic rock station and set the volume at a level so that you will not be distracted by the phone, doorbell, smoke alarm, barking dogs or sirens. Throw a dishtowel over the dirty dishes and close the bedroom door if the bed is unmade so that you don't have to look at it. Put on some sweats and flip-flops and pin your hair back so that it won't get in your way. Get a coaster for your glass of wine or Diet Dr. Pepper and a bowl for your M&Ms. Sew until it is time to order pizza, and then sew some more.”

## ***DESSERT PARTY COOKBOOK***

Don't forget our Dessert Party Cookbook makes a great gift. Let Val Hearder know 624-8181 or email [valeriehearder@eastlink.ca](mailto:valeriehearder@eastlink.ca) if you want her to bring some to the February meeting. If you live in Halifax and want cookbooks, call Vicki Burke at 443-5296 or if you live in the Chester area call Linda Hutt for cookbooks at 275-5084. They make great birthday presents!

# REMINDERS

\*our meetings are scent free;



several members have allergies and would appreciate it if you refrain from wearing perfume or other highly scented products. Thank you.

## \*Please bring to the meeting

\* name tag

\*show and tell

\*library books

\*your contribution to our Pot Luck Valentine Dinner

\*bring your own dishes and cutlery, makes for easy cleanup!

\*your Valentine postcard if you are participating in the exchange



## STORM POLICY

If school is cancelled in Lunenburg County and a storm develops there will be no meeting; however, if school is cancelled (they do this at 5am usually) and a storm does not meet expectations, the phone committee will phone everyone to let you know the meeting will go ahead.

## HONOURARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Guild would like to honour those members who turn 80 in a membership year with a Life Membership, please let Patsy or Sandy Bruce know.

## COMMUNITY/CHARITY QUILT DONATIONS

Don't forget that our ongoing charity quilt projects can always use a quilt or two and they can be turned at any meeting. We are accepting preemie quilts for the Neo-Natal Intensive care Unit at the IWK Children's Hospital, wheelchair quilts for the local nursing homes and twin size quilts for the Mental Health Association. All these are very worthwhile projects and the quilts required can be simple and small. If you need any further instructions, sizes etc. contact Barb for details [robsonbh@eastlink.ca](mailto:robsonbh@eastlink.ca) Please see "program notes" for information about Cuddle Quilt Day on January 24, 2009. Bring completed tops and prepared backs to the church hall where they will be sandwiched and tied. It would be great to have some quilts all ready to be tied so that everyone can be put to work right away! Coffee, tea and sweets are provided, please bring your lunch. It is a great day to give back to our community and support several very worthwhile causes. Please remember that the preemie quilts cannot be tied, they must be hand or machine quilted. Thanks!

## MAYFLOWER QUILTERS GUILD NEWS

Don't forget to send in your application to the IWK Quilt Show and Sale. It was in your October newsletter, the application form has to be received by Feb. 1, 2009. Let's have another good showing from our guild. For those who have entered a quilt, bring it to the March2 meeting and barb will deliver it to the IWK for you and will bring them back to the April meeting. Don't forget - your quilt must have a sleeve sewn across the top on the back. It must be in a clear plastic bag with your name clearly marked.

## MAHONE BAY QUILTERS GUILD SCRAPBOOK

Did you know that our Guild has a "historian"? That would be Mollie Hardy, and she has done a superb job of collecting and keeping everything she can find for our scrapbooks. Mollie would like to receive any published articles about Guild members' involvements and accomplishments from sources **other than** from the *Chronicle Herald* and *Lunenburg Progress/Bridgewater Bulletin*. She would also appreciate photos from guild events - photo size 4x6. Many thanks!

## PROGRAM NOTES

**Valentine Postcard Exchange** – Attached to this newsletter are the instructions for our second annual postcard exchange with a Valentines theme. If you don't have any "Timtex", you can pick some up from Anna Davison at Cuddle Quilt day or give her a call to arrange to pick some up. This is a fun, quick project, and you will get to take home a postcard made by someone else.

## **MACHINE QUILTERS FOR HIRE IN NOVA SCOTIA**

Several people have asked for a list of people who do machine quilting. It is wise to ask for references or ask to see their work.

### **Donna Hazelton**

SaltSeams Quilting Studio  
Member of Canadian Machine  
Quilters Association.  
151 Second Ave., P.O. Box 100  
Digby, NS, B0V 1A0  
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### **Debbie Vermeulen**

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Canning, NS B0P 1H0  
Phone: 902-582-7737  
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### **Gerene Chisholm**

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### **Diane's Hand Guided Quilting Services**

Machine Quilting on a Long Arm Machine  
859 Bog Rd.  
Falmouth NS B0P 1L0  
Phone: 902-684-0194

### **Wendy Thistle**

ThistleDown Machine Quilting Services  
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[wlthistle@eastlink.ca](mailto:wlthistle@eastlink.ca)

The Program Committee is looking for ANYONE, or a Bee or a group of friends who would like to offer to do some entertainment - music, skits, readings, etc. at the February Valentines Party. Please contact Anna if you are interested. [annadavison@eastlink.ca](mailto:annadavison@eastlink.ca) or 624-9575

**January 24, 2009 - Cuddle Quilt Day** – Saturday, January 24, at Trinity United Church Hall, 9:00am to 4:00pm. Those who have tops already made can bring them to the hall on Sat. January 24. We are also collecting Premie quilts for the IWK, twin sized quilts for the Mental Health Association, and Wheelchair lap-quilts for the local nursing homes. Bring your lunch and enjoy the camaraderie of working together for special people.

**February 2, 2009 - Valentines Pot Luck Supper 6:00pm [hall opens at 5:00pm]** Post Card and/or Quiltlets Exchange and a preview of Pam Allen's workshops.

**February 7 Workshop:** Penny Rug Quilts with Donna Veinot – You can contact Anna to register or register at Cuddle Quilt Day or the February meeting.

### **April 30, May 1 & 2, 2009 – Dessert Party and Extraordinary Quilter workshops with Pamela Allen, Kingston ON.**

Pam Allen, was nominated as Teacher of the Year by Professional Quilter 2008, is our Mahone Bay Quilters Guild's Extraordinary Quilter for 2009.

Go to <http://pamelart.homestead.com/titlepage.html> "Pamelart" and see all about her. Pamela is much in demand as an international quilt teacher and we are very lucky to have her as our guest celebrity quilter for our notoriously delicious Dessert Party this coming spring.

Pam has an extensive resume of shows and awards to her name, and is included in a new prestigious book entitled *The Masters- Art Quilts*, now in our library. She has also written for *Quilting Arts Magazine*, the latest was in the Fall 2006 issue. Aside from her many accomplishments, she is a generous and sharing person and lots of fun, this is reflected in her work.

Your program committee, Anna, Johanna and Laurie, after much thought, have chosen two workshops we hope will appeal and be enjoyed by the MBQG members. They are **"Fantastic Faces" and "Think like an Artist"**. Read about them on her website and plan to register for these classes at the March 13th mail-in start. If you plan to be away on March 13th, fill in the form available in January's newsletter, enclose a cheque for the workshop[s], and give the envelope to a friend to mail for you. Sounds like a fun learning experience!

## Notes From the Program Committee

# INTERNET EXPLORING



**1. Pictou Lodge Retreat** - you have until January 30th to put your name in the box for the two [2] \$500 gift certificate draws for the Pictou Lodge Retreat being held this September. Contact Anna Davison by phone or e-mail. The regulations for this gift are: must be a paid-up guild member; winners willing to pay the remaining fee of \$195 plus extra costs i.e. travel, workshop materials etc.; only one name per person in the box; draw will be at the Valentine Party February 2nd.

**2. Anna still has some Peltex cut for Valentine postcards to be exchanged at our Valentines Party on February 2nd. She will bring them to Cuddle Quilt day for those who would like to participate.**

**3. Cuddle Quilt Day is Saturday January 24th from 9am to 4pm.** Come for the day, half-day, or an hour or two. Invite your friends. All help is appreciated! If a few of you can have a 'sandwich' already prepared, that would be great.

**4. Penny Rug Quilt Workshop - Sat.Feb. 7, with Donna Veinot.** We still need more participants to make a full class. Contact Anna Davison to add your name to the class and arrange to pick up the supply list.

**5. Check out Pam Allen's website to get a look at the two workshops she will be conducting as our Extraordinary Quilter:**

<http://pamelart2.homestead.com/quiltythings.html>

Friday May 1st - My Quilt, My Rules  
Saturday May 2nd - Fantastic Fabric Faces

**6. Beginner Quilting Class** - we have 20!!! signed up.

**7. Valentine Party - February 2nd** beginning at 6:00pm - set up at 5:00pm Please bring your 'POT-LUCK' dish to share for the meal as well as your Dishes & Cutlery, Valentines postcard to exchange; Sew & Tell quilts and wall hangings.

We all know about our "Bay Buddies" and their car quilt, well here is a car painted like a quilt with nail polish!



[http://www.gazette.net/stories/11272008/frednew141637\\_32488.shtml](http://www.gazette.net/stories/11272008/frednew141637_32488.shtml)

And for those Snowbirds heading south, if you are driving plan a stop at the Virginia Quilt Museum

<http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/index.html>

Call for submission – World of Threads Exhibition in Oakville, ON

<http://www.worldofthreadsfestival.com/index.html>

Some news from Val Hearder:

**"Horizon**, my bi-monthly e-newsletter/blog about landscapes, quilts and design inspiration, has been updated with lots of news and links! Please click on [www.threadlink.typepad.com](http://www.threadlink.typepad.com) to read the latest issue. Here is what you'll find:

- \* **My trusty, rusty sewing machine!**
- \* **Unique natural dyed, organic silks from Thailand**
- \* **Prince Charles' new Welsh home - see video and spot the Welsh quilts!**
- \* **Spectacular Desserts by Extraordinary Quilters - order your copy!**
- \* **Lots of new resource links**
- \* **My new blog! African Threads**
- \* **Join me on Facebook.** Please feel free to forward this newsletter link on to others. My mailing list is never shared and it's free to subscribe. Just drop me an email asking to be added to the list, or even better, click on the subscribe link on the newsletter and receive an automatic update of my occasional blog.

For the new embroidered textiles from South Africa, check out [www.africanthreads.etsy.com](http://www.africanthreads.etsy.com) and

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/30270399@N05/>

Also, you are warmly invited to join my new **landscape quilt on-line group**.

There are lots of gorgeous landscapes in the albums, and a friendly group willing to share a wealth of information.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ValerieHearderLandscapeQuiltGroup/>

Thanks for reading! My best to you in creative quilting, Valerie"



## Free Learn to Quilt Class

Mahone Bay Quilters' Guild is offering a free quilting course to anyone interested in quilting. The course will consist of five four-hour Saturday morning sessions:

**Feb 21 and 28, March 7, 21, 28, 2009 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Trinity United Church, Mahone Bay

All materials and supplies will be provided. Participants will receive complimentary MBQG memberships to October 2009.

Topics to be covered include: piecing, cutting, speed sewing, appliqué and quilting.

**NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY.**

A sewing machine is not required, but if you have one, you may bring it. Space is limited, so register today. Remember, the course is completely free.

**Contact:** Sandy at (902) 275-3249 or [sandyt@eastlink.ca](mailto:sandyt@eastlink.ca)

### NEXT MEETING "VALENTINE POTLUCK DINNER"

Monday February 2; Trinity United Church Hall, 5:00pm the hall opens, the Valentine Pot Luck Dinner starts at 6:00pm; a meeting will follow.



## LAST STITCH BUT NOT LEAST

I haven't made any New Years Resolutions this year but I did make a list of projects to finish and projects to start. I am going to keep it front and centre. I like to have several projects on the go at once, something to piece, something to quilt as well as socks to knit and books to read. I've already been able to cross 2 things off the list (my blue and white quilt and I have pieced the back for my Frenchy's quilt, now to baste it); I have finished a pair of socks and started another pair and it is only mid January! How is your list coming along? Have you made one yet? Happy New Year!

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