



Greater Moncton Quilt Guild

My soul is fed....

By my needle and thread

JANUARY 2011



Happy New Year!

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Hello everyone, and welcome to 2011. Wow, it seems really strange to write that out... I still want to write 0-8 or 0-9!!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season, and that you are all refreshed, rested, and ready to take on the new year.... Or at least that you survived the stress and chaos of the holidays, travel, mail, family parties, and are ready to get back to normal! :)

I have made one resolution this year. Usually, I don't bother, because I know darn well I will not stick to a diet or to a promise to get up in the pre-dawn hours to jog with my dog - and that is true any time of the year! However, this holiday season, I found myself scrambling to get gifts bought, wrapped and delivered, to get baking done, to get cards addressed...

I am not sure if it was the un-Christmas like weather that threw off my groove, or whether I am just not as organized as I used to be (I swear that happened during pregnancy and never got back to normal!). At any rate, I have resolved to try to be more organized this year. Originally, I was thinking of the holiday season, but it's probably not a bad goal for the rest of the year too.

Have you ever thought about the logistics of such an idea?? What is the best way to get organized? To stay organized? Outside of hiring a personal assistant, that is! Truthfully, I used to be able to keep track of everything in my head, and I'm not *that* busy, surely? I have the usual things to keep track of - work, school, kids, husband. The kids are not in a dozen activities, just swimming,

and the husband *should* be able to look after himself, right?! OK, maybe that one is a bit farfetched!

So, I have decided to tackle each area of my life, one at a time, and see if there are ways to make things easier. I don't want to end up with lists stuck in every pocket, and notes stuck to the bathroom mirror to remind myself to pick up toothpaste, but there has to be a way to stay on top of things so that I don't end up crunched for time - all the time. Unfortunately for me, I think this is going to mean curbing my procrastination habits immensely! Too bad too, I was really GOOD at being lazy!

So, for January, I have decided to see if I can make life easier by doubling up on dinners and freezing some for another rushed day. Even if I do this once or twice a week, I will have ready-to-go meals for those days when some other chaotic thing has cropped up. I had tried this a few years ago, when I went back to work after having my first child, but that time, I would spend all day on a Saturday making meals and freezing them - needless to say, that didn't last long - who wants to give up a Saturday?? This way, it should only take a little bit longer than it would to make the meal I would have to make anyway, and I will still be prepared for that crazy Wednesday down the road.

For February, I am thinking I will reorganize my sewing room and try to find some order to the many WIPs that are down there. Wish me luck!

Cheers!!



.... Sam

Schedule of Events

◆ JANUARY

- } Jan 1 - New Year's Day
- } Jan 12 - GMQG Meeting
- } Jan 24 (week of) - Hand quilting raffle quilt for Quilt Show. Karen Bureaux 382-6422
- } December - February 6 - TEXTiles by Nancy Cole, Eptek Center, Summerside, PE 902-888-8373

January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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- } April 29-30 - Fredericton Quilt Guild Show
- } May 2-7 - Strait Stitches, A Maritime Event. National Seminary 2011 by Embroidery Association of Canada, Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB.
- } May 4-8 - Quilts by the Sea, Marco Polo Quilt Guild, NB Museum, Saint John, NB
- } July 8-August 28 - Art Hits the Wall, Tides of Time, Rossignol Centre, Liverpool, NS
- } August 5-10 - Northumberland Quilt Guild Annual Show and Sale, DeCoste Center, Pictou, NS
- } May 29-June 2, 2012- Quilt Canada 2012, Dalhousie University Campus, Halifax, NS



Member Events

Happy December and January birthdays to Sue Berubé, Jerri Burke, Bridget Daly, Rita Arsenault, Phyllis Melanson, Sam Robichaud, Margaret Sawyer, and Jackie Spataro.

Do you know of upcoming birthdays, anniversaries, or special events that we can include? Let us know!

The Winner's Circle

Congrats to all the winners of our various draws and contests.



Jelly Roll Draw:

- September: Summer Flowers, Marvin Smith
 - October: Fall/Halloween/Thanksgiving, Sylvie Dube
 - November: Juvenile/kids prints, Roxanne LeBlanc
 - December: Christmas Gold, Grace Crawford
 - January: Any color
- Strips must be W.O.F. and 2 1/2 inches wide.

50/50 Draw:

- September: Roxanne LeBlanc
- October: Alice Houlahan
- November: Pat Hume
- December: Bridget Daly

Block of the Month Draw:

- September: Summer Camp, Nellie Lutes
- October: Corner Office, Marie Melanson
- November: Chimney & Cornerstones, Jerri Burke
- December: Peppermint Sticks, Dawn Irving
- January: Mock Log Cabin

Reminders

- ◆ A late fee of \$1 per month is charged for overdue library books.
- ◆ Please sign in when you arrive at the Guild meetings (fire regulations require it)
- ◆ Nametags must be worn - 25 cent fee per meeting for those who do not comply.

- ◆ Program needs for January: Small pair of scissors and a thimble, if you use one. Project is working with wool.
- ◆ Block of the month for January (Mock Log Cabin)
- ◆ Jelly Roll strip for January is any color/pattern. 2 1/2 inches x width of fabric
- ◆ Completed baby blocks from November to exchange with your group of 4 -5 people.
- ◆ Retreat is scheduled for February 25-27, 2011 in Sussex. Final payment is due January 2011. Single Room \$170; Double Room \$100.
- ◆ Karen Bureaux will be hosting the hand quilting for raffle quilt at her home: 175 Centennial Drive, 382-6422. Jan 24 from 1-4, all other days that week will be 10 to 4. Sign up sheet will be available at the meeting



Web Form



Some of you may remember some discussions from the beginning of this guild year, about including a “For Sale” section on the guild website. Your executive has drafted a form to be completed by anyone who has items for sale that they would like to post on the website. The fee will be \$5.00 for a three month listing on the site. The listing may include a photo of the item, and should include a good description, as well as contact information for the seller. The guild will not be the contact for these items, but merely offering the service of putting the items online for the members.

We are still drafting the rules and regulations, but the form is attached (pg 6) for your review and comments. If you have questions, comments or suggestions about the form, please direct them to Sam Robichaud. We are hoping to have this service available

to members very soon, and those of you who check the website will see the Quilts for Sale link on the left hand side, that has been there for a few months already (our webmaster is such a keener!). Once the rules have been finalized by the executive, they will be posted for the membership, and the sale can begin! Here are a few points that we have discussed so far:

- ◆ We expect quilts to be the bulk of items for sale, but are not limiting members to just bed quilts. Wall hangings, table runners, full sized quilts, as well as sewing machines, tables, and related “tools of the trade” will be accepted.
- ◆ Items that are sold before the 3 month listing time is over can be marked “sold” online, or removed from the list.
- ◆ Items that are not sold within the 3 month listing time can be removed, or members can renew

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Funnies

A Little Story

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it but Nobody did.

Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Should we join Facebook??

When I bought my Blackberry I thought about the 30-year business I ran with 1800 employees, all without a cell phone that plays music, takes videos, pictures and communicates with Facebook and Twitter. I signed up under duress for Twitter and Facebook, so my seven kids, their spouses, 13 grandkids and 2 great grand kids could communicate with me in the modern way. I figured I could handle something as simple as Twitter with only 140 characters of space

That was before one of my grandkids hooked me up for Tweeter, Tweetree, Twirl, Twitterfon, Tweetie and Twitterific Tweetdeck, Twitpix and something that sends every message to my cell phone and every other program within the texting world

My phone was beeping every three minutes with the details of everything except the bowel movements of the entire

Web Form - Continued

for an additional 3 months, for \$5.00.

- ◆ Flow of information and payments has not been finalized. We expect the information will likely go directly to Susan Delaney, our web guru, who will post after payment is confirmed.
- ◆ All questions and negotiations about the items for sale will be directed to the seller, not the guild.



GREATER MONCTON QUILT GUILD ITEMS FOR SALE REGISTRATION FORM

Member Name	
Telephone	
E-mail	
Item for Sale	
Price of item	
Description	
Other Info (i.e. preferred method of contact)	
Guild use	
Date Received	
Payment Received	
Date Posted to Site	
Date Removed from Site	

SAMPLE ONLY

Funnies, Continued



next generation. I am not ready to live like this. I keep my cell phone in the garage in my golf bag.

The kids bought me a GPS for my last birthday because they say I get lost every now and then going over to the grocery store or library. I keep that in a box under my tool bench with the Blue tooth [it's red] phone I am supposed to use when I drive. I wore it once and was standing in line at Barnes and Noble talking to my wife and everyone in the nearest 50 yards was glaring at me. I had to take my hearing aid out to use it, and I got a little loud.

I mean the GPS looked pretty smart on my dash board, but the lady inside that gadget was the most annoying, rudest person I had run into in a long time. Every 10 minutes, she would sarcastically say, "Re-calc-u-lating." You would think that she could be nicer. It was like she could barely tolerate me. She would let go with a deep sigh and then tell me to make a U-turn at the next light. Then if I made a right turn instead. Well, it was not a good relationship.

When I get really lost now, I call my wife and tell her the name of the cross streets and while she is starting to develop the same tone as Gypsy, the GPS lady, at least she loves me.

To be perfectly frank, I am still trying to learn how to use the cordless phones in our house. We have had them for 4 years, but I still haven't figured out how I can lose three phones all at once and have run around digging under chair cushions and checking bathrooms and the dirty laundry baskets when the phone rings.

The world is just getting too complex for me. They even mess me up every time I go to the grocery store. You would think they could settle on something themselves but this sudden "Paper or Plastic?" every time I check out just knocks me for a loop. I bought some of those cloth reusable bags to avoid looking confused, but I never remember to take them in with me.

Now I toss it back to them. When they ask me, "Paper or Plastic?" I just say, "Doesn't matter to me. I am bi-saksual." Then it's their turn to stare at me with a blank look.

I was recently asked if I tweet. I answered, No, but I do toot a lot."



Thanks to Peggy Sheehan for the giggles!

*Do you have any funny stories, jokes, information for the group?
Send it to us to include in the next newsletter!*



Puzzle

New Year

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I I E K B R E A K D A N C I N G F
E I L D A R D M D U N R L E W R S
C N H U D I E T E T M S W S O C S
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O L G D R N K B S R E K C A R C N
H A H S H E U E J K I E K A E T I
S B O O R S R F E S T I V A L T Y

ball drop
calendar
crackers
fireworks
January
parade
time

balloon
celebration
dancing
friends
midnight
party
toast

banner
champagne
decorations
fun
music
resolution
treats

break
confetti
eve
hats
new year
streamers

bubbles
countdown
festival
holiday
noisemaker
sweets

Cryptograms - Answers

IQYQSZ EK I KVHCZR KBTEZN GMVTU VUVTA WVID EK I DWCGVT. IWLVTY HISQK
AUTUMN IS A SECOND SPRING WHERE EVERY LEAF IS A FLOWER. ALBERT CAMUS

IDQGOC DL YQ OGAVDQF, LBCDQF Y IYGOCAMWMC, LHEEOC YQ MDW BYDQGDQF
YQS YHGHEQ Y EMLYDA MK GVOE YWW. LGYQWON VMCMIDGJ
WINTER IS AN ETCHING, SPRING A WATERCOLOR, SUMMER AN OIL PAINTING AND
AUTUMN A MOSAIC OF THEM ALL. STANLEY HOROWITZ

XUEDAL UQXXIX QAK NAI EIRIRWIE X NAI'X DAANJIAJI. XYRRIE UQXXIX QAK NAI
EIRIRWIE X NAI'X IFYWIEQAJI. QYHYRA UQXXIX QAK NAI EIRIRWIE X NAI'X EIBIEIAJI.
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REMEMBERS ONE'S EXUBERANCE. AUTUMN PASSES AND ONE REMEMBERS ONE'S REV-
ERENCE. WINTER PASSES AND ONE REMEMBERS ONE'S PERSEVERANCE. YOKO ONO

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MVAXVVF AKV DLLDEOFZ BOEVQOVE DY EHBVQ PFT XOFAVQ. IPQDN MOEKDL
KOLLE
BITTERSWEET OCTOBER. THE MELLOW, MESSY, LEAF-KICKING, PERFECT PAUSE BE-
TWEEN THE OPPOSING MISERIES OF SUMMER AND WINTER. CAROL BISHOP HIPPS

TI VC KBN AZ VTAQCJ, QKC UEJTAM VZPFN AZQ GC UZ EFCBUBAQ: TI VC NTN AZQ
UZSCQTSCU QBUQC ZI BNYCJTQH, EJZUECJTQH VZPFN AZQ GC UZ VCFWZSC.
BAAC GJBNUQJCCQ
IF WE HAD NO WINTER, THE SPRING WOULD NOT BE SO PLEASANT: IF WE DID NOT
SOMETIMES TASTE OF ADVERSITY, PROSPERITY WOULD NOT BE SO WELCOME. ANNE
BRADSTREET

WMSP, WMSP, IASB PVHIXD PVHK; IASB JDI HSI LS BHCVHK; JL ZJH'L VHQDJVIBKX.
PVMMVJZ LAJXLGXJDX
BLOW, BLOW, THOU WINTER WIND; THOU ART NOT SO UNKIND; AS MAN'S IN-
GRATITUDE. WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

JQV MWQH RJXH UYQ RYXD PKXVV RWQPVX DJQPKI. ZYFYQVIV FXJLVXA
ONE KIND WORD CAN WARM THREE WINTER MONTHS. JAPANESE PROVERB

Who's to Blame? (Contacts)

2010-2011 Executive

President - Gayle Ritchie

Vice-President - Samantha Robichaud

Secretary - Tracey Strong

Treasurer - Ardith Barron

Registrar - Marie Bernard

Program Coordinators - Kim Larracy, Loanna Whitmore

2010-2011 Job Jar Committees

Block of the Month - Beth Rasmussen

Christmas Party - Roxanne LeBlanc, Marie Bernard, Val LeBlanc

Christmas Block Challenge - Samantha Robichaud

Library - Claudette Hannington, Sylvie Dubé

Communications - Samantha Robichaud

Photographer - Gilberte Comeau

Newsletter - Samantha Robichaud

CQA/ACC Liaison -

UFO - Phyllis Melanson

Show & Share - Phyllis Melanson, Joanne Bourque

25th Anniversary Challenge - Nancy Elaschuk, Jennifer Vienneau

50/50 - Betty Rice

Mystery Quilt - Val McCloskey

Group Quilt - Jerri Burke, Beth Sears

Website - Susan Delaney

Retreat - Bridget Daly, Rita Arsenault, Roxanne LeBlanc

Jelly Bean Draw - Valerie McCloskey

Workshop Committee - Roxanne LeBlanc, Vivian LeBlanc, Samantha Robichaud

Quilt Show Chair - Karen Bureaux

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