

# Sew & Tell June 2024

#### **Raffle Quilts**

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to everyone who helped with the raffle, from those who sold tickets to those that volunteered to man the raffle table at the Quilt Show. Our efforts far exceeded what I had hoped for and I thank you all so very much.

We sold in the neighborhood of 1870 tickets, only 2000 were printed so that is an incredible endeavour on the part of our members. 1400+ were sold by members.

Final count on funds is not complete but will be at least \$3,700 going to Community Quilts.

Winners all lived in the Comox Valley and were all incredibly pleased to receive their prizes. Quilts and winners were chosen at random.

Winner: Mike Pollack, ticket sold by member Vera Pollack

Winner Paula Turke, purchased her ticket at the quilt show.





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Winner Kathy Haigh, purchased ticket from Anne Teschereau-Mamers

Winner Jayne Fair, purchased ticket at the Quilt Show





Winner Carol Briggs, ticket purchased from Brenda Levirs.

The winner of Carol Metner's guilt is Carol Briggs of Courtenay.

Carol Briggs donated the quilt to Leslie Jagat. Leslie is a member of Schoolhouse Quilters and President of the Rebekah Assembly of British Columbia.

Leslie's special project for the year is Canuck Place Children's Hospice (Dave Lede house) in Abbotsford. Canuck Place is the only hospice in the province which cares exclusively for children suffering from terminal illnesses.

Care is provided to the entire family at no cost and extends to counselling for up to three years after the death of a child.

It is Leslie's intention to raise funds in support of Canuck Place Children's hospice through a raffle of this beautiful quilt.



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## **HAW 2024**

Save the Date October 26th

Where: Schoolhouse Quilters' Guile

Cumberland Cultural Centre Buchanan Hall

Time: Doors open at 10:00 am

Fun begins at 11:00

Theme: Awesome Autumn

What does Autumn mean to you?

Leaves, pumpkins, Thanksgiving

Block: Gayle H. has found an interesting block

Girl's Favorite by Wendy Russell

a free pattern

Check our website for the patter

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Challenge No larger than 36" x 36"

**Autumn Memories** 

Sign up and volunteer info will be at the June meeting. This is always a fun event.

We will be making attendee gifts over the summer, come join us.

Hope & Barb

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## **Quilt Show 2024**

What a fantastic show we had. Here are some of the pictures Barb took. Enjoy.

















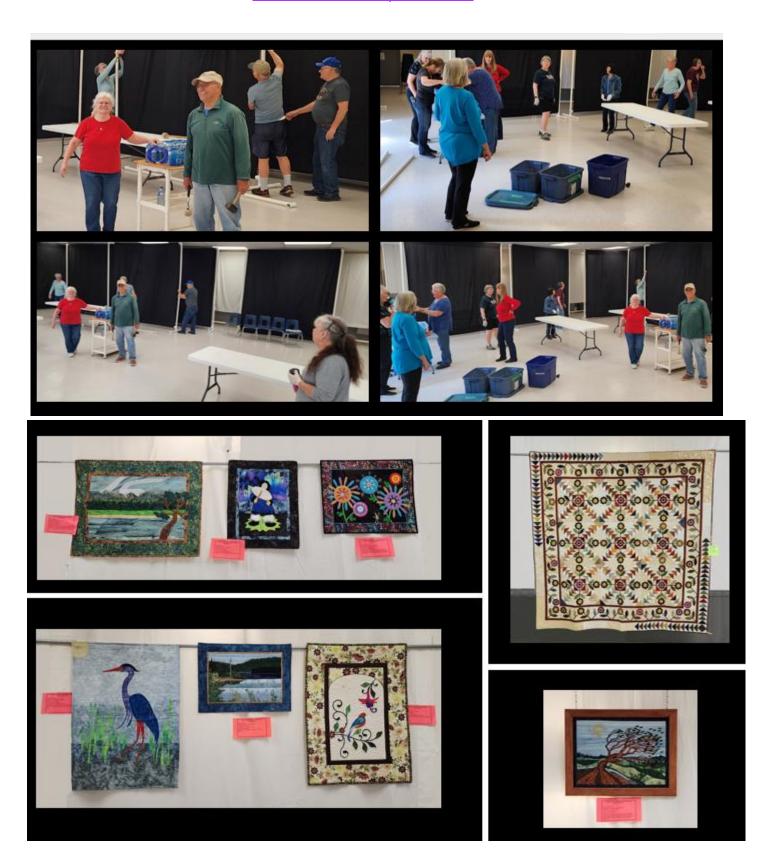


















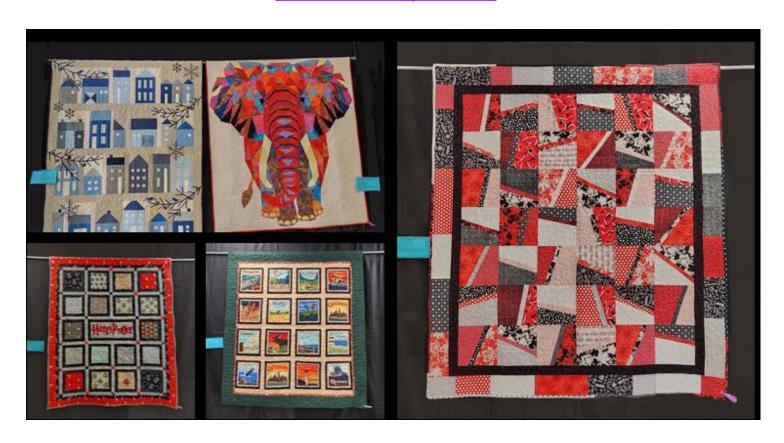








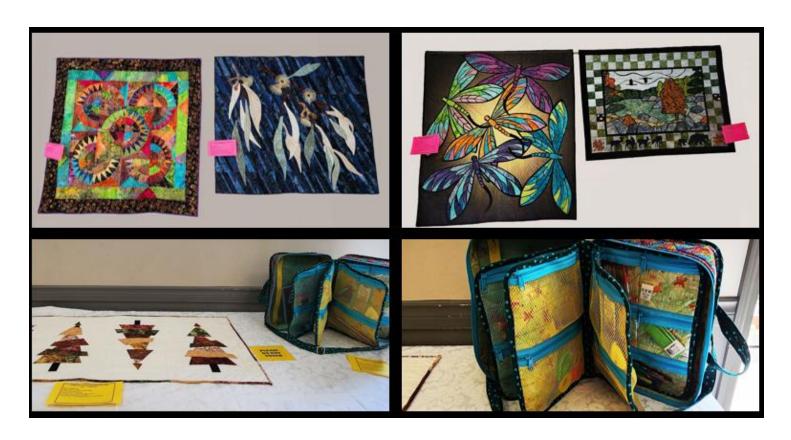


























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It was a wonderful quilt show. Stay tuned for the winner of the Viewers' Choice.

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## **May Show & Tell**

































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Stripology Ruler demonstration was held on May 9 – with 25 attending. A big thank you is extended to Deb and Joanne from Huckleberry's for this demo – we learned lots of tips from folding fabric, use of rulers to quickly cut your quilt pieces, to how you can use these same rulers to trim up your blocks, square up HST's, flying geese, etc. And a bonus trunk show and the ability to purchase some new 'toys' – we quilters never tire of those opportunities – even if our wallets don't thank us.

## June 13<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 am Cooling Neckers with Jean Lewis

Summer – and those hot days, will be here soon. Cooling Neckers can be very helpful on those hot days – for hikers – gardeners – golfers – or even when it's just too hot in our homes! Quick and easy to make. Jean will provide the pattern & instruction – as well as the 'water beads' you will need to create these – You just need a strip of fabric 4.5" wide x WOF --- your sewing machine and basic sewing supplies.

This is also our June Pot Luck day – so even if you cannot sew today – reach out to me and I can provide you with the beads so you can make it later at home.

If you are sewing your necker on this day – you will need a piece of fabric 4.5'' wide x WOF and your usual sewing supplies. Optional extras just to speed up wait times if we are sharing my notions

- Something to help you turn a long tube right side out
- A tube of some sort doesn't matter what as long as diameter would fit in this tube
- A small funnel (has to fit into the top of whatever your tube is
- A 1/4 tsp from your kitchen (to measure these little beads)

#### July / Aug

The HAW committee and workshop committee will plan some sewing time to make about 150 small vinyl fronted project bags as the attendees' gift.

Although people are welcome to sew from their own stash, we will also provide

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some kits and we may even set up some assembly line sewing if that would help get this goal met. Community Quilts is letting us use some of their fat quarters.

We will be supplying zippers or you can use your own, must be 12"

Sew Dates will be announced at the June meeting. Join us for some fun.

#### Sept 21 - Free Motion Quilting - with Deb Morrissey

We've done the beginner classes for FMQ – now it is time to explore some more advanced work – feathers anyone? Deb is planning a whole cloth project – about the size of a table runner – and help us learn some interesting designs. This workshop will be held on a Saturday – at our usual hall. Registration for this class is available NOW – and class is filling up quickly. See Raelene or Jean to register.

#### Saturday Sept. 21 class 10 am to 4 pm.

Hall will be open at 9:30 to allow for time to get set up and ready for class start time.

Cost of class - \$ 40.00 for our Guild members - \$ 45.00 for any guests. This includes \$ 35. Course fee plus \$5 fee for handouts.

Supply list will be sent to you as soon as it becomes available.

Because there is no summer newsletter – the trifold bulletin board will have updated info if a mini workshop is scheduled for September.

Raelene will remain on the Workshop Committee for next year but Jean will be stepping down. Raelene does need a partner to assist with this committee – please consider taking on this roll

Workshop Committee - Raelene Robertson / Jean Lewis

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**Libby Lehman** - does the name ring a bell? Libby was a renown quilter and teacher in the 1980s onwards with her trend setting techniques. She was an innovator of machine embroidery and her quilt, "Joy Ride", made in 1986, was recognized as one of the 20th century's 100 best American quilts. Then tragedy struck in 2013.......... A burst brain aneurysm followed by a massive stroke rendered her unconscious for four months with the prognosis of being unable to speak and walk again.

Through determination, therapy, and people who cared, she has overcome obstacles. Although no longer quilting, she has continued to pursue interests in fibre arts, and keeps up with the quilting world through friendships with the likes of Ricky Tims and Marianne Fons. A study questioning "what drew them to quilting?" came up with the conclusions that half of the quilters questioned were drawn to the process itself, while the other half said friendship with other quilters was more meaningful. It looks like Libby certainly benefited from the friendships as well as making a name for herself as an extraordinary quilter.

I recently spent time going through our quilt guild library and discovered a book by Libby, obviously written pre 2013. What a find! Along with the beautiful cover photo, I've added a small sample from her instructions on **Threadplay**. Plans are afoot to do more, as this was so much fun!

#### **Threadplay** (Mastering machine embroidery techniques)

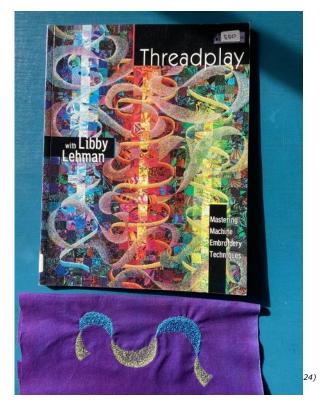
Libby Lehman That Patchwork Place 1997 Quilt Guild Library #550

Do take time to look at the photos throughout this book. They are all so vibrant and lively, movement is almost palpable!

Starting with The Basics, I did pay attention to the thread I used in my sample and found mercerized cotton to be dull when embroidering the ribbon. Switching to rayon really made a difference!

So, if you decide to try this technique, be sure to check out how thread is used. Polyester was certainly an improvement over cotton as far as lustre was concerned.

Look through "The Basics" section as there are a multitude of bits of information. How best to



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clean the tension disks - use a pipe cleaner! Her preference for stabilizers is a liquid stabilizer - something new to me, but paper as a stabilizer seems to create problems. So you want to remove the stabilizer or will it be permanently part of your quilt?

Simple lacey stitches in the ribbon give a feeling of something special, but highlighting the outer curves really makes it stand out. All done simply through the use of thread (pg. 35). Satin stitch is a favorite of Libby, and she explains how to avoid 'tunneling', make fine points on applique and mitering satin stitches (pg. 59). Also, using built in decorative stitches can be used to emphasize shapes. Bobbin drawing is fun to do, if your thread is too thick for your machine's needle. Give it a try!

This book is hard to put down. Some new idea seems to jump out saying "try me" - if we only had all the time in the world! A gem full of interesting photos and information, and to think I almost missed it in our library! Enjoy!!!

Lois Warner

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## **Community Quilts.**

It was a busy month for Community Quilts. 29 quilts were donated and shown at the general meeting.

It is so wonderful to see so many patterns, colour combinations and fine work members have shared. It is inspiring.

Myra delivered 30 Breast Cancer Comfort Kits to Breast Cancer Support. Thank you to everyone who completed a kit and to Myra for her presentation and delivering the kits.

Community quilts was well represented at the Quilt Show. People admired quilts made for the community alongside other exquisite quilts in the show.

The work of our members brightened the tea room. Many of these quilts will now be delivered to the Transition Society.

Thank you to everyone for all of your support to the Community Quilt Program.

#### Lorraine





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#### Sesquicentennial challenge

Well, it's long overdue, but I finally finished it. Lol. Cheers!

## Wanda







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## **SUNSHINE**

It is good to see so many quilters coming out to enjoy our Thursday sew days and business meetings. Hopefully this is an indication that we are all remaining healthy.

However, as we know, "life happens" and sometimes we all need a little CHEER.

If you know of any of your fellow quilters who are in need of a little cheer, for whatever reason, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Also, a reminder that if you know of anybody who would like assistance in getting out to a meeting, please let the executive know so we can arrange for that assistance.

Thanks, stay safe and healthy.

Beverly L.

Email: <u>sunshine@schoolhousequilters.com</u>



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## Schoolhouse Quilters Guild Year End Report Reminder for 2024

This is a reminder to start working on your year end report for your committee.

Your report is to be read at the June 6, 2024, General Meeting and then handed into the secretary for filing. See the attached year end document.

Thanks
Schoolhouse Guild Secretary



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#### **Schoolhouse Quilters Guild 2024 Year End Report**

Each committee submits their year-end report prior to the June General Meeting and reads the report at the June General Meeting. If the committee chair is away – they are to make arrangements for the report to be prepared prior to the June General Meeting and presented by another committee member. The report is then given to the guild secretary for filing.

Committee Name:
Committee Chair Name:
Committee Members:
Committee's yearly budget amount:
Detailed financials for the year: If not enough space - please attach your separate budget formation document

#### **Committee Details:**

Each committee to provide a quick overview of the year's activities in space provided or attached:

Schoolhouse Quilters Guild Executive thanks you for your yearly committee report.

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## **Camp Homewood Quilt Retreats**

#### **SQG Retreat at Homewood 2025**

#### IMPORTANT RETREAT NEWS!

I have Retreat dates for February and October 2025 at Camp Homewood.

I will have a sign up sheet at the Meeting. Please decide if you would like February 19th - 23rd and/or October 1st - 5th 2025.

I will not have prices until closer to the time.

Time is very important, I must give them signed contracts by the end of May. I know this is a long way away but without sufficient interest we will not have retreats next year.

The deadline for next year's Retreats is the 30th of May 2024.

I do not have enough people signed up for either Retreat in 2025. Dates are:

Feb. 19 - 23, 2025, Oct. 01 - 05, 2025.

I know this is a long way away but Camp Homewood wants a commitment.

If you want a Retreat next year, please contact me ASAP?

If you are not going to be at the Meeting, please contact me: Barb Messer to let me know if you are interested in one or both of these Retreats?

retreat@schoolhousequilters.com"

I am looking forward to a Retreat in Feb. 2025, how about you? Barb M.

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## Library

Last month, Jean showed her President's Challenge Quilt as she had pieced the theme name of her quilt into the backing - using the book "Spelling Bee" by Lori Holt. This books provides directions for both upper an lower case alphabet letters in two sizes – as well as numbers, punctuation marks and pictures to go with each letter – in both 6" and 12" finished sizes. This book will soon be available in the Library. For those who prefer applique, we already have a book called "Text It" (# 638) with some script style of lettering.

If you have created something using one of the books from the Library – please consider sharing your project & book number ....... the Library has a large number of books (513 to be precise) ..... so there are lots of options to tempt you.

Unfortunately, a number of books have also gone AWOL – and some have remained in that state for years now – and we've chosen the 'write them off' ....... However, if in your clean up activities, you find one in amongst your things – please return it as we can always put in back in our Inventory records.

We do have 3 books remaining on our "Active Missing List" as these books are recent losses. By now, you will all have received an email notice about this ..... but in case you didn't get the email – these are the 3 books we are actively searching for.

- Colourwash Quilts by Deirdre Amsden
- Slash your Stash from McCalls
- Rainbow Scraps by Edyta Sitar

If you have any questions – please speak with us at the hall – or drop an email to us and we can address the question directly – in a future newsletter item – or during a meeting report.

Email: library@schoolhousequilters.com Diane Cave, Susan Tutt, Jean Lewis







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#### **Community Quilts**

Thank you to everyone who is supporting Community Quilts through donating a quilt you have completed, making the monthly blocks, working on a kit, and selling raffle tickets. We have had so much positive feedback from the community about how wonderful it is to receive handmade quilts made by our members. 15 quilts were handed in at the April meeting.

Heather and Joan delivered 13 quilts to The Views and 8 quilts to Cumberland Lodge. The staff at the centres are so appreciative of the quilts they receive for the residents.

A huge thank you to Myra for presenting a workshop on how to complete the Breast Cancer Kits. It was so well received and many kits were completed after the workshop. Thank you Myra for all of your work ensuring the Breast Cancer Kits were completed and delivered. Carol Metner has volunteered to be the contact for next year. Thank you Carol.

Also, thank you Sandy for her work delivering quilts to the Transition Society, Coby for her work with delivering Baby Quilts and Nerissa for her support to Community Quilts through delivering Baby Quilts and Quilts of Valour. Nerissa will continue to be your contact for Quilts of Valour. If you are interested in delivering quilts for Community Quilts, please let Lorraine know.

We are also collecting placemats for the Courtenay Soroptimist organization. Placemats can be dropped off at the Community Quilts table on Thursdays.

The webpage for Community Quilts has been updated and the email to contact Community Quilts is communityquilts@schoolhousequilters.com

Quilt Sizes (Approximately). Adult/Teen - 50" x 60 " Seniors - 40" x 50" or 45" x 45" Children - 40" x 50" Babies - 40" x 40"

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## **Membership News**

Although Membership dues aren't due until the September meeting we will be taking membership renewals at the June meeting.

Thank you Sharon Hansen. Membership Chairman

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#### Hello ladies

Quilt show baking

I will be bringing 6-8 batches of delicious baking to the June meeting. This is baking that is leftover from the quilt show and has been stored in my freezer. None of this is marked gluten free so please see Kathy's note.

A great big thankyou to all the bakers and bigger thanks to those who worked the tea Colleen

We have finished the letters of the alphabet so for the June 6th AGM meeting anyone who missed bringing goodies on their regular month is welcome to bring some.

The year end potluck on **June 13th** will be an evening dinner starting around 5. If anyone would like to organize some entertainment for the evening please see us at the June 6th meeting.

Thanks to everyone for your help in the kitchen this year.

Kathy Rankin Colleen Barker

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## **Happy June Birthday**



Sheila	Scrase	6-16
Beverly	Luck	6-20
Couleen	Maryschuk	6-25
Sienna	Collins	6-26
Raelene	Robertson	6-28

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#### Membership Dues 2024-2025

Time once again to submit your membership dues. We are so lucky to have the hall every Thursday from 9 to 9, not many guilds do.

Membership dues are \$60 and please fill in a NEW form with current information and submit with your payment.

Membership form can be found on the first page of our website, just scroll down, click on the link and print the form.

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Looking forward to seeing everyone at the guild.

This bed went to SPCA IN April. I have fabric for 2 more beds but need scraps I will pick up . Please phone or email

#### **Anita**



#### **Newsletter Advertising:**

To advertise in the newsletter please contact Hope Rychkun for rates. Submit advertising by the **15th** of the month for inclusion in the next month.

editor@schoolhousequilters.com

#### **Newsletter Deadline:**

Please submit all entries for the newsletter by the **15th** of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

Submit articles to Hope (current editor) using the email:

editor@schoolhousequilters.com

Normally our guild meets every Thursday from 9:00am to 9:00pm for quilting at the Cumberland OAP Hall.

**General Meeting (September to June)** on the **1st** Thursday of each month at **6:30 pm** 

**Executive Meeting (September to June) 3rd** Thursday of each month at 1:00pm

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## **Meeting Refreshment Goodies**



This revised schedule takes us into the two meetings in December and June that are "pot Luck".

Please remember to bring your own mug. Fee is by donation and recommended at \$5.00 for year ( or 0.50 per cup ).

New schedule for goodies donations for refreshment table at our monthly meeting is as follows:

#### LAST NAMES STARTING WITH

SEPT	A, B, C
OCT	D, E, F
NOV	G, H, I
DEC	<b>ALL - POTLUCK DINNER</b>
JAN	J, K
FEB	L, Mc and Mac
MAR	M
APR	N, O, P, Q, R, S
MAY	T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
JUNE	<b>ALL - POTLUCK DINNER</b>

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  - or
  - check our website on the Newsletter page
- 2. You don't know the new website Members Only Password or forgot what it is
  - contact **Membership**
- **3.** Any changes to your membership information such as phone number, home address or email
  - contact Membership

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#### **Guild Member's Personal Information**

If you need to contact any of our guild members, executive or committee members please go to the **Members**Only page and then to **Memberships** on our website for the most up to date list of all email, addresses and phone numbers of current guild members. Remember you will need to be a paid member to get the userid and password to enter this area.

To protect the privacy of our guild members' personal phone numbers or email addresses will not be published in the newsletter unless specifically requested by the committee member. Most committees have a guild email address that is redirected to their personal address.

If your committee does not as yet have one or you are organizing a special event please send an email to our webmaster using

webmaster@schoolhousequilters.com to request one.

As a paid member you have received the login and password for this members only section.

For newsletters you do not need to login to the Members Only section.

They are available on the main page and you will also receive the file (pdf format) via email from our Secretary.

#### **Personal Information Changes**

Please notify the Membership Committee of any changes to your email, phone number or address.

The Membership Committee will then pass this information on to those who need the information to update email lists, and membership files.

Keep your information up to date in order to receive email regarding guild events.

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#### **Executive & Committees 2023—2024**

President Debbie Maxwell Treasurer Peggy Hawkins

Vice-President Sandra Castiglia Secretary Marlene Hooper

Past President Diane Cave

Community Quilts Coordinator Lorraine Terretta

Hall Open & Close Carol Metner, Judy Morrison & their teams

HAW Hope Rychkun & Barb Messer

In-House Draws Brenda Levirs

Library Diane Cave, Jean & Susan & Beth

Membership Sharon Hansen & Pat McEwen

Newsletter Editor—Hope Rychkun Advertising—Hope Rychkun

Photography Barb Messer

Programs Part Time Facilitator vacant

Refreshments Kathy Rankin & Colleen Barker

Retreats Barb Messer (Debbie Maxwell & Brenda Levirs)

Sunshine Beverly Luck
Village of Cumberland Liaison Diane Cave
Website Hope Rychkun

Word Search Puzzle Bev Michaluk

Workshops Raelene Robertson

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#### **Bring to September Meeting**

Name: hair and beauty wordsearch o a S S S n e u 0 S 0 t S t a u h 0 e b h t g X C d d e d b u w a x i n m g i 0 o t C S a X O C Z 1 v e s hampoo hair and beauty beard trimming non-contagious contagious hair salon shampooing colouring integrity pedicure reliable scissors massage cutting scabies tanning asthma eczema waxing