



# Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild

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**Meeting Location:**                      **Royal Canadian Legion**  
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**General Meeting Dates**  
**Fourth Wednesday of the Month**

- September 25,2024**
- October 30,2024
- November 27,2024
- January 22,2025
- February 26,2025
- March 26,2025
- April 23,2025
- May 28,2025 (AGM-Members Only)

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Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild

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- Face Mask -Personal Choice
- Name Tag
- Community Quilts
- Placemats
- Neonatal Quilts
- RAFT Donations (Nov. only)
- Show and Tell Quilts
- Money 50/50 & Loonie Draw
- Money for Workshops
- Freebies (please make sure you remove what is not taken at the end of the meeting).

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**DOORS OPEN 6:15    MEETING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7 PM**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It has been great to meet everyone at the last two guild meetings. I am always encouraged after listening to our speakers, seeing the beautiful quilts being displayed, and hearing about the number of quilts, placemats, and pillowcases being made and donated to various charities in the Niagara Region.

I hope some of you were able to take advantage of the bus trips being organized to various quilting and fibre events this fall. Thank you, Trina, and Linda, for encouraging us to come along for the ride.

We have experienced such a beautiful autumn in the Niagara region. The sunny days and warm temperatures have been a blessing. As we enter the next season of winter, the cosy days of quilting inside sounds appealing as well.

Should there be a need to cancel a general meeting due to bad weather, an email will be sent out to all current members and a phone tree will be established for those members who do not have email. If you personally feel the weather is not good for travelling, your safety must be the priority. Do not venture out to a meeting.

We hope to have great weather for our next meeting in November. The Christmas craft and social evening will be another wonderful way to get to know each other even more. I encourage you to bring a friend to our meetings, so that they can also experience our community of quilters.

*Irene Bootsma*

## **FABRIC REMNANTS NEEDED**



**Please bring to the November meeting** remnants of unwanted fabrics for Arlene to forward to a group of Mennonite quilting ladies to make tied comforters for persons in great need (e.g. disaster victims, women incarcerated in dismal Third World prisons, etc).

Thank-you.

## 2024/2025 EXECUTIVE

President	Irene Bootsma
Vice President	Maureen Augerman
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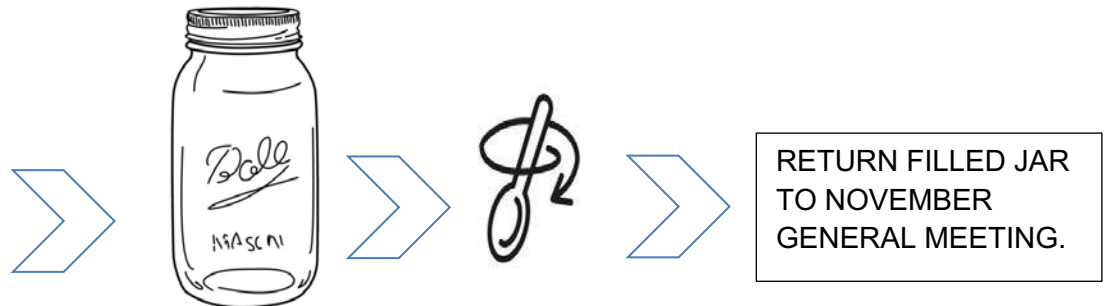
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# VP CHALLENGE 2024-2025

## Quilter's Soup

### Recipe

1. Fill a jar with soup mix (2 ½" strips of fabric of any length) of your choice, can be as many or as few of each fabric as you like. It can be any "Flavour" you like but remember a variety of ingredients that blend well together make wonderful and tasty soup!
2. Bring the filled jar to the November 27, 2024, general meeting. The jars will be put in a large bag or box, and you will pick without looking at the fabric. No one will know who's jar they got.
3. To make your project remember: You may add broth (one fabric of your choice) to the mix. You can make anything you like but use at the very least half of the soup mix.
4. Bring back your totally finished project to the April 23, 2025, general meeting and deliver it to Maureen Augerman. No extensions. Prizes will be awarded at the May 28, 2025, AGM.



### Judging Criteria

General Appearance  
Design  
Workmanship

### Viewer's Choice

Prize information will be announced in the February-March 2024 newsletter. An entry form will be made available at that time as well.

Good luck and have fun.

*Maureen*

## GIVING BACK

### **RAFT**

At the November meeting we will be collecting the following items that will be taken to All personal hygiene products for men and women, e.g. shampoo, conditioner, soaps, deodorants, shaving cream, razors, moisturizing cream, feminine products etc. Raft will also accept the complimentary size of products from hotels.

In addition, **new** hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, underwear, and socks.

Thank you for your support to the youth in our region.

### **Neonatal Quilts**

Just a reminder that neonatal quilts are accepted at all our meetings. The specifications are on our website.

### **Community Quilts**

There were 2 successful sewing days in September and October where up to 12 people catalogued completed quilts, sorted received fabric donations, measured, and cut backing for quilt tops and put together quilt sandwiches ready to go out to the long armers.

In October, the group focused on preparing for the Placemat/Pillowcase workshop by matching materials for the pillowcases and making sure we had a variety of fabrics for the placemats.

Nine quilts were donated to people who experienced a house fire or needed a comfort quilt while they dealt with medical issues.

Some kits were picked up at our Guild meetings but there are many more waiting to be sewn. Many people also help to bind and label the quilted quilts in their own home which is greatly appreciated.

### **Meals on Wheels**

Presently, there are 50 finished placemats, but we know there are many that are being sewn at home and there will be many more finished at the Placemat Workshop. Just a reminder that the preferred size is 12" x17" and they should be made from 100% cotton. Any pattern and combination of fabric is greatly appreciated.

Also, please help add to our Christmas Card pile (non-religious) by signing the cards with a greeting e.g. Warm Winter Wishes, Happy Holidays, Seasons Greetings, and Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild inside. If you have any Christmas stickers, you could seal the back of the cards with one. The last day Placemats and cards will be collected is at our November 27th Guild general meeting.

Happy Sewing

*Gloria & Sharree*





# NHQQ PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

## 2024 - 2025 Calendar of Events

Date	Name	Trunk Show	Workshop
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Social		More Info to Follow
January 22	Lynda Iannandrea Donna Pree	Sashiko Wool Flowers	N/A
February 26-27	Al Cote	Modern Quilt Design	Curved Piecing
March 26-27	Patti's Patchwork	Interesting Quilts from Unusual Fabrics	Conquer Curvaceous Blocks
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pauline Grendin	Piecing Together Canada's History Through Quilts	N/A
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Maureen Augerman		Quilted Vest / Jacket
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	NHQQ AGM		

### WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS

At the time of writing this, we are still enjoying summer-like weather. We had a wonderful visit from Steven Clark in September and by the time you read this we will have had a visit from Theresa Sonnenberg with her presentation of Learning to Love Yellow.

We are gearing up for the Holiday Season. By now you should have chosen the craft that you want to do at our November meeting. If not, please contact Jean at [jchristie@execulink.com](mailto:jchristie@execulink.com) or 905-871-8719 to indicate your choice from the following options. 1) Snowman, 2) No template hexagons, 3) Poinsettia bow or ornament, or 4) English paper-pieced star ornament.



Gloria Simon and Marty Crowder had provided a sign-up sheet at the October meeting for you to indicate if you could provide something sweet or savoury for the Festive Table. We look forward to sharing your treats this month. Be sure to wear something festive. A red or green sweater, a Christmas corsage, or a sparkly headband would be perfect!

January 2025 is just around the corner. If you didn't sign up for Sashiko with Lynda Iannandrea or Wool Flowers with Donna Pree at the October meeting, make sure you do at the November meeting.

Guild members will be able to sign up for Al Cote's workshop "Curved Piecing" at the November meeting. Cash or cheques (\$50) will be accepted at the meeting. To ensure that our Guild members have priority for Al Cote's workshop, please sign up in-person at the November meeting; online registration will be open to members and non-members sometime in January 2025.

*Jean & Coby*

## **November Social Event**

Marty and I are looking forward to organizing the November Social Event. We are asking for those of the membership who can volunteer to bring a little something to add to the food table. We have a very low budget to put this on. Maybe a couple of friends can get together to donate something. We don't need a ton of food but a nice variety so that it isn't a lot of work for any individual and we don't have lots of leftovers. Punch will be provided.

### Suggested food items to offer to supply:

Dip: hummus, spinach, guacamole, or salsa

Veggies: carrots, broccoli, celery, small tomatoes (will be used for a veggie tray)

Crackers: your choice                      Cheese for a tray

Fruit for a platter: strawberries, cantaloupe, watermelon, etc.

Cookies and Squares: Make or buy your favourite one. A dozen or so per volunteer would be great and we would have a nice variety.

If you were unable to attend the October 30th meeting and would like to volunteer some food, please contact Gloria Simon at 905-341-8555 or [simon234steele@gmail.com](mailto:simon234steele@gmail.com)

Thank-you for volunteering to help.

*Gloria & Marty*



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