

# Seymour Quilters Guild Newsletter November, 2025



## NEXT MEETING:

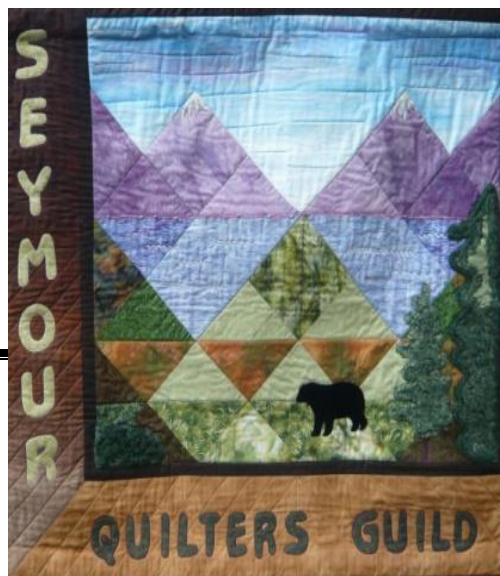
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The Seymour Quilters Guild is a registered, non-profit group regulated by the BC Societies Act.

### Purposes of the Guild are:

1. To bring learning experience and inspiration to its members by way of workshops, demonstrations for the public, show and tell, speakers, and other programs.
2. To provide a service to the community by the creation of quilts for those in need.



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Wendy W.*



I'm writing this on Remembrance Day after returning from a moving service at the North Vancouver Cenotaph. It was a lovely sunny day and the sea of red poppies and maple leaves reminded me of the beautiful quilts for veterans made by the guilds Quilts of Valour team. Lest we forget!

November is one of the very best months for quilters! It comes before the busy season, and because it rains a lot, there's plenty of time for quilting. Our Programmes team have us busy with several great projects, I hope you've found one or two to work on.

See you on Wednesday!

Wendy

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Cheryl*

The guild's holiday luncheon will be held December 10 and this year's theme is International Christmas. If you can please bring something to share that represents your ancestral heritage, please do so! We are hoping for an excellent turnout at this fun and tasty event.

Cheryl

## TREASURER'S REPORT

*Deb S*

Upon review of our guild finances it has been decided by the Executive that membership fees for 2026 will be set at \$75.00. Cheques written out to Seymour Quilters Guild and **DATED January 1st, 2026**, may be submitted in person or by mail to, the membership coordinator, Arlene Taylor.

E-transfers will be accepted **ONLY from January 1-8, 2026. Do Not Send it before then. Funds will be sent back if remitted too early.** Thank you for your help in keeping the financial books balanced. Deb

### Checklist for November 19 Meeting

#### BRING:

- ❖ Your Name Tag, your cup for tea or coffee & a Loonie!
- ❖ Your unwanted fabric stash for free table
- ❖ Show/Tell, Charming Bags, Block of Month Shoofly block and Q of V blocks.



## **BOARD MEMBERS 2025/26**

### **President**

Wendy W.

### **Vice President**

Cheryl E.

### **Secretary/Policy Officer**

Maureen O.

### **Treasurer**

Deb S.

### **Membership Co-ordinator**

Arlene T., Elaine A.

### **Programme/Workshops Co-ordinator**

Marilyn C.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Programme/Workshops**

Diane M, Susanne D, MaryElise C.

### **Community Quilts**

Linda F,  
Connie, Janet, Trudy, Anne O'B.

### **CQA Representative**

Roni W.

### **Have Quilts, Will Travel**

Placed on hold.

### **Library**

Sonja S, Barb McG, Anne W, Kim D,  
Lesley A, Anita J, Ellis S, Chelan McD,  
Tanith L.

### **Sunshine**

Janet M-R.

### **Newsletter**

Sonia B.

<https://seymourquiltersguild.ca/>

### **Quilts of Valour**

Suzanne P, Carolann F.

### **Free Table**

Roni W, Jo-Anne S.

### **Refreshments**

Leslie C, Patricia H, Barbara B.

### **Website**

Judy S.

<https://seymourquiltersguild.ca/>

### **Next Board Meeting**

**Wed., December 3**

Details will be emailed  
two days prior to meeting.

SEYMOUR QUILTERS' GUILD will meet  
at 11:00 am on the **Third Wednesday** of  
the month, except for July and August,  
at **Gloria Dei Church Hall**,  
1110 Gladwin Dr., Nth Vanc.

### **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Wed. , December 10 @ 11 am**

## **FROM THE BOARD**

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES:** Third Wednesday of the month  
(except in December and June) at Gloria Dei Church Hall. Mark  
your calendar.

**November 19**

**December 10** (Xmas Luncheon)

**SOSAH:** Held on second Wednesday of the month **via Zoom**, all  
members are invited to participate.  
Zoom info will be emailed two days before meeting.

**Next SOSAH:** December 3 (1:00-3:00 pm)

## **SHOWS and EVENTS 2025**

**NOVEMBER 15**, 11:00-1:00 pm at the Cloth Shop, Granville Island.  
Rita Sheloff of N. Jefferson (sewing notions supply warehouse in  
Burnaby) will be hosting a *Notion Commotion* showing all kinds  
of new sewing notions, as well as some older tried and true  
ones. Please register if you plan to attend. Contact Rita:  
[rita@njeffersonltd.com](mailto:rita@njeffersonltd.com)

**NOVEMBER 15:** Vancouver Quilters Guild is hosting a  
virtual workshop via ZOOM by Cheryl Arkison on Saturday,  
Nov 15 10 am -1:00 pm. This is a focused workshop on the  
Slab Technique made from joining scraps together. It is an  
improvisational piecing technique that results in unique  
slabs of fabric used in many ways. There is space available.  
Non-member price is \$45. If you are interested, please  
contact [vggprograms@gmail.com](mailto:vggprograms@gmail.com)

**NOVEMBER 15:** Grouse Mountain Day Quilters' Guild is  
hosting a *Small Quilt Show* from 10 am – 2 pm at the  
Lions Gate Community Ctre. See details in flyer attached to  
this newsletter. Admission Free, Parking Free.

## **ATTACHMENTS TO THIS NEWSLETTER:**

- ❖ Agenda, Member Meeting November 19
- ❖ Minutes of October 15 Member Meeting submitted  
for approval
- ❖ Corrected Walker Caddy Instructions
- ❖ Grouse Mountain Day Quilt Guild – *Small Quilt Show*,  
November 15 10:00 – 2:00 pm, free admission & parking.

## REPORTS

### MEMBERSHIP

*Arlene T. and Elaine A.*

We had a great turnout at our October meeting. There were 53 members and 2 guests in attendance. It was good to see everyone!

Each door prize winner received a donated reusable colour wheel bag, plus

- ❖ Maureen O - erasable gel pen
- ❖ Lesley A - retractable measuring tape (purse size?)
- ❖ Joan E. – sewing-themed tissues

The 2026 Membership Renewal form is now up on the SQG website, thanks to our intrepid Judy S. You will see that the membership fees are now \$75. This was necessary in order to cover increased costs, such as our insurance. <https://seymourquiltersguild.ca/membership-form-2026-renewals-life-members/>

Please fill out the form as soon as you can. It would be really helpful if all forms could be in by December 17 in order to get everything ready for January. Thank you!

Cheques can be brought to either the November meeting or the December luncheon meeting and dropped off at the membership table. If that's not possible, you can mail them to Arlene Taylor. Contact me for my address. E-transfers will not be accepted before January 1, 2026

If you will not be renewing your membership in the guild, please let us know right away.

As of the end of January, Elaine and I will have reached the end of our term as your Membership Committee. We have a member very interested in becoming part of the new membership team, and is looking for one other person to share the membership duties. If you are interested in contributing to our guild as a volunteer, and think this is a position that interests you, contact Arlene T. or Elaine A.

Thank you from Arlene T. and Elaine A

### SUNSHINE CO-ORDINATOR

*Janet M-R.*

I am happy to send out thank you cards as well as get-well to our members. Did a few of those this past month so please keep those requests coming!

The Sunshine Lady, Janet

### FREE TABLE

*Roní & Jo-Anne*

We will be ready to receive donations and welcome you to come by on Wednesday. Please remember to take back your donation if it has not been picked up by the end of the meeting!

Roni & Jo-Anne

## COMMUNITY QUILTS

*Linda F, Connie, Janet, Trudy, Anne O'B*

It's the time of year that's perfect for giving out your beautiful projects - just before Christmas. One very intricate, fun, and cheerful quilt went to St Agnes Church for their Christmas Fayre as silent auction item (St. Agnes, 530 – 12 St E, N.V.; November 29, 10:00 - 2:00).

At the Christmas Market at Silver Harbour Senior's Centre you will find one of our projects, a beautiful Christmas table topper (Silver Harbour, 144 E 22 St., November 15, 10:00 - 2:00 pm).

There were 25 pet beds donated to the SPCA in West Van. The gift shop at LGH were thrilled to receive 5 baby quilts and one for a wheelchair. Nine other wheelchair quilts went to Evergreen Lodge. Of course, we always love to support the Christmas Bureau which is part of Family Services of the North Shore. They were delighted with your work: 3 sets of placemats, 1 table runner, 4 adult quilts and 10 kids' quilts.

Thank you to everyone for helping our community. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

While I will not be at the November meeting, feel free to bring your completed projects and give them to one of the other Community Quilt volunteers: Trudy J, Janet M.R., Anne O, Connie W.

Linda F

PS: attached you will find updated Walker Caddy Instructions. There was a minor change: 1 piece of 7" Velcro replaced 2 – 7" Velcro. Corrected copy will be posted on our website after our meeting.

## LIBRARY

*Sonja S, Barb McG, et al.*



The library group has a real need for help at our meeting. We're going to be shifting the contents of our small cabinet to a new one thanks to Leslie A. It's important that we get the help we need. We also need new volunteers in January as some of our members are leaving us. I really appreciate your support.

Sonja

## REFRESHMENTS

*Leslie C, Patricia H & Barbara B.*

We would like to thank  
Judy Po      Jo-Anne S      Anne W      Lorna L-J  
for bringing treats to our November meeting!

Reminder: Tea & Coffee \$1.00 ..... Refills are free!

Please remember to bring your own mug!



**REMINDER: Due to Food Safe Regulations, borrowing crockery or cutlery from the Church is Not Permitted.**

The guild has a few mugs in the kitchen if you accidentally forget yours!



We will have the next block for the guild QofV to show at the meeting next week. For those of you who want to participate this month, we will have the black squares (2 this month) to collect and the sign-up sheet so we can email the instructions. **If you are returning the completed blocks from last month, please pin your name to them** in order for us to follow up if some are still outstanding.

Suzanne and Carolann



## MEETINGS

### 15 OCTOBER MEETING:

- ✓ Part 2 of Mystery Quilt, more magazines were given out, and the Block of the Month was the Shoofly block.
- ✓ Barb Cherwinchan of Coach House Designs was well received. She talked about designing patterns and presented a trunk show of some of the quilts she made to showcase her patterns. Her quilts were beautiful. Barb brought patterns to sell and many members bought some.

### 19 NOVEMBER MEETING:

- ✓ MYSTERY QUILT: Part Three - Diane M will provide details.
- ✓ MAGAZINE CHALLENGE - A few magazines are still available.
- ✓ BLOCK OF THE MONTH - Susanne will present a new block this month. We will also have a draw for those who bring in Shoofly blocks, so **please bring your blocks** to the meeting.
- ✓ CHARMING BAGS - If you were in the Charming Bag Workshop **please bring your bag to show** at the November meeting.
- ✓ **SPEAKER** - Judy Villett - *Inspiration by Collaboration*  
Share the journey through Judy's long career as she illustrates with photos how working with groups or individuals has influenced her work and guided her journey as a textile artist.

Working with family, friends, colleagues and a long-arm quilter has broadened her knowledge and sparked new ideas. Some collaborations were spontaneous, others carefully planned. Quilters are used to working with other people, whether in the traditional quilting bee, Round Robin challenges, group fundraisers and charity quilts. It is one of the reasons that Judy chose to create her art work using fabric, not paint or wood or metal.

Judy V's website - <https://www.judyvillett.com>

See Judy's work at the Vancouver Eastside Culture Crawl on November 20-23, 2025. at the Eastside Atelier, Studio 12B.

### 10 DECEMBER MEETING - LUNCHEON

- ✓ SHOW of pieces from Spring Luncheon.
- ✓ FASHION SHOW - Wearing Our Quilts — a showing of the quilted garments made in the workshop.



## WORKSHOPS, SOSAH, SEWING TOGETHER, and NEW WORKSHOPS

### 22 OCTOBER:

- ✓ Charming Bag workshop - a successful workshop. Everyone had fun as we worked together to make the bag. A few members did mini demos to illustrate different steps in making the bag. Thank you to everyone who participated in the workshop. **Please bring your bag to show at the November meeting.**

### 12 NOVEMBER:

- ✓ SOSAH on Zoom - 10 am to 12 noon.

### 26 NOVEMBER:

- ✓ **Autumn Sew Together Day** - there will be a signup for this fun day of quilting and visiting. Come to work on your own project and see a demo of a seasonal item.  
- Cost \$20. Minimum number of participants is 13.

### 3 DECEMBER:

- ✓ SOSAH day is on a DIFFERENT DAY AND TIME. It will be on Wednesday, December 3, in the afternoon from 1-3 pm.

**NEW WORKSHOP for the NEW YEAR** - Signup at the November meeting.

### 25 FEBRUARY, 2026:

- ✓ Building Confidence in Choosing Fabrics with Carolann Fraenkel.

### From Carolann:

*"Do you hear yourself say...*

- hmmm, something is off here
- Does this print really match?
- I just buy fabrics from one collection
- I only use kits

*Did you know...*

- Having an "eye" for colour is a learned skill
- you can train your eyes to see colours better



Learning how to see and combine colours will make you more confident in choosing fabrics.

Picasso said, "Learn the rules like a pro, so you can break them like an artist."

Let's learn the rules, so you can be a quilt colour artist!

*We will learn:*

Basic Colour Wheel, and theories behind how to choose colours that go together.

How to sort your stash to make more confident colour choices.





(continued from page 6 – from Carolann)

What your colour favourites are and why – how to find “new” favourites,  
How to look at a pattern and know what makes it work in terms of colour."

When 25 February, 2026  
Where Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
Time 9:30 to 3:30 pm  
Cost \$50 for minimum 14 participants  
Materials fee - \$30

Cooler weather and lots of rain! Happy Quilting! Marilyn

**CQA** *Roní*

<https://canadianquilter.com/>



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Hi Everyone,

Hope you've all been enjoying the beautiful autumn colours. They seem to brighten up even the darkest of days in November.

I mentioned in September, CQA was looking for help solving a historical mystery. This included fabric scraps that were somehow supplied by Eatons or Simpsons through the years. The mystery has been solved! Read about it in the latest Canadian Quilter Magazine. Also, in this issue, you can check out Sue Sherman's Gallery of Quilts - they are truly inspirational. There is a free pattern Clearwater Quilt by Erin Kroeber, a Winnipeg Fibre Artist.

That's it for this month. If you would like a hard copy of Canadian Quilter Magazine, please let me know.  
Cheers, Roni

**MODERN QUILTS**

*Linda S*

Guild members might want to look at this website for a show of modern quilts. Perhaps those interested in modern quilts might like to see. <https://dairybarn.org/modern-quilts-at-the-barn/>

It is the Dairy Barn Arts Centre show from Athens, Ohio. Each thumbnail will enlarge when you hold your cursor on it and will enlarge once more in order to examine more closely how each quilt was quilted. Unfortunately, I could not get any details about each quilt except for the maker's name... some of which I found difficult to see as the print is in white.

Fun to see the quilting... and how popular matchstick quilting is now.

Linda S.

## "Quilt by the Bay" (QBTB)

There are still a couple of spots left if you're interested in attending. I invite you to join me and enjoy a full day/evening of sewing, eating, laughing, sharing and whatever you want. Also, a chance to win some great door prizes.

- Date: Saturday, November 29, 2025
- Cost: \$120.00
- Location: Lions Bay Village Hall, 400 Central, Lions Bay
  
- Arrival/Departure time: 9:00 am to 9:30 pm
- Meals Included: Breakfast Snack, Lunch and Dinner. Coffee and Tea, all day, along with some treats.
- Registration: 1st come 1st served - e-transfer to: [lrutledge99@gmail.com](mailto:lrutledge99@gmail.com)

Confirmation will be sent upon receipt. If you prefer an alternate payment method no problem let me know.

What do you need to bring: All your personal project supplies, equipment and notions. Lots of room for a design wall. Chairs are supplied but bring your own if you prefer.

What will be supplied: 6-foot table, cutting/layering table with cutting mats, 3 ironing stations, power bars and extension cords.

Allergies/Vegetarian: Please let me know and I will do my best to accommodate your needs.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Leslie Rutledge Cell # 778-773-5979

I am a member of Lionsgate Guild but this is not a guild event. It was started by Krista Hennebury. I took it over from her. This is a private event, not associated with the guild or a store.

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