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Quilt Squared

Canada 150

We are very excited about a new creative and community venture in St. Marys - "Quilt 150 Squared", currently on display until 10 June in this Anniversary year of Canada's history. We invite the Town of St.Marys to be part of it.

- We put out the call in the community, got the creative juices flowing to make a one foot square quilt or fibre art piece, inspired by the colours and ideas of the Perth County tartan, which was created to celebrate 150 years of the Canadian Confederation.
- Each colour of the tartan has a meaning; *Green* represents the agriculture of Perth county; *blue* the many rivers and creeks; *red* the blood shed by our forbears to create the prosperity we now enjoy ..including first settlers, indigenous peoples and later, veterans of the world wars. The *gold* in the tartan represents the industrious nature of the people of Perth County.
- Quilting and fibre arts have been integral to the wellbeing and survival of families and communities in past history, and judging by the number of Quilting Guilds, and individuals involved in this craft today, it will be passed on to the next generations and give pleasure and comfort for a long time to come.
- Just as the major annual quilt show in Ailsa Craig attracts many tourists and visitors to the area, we know that our small show will attract tourists to St.Marys.
- Our brochures and postcards have been distributed in many communities in Perth County, and information put on websites and Calendars, including the Stratford Tourism Alliance.

With the idea that thriving businesses continue to contribute to the prosperity, community and preservation of heritage in the town, we would like to give you an opportunity to support our exhibition by sponsoring "Quilt Squared" with a donation towards promotion and publicity costs.

Would you consider donating \$150 towards "Quilt Squared" for 150 Year of Confederation? If so, please contact Chantal Lynch at Hyggeligt Fabrics, Tel: 519-284-1508 or Alizon Sharun at 519 284-2578, <u>quilt150squared@gmail.com</u>, www.quilt150squared.com

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