

Sharing in Wyevale

This past spring, OQC traveled to Wyevale for a guild building workshop day that was hosted by the Georgian Bay Quilt Guild. With over 40 people in attendance we shared ideas and information on a variety of topics.

The morning session, run by Kathy Coddington, evolved around getting to know what stage your guild was in -- forming, norming, storming or even un-forming. Kathy helped all of us put into perspective what stage our own guild was in and the special needs associated with these stages. This type of information benefits the executive in knowing what sort of program should be set to meet the needs of guild members based on whether its in a new phase or an established group.

Typical of a group of quilters getting together, lunch included a show and share. Again I am impressed with the amazing talents of quilters in Ontario. In the afternoon, we had a number of smaller brain storming sessions on a variety of topics including program, newsletter and promotion of our guilds.

The main thrust of this guild building workshop was to share our knowledge of how a guild is run amongst ourselves. We can work in a vacuum or we can share and indeed we did share. We all left with a better understanding of what phase our own guild was in and had some new ideas for making our guilds run better

If your guild is interest in holding a guild building session, please contact Pam Terbrack at OQC.