

Annual quilt show and competition draws over 100 entries this year

By Doug Brydon

"It's great! It's superb!" These were the remarks of visitors to the quilt show, "Year's Best," that opened Sunday at the Bruce County Museum.

The three quilting guilds from the Grey/Bruce area -- Bluewater, Five Star and Sunset Quilters Guild -- have put together the display of miniature quilts and wall hangings. In all there are 144 pieces on display.

Bev White and her committee of 12, coordinated the show and hung the displays. The prize winners received Canadian Quilters Association awards, indicating the high standards of this show in workmanship and design, in both the traditional and innovative area.

Mary Hagemir of Tara received the top award for technical merit with her quilt, "Bowl of Fruit." Second spot went to Simone Lynch of Kincardine for "Celtic Spring," and third place to Carol Stevens of Warton for "Moon on the Mountain." Honorable mentions went to Stevens for another submission, "Dreaming of Summer," to Kim Allerton of Desboro for "Flowers for Elaine," and to Trudi Wiley of Meaford for "South Pacific."

Ann Sanders of Sauble Beach picked up the artistic award for her quilt titled "Memories of Down Under." Second spot went to Anna Morrison of Kincardine for "Seaborne," and third place to Monje Patel of Teeswater for "Small Scrap." Honorable mentions went to Joan MacKenzie of Owen Sound, Margaret Cale of Paisley, and Norah Jackson of Port Elgin.

Judging the technical merit division were Bonnie Elliott and Kathryn Cole

of Goderich. Judging the artistic impression division was Susan Rankin of Walkerton.

The themes of this show touch on heritage, land and water. The show continues until March 17. Every Sunday, there will be demonstrations, weather permitting. Families should note the special teaching event for the week of the school break for Grades 6, 7 and 8, led by Jo Knechtel.



Photo by Nicola Luksic

Many stopped by the Bruce County Museum Sunday afternoon to admire the 144 miniature quilts that are being exhibited there until March 17. A total of 54 local quilters are represented at the show.



Hampton Court Villa took advantage of the beautiful summer weather on Sunday to host a Strawberry Social at the Retirement Home in Southampton. Residents and guests enjoyed some scrumptious finger foods as well as the strawberries. Photo by F. Sanagan