

Westmount United holding quilt sale Saturday; St. Athanasius' looking after food

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SUBMITTED PHOTO Ruth Snead and Jeanne Wallace display some of the quilts up for sale at Saturday's event at Westmount United Church. The event is being held in co-operation with St. Athanasius' Anglican Church, which is hosting a luncheon.

Working together for the good of all is a common practice that works out for everyone and even more so when two churches of different faiths come together to help each other in a special fundraising project.

The event is Saturday's quilt sale at Westmount United Church, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., being held in co-operation with St. Athanasius' Anglican Church, which is providing a lunch in conjunction with the sale.

"We think this co-operation between the two churches will work out well for both of us," said Linda Jordan, event co-ordinator.

Quilts of all shapes and sizes will be on display and for sale. Full-sized quilts, baby quilts, wall hangings, table runners and centrepieces are a few of the items up for sale.

Admission to the sale is free. The luncheon being provided by St. Athanasius' from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. includes soup, sandwich and dessert for \$7.

St. Athanasius' is a short walk up the street from Westmount.

"Therefore, people coming to our sale are welcome to stay parked at Westmount," Jordan noted.

Most of the items up for sale were made by members of the Westmount quilting group. Some quilters have too many for their families to use. Others have been making items specifically for the sale.

There will also be smaller items such as cushions, pin cushions, aprons, handmade scarves, satin pillowcases, hot packs and mug rugs.

Quilts, however, will be the star attraction. Quilting, once an activity practised by women in many a homestead, has again gained attention from crafters. Quilting was once a frugal way to turn cloth scraps into useful items such as bed covers. Log cabins and wedding rings were popular designs. While many of the older designs are still popular, new ones and individual creativity have made many quilts works of art. That's why the sale and the serving of food is happening in separate locations.

"Quilts are works of art and we don't want anything damaged by a spilled coffee," said Jordan.

Both churches have plenty of volunteers working for the event.

Only cash or cheques will accepted during the sale.