

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

September 2019

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"The Executive will work together as a team to support and encourage new quilters, challenge and draw upon experienced quilters and provide warmth and comfort to those in need." As your Executive Committee, we are designing some things to meet the above goal.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Items for Quilters' Quill should be submitted by the Monday of two weeks before the Guild Meeting. Please email or call Joanne Kavanagh 345-2269.

mail to: kavanagh@tbaytel.net

MEETING AGENDA

September 16, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

1. Welcome
 2. Programme
 3. Break
 4. Acceptance of Agenda
 5. Acceptance of Minutes
 6. Business arising from minutes
 7. Executive Committee Reports
 8. New Business
 9. Show and Tell
 10. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting - October 21, 2019

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi Everyone, and welcome back to another exciting year of Quilt Guild! I hope you all had a great summer. If you got any quilts done over the summer, you did better than me! We have a lot of wonderful things planned for you this year and we can't wait to get started.

New this year, you can now e-transfer your membership fees to the guild! Check out the membership form for details.

Thank you everyone who answered the Membership Satisfaction Survey. 81 of you responded and are overall happy with the guild. We have looked over your suggestions and have already planned how to implement some of them.



I also wanted to warn you that Victoria Ave is under construction near the church, so you may want to take an alternate route to the meeting.

See you all on Monday!

Christina

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Welcome back to the Guild for another wonderful year of sharing and quilting!

The registration lines will be long, so help us out by completing the attached membership form before you get to the meeting. **Don't** forget to bring along your membership and library cards for stamping!

Also, new membership fee will be in effect \$40 for the 2019/20 year. Thank You!

Ginny

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD MERCHANDISE



Guild merchandise will be for sale at each of the meetings this year.

Pins cost \$5.00

Name tag kits cost \$5.00

Guild bags cost \$20.00 If you want to purchase any of these items, please see

Marg Marks.



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Comfort Quilts:	Pat Inch, Florence Poster
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Hall of Fame:	Sharon Melville
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Donation Placemats:	Doris Dungan, Judy Murphy
Teddy Bear Quilts	Peggy Skillen
Sew Days	Laura Cooke



TREASURER'S REPORT

Hi Everyone! Hope all had time to enjoy that beautiful summer when it finally arrived!

At the September meeting, I will bring forward a motion to accept the budget for the 2019/20 year. A copy of the budget is attached to the September Quill for you to look over prior to the meeting. At that meeting I will also present the Financial Statements to the end of our fiscal year, June 30th as well as July and August combined (not much happens over the summer).

I will be sitting at the desk in the foyer to collect your membership form and money (cash or cheque to TBQG). We are also pleased to offer e-transfer this year. tbayqg@outlook.com Memberships and receipts will be dated when I receive the confirmation email.

As always, if you have any questions, I will be glad to answer them.

Ginny

LIBS ELLIOT WORKSHOPS & TRUNK SHOW

The Guild has invited Canadian Quilter Libs Elliott to present two workshops and a trunk show in the spring.

When: April 18-19, 2020

Where: Oliver Road Community Centre

Workshop 1 = Embrace the Chaos

Workshop 2 = Dynamic Stripes

The specifics for the weekend are being finalized. More details will follow in the October Quill. Registration for the workshops will be offered in October or November.

For details on the Workshops and Libs quilting method please check out her website at:

<https://www.libsellott.com/> or Instagram feed. @libsellott

Laura

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is hard to believe that summer is already over and fall has come in with a bang. Hope everyone had a great summer and now it is time to get back to quilting. We have a lot of quilting events planned over the next ten months which members will hopefully attend as we feel that there is something for everyone. Nomination forms for the Hall of Fame and for President, Vice President and Programme Chair will be attached to the Quill each month. Please consider taking one of these position when the Elections come up in June. If you have any questions you can contact myself or any Executive member for more information.

Thanks

Sharon



MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Welcome to another guild year! Last year our members contributed more than 400 placemats that were gratefully received by Meals on Wheels for distribution to their clients. There was so much beauty, ingenuity and quality workmanship displayed! We continue with this initiative this year and will have kits available at our meeting tonight for members to take home, complete and return.

You are also encouraged to make placemats using your own materials and patterns. If you wish to do so, we recommend that the finished size is approximately 12" x 18". At each meeting we also have labels for you to attach to the back side of the placemats that you make for donation. Fold the label in half, wrong sides together, and tuck the cut edges under the binding before you complete it.

A number of our placemat patterns are available on the guild's website, if you wish to use them. There you will also find access to many photos of previously donated placemats.

If you have any questions regarding the Meals on Wheels Placemats, please contact us.

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy

POSSIBILITIES GROUP

The Possibilities Group meets on the last Tuesday of the month, starting in September and ending in May. There is no meeting in December. Due to circumstances beyond our control, the group will be meeting at a new location -55 Plus Center on River Street, in Craft Room #2. Time is 7-9 p.m. Come out to discuss new techniques in quilting, share a project you are working on, do a demo...the possibilities are endless! All guild members are welcome. First meeting date is September 24/19.

Carol Richards

LIBRARY REPORT

The Guild Library will be open at the first meeting at 6 pm. We are asking for 3 volunteers a month to help with the signing out of books. Volunteers will help open the library and work until 7 pm when the meeting starts. Then help during the break for members to sign out books. A Volunteer sign-up sheet will be in the Library. Please sign up. Each month the Library will have a theme and books will be displayed accordingly. September theme will be the season of **Fall and Halloween**. Members are allowed to take out 3 books a month. The Library will continue to sell off the deleted library books, donated books and magazines at the **FOR SALE TABLE**.

Submitted by Barb Gainer and Maria Watson

SEW DAYS

Sew days will continue this year with few changes and 6 tentative dates. The cost has risen to \$10 but still includes lunch.

And we are looking for members for the committee to make food and assist with set up/take down Dates. October 19, November 23, January 25, February 29, March 21, May 23 and will run 10 - 4.

Laura

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

Summer has left us and we seem to be into our autumn season, and we know that because we live in North Western Ontario that winter is not far behind. Before we know it Teddy Bear time will be here also. I hope that everyone has been working on their quilts or pillowcases for their stuffed animal.

If you have finished a teddy bear quilt could you please bring it to the September or October meeting so that we can take some pictures for the Quill newsletter. Just bring the quilt and not the stuffed animal. If it is not finished by September then please bring it to the October meeting. It is nice to see what everyone is making and then we can all get some new ideas.

I am posting a new pattern for a Teddy Bear quilt. It is very simple with half square triangles and four patches. I hope that some members will give it a try.

This month is also Committee sign up time. I hope that many people will volunteer to help out with this committee. We need lots of volunteers. This is a great committee to be involved in because your commitment is only at the November guild meeting and the Christmas Cheer Kick-off at the end of November.

Thank you,

Peggy Skillen



CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



QUILT BEE COMMITTEE

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a productive summer. I know I barely used my sewing machine so I'm looking forward to getting back to quilting and I plan to start with practicing on some charity quilts. I encourage you to do the same.

The Quilt Bee is scheduled! We will be hosting another 2 day Bee February 1-2, 2020 at Oliver Road Community Centre. More details will follow over the coming months. If you are interested in helping to organize the Quilt Bee, please sign up for the Quilt Bee Organizing Committee. It takes several people to host a productive weekend so we need help to make it work.

The Quilt Bee Committee helps to organize the Quilt Bee as well as any of the lead-up events like cutting bees or Kit planning and organizing. We generally meet a few times before the bee and for any of the lead-up events.

If anyone has finished tops or full quilts over the summer, please let Adrienne know when you hand them in. We will be following up on any outstanding kits or quilts just to clean up the list over the coming months. If you are interested in working on a new quilt top or if you want to finish a quilt, please contact Adrienne alopes@tbaytel.net and we will make sure we have something for you to pick up at the meeting.

Thank you,

Adrienne

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PROGRAM

UFO challenge

Just a reminder to all those participating in the UFO challenge that the final month to report finished UFO's is November. I'll have your lists with me in September so you can update them. Remember for each one you finish your name goes into a draw for some awesome prizes. But the biggest prize of all is your finished quilts! We'd like to see them for Show & Tell if you still have them - I know mine got given away over the summer.

Program

As always, if you have suggestions for program ideas please feel free to send them to me and I will try to make them happen. Or if you want to be a quilter of the month and do your own show & tell or show us a technique, that would be great too. Or if you're part of a smaller group and your group want to be quilter of the month that works too. Members who do different things like art quilts or modern quilts would be great since there's more to quilting than just traditional blocks. A few people in the survey said they'd love to see more of this for program but that can only happen if people are willing to volunteer or send in suggestions.

ccockell@tbaytel.net

September - a discussion about threads and needles

October - more rulers and possibly some gadgets. This will include some new rulers for quilting (not ones we use to cut fabric with). If you have a favorite ruler bring it along and tell everyone about it. Same for a gadget. Or if you've bought one and found it useless that's good to know too.

November - undecided at this point

December - something fun for after dinner. I'm thinking of a Libs Elliot inspired activity since she'll be our guest instructor in spring.

Fall 2019 Mystery

- this is a 2 part mystery for a table runner. The part 1 pattern is attached. Surprise....there are no snowmen (I can do other things for fall/winter LOL).
- Thanks to everyone who responded quickly for the kits. There was enough of the primary fabric to cut 30 kits. So I couldn't cut anymore plus I had to cut them before the Labor Day weekend because after that I was busy with something else then out of town. Sorry to those who didn't get a kit this time but the fabric requirements are in the pattern so you can use your own.
- If you purchased a kit it is \$20. I'll be in the lobby before the meeting. If you pay by cheque make it out to the Thunder Bay Quilters Guild. Or I'll take cash.
- For those who purchased the kit, you'll notice that the binding isn't in the bag this time. That's because there were so many fabrics to choose from I had a hard time deciding so I made a deal with Luci (Circle of Friends Quilt Shoppe). There's a coupon in the bag that entitles you to the 0.2m for your binding (good enough for 3 strips 2 1/2"). Take it to Luci's shop and pick out your own - you must surrender your coupon. The coupons expire at the end of October. But after finishing part 1 you can probably decide on the binding.
- If you have any questions please email me: ccockell@tbaytel.net.

Cindy Cockell

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD WORKSHOPS

All workshops will be held at Calvary Lutheran Church

Cost \$35.00

Time: 9:30 - 4 depending on time needed for each instructor

Registration: contact Vicky at vickyb@tbaytel.net to have your name put on the list

Numbers of participants needed to run the workshop minimum of 10

Instructors would prefer to have participants registered at least 2 weeks prior to workshop
(some instructors will be providing kits)

Coffee and tea will provided

Please bring bag lunch

You will be notified by email from either me or the instructor for supplies needed for the workshops

Please see pictures of each workshop other then the Mystery Block

Jackie Black Mystery Block

- using half square Triangles

Finished blocks will be incorporated to make a wheelchair quilt!

Come join Jackie and learn from her expertise!

Date October 5, 2019

Cathy Ridley - Postcard workshop

Come and see how Cathy can show you how to make one of a kind post cards!

Just in time for Christmas!

Date November 16, 2019



THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD WORKSHOPS

Jeannette Dann - 2 Fabric Bargello

This will be a very interesting concept on making a bargello...even if you have done a bargello Jeannette will teach us how to create it with just 2 fabrics

Date January 11, 2020

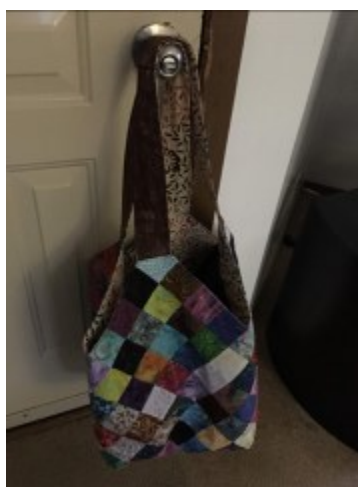


Maria Bell - Box Bag

Great utility bag offered in 2 sizes-use your 2 ½ scraps or your favourite yardage

Optional inside zippered pocket.

Date March 27, 2020



Jeannette Dann - Adjustable over the shoulder purse***

With inside pocket. Lined with a zipper pocket at the top!

PLEASE NOTE A WORKSHOP WILL BE ARRANGED PROVIDING THERE IS

ENOUGH INTEREST! DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Vicky Butt

vickyb@tbaytel.net



COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings, in June there were 14 quilts donated at the meeting. These quilts were taken and others collected were taken to Pinewood, Grace Place, John Hopkins and the new respite and long-term care facility opening, the Lodge on Dawson Road.

Comfort Quilt Committee members are responsible for the collection of quilts donated and the distribution to local facilities. Last year more than 160 comfort quilts were donated to local facilities including bed-sized quilts for some new respite beds. Many of the Seniors' homes now have respite care beds and appreciate the larger sized quilts. Comfort Quilts are made in the Bees and independently by members and groups.

Recommended Quilt Sizes

Neo Natal	36" x 36"
Crib	34 to 36" x 36"
Wheel Chair	36" x 48"
Nap Quilt	40" x 55 - 60"
Bed	63 to 65" x 80"

If you are making any quilt(s) for donation, the recommended sizes are given here. Also, see Pat or Florence for a Quilt Guild Label. The label is to be sewn onto the quilt – typically on the back bottom right side.
Thanks

New Committee members are always welcomed and the Committee Chair will be decided within the group so please come out and support the Committee. One on-going Committee tasks is to review and update the list of locations that receives Comfort Quilts. If you know of any location that may benefit from receiving a quilt or quilts, please provide contact and background information. The aim has been to support facilities where quilts will be used multiple times and benefit the users.

Pat Inch and Florence Poster



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Wildflower Arts Quilt Shop & Long Arm Services



Come and visit us at Wildflower Arts Quilt Shop. We are located at 1899 Hwy 608, South Gillies, Ontario P0T 2V0. We can help you choose fabric or give you ideas for your projects. We also offer longarm quilting services.

2019 Christmas Retreat ***Friday November 1st and*** ***Saturday November 2nd***

Retreats are held at the South Gillies Community Centre.

Cost: \$80 Friday, \$60 Saturday or \$125 for both days.

Includes lunch and dinner Friday and lunch Saturday and snacks and beverages throughout the days.

Bring your sewing machine and projects and sew and socialize. There will be 'goodie' bags, with custom painted bags, for all attendees and attendance drawings. As well as an optional cookie exchange and a gift exchange.

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