
QUILTERS' QUILL

"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 call Joanne Kavanagh 345-2269.

E-mail: kavanagh@tbaytel.net

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would just like to thank all of the ladies who did such a wonderful job on the Christmas Cheer bear and quilts. We had a 139 this year and they were all so beautiful. You make me very proud to be the president of such a wonderful group of people. Well, there is a lot to go over for this month. I have a couple of announcements; Betty Whittingham and Stella Leiterman have stepped down from the Hall of Fame Committee. I was thinking that it might be best to have a committee of 5 or 6 people so the workload isn't so much. Please let me know your thoughts on this matter and if anyone is interested in helping with this committee I would love to hear from you. Next, our banquet is this Monday! I'm so excited. I always love all the goodies. Could you please label your food this year, what it is and if there is any nuts or seafood in it. There a few of us with allergies, myself included, that would just make us feel more comfortable to know what is in things. Thank you so much in advance. At our banquet I would like to collect for the food bank, there are so many that go without in our city. When I was at the shelter last year, they said juice, sugar are ones people don't think to donate plus I heard on the news they are looking for tomato sauce and canned vegetables too, this is just a suggestion. We have some bad news; there have been only six people who have paid their \$50.00 deposit for Cheryl Arkinson's class during our quilt show. If we don't get some more folks to pay we will have to cancel her and I would hate to do that, so if there are any others waiting to take the class please pay your deposit on Monday night. Last but not least, the

quilt show is coming closer and closer and I have to prepare the Memorial Quilt for the show. Since I am fairly new, could anyone let me know if there has been a member who has passed since the last quilt show, I would hate to miss anyone. Well ladies, I feel a bit long winded, but I didn't want to miss anything. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Monday's meeting; I will be there for 5 so we can get ready.

See You Then

Meghann

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Happy Holidays! We've got a fun and festive program planned for our annual Christmas pot-luck meeting this month. The very talented and creative Cindy Cockell will be our presenter for the evening, and she will enthral us with her collection of snowman and holiday themed quilting projects. I am really looking forward to this presentation! I admire (and secretly envy!) Cindy's many talents. She taught the first course in quilting that I ever took and completed (it was a front-quilted sweatshirt jacket), so she is my inspiration as I strive to improve my skills and enjoy this hobby as she does.

Don't forget to bring your yellow strip this month for the "strip show"..... this joke never gets old, as I tell my non-quilting friends that I and my fellow quilters love to "strip" at our regular monthly meetings, and I watch their shocked expressions!

If you have had the time to complete, or even partially complete the ORNAMENTAL BRANCH wall hanging that we presented to you last month, please bring it along for show and tell. We'd love to see your personal interpretation of Sheila's beautiful design.

We're looking forward also to all the delicious goodies that will adorn our buffet table! See you soon,

armed with your completed holiday projects AND plate, knife and fork!

Louise & Sheila

PLACEMAT/PLACSETTING AUCTION

For those who will be donating to this auction, please bring your placemats and settings to the library area. This will be a silent auction. Each setting will be given a number with a sign-up sheet. If you want to bid on a placemat and setting write your name on the sign-up sheet with your bid. Opening bids will start at \$5.00. Each increment should be a minimum of 50 cents (but it can be more). The person who bids the most for a placemat and setting will win it. Bidding is open to anyone who wants to take part in this auction.

Marg Marks

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I will see some of you at the shop but others I won't see until after the holidays. The workshop with Joyce Gilmore on Colour Theory was a success. We had ten members attend. I would like to ask that you not sign up for workshops if you are only a maybe to attend, I read out 20 names at the meeting of members who had put their names down for attending the workshop on Nov. 20. 2012, at the end of the meeting we only had 8 people sign up. I called everyone who were not at the meeting and they all declined but I did have two extra members call and sign up. We were lucky to have Joyce to teach as she just charged us the teaching fee and did not charge for travel or accommodation. We hear from members that they want workshops but when we arrange for out of town or local teachers there is usually a very poor turn out. It is a lot of work to co-ordinate and plan these workshops for myself and for the teachers. We have a local teacher Doris Dungan to teach a 6 week intermediate quilt course which was requested by members, starting in January and so far we only have four people signed up for it so that will mean the course will be cancelled. We are very lucky to have Cheryl Arkinson a Canadian quilt teacher and author of Sunday morning booked to come here for the Superior Quilt Show. We only have six members signed up for the class and they will be attending, it is now open to non-members of the guild. We have until January 15, 2013 to have 15 quilters to sign up and pay the \$50.00 non-refundable deposit or the workshop will be

cancelled. When we asked about having Cheryl come 20 people put their hands up and there was even talk of having a lottery if there was more than the fifteen, what has happened to those twenty members? If we want to keep our skills current we need to keep learning by taking classes, quilting is an ongoing learning experience. I just want to remind everyone that we have some very experienced quilters who could teach classes but it is very disappointing for them when they put so much effort into planning the classes and then people don't sign up for them. We try to keep the costs as low as we can but rent for rooms and teachers need to be paid if we want their skills and knowledge.

Sharon

LIBRARY REPORT

Greetings from the Library Committee.

Please remember that the Library will be closed for the December meeting so that Committee members can enjoy and celebrate the Holiday season with quilting friends and great food.

We will be open for the January meeting, so please take the time to return your library books taken out at the November meeting.

A great selection of new books will be introduced at the January meeting, please join us in the Education Wing and be the first to take home a new book or maybe even two or three!

As always I thank the Library Committee for their assistance each month in helping to serve the membership.

Sincere best wishes for a wonderful Christmas,
The Library Committee

*Ellen Lang, Sharon Melville,
Wendy Royston, Luci Andreacchi*

QUILT SHOW 2013 COOKBOOK

Hi ladies, time to dig out those favourite recipes and the ones everyone asks for after the pot luck suppers. We are going to produce a cook book to be sold at the 2013 Quilt Show. The last time we did this was for our 20th anniversary in 2001! Hard to believe it was that long ago.

All recipes must be in by the January 2013 meeting but the sooner the better. Start with your recipe for what you bring to the June potluck! Indicate a suitable category for the recipe if it isn't obvious. Last time we had 200 recipes so we're looking for that number again. You may submit more than one.

It will help if you submit them via email so we don't have to re-type them. But if that's not possible then neatly print them and give them to one of us at a meeting. Submit to:

Cindy Cockell ccockell@tbaytel.net

or

Marg Marks mjmarks@tbaytel.net

Thanks,

Cindy and Marg

PLACEMATS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

In October 96 placemats were received. 57 went to Meals on Wheels

In November there were 24 placemats received. 20 went to Meals on Wheels. I kept the pairs for next years Empty Bowls event.

Student volunteers at the Empty Bowls dinner each chose a placemat as a thank you. There were about 20 volunteers.

Keep up the great work ladies!

Nelly Reedhead, 473-5646

Chairperson Empty Bowls Committee

REMOVING PENCIL MARKS

- Cereal dish of warm water
- 1 squirt of liquid dish soap
- 2 caps of rubbing alcohol
- Brush on with an old toothbrush
- Let dry

It really works.

LaVerne

CLASSIFIEDS (BUY/SELL/TRADE)

Three-line non-business quilt-related classified ads can be placed in the Quill for \$2.50. Each additional line costs \$1.00 Please pay Aila Metsa in advance.

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12 DAYS OF QUILTMAS SPECIALS

Twas the month before Christmas, and all through the house, not a thing was left
undecorated, not even the mouse.

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, but my own quilted stocking still
remained bare.

My family loves me dearly and want my stocking to be plump,

But as they sit and ponder, their minds are in a frump.

When, what do my wondering eyes should appear,

Circle of Friends Quilt Shoppe 12 Days of Quiltmas made it perfectly clear!

With gadgets and gizmos and fabrics galore,

My stocking will be FABULOUS, I'm sure to adore!

Friday, December 7 to Saturday, December 22

Join us as we celebrate the season of giving and sharing

with

DAILY STUFF MY STOCKING SPECIALS!

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Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Closed Sunday and Monday