
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.

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MEETING AGENDA - Nov 17, 2014

1. Welcome
 2. Acceptance of Agenda
 3. Acceptance of Minutes
 4. Business arising from minutes
 5. Executive Committee Reports
 6. New Business
 7. Break
 8. Show and Tell
 9. Programme
 10. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting - DEC 8, 2014
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I have just returned from a wonderful four day quilt retreat and it has really helped me to get refocused and motivated to get to work and finish over 20 UFO's from small to large quilts. I got a good start on them at the retreat as you had nothing to worry about except quilt. I also have just as many projects and kits that I have never even started so they need to get done as well. I have promised myself that I am going to get the UFO's completed and hopefully some of the projects I haven't started yet done over the next year. Onto another line of thought Christmas is coming soon and we are all trying to get projects done, hopefully everyone is doing their Teddy Bear Quilts so we can beat our total from last year. Luci and Norma have a wonderful program planned to help us get ready for Christmas so mark your calendars and we hope to see you at the next meeting. If you have any comments or suggestions please let

someone on the Executive know as we welcome suggestions that will help our Guild prosper.

Sharon Melville

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Doris Dungan's Machine Quilting Class has been booked at Calvary Lutheran Church. The cost of \$35 is required to register, please see Christina at the Guild meeting.

Mondays, January 26 and February 9, 2015, 6:30-9:30

Machine Quilting Class – Doris Dungan
Learn a variety of machine quilting techniques, from basic to more advanced, and various freehand freemotion designs. The course will also include layering tips, options for marking, resources and hints for finding, selecting and designing quilting designs, as well as a look at longarm machine quilting. Christina

SUPERIOR QUILTS 2015 CHALLENGE

Fifty-five kits are out and in your hands so far and we have 5 that still don't have an owner. Since I haven't heard from anyone asking to have one set aside I'll be offering the last 5 on a first come first serve basis to anyone who thinks they might like some extra fabric for their project. Kits continue to be \$5 a piece, however if you choose to take a second kit it will be a purchase rather than a deposit.

Of course anyone taking on the Challenge is more than welcome to purchase larger quantities of the fabrics on their own. It's hoped that this will ensure that none of the generously donated fabric languishes unused. As usual, please come see me at anytime Monday evening for a kit. Happy Quilting!

Mary Catharine Kennedy

QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT

Dates: April 24- Noon to 9 p.m.;

Apr 25th 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.;

Apr 26th 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Our Quilt Show Committee: Luci Andreacchi; Shirley Aussant; Marlene Bosma, Meghann Choquette, Doris Dungan; Nellie Jaremey; Mary Catharine Kennedy; Ellen Lang; Sharon Melville; Aila Metsa; Deb Asher Palmquist; Cathy Ridley; Linda Santorelli; Christina Wakefield and Norma Wynn.

Your Quilt Show Committee has been working hard to make sure our next Quilt Show will be a great success, as it has been over the past years. It takes months of planning for the 3 day event.

Christina Wakfield and Mary Catharine Kennedy have researched and found our Guest Quilter (Johanna Masko); drafted up a marvellous brochure and bookmark; Are our Advertising Exec' s; and have set up the Northcott "Be Happy Challenge". There are only 8 Challenge Kits left out of 52!! Mary Catharine is also one of the recruiters for Demo teachers.

Linda Santorelli is our Banquet Co-ordinator. This year our Banquet is at the Airline Hotel. Linda will have the tickets for the January 15th meeting@ \$40. each, paid in advance. Only 100 tickets are printed, as we only have 80 or so members who attend the banquet.

Norma Wynn is our Vendor Co-ordinator. Initial invitation letters were sent out, and so far we have 7 Vendors interested. Norma is also one our Demo teacher recruiters.

Luci Andreacchi and Circle of Friends Quilt Shop is sponsoring our Quilt Show by donating a Janome Sewing Machine as our Grand Prize to be drawn at the Banquet.

Shirley Aussant is our Co-ordinator for the "Hanging of the Quilts" Committee. She and her committee handle floor plan for the vendor booths, as well as the placement of the Quilts displayed at the show.

Cathy Ridley and Nellie Jaremey will be co-ordinating and handling the Volunteers for the Show. We need volunteers for the Guild Booth; Volunteers at the entrance door; and Volunteers to monitor the quilts displayed and help answer any questions the public may have. Lists will be put out in January, 2015.

Ellen Lang is our exalted Treasurer, with whom we must work to stick to budget. This Bi-Annual event would not be possible, without, you, our Guild members

volunteering their time and effort.

It is not too late- We need quilted merchandise for the Guild Booth. We are trying for a "Kitchen Theme". We would like to get items such as Mug Rugs; Coaster Sets; Pot Holders; Placemats (not seasonal). These items have sold well at prior quilt shows.

We are also looking for a Caterer for the Quilt Show - see our Advertisement in Quill!!

Aila Metsa, Chair

QUILT SHOW WORKSHOPS

Friday, April 24, 2015 – Full-Day Workshop “**Secrets of the Farmer’s Wife**” (each participant must have a copy of the book “Farmer’s Wife Sampler Quilt”, by Laurie Aaron Hird, for this class, available for order from Guild, \$20-\$30)



****NEW** Saturday, April 25, 2015** - Full-Day Workshop “**Houses: Machine Paper Foundation Piecing**” (requires the purchase of Johanna Masko’s “Houses” pattern, available from the guild)



Sunday, April 26, 2015 – Half-Day Workshop “**Pineapple Log Cabin**”

Full-Day Workshops **\$85** (\$50 deposit or full fee required to sign up)

Half-Day Workshop **\$45** (\$20 deposit or full fee required to sign up)

Weekend entrance into the Quilt Show is included in class fee.

Class Size Limits = 8-15 people

Sign-up is first-come-first-served and has begun already! Full fee required by February 2015 meeting. Any spots left will be open to the public in February.



PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

Shoebox Project – Sort of like a Round Robin!
As explained at the September/October meetings, the Shoebox Project will continue through to the June 2015 meeting.

Here is what you will need:

- A box/container – your choice
- A block pattern or full quilt pattern
- Your fabrics
- A finished block (if you want)
- Special instructions (if any)
- Threads to match
- A short write-up of what inspired you to select this pattern/quilt
- Your box/container clearly marked with your name/phone #

We hope that you will have great fun with this project and look forward to seeing many finished quilts in the next two years.

Sneak Preview of what is happening at the November meeting:

November is always the month that we gather to view what is new and interesting in the form of demos. This year we will take advantage of the overhead screen and projector and you the members can watch right from your seats! Sit back and relax as we show you how to make some quick and easy Christmas projects.....sorry no popcorn allowed to this show!

Norma Wynn & Luci Andreacchi

CHRISTMAS CHEER / TEDDY BEAR QUILTS COMMITTEE

Teddy Bears/Stuffed Animals with their quilts, pillowcases or bags for Christmas Cheer Fund are to be handed in this month (November guild meeting). Please do not secure the quilts with a pin, we will have ribbon on hand if you do not have any to put around your quilt.

We are counting inches again this year so please measure your quilt or pillowcase before you hand it in and report the number to one of the committee members in the foyer by the Christmas Tree.

Thank you, Peggy

PLACEMAT COMMITTEE

Thanks to everyone who donated placemats at the October meeting! 25 placemats were dropped off at Meals on Wheels for distribution. If you'd like to take a look at everyone's beautiful work check out the link below for photos at your leisure or the back of the

donation quilt area at the meeting.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/thunderbayquiltersguild/>

COMFORT QUILTS

Quilt sizes listed are guidelines based on what the Hospitals and facilities have identified. They suggested that it is better to have some extra width or length than be short.

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"
Hospice/Bed.....	63" x 80"

Thanks everyone for remembering to sew on the Guild label. If you have a project on the go, see Wendy or Pat to get a label/labels.

Your Comfort Quilt Committee

QUILT BEE COMMITTEE WHAT WE DO

The Quilt Bee Committee's main responsibility is to arrange for a Quilt Bee. The Bee is where we get together, and work as a group on Donation Quilts. We usually arrange for the Bee to be at the Church or some other suitable venue, sometime during the year. We also provide a small lunch, with wonderful desserts, in order to keep up everyone's strength.

All you have to do is to bring your own sewing machine!! We have irons, ironing boards, extension cords, and of course fabric. For the last few Bees, we have had "team leaders". The team leaders decide on a pattern they think will work well as a group project. We divide the names from the list of those who have signed up, between the various team leaders, and away we go. It is a good way to meet other Guild members, and have a fun afternoon sewing for a good cause. The Quilt Bee Committee also gets together during the year to put together "kits", which we have available at the monthly meetings. Members take the kits home and work on them at their own pace. There is no time line for these kits, and if you feel you don't want to quilt it yourself, or even if you feel you cannot finish it, we gladly take it back, and hand it off to someone else to complete it.

We do keep a list of the kits we have out, and appreciate if you would return them through the Quilt

Bee Committee so we can mark the quilt as completed, or still a work in progress.

The completed quilts are then given to the Comfort Quilt Committee for distribution. We would be lost without the support of our Guild Members who donate their time and efforts in making all these beautiful quilts. We have had many touching stories, on how one of our donation quilts has touched someone's life.

We thank you for your continued support.

KITCHEN CORNER

Guild Booth – 2015 Quilt Show

Hello members,

With our Quilt Show scheduled for April 24, 25 & 26, 2015, ideas have been discussed at the monthly Quilt Show meetings with regard to the Guild Booth.

The theme for the 2015 Show will be Kitchen Corner...and to help you along I will be posting ideas, patterns and recipes.

What comes to mind when you think Kitchen...pot holders of course, but there are so many other items that can be quilted quickly and will sell out fast!

This month the project is a Pocket Potholder that can hold a recipe card and a spatula. What a great gift idea for anyone that loves to bake. Make several, you can't go wrong with this sweet little project.

Here is the link on Pinterest so that you can take a closer look at the picture and step-by-step directions. Have fun!

<http://quiltexpressions.wordpress.com/2013/11/26/gift-inspiration-day-ten-folded-pot-holder/>



Pocket Potholder Tutorial

Finished size: 8" square. All seams are 1/4."

Materials:

- (2) 1/4 yard cuts of fabric
- yard of Insul-Bright
- Scrap of batting approximately 9" x 15"

Cutting Instructions:

- Cut (1) 9" square from each fabric.
- Cut (1) 6" x 9" rectangle from each fabric.
- From Insul-Bright cut: (1) 9" square and (1) 6" x 9" rectangle
- From batting cut: (1) 9" square and (1) 6" x 9" rectangle

Layer:

- (1) fabric square right side down
 - (1) Insul-Bright square
 - (1) batting square
 - (1) fabric square right side up
- Repeat with the 6" x 9" rectangles.

Finishing:

- Mark a removable line (I use chalk) in the centre to use as a guide for quilting. Continue quilting until the entire square is quilted. Repeat with the 6" x 9" rectangle.
- Trim square to 8" x 8." Trim rectangle to 5" x 8."
- From one of the remaining fabrics, cut 2 1/2" wide strips for binding. You will need about 52" of binding.
- Place strips with right sides together overlapping at a 45° angle. Stitch from edge to edge.
- Trim excess fabric and press seam open.
- Press binding in half along the long side with wrong sides together .
- Cut off 8" of binding to bind the top of the pocket. Place binding on the back side of the pocket with raw edges even along one 8" side. Stitch in place.
- Fold binding over the raw edge and press.
- Top stitch 1/8" from edge of binding.
- Cut off 6" of the binding to make the loop. Unfold and press each long side to the centre, then press in half again.
- Top stitch along each side or use a wide decorative stitch down the centre. Set loop aside.
- Unfold remaining binding strip and cut a 45° angle from one end of strip.
- Press under 1/4" along this cut edge.
- Re-press binding back in half with wrong sides together. Set aside.
- Baste the pocket to the potholder square along three sides leaving the bound pocket edge open.
- Turn potholder to the back and place binding in the center on one edge with raw edges even. Start sewing on the binding just past the folded angle edge.
- Pin loop about 3/8" in from the long edge and with

top raw edges even.

- Stop stitching ¼" from edge and backstitch.
- Remove potholder from under the presser foot and clip threads. Pull binding straight up to make a 45° fold.
- Fold binding back down over the 45° fold and align along the outside edge of the potholder. Pin in place. Start stitching from the top edge of the potholder and continue until all four corners are completed.
- Be careful not to catch the loop when you are stitching the binding.
- When you reach the folded angle, lay remaining binding on top and trim just past the angled fold.
- Make sure the bottom layer of binding is still lined up along the raw edge.
- Tuck the top binding into the folded edge and finish stitching past the starting point.
- Fold binding over to the front of the potholder and miter the corners. Press. Stitch close to the edge of the binding with a decorative stitch or straight stitch.
- When you get to the loop, lift the loop up and then tuck the un-sewn end under the binding.
- Pin in place and continue stitching the edge of the potholder.



Your potholder is finished. Add some recipe cards and a spatula and you have a gift ready for giving.

The second project is a Cookie Mix in a Jar. For this recipe you will need the following:

Sand Art Brownie Mix



"These brownies are so good it's a good idea to always keep a few jars on hand to add to gift baskets or use as hostess gifts. The jars can be decorated by covering the lids with holiday material and tying a ribbon around the top to hold it in place."

16 Servings Prep: 15 min. Bake: 25 min. + cooling

Ingredients

- 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ⅔ cup packed brown sugar
- ⅔ cup sugar
- ⅓ cup baking cocoa
- ½ cup semisweet chocolate chips
- ½ cup vanilla *or* white chips
- ½ cup chopped pecans
- **Additional Ingredients:**
- 3 eggs
- ⅔ cup canola oil
- 1 teaspoon McCormick® Pure Vanilla Extract

Directions

- In a small bowl, combine flour and salt. In a 1-qt. glass container, layer flour mixture, brown sugar, sugar, cocoa, chips and pecans. Cover and store in a cool dry place up to 6 months. Yield: 1 batch (about 4 cups total).
- To prepare brownies: Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, whisk eggs, oil and vanilla. Add brownie mix; stir until blended.
- Spread into a greased 9-in.-square baking pan. Bake 25-30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the centre comes out clean (do not over-bake). Cool on a wire rack. Yield: 16 servings.

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Read more: <http://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/sand-art-brownie-mix#ixzz3IisxId9v>

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THANK YOU



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN CATERING THE **THUNDER BAY QUILTERS GUILD**
"SUPERIOR QUILT SHOW" TO BE HELD APRIL 24, 25, 26th, 2015??

VENUE IS AT THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD EXHIBITION, COLISEUM BUILDING

HOURS OF OPERATION:

APR 24TH - FRIDAY- NOON TO 9 P.M.

APR 25TH - SATURDAY -10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

APR 26TH - SUNDAY- 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE FOR THE MENU FOR 3 DAYS

- SOUPS - 1 BROTH/ 1 CREAM
- SANDWICHES - A VARIETY (PLEASE LIST)
- SALAD CHOICES
- SNACKS - COOKIES, MUFFINS, ETC.
- COFFEE/TEA/WATER
- FOR FRIDAY EVENING - SOME TYPE OF SUPPER MEAL AS WE ARE
OPEN UNTIL 9 P.M.
- SOME GLUTEN FREE ITEMS
- ALL ITEMS "NUT" FREE

THERE WILL BE A COST TO YOU OF \$225.00 FOR THE SPACE PAY ABLE TO THE
THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD. THIS IS THE SAME COST AS WE CHARGE OUR
VENDORS FOR THE LARGEST SPACE WHICH IS 10 X 30.

PLEASE SUBMIT BY DECEMBER 31, 2014. ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS WILL BE MADE IN
JANUARY 2015.

SHOULD YOU BE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT AILA METSA, QUILT SHOW
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