

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

This is my last President's Corner. What a privilege it has been to hold this office in this great organization. Our Guild has had a great year because many members stepped forward to volunteer. Our Guild is only as strong as the commitment of its members to be involved. Our members make our Guild a strong and vibrant organization that we are proud to be a part of. Thanks for the support and confidence that you have placed in me as the President.

The committee chairs have done an exceptional job. Comfort quilts were made at the Quilt Bee in February as well as from the kits that were available at the meeting. The Quilt Bee committee held a very successful bee as well as cutting sessions to produce quilt kits for members to take home to do. Thank you to all for a job well done.

Thank you to the group that takes on the responsibility to distribute the quilts to the community. Thanks to you the community is aware of the work we do. Also thanks for collecting the quilts for the hospice. We will be ready when the new hospice opens.

Thanks to all the members who continue to be involved in our place mats donations. I am sure both Meals on Wheels and Empty Bowls are grateful for our participation. Thanks to the committee chair who makes sure these donations get to the right places.

The Quilt Show is well on its way to being planned for April 2013. The committee continues to work on new and exciting new ideas for this event.

Thanks to the group that hosts the pot luck dinners. Their eyes for details help to make these events fun and

entertaining. Thanks also for the coffee and tea available at each meeting.

Thanks to the members who document Show and Tell as well as the members who share their work and ideas with us all. Thanks for the time and effort spent on our web site. Thanks for all the great demonstrations given each month. Also thanks to all the members who share their expertise each month in the program part of the meeting.

Thanks to the executive for attending the meetings and advising me for the past two years. Your friendship and expertise are very helpful and supportive. Without you all I would not have had such a great experience.

Last of all, I would like to thank all the members for your support. We all know that quilting is a great art form and our Guild promotes this art form in its traditional forms as well as its modern forms. Our Guild is only as strong as its members' involvement. By all counts The Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild is a very strong and going concern. Let's keep it that way.

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AWARDS

The 10 year pins, the 25 year pins and the 30 year pins will be presented in **September**. The Hall of Fame will also be presented at that time as well as any other awards.

POSSIBILITIES

What a great year for this small group of the Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild. The last Tuesday of each month found this group at Superior High School sharing ideas and expertise.

Each month one or two members led the group on various and exciting topics. Without the involvement of the members who attended, Possibilities would not have had a chance.

Possibilities will once again meet in September on the last Tuesday. Stay tuned for where and the time.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

A big thank you to Shirley Aussant, Pat Inch and Val Kosloski for their challenge on All God's Creatures, Big and Small and the May presentation.

The June 18th meeting is going to be busy. The doors open at 5:00 pm with potluck dinner at 6:00 pm. Please remember to bring your plate, cup, utensils, placemat (if you wish to use one) and your dish for the potluck table for sharing. If you would like to have your recipe go into the cookbook, bring that along too!

For our program, Jackie Black will be our quilter of the month. Jackie is a very talented founding member of our guild and is sure to inspire you to create beautiful quilts and to keep quilting over the summer. If you look back into your guild newsletters you will find a profile of Jackie in the September 2011 Quill and we are honoured to have her as our speaker this month. If you recall, she also challenged us with the Planet Block in May. Let's see if we can bring in enough to keep her busy over the summer months! Thank you Jackie for sharing your passion with us.

See you at the meeting, now I'm off to make some planet blocks. Linda

PROGRAM CHAIR - YEAR END REPORT

Here we are once again, June meeting. Our minds are filling with thoughts of warm summer days, gardening, golfing, travel, camping and maybe even quilting. My thanks to all those who helped out this year with program, gentleman included, whether it was in doing demos at two demo nights, presentations (Marlene Bosma, Shirley Aussant, Pat Inch, Val Kosloski, Jackie Black), the trunk show (Linda Clark from Kenora), and the assistants who shared our trip to Wisconsin via photos and projects to see world renown Ricky Tims, Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman. Also, thank you to all the participants in the Brown Bag Placemat challenge, non-mystery mystery, Heart Block challenge, Creatures/Critters challenge, and the Planet Block challenge and the ever popular Teddy Bear quilts. We even tried a sampling of the age old method of Trapunto quilting. We celebrated Helen Knights special milestone birthday with cake and she shared some stories with us of her 100 years. This year we also made more use of technology and the "technician" whenever possible, to show photos, videos and demonstrations on

screen to make it easier for everyone to see/follow, and by all the comments received I think it was a big improvement. Alva's knowledge that she so willingly offered at each meeting were greatly appreciated, thank you. I also wanted to thank all that came forward with program suggestions and completed the survey. Any ideas/requests not covered will be passed on to the new program chair.

It has been a pleasure working with the current executive. I have certainly grown from this experience and wish the in coming program committee all the best. With so many wonderful people willing to share their skills and talents it becomes a rewarding commitment.

Thank you, Linda

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This report will be my last as Vice President of the TBQG and I have to say that the last two years just seemed to have zoomed by in a blink of an eye.

In my humble opinion, it has been an exciting two years working with a great Executive and Committee Chair members. The meetings were lively and exciting. Members were enthusiastic and brought along so much show and tell and the monthly programs inspired new thoughts and ideas.

Thank you all, for making my job so easy and enjoyable.

In this my last report, I have some exciting news to share with the membership. As one of my last duties, I have invited CHERYL ARKINSON of Calgary, AB to be our guest speaker at the 2013 Quilt Show Banquet along with her trunk show and a two day workshop on the Saturday and Sunday of the Quilt Show.

Her workshop "SCRAP MANAGEMENT" will cover sorting, storing and using your scraps, based on the information provided in *Sunday Morning Quilts*, her book co-written with Amanda Jean Nyberg. Participants will complete the workshop with sorted scraps, concrete ideas for storing those scraps when they return home, including a scrap storage box, and a completed quilt top.

Each participant will get to pick one quilt in Sunday Morning Quilts to construct from their scraps, but it will be personalized from your scraps, to suit your style. She can also work with participants on their own scrappy design.

The goal is to get quilters to organize and see their scraps as an inspiring sight, not a burden or a mess. If we tackle the scraps right away then 1) there won't be as

many scraps to take home and 2) each participant gets a completed quilt top.

Only 15 participants for this workshop, and registration will start at the September meeting. We are anticipating a class fee of \$120.00 per person for this two day workshop. Remember that space will be limited, so if you are interested make sure to sign up at the September meeting. A \$50.00 deposit will be required when you sign up to guarantee your spot for this fabulous April 2013 workshop.

Below is a some information about Cheryl:

Cheryl Arkison is a writer, quilt designer, teacher, mom, sister, daughter, and the bestest wife ever.

Her first book, co-authored with Amanda Jean Nyberg, is called Sunday Morning Quilts. It was published in March 2012 by Stash Books.

As a quilter, Cheryl's designs have been featured in Fat Quarterly and through designers like Daisy Janie.

The focus of Cheryl's writing is on food, family, travel, and craft. She is the Food Editor for What's Up Families magazine and has contributed to the Edmonton Journal, the Calgary Herald, and Christmas 365. Her work can also be found online at delishmag.com, simplebites.net, babble.com, foodnetwork.com.

Rounding out her professional tasks, Cheryl also teaches both quilting and cooking classes. Improvisational quilting is a strong focus, but she also teaches on fabric confidence and selection, basic techniques, and design. As a good Ukrainian she can also teach you the basics of pyrohy, borscht, and more.

Cheryl lives in Calgary, Alberta with her husband, one old pooch, two wild little girls, and one newborn boy who has no clue what chaos he's entered. Cheryl rules the house from her [Dining Room Empire](http://www.cherylarkison.com/classes/author/cherylarkison).
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On closing, I wish you and your families a happy, safe and warm summer..... Luci Andreacchi

LIBRARY REPORT

The library was a hot spot of activity before each meeting this past year. We had great membership participation, many new books, chosen especially for you by our past president, Doris Dungan, made their way into our library and were enjoyed and taken to new homes to be read and give inspiration to new and experienced quilters each month.

I want to thank the amazing women who volunteered for the Library Committee, showed up each month, kept me on track, displayed humour and kindness, organized and assisted and made it so very

easy for me to wear two hats this past year:

Meghann Choquette, Ellen Lang, Betty Maki,
Sharon Melville, Wendy Royston.

It's been a great year,

Luci Andreacchi
Chair, Library Committee

COMFORT QUILTS

Many, many thanks to the industrious and generous quilters who have donated comfort quilts. Our group has delivered 106 quilts of various sizes to many institutions in the city this year. We included 5 quilts delivered to the Salvation Army for some of our unfortunate Thunder Bay-ites who lost so much during the flood. The up-to-date tally of hospice quilts completed and handed in, is now 15. They have not been delivered, but are stored at Carol's until we reach the magic number needed, and the Hospice is ready for our delivery to them.

The last meeting in May was mind boggling for the number of quilts given. We received 28 quilts and 13 neo natal ones! Donors, give yourselves a great pat on the back!!

Carol Forneri, Pat Inch, Shirley Aussant and Meghann Choquette are the members of the delivery team.

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

TINY BORDERS

I wanted to put a 1/8" or 1/4" border around a wall hanging I was doing but I find it's hard to cut that tiny strip, sew it on and press it so it's even all the way around. Then I came up with this idea. I cut my borders 1" and sewed them as usual then pressed to the border. Now I laid my long ruler on the seam I just sewed and trimmed the border strip to the width I wanted the border + 1/4" for the seam allowance (so I trimmed it to 1/2" to end up with a 1/4" border). Result was a nice straight edge to sew the next border to.

Cindy Cockell

PLACEMATS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- 24 Placemats donated in May
- 31 went to Meals on Wheels

The numbers don't seem to add up because I found a few more as I was cleaning up my room after the flooding. All placemats were in a plastic bin and all donated fabric was up off the floor, so unaffected by the flooding. There will be no placemats kits this month as all is in storage and unreachable.

Nelly Reedhead, 473-5646

FREE

Floor model quilt frame, handmade finished wood. Please call Susan Dynes 344-3368 for pickup arrangements.

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.

This quilt is made of cloth and thread
To place upon your bed.
It's not an air loom- just to keep,
But to lie upon as you count sheep
Or perhaps the floor's the perfect place
For a doll and teddy picnic space.
This quilt can be any thing you dream
from Superman's cape to the robe of a queen.
Pretend it's a craft adrift at sea,
or just cuddle up when you watch T.V.
So use it up and wear it out-
I promise I won't yell or pout.
Just tell me when it's days are through.
and I'll make another, just for you.

Submitted by Bernice Mc Cutcheon

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ARROWHEADS

KEY
WEST

SILVER
MAPLE

BOISE

LADY
OF THE LAKE

SLASHED
ALBUM

BATS WINGS

COCKSCOMB

LUCKY
STAR

STORM
AT SEA

CROSSED
CANOES

OLD MAIDS
RAMBLE

SUGAR
BOWL

DOMINO

GREEK
SQUARE

PINE
BURR

WHEEL OF
FORTUNE

JEWEL

Reading across, down and diagonally, find the 18 quilt blocks listed below. The leftover letters will tell you something about quilters.

Offered to guild members with permission from Donna Poster. A stitcher since age five and a puzzle addict since her teens, she is a former quilt shop owner who designs patterns, teaches, and has written six quilt books, she lives in California.

Have fun with this....I will have the answer at guild. Linda - Program Chair

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