

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD QUILTERS' QUILL

June 2017

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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.
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MEETING AGENDA

June 19, 2017

Potluck at 6:00 pm

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 - September 18, 2017

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Everyone! We have made it to the end of another great Guild year! I hope you all have some great quilty plans for the summer. There are a lot of great quilt shows over the coming months, as well as workshops and retreats and online sew-alongs. I find the summer is a great time to get my Teddy Bear Quilts done and finish up some Comfort Quilts. It is a great time for experimenting too; I really want to try a recipe I found for home-made quilt basting spray! This summer my major project is to organize my sewing studio! I have some new furniture ordered that will give me more space and organization, and I need to get a handle on my stash, because searching for an hour for that perfect piece only to find it wadded up under the cutting table is no fun. Hope you all have a wonderfully quilty summer!

Christina





GUILD POTLUCK

Our June 19th meeting is a potluck supper. Doors will open at 5pm and dinner will start at 6pm. Please bring a dish to share, hot or cold, entrée, salad or dessert, or whatever you want to bring! Remember to label dishes that contain nuts and other common allergens, or better yet, bring an ingredient list/recipe. Also, remember to bring your own plate, glass, cutlery and napkins. The meeting and guild executive elections will take place after dinner.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Please remember that our membership fees are going up next year. Membership fees for the 2017-2018 Guild year will \$30.00 due at the September 18th or October 16th meetings. Membership forms will be included in the September Quill and available on the website.

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PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

We are hoping to bring in an out of town teacher sometime during the next guild year. The process to find that teacher has just begun and we want your input so here are a few things to think about;

- Teachers you'd want to take a class from
- Techniques you'd love to learn
- Any ideas other you have

Please email Mary-Catharine at mary.catharine.kennedy@gmail.com with any suggestions.

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Comfort Quilts:	Pat Inch
Guest Speaker / Teachers:	Laura Cooke
Hall of Fame:	Sharon Melville
Library:	Maria Watson, Jo Anne Brimmell
Quilt Show:	Aila Metsa
Quilt Bee:	Adrienne Lopes
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Donation Placemats:	Doris Dungan, Judy Murphy
Teddy Bear Quilts	Peggy Skillen

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GUILD MERCHANDISE



We are still selling bags and pins with the new Guild logo. The bags are navy cotton with a zippered closure and will be available at a cost of \$15 cash, exact change please! Pins are available at a cost of \$5.

We are sold out of Nametag kits, more will be available in September. I am including the pattern again, and encourage you to make it from your own stash. Please note it is reversed for paper piecing. If you need help, here is one good tutorial, (you do not need a fancy ruler, all quilting rulers have a quarter inch on them!)

<http://ellisonlane.com/2013/08/beginningpaperpiecing.html>



QUILT BEES

I will be looking for some new (and free) patterns for the Quilt Bee over the summer. I'm looking forward to some new patterns and ideas. If you'd like to suggest anything that is charm square or layer cake friendly, please send it along to me for consideration. Remember it must be a free pattern or we will need to get permission from the author for multiple use.

Thank you to everyone who took quilt kits to complete over the summer. I will bring more to the June meeting. Please see me at the break if you'd like to sign out some kits for finishing over the summer. If you require batting or backing to complete a top you have already, please let me know by emailing me at alopes@tbaytel.net and I will try to bring what you need to the meeting.

Remember to let me know if you hand in a completed quilt. I will be contacting people who have not handed in charity quilts they have signed out - please check around your sewing room for kits from this past year (or the previous few years...).

Thank you for all of your hard work this past year. Seeing all of the completed charity quilts at the meetings has been very rewarding.

Enjoy your summer and Happy Quilting!

Thank you, Adrienne Lopes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

For the June program we will be having a ufo and magazine auction. This seems to be a annual thing which people enjoy. All proceeds will go to the library to buy new books. Please bring anything you no longer love or need!

Just a reminder to anyone who has used any of our program ideas, this is the last night to put your name in our Silver a box! Because we have had such a great response our prize basket keeps getting fuller and fuller. If anyone would like a class on making the cord baskets please let Laura know.

Jeanette & Maria

COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings,

The Comfort Quilt Committee received 6 additional quilts in May and will meet on June 1 to sort the donated quilts for distribution.

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

Please remember that the quilts receive frequent washings and should be stitched sufficiently to hold together. Most batting manufactures recommend stitching every 4-6 inches as minimum.

Last year we collected over 120 quilted blocks that were squared to 12 ½ inch and incorporated into Hinge-Method quilts.

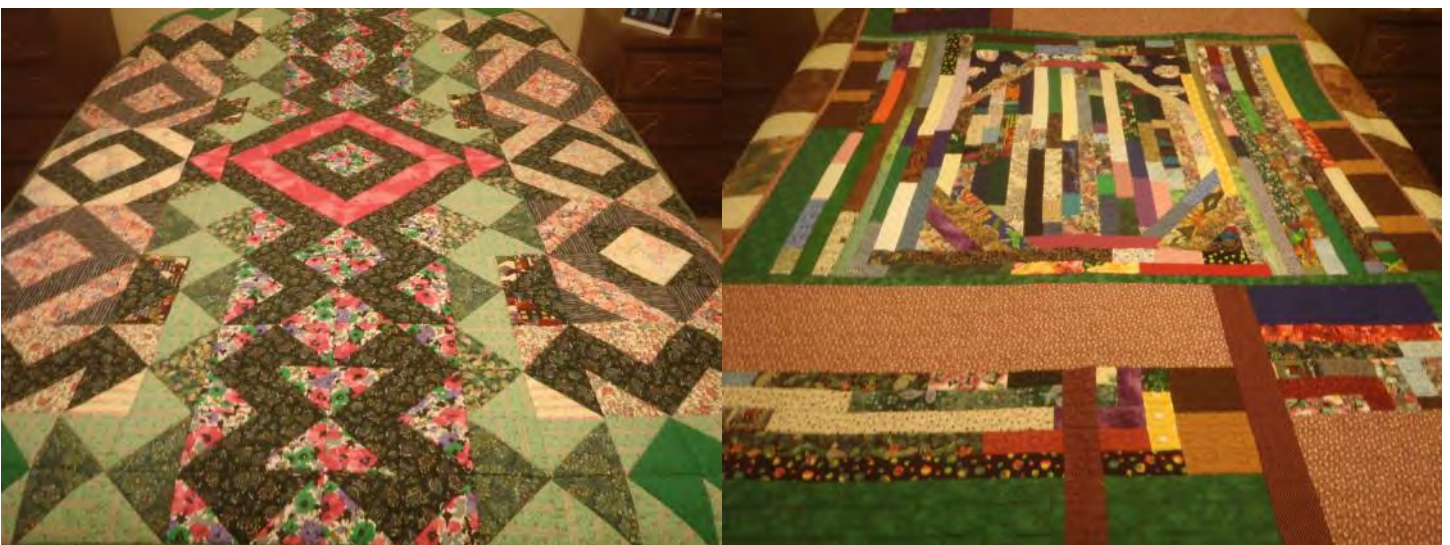
The method supplied more than 6 finished quilts and enabled the Guild to get larger bed-sized quilts. Participants had fun with the quilting of squares and the as-you-go process. Jackie Black has offered to organize the squares into projects if members are interested in making the blocks for a finishing Bee. If interested in making squares, please let me know at the June meeting. To simplify the co-ordination of squares for finished projects, we would recommend keeping to a simpler colour scheme with a neutral backing and remember that only cotton or cotton/poly batting should be used. Recommended colour scheme is blues, greens, reds, browns and oranges. These colours will work for men and women. Also, if you have suggestions – please let us know.

We are launching a new project for next year called "Hope House". We will be looking to donate bed and crib quilts for each room when they rebuild the facility after the fire.

Thanks, Pat Inch and Florence Poster, on behalf of the Committee

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 to 65" x 80"
Figit	24" x 30"



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LIBRARY REPORT

The Library will be open for returns only on June 19th (our banquet night).

The Library will be participating in the auction being held on June 19th. Library packages will be available for auction. 30 books were donated to the Library and will be added to our catalogue by September. Please volunteer to help in the Library in September.

Submitted by Maria Watson, Library Chairperson.

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Twelve placemats were donated at our May meeting, bringing our total for the year to nearly 300. Remember that you can view photos of the placemats on Flickr by following the link from the guild's website. Once again this last month we received a note of appreciation from Meals on Wheels. Many thanks to everyone who donated for the beautiful work and your generosity!

Doris Dungan & Judy Murphy

SUPERIOR QUILT SHOW 2017



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Volunteer Association to Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre

Christina Wakefield, President
Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild

April 13, 2017

Dear Members of the Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild:

The Volunteer Association to Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre is a not-for-profit organization. We own and operate Season's Gift Shop. All profits from the shop, as well as from craft sales and any other small fund raising efforts are returned to the hospital annually. In addition, we support a number of annual scholarships and bursaries for our student volunteers, NOSM, Lakehead University & Con College nursing students, and nurses employed at TBRHSC.

In years past, the Volunteer Association has held Quilt Raffles as fundraisers. We have always relied on our volunteers to make the quilts. Unfortunately many of our quilters are no longer able to undertake larger sized quilting projects, and the last Quilt Raffle was held in 2010.

We would like to revive this highly successful raffle and thus we are seeking help from the larger quilting community. Potentially the raffle would be held in late November or early December, 2017 with tickets going on sale around September 1st. In the past, three bed-sized quilts were offered as prizes; we hope to raffle three quilts – queen, double and twin if possible. We hope to continue with that tradition.

The Volunteer Association will cover the cost of your materials (receipts must be provided); however we cannot cover the cost of labour. Alternatively, if you have a completed quilt that you would like to donate and you do not have receipts, there is the possibility that a charitable receipt for an "in-kind" donation can be provided.

If you are interested in donating or for further information, please contact Sharron Detweiler, the Raffle coordinator or Cathy Britt, Vice President.

Thank you,

Margaret Power, President: m.power5@icloud.com
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Cathy Britt, Vice President: c-britt50@hotmail.com

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THUNDER BAY MUSEUM

THREADWORKS 2016 FLASHBACK

MAY 8 TO JUNE 25, 2017

This exhibit is a special project of the Ontario Network of Needleworkers which showcases 36 pieces of exceptional and creative needlework by artists from across Canada. Each work showcases expressions of the artist's personal history in pieces such as kimonos, quilts, and portraits.

Winter Hours (Labour Day to June 14th) Open Tuesday through Sunday 1pm to 5pm (Closed on Mondays)

Summer Hours (June 15 to Labour Day) Open daily from 11am to 5pm.



Pebbles in a Stream by June Horwich



Summer Quilting Retreat

Friday and Saturday, July 28 & 29, 2017

Where: Gillies Community Center, Corner of Hwy 608 and Hwy 595, South Gillies

What Time: 10am-9pm Friday and 10am-5pm Saturday

Pricing: \$70 Friday and \$50 Saturday, If you book both days it will be \$100 total

Payment is due upon registration; the only reserved reservation is a paid one. Cancellations July 1 through July 22 will incur a \$25 fee. Cancellations July 23 up to the event will not receive a refund. Registration is transferrable as long as we are notified of the new attendee's name.

Come with your friends and bring your projects and machines and sew, sew sew!!!! (I am sure there will be UFO sightings!)

We will have demos on both days that you can choose to attend or not, your choice. Norma Wynn will be demonstrating twice, topics TBA. As well Tonia Heng will demonstrating a Triangle Frenzy Table Runner and how to make a Squffet. (a square tuffet)

We will provide lunch, afternoon tea and dinner on Friday and on Saturday lunch and afternoon tea.

Contact: Sharon Melville 807-626-3691 *** sharonmelville@tbaytel.net

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More information available on the website.

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