

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

May 2018

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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

May 21, 2018

1. Welcome
 2. Guest Speaker
 3. Break
 4. Business
 5. Show and Tell
 6. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting - June 18, 2018
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Spring has finally decided to grace us with its presence! And I have started thinking of all the projects I want or need to get done over the next few months. I'm starting to put together all the things I'll need to work on projects out at camp, and figuring out some handwork for road trips and vacations. Now is a great time to think about what you want to make for next year's quilt show! What are you planning this spring?

Christina



LIBRARY REPORT

Inventory of the Library has taken place. Thanks to Ellen Lang and Barb Rabbit who came out to help on Saturday.

On Monday, some of the books, magazines, and notions donated by Chip Styles will be for sale, but only before 7 pm.

As there is a guest speaker at the meeting, the Library will be closed during the break.

Maria Watson and Barb Gainer

CHEERY SADDLEBAG HELPER

The pattern for a wheelchair, walker or recliner caddy, has been attached to the email with the Quill. If you are interested in making one or more for donation, you can give them to me, June Archer or Doris Kuusisto to give to a local hospital. A terrific fat-quarter project, or a way to use up larger scraps.

Thanks Norma Wynn



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Guest Speaker / Teachers:	Laura Cooke
Hall of Fame:	Sharon Melville
Library:	Maria Watson, Barb Gainer
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Donation Placemats:	Doris Dungan, Judy Murphy
Teddy Bear Quilts	Peggy Skillen

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we all know we hold Elections in June, I have not received any Nomination forms for any of the positions, President, Vice-President and Program Chairperson. These positions need to be filled or our Guild will have to close. We do have a process to do this. I know it is so nice to go to the meetings and just sit back and enjoy what is happening but we all need to think about all the Quilts we donate and how disappointed the different Organizations would be if we stopped doing this. Our Organization also promotes Quilting to the public so that younger people are encouraged to continue our favourite craft of Quilting. Please consider holding an office, if you are thinking I don't think I can do it remember there are lots of people to help you through the process. The two years go very quickly.

Thanks, Sharon

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Our members continue to be very productive making placemats for Meals on Wheels, demonstrating great originality and beautiful workmanship. Thirty-six were donated last month, and forty in March. Use the link from our website to check out our Flickr page where you can view samples of placemats previously donated. Visit us in the Fellowship Hall before the meeting or during break to pick up a kit to make at home or some labels to use on ones you make on your own.

Doris Dungan & Judy Murphy

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

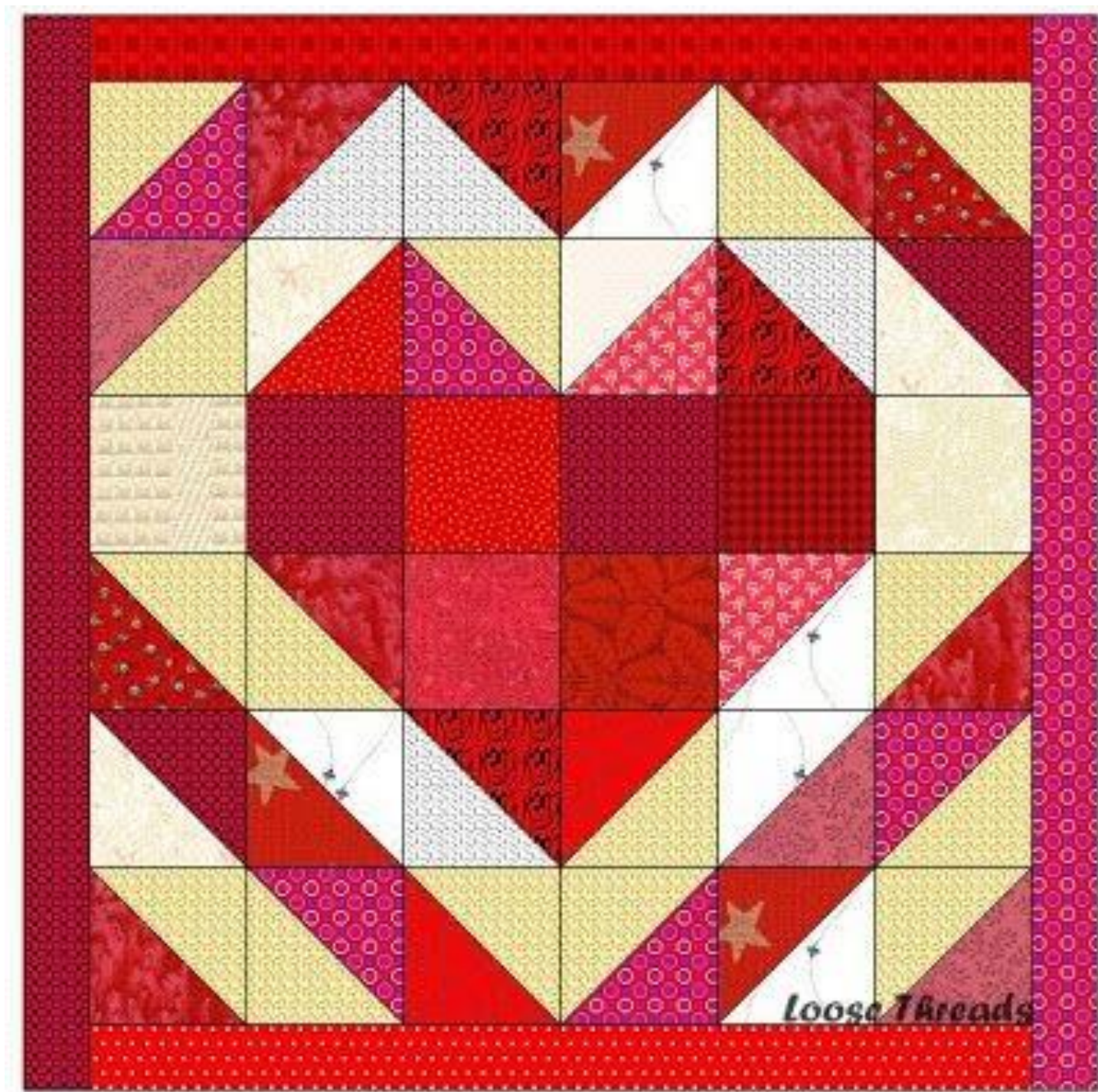
Don't forget to bring your SNIP, RIP, DROP, AND PASS Teddy Bear Quilts to Guild meeting this month, even if they aren't quilted yet. We will do a group show and tell at the meeting.

I found a small quilt pattern for a teddy bear quilt and it will be attached to the quilt. I did mine in red and light beiges but it could be done in any colour or many different colours. It finished at 32 inches square which is a great size for a small bear or animal.

Peggy Skillen



Teddy Bear Heart Quilt



Cut blocks at 5 ½ inches and square up to 5 inches. 14 red and 14 assorted light colour.

6 – 5 inch red blocks for the centre.

Cut the borders and 3 inch or 2 ½ inches.

Sandwich and Quilt as desired.

COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings,

We received 5 Figit and 6 comfort quilts at the March meeting. Comfort quilts collected from recent meetings were taken to Precious Bundles, Pinewood Court, and Hogarth Riverview by Committee Members.

Have you thought about making a Figit Quilt? If you weren't able to make Figit Quilts at the Sewing Day, April 14th, Florence and I could provide you some tactile fabrics and notions to give it a try. Let us know if you'd like some starter materials. Figit Quilts can be almost any size, however we recommend that they fit in your lap and have a tie end to fasten to the chair or wheel chair.

If you are making any quilt(s) for donation, the suggested sizes are given here. Also, see me or Florence for a Quilt Guild Label. A label is to be sewn onto the quilt – typically on the back, bottom right side but you can choose where.

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. To check, place your hand over the quilt. In all locations, your hand should be able to touch stitching that connects the quilt top to the backing.

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"
Bed	63 to 65" x 80"
Figit	24" x 30"

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

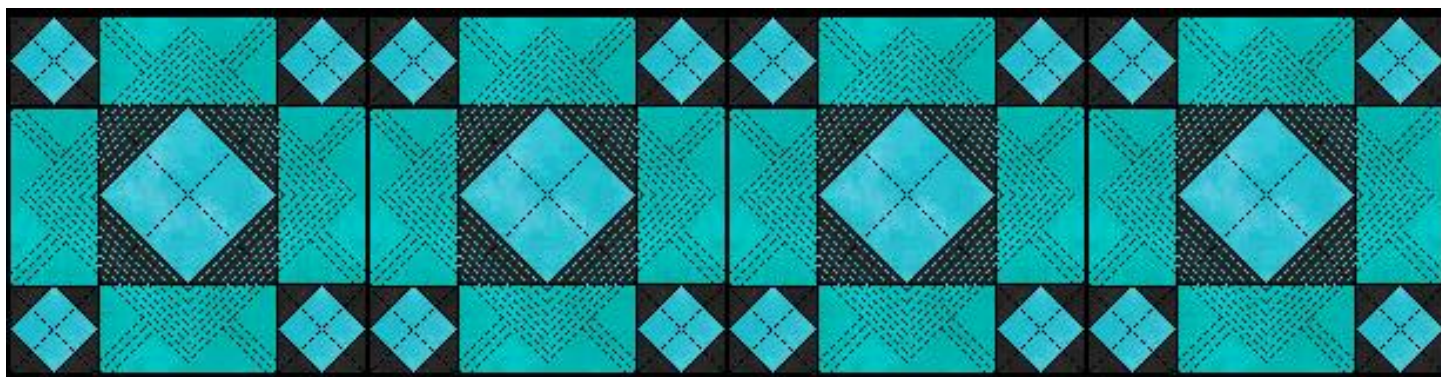
The block for this month is called the: Amish Diamond block. Enjoy!

<http://www.quilterscache.com/A/AmishDiamondBlock.html>

A Reminder that when you participate with anything we have discussed with the program you are eligible to put a ballot into our draw box. Just see Diane or Maria at the meetings!

At the June meeting we will be doing another auction of books, magazines, and ufo's. So if you have anything to donate please bring it to the June meeting. Thanks!!

Maria and Jeanette



Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild

2019 Quilt Show – Challenge

Following the fabulous success of our challenge for the 2017 Quilt Show, we present the 2019 Quilt Show Challenge:

Spring has Sprung!

Join your fellow guild members in celebrating the arrival of spring

Our quilt show in 2019 will be held when flowers are blooming and birds are happily nesting. The long winter will be over and the grass will be green. Help us to welcome spring by creating a challenge quilt to celebrate the arrival of spring in Thunder Bay. Northcott Fabrics has graciously donated 3 bolts of fabric for our challenge. These fabrics will be available to Challenge Participants at the March and April 2018 meetings. More details will follow but here are some highlights:

1. Create a wall hanging or quilt that can be hung. The quilt must be quilted.
2. Maximum dimensions 36" x 36".
3. Must use 3 fabrics provided in the front of the quilt, not including the binding.
4. The 3 challenge fabrics must be prominent in the quilt.
5. Only use up to 3 additional fabrics to create your original design.
6. Participants are encouraged to create an original design.
7. \$5 cash required to purchase a Fat Eighth Bundle. \$10 cash required to purchase a Fat Quarter Bundle.

There will be a limited number of Fat Quarter and Fat Eighth bundles brought to each meeting.

Bundles will ONLY be sold at the break. It will be on a first come, first served basis.





Wildflower Arts

2018 Quilting Retreats

Friday and Saturday July 27 & 28 and Nov 2 & 3

Gillies Community Center, South Gillies, Ontario P0T 2V0

10am-9pm Friday and 10am-5pm Saturday

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.

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

Payment is due upon registration; the only reserved reservation is a paid one. Cancellations through July 20th and Oct 26th will incur a \$25 fee. Cancellations July 21st and Oct 27th up to the event will not receive a refund. Registration is transferrable as long as we are notified of the new attendee's name. Registration deadline for the retreats are July 20th and October 26th

To get a copy of the registration forms please contact: Sharon Melville 807-626-3691

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