

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

November 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.

mail to: kavanagh@tbaytel.net

MEETING AGENDA

November 19, 2018

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 - December 10, 2018

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's the most wonderful Guild meeting of the year! I love seeing all of the beautiful quilts everyone has created for their Teddy Bears, and finding out if we will top our count from last year.

It's also the time of year where we start thinking of all of the presents we need to make before Christmas, and the guild meeting is a great time to get inspired when you see what everyone else is making.

Christina



SUPERIOR QUILTS 2019

Tickets for the Dessert Social will go on sale at the January meeting. The price is \$20 and includes dessert, fruit, Jennifer Houlden trunk show, awards presentation and of course door prizes. I hope to see all the quilt guild members there!

Ellen Lang

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD MERCHANDISE

Guild merchandise will be for sale at each of the meetings this year.



Pins cost \$5.00

Name tag kits cost \$5.00

Guild bags cost \$20.00

If you want to purchase any of these items,
please see Marg Marks.



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Comfort Quilts:	Pat Inch, Florence Poster
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Hall of Fame:	Sharon Melville
Library:	Maria Watson, Barb Gainer
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Teddy Bear Quilts	Peggy Skillen
Sew Days	Laura Cooke

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

This year we will be tying the stuffed animals in the Fellowship Room the same as we did last year. Please bring your Teddy Bear (stuffed animal) with its quilt before the meeting. The committee will tie it with ribbon so that it is secure and will stay together until the child receives it. These bears are touched and taken out of the bags at least 5 times before the child receives them so they must be tied securely. Please do not place yours in the foyer with the others. A committee member will do that after it has been tied. Hopefully I will be able to give a final count after the break.

Remember that there should be no price tags on the stuffed animal and no label on the quilt. You can leave the manufactures tag on the animal. These toys are from Santa.

Thank you to everyone who has donated a quilt and teddy bear to this great cause.

Peggy Skillen





COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings,

In October we received 14 comfort quilts and 5 12 ½ inch squares. We will continue to collect the 12 1/2 inch quilted squares to be turned into comfort quilts. If anyone would like some supplies to make Figit quilts, please see Florence or Pat and please put on a Guild label.

Jackie Black has kindly constructed many comfort quilts using the Hinge Method and the Quilted Squares brought in during the past two years. Jackie has agreed to continue if there is interest by members so we will continue to challenge members to make quilted 12.5-inch squares that can be used to make larger quilts. Please note that you can make any quilt square and then sandwich it with cotton or cotton/poly batting and a backing fabric to make a quilted square that should measure a minimum of 12.5 inches (so start with a 14 inch piece for backing and batting). Don't trim your blocks as they may fray so blocks should be trimmed just prior to making the quilt tops. Almost any colours can be used but we recommend using a neutral (beige, red, blue, brown, black & white) backing and would like colours that will appeal to both males and females.

If you are making any quilt(s) for donation, the recommended sizes are given here. Also, see Pat or Florence for a Quilt Guild Label. A label is to be sewn onto the quilt – typically on the back bottom right side. Also remember that these quilts are washed frequently so stitching be every 4 to 6 inches. Thanks

Have fun and enjoy yourself,

Pat Inch and Florence Poster

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"

QUILT BEE COMMITTEE

Ladies, get your sewing machines ready! We are having a 2-day Quilt Bee in January thanks to the funding awarded to us from the TBaytel for Good campaign! We are calling it "The Big Quilt Bee for Charity". A big thank you goes out to TBaytel for providing funding to organizations like ours who are working towards making a difference in our community. Christina, Mary Catharine and I accepted the award earlier this month and had the opportunity to watch videos and hear from the winning submissions. It was quite inspirational.

The focus of the 2-day quilt bee will be finishing larger quilts. Our goal for this event is to complete 25 bed sized quilts. We will have kits ready with backing and batting so that you can prep and quilt (and maybe even attach binding) during the weekend. We will have people available to help guide you through finishing the quilt if you are less experienced and need some assistance. We will also host a neonatal blanket bee at the same time.

I will be in touch with the organizing committee over the coming month to plan this event. In the meantime, here are some preliminary details:

The Big Quilt Bee for Charity
Oliver Road Community Centre

January 26 - 10 am - 9 pm - Lunch and dinner will be provided, bring desserts to share
January 27 - 10 am - 4 pm - Lunch will be provided Sign up at the January meeting.

If you are finishing quilts this month and handing them in, please let a committee member (Adrienne Lopes, Leona Stolz, Wendy Royston) know that you have submitted a finished quilt and we will mark your name off the list. Remember to put two labels if batting or backing was purchased by the guild through Northern Credit Union donation. If you need batting or backing let Adrienne know by email (alopes@tbaytel.net).

Adrienne Lopes





PROGRAM

October program follow-up.

I want to thank everyone who showed us a favorite or useless tool. Thanks to everyone who emailed me or told Luci they loved what we presented. I think we'll showcase some new rulers or tools every few months. As I've been sewing the past few weeks I realized there were a few gadgets I forgot and there's always new rulers. That must mean I have a lot of gadgets LOL.

December program:

Ugly Sweater Challenge block. The details and pattern were in the October Quill so I won't repeat them here. If you lost them then you can download the Quill from the website. I hope we get lots of entries.

Postcard Challenge (organized by the Possibilities Group)

If you haven't heard of them or seen the ones Cathy Ridley makes, postcards are tiny 4" x 6" quilts. They are built on Timtex (thicker, stiff interfacing). They may be quilted and often the 'binding' is satin stitching. Some are tiny works of art. Cathy is offering a class Nov 24 if you want to learn how to make them. She'll show some at the meeting. She's taught the Possibilities Group how to do them and showed us lots of examples. So we decided to hold a challenge in conjunction with the Quilt Show. The theme will be 'Seasons' which coordinates with the regular Quilt Show challenge. You can submit an unlimited number of postcards - you may choose your favorite season or do one for all 4 seasons. We will have a viewer's choice prize per season. We will collect these at the April meeting so we have time to organize the display.

Quilt Canada 2018 in Vancouver did a challenge last year and here are some examples if you want to see some examples of the winners. They got over 1,500 entries.

<https://canadianquilter.com/quilted-postcard-challenge-2018/>

November Program:

Simple Gifts to make for Christmas or the Guild booth for the quilt show. After the meeting I will ask Joanne to send out all the patterns or links to patterns so you don't have to take notes. I will print a copy for the library for those without a computer.

UFO List:

A few years ago Luci & Norma asked people to make a list of their UFOs and try to finish them, and Patchworks did it before then. It worked - lots got finished. So we're going to try that again and let's see if we can finish some of them. It also makes room for new fabric!!! There are prizes as incentives. I will start the lists at the November meeting. You can join any time and you can add to your list. We will not judge you if your list is very long...it just gives you more of a chance to win. But being a quilt show year I know you're trying to finish quilts for it so I'll set the end date as the November 2019 meeting. This is how it will work:

- I will have a binder where I'll keep the list of your UFO's, as many as you want to list. So bring your list to the meeting already printed/written out. Put your name on it.
- Whenever you finish a UFO and bring it for show & tell I'll take it off your list and your name will go into a draw. One entry per finished quilt.
- Next November I will do a draw(s) for participation prizes from all the entries. The person with the most UFO's finished will win a special prize.

- A UFO has to be a quilting project that has been started - so at least part of it must be cut out. A pattern and fabric with intent to make will not count as a UFO. A UFO can be as small as just putting binding on a quilt (I have one of those). It can be a quilt, wall hanging, bag, placemats, etc. In the case of placemats they will count as a single project.



Cindy



WINTER MYSTERY 2018 - PART 3



The final installment for the mystery quilt has been attached to the Quill email, along with the picture, so you can zoom in to see details.

Cindy

**A man and a quilt will both
keep you warm at night,
but a quilt never says
anything stupid.**



4th Annual Fibre Arts Exhibition
Jan 15th - Mar 24th, 2019

OPEN CALL TO ALL FIBRE ARTISTS

The Baggage Building Arts Centre invites all
Thunder Bay and Regional Fibre Artists
to submit for our 4th Annual Fibre Arts Exhibition.

Weaving Felting Beading
Quilting Embroidery Macramé
Knitting Crochet Sewing
or anything made with fibre of some kind

Submission deadline Nov 30th, 2018
Please email bbac.angie@gmail.com
for more information

Find the complete call on
our Facebook Page - *Baggage Building Arts Centre*
Or www.thunderbay.ca/artscentre



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.



JENNIFER HOULDEN

Guest Instructor for our Quilt Show May 2019

“Quilts to last a lifetime & art to treasure forever”

Jennifer Houlden is a textile artist by passion and nurse by profession, who lives with her husband and dog in beautiful Muskoka.

Working in her cottage studio surrounded by the beautiful landscape of the Canadian Shield, Jennifer creates one of a kind art quilts.

Jennifer’s inspiration comes from the world around her through photographs, nature and her imagination. Her passion is to create art to enjoy and share with others.

WEBSITE: <https://quiltsbyjen.ca/>

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QUILT SHOW WORKSHOPS WITH JENNIFER HOULDEN

Twisted Log Cabin May 24, 2019

9:30-4:00 doors open at 9am

This is a foundation piecing project which allows for accuracy and precision during sewing. The pieces are cut larger than needed so there will be some wastage of fabric. The paper acts as a stabilizer during sewing to help create the fine points in this pattern. Completed size is 36 by 36 inches.



Mini Bargello Sunflower May 25, 2019

9:30 - 4:00 doors open at 9am

Jennifer is very excited to teach you this technique of Bargello and applique. It is exciting to see it all come together and how each and every flower is different. Completed size is 20 by 20 inches.



The cost of the workshops will be \$100.00 for Guild members and \$120.00 for non-members. Limit of 20 per class.

Both workshops will require pre-class preparation! This will be mandatory so that Jennifer can get right into teaching her technique rather than using class time to cut the fabric pieces

Preparation is needed and must be done before class!

We are looking into having a workshop in order for all participants to be ready prior to the workshops with Jennifer. **“No prep, no workshop, no refund”.**

Registration will be at the Guild Meeting in October.

Full payment must be made upon registration. Payment may be made by cash or cheque.

Kit list and class preparation will be given at this time.

We will have a date for the pre-class, possibly first part of April (to be announced)