

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

December 2020

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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

December 14, 2020 NOTE - meeting will
begin promptly at 7:00 pm
(zoom will open at 6:00 pm).

To be held over Zoom – link will be sent in the email with this Quill

1. Welcome
2. Programme with Guest Christina Camelli
3. Show and Tell
4. Break (Breakout Rooms)
5. Acceptance of Agenda
6. Acceptance of Minutes
7. Business Arising from Minutes
8. Executive Reports
9. Council Reports
10. New Business
11. Door Prizes / Adjournment
12. Welcome

Next Meeting: **January 18, 2021**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I love this time of year. I have some special quilts, table runners, and post cards that I have made over the years and I love to get them out and spread them throughout the house. I encourage you all to post your favourite ones to share with us – sort of an on-line open house.

Thanks again to all of those who participated in our first Christmas Craft Share, especially to the sharers. There were so many great ideas to make!

On behalf of the members of the Executive and Council, we wish you all a wonderful holiday season and look forward to continuing our quilting journey in 2021. Stay safe and healthy everyone.

Cathy



VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

We will be continuing our Virtual Sew Days in 2021. I hope you will join us from your sewing room. There is no program, just log on - the rest is up to whatever you want to do – come and go at your leisure.

Next Dates: **Sunday, January 10** at 10 am to 4 pm

Wednesday, January 20 at 1 to 4 pm

Please send an email to president.tbqg@gmail.com to register.

LIBRARY REPORT

As the Guild cannot enter the church to access the Library books, I have nothing to report. Please hold on to the items that you have signed out from the Library. Will keep you posted.

Library Chairperson, Maria Watson at mcwatson@tbaytel.net

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Guild Calendar of Events

November 2020 — January 2021

Date	Time	Event Description
December 14, 2020	19:00	Guild meeting
December 14, 2020	19:00	Christina Cameli Lecture
January 4, 2021	19:00	Executive & Council Meeting
January 10, 2021	10:00	Virtual Sew Day (10-4pm)
January 16, 2021	10:00	Libs Elliott Workshop
January 16, 2021	19:00	Libs Elliott Lecture
January 17, 2021	10:00	Libs Elliott Workshop
January 18, 2021	19:00	Guild meeting
January 20, 2021	13:00	Virtual Sew Day (1-4)
January 30, 2021	10:00	Virtual Quilt Bee (10-4, 7-10)
January 31, 2021	10:00	Virtual Quilt Bee (10-4)
February 1, 2021	19:00	Executive Meeting
February 15, 2021	19:00	Guild meeting
February 27, 2021	10:00	Sew Day at CLE (10-4)

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

To join or renew your memberships, please download the TBQG 2020/2021 Membership form (available in the email sent with the Quill or from the website at www.thunderbayquilters.org) and follow the instructions to send the pdf by email to tbayqg@outlook.com or print and mail a copy to 1100 Memorial Avenue, Suite 213, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 4A3. Payment of your membership fee – e-transfer \$40.00 (before October 19 or \$45 after this date) to tbayqg@outlook.com. If you have any questions about this please contact Ginny at treasurer.tbqg@gmail.com

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD MERCHANDISE



Guild merchandise will be for sale will be for sale 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 email Marg Marks at mjmarks@tbaytel.net



ADVERTISING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We would like to offer a \$5/month Add-On to our current advertising prices. The \$5/month fee will include 1 social media post per month (on both the public Facebook group and Instagram). All advertisements must include all/any necessary information as they will NOT be edited in any way before publishing. If any advertisement does not adhere to our code of conduct, the executive committee can refuse an ad. All advertisements can be sent to the secretary.tbqg@gmail.com for review. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask!

Marina

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Once again this month thanks go to Pat Inch for her help in distributing placemat kits and labels at the tailgate drop-off day. As mentioned last month, we are expanding our distribution base and expect our first lot of placemats to bring cheer to the residents of the Sister Leila Greco facility shortly. Thanks go to Deb Palmquist for assistance with the logistics. We would also be grateful for suggestions of other appropriate recipients for the beautiful placemats that our members have made. Our third thank you goes to our President/Webmaster Cathy for adding our newest patterns and updated index to the guild website. Meanwhile, Meals on Wheels is still not distributing any extras such as our placemats to their clients, so we ask that you keep your completed placemats at home until further notice. If you have need of labels for placemats that you are making from your own materials, please contact one of us to arrange to get some.

dorisd@tbaytel.net or judy56@tbaytel.net

Wishing you Happy Holidays! – Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy



NORTHCOTT 2021 CHALLENGE

Superior Quilts 2021 has been cancelled due to that nasty virus called COVID-19 but the challenge is still going ahead!

Isn't this fabric gorgeous! How could you not want to sew something with it. The quilt committee has decided that even though the quilt show is cancelled the challenge can still proceed. The same basic rules (see below) will still apply however the submission date will change to April 30, 2021. All the fat quarters have been purchased and at this time only fat eights are available for \$5 for a bundle of the three fabrics. Presently we are only selling one bundle per member but starting in January if any fat eights are available extras can be purchased if required.

REFLECTIONS

What does 'reflections' mean to you? Could it be our unique aurora borealis with its blue and green colours shimmering across the night sky? Possibly you see a reflection in a mirror or pond. We are looking forward to seeing your creations!

Once again Northcott Fabrics has graciously provided 3 bolts of fabric for our challenge. Each bolt has been divided into fat quarters and fat eighths. All the fat quarters have been purchased and there is a limited amount

of fat eighths available. They will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. **Fat eights are available for \$5.** Payment for the challenge fabric will be **cash or etransfer only to Ellen Lang**. Contact Ellen Lang at 623-2307 or by email at ellen_lang@tbaytel.net if you are interested to arrange payment and coordinate pickup.

More details to follow but here are some highlights:

1. Create a wall hanging or quilt that can be hung. The quilt must be quilted & bound.
2. Maximum dimensions 36" x 36".
3. Must use all 3 challenge fabrics provided in the front of the quilt, not including the binding.
4. The 3 challenge fabrics must be prominent in the quilt.
5. Participants are encouraged to create an original design.
6. Only use 3 additional fabrics to create your original design.
7. Deadline for submission is April 30, 2021
8. A hanging sleeve is required on the back to accommodate a dowel. Size information to follow.

Submitted by Ellen Lang



Quilt Bee Virtual Weekend

JANUARY 30 & 31, 2021

The Quilt Bee is approaching and we are going to be shifting into high gear to plan a fun weekend for January 30/31. We've already gathered some great ideas. Watch for the itinerary for the Bee Virtual Weekend in the next Quill.

In the meantime, if you plan to participate, please email Adrienne at alopes@tbaytel.net and indicate if you want a new kit for a quilt top or if you will be working on something from previous Quilt Bees or a charity quilt of your own.

We will be making kits and need to know how many we will need for the weekend. Please indicate preferred size and number of kits you'd like. Please also indicate if you only want to work on quilt tops or if you are willing to do some machine quilting of full quilts.

I've made a special pattern for this Bee that you may want to consider making. At the January 2020 Bee, our long time and creative member, Linda Guitard, handed in a beautiful quilt top that has been made into a new pattern especially for the Thunder Bay Quilters Guild. It is going to be ready for the 2021 Bee as both hospice size and lap size. A photo of Linda's quilt is included here so you can consider if you'd like to make this quilt as your charity quilt this year. If interested, please let Adrienne know. Don't worry if you're not ready for this quilt. It will be around as a Guild pattern for years to come.

If you don't want to work on quilts, we encourage you to consider working on placemats. Remember, placemats can be great ways to practice your quilting, try out a block, test a fabric combination and practice your binding.

We are planning special times throughout the days that you can plan to join including coffee talk, educational breaks / tutorials and a few games.

There will be prizes for participation.

We hope you will join us and make more beautiful charity quilts (and placemats)!

Thank you! Adrienne



Let Adrienne know if you are interested in completing a quilt in your spare time. She will make arrangements to get you a kit or a quilt to finish or bind. Everything helps to keep our community supplied with beautiful quilts.

For now, here's the planned schedule for the Quilt Bee Virtual Weekend

Saturday, January 30, 2021

10 am - 4 pm and 7 pm - 10 pm

Sunday, January 31, 2021 10 am - 4 pm

Program 2020/2021

DECEMBER 2020 UPDATE



Merry Christmas!

The Guild is very excited to welcome Christina Cameli as a guest speaker for December's program! We can't get together in person this year so a special treat was in order. Please keep in mind that this month's program will not be recorded, please join us on Monday at 7pm so that you don't miss out.

Feel free to reach out to us by email at

Program.tbqg@gmail.com

Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy

QUILT-A-LONG

STAR OF BETHLEHEM

December's block is the Star of Bethlehem. It's a block where colour placement makes all the difference. We can't wait to see what you decide to do.

DECEMBER PROGRAM

HOW SHOULD I QUILT THAT?

Join us as award winning quilter and author Christina Cameli walks us through choosing a quilting design. She'll be using member's quilts as examples.

EXTRAS!

ATTACHED TO THIS MONTHS PROGRAM EMAIL

This month's recipes are for Snickerdoodles & Make Ahead Turkey Gravy.

Make sure to check out the October Quilter of the Month

What's Planned for January?

Quick and Easy
Web Piecing

What's Planned for February?

Paper Piecing

What's Planned for March?

Playing with Quilt Layouts and Designs

CHRISTINA CAMELI

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Christina Cameli is the author of four quilting books. You can look at her work on her website christinacameli.com, from there you'll be able to find her YouTube videos and Instagram account if you'd like to learn more from her. She a talented Free Motion Quilter and we're excited to see her give quilting advice to our fellow members!

We've submitted a mix of different tops to, hopefully, reflect the memberships diverse quilting styles. One of the tops will be Adrienne's QAL top so that participants can't get some quilting inspiration. We're excited to spend an evening learning from Christina!

Looking for a Christmas Project?

Here are a few ideas from around the internet that might inspire you this festive season.



The Evergreen Quilt and Tutorial by Alison of Cluck Cluck Sew makes a fun forest lap quilt that would work all winter.

cluckclucksew.com/2019/01/evergreen-quilt-tutorial.html



Mini Christmas Tree Ornaments by Amy Smart of Diary of a Quilter would brighten up Christmas trees or make great gift tags.

www.diaryofaquilter.com/2014/12/mini-christmas-tree-quilt-ornament.html



The Nice Package Wall Quilt from Cloud 9 Fabrics would be a super cute addition to someone's holiday decor.

<https://cloud9fabrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Nice-Package-Wall-Quilt-Final.pdf>

Program Office Hours are closed
this month, we'll be back in
January. If you have any questions
regarding the Quilt-A-Long please
email us at
program.tbqg@gmail.com.



JANUARY 16 & 17 CLASSES WITH
LIBS ELLIOTT

There is *limited* availability in
**Embrace the Chaos & Improv
Piecing with Dynamic Stripes**

Please visit thunderbayquilters.org for more information. January 16 Evening Lecture free to members. Full refunds will be issued for trunk show tickets, information will be sent out via email.

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

First of all I would like to thank all those who made quilts for their stuffed animals or teddy bears this year. I also want to thank the committee who tied and bagged the many ones that were handed in.

We had a total of 275 handed in on November 21 for the Tailgate party. Weather wise we had a great day to do this. It was +2C but there was no wind and no snow showers. Christmas Cheer will get 60 with stitched eyes and the remaining 215 will go to Our Kids Count for their Christmas party.

This was a very different year with the pandemic and it was great that we could help out another organization and put a smile on a young child's face.

Peggy Skillen



The bear crew - by photographer Cindy



CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



COMFORT QUILTS

Seasons Greetings,

The Comfort Quilt Committee has been busy collecting and dropping off quilts within the community thanks to your generous donations. Six bed sized quilts and 17 nap quilts were collected at the Teddy Bear tailgate and November 28th sew day. Previously 70 quilts were collected at the tailgate collections. Comfort quilts have been taken to facilities including; Faye Peterson, Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Sister Margaret Smith Centre, Hogarth Riverview, and Algonquin School. Three children's quilts were taken for use in the school multipurpose room at the school. We still have 23 nap quilts in storage so we are hoping to find additional schools and facilities for children's quilts. If you know of facilities, please share information with 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"
Dignity	72" x 84"

Thunder Bay Regional has received children's bed quilts, fidgets and some nap quilts. Additional children's bed quilts are welcomed to provide some spares and choice for the patients. We are following up with the hospital and Hogarth Riverview on their suggestions for fidget quilts and hope to prepare starter kits and instructions that can be available in the new year.

If you have any questions, let us know.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas,

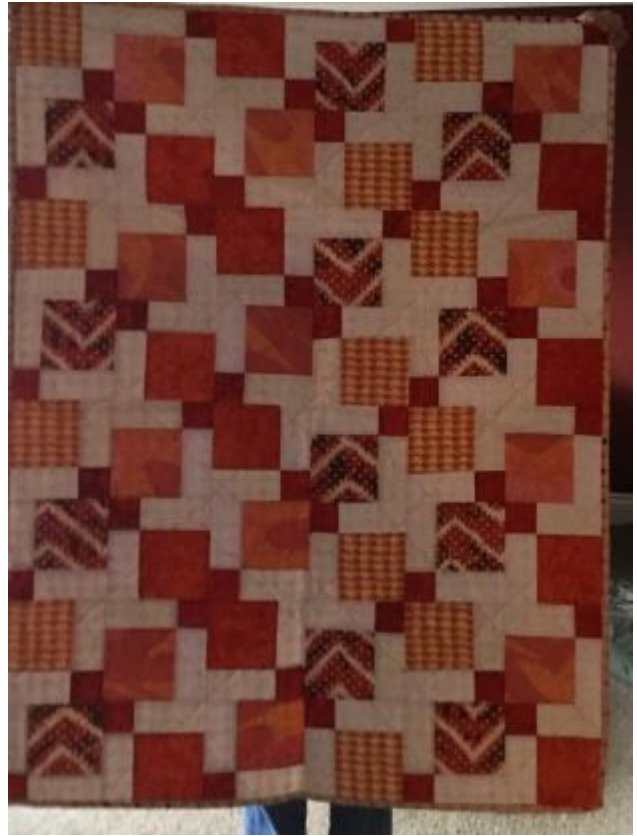
Pat, Florence, Kelly, Carol, Jeannette, and Peggy



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(26" throat space)



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