

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

May 2021

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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

May 17, 2021 NOTE - meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 pm with our guest so we advise that you sign on at least 5-10 minutes before to ensure you are ready to go (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. Program – Guest: Brenda Gael Smith
 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
- Next Meeting: **June 21, 2021**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This is the second last meeting of the year. It seems like some of the time, moments seem endless while others fly by. That is the type of year it has been.

We have had an outstanding response to the survey which is amazing – thank you! If you haven't had a chance to fill it out yet, we would appreciate you taking the time to let us know how the year went for you. It will definitely help with the planning for next year.

There are so many projects that are wrapping up soon – the QAL, the Sisterhood Swap (are you making a bag or a pillow?), and the Northcott Challenge. I can't wait to see everyone's work.

Take care everyone,

Cathy



TBQG 40TH ANNIVERSARY

If anyone has any pictures, slides, magazine articles, etc. from the past 40 years of the Guild could you let me know by mid-May. I don't actually want the items right now I just want to know what's out there. I'll contact you in the future to get them and you'll get them back if they aren't digital files.

I have several CD's from past shows in the since Ingo and I took the pics for a few years, I know Jackie Black was given a bunch of old slides. If at all possible, it would be nice if these items were in digital form. I do have a friend who can scan in slides, but I don't want to burden him with too many. So, if you have a magazine article then please scan it and send me the jpg.

I will be preparing a look back at the past 40 years for our Anniversary Celebration. Thanks

Cindy (ccockell@tbaytel.net)

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, May 30 @ 10 am to 4 pm

Wednesday, June 9 @ 1 to 4 pm

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

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Guild Calendar of Events

May - June 2021

Date	Time	Event Description
May 17, 2021	19:00	Guild Meeting
May 18, 2021		Jo Avery Virtual Workshop (October) Registration Opens
May 19, 2021	13:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—1pm-4pm—Registration Required
May 22, 2021		Global Quilt Connection Showcase for members
May 23, 2021		Global Quilt Connection Showcase for members
May 30, 2021	10:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—10am-4pm—Registration Required
June 7, 2021	19:00	Executive and Council Meeting
June 21, 2021	19:00	Guild Meeting

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

We were happy to see the placemats we donated to the residents of PR Cook Apartments acknowledged in the Chronicle Journal's Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down column last month. There is little new to report, but we hope that you are continuing to finish up any guild placemat kits that you may have and are making some placemats using your own fabrics and perhaps trying out some new techniques and patterns. As always, you can contact Doris (dorisd@tbaytel.net) if you require placemat labels. Check out the picture to see how they are attached. Recommended placemat size is 12" x 18".



Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy



All Star Virtual Sampler Platter

Saturday May 22nd, 3-6pm (eastern)

Sunday May 23rd, 3-6pm (eastern)

Come enjoy a fantastic zoom classroom experience! Learn lots of quilting techniques from some of the best teachers around! Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like!

This jam-packed and exciting sampler platter is sure to be a rollicking good time for everyone! Experience some of the best teachers the virtual world has to offer in this live zoom event offered by the Global Quilt Connection. An All-Star cast of 18 quilt teachers will demonstrate some of their favorite quilting techniques, showcasing a wide variety of styles and techniques. You'll see everything from traditional to modern and art quilting techniques.

Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like, grab a cuppa and join the fun. Between each 15 minute demo we will offer short and entertaining zoom tutorials that will help you get the most out of a zoom workshop. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to experience a live zoom class, this is your perfect risk-free opportunity to check it out. Each teacher will demonstrate her Zoomin'-awesome teaching style so you can get a good feel of how wonderful virtual classes can be.

May 22, 3-6pm eastern

Catherine Redford Walking Foot Quilting Beyond the Ditch
Trudy Cleveland Photograph Your Quilt with a Smartphone
Natalya Khorover Hand Stitching on Single-use Plastic
Ashli Montgomery Storytelling Tees, pair T-shirts with Blocks
Dana Jones Demystifying Design for Foundation Piecing
Kelly Ashton Calculations, Cutting, and Why it Matters
Margarita Koriath Dimensional Designs with Light Modeling Paste
Nina Clotfelter Ruler Work on Your Domestic Machine
Sheila Frampton-Cooper Curved Piecing and Using Monofilament Thread

May 23, 3-6pm eastern

Sandy Fitzpatrick Fusible Appliqué with Decorative Machine Stitching
Andi Stanfield Building a Monochromatic Color Palette
Sue Sherman Needle Turn Appliqué for Hawaiian Quilting
Ellen Lindner How to Finish Your Quilt with a Facing
Karen Miller Curled Feather Quilting on a Home Machine
Joyce Hughes Thread Painting, Before and After
Lisa Shepard Stewart Ankara Folded Hexie Blocks and Projects
Ana Buzzalino Paintstiks on Fabric with Stencils and Rubbing Plates
Brenda Gael Smith Piecing Freeform Banded Triangles

You will receive a zoom link and a PDF from your guild, the week before the Sampler that includes written instructions to go along with each teacher's demonstration, as well as a page with tips for making the most of live zoom workshops. If you have signed up as an individual quilter you will get the same link and PDF. The live zoom webinar will have a 1000 person access limit at any one time but not to worry! If the webinar is full when you log in, you will be automatically directed to a youtube livestream and won't miss a thing! Sit back and see what a live virtual workshop has to offer.

TBQG Sisterhood Swap – Spring 2021

By now everyone should have received all their blocks and are busy making them into the project of their choice. Hopefully, we will have some completed projects for Show & Tell at the June meeting.

Ellen Lang



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

SEW DAYS

The Coliseum Building is now being used by the Thunder Bay Health Unit until the end of August so it looks like Sew Days will be cancelled until next fall. I will let you know if anything changes.

Ellen Lang ellen_lang@tbaytel.net

NORTHCOTT 2021 CHALLENGE

Thank you to everyone who has answered my call about participating in the Northcott Challenge. By the looks of the reply emails we will have a nice wall to showcase our work. Requirements and rules are available in the April Quill if you need to check them. A few items to note:

1. You must have your name and on your quilt on the BACK of the quiltNOT IN THE FRONT.
2. A hanging sleeve is required the size to fit your thumb.

All challenge quilts are due at the end of May. I will be sending an email to everyone who acknowledged that they were submitting a quilt with drop off information.

Ellen



Program 2020/2021

MAY 2021 UPDATE

We are at the end of the Quilt Along and hope that all of you are finishing up your projects.

In June we will present a slide show of the finished projects so start sending us your photos. We will accept photos for the QAL until **June 13** so that we have time to put them into a slide show for all members to enjoy at the June meeting.

We are looking for high quality photos to share in the slide show at the June Meeting. Please email the highest quality photo you are able to send to Program.tbqg@gmail.com.

Everyone who sends a photo of a finished object or quilt top from the quilt along is entered for a prize. You will be included if you finished an object with any of the individual blocks (like a pillow), or a combination of the blocks from the QAL (like a baby quilt).

If you completed a quilt top send us a picture to be shared and entered for a prize. If you have a finished quilt, we'd love to see it and share it in the slide show. Did you quilt it like Christina Cameli recommended? Let's see!

Send us your pictures so we can share them with the guild.

Program.tbqg@gmail.com

[Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy](#)

RECIPES!

We hope you have enjoyed some new recipes this past year. Let us know if you've made any of them and if you'd like them to continue next year. We are preparing a list to start sharing again in September.

May Program

Brenda Gael Smith

We are happy to welcome Brenda all the way from Australia!

Brenda is a contemporary textile art quilter from Copacabana on the Central Coast of New South Wales in Australia.

What's Planned for June?

Rose Parr—Sew Smart

Guest Lecture

...and QAL Slide Show and Prizes!

Brenda Gael Smith Lecture

We've selected an interesting lecture from Brenda for our May Program. Sit back and enjoy learning from Brenda and expanding your creativity.

Quilts & Composition

Any quilt you make is an act of design. Whether it is traditional, contemporary, modern or an art quilt, you are creating a set of marks, shapes and colours that have a connection to each other. Drawing upon an inspiring collection of works from across the quilting spectrum, Brenda Gael Smith examines the elements and principles of design in action and highlights recurring types of quilt composition. Understanding composition provides a vocabulary for describing and evaluating quilt design and provides a foundation for developing your creative practice, whatever style of quilts you make.



Quilt-a-Long

We have designed a Quilt-a-Long and both of us made our quilts with different fabrics to show you the possibilities with this pattern.

Patterns for this month will be provided to members by email after the meeting.

We encourage you to join in the fun!

Pick your fabrics and post your choices on Facebook or drop into our Office Hours Zoom Meeting to discuss your choices. We'd love to see your plans.

Final Quilt Size is planned to be 50 x 68 inches.

SAMPLE QUILTS FOR THE 2020/2021 QAL



Mary-Catharine's Sample Quilt

The blue and white sample quilt was created with a random selection of blue and white fabrics. It has a scrappy background with many different white and cream fabrics.



Adrienne's Sample Quilt

The multicolour sample quilt was created with a selection of fat quarters chosen to match a specific focus fabric. The background is Kona Navy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR COLOUR AND FABRIC SELECTIONS PLEASE WATCH THE VIDEOS PROVIDED ON THE MEMBERS FACEBOOK PAGE

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DETAILS & REGISTRATION TO COME IN MAY



DANDELION CLOCK WITH JO AVERY

JOIN US ON OCTOBER 30, 2021.
A VIRTUAL CLASS | 9AM TO 2PM
\$60 FOR MEMBERS
REGISTRATION OPENS TUES. MAY 18TH
Email cridley@tbaytel.net

Explore Jo's Freehand Foundation Piecing technique in this skills based workshop. We will be drawing up our own Dandelion Clock on a foundation fabric before foundation piecing and then tackling wonky improv curves.

QUILT BEE

Hello everyone!

I'd like to encourage everyone to consider working on at least one charity quilt over the coming months.

- I have several kits for quilt top assembly.
- I have backing and batting and tops if you'd like to practice your quilting.
- I have at least one small quilt sandwich that has been spray basted and ready for quilting.
- I have quilts that need binding.

And.... I have bundles of fabrics that would be great to assemble into a Linda's Quilt. I've finished mine and another member has finished one. They are beautiful! I will try to show it at the meeting.

Contact Adrienne at alopes@tbaytel.net to arrange a pick up or drop off of a kit or item for finishing.

Thank you, Adrienne Lopes



LIBRARY REPORT

The Library has purchased the AccuQuilt Ready. Set. GO! Ultimate Fabric Cutting System. The Ready! Go! Ultimate! includes 8" mix and match block, 2 1/2 inch strip cutter, 6 x 6 cutting mats, Qube book by Eleanor Burns, die pick, and over 70 free patterns. And 2 of 6 x 6 cutting mats. Ordered from Kawartha Quilting and Sewing from Millbrook, Ontario. Has not arrived as yet.

Submitted by Maria Watson Library Chairperson.

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



CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



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Greetings,

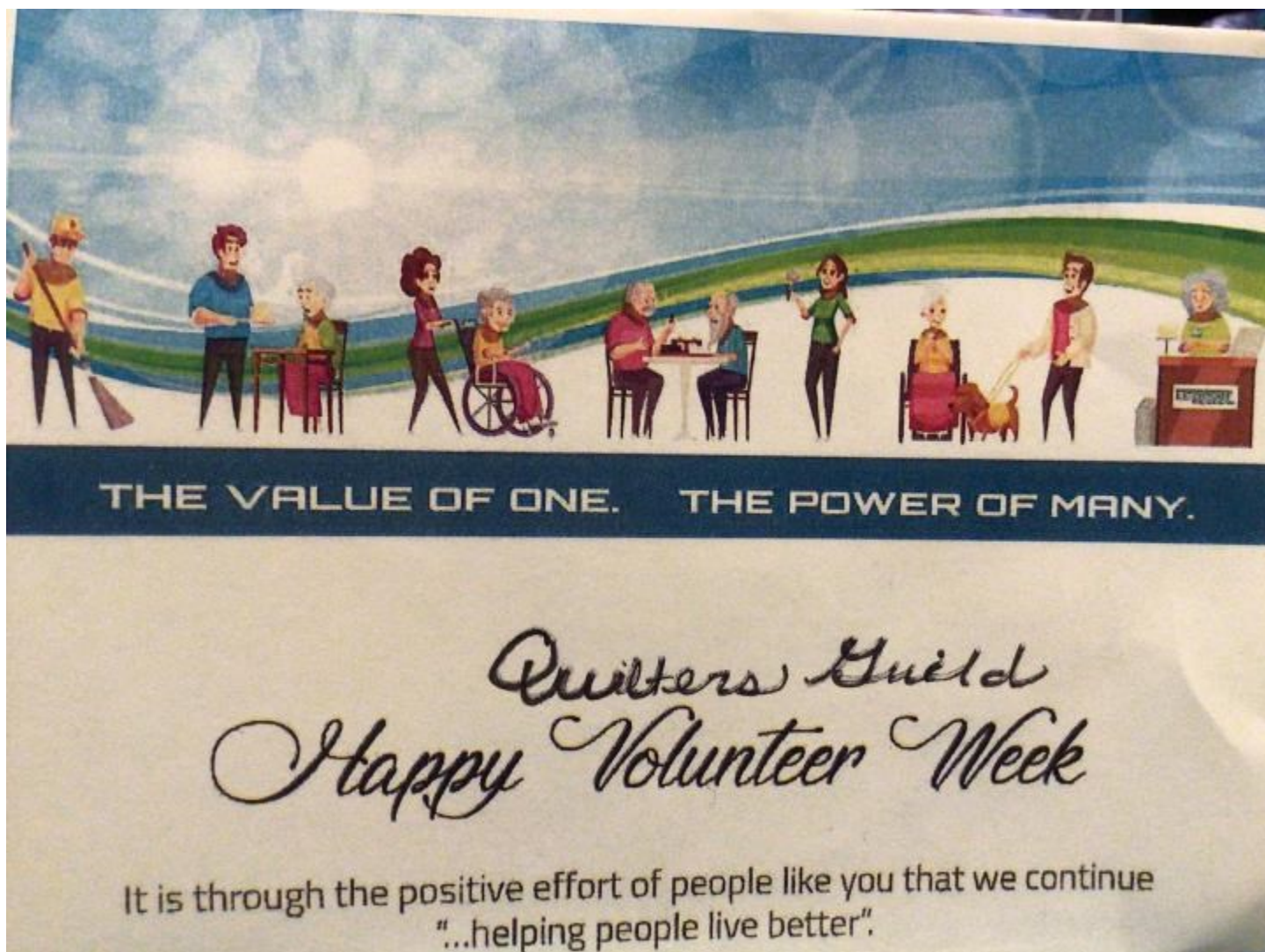
Fourteen fidgets, five bed and four lap quilts were collected since our last update. The bed quilts were taken to Westway, so all 12 respite beds are now covered. Fidget quilts, fourteen nap quilts and five children's quilts were taken to Southbridge Pinewood.

The children's quilts will be used in their Doll Therapy program for residents with dementia. The program uses dolls and teddy bears to ease stress and provide comfort to the individuals.

The Guild received a Happy Volunteer Week card from Southbridge Pinewood.

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"



With the following message, "Your volunteering doesn't have to be big and grandiose to be meaningful and make a difference. We miss seeing your lovely work. Let's look forward to seeing you again once all of this is behind us. from all of us at Southbridge Pinewood."

Prior to the COVID-19 restrictions, Guild members were enjoying "Sew & Tell" afternoons once a month at Pinewood. We were invited to set up our sewing machines and work on small projects to show the residents

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and talk about quilting. Unfortunately, the program was suspended. We will be looking for volunteers interested in participating again when permitted in the future. Please consider volunteering.

If you have any finished comfort quilts or quilted 12 1/2" squares, please let us know and non-contact pickup or drop off options can be arranged. Several facilities are still in need of bed quilts, fidgets, and other comfort items. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity,

Pat Inch and Florence Poster



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