

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

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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

October 18, 2021 @ 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. Program – Guest Quilter [Trudy Cleveland](#)
3. Show & Tell
4. Break (Breakout Rooms)
5. Acceptance of Agenda
6. Acceptance of Minutes
7. Executive Reports
8. Council Reports
9. New Business
- 9.1 Honouring our Members
10. Door Prizes / Adjournment

Next Meeting: **November 15, 2021**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

At this meeting we will be recognizing the many years members have been with the TBQG. We will also recognize those members who will be entered into the Hall of Fame. I think it is a good time to take a moment to recognize those who have come before us and their passion that we have learned from over the years.

There are lots of things going on throughout the year and we will do our best to keep everyone informed. But I would ask that if you hear of an event/project going on and know a member who would be interested – reach out and see if they have heard about it. They can then reach out to the contact person for more information. Sometimes reaching out to a friend is the best communication there is.

Enjoy this beautiful Fall weather!

Cathy



CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHARE

This event will be held over zoom on **Sunday, November 28**. We are now accepting names from those members who would like to present a small craft idea. Please contact Cindy Cockell at ccockell@tbaytel.net or Cathy Ridley at president.tbqg@gmail.com. If you have any questions what you could present – email us.

Cathy

POSTCARD CHALLENGE

There are 36 members participating in the postcard challenge and emails confirming your registration in the swap have been sent out. **The email with the swap instructions and your partner's name will be sent to you by October 10.** Please contact Ellen Lang ellen_lang@tbaytel.net if you have not received it by now.

Ellen

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VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

We will once again be gathering for virtual sew days. For member who is interested in joining one of these days, there is no program, just log on - the rest is up to whatever you want to do.

Next Dates: **Wednesday, October 13. 1 – 4 pm**
Sunday, October 24. 10 am – 4 pm
Wednesday, November 3. 1 – 4 pm
Sunday, November 24. 10 am – 4 pm

Please send an email to president.tbqq@gmail.com to register. A zoom link will be sent out a few days before the date.

SEW DAYS

SEW DAY NOVEMBER 6, 2021

The Sew Day Committee has secured the Vickers Heights Community Centre on **Saturday, November 6** for an in-person Sew Day. The Sew Day will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost per person is \$11.00. There will be one person per table. No lunch will be provided and there will not be a treat table. Each person needs to bring their own cutting mats and rulers as there will not be a communal cutting table. Two ironing stations will be provided. As per Ontario Covid Restrictions proof of vaccine is required. Masks must be worn when walking between tables. There will be hand sanitizer available at the door and all surfaces will be wiped down before the Sew Day starts. Please email Ellen Lang ellen_lang@tbaytel.net if you are interested in attending the November 6 Sew Day. The first 12 emails will be accepted and any more will be put on a waiting list and will be the first contacts for the next sew day.

Ellen

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

This month we are excited to report that Meals on Wheels plans to begin distributing placemats to their clients later this year. Also, Jasper Place has requested 110 placemats for its residents. We plan to coordinate gathering your completed placemats with the teddy bear quilt collection in November. At that time, we will also have kits and labels available for you to take to use in making more placemats. Look for our newest patterns to appear on the placemat page of the guild website. Some of our latest creations are pictured below. Happy quilting!

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy





TREASURER'S REPORT

2021/2022 Budget notes

Another year... another budget.

I am so pleased to be offering my services this year to be the Treasurer for the Guild.

As per my duties, I have pulled together the proposed budget including the submissions from the committees and working groups. In preparing the budget I also made some recommendations to the Executive to follow when planning.

As you know budgets are merely a 'best guest' of what the financial year will look like and it can be difficult to accurately prepare for all eventualities. My personal rule of thumb is to under estimate your revenues and over estimate your expenses. That way you can come up with a liveable budget that will work.

As last year was the first year for the Guild to do a virtual only session it provided its challenges and rewards. While membership flourished, and engagement through workshops exploded, it meant that the Guild raised more money than they anticipated...a good problem to have! This year we have planned to spend some of the excess, allowing us to benefit the members and the community through our activities.

Although it would be wonderful to spend all of the money, financial prudence dictates that we must also plan for a rainy day. To that end you will see in the budget that I have 'broken up' the cash surplus from the previous fiscal year (\$4,428.72) into 2 amounts. I propose that we plan to spend 60% of that money this coming year (\$2,657.23) and retain 40% (\$1,771.49) for future needs.

This surplus will be utilized to offset the cost of workshops, purchase supplies for guild members to use as well as additional goods to assist with our charitable initiatives.

I hope that this budget is clear and reasonable for the membership to approve.

While I understand not everyone is comfortable with financial matters I encourage you to review the material and if you have any questions to submit them to be **PRIOR** to the Guild meeting so that I can clarify them for you then.

Treasurer.tbqg@gmail.com

Katrina O'Neill, Treasurer

LIBRARY REPORT

The Library will be offering the following books and rulers for signing out for the month of October. Please email mcwatson@tbaytel.net to reserve an item. This is being offered on a "first come first serve" basis with one request per person. Feel free to request more than one item in the event your first choice is not available. An email will be sent to confirm your request and where to pickup. Please be double vaccinated to pickup books in order to protect my household.

The following books are available to reserve:

1. **Modern Quilt Bible**: Over 100 Techniques and Design Ideas for the Modern Quilter by Elizabeth Betts
2. **Quilt Modern Curves & Bold Stripes**: 15 Dynamic Projects for All Skill Levels by Heather Black
3. **Step-by-Step Texture Quilting**, 65 NEW Free-Motion & Walking-Foot Designs by Christina Cameli
4. **Successful Scrap Quilts from Simple Rectangles** by Judy Turner and Margaret Rolfe
5. **Gemology Transforming Fabrics into Facets** by Andrea Tsang Jackson
6. **Quilt Modern Curves & Bold Stripes**, 15 Dynamic Projects of All Skill Levels by Heather Black and Daisy Aschehoug
7. **Kaffe Fassett's Quilt Romance**, 20 Designs from Rowan for Patchwork and Quilting
8. **Patchwork & Quilting Basics** by Jo Avery

The following rulers are available to reserve:

1. Non-Slip Pineapple Trim Tool (6", 8", 10")
2. Quick Curve Ruler (large)
3. Quick Curve Mini Ruler and Runner Pattern (4 x 7)
4. Tucker Trimmer
5. Wing Clipper
6. Add-A-Quarter Plus (12" ruler)

This is the schedule:

Reserve items by email after the zoom meeting Monday, Oct. 18th.

Confirmation of the reserve will be sent Tuesday evening Oct. 19th

Pick up items on Wed. Oct. 20th, between 1 to 2 pm from 226 Moodie Street West

Return items on Friday, November 12th to 226 Moodie Street West, drop-off to mailbox.

The Library will not be taking returns of books or rulers already on loan from when the COVID19 started.

submitted by Wendy Royston and Maria Watson, Library Chairpersons

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



Program 2021 / 2022

OCTOBER 2021 UPDATE

This month the Guild will be welcoming Trudy Cleveland who will be giving her “Shoot Your Quilt” lecture. Last year we heard from a number of members who were interested learning about how to take better photos of their quilts. Trudy is both a professional photographer and longarmer. She has been taking pictures of quilts using her smartphone and using its’ hidden features in order to get the most out of her phone camera. She will show us how to use our smartphones to take professional looking images of our quilts. She will cover;

Why you should take photographs of your quilts

How to take professional images

What to do with the images you take

Please note that the live October meeting will be the **only** opportunity to hear this lecture and recording will not be permitted. We can’t wait to learn from Trudy!

Program.tbqg@gmail.com

Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy



RECIPES!

In the program email you’ll be receiving recipes for Crustless Zucchini Pie and Crispy Baked Potato Wedges along with this month’s Quilt A Long patterns.

What’s Planned for November?

Quilt Math

Tips, Ideas and Tools

For Designing or Changing

Quilt Patterns

Quilt-a-Long

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

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

This quilt along is beginner friendly. You can choose to make the quilt as shown but you have some choices. Corner blocks can be applique, pieced, one of each, or just insert a large square of a feature fabric—maybe that large print you've loved but didn't want to cut up. This is the perfect way to showcase it.

We encourage you to join in the fun!

Pick your fabrics and post your choices on Facebook or send us an email. We'd love to see your plans.

Final Quilt Size is planned to be 58 x 58 inches.

SAMPLE QUILTS FOR THE 2021/2022 QAL



Mary-Catharine's Sample Quilt

This multicolour quilt was created with a collection of scrap fabrics that were chosen based on a colour pallet of pink, green and yellow. Kona snow was chosen for the background.

Mary Catharine chose to make the applique blocks for the corner stone blocks.



Adrienne's Sample Quilt

This sample quilt was created with a selection of fat quarters chosen to match a specific focus fabric (sunflowers). The background is Essex Linen in Charcoal

Adrienne chose to make the pieced blocks for the corner stone blocks. .



QUILT BEE

We will be planning for a Quilt Bee Event in the winter (January, February or March).

In the meantime, I'd like to encourage anyone who is interested in practicing their piecing or machine quilting, to contact Adrienne Lopes (alopes@tbaytel.net) to obtain a kit. Kits can be made up of pre-cut fabrics (like 5 inch squares) and a pattern with instructions to make a quilt to suit the recommended guild sizes. These kits are beginner friendly and a lot of fun. You will receive all fabric required and the instructions to make the quilt top. We can work together to determine what size you would like to make and what colours you might like to work with.

I have one hospice size kit ready using precuts from the new Accuquilt. It goes together very smoothly and no additional trimming of triangles!

If you are interested in practicing your machine quilting, a good place to practice is on a charity quilt. Adrienne has batting and backing fabrics available and many quilt tops or panels that can be used to practice your machine quilting. Many are lap size – please don't be concerned that they are large. Reach out to Adrienne to discuss sizes and options. So many of our quilt tops are sitting waiting to be quilted so they can be enjoyed by the community.

We received a very generous donation of very current fabrics from a guild member this past month. Thank you to the member who donated them! We will be able to make beautiful kits/quilts with the fabrics. Adrienne and some of the Quilt Bee Committee will begin putting together kits with these fabrics soon and will post on social media and here in the Quill as they become available. If you are de-stashing, please contact Adrienne to arrange a pickup or drop off of clean and new quilting cotton.

As plans become possible for the Quilt Bee, Adrienne will reconvene the Quilt Bee Committee to plan the event. If you are interested in volunteering on this committee please let Adrienne know. Thank you!

Adrienne Lopes (alopes@tbaytel.net)

Quilt Bee Chair

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

Happy October which means that November isn't far behind and that means Teddy Bear season is coming fast. On November 20 we will be collecting Quilts and Quilts with Stuffed animals at Calvary Lutheran Church parking lot located on the corner of Donald and Edward Streets.

For anyone who hasn't finished a Teddy Bear Quilt yet and is looking for a fast and easy pattern I will be asking Joanne to attach a new one to the Quill email. I made the quilt and quilted it in a day so it is fast to put together.

Thank you to everyone who contributes to this worthy cause.

Peggy Skillen

pegskillen@tbaytel.net



CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



COMFORT QUILTS

The Comfort Quilt Committee is interested in welcoming new members and adding new facilities to our list. Please join and see firsthand the positive reaction and appreciation when quilts are delivered.

In September, 16 kids' quilts were delivered to George Jeffrey Children's Centre. Seventeen bed quilts were taken to the hospice at St. Joseph's hospital and I saw how happy patients and family members were to have bed quilts in the hospice. The Guild initially donated quilts in 2016 when the hospice was renovated. The nurses mentioned that the quilts are so well used and frequently washed that many wear out in 6 months to one year. Hospice will be put back into the list of facilities needing bed quilts.

In addition, there are

- 12 Bed quilts going to Crossroads
- 17 Nap quilts going to Tamarack House
- 35 Fidgets, one children's bed and 3 nap quilts going to the Regional Hospital.

If anyone needs labels, let us know and we can arrange an exchange.

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"
Dignity	72" x 84"



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