

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

April 2022

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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

April 18, 2022 @ 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
 3. Show & Tell
 4. Break (Breakout Rooms)
 5. Acceptance of Agenda
 6. Acceptance of Minutes
 7. Executive Reports
 8. Council Reports
 9. New Business
 10. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting: **May 16, 2022**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I am not going to talk about the weather and maybe this snow will all go away. My thoughts are turning towards Easter, spring flowers and even mud. All of these are inspirations for new quilts. First step is to put up the bunny quilt from the class Cindy did – it's looking better already.

We have some housekeeping issues to deal with as the year winds down. Attached is the draft Constitution with changes. The final draft will be voted on at the June meeting.

Such inspiration greets me every day I go into my sewing room. I hope you have that in your life as well.

Cathy



VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

Join us for our a virtual sew day. This is for any member who is interested in sewing with in a virtual room of other quilters. There is no program, just log in - the rest is up to whatever you want to do.

Next Dates: **Sunday, May 1 @ 10 am to 4 pm**

Wednesday, May 11 @ 1 to 4 pm

Sunday, May 22 @ 10 am to 4 pm

(this is the Victoria Day weekend so we will run it only if there is enough interest)

Wednesday, June 1 @ 1 to 4 pm

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

TBQG CONSTITUTION

Attached to the email with the Quilters Quill is the proposed draft of the TBQG Constitution. As per the Constitution, the document has been reviewed and proposed changes are indicated. I would ask the membership to review the document and if you have any questions to please contact me at president.tbqg@gmail.com. There will be a vote at the June 2022 meeting to accept the draft. Thank you to the working group who reviewed and recommended changes.

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Swap Ellen Lang

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SEW DAYS

Our next in-person Sew Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 7 at the Vickers Heights Community Centre. 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. There are still a few spaces left so if you are interested in joining us please contact Ellen Lang at ellen_lang@tbaytel.net to add your name to the list.

Submitted by Ellen Lang

PLEASE WOULD YOU BE MY NEIGHBOUR SWAP

By now all the swap participants should have received their blocks. Now it's time to build your neighbourhood! Just a reminder that there will be a slide show of all the swap quilts at the May meeting and pictures need to be submitted to secretary.tbqg@gmail.com by May 9.

Thanks,
Ellen Lang



LIBRARY REPORT

Listed below are the books that are available for signing out.

Reserve by April 19th. Pickup is April 20th from Maria Watson's house, 226 Moodie St. West, between 1 and 4 pm. If that is not a convenient time call and we can make other arrangements.

Modern Quilt Bible by Elizabeth Betts

Simple Strategies for Scrap Quilts by Lynn Roddy Brown

New Books added to Library:

Fat Quarter Baby (20 Crib Quilts for Bundles of Joy!) It's Sew Emma Patterns

Sew Healthy & Happy; Smart Ergonomics, Stretches & More for Makers by Rose Parr

Color Works (the crafter's guide to colour) by Deb Menz

Color Magic for Quilters by Ann Seely & Joyce Stewart

Contemporary Classics in Plaids & Stripes by Becky Goldsmith & Linda Jenkins

Merry Christmas Quilts (Quilts Made Easy) from Oxmoor House

Just Spooling Around (Whimsicals by Terri Degenkolb

Color and Cloth (the Quiltmaker's Ultimate Workbook by Mary Coyne Penders

A Field Guide to Fabric Design by Kimberly Kight

More Lap Quilting (New Techniques & Designs for Machine Piecing & Applique) with Georgia Bonesteel

Variations in Chenille by Nannette Holmberg's

Webb Colors (A hexadecimal lift-the-flap book) by John C. Vanden-Heuvel Sr.

submitted by Maria Watson

QUILT BEE

The Bee was a huge success this year. Held virtually, we had approximately 45 participants over the weekend. 25 kits were picked up (plus placemat and fidget quilt kits) at the prearranged pickup day at my office. That worked very well.

We had excellent participation and feedback in the demos that we held. Thanks to the excellent demos provided by Cindy Cockell, Peggy Skillen, Iris Maxwell and Adrienne Lopes. We also had a great selection of participation and scavenger hunt prizes. Thank you to Cathy Ridley and Laura Cooke for organizing the Scavenger Hunt and prizes.

This year we had great support from our guild quilt shops and we extend our gratitude to them for helping us hold a wonderful event.

- Luci of Circle of Friends donated a lot of fabrics for quilt bee kits and prizes for the participants.
 - Katrina of Sew Flippin' Creations donated prizes for the participants and helped us with purchase of batting and backing at reduced price. Katrina is also quilting several quilts for the guild to help with finishing tops when she has availability.
 - Sharon and Tonia of Wildflower Arts donated prizes for the participants.
- In addition to the quilt shop donations, Judy Murphy's husband Peter Murphy donated a handmade wooden thread cutter. A big thank you to Peter for donating his talents and time to our guild.

Thanks to the organizing committee for helping to coordinate the bee, work at the kit pickup, cut fabrics and assemble kits.

Special thanks goes to

Leona Stolz
Wendy Royston
Jeannette Dann
Carol Richards
Cindy Cockell
Nellie Jaremey
Cathy Ridley
Laura Cooke
Luci Andreacchi
Anne Lockwood



photo credit to Jennifer Quick

Remember that there is no timeline to finish your tops or quilts. If you need batting and/or backing, or if you want to hand in your quilt top to be quilted by others, please contact Adrienne. Finished quilts can be given to Pat Inch and others on the Comfort Quilt Committee or they can be dropped off at Sew Flippin' Creations. Remember to add the guild label to the quilt.

We still have many kits available if you are looking to quilt a donation quilt top over the summer. Please contact Adrienne to get a kit if you need one.

Thank you everyone for making this a fun and very successful weekend of quilting for our community.

Adrienne

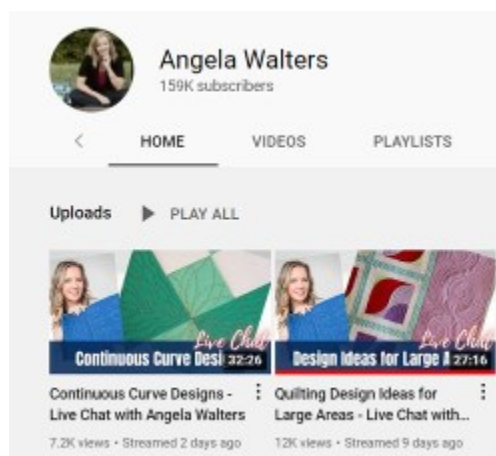
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Program 2021 / 2022

APRIL 2022 UPDATE

As we approach the end of the quilt along, we thought it was a good time to address finishing quilts. We know that a lot of us struggle with how to quilt our quilts. Last year's lecture with Christina Cameli was an eye-opening adventure into the options that we have available to us but some of the quilting ideas may seem daunting. We are always trying to improve our quilting and know that many of you are also looking to make improvements. This month we will explore ideas and options to improve your quilting. We share things that have worked for us and talk about a variety of resources that you can lean on as you work toward better quilting and finishing projects.

Here's a few resources that we have found helpful and hope you will check out these links. Remember that you can also use the 100 Day Challenge concept presented by Sarah Goer to improve your quilting by practicing for just 15 minutes per day!

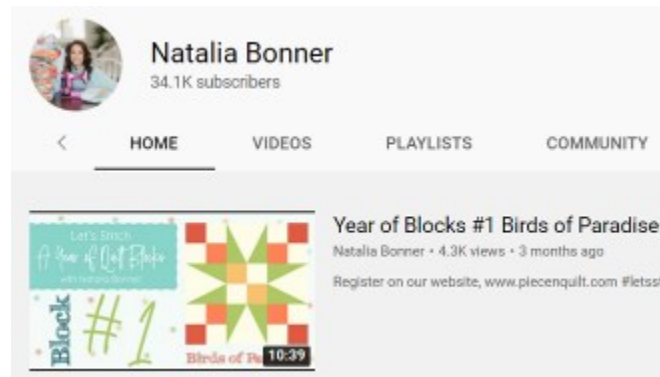


Angela Walters has provided an abundance of excellent resources FOR FREE on her You Tube Channel and she continues to provide new content on a regular basis, including live chats where she addresses questions and great tips. Here's a link to her Free Motion Quilting Challenge from a few years ago but check out her channel for all the content.

[Free-Motion Challenge Quilting Along Week 1: Getting Started - YouTube](#)

Natalia Bonner offers numerous free motion quilting tutorials that will help you with unique blocks and settings with ideas for filling different spaces with free motion quilting. Her videos are short and she also provides good instruction FOR FREE on her You Tube Channel. Check it out.

[Natalia Bonner - YouTube](#)



What is planned for May?

In May we are welcoming a guest speaker. Joanna Dermenjian will present "Researching Canadian Red Cross Quilts, 1939-1945". We are looking forward to this unique and interesting topic as our May program.

Program 2021 / 2022

APRIL 2022 UPDATE

Quilt Along and Patterns

We hope you are still enjoying the Quilt Along and we are looking forward to seeing all of the completed tops in June!

Remember that we are available to answer questions by email and we can always set up a zoom call with anyone who needs some clarification, discussion or extra help with program or the quilt along. If you are not getting your quilt along emails, kindly let us know and we will do our best to rectify. Some people have been having them go to their junk or spam folders. Others are not getting them. We appreciate your patience and hope that you understand that we are doing our best to get you the information in a timely manner. The files will also be uploaded to Facebook to allow you to get them if you are not getting the emails.

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Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy

MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Thanks go out to those who picked up placemat kits before the quilt bee and those to who turned in their completed work at that time at that time. Also, we thank Cathy for adding our latest patterns to the guild's placemat web page. Please check them out and note that there is a revised version of "Geese on the Fence" for you to download if you accessed the original version. Contact us if you need labels for placemats that you make using your own materials. Happy quilting!

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy



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. .

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

I found a new pattern for a Teddy Bear Quilt and I have permission from the author to share with the members of the Guild. We may use this pattern for our own personal use or for charity and we cannot sell anything that we make with the pattern.

You will find the pattern attached to the Quill. I will also show the quilt I made at Show and Tell and talk about the pattern.

Peggy Skillen

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CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



COMFORT QUILTS

Good evening,

Where does the time go? A few things to update since the last meeting,

- 10 fidget kits were handed out prior to the quilt bee
- comfort quilts were collected at the curbside kit distribution prior to the quilt bee. All quilts collected were sorted and taken to facilities. Bed quilts to the Lodge on Dawson and Crossroads on Oliver Road. Fidget quilts and lap/nap quilts were taken to Hogarth Riverview. An assortment of quilts, including some “previously loved” quilts were taken to the Faye Peterson home. A Thank you from St. Joseph’s Heritage was posted showing some of the quilts at the Lodge on Dawson.
- we have collected some newly donated comfort quilts and fidgets, including a few dropped off at Sew Flippin Creations. If anyone has a donation, they can drop it at the store or contact someone on the Comfort Quilt Committee.
- fidget quilts and bed sized quilts continue to be the most requested, however, all sizes are welcomed and needed. Labels go on all comfort quilts but only larger fidgets (activity blankets).

Recommended Quilt Sizes

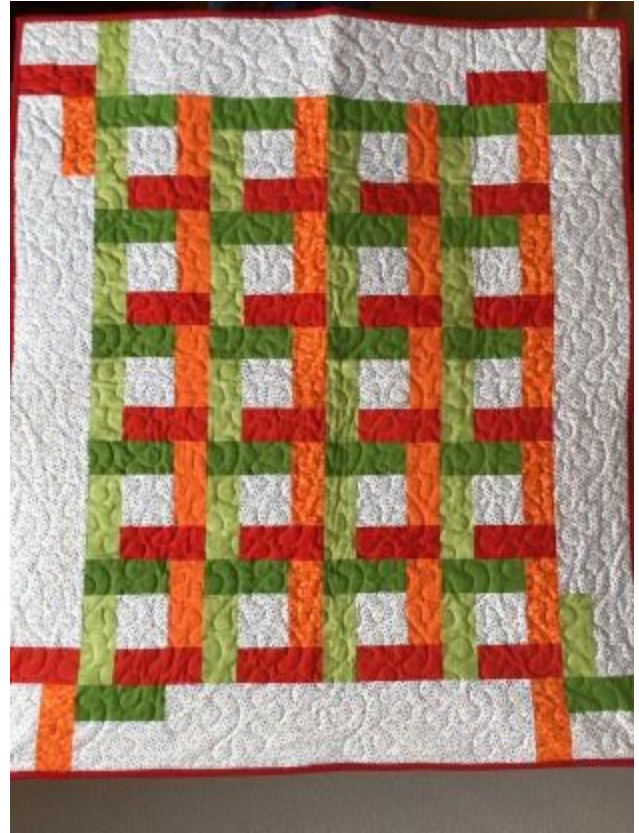
Neo Natal	36” x 36”
Crib	34 to 36” x 36”
Wheel Chair	36” x 48”
Nap Quilt	40” x 55 - 60”
Bed	63 to 65” x 80”
Dignity	72” x 84”

I hope that you have been enjoying the warmer weather. If there are any questions, please let me know.

Pat Inch on behalf of the Committee (Florence Poster, Iris Maxwell, Jeannette Dann, Carol Richards)



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