Pieces of the North

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December Meeting Thursday Dec 14

Baker Centre 7:30 pm DESSERTS! GAMES!



What Happened at the Christmas Sale?

Once again the Quilt Guild successfully showed, and in many cases sold, its beautiful items to the Yellowknife community. We displayed around 240 items. About 140 were offered by 13 individual sellers. In all, just over 100 items sold. The final numbers aren't ready yet, but my calculation suggests we earned about the same as last year.

I want to extend a HUGE thank you to the many people who made the sale happen so seamlessly!!! Effective cooperation with the Guild of Arts and Crafts, lots of great baking, lots of people for set-up and take down, a dedicated and efficient cash-out duo, imaginative show minders and product marketers, a record number of members selling their own beautiful items, and a good flow of appreciative customers (and just viewers). All of your work made mine quite easy. Thank you so much!!!

Minnie Joldersma, Sale Coordinator

What's Going On?

December Meeting

We could all use more sweets to get through the dark of December. Our meeting will feature many desserts – and you don't have to bake them!

AND to take part in the **GAMES**, bring along 4 strips of good fabric – 2½ in wide, 42 in (or so) long. Roll each strip nicely, and put a rubber band around it.

Choose a Challenge

Read on page 2 about our two challenges for this quilting year. You can pick one or do them both.

Donate Fabric

Our stash is getting low! The Guild is now accepting fabric donations to put towards our Sharing Gifts projects. We prefer fat quarter or larger in size. Drop off donations at any Guild meeting. We will have a bag marked for the fabric.

Thank you!

Guests are welcome at any meeting. If a guest returns for other meetings, there is a \$5 charge each time. For details, please read the full policy.

Since you probably have urgent things to do on December 21, our Social Sewing Night this month is cancelled. Next one is January 18.

2 Quilt Challenges 2017/2018

Challenge 1. Quilt Your Name

Use three initials of your name to make a quilt.

- One initial is the main colour of the guilt.
- One is the pattern or block name.
- One is the quilting motif.

Challenge 2. Scrappy Quilt

Option 1

- Use fabric from your stash.
- Decide the size and shape of pieces and cut your fabrics.
- Sew your pieces randomly to make the quilt top. Do not match fabrics!

Quilt and bind as you wish.

Option 2

Follow the pattern on the website to make your scrappy quilt.

Challenge Rules

- 1. Join one challenge or both. If you enter both, you must make 2 quilts.
- 2. Quilts must be complete for the 10 May 2018 meeting.
- 3. The size must be no smaller than 94 inches around. (A 23-in square does not qualify, but 24-in square does.)
- 4. No recycled quilts please. Make a new item for this challenge.

AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES!

Members will vote for the best entry for each challenge. PLUS one more prize will be awarded by random draw of all entries.

For Full Details

See the Challenge Handout on our website: http://www.ykquiltersguild.ca/

Web Entertainment:

Check out these interesting, complicated traditional quilts by Gladi Porsche. http://www.gladiquilts.net/page_gallery.html

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Survey

Results from November survey: Sharing Gifts:

survey at The Quilted Raven

- 1. Would you participate in "drop in" sharing gifts session put on by the Guild? Yes 22, No 2
- 2. Would you be interested in donating a 12" block a month? These blocks would be put together for quilts to donate. Yes 9, No 2, Sometimes 15

In January I will give more information on 12 " blocks, for members would like to make a block.

- 3. Would you be interested in taking a kit home and make up a quilt top? Not bigger than a lap size. Yes 16, No 6
- 4. Do you have any suggestions for Organizations you would like to see our donations go to?

We received a list of over 25 suggestions of places to donate. We will review this list.

If you are interested in helping out with Sharing Gifts, please contact Kathy at 444-9777. Thank you for your input.

We value your input, please take the time to answer these questions.

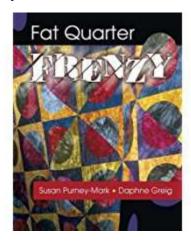
If you are unable to make the meeting, respond by email to quiltingyk@gmail.com or drop off your

Topic for December: CHRISTMAS SALE
Thanks to all the members who made a donation to the Christmas Sale this year.
Do you feel the prices on donated items are:
Just right Too high Too low Don't know
2. What did you donate this year?
An item Cash Nothing
3. They say an unsold item just hasn't found a buyer yet. Still, a few items have been around for
a number of years. How long should we keep an item that has not found a buyer?
a. Keep for 2 years
b. Keep for 4 years
c. Keep forever
d. Other suggestions:
4. What about?
a. If asked, would you feel comfortable to have your unsold item revamped by another
member, like more quilting added, embellishments, dyed?
Yes No
b. Using unsold items as part of the Sharing Gifts projects?
Yes No
c. Donating unsold items to charities like the Salvation Army?
Yes No
5. Do you find the St Pat's School location a suitable venue?
YesNo
a. If No, do you think we would do better on our own?
Yes No
6. Comments about the sale you would like to add

Yellowknife Quilters Library

at The Quilted Raven. 5005 53rd St

Duplicates





Our library has 2 of each of these books. There's a good chance one will be there when you look!

Fat Quarter Frenzy, by Susan Purney-Mark & Daphne Greig, American Quilters Society.

We had some classes from Daphne Greig, so you should like this book. It has interesting, scrappy patterns from fat quarters. Each project includes a shopping list, which is handy. Half the patterns are from Daphne and half from Susan, so that gives it some extra variety.

Shelved under P Rating: ★★★

Quilting with Japanese Fabrics, by Kitty Pippen, That Patchwork Place.

If you have some Japanese fabrics, this is the book for you. Only eight patterns, but they show how to use the fabrics to good advantage. It also has many photos of Japanese-style quilts. It explains about Japanese textiles too, and it has a section on sashiko quilting and designs.

Shelved under P Rating: ★★★

Please visit our library. Check out a book or take home a magazine. Books are stored alphabetically by author name. Looking for a particular type of quilting? Check the Book List, blue binder in the basket. The list is also on our website.

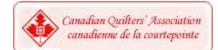
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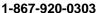
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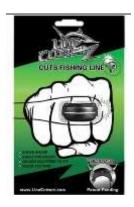
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What Quilter doesn't like some bling! These thread cutters by CUTTERZ are worn on your finger for cutting your threads. Originally designed by and for a fisherman, we have that one too! Great stocking stuffer for the fisherman in your life! He can wear it as a ring or attach it to the fishing pole for cutting all those line tangles!! The bling rings are single or triple blinged, and there's also one you can attach to your sewing machine for cutting your chain piecing!

Happy Quilting! Charlene & the Ravenettes

North of 60 Quilting Services

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North of 60 Quilting Services wishes to thank all our customers for entrusting their beautiful quilts to us to finish and for their support over the year.

We now have a hockey pantograph available to stitch for the sport's enthusiast, and for the quilter on your gift list we have gift certificates available.

Hope the holiday provides you with opportunities for peaceful stitching. Marilyn and Anita



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