

Pieces of the North

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Next Meeting

Thurs., January 9th at 7:30pm,
at the Baker Centre!

2020 Quilt Challenge

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Have you been thinking of our quilt
challenge?

Wondering what we're going to do this
year?

Join us at the January Guild meeting - the
challenge will be revealed. You will have a
role in determining part of your challenge,
so don't miss the meeting!

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IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT

SOCIAL SEWING NIGHT

Our next evening sew will be **Thurs., January 16,**
6:30 – 9:30 pm at The Quilted Raven. It's a
chance to sew, cut, arrange, check out the
library, or just visit. We have lots of fun!

Note: For **Members Only!**

The Anonymous Collaboration: A Christmas Quilt Sale Miracle

Look at this purse. Is it not simply stunning, as well as very, very pink! Originally, this purse was a somewhat uninspired table runner, made of brown and blue fabric. It saw at least 6 Christmas sales and still did not sell, even with a markdown. This state of woe and anxiety led to an amazing turn of events. One day Collaborator One said to Collaborator Two, "What would you say to me dyeing that table runner?" To which there were cries of "Foul, Against the Christmas Sale Rules - Simply Not Allowed!" To which Collaborator Two said "Bah, Humbug, it is my donation and if I agree to it being dyed, it shall be dyed!" Two years later, while stitching at applique club, One said to Two, "Take a look in the Christmas Sale donation bin and tell me if you recognize anything, even vaguely familiar, in there." So Two did look. And low and behold, the somewhat drab, flat, table runner had been transformed into a spectacular pink purse with a snazzy strap, nice flap - with added glitz - and even two inside compartments! One described the process from drab, flat table runner into glitzy purse. So the pink purse was approved, priced, transported and placed on the table of worthy and beautiful quilted Christmas sale items in the St. Pat's foyer. More anxiety. Will it sell, even transformed?

When, mid way through this year's sale, Two saw the pink purse absent from the Christmas sale table, she had to consult with the clerks who told the story of it's miraculous sale. Apparently, the spectacular pink purse was just the thing a shopper at the sale was looking for to send to a loved one down East and so she bought it.

This joyful event was shared with Collaborator One who brought the purse into being in the first place.

The moral of the story is... never give up hope. Be open to collaboration and thinking and working outside the box. And know that all our lovely, quilted Christmas sale items are just waiting for the right person to appear who will cherish and buy your individual and in this case collective efforts. For beauty is always in the eye of the beholder.



Thanks to everyone who contributed to and volunteered at this year's sale.

Merry Christmas everyone.

Anonymous Two

*Do You Know?
WOF = Width of Fabric*

Quilt Sale Donations

The executive thanks the two anonymous collaborators for updating an item that was sold and thus benefits our guild. We also want to thank all those who donate items for our sales and we wish to assure you that it is not our intent to alter your donations when we ask members to make a contribution to the sale.

In the past there have been discussions on what to do with items that have been donated but do not sell. Several items carry over to future years waiting to be sold. This past sale a couple of these items (that were not altered) found new homes. Sometimes it just takes a little time for the right person to attend our sale to find the item that suites their taste.

The executive nor the other volunteers organizing the quilt sale have a right to change a donated item without the expressed permission of the donator.

December Draw Winners:



i-Anita

Anita won
Book of the Month

Theresa won the
Mystery Bag



ii-Theresa

Congratulations Ladies!

Up For A Challenge?

UFO's

Great starts deserve great endings when it comes to quilting. Do you have UFO's piling up? Don't know how to finish them? Check out All People Quilt's website at:

<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/how-to-quilt/finishing/2020-ufo-challenge>

There's a Facebook UFO Challenge that you can join that will encourage you to complete one project per month and share your successes with one another. There's also information on how to stay on track; choose better backings; add binding; how to create a label; add a sleeve or piping and more!

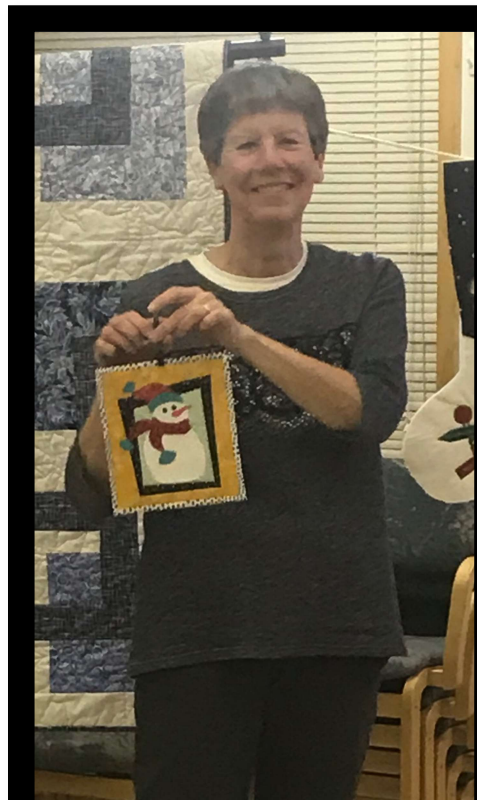
Photos of last meeting of 2019, December 12th.

OOO, Glorious Foooooooood!



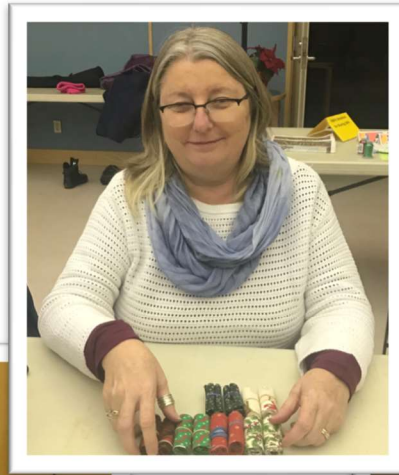
"A big thank you to Lisa for organizing the beautiful and tasty snacks for us"

A Bit of Show 'N Tell



Left and Right Game Winners

Brenda (guest), Judy, Leslie, Selina



Up For Another Challenge?

Canadian Quilters' Association is hosting "Are You Ready To Swap!" For more information, see website at <https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-mini-swap/>

Draws

The following draws take place at each Guild meeting:

Book of the Month
\$2 each or 3 for \$5
Members Only

Mystery Bag
\$2 each
Members Only

Door Prizes
Free
Members & Guests

Guest Policy

Guests are welcome to join us at any meeting. If a guest returns for a second or subsequent meeting, there is a \$5 charge per visit. For details, please see the full policy on the website.

Members Giveaway Table

More and more Guild members are purging their stashes and offering items to Guild Members at the meetings. We will be setting up a table in the outer hallway for any items you would like other members to treasure.



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WELCOME BACK MEMBERS!

Hope you had an awesome holiday season! I finished a few quilts and binding. We are all rested up and ready for another great year.

Check out our webpage for our Spring Class Schedule, we have some great classes this session from table runners to quilts, for all levels of quilters.

New bundles of fat quarters are out in the Shop, and new batiks and cottons arriving regularly.

Stop in for Applique Day this year. It's the second and fourth Friday of each month. Sew with us – or knit, crochet, do some hand binding, or cutting for your quilts. Just no machines please. \$5 drop in which is donated to Ovarian Cancer Canada!

We will see you soon!
Charlene and the Ravenettes!!

Longarm of the North

The block of the month mystery challenge is starting this month. There are a few spots open because some people upsized from lap to queen. Don't be left out.



Beginner knitting classes start January 15, 2020. Ages 8 - 80 welcome. Everything you need is at the shop.

Here's to a successful pieceful New Year!!!

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Meeting Etiquette

Please be courteous when someone has the floor and refrain from other conversations.

Newsletter Submissions

Please send articles, news, favorite quilt websites, tips, and other quilt related items for the newsletter to:

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Deadline for submissions is the 4th Thursday of the month by 5:00 p.m.

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Members for Sale Items FREE
Businesses \$35 full page
\$20 half page
\$10 quarter page
(or equivalent)



Do You Know?

DSM = Domestic Sewing Machine