



# NEWSLETTER

Quilting Guild

for the members of Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild

## Monthly Meeting

**October 20th, 2021 7:00 pm**

Cooke's Presbyterian Church  
45825 Wellington Ave. Chilliwack

## OCTOBER PROGRAM

Going ...  
Going  
Gone! ...  
to the Highest  
Bidder!



Our October Program will be another auction! We will provide you all with the list of items going up for auction, so you can get ready! Rub your hands together with glee and do a happy dance because there are some wonderful items generously donated that you will love (and enjoy bidding on).

This will be an in person auction (auctioneer will be Lynn) The proceeds of the auction will be utilized by the guild for activities, prizes, and expenses. We all benefit from a successful auction.

Please bring your cash or cheque to the meeting as it will be pay and take.

## Presidents Message

Well Fall is upon us. The weather is definitely changing now although some flowers are still surviving in the garden but not for much longer.

I hope you all managed to have some sort of celebration for Thanksgiving with family members. We joined my husband's family at a campsite in Cultus Lake and had a roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings. It was a bit cool and damp but better than last year when we had no celebration with family at all. The turkey was cooked in a smoker and was excellent, a first for me.

Our meeting in the Hall this month is still guided by Covid Public Health Orders. If you showed proof of full vaccination in September you do not need to show it again as we have kept a list that you will be checked against. We are asking everyone to please wear a mask and respect other members "space". Please get your own chair and place it where you are comfortable and return it at the end of the meeting. Hand sanitizer and wipes will be available in the Hall. As of last month we will not be serving coffee at the break, please bring your own drink.

At our executive meeting it was decided that we have some money that wasn't budgeted for, a donation and profit from the workshop, this money should be allocated to the We Care program to cover their expenses. Connie will have the precise figures at the meeting and this will have to be voted on by members.

Our two program people, Sonya and Cherri are

# ZOOM SEW DAYS

SEW FUN SATURDAY / THREADER THURSDAY



Zoom Sew Days are continuing! Invitations are emailed to all members prior to each sew day. We hope to see you on a zoom sew day!

## Membership / Registration

We had 38 members at our first in-person (at the church) meeting in over a year. It was so wonderful to all be together again. There are currently 50 paid members with hopefully a few more still to renew. Welcome to 7 new members: Wilma B, Natalie B, Laurel H, Donna H, Lynn J, Wendy M, and Nancy R.

Membership fees are \$35. e-transfers are preferred since it worked so well last year.

E transfer to: [cdanielson.chilliwack@gmail.com](mailto:cdanielson.chilliwack@gmail.com)

Security question: what we do

Security answer: quilts

Amount: \$35.00

Message: for membership

We will accept \$35 cash or cheques at meetings.

The last option is to mail a cheque to  
Chilliwack PieceMakers C/O Lyn Robinson 45330  
Stevenson Rd, Chilliwack, BC V2R 2Z7.

After the October meeting the membership list, Facebook page, and email list, will be updated, removing those that have not rejoined. Please be mindful of that date.

Thanks for making our guild great and keeping us going. Karlie M

unable to attend in person meetings so I will be looking for a member to assist them. They have done a great job of organizing the upcoming programs, but we need someone in the Hall.

October is our second auction and we are asking you to bring cash or cheques so you can go home with your new "treasures". Karlie has taken the time to put all the items on a list and this will be sent out prior to the meeting so you can decide what you would like to bid on. If for some reason you cannot attend you can always ask a friend to bid for you.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting with lots of Show and Tell. Happy Stitching Janet

## WE CARE

As the weather changes and we look forward to curling up with a good book and a comfy quilt, I would like to encourage you to pick up a WC Kit from We Care to sew a lap size quilt for someone who might need a warm

wonderful quilt. We Care supplies quick and easy quilt patterns to our members for donation to the community. The Kits include fabric for the top, batting, backing, binding, and instructions. All we need is your time and sewing ability to put together a great little project for someone in need.

With your help we would like to track the total number of quilts donated from either a WC Kit or one personally supplied. We will provide a list at



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and thank them for generously  
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the monthly meeting at the We Care table. Please let us know when you drop a quilt off, if you made it from a WC Kit or from your stash.

\*\*If you donated a quilt at the September Guild Meeting, please come to the We Care table at the next meeting and let us know that you donated.

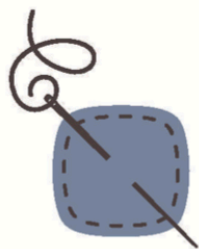
We Care is very fortunate to have received fabric donated to us for the quilts and kits. But have you ever looked at your stash and can't find the one right shade of green, or a bright blue to complete what you need? Well, we do lots of searching through the We Care Stash and one of the biggest obstacles is finding large enough pieces of fabric for the backing. During the Oct meeting we will have several samples of how to piece your backing and even use leftover blocks in the backing.

PS - We are organizing and in need of a couple of good size shelving units. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please see Dorinda or Nadia. Happy Sewing

## Halloween Block Lotto



Don't forget to bring your Halloween block, ( 8.5" unfinished) to the October meeting. You will get an entry for every block you donate. A draw for the blocks will be made after the break. Number of draws will depend on how many blocks are turned in. At the meeting please pin your blocks to the batting, write your name on a piece of the paper, one for each block, and pop it in the tin.



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& THREAD COMPANY



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## Ugly Fabric Challenge

The Ugly Fabric Challenge swap will take place at the October meeting. Attach the name of the original owner of the Ugly Fabric and your own name, to your completed project. Place it on the table by registration so we can all admire them. Collect your new item at the end of the break.

## MAKE and TAKE

Our Make and Take project for November is a Book Mark. No batting please. Any method, any theme. Pop your completed bookmark into a brown paper bag and bring it to our November meeting. Thank you for participating.

Janet

## YOUTH BAGS

Thank you so much for all your generous donations. Jean P has obtained a donation of toothpaste, and Kate D has donated enough socks for all bags so we do not need to collect anymore. We still need the following:

37 toothbrushes

17 bags

5 small shampoos

33 conditioners

3 body lotions

40 combs

And deodorants, scarves and gloves for both males and females. The blue box will be by registration, please put your donations in there.

Thank you again, Janet S

## PRIZES

After years of generosity in donating monthly draw prizes from Grace M we decided this year to support her business and purchase



## FAT QUARTER DRAW

You can't win it if you're not in it!! Your name will go in the draw for each fat quarter you donate.

Fat Quarter draw will take place at every meeting.

This month it's Dealer Choice - any colour you choose!



## We Asked, You Answered!

We asked you to share "How long have you been quilting? What year did you start? How did you get started workshop, friend, guild, other?"

Here are some wonderful quilting journey stories!

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My getting interested in sewing started 43yrs ago when I was pregnant with our first child and there were no shops in Chilliwack that catered to short people. It was a case of do it yourself, and I did. Many years later Diane Hill was looking for nurses to make a quilt square for a quilt to celebrate nurses. Once again I did one. When I saw the finished quilt I was amazed. Shortly after I was asked to contribute a square for a quilt as a fundraiser for the Gwynne Vaughn Park. I was inspired to do more than one square and a quilt!!! My eternal gratitude goes out to the wonderful women who have inspired and guided me on my quilting journey.

Ida M

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I started quilting in 1999 as a hobby/activity for just me-with 4 little kids and a full time rotating schedule (days and nights), there was little time for anything. I didn't get "hooked" for about 5 years and the rest is history. I just received 190 yards of assorted material (mostly Bali's) so looks like I will be quilting for years to come! Sonja C

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I made my first quit with the help of my grandmother when I was 19. It was made from worn out corduroy pants, puffy synthetic batting and was hand quilted. Yikes! Many many years later in 2002 my sister and I attended a quilt show put on in the Evergreen Hall by the Chilliwack (day) Guild. We were so inspired we decided to start quilting together every week on Tuesday evening. That is the origination of our Tuesday sewing group, which has grown over the years to 8 friends. We meet in the daytime now as we are all retired. More than 70 semi traditional quilts were made between 2002 and 2010. From 2010 onward my focus turned to art quilts, my current passion. I've made 71 art quilts so far with many more to come. Karlie [karlienorrishmcchesney.com](http://karlienorrishmcchesney.com)

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this year's gift certificates as a way of saying thank you.

Graceland Quilts September winner was Gail W.

Carola's Quilt Shop is donating gift certificates as well, the first of hers will be given out at the October meeting.

Door prize winners for September were:

Micheline G, Evelyn R, Dalle P, Cynthia L, Lyn R, Barbara P, Karlie M, Gerry DW, Grace M, Wendy M, Kim M, Jean P, Debra P.

Thanks to all those who brought door prizes for the end of the evening draw.

Fat Quarter draw winners were Dorinda G and Ursula Y. Ursula was surprised as she didn't even bring a fat quarter to participate so someone pulled a sneaky and entered her name instead of their own. We all had a good chuckle over this.

## Quilt Buddies

At the September meeting you might have noticed a few new faces; these are our newest members. You can help familiarize them with all the guild happenings by being a buddy. We only had two members sign the sheet indicating they would be a buddy for a new member. We need more! It is the easiest way to volunteer and help out the guild, don't be shy. Signup sheet will be on the registration desk again this month.



## NOVEMBER PROGRAM

Sew-Lympics November 17, 2021 at the PieceMaker's Quilt Meeting.

Get ready for a little fun and competition!

Rules for quilt top:

1. All fabric required will be provided by We Care at the Nov. meeting
2. 4 team members required per team: cutter, sewer, ironer, director.
3. Bring thread, cutting items (mat, rotary cutter and rulers), 1 sewing machine, iron and ironing surface per team.
4. You will have 1 1/2 hours to complete your quilt - piece, quilt, and bind
5. All Sew-Lympic quilts will be donated for We Care

Construction:

1. If you are not a member of a team and would like to participate, please see Janet S and she will place you in a team.
2. Your team needs to decide who is taking on each task, and who is bringing which supplies to complete the quilt.
3. Follow the instructions provided in the We Care quilt kit.
4. Prizes will be awarded by random draw of all members who participate.
5. Bragging rights to the team who is closest to completing their quilt at the end of the allotted time.
6. If your quilt is not complete have a team member volunteer to take it home to complete it and bring it back to the next meeting for donation to We Care.

This is meant to be a fun and creative session and we hope most of our members will participate - let the games begin!

I feel like I have been quilting forever, not sure when I actually started, probably around the early 70's. My first attempt was when we were living in an apartment in Kitsilano and the YWCA in downtown Vancouver was offering a beginner course on quilting.

Who knows where I bought the fabric but I remember it being very thin and hard to work with. Around 1980 when we bought a house and moved to North Vancouver I joined the Lions Gate Quilters and took classes at Thread Bear in West Van.

That shop got me going on collecting stash and I haven't stopped.

I wanted to make every quilt they had hanging on display, I was hooked. So much I still want to quilt I need more than one lifetime for sure!

Laura Brechin

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I started quilting in 1988 when I was on maternity leave and wanted to make a cover for what is called a cot in England and a crib in Canada.

I bought Laura Ashley material and a McCalls pattern for a 'puff' quilt, decided that the instructions weren't working for me and made it up as I went along. The resulting cover kept two babies and a grandchild warm. Jane E

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I have been quilting for 5 years, but I have been sewing since my mom taught me when I was a little girl. I started quilting in 2016 because I wanted to make quilts for my friend's boys.

I watched a few YouTubes on what to do and how to quilt it on my domestic machine, and the rest is

history! Wendy M

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## Who's Who in the Zoo? Your Guild Executive

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Beatrice R / Janet S

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Lyn R

### Photography

Kate D

### Show & Tell

Lyn R / Kim M / Cathy V / Jean P

### Sunshine / Hospitality

Cherri M / Hannah B / Ineke V

### Quilt Show

Karlie M / Janet S

## WORKSHOPS Upcoming

### Break It Up (9 ways to quilt-as -you-go)

With Melissa Marginet

We still have places available for this workshop.

There are many ways to quilt as you go. In this workshop Melissa will teach several ways starting off with the basic sashing method. Several samples will be made for future reference. Melissa will also look at patterns and show how they can be broken up so they can be finished on your home sewing machine.

Date: Saturday, November 20, 10:00 am to 4:00pm

Cost: \$35

Register by emailing the Guild

email: [chilliwackpiecemakers@gmail.com](mailto:chilliwackpiecemakers@gmail.com) . Janet will reply to you giving you details on how to make payment to hold your place for the workshop.

## WORKSHOPS Past

Circles, Circles and Gentle Curves

22 people participated in the recent work shop with Susan Madu. She was a great teacher. I found the pattern very self explanatory and easy to follow. A few members have completed their cushions and I have included some of their pictures to show you. Janet S





## LIBRARY REPORT

We had quite a few overdue books returned last month, but there are still some outstanding.

The following members have overdue books.

**Judy C., Ineke V., Joanne B., Ida M, Catherine P., Kate D., Susan S., and Cindy W.**

If you cannot attend the meeting perhaps you can contact one of the members to bring it in for you.

Our budget has been reduced for this year so we will not be purchasing as many books. This month I have three books which I purchased previously and never had the opportunity to introduce to the guild.



Summer Moon

Carrie Nelson, beloved quilt maker, designer and author, has created a sampler quilt unlike any other. The Summer Moon quilt is for her fellow quilters who love samplers, but also crave a touch of whimsy! Book includes 24 blocks in sizes: 5", 6-1/2", and 8"



Table runner Bliss

When all eyes turn to the table, make sure it's looking its best with one of these centerpiece-worthy table runners! Celebrate the everyday dinner or a special event with just the right touch. With these 20 small projects, it's easy to make one for every occasion!



Once Upon a Memory.

Author Doug Leko's book has 21 new projects including: (Six) pieced quilts, (Two) Table Toppers, and (Three) Place mats and a few more.

**We also have some magazines** which were piling up at my home. Today we have

Quilt folk, 3 back issues.

Quilt maker, 5 back issues.

Canadian Quilter, 4 back issues.

A Needle Pulling Thread, 4 issues.

Submitted by Diane H.