



Monthly Meeting September 15th 7:00 pm Cookees Presbyterian 45825 Wellington Ave

We will be meeting IN-PERSON - Yay!

PLEASE NOTE :Covid -19 public health orders.

- Must show proof of vaccination
- Must wear a mask

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM Show and Tell!

Since we have not seen each other in person for such a long time there will be

- A) Plenty of catching up to do and
- B) Lots of Show and Tell.
- C) Bring and show your We Care Creations
- D) Ugly Fabric Swap

So this month will be a very social one, to exchange stories and especially stories of how quilting has helped us to cope throughout the pandemic. As quilters it just may be the bright side of getting through!

In October, our Program Committee will be hosting another auction and we will provide you all with the list of items going up for auction so rub your hands together with glee or do a happy dance because there are some wonderful items generously donated that you will love (and

Presidents Message

I am so pleased to be welcoming everyone back to our "New Year" of quilting. The past 18 months have been trying and heart breaking for many of us and I hope we are all looking at a much brighter year ahead.

We are planning to hold our meeting in-person in the Church Hall on September 15. This meeting **MUST** follow Public Health Orders which means you must **show proof of vaccination**, at least first dose. This translates to showing your vaccination card at the door as you enter. Your name will then be checked off on our registration list and if you are fully vaccinated, there will be no need to show it again at subsequent meetings. We are also asking everyone to **wear a mask**. Hand sanitizer will be provided.

When you arrive, please collect your own chair and place it where you are comfortable. It will be your responsibility to return the chair when you leave. We are all friends in the Guild but I am also asking you to respect other member's "space". We are trying to make the meeting as comfortable as possible for everyone.

This meeting is basically a "trial run" and we may have to make changes as we go along. The PHO may change and we will have to respect that. Thinking about health safety we are **NOT** providing coffee at this meeting, please bring along your own drink.

This meeting is an opportunity for lots visiting and showing of Show and Tell and We Care. I have so missed seeing quilts for real so please bring them along even if you have already shown them on Facebook. There will be lots of time to browse the library. Many of us have had books out over COVID, please check Diane's message.

Zoom Sew Days



Threader Thursday Sew Fun Saturdays

We have signed up for another year of Zoom.

The justification:

- they offered us a great deal for re-signing
- we want to use Zoom for a few speakers during January and February
- lastly because we want to continue to offer our sew days

Our Threader Thursday and Sew Fun Saturday have been a great way to connect with fellow guild members. No agendas, just conversation sharing laughing and some sewing too! Attendance over the lovely summer months was low, but surely as the weather turns ugly outdoors in the fall and winter more of us will gravitate to our sewing rooms and maybe want to join in for some conversation and sewing. Email reminders with the zoom link will be sent out weekly to all members.

Presidents Message ...continued

In our September meeting we have to adopt the budget. This will be sent out with this newsletter please take the time to read it. We have made lots of cuts as well as increasing our registration fee to \$35. Connie will walk us through it and answer any questions. Depending on how the year progresses we can revisit the budget later if needed. Hopefully we will be able to hold a quilt show in October 2022 and that would ease our financial restraints.

Don't forget to **wear your name badge** as we will still be having a door and badge prize.

Happy Stitching,
Janet S

WE CARE

Hi there, I would like to introduce you to the new We Care Committee for our guild. Dorinda G, Naida F, Doris M and Grace M are the new committee



members working to put together quilt kits, organize fabric and deliver the completed quilts to organizations in and around Chilliwack.

The committee met a few times over the summer: getting to know one another, checking out fabric, inventorying quilt kits and thinking about the next year. Donations of fabric over the past year have been

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Volunteer!

Be a
Guild
Buddy



We have some new members that joined us over the summer and had several ladies inquire about our guild over the last months who are likely potential new members.

When we were meeting in person, we had a guild buddy program that mentored our new members. We will be looking for members to volunteer to sign up as mentors again.

It is an easy way to help in the guild. Basically, you just need to answer your new member buddy's questions about the guild, help them navigate the meetings and all that happens, introduce them to your friends and other members. Generally, make them feel very welcome until they feel comfortable in the meetings on their own.

If you need a buddy or want to be a buddy. A signup sheet will be on the registration desk at the meetings or contact the guild executive at chilliwackpiecemakers@gmail.com

generous. "We have lots of great Fabric" and our goal is to put together lots of great quilt kits for you to sew. There are children's fabric, florals, batiks, flannels, prints and a couple of bolts of black. We are very fortunate to have the selection and yardage. There will be some new patterns in the mix for fun and interesting quilts. Quilt Kits will be available at each guild meeting to pick up and take home. Please sign out the kit for our tracking and remember to attach a label to the back.

We Care quilts, made from our kits or made from members personal stash, are distributed to several organizations and groups in the area. They include emergency services, hospice, domestic violence, and transition homes. Ginger and Gail, who were the previous We Care Committee, have told me over and over, how grateful and appreciative people are to receive something so basic and comforting in a time of need. I believe We Care is our opportunity to share with the less fortunate, our skills, talents, and resources.

How appreciative the RCMP officer was to reach in his trunk, bring out a We Care Quilt and wrap it around a little boy whose home was in turmoil. Great and small, the quilts we make for those in need all have a place.

Besides the new patterns that we have put together there will be a few new activities for you. A monthly Build a Block, Quilters Challenge Kits and demos. The committee is really excited about the upcoming year. I hope you will join us and get sewing. Dorinda G We Care Committee Chair

WEB PAGE

<http://www.chilliwackpiecemakers.com/>



Just a reminder the guild Webpage is your go to place to keep you up-to-date.

On the Homepage you can find:

- meetings dates
- a link to the current newsletter
- info on the meeting program
- a link to the current show and tell
- info about upcoming workshops
- links to specialty activities

On the Dropdown Menus you can find:

- executive meeting minutes
- We Care updates
- newsletter archives
- show and tell archives
- retreats, workshops, quilt show, challenges

FAT QUARTER DRAW!

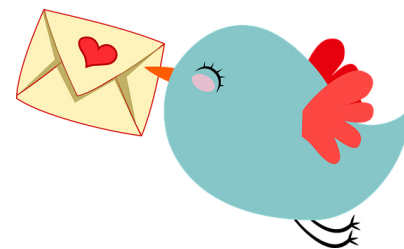
Hello fellow quilters, how great to be back together again! The Fat Quarter draw will continue as before, so dig out a fall ORANGE for



this month. Your name will go in the draw for each fat quarter you donate.

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A note of appreciation we received.



Dear Guild members,

My dear mother-in-law, recently passed away at Cascade Hospice in Chilliwack.

When we arrived at the Hospice there was a lovely quilt on the bed. There was a discrete sign saying we could keep the quilt. My family would like to thank you for your kind and generous gift. The quilt will be cherished. I would like to make a small donation to the guild. Being a quilter myself, I know how expensive supplies are these days. Many thanks, Pat T

WORKSHOPS UPDATE

Susan Madu: Circles, Circles and Gentle Curves September 18 and 25 via Zoom.

We have 21 participants who have signed up. They have received their instructions from Susan and will be busy cutting and preparing for the event. Susan has many new tricks for them to learn on this pillow project. Won't it be exciting to see photos of their finished work.

Melissa Marginet: Break It Out, Nine Ways To Quilt As You Go

Date: Nov 20, 10:00 am to 4:00pm, via Zoom.

Cost: \$35

Registration: Details to follow by email.

If you find it difficult to manage the quilting of your really large projects or just want to learn some new skills for quilt as you go then this workshop is for you. It is difficult to image 9 different techniques but Melissa will be demonstrating them all for you. The class is limited to only 24 participants.

Janet S

MAKE IT TAKE IT

September is an Ugly Fabric Challenge.

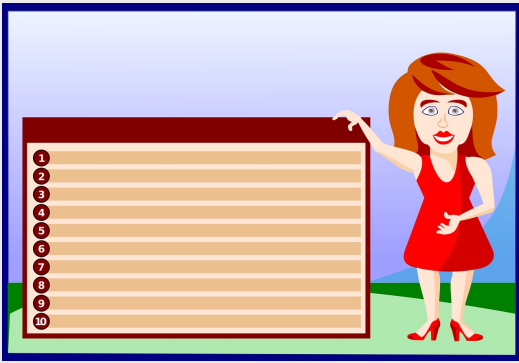
Yes, we are back!!!! We hope you are ready for a fun little project and ready to participate. All of us have a fat quarter of fabric we look at and say, "Why on earth did I buy that!!" This is your opportunity to have something lovely made from it. Put your fat quarter of "Ugly Fabric" into a brown paper bag (or some other concealing bag) along with your name. Place your bag on the table by the registration table at the September meeting. Later in the meeting you will then get to take a different bag home and use the enclosed fabric to make something lovely. The item made must be returned at the October meeting, with your name attached. Please place them on the display table beside registration for all to view. After the break the owner may retrieve their new "Less Ugly" project to take home. Always great excitement on the reveal!!!!

October is a "Lotto" of Halloween squares.

Make your block/s, 8 1/2 inches (to finish at 8") with a Halloween theme. Do a Google or Pinterest search for an idea or free pattern or use a simple pattern you have at home for the block design.



The block is entirely your choice, appliqued, pieced, painted, embroidered, anything goes. Make as many blocks as you wish, your name goes into the hat for each block you make. Depending on the number of



Membership/Registration

We have had the same \$30 membership fee for many years now, however; in not having the quilt show funds to supplement our guild expenses it makes the budget very tight. Therefore, the executive has made the hard decision to raise our membership fees to \$35 per year. We will continue to accept e-transfers (preferred since it worked so well last year) here is the info you need.

[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

Additionally, we will accept \$35 cash or cheques at our September meeting.

The last option is to mail a cheque to Chilliwack PieceMakers C/O Lyn Robinson 45330 Stevenson Rd, Chilliwack, BC V2R 2Z7 (we have cancelled our Post Office box, an expense, Lyn volunteered to have items mailed to her address).

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

Who's Who in the Zoo? Your Guild Executive

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Cherri M / Hannah B / Ineke V

Quilt Show

Karlie M / Janet S

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blocks a draw will be made for 1 or 2 sets for a lucky member/s to take home. Bring all finished blocks to the October meeting for the draw. BOO HOO is you if don't join in! Janet S

Library Report

It's been a long while since we last met so I think it is time to dust off all those library books and return them. Of course, we will not be charging any late fees. Someone mentioned hers would be substantial, but that wasn't even considered! I have compiled a list of those who have books.

Name	# of books
Joanne B. (166)	2
Judy C. (241)	1
Carla C (273)	4
Kate D (227)	1
Ev D (24)	5
Betty F (25)	1
Doris F	1
Micheline G (304)	2
Eliz G (1)	1
Kim M (324)	1
Ida M (270)	3
Carolyn M. (68)	2
Catherine P (328)	2
Susan S (267)	3
Janet S (87)	2
Ineke V (287)	1
Cathy V (266)	1
Cindy W (210)	4
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Youth Bags

We have already started collecting items for the Youth Bags and I thank all the members who have already passed on items. For our newer members, every second year we make up 50 cotton bags of items we hope are useful to disadvantaged youth in our community. **Below you will find a list of items we are collecting and still need.** We collect over September, October and November and fill the bags in December and deliver them to Chilliwack Community Services Youth Services.

Item	Female	Male	Either Sex
Bags			20
Small shampoo			6
Small conditioner			34
Body lotion	10		
Combs			42
Soaps/body wash			20
Socks			37
Deodorants	25	25	
Toothbrushes			42
Toothpaste			44
Gloves	20	20	
Scarves	25	25	
Toques			23
Sanitary products	25		
Notebooks			50
Pens			50
Handbag size tissues			50

This year Ursula has made pouches, one for each of the female bags, thank you so much. There will be a blue box by registration for you to drop off your donations. Thank you again for your generosity.

Janet S