

Lethbridge Centennial Quilters Guild

March Meeting Newsletter

March 26, 2019 – 7PM CASA Meeting Room

President, Connie Chaplin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed members as well as guest, Marlene Kramer.

- Members, please remember to browse the “free” table, you may find the treasure you have been looking for.
- Beads of Courage labels are available for you to pick up if you are making a bag.
- Judy Barnett has a list of vacant Board and committee positions to be filled. Please see her during the break and sign up for one of the available positions. It is a great way to volunteer for the guild and have the opportunity to meet guild members.
- At our last Executive meeting we had a discussion revolving around paying our guild members who teach workshops for the guild. There are currently no guidelines in place covering this, therefore this item is being brought to the membership for discussion. Lively discussion ensued, and it became apparent there are valid pros and cons surrounding this item. It is going back to the Executive to come up with some direction for the Workshop committee. This information will be shared with the membership, hopefully before the June meeting with some guidelines in place.
- President Connie, also mentioned that with the few business meetings we have, she is going to start each monthly meeting with the question: “Is there any discussion arising out of the Executive meeting minutes”. This will give the membership the opportunity to bring up any concerns they may have. Members can also attend Executive meetings if they wish, or contact Connie with any concern they may have.
- Festival of Quilts
 - Val gave a FOQ report, Call for Entry closes March 31 at midnight.
 - We have only 1 booth left to fill for our Merchant Mall
 - There are posters and postcards at the back members can pick up and share with the community
 - Pjam still has raffle tickets for sale and if members have tickets out, please sell what you have and return the tickets and money to Pjam at the next regular meeting
 - We are doing draw baskets again this year. If members have items to donate, ie: patterns, kits they are not going to use and would like to donate, please bring them to the next guild meeting.
 - Pat Panchmatia is looking for volunteers who can share some of their time by working at the Quilt Show. If you are interested in receiving more information, please contact Pat. It takes many volunteers to make our show a success and a wonderful way for our members to participate in the show.
- Program:
 - We have 27 members signed up for the Bag Exchange. There is still time if you wish to sign up, please see Jane for more information.
 - Another two amazing Quilt Room tours were given this evening. Deb Cartwright and Denise Weinsmann gave us a virtual tour of their rooms, always a great way for members to get ideas on ways they can perhaps change their own rooms. Thanks ladies!
 - Draws:
 - The pattern draw was won by Paulette Dumont
 - Prizes this month were purchased from Finely Quilted and she also donated 5 - \$150 gift certificates for long arm quilting certification.
 - Dolores Schilling won the scissor “holster” & scissors
 - The gift certificates were won by:

- Darci Rollingson
- Teresa Petriw
- Florence Senda
- Wendy Bushell
- Alma Berringer
- 3 draw prizes:
 - Double sided cutting mat won by Susan Secretan
 - Batique Jelly roll won by Jill Aman
 - Book and Thread won by Jackie Mignault
- Jane Goddard did a demonstration of a "Easy and Fun Snap bag". Instructions with the Newsletter.
- There is still time to register for the spring retreat being held Mother's Day weekend at the Bloomin' Inn. Contact Kathy Shigemi for more information,
- If you have registered a quilt in the Quilt Show and want to pay at the meeting, Kathy and Shena are at the back ready to take your payment. If you have questions about Call for Entry, please talk with them.
- Show and Share was wonderful again this evening. We are really stacking up the Community and Dolly quilts, thank you so much!

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm

April Executive meeting: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 7 pm CASA Meeting Room

April Regular meeting: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7 pm CASA Community Room

1
Snap Bags
learned to make @ Quilt
Festival in Houston last
November. Video available
on Youtube - search Riley
Blake.com. Tutorial is
called Easy & Fun Snap Bag

2
If you search Snap Bag
on Youtube there are
several tutorials
of bags can be used for lots
my daughter wanted one
for her earphones & cell
phone charger for a her purse

3
The bag I am showing
finishes @ approx $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$
Materials Needed
Front Piece $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$
Lining $13 \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$
Batting $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ (Same as front)
Tabs 2 @ $4''$ Square
2 Pieces Tape Measure @ $5\frac{1}{2}''$
Electrical Tape

4
Take lining fabric & Press
top & bottom edges under
approx $\frac{1}{4}''$
Take the tabs $4''$ squares
& press in half diagonally
twice
Lay lining fabric RS down on
table. Center Batting & Lay
outside fabric RS up on top
Fold in top & bottom of lining
forming casing

5
Center tabs under edges.
Straight stitch with machine
Fold in half. Outside together
they are on side with zig zag
 $\frac{1}{4}''$ under top & bottom (backstitch)
Cut top measure pieces
sewers Don't use your hand
for ducty seams if you got
fat lines, seams & you got
tabs & cover with electrical
tape.

6
Insert tape measure pieces
with the numbers to the
inside of bag.
Sew second side & zig zag.
You could box the corners
of bag if you want to.
Turn Bag RS out.

7
These bags can be made
any size you want.
Rules to follow
Using fabric $4''$ longer
than outside fabric
Batting same size as outside
Tabs $4''$ for all.
Tape measure cut $1''$ shorter
than width of bag.

8
If you are making
larger bags you might
want to Quilt the layers
together before making the
casing