

Lethbridge Centennial Quilters Guild

Monthly Meeting Newsletter

February 26, 2019 – 7 PM CASA Meeting Room

President, Connie Chaplin called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

There are a few announcements:

- Please check out the “For Sale” table, as well as items our members are wishing to sell, there are a number of outdated quilting magazines from our Library looking for a new home.
- Donna Kendall is collecting Beads of Courage bags if you have any done. For those looking for labels, they will be available at the next meeting.
- The Community Quilt Workshop took place last Saturday in the CASA Meeting Room. Thanks to all the members who attended and a special thank you to the Community Quilt Workshop committee for such a great day! Donna Kendall for her “ironing”. Dolores Schilling has graciously offered to quilt your community quilt for you for “free”. She asks you have the quilt sandwiched and either lightly pinned or sprayed together and have your community quilt label already attached so she knows it is a community quilt. Include your name and telephone number so she has your contact information to get it back to you, as you will still do the binding.
 - Two other members have volunteered to do the machine quilting of your community quilts as well, Donna Kendall and Lenie van Eeden Petersman.
- The two upcoming workshops being held on April 13 and May 25 will take place at Fabric Fusion. Since we are able to access the Parkbridge Estates Community Hall for bookings, we will be using either that location or CASA for future Guild workshops.
- A question raised regarding payment made to Guild members for workshops they are teaching. Past practice was a \$25 Gift Certificate, but times are changing and the current rate is \$18.00 per person per workshop. If you have any concerns or comments regarding this new practice, please contact Connie Chaplin directly in order to bring this information forward to the Executive to review.
- Please see Kathy Shigemi at the back should you wish to register for the Mother’s Day Retreat coming up in May.
- Val Beasley gave a Festival of Quilts report, reminding members the Call for Entry closes March 31, 2019 so you must have at least the top done so you can take the picture and do your online registration. We currently have 13 entries with 13.5 booth booked in the Show.

Program:

- Jane Goddard explained the Bag Challenge to the members. A questionnaire was passed out and those interested in participating completed the form and passed it back to Jane. Once all were received, the members participating pulled a form from those entered and will be making a bag for that person using information found on the questionnaire. Completed bags are to be brought to the May meeting. This should be a lot of fun and it will be cool to see what our members come up with.
- Donna’s Tips: If you have problems with your sewing machine foot petal travelling away from you on your floor as you are sewing, put a shelf liner on the floor and it will hold the petal in place.
- Bev MacTavish took us on more of her travels, this time to Thailand, Laos and Me Omar. These countries are well known for their silks and she showed us her amazing collection of silk fabrics, clothing, cushions and pictures. What a wonderful way to travel the world.
- Teresa Petriw gave a Quilt Room tour and we got to visit her sewing room. She also shared her method of recording the information on each quilt as she is finished it as well as suggesting we put pieces of fabrics used in ziplock bags with the quilt information should the quilt ever need to be repaired.

- Treasured Stash for March is the little laminated quilt patterns you can purchase in your local quilt shop.
- Deb Cartwright explained the Post Card Challenge which will be part of our Festival of Quilts this year. Each post card is 4x6 and sandwiched much the same as a quilt, you have a top (which could be a mini quilt or picture); the middle which is stiff pellaon batting and the backing of a light colored fabric or muslin on which you will include the word "postcard" so it will look much the same as a post card you buy in the store. There will be drop boxes for members to take their finished cards to or to our guild meetings. Lethbridge Sewing Centre has agreed to provide a mail box for these cards and Deb is looking for other drop off sites. We want a large number of post cards, so we encourage our members to "make lots". These postcards will be sold at our quilt show and the money raised will go to the Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation to be used in one of their projects.

Draw Prize Summary:

- Treasured Stash of Mini charm packs was won by Lori Hand

Draw Prizes were purchased from Village Quilts

- Free Ticket Door Prize of a mug and organizer for your sewing table was won by Lynn Potter

Loonie Draws:

- Book, Simple What nots Won by Barb Thompson
- Book, Sweet Celebrations Won by Lia Britton
- Frisker Hexagon Cutter Won by Lynn Potter
- Baby quilt pattern & 8 fat quarters Won by Kathy Witdouck

Show and Share brought out a great many wonderful quilts made this past month by our members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Next Executive meeting:	Wednesday, March 20, 2019	7 pm CASA
Next Regular meeting:	Tuesday, March 26, 2019	7 pm CASA