

Vi Knox, President for Guild, welcomed all to the meeting, introduced herself and thanked the past executive.

New President Introduction:

I came to the guild first as a guest of Doreen Rombough around 20 years ago. I was always inspired by the talent of the group and always went home and want to finish something. It kind of spurred me on. Since then, I have done a lot of different things as far as quilting goes, prior to that I was mostly a garment maker, and I sort of fell into my favorite which was applique quilting. But as you know, our tastes change, and our abilities just keep getting better. I am really looking forward to these next two years to be your president. Please don't be afraid to approach me and make your opinions known.

She welcomed on the new executive.

We acknowledge the rich history and culture of the Blackfoot people of the Canadian plains who's land we stand on. We pay our respect to the Blackfoot people honoring their past, present and future while recognizing and respecting their culture, beliefs and profound relationship to the land. The City of Lethbridge is home to the Matis nation of Alberta Treaty 3, adding further layers of diversity to our community.

Four guests: Donna Laing, Agnes Finell, Helen Toews and Jo Ulmer. Welcome.

Reminders:

- Please pick your items from the Sales/Free table that are not sold or adopted at the end of the meeting.
- We also have a lovely selection of orphan blocks that need to be adopted!

Announcements:

Correction in April Newsletter – The prizes were not **provided** by Donna, they were purchased from Donna Kendall.

Committee Reports:

Retreats and Workshops – Sharon Anholt: Retiring now from the committee that holds retreats. We had one this past weekend her in CASA, there were 30 of us here.

Leslie is back her at the table. She has a retreat in Pincher Creek on June 20 – 22. See Leslie if you are wanting to find out more about it.

The Quilt that Donna Kendall made for the Hurricanes, sold on Saturday night for \$1200.00 to Dennis Chinner bought it, he is from the Rotary Club. He is going to see if he can display it at the Rink somehow.

Festival of Quilts – Lynn Gibson: We are going to feature a Quilters Boutique at the 2026 Quilt Show. We are looking for a variety of handmade items which can be sold at the boutique and help raise funds for the Guild. Here is a link below to one ideas. Some people might have an embroidery machine and what to makes something with that. Another idea was a wine slipper, a Japanese knot bag for some other ideas, mug rugs (coaster). Some of the items that we would be making, we have to be careful because some designers don't allow their patterns to

be made and sold. So we must watch that. We are maybe looking at things that are more of a concept base rather than a pattern.

Also we need to consider the fabric we are using, maybe some Christmas items or summer items because of the time of year we are having the show. Also choose fabric that you would like, not something that you have in your stash that you hate and what to get rid of.

<https://quiltpiecer.blogspot.com/2010/03/tutorial-fold-and-turn-coasters.html>

happiestcamper.com (search for the Japanese knot bag)

polkadotchair.com (free mug rug patterns)

Quilt Supply – Lynn Gibson: Regarding the batting, if you have a small quilt that is 55 x 60 and our small quilt batts are 50 x 60, instead of going up to the next size we have strips that have been cut off from other quilts that can be used to piece the batting so that we can reduce waste. Please bring in any pieces that are around 4 or 5 inches so that we can use them on future quilts.

Programs – Lia Britton (new chair for 2025-2026 year): Lia has passed out a survey to get ideas for the upcoming year programs. She stated that we are her to serve you, so we would like to know what you want. If you are new, and want to learn new skills, please note that. Or, if you are a really skilled quilter and you would like to give us a hand and volunteer some time to share your ideas, please let us know. So please fill out the survey and hand it in.

They will talk more about it next month as well.

PROGRAM: Pat Phillips

Special Guest: Our special guest is Julie Magson. She is the owner of the Little Red Quilt Shack and she brought her employee Sharon. We were delighted to have a trunk show of over 23 Quilts, table runners and wall hangings. All the items shown were available in kits that were available for sale on her table.

One of the quilts she showed was a free pattern and can be found at the following link:

https://my.modafabrics.com/webfiles/pjr_Quadrangle.pdf

There were so many items shown it is hard to describe, but please go see her in her shop in Fort Macleod if you haven't been. It is lovely.

June Challenge:

Glass Case exchange: The June challenge is a Glass Case exchange. Some suggestions were making the glass case out of salvages. A short video was going to be shown but there was technical difficulties. The link is below. Brown bags were passed around, and if you want to participate then make a glass case and bring it to the June guild in the brown bag to

exchange. It doesn't have to be made out of salvages, it can be out of any fabric you have and it doesn't have to be the pattern provided, it can be any pattern you like.

<https://learnhowtoquilt.com/small-projects-2/recycling-selvages-a-weekend-project/>

Vendors: There were six vendors that had tables around the room and each vendor has different items for sale. We had a break of 15 minutes or so to allow people to go shopping.

PRIZE DRAWS – Door prizes purchased from Little Red Quilt Shack. Big thank you to Marilyn Squires for donating a beautiful Bag for a prize also.

Door Prize winners:

- Clothesline Rope – winner Cindy Littlemore – one of our new members
- Bag – donated by Marilyn Squires – winner Bonnie Seim

Loonie Draws:

- Gypsy Gripper – winner Jo Ulmer (guest)
- Tabletastic Book – winner Dayle Blake
- Fabric Kit (pattern in Tabletastic Book) – Winner Kim Chomiak-Ross

Loser Draws – various winners

SHOW AND SHARE:

We had a wonderful presentation of projects.

- Lynn Gibson – showed her Quilt of Valor Poppies quilt along with a beautiful Purple and Teal Quilt
- Ruth Atwood – showed three quilts made by Linda Mackensie along with a rail fence quilt and a strip quilt
- Cherilyn Jorgensen showed the quilt that was tied at the last guild meeting
- Brittany Wilton showed her cute Gnome quilt.
- Bev MacTavish showed five quilts made from jelly rolls in all different designs. She also showed a quilt and her beautiful vest that were made from her husband's ties.
- Lia Britton showed a scrappy quilt that was lovely. She also showed a seat belt cover that she made.
- One of our new members – Agnes Finell told us a lovely story about her mother

Paulette Dumont shared about Quilts for Survivors that are looking for quilts/quilt tops for survivors of trauma. Information regarding this is in the link below:

<https://www.quiltsforsurvivors.ca/>

Meeting concluded at 9:00 p.m.

Next Executive Committee Meeting: June 18 at 1:30 p.m. at Enmax

Next Guild Meeting: June 24, 2025. at 7:00 p.m. at CASA