

**Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild of North Toronto** Armour Heights Presbyterian Church, 105 Wilson Avenue, Toronto 7:30 p.m. – second Wednesday of each month www.pnqg.ca

#### AUGUST 2015 NEWSLETTER

#### August 12 MEETING – 7:30 p.m.

**DOORS** will open at <u>5:00 p.m</u>. Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Andrea Howell**

First a "mea culpa" about missing my first meeting as President in July. No legitimate excuse, just plain stupidity - I forgot! Rest assured, I will be at the August 12 meeting with bells on.

I hope many of you were able to take in "Quilts at the Creek". Thanks to our dedicated Bazaar team, PNQG had quilts on display and items for sale at the "Marketplace". Seeing all those colorful and clever fabric creations basking in the sunny fields and swaying on the rustic fences was magical and inspiring.

As I always rent a cottage for the first two weeks of September, our VP, Pat Stuckless, will be at the helm for the September 10th meeting. Now don't hold your breath, but I am planning to *finally* have something to display at the October "Show and Share".

Looking forward to seeing and hearing about your newest projects. Happy Stitching!

### **VICE-PRESIDENT – Pat Stuckless**

This year we are fortunate to have a Vice-President. Thanks from all of us for volunteering for this position Pat.

# PAST PRESIDENT - Wendy Dines

THINK: TWO COLOURS - JUST TWO COLOURS. Hmmmm.....what's going through your mind? Your favorite colours? Your favorite quilting colours - they might not be the same two! Are they complementary ones? Is one an absence of colour? Are they bright and shout for attention? Perhaps you like muted colours - shy and quiet? Or your colours of choice are reflective of a particular season of the year, be it the greens of spring or the orange & brown of autumn. Ruminate on colour as you prepare for the Past President's Challenge. Stay tuned for further details.

# **PROGRAM**—Anne Sarsfield and Sherry Davidson

In an effort to present a mix of diverse styles for the fall speakers' programme, we have chosen three presenters who are well-known local area quilters.

In September, our guest speaker is Jeannie Jenkins, an award-winning quilter, one of whose designs was featured on the cover of the recent CQA/ACC magazine of the National Juried show entrants.

October's presenter is another friend of PNQG, Sandy Lindal. Her presentation "Confessions of a Scrapoholic" will take us through the light-hearted side of quilting with friends.

Our third fall speaker is Helen Fujiki, who will join us in November. Helen's resume is long and distinguished. Her most recent interest has been exploring different construction techniques.

Look for more details of each speaker's achievements in the newsletter that precedes each of their meetings.

Stay tuned to this space.

Remember to wear your name badges. The next draw for a fabric prize will be at the June social for the ballots collected at the just passed January to June meetings.

### LIBRARY- Nadine Wright

The library will be closed for the August meeting.

#### **MEMBERSHIP – Catherine Richardson**

Thanks to my good friend Liz Taylor who collected membership dues at the June and July meetings. As of July 27, 2015 we have collected annual dues from 31 out of 48 members,(63%). If you need my address it is Catherine Richardson 237 Yonge Blvd, Toronto,Ont M5M 3J1.

Members who attend and wear their name badges will have a chance to add their names to a ballot slip for the fabric prize draw at our next social in June.

If you know about a member who has a major illness or whose immediate family member has died, please let Catherine Richardson know so the Guild can express its best wishes.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS – Cora Westgate and Erica Ribeiro**

Nothing to report just yet but news of our plans will come in the fall.

# **BAZAAR – Judy Messenger and Joy Takahashi**

Our Meals on Wheels donations are growing every month ....once again a number of members gave Shelley finished placemats at the July meeting and took some kits home. A few kits will be available for Meals on Wheels placemats and mug rugs at the August meeting. Come and work on these, or bring some of your leftover fabric and blocks to design your own. The Sprint/MOW group confirmed they will join us at the December meeting to receive our donation, and they reiterated 'the placemats last year were so beautiful. We will be very pleased to receive more this year'.

There will also be kits available for the bazaar that you can work on, or feel free to bring your own project. If you want to sew, bring your machine, thread and general sewing supplies and an extension cord. If you don't feel like sewing that evening, you can still contribute by cutting or pressing for other sewists, attaching blocks to grocery bags (with glue), or picking up a placemat or bazaar kit to take home.

The doors will open at 5pm - but feel free to drop by any time after that too....we will stay until about 9:30pm. Bring along your dinner if you want to come early, but snacks will also be served. The basement may not be available for this meeting due to the plumbing issues that the church has been experiencing but there will be extra fans to cool the room if we're upstairs where we regularly meet.

## PNQG WEBSITE - Judy Messenger, Webmaster

Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild now has a website maintained by our own webmaster, Judy Messenger. A calendar of events, photos from guild meetings and workshops, membership information and newsletters can all be found on the website at <u>www.pnqg.ca</u>. If you have any photos you'd like to share, or information that you think would be of interest to all members, please send it to <u>webmaster@pnqg.ca</u>.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS** – Shelley Keyser

See comments under Bazaar above for this month's scoop on Meals On Wheels projects.



#### TREATS

September - Shelley Keyser, Noreen Deeley, Kiyomi Sakamoto October - Sandy Green, Sally Elgar, Marilyn Murphy November - Helen Crooke, Flo Blanchard, Erica Ribeiro.

## SHOW AND SHARE

As always, we have show and share. Bring your projects (completed or in progress) to show and share with the membership.

#### **GUESTS**

Guests are welcome (except for the AGM in May and social evenings in June and December). A fee of \$5 is charged for each meeting.

# FROM OUR MEMBERS

1. <u>A Feast for the Eyes – Maureen Merrill</u>

I have spent most of the past three weeks canning and preserving, from jams and marmelades to pickled beets and just plain pickles. In honor of canning season I have attached a totally random collection of quilts with with pictures of preserves (and one dog). I have no idea who made these. It was a random Google search for "quilts with preserves". This is only a small part of what I found.









2. <u>Pictures from the July Meeting (kindly taken by Judy Messenger in my absence)</u>



#### a. <u>Show and Share</u>

We will be back with show and share in September.

3. Quilt Tips – Maureen Merrill

Enjoy the attached article on 100 Things Every Quilter Should Do Before She/He Dies. How many have you done?

4. Sit and Sew

Sit, sew, knit, chat and enjoy your own dinner starting at 5:00 until the meeting time. See the heading Bazaar for some ideas on how to keep busy at this month's sit and sew. There is no fixed agenda for the gathering. Generally, the sit and sew is for anyone who just wants to come early, to sew or knit and bring their dinner. It is not limited to guild members and everyone is welcome do their own work or work on guild projects or kits; whatever suits you.

We will keep you up to date for sit and sew events for the coming months.

## **BULLETIN BOARD**

#### a. <u>Events</u>

1. Quilt Canada - Quilt Canada 2016 – June 15-18 - International Centre, Mississauga

#### **Quilt Canada Blogspot**

http://cqacanadianquilting.blogspot.ca/2014/09/quilt-canada-2015-blown-away.html



- b. <u>Member Blogs</u> Any members with a blog can list it here.
- c. <u>*Trading Post*</u> Members wanting to buy, sell or recycle for free quilting related items may submit their information to Maureen Merrill at <u>newsetter@pnqg.ca</u>. The information will be included in the next newsletter.
- d. <u>Newsletter</u>- Members are welcome, in fact are encouraged, at any time to submit typed items for inclusion in our newsletter. Deadline for submission is **10 days prior to a Guild meeting**. Send all the information to Maureen Merrill at <u>newsetter@pnqg.ca</u>.

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AND A FINAL THOUGHT

