



PNQG NEWS

Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild
of North Toronto

Meetings at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church
105 Wilson Avenue, Toronto
November 2016

President's Message

Halloween has come and gone which means another month has passed more quickly than I expected. Soon we will be into the holiday season but let's not think about that right now. Then busy really begins.

The October meeting was a beehive of activity with the pre-bazaar sale, book sales, baby quilts (an amazing participation from the membership in providing 32 quilts; and thanks to Judy B. for leading the charge!) and guest speaker. Doris Lovadina Lee brought us into the present. It was interesting to hear how far modern quilting has progressed in such a short time. And it even has distinguishing parameters like negative space, no bindings and lots of thread. As long as they don't develop quilt police, I could embrace this quilt movement. I hope you picked up lots of stocking stuffers and presents at the pre-bazaar sale. If not, you will have a second and third chances at our November 9 meeting and then at the bazaar on November 12. Doesn't count as buying fabric!

This month, I look forward to hearing a long time friend of quilting - Ann Sutherland. A few years past, I had occasion to see a couple of her quilts. You will be amazed with the detail and precision in her hand stitched and hand quilted projects.

Thanks to Helen Crooke who has volunteered to help Joyce Dawson with the refreshment service we all enjoy each meeting. We still need a volunteer to help Judy Beca with Library this year, then take over the function next year. If you would like to help out with the library, please talk to me or Judy Beca.

And in case you are wondering, I did finish my to-do list last month. And by the time I see you at our next meeting I will also have gone to a quilt retreat - with 3 projects in hand - although for sure won't finish them all, perhaps only one. Add in a trip out to Edmonton to visit my 92 year old aunt in Edmonton to round off a busy month. See you at our next meeting, November 9.



Quilters Anonymous

...Pat Stuckless

Next Meeting - October 12, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. for shopping, sewing and visiting.

Guest Speaker and Trunk Show - Ann Sutherland

'Early Bird' Bazaar Shopping, Used Book Sale and Library Overstock Shopping

Vice President's Message

For those interested in joining a small group who sews for The Quilts of Valour, 2 dates have been confirmed for the remainder for 2016: Nov. 23 and Dec. 7 (both Wednesdays) at Sew Sisters. The group usually starts at 10 a.m. and finishes by 3:00 but the time is flexible. We're in the process of finding a new location for future sewing days and Sally should have some news on that later in the year. Please join us if you are interested.

... Leslie Batt

2016 - 2017 Membership Update

Our membership now stands at 48 members, including the new members announced over the last few months. Please take a few minutes at our next meeting to make our newer members feel welcome or chat with those you haven't had a chance to connect with recently. There is still room for some additional members if you know others who would enjoy our quilting community. The most current membership list is being circulated with this newsletter - if your information is incorrect or incomplete, please contact me to update.

...Catherine Richardson

Bazaar - Saturday, November 12 - 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The Bazaar will soon be upon us: Saturday, 12th November. A Volunteer Sheet for members who are able to help on the day was circulated at the last meeting. We could use a few extra bodies for the mid-day time slot; if you have availability please speak to Val at the next guild meeting. There are also other sales and things going on at the Church that day, so it's well worth stopping by.

If anyone has any outstanding kit items or their own contribution of items for the Bazaar would they kindly bring them to the November meeting. We are trying to tag, price and record all new items going into the Bazaar in advance. Thanks to those members who donated finished pieces at the last meeting, as well as those who have contributed fabric over the last few months. Some of the donated cotton material has been used but there is still a nice stash of flannel ready to be used next year.

A final thank you members and their guests that purchased items at the Pre-Bazaar sale last month. There are lots of fresh new items moving on into the Bazaar sale plus several boxes of items that were never unpacked, so please come along and support the Guild's main fundraiser.

... Val Strand, Liz Taylor & Leslie Batt

Program

We are very fortunate this month to welcome home Ann Sutherland who has been a Pieceful Night member in the past. She has many friends in the guild who remember her expertise and energy as she tackled those big bed quilts which we look forward to enjoying on November 9. The added challenge, as viewed by some like me, is that Ann is primarily a handquilter. She has pursued a variety of hand stitching techniques which we look forward to seeing in her trunk show.

February Members' Showcase Month (February 8, 2017)

Come on out, shrinking violets! So far one very interesting demo is confirmed and several members whom I have approached are considering a demo contingent on their travel plans for February. The great work at Show and Share is a testament to the talent and workshopping in PNQG. Come see me at the meeting or send me an email. Maybe I will be knocking on your quiltroom door. Thank you.

...Kiyomi Sakamoto and June Basu-Roy

Library

Sale of used Library books will continue this month - some great deals!

...Judy Beca

Special Events - December 14, 2016 Social and Potluck

As in the past, the December meeting will be a Pot Luck dinner followed by Fun and Games. Please bring a wrapped fat quarter and a dish to share. A sign-up sheet will be available at the November meeting for those attending to indicate what they are bringing - ie: either bread rolls and butter, vegetable platters, salads, casseroles, desserts and drinks.

... Cora Westgate & Erica Ribeiro

Community Outreach - 32 Baby Quilts Were Delivered!

Joyce Hisey of the Needlework Guild joined our meeting in October and was thrilled to receive our baby quilts for the layettes she is committed to providing. Our donation of quilts was enough to fill Joyce's layette commitment and more, with some also to be shared with other agency groups to support their layette commitments. The response from the membership in providing these quilts was terrific; thanks to the following who contributed in making up the kitted quilts, donating quilts from their own stash, or quilting tops - Cathy Allan, June Basu Roy, Leslie Batt, Judy Beca, Florence Blanchard, Mary Buligan, Helen Crooke, Sherry Davidson, Judy Ellen (2), Linda Hales (4 tops), Matha Huffman, Shelley Keyser (3), Melanie Leitch, Gail Lockington (2), Judy Messenger (2), Judy Messenger's mom Isobel Wilton (2), Bev Moffet, Judy Murakami (2), Michiko Petrick (2 tops), Catherine Richardson, Ann Sarsfield (2), Val Strand, Joy Takahashi.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank York Heritage Quilters' Guild Community Quilting for donating fabrics towards this project, and to all who helped in cutting the kits - Arlette Adams, Wendy Dines, Judy Murakami, Michiko Petrick, and last but not least Bev Stevenson.

...Judy Beca

Last Chance - Members' Used Book Sale

Its rare that we have the November guild meeting prior to the Church Bazaar, but since it does this year, we're going to repeat the Used Book Sale so you have another chance to buy some good reading for a great price or donate some books and magazines to the guild. Books and magazines remaining after our November meeting will be sold at the Bazaar, and all proceeds will be used to support "out of budget" initiatives such as purchasing non-traditional items for the library (e.g. gadgets, DVDs, magazines), subsidizing a guild outing and/or supporting unanticipated, guild sponsored charity projects.

Thanks to everyone who bought or brought books at the last 2 meetings!

...Joy Takahashi

Mark Your Calendars for These Upcoming Events

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| <p>Nov. 4 (11am - 5pm) & Nov. 5 (11am - 3pm), 2016 TMC Volunteer Association Fabric and Craft Sale Artscape Youngplace 180 Shaw Street, Toronto www.textilemuseum.ca</p> | <p>Decorator samples for your home and DIY projects.</p> |
| <p>Continuing until Nov 27, 2016 World of Threads Festival Queen Elizabeth Park Community and Cultural Centre, 2302 Bridge Rd, Oakville www.worldofthreadsfestival.com</p> | <p>Featuring 314 works by 134 artists from 23 countries. A smaller exhibit is also at the Living Arts Centre, 4141 Living Arts Drive, Mississauga</p> |
| <p>April 1 & 2, 2017 Celebration of Colour Region of York Quilters Guild www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca</p> | <p>Presented by Georgian Bay Quilters Guild. Features Quilted exhibits, vendors, tea room, door prizes, demonstrations.</p> |
| <p>May 22 - 27, 2017 Canada Sea to Sea Fibre Arts Exhibition Ailsa Craig Community Quilt Festival 155 Annie Ada Shipley St, Ailsa Craig</p> | <p>Celebrating Canada's 150th birthday, a selection of quilts, fibre art and media. Features cafe, vendors and workshops.</p> |
| <p>June 14 - 17, 2017 Quilt Canada 2017 The International Centre, Toronto www.canadianquilter.com</p> | <p>Will include Canada's biggest Quilt Bee!</p> |
| <p>November 10 & 11, 2017 A Celebration of Quilts XIII Toronto Botanical Gardens, Toronto www.yhqq.org</p> | <p>York Heritage Quilters' Guild bi-annual quilt show.</p> |

For additional events check out other guilds' websites and newsletters and visit the [CQA/ACC website](#) and review the "Events" section.

PNQG Information

PNQG Board and Volunteers - July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

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| Community Outreach* | Judy Beca - Baby Quilts Sally Elgar - Quilts for Fort McMurray and Meals on Wheels (MOW) placemats | |

* Non-Board Positions

PNQG Meetings and Guests: Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month, year-round. 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. Show and Share is welcome at all meetings.

Guild Communication: PNQG utilizes both a monthly newsletter and website to share guild and quilt related information with members. The PNQG Newsletter is published monthly, approximately 10 days prior to each meeting, distributed by email to members (unless alternate arrangements have been agreed to) and posted to our website at www.pnqq.ca. The website includes membership information, newsletters, photos, events, etc. Only limited photos will be included in the newsletter so you are encouraged to visit the website for all the pictures.

Members are welcome to submit quilt-related items of interest to members to be shared - member's blogs, items to buy/sell or recycle, events, etc. - via the newsletter or website by contacting the webmaster (Judy at webmaster@pnqq.ca) or the newsletter editor (Shelley at newsletter@pnqq.ca). In most cases submissions will be due 2 - 3 weeks prior to the meeting date; however, it is recommended you confirm the schedule with the newsletter editor.