



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

June 2016 NEWSLETTER

June 8, 2016 MEETING – 7:30 p.m.

DOORS will open at **6 p.m.** Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Andrea Howell

Hello June! Birds, blossoms, BBQ's (back aches and broken nails from gardening, burned steaks when you run inside to get the salad, bites from mosquitoes). Frankly summer is not my most creative time of year in terms of production, but there is a ton of inspiration for future projects in the craft fairs and quilt shows and garden tours. If I create nothing else in the next two months, I hope at least to produce something useful at our summer charity/ bazaar project meetings. Lots of folk are away for these sessions, but if you are in town, come join us because we do have fun working together and our promise to make quilts for Fort McMurray under Sally's leadership can use lots of helpers.

At this writing, the trip to Ailsa Craig is only hours away. I am quite sure the members and guests will enjoy both the Quilt Festival and the shop hopping.

Again I would like to thank the Guild for entrusting me with the President's job this past year. A strong and reliable executive and our enthusiastic members made the task fun and rewarding. All the best to Pat and her new team.

Enjoy your summer.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Pat Stuckless

I am looking forward to the "new year" on the guild calendar.

PAST PRESIDENT – Wendy Dines

Past President's Challenge

To keep the identity of the maker incognito, please, bring it to me in an opaque bag that covers it entirely. There shouldn't be anything on your entry with your name or other identifier. I will be in the hall just inside the west entrance of the church.

There will be a number of categories and lots of prizes. Judy Messenger has agreed to assist in sorting and counting the ballots as the prizes will be awarded based on YOUR choice.

PROGRAM—Anne Sarsfield and Sherry Davidson

When you agree to do Program for the Guild, you know it is going to be a big commitment, but what you may not know is that it also comes with great rewards.

It allows you to meet and build relationships with new people, foster teamwork, make decisions, solve problems, make recommendations, have fun, and so much more.

We know that Kiyomi Sakamoto and June Basu-Roy will do a great job for 2016-17, and thank them so much for taking on the job!

LIBRARY - Nadine Wright

The library will be closed for the June party. Books may be returned to Nadine if you wish.

MEMBERSHIP – Catherine Richardson

We have 48 members and this year, we sent a card of condolence to Marilyn Murphy. To date 19 members have paid for the upcoming year and membership renewal forms will also be available at the June meeting. If all the members could try to pay the \$40.00 fee by June 30, 2016, we would be very grateful. The membership form is attached.

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 socials in June and December.

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

As is the tradition, the June Meeting is Party Time for PNQ members. Help us celebrate by bringing along a Dessert to share, your plate, mug, fork and spoon. Coffee and Tea will be provided. Make sure you bring a pen or a pencil!

BAZAAR –Valerie Strand and Liz Taylor

As some of you may know, Liz has bought a beautiful home outside of Toronto that will no doubt keep her very busy, over the coming months. Given how all encompassing a move can be, we wondered if there was someone else who would like to be part of our little Bazaar team for this year, to offer an extra pair of hands, eyes and ideas, over the coming months, to help cushion the lead up. Thanks 😊

At the last meeting you may recall Liz and I showed you examples of a baby blanket and shoe bag that we have been working on, our first ideas for Bazaar items. There are a few other ideas on the burner and we will have a cut and sew session in August which will include these items. The shoe bags will be sliced up in kit form and I will try to have a few available for June/July. We welcome anyone's artistic endeavours via their own contributions of items, seasonal or otherwise. If anyone would like material I have some of the Guilds samples including several metres of Christmas fabric. There are two new Halloween hangings to be sewn and quilted (for our October sale meeting) and several kits of baby items and Advent Calendars left over from last year. All of the above will appear at June meeting.

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 www.pnqg.ca. 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 webmaster@pnqg.ca.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS –Judy Beca

I just want to thank those who picked up Baby Quilt kits. More kits will be available at the next meeting.



TREATS -Gail Lockington

Since the next meeting is the June social no tea and coffee and no break from the party. Thanks to Bev Moffett, Sherry Davidson, Maureen Merrill for bringing the treats in May and a big thanks to those who have or will offer to bring treats in the coming months,

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. From Liz Taylor – pictures from the Ailsa Craig bus trip. (Thank you Liz)*





2. *As requested by the participants in the last workshop – ladies, I present Sandra Green’s recipe for Sweet and Sour Sauce -especially good on meatballs! Enjoy and thank you Sandy.*

1/4 cup of vinegar,
1/4 cup of brown sugar
1 teaspoon of Worcestershire Sauce
1 teaspoon of Soy Sauce
1/2 cup of pineapple juice
1/4 cup of water

Mix above in a pot until hot

Mix 1 1/2 tablespoons of corn starch with a little water and mix with sauce until it is shiny. Pour over

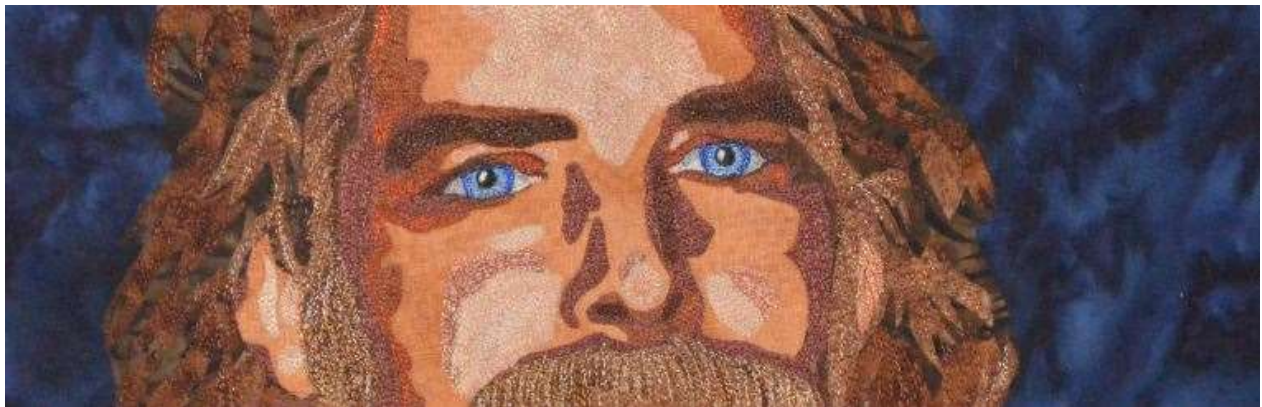
cooked meatballs and simmer until ready to serve.

The recipe can be doubled and I often use a tin of pineapples for the juice and also throw in some pineapple pieces. I buy meatballs, usually Blue Menu Swedish Meatballs from Loblaws. Enjoy.

3. [*A Feast for the Eyes – Maureen Merrill*](#)

As this is my final newsletter before handing over the reins to the ever capable Shelley Keyser, I thought that I would show just a few of my favorite quilts from the artists featured over the last two years. In no particular order please enjoy the following masterpieces.

Marilyn Lee



Lorraine Roy



Cathy Wiggins



Bethanne Nemesh



And finally, my favorite quilt in all the world "Fly Me To The Moon" by Jerry Granata



4. Show and Share April







5. [*Our Featured Speaker*](#)

As it was the AGM last month there was no featured speaker.

6. [*Quilt Tips – Maureen Merrill*](#)

See attached article on “Social Networks for Quilters”. Enjoy!

7. [*Pets Who Quilt*](#)

For this my final newsletter I thought I would show all the pets who, in the past two years, have taught us all a thing or two about quilting and continue to teach us about life and what really matters.

Natalie’s Mr. Gray and Mr. Silver



Anne Howell's Quinn



Bev Moffet's Sunny



Wendy Dine's Black Jack



Sherry Dovidson's Suki



Eric Rao's Spencer and Trevor



Valerie Strand's Charlie



Flo Blanchard's Squishy



Liz Taylor's Mojo



Last but not least, my (my being me - Maureen Merrill) very own Hamlet and Lady Macbeth leaving cat hair all over the Sherry Davidson's Superman quilt and not really giving a damn.



BULLETIN BOARD

a. Events

1. Quilt Canada - Quilt Canada 2016 –June 15-18 -International Centre, Mississauga – from our CQA rep Bev Moffett

Quilt Canada 2016 runs from June 15 to 18, hours are 9:30 am to 6:00 pm Wednesday to Friday and 9:30 am to 5:00 pm on Saturday. Tickets to attend are available at the door: \$18.00 per day or \$55.00 for a multi-day pass. Lecture costs vary from \$15.00 to \$35.00; advanced registration is advised. Workshops are available for one- or two-day sessions at a variety of skill-levels and costs; advanced registration is advised.

Along with an exceptional array of workshops and lectures, a large Merchant Mall and a number of invitational quilt exhibitions, the National Juried Show is the crown jewel of Quilt Canada. Quilts featured in the show are Canada's best; they represent the most current designs and innovation in quilting. Quilters and non-quilters alike will be impressed by the workmanship and ingenuity of quilting in Canada.

2. Quilts at the Creek – July 23 and 24

It's time to plan for summer!

Save the weekend of July 23 & 24th for us! Quilts at the Creek organizers have been busy preparing for another great outdoor quilt show at Black Creek Pioneer Village. Hopefully you are working on a quilt for the "Blue By You" challenge. Feel free to enter more than one quilt in the show, and remember: we accept any style of quilt, and it does not need to be a "new" quilt, just new to us. Applications are online, but you can also download a form and mail it in. Your quilts are what make the show such a success, so keep them coming.

Workshops:

We have opened up registration for Kathy Doughty's workshops - 4 days!- but remember you are not registered until we receive your cheque. Kathy is also doing a trunk show (with wine and cheese reception!) the evening of Wednesday, July 20th at North York Public Library auditorium (5120 Yonge St) tickets are available to purchase. Details on the blog: <https://quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com/>

Other events:

And remember the other ongoing events: several trunk shows on-site daily, a vendor marketplace, and our own Shop 'Round the Corner where if you enter a quilt you can sell quilt-related items. Drop off points are listed on our blog, and we are happy to work with you on getting your quilt to the show if that is an issue.

Q@C will be at CreativFestival and CQA in the next few months- drop by to say hi and get your bookmark. This year we are offering one free entry with one paid entry, so bring ALL your friends, quilters and non-quilters alike. The offer is on the bookmark so don't lose it!

All this information and more can be found on our blog:

<https://quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com/>

See you soon, and happy quilting!

3. CQA: Reminder - registration is now open for non-members for Quilt Canada workshops **June 15-18, 2016**. Good News: Quilt Canada is returning to Toronto June 14-17, **2017!**

4. The Canadian Quilters' Association/Association canadienne de la courtois **Quilt Canada 2016** will take place June 15 to 18 at The International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd, Mississauga.



5. Fibre Content 2016 See attached comments regarding Fibre Content 2016. Thanks Wendy Dines for the info.

Hello Fibre Content followers

We know how much you enjoyed coming to see the Fibre Content 2014 show at the Art Gallery of Burlington.

You kindly filled out your personal information on our viewer's choice ballots which we have used to send you this message.

*The next biennial show, **Fibre Content 2016**, will be on display at the Art Gallery of Burlington from September 8 to 18, 2016.*

You might appreciate the attached 2016 Call for Entry Details for yourself or others you know who are interested in submitting their work.

Our website will be ready to accept entries by April 1st and the submission deadline is May 31, 2016.

There are no theme requirements, no size restrictions, all work must be created within the last 5 years and of the artist's own design.

We have also attached a Save The Date poster to help spread the word about the next show.

We hope you are pleased to receive the details of this upcoming show and opportunity. IF you are a Facebook person, then please visit and LIKE our page Fibre Content: Burlington 2016.

Best regards

*Robynne Cole, Show Manager and
Dwayne Wanner, Show Chairman*

- b. [Member Blogs](#) - Any members with a blog can list it here.
- c. [Trading Post](#) - Members wanting to buy, sell or recycle for free quilting related

items may submit their information to Maureen Merrill at newsetter@pnqg.ca. The information will be included in the next newsletter.

As some of you may know I (again – I being me – Maureen) follow or am a member of a number of sewing/quilt related groups on Facebook. At the request of some of the members I have put together a list of sewing/quilt related Facebook groups that allow members to list items for sale. There are a number of buy/sell groups that are not sewing related and if anyone is interested send me an e-mail and I will pass on the names. These groups all require you to become a member before you can post but that is just a formality. Joining is as simple as making a request and being admitted to membership. And, it works. I am slowly selling off all of my swimsuit fabric. Once my bikini days left me in the dust I saw no need for this kind of fabric. I also have listed lots of rayon, faux suede and tricot/lingerie fabric if anyone is interested.

Canada Fabric Destashers: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Canadafabricdestashers/>

Canadian Quilters, Sewists & Crafters Marketplace:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/canadianquiltersandsewersmarketplace/>

Canadian Vintage & New Sewing Machines Chat, Buy & Sell:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1758234404410704/>

- d. **Newsletter** - 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 newsetter@pnqg.ca.

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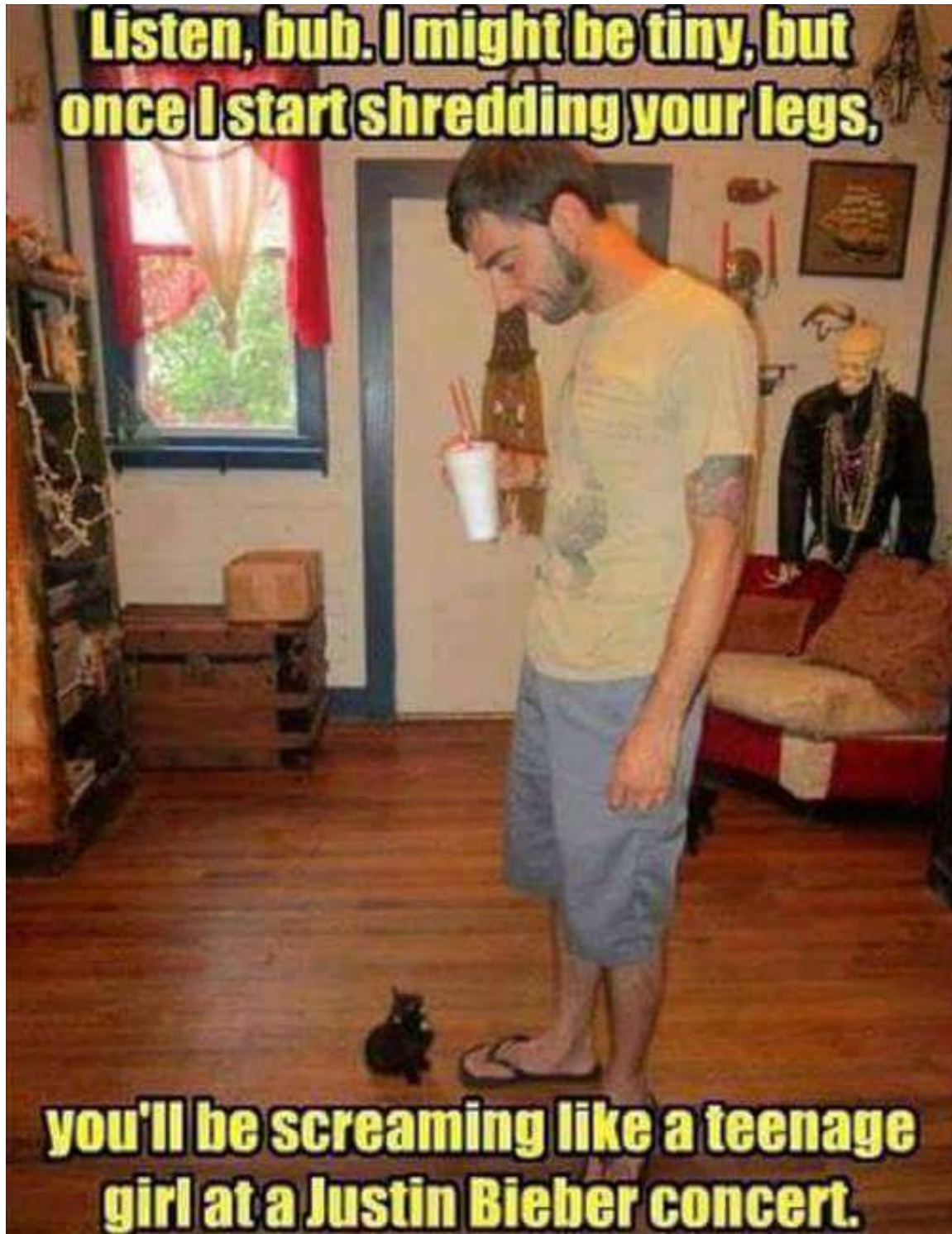
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Your new board will be feted in the next newsletter.

Ladies, this is my swan song. It has been my pleasure.



AND A FINAL THOUGHT



(Again with the cat lady stuff – last time)