



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

DECEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 10 MEETING – 7:00p.m.

DOORS will open at **6:15 p.m.** Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Wendy Dines

November marked yet another successful Christmas bazaar - from all reports, Guild sales ensured we continue to be very financially healthy. The 'Three Musketeers' - Sherry Davidson, Michiko Petrick and Judy Murakami - are to be commended on the outstanding job of organizing kits, completing many themselves and coming up really creative items to make & sell/purchase! Many, many thanks! December's meeting will be a 'social' pot luck with the Guild 'giving' to the wider community in the form of book bags & books. This is a time for everyone to kick-back and get to know fellow Guild members. If you haven't had a chance to make a book bag - never fear - I made a good half dozen as have others in the Guild. Bringing a book bag &/or books is NOT a pre-requisite for attending this event. I hope to see most of you on the 10th of December.

A reminder for the POT LUCK contribution - check the food allergy & sensitivity list and do your best to accommodate them when you make your dish.

Please think about how you can actively volunteer to make a great Guild even better - we need someone to 'shadow' Melanie as well as an individual or group to coordinate the items for next year's bazaar.

PAST PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE - Martha Huffman

I had the opportunity to visit the Houston International Quilt Show for one day this fall and it was an amazing experience. A day wasn't nearly long enough to take in what the show has to offer...hundreds and hundreds of beautiful quilts exhibited, courses offered from well-known quilters, vendors selling anything you can imagine related to quilting, etc. etc. I've attached a photo of some of the amazing red & white quilts hung in celebration of their 40th (ruby) anniversary. It gives you an idea of the scale of this show. I've already told my son and daughter-in-law to reserve the guest room for me next year so that I can visit the show for an extended amount of time.



PROGRAM - Andrea Howell

Looking to the new year, we will require volunteers to demonstrate an interesting technique or clever idea for our February Round Robin evening. If you have not shared your talent with the Guild, now is the time to step up and teach us something new. Contact me at andreahowell@sympatico.ca or 416 4238695.

In March we have Elaine Quehl. Elaine is a teacher, designer and dyer known for showing light and shadows in her famous "Hosta" quilts.

In April we can look forward to learning about combining beads and other embellishments in our quilts from Kyomi.

Draw

Remember to wear your name badges. The next draw for a fabric prize will be at the December holiday celebration for the ballots collected at the July to December meetings.

LIBRARY - Nadine Wright

The library will be closed for the December meeting as traditionally done during our seasonal celebration. If you wish to return books, please do so. Also, please find the attachment, Library Listing, a listing of books available to you. Note that some books have been deleted. Some were sold at the October meeting, a few appear not to have been returned. The listing will be updated from time to time. Note the Legend on the last page - an attempt to classify the content to get a handle on the variety of topics covered and to enable easier purchasing. Suggestions are always welcome

MEMBERSHIP - Noreen Deeley

Our Membership numbers now stand at 46. We welcome one new member this month – Adriana Gruszka. The updated list is attached.

Members who attend, and wear their name badges, will have one final chance to add their names to a ballot slip, for the fabric prize draw.

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

Our Sympathies

On behalf of the Guild, a condolence card has been sent to Judy Tiivel, whose husband died recently and to Shelley Keyser whose mother left us on November 26.

The thoughts of the entire Guild are with you both at this difficult time.

SPECIAL EVENTS – Melanie Leitch

1. Youth Assisting Youth

Please return your book bags to Melanie at the December meeting. Representatives of the group will be at the meeting to collect the items. Some pictures of the finished product are attached as pdf files (thanks Anne Sarsfield). In addition if you have any new or gently used children's books (ages 6-12) to donate please bring those as well. Thank you to all you put together kits and assisted in making this a successful event.

2. December Social

Come and enjoy the camaraderie of the potluck dinner regardless of whether you have made book bag(s). If you are not sure what to bring call me (Melanie) for suggestions or just bring whatever takes your fancy (preferably not a dessert as we are sweet enough already). Please bring your own dishes to

use. Also if you have a moment, it would be helpful if you could list the ingredients in the dish you are bringing.

NOTE THE EVENING'S FESTIVITIES WILL START AT 7 PM.

BAZAAR -Sherry Davidson with Judy and Michiko

Judy, Michiko and I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every guild member for making this year's Pieceful Night Bazaar not only a success but providing us with not only a challenge but a lot of fun. The generosity of the members for their time and effort is so appreciated. Many surprised and delighted us when beautiful articles were delivered made from the guild member's own "stash". As well, the summer workshops were well attended and most successful. The kits we provided disappeared from the meetings and returned for the sales.

The pre-sale to the members at the October meeting (\$825.00) and the November Church Bazaar (\$1,200) were a financial success. We submitted items into the York Heritage Boutique and are awaiting proceeds of \$325.00.

At the December social we will offer some beautiful item for your shopping pleasure and just in time for that Christmas gift for hostess, family or friend!

Thanks again and enjoy the attached pictures.

Sherry, Michiko and Judy
The Three Muskateers of Pieceful Nights





TREASURER'S REPORT – Florence Blanchard

Attached is a report on the 2013-14 Year End financial statements.

Also attached are the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2014 in PDF format.

PNQG WEBSITE - Judy Messenger, Webmaster

Take a look at it! Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild now has a website with 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

Placemats for Community organizations such as Meals on Wheels can be given to Gail Lockington.

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

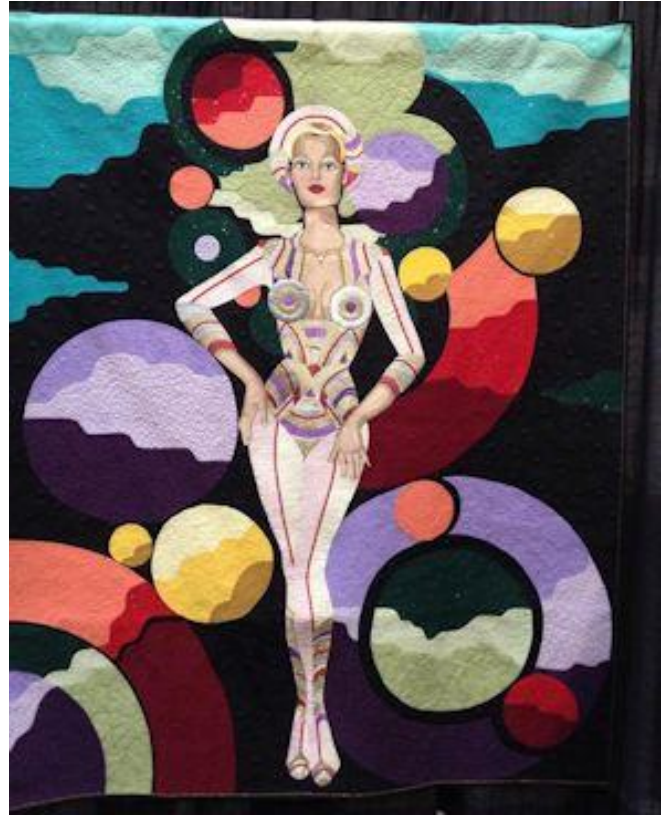
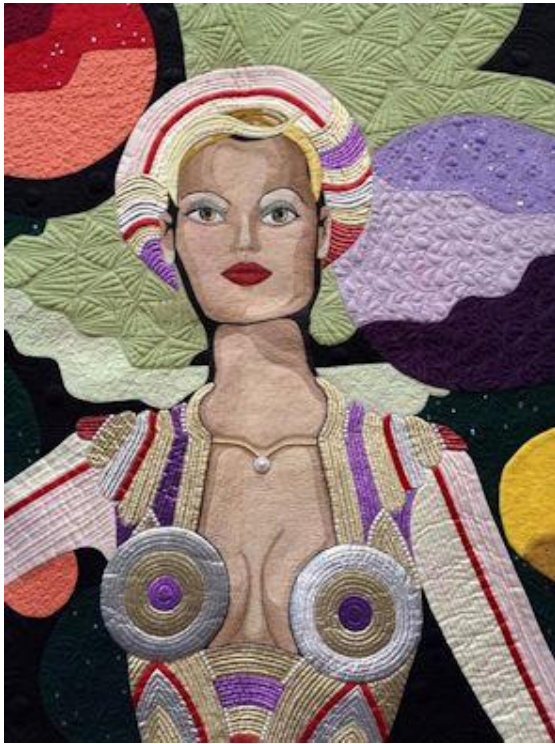
December). A fee of \$5 is charged for each meeting.

FROM OUR MEMBERS

1. A Feast for the Eyes – Maureen Merrill

This month I am attaching some pictures of some art quilts made by a quilter out of California named Jerry Granata. Jerry is a prize winning quilter whose works have been featured in many quilt shows and who is much sought after as a teacher. Three of his works are pictured below; Samson and Delilah, Faith Rising and Fly Me To The Moon. I follow him on Facebook so often get to see his work as it is being completed. Enjoy.





2. Quilting Notes

Attached is an article from on the trials and tribulations of tearing out those pesky seams, like we ever need to do this!

3. Pictures from October's Meeting

a. Show and Share





b. Carla Alexiou – our November speaker and textile artist extraordinaire





4. Samaritan's Purse/Shoebox Project.

Melanine and her Mom would like to thank you all for the contributions to this project. With your help she was able to put together 17 kits.

BULLETIN BOARD

Events

1. Quilts at the Creek - Black Creek Pioneer Village - July 18 & 19, 2015.
2. Quilt Canada - Lethbridge, Alberta - June 4-6, 2015

National Juried Show 2015

It's open! The **2015 Call for Entry** is now a *'live'* link at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2015.php>. Enter your quilt(s) today!

Quilt Canada Blogspot

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



3. Textile Museum Blowout Moving Sale



FABRIC SALE

BARGAIN BOLTS! A Blowout Moving Sale

Friday December 5 from 11 am to 6 pm
 Saturday December 6 from 11 am to 5 pm

The TMC Volunteer Association is moving from 401 Richmond and they're cleaning out their closets. Come find a huge selection of fabric, upholstery bolts, decorator samples, books, buttons, beads, and other treasures all at blow-out prices.

LOCATION
 401 Richmond, Suite 1B
 The South-East corner of Richmond St W
 and Spadina Ave.



Member Blogs - Any members with a blog can list it here.

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.

Newsletter - - Members are welcome at any time to submit 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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AND A FINAL THOUGHT



**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR
EVERYONE!**