



Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild of North Toronto

Armour Heights Presbyterian Church, 105 Wilson Avenue, Toronto
7:30 p.m. - second Wednesday of each month

APRIL 2014 NEWSLETTER

APRIL 9 MEETING - 7:30 p.m.

DOORS will open at **5:30 p.m.** Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

PROGRAM - "The Domestic Goddess", as she calls herself (and her website) AKA **Beth Cameron**, will describe her long association with fabric and quilting. She is registered as an instructor with CQA, designs patterns and teaches several classes. Her quilts are wildly colourful and whimsical and I think we will enjoy her talk.

Humewood House Baby Quilts - a representative will be at this meeting to receive the baby quilts that Guild members have made this year as our Community Outreach project. If you still have a baby quilt(s) to donate, please bring them to the meeting so they can be included in the presentation.

SHOW AND SHARE - Bring your projects (completed or in progress) to show and share with the membership.

REFRESHMENTS - Judy Messenger, Judy Beca, Helen Crooke

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a disappointment that 'Ol Man Winter' prevented us from meeting in March! Rumour has it, however, that the speaker, Deb Fawcett, will be on the roster for the fall!

Guild member, Kiyomi Sakamoto has offered to run a **beading workshop** for the Guild at a minimal charge of \$10 - \$15. She indicated to me that she is prepared to teach us what we want to learn: that is to say, she is open to your input for what

she teaches! A survey on the number of people who would be interested and a possible month for this to be held will be circulated at the April meeting.

If you haven't already gone to the exhibit entitled "**From Geisha to Diva: the Kimonos of Ichimaru**" at the **Textile Museum**, you might want to put it on your calendar. The kimonos are stunning and in April and May there are a number of special events related to the exhibit (<https://www.textilemuseum.ca>). You have until May 25th; free passes can be obtained from the Toronto Public Library under their "PATH" programme. Wendy Dines.

PAST PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE – a "**Sawtooth Star**" block is due at the **May meeting**. I still have some pre-cut centres available if you haven't picked up one or if you've made one and want to make more with different fabric combinations please see me at the April meeting. I have instructions (if you've misplaced them) that I can email to you or I'll have a few copies at the meeting. I'm really looking forward to seeing the array of colour/print combinations that everyone has created for the May meeting.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE BAZAAR

A big thank you to those members who have taken kits to complete for the Bazaar. It is most satisfying to know that the items so generously completed if not sold will be donated to our ongoing charities where needed. Thus none of our work will go to waste.

This is my first year with this Guild as it is for Judy Murakami and it is a pleasure to see such giving spirit amongst all the members. To know that the preparation for the Bazaar will not only result in great speakers at our meetings but also will keep giving to our charities is heartwarming.

The Board has consented to our making the October guild meeting a pre-sale to our members before it becomes a sale to the public in November. We see this as a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping, pick up a much needed quilt as a gift for a new Mom or a grandchild.

And the LATEST news – the Board has now consented to make this October meeting an open house event. Feel free to invite a friend, neighbour, relative, etc. There will be no guest fee and they are welcome to shop the goodies at the pre-sale. Once they experience our guild they may even wish to join.

Michiko, Judy and I will be replenishing the kits and projects and hope that you will take something home to complete over the summer. We are trying all sorts of new ideas and as such we hope to provide a selection of kits with more variety and less duplication.

And again thanks from this years team – Michiko Petrick, Judy Murakami and Sherry Davidson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PNQG Slate of Officers 2014–15

President	Wendy Dines
Past President	Martha Huffman
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Special Events	Melanie Leitch (assistant required)
Program	Andrea Howell (assistant required)
Library	Nadine Wright assisted by Judy Beca
Bazaar	Sherry Davidson, assisted by Judy Murakami & Michiko Petrick
Refreshments	Michiko Petrick
Nominating Committee	Martha Huffman (chair), Gail Lockington, Helen Crooke

NEXT MEETING

May's meeting is the AGM, but we have added some spice to the evening by inviting two vendors to be available before and after the meeting. **Grantham books**, who has visited PNQG before will return and **Mariam Brisland** will bring oodles of lovely fat quarters from her enormous collection of 100 percent cottons (which she uses to make table clothes and napkins). All attendees will be given free draw tickets for gift certificates to use that evening with either of these vendors, so plan not to miss this one!

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

MEMBERSHIP – A condolence card has been sent to Carole Brown following the death of her husband Bob. A card has been sent to Joyce Dawson who is recovering from surgery.


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.


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.

NAME BADGES – Remember to wear your name badge – you may be a lucky winner in June.

QUILTING NEWS – THE JOY OF LONGARM QUILTING: Judy Messenger, Judy Beca, Bev Stevens and I attended a wonderful workshop hosted by Sandy Lindal where we were introduced to her amazing machine. Sandy patiently explained the set up of the machine and over the course of the day we all had hands on experience trying different patterns and methods which resulted in 2 finished quilts for Community Quilts. At the end of the day we were all hooked! Sandy is offering not only to instruct interested quilters to use the machine but the opportunity also to rent time to complete our own quilts. Our thanks to Sandy for a great day. Sherry Davidson

BULLETIN BOARD


 June 11–14 – **CQA Quilt Canada 2014** will be held in St. Catharines, ON. To register visit the Quilt Canada website at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2014.php>.


 April 26–27 – **Knitter's Frolic**, Marketplace: Saturday 9:00–4:30, Workshops: Saturday 9:00–5:00, Sunday 10:00–5:00. The Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, <http://downtownknitcollective.ca/>.


 April 24, 25 & 26 – **"Piecemakers Quilt Show 2014"**. Pyramid Recreational Center, 317 James St. S., St. Marys, ON.

 May 19–24 – **Quilts of Great Britain**, Ailsa Craig, ON

 November 14 & 15 – "York Heritage Quilters Guild – **A Celebration of Quilts XII**". At the Toronto Botanical Gardens.

 **Member Blogs** – Any members with a blog can list it here. Judy Messenger – <http://jmstitching.wordpress.com/>

 **"Trading Post"** – Members wanting to buy, sell or recycle for free quilting related items may submit their information to beverleymoffett@gmail.com.

 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**.

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