



Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild of North Toronto

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

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

MEETING – NOVEMBER 13– 7:30 p.m.

Doors will open at 4:30 p.m. Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

Program – Come prepared to try Japanese Wagashi at the November meeting. Don't worry it's not a martial art but the art of fabric folding to create flowers that can be used to embellish quilts, totes, etc. Please bring scissors and a needle.

Show and Share – Bring your projects (completed or in progress) to show and share with the membership.

Refreshments – Shelley Keyser, Noreen Deeley, Joyce Dawson

President's Message – The speaker, Carla Alexiuk gave a wonderful trunk show – the variety and breadth of techniques that she has mastered and teaches is impressive.

A reminder to put your items for 'Show & Share' on the display areas when you arrive so there is ample time for the membership to take a close look (signage will be on the benches and tables).

Please consider joining the organizational team to ensure the smooth operation of your Guild – we need a Bazaar Coordinator, shadows for Special Events & Programs. It is not too early or late to find out what these people do and step up. Wendy Dines, President.

Bazaar – Saturday, November 9 – Once again this year, PNQG joins other vendors at the Armour Heights church bazaar. Please tell family and friends – or better yet, bring them around for some great holiday shopping! There will be lots of wonderful items for sale again this year, so hope to see you there. Anne Sarsfield, Bazaar Coordinator.

Show and Share from October – two wonderful block swap applique quilts made by Sandy Green and Joy Takahashi. Beautiful!



Special Events – December 11 meeting – Choose a teddy bear or stuffed animal and make a quilt for it. It can be any size, colour or pattern, or any type of stuffed animal. Pop it into a gift bag and bring it to the meeting in December. Better still, make more than one! Organizations prefer new rather than gently used toys, so please leave on the tags and if it comes in a bag, don't remove it.

This year our gifts will be donated to two different organizations: Youth Assisting Youth (www.yay.org) and Humewood House (www.humewoodhouse.com), where our baby quilts are going this year. If you wish, you may indicate on your gift where you would like to donate it. This is a guild project that has brought much joy to us as we make these cuddly items, and to the children who receive them.

Workshop – Martha Shellingerhoud who did a trunk show last January will be returning to the Guild to give a workshop on **Mar 22, 2014** to teach her method of 'quilt as you go'. If you have questions, please contact Melanie Leitch, Special Events Coordinator, 416-781-5153.

Library – Thanks to Joy Takahashi and Shelley Keyser for presenting an evaluation of 4 books on modern quilting, newly purchased for our library, at the October meeting. This is a reminder that the following 4 books are now available for signup by interested quilters. They are: #133, **Oh Baby**, B. Henning; #134 **Dynamic Quilts**, B. Harvey; #135, **25 Ways to Sew**, B. Greenberg and #136, **Modern Quilts**, S. Woods.

Three more books were purchased at the Creative Sewing Festival to be added to the library this month. They are: #137, **Quilts Transparency**, W. Ringle & B. Kerr on modern quilts; #138, **Sew Embellished**, C. Lynch on embellishment, a topic not well covered by our collection; and #139, **Free-Motion Quilting**, A. Walters. The later book on free-motion quilting is extremely well-written with step-by-step instruction on specific patterns. I have not seen another as good as this reference on free-motion technique. Nadine Wright.

Guild Meeting Programs 2013-14

December 11 (Social) A sign-up sheet for pot luck items will be circulated at the November meeting.

January 8 – In January, Shirley Dawson will take us through her quilting journey from professional fashion designer to quilt maker. Shirley won the Best of Show prize at Quilts at the Creek this year and is a very imaginative lady with her fingers in many creative pies.

February 12 – February's meeting will be a return of our demo night and we need members to share a technique with the group, so please call or email me if you would like to do a demo. The gals who have volunteered for past sessions should get a chance to do the circuit themselves so let's get some new faces at the tables.

March 12 April 9 May 14 (AGM) June 11 (Just Desserts)

Retreat – Unfortunately not enough people have committed to attending the retreat at the Nottawasaga Inn in April, so it will be cancelled.

Community Outreach Projects – Just a reminder that the baby quilts we are making for Humewood House is an ongoing project and that some kits will be available at the meeting.

As well, placemats for Community organizations such as Meals on Wheels are always welcome. These can be given to Gail Lockington.


Membership – Total membership in the Guild is now 45. We have two new members: welcome Catherine Richardson and Judy Murakami. The revised 2013 – 2014 Membership List is attached to this email.


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.


Best Wishes – 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.

Name Badges – Each month that you remember to wear your name badge, your name will be entered in a draw. Twice during the year (December and June) we'll draw a lucky winner for a prize. So if you want to increase your chances – wear your name badge!

BULLETIN BOARD

 **For Sale** –AccuFeed Quilt-in-the-Ditch Foot and Janome AccuFeed Quarter Inch Foot fitting the Janome 6600 or Janome 7700 machines. I upgraded to a newer machine and these feet don't fit the model I now own. \$14.00 each. Instructions are included. Please contact Judy Messenger (416) 250-8710, jmessenger@dcommerce.com .

 **Call for Entry** <http://www.omas-siskonakw.org/> OMAS SISKONA of Kitchener Waterloo is a Grandmother to Grandmother group partnering with their African sisters to "turn the tide" of the AIDS pandemic in Sub-Saharan Africa. Artists are invited to create, in textile art, their expression and interpretation of hope, celebration and inspiration for African grandmothers working to turn the tide of the AIDS pandemic at the community level. They invite and encourage artists to donate their artwork in support of their cause. March 1, 2014 is the DEADLINE for delivery of entry form, fee(s), and digital entries.

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

 **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.

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(Projects Half Done)



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