



Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild of North Toronto

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

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

September 11 MEETING – 7:30 p.m.

Doors will open at **4:00 p.m.** Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew', and catch up with each other after the summer months.

Library – The library will be open at this meeting.

Program – Joyce O'Connell

Joyce O'Connell is an International Award Winning Quilt Artist who has a broad knowledge of both traditional and innovative quilting designs and techniques. She has been juried into many competitions and shows, and her work has been exhibited in Canada, the United States and England. She had a solo exhibition of her work "Bargello Inspirations" at the Waterloo Quilt Gallery in St. Jacobs, Ontario, where she exhibited many of her original Bargello designs.

For our meeting, Joyce will speak about "**The Story of the Underground Railroad Quilt Code**". Using a full size Underground Railroad sampler quilt, she will explain the quilt codes and how they were used along the route to freedom. To know more about this speaker you can visit her website www.joycequilts.com.

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

Refreshments – Nancy McCracken, Anne Sarsfield and Joy Takahashi.

Library – We are in the process of updating an inventory of the PNQG's library. To facilitate its completion, it would be helpful if PNQG members would return all outstanding books at the September or October meeting. If you are currently using a book and would prefer to keep it longer, that is fine. Just bring it along and Nadine will update the inventory at the meeting and return the book to you. It is hoped that after a thorough look at the contents of the library, we are better able to make budget and purchasing decisions. Thank you, Monika and Nadine.

President's Message – I hope everyone had a wonderful summer – with the exception of a week in both July & August when the temperatures & humidity were somewhat oppressive, I found the weather just so pleasant. I do not handle steamy hot weather well!! I look forward to seeing everyone at the first fall meeting – long-standing members and newcomers alike. We can look forward to another great year because Andrea Howell has been working hard to bring a slate of exciting speakers for our monthly meetings & the Special Events coordinator will be announcing the workshop topic & leader (she's already been booked! – 'Yeah, Melanie!'). I am always available to field suggestions and/or comments about your experience at PNQG – by email but preferably in person or by phone. Wendy Dines.

Meetings 2013-14

October 9 – **Carla Alexiuk** will talk about **traditional piecing excellence** with emphasis on easy ways of creating wonderful quilt tops from traditional block patterns. Carla has been teaching quilting in Northern Ontario for shops, guilds and retreats for 15 years. Her classes are geared toward the technical aspects of quilt making through fabric manipulation, design, value study, block drafting and piecing strategies. Look for her on Face Book at Quilting by the River.

November 13	February 12	May 14 (AGM)
December 11 (Social)	March 12	June 11 (Just Desserts)
January 8	April 9	

November 9 Bazaar – Two months to go and many items to inventory and price! Our hope is to start the process soon, so if you have been busy over the summer making items for the Bazaar, please bring them to the September meeting. If you'd rather be quilting than anything else, we'll have more kits and patterns at the meeting – maybe a chance to try new things? Please don't be shy about submitting your work and showing off your wonderful skills! Anne Sarsfield, Bazaar Coordinator.

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. Several people attended our August meeting to cut and sew and work on this project.

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

Members News – The 2013–2014 Membership List will be completed and circulated soon. Membership cards will be handed out at the October meeting. In case anyone is concerned, cheques have not been deposited to the bank yet.

If you are not going to be at the September meeting, please mail your information form, together with a cheque for \$40 to: Noreen Deeley, 22 Haslemere Road, Toronto, Ontario, M4N 1X5. Thank you for your co-operation.

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!


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.

For Sale -- Serger Model 905 – Includes Operating Manual and Multi-purpose, Gathering, Elastic and Piping Feet. Asking \$300 or b/o.

Bulletin Board

 Simcoe County Quilt, Rug & Craft Fair – Sept. 20–22 – Simcoe County Museum (5 min. North of Barrie)

 Magic of Cloth, Act V – Oct 19–20 – Orangeville, ON

 CQA Quilt Canada 2014 will be held in St. Catharines, ON. **June 11–14**. Go to the Quilt Canada website at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2014.php> to find all the links you will need to register.

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