

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

SEPTEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER

September 9 MEETING - 7:30p.m.

DOORS will open at **7 p.m.** Come early if you would like to 'sit and sew' and enjoy one another's company.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Andrea Howell

Sorry that I won't be joining you for the first official meeting of my term, but I have no doubt that Pat will handle things with aplomb. Will share with you that I did manage to fit my sewing machine into the car along with 2 "bazaar Kits" which I have been working on between dips in the lake. The PNQG board will meet on Sept. 16, 2015 so if there are any issues you would like us to consider, please forward them to one of the board members. As we had a successful and enjoyable night of making small Christmas ornaments for the bazaar at my house last year, we will repeat the activity on Monday Sept. 29 at 7:00. So that I can organize supplies and chairs, please let me know if you would like to come that evening. I am at 430 Broadway Ave., which is 3 blocks North of Eglinton and 1 1/2 blocks east of Bayview. The summer meetings were fruitful and fun and I thank Judy and Joy for all the effort they have put into creating kits and hauling all of the materials to the summer meetings. Both the bazaar and the MonW placemat project seem well in hand. I am sure there will be oodles of "summer made" show and share projects to appreciate at the Sept. meeting and I look forward to seeing the photos in the newsletter. Back to the lake.. see you soon.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Pat Stuckless

This year we are fortunate to have a Vice-President. Thanks from all of us for volunteering for this position Pat.

PAST PRESIDENT - Wendy Dines

Imagine your all-time favourite quilt block. There's a quilt block that speaks to each quilter's heart.......Is it a star? flying geese, pinwheels?

This exercise is your preparation for taking on the Past President's Challenge.....details will be announced at the October Guild Meeting.

PROGRAM—Anne Sarsfield and Sherry Davidson

Jeannie Jenkins is our guest speaker in September.

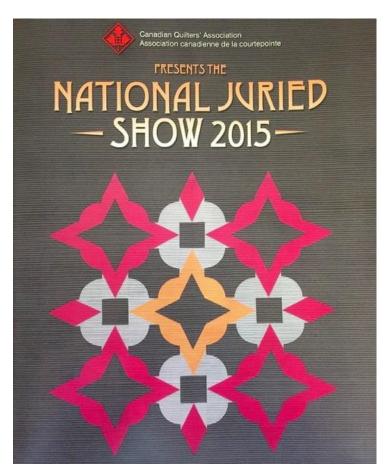
Jeannie Jenkins is a professional quilter who teaches traditional and non-traditional quilting in southern Ontario. A general design graduate of Ontario College of Art and Design (OCAD), Jeannie is a self-employed long-arm quilter.

Many PNQG members know Jeannie and will have benefitted from the many classes and workshops she has taught.

As you may be aware, CQA/ACC produces an annual magazine of its National Juried show entrants. This year, Jeannie's modern quilt, *Kaleido*, was chosen for the publication's cover. (see below) In her artist's statement, she indicated that with *Kaleido*, "I wanted to conquer curved piecing, Drunkards Path in particular. After playing around on EQ7 and creating numerous designs, I finally decided on this one."

Kaleido was also featured in the January/February 2015 issue of Quilty magazine.

Jeannie has a wonderful on-line presence as well: a beautiful Pinterest page with a 400+ following, a Facebook profile, as well as two blogs: *Out Of My Mind Designs*, *Itch'n2stitch*.



LIBRARY-Nadine Wright

The library will be open for the September meeting.

MEMBERSHIP – Catherine Richardson

A note from MEM - If you have not renewed your membership for this year please do so at the September meeting (I'm talking to you Maureen). 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 next social in June.

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

Nothing to report just yet but news of our plans will come in the fall.

BAZAAR –Judy Messenger and Joy Takahashi

We had a nice turnout during the summer months! Thanks to all of you who brought out your sewing machines and/or hand sewing supplies, bagged dinner and homemade snacks to make for a lovely evening of casual "community" togetherness. And, we put together some items for our fund raising bazaar and meals on wheels project for this coming fall! We were able to use the newly renovated basement for the August meeting.

Many thanks to the members who are making bazaar items of their own choosing - it's been fun seeing the variety of creativity amongst our group! We are targeting items that can be sold for an average price of \$10-\$20. Some suggestions are: holiday/or non holiday table toppers or decorations, napkin rings, door/wall decorations, tree ornaments, fabric jewellry, cases or bags (for cosmetics, jewellry, books, electronic devices, yoga mats etc.), yarn items such as dishcloths/scrubbies, scarves, headwear and quilting/sewing accessories such as pin cushions, thread bags, needle cases, scissor/cutter bags etc. Any other suggestions, please let us know!

After the success of last year's Pre-Bazaar sale, we will again be making the items available for members and their friends to purchase at our October 14th meeting. The guest fee will be waived, so invite your friends and family to shop, then stay for Sandy Lindal's presentation "Confessions of a Scrapoholic". If you have completed items that you haven't yet turned in, please bring them to the September meeting, so we can have time to price them. Donations will also be accepted at the October meeting, but it would be great if you can come early so we can include them in the sale.

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 – Shelley Keyser

Our collection of placemats and mug rugs for Meal on Wheel clients and volunteers continues to grow steadily. We're almost at the half way point to reach our target of 200 placemats for MOW clients and 100 mug rugs for the volunteers. Members dropped off a number of completed items with me during the July and August meetings - a number of items made from members' own stashes and a number of completed MOW kit items. Some MOW kits will still be available for you to pick up at the September meeting.

Thanks for all your contributions!



TREATS

Tea and coffee will be offered before the meeting and during our break. Thanks so much to the following members who have offered to bring treats:

September - Shelley Keyser, Noreen Deeley, Erica Ribeiro October - Sandy Green, Sally Elgar, Marilyn Murphy November - Helen Crooke, Flo Blanchard, Kiyomi Sakamoto

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's featured quilter is Lenore Crawford, a quilter from Midland, Michigan. In her own words:

After working in a medical laboratory and chemical research lab for many years, I decided to pursue art as a full-time endeavor. Creating art is my dream job.

I now walk up to my attic studio, and play with fabric and fabric paint as a "job"!

Currently I am teaching my fusing/fabric painting technique, using my patterns, plus other techniques.

I think you will agree she made the right choice when she made the decision to pursue her art. Here is the link to her website. http://www.lenorecrawford.com I highly recommend spending some time exploring her work. What I have included barely scratches the surface and you will truly be missing out on something special if you don't pay a visit. You will be inspired by her breathtaking artistry.





Marina's Garden, 2001

Ramparts of Yvoire, 2007 Judge's Choice at Road to California 2008



Monet's Garden Walk, 2009

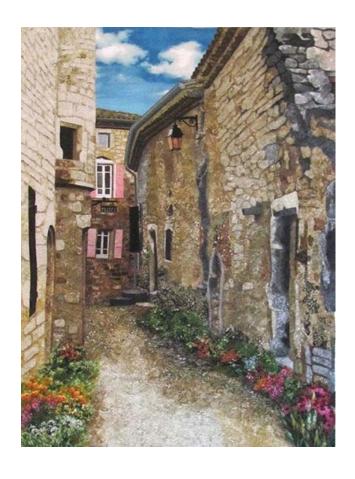


Winter Sky 2013



Monet's Lily Pond 2011

Best Wall Quilt Denver National Quilt Festival 2011



Le Poet Laval I, 2012

2. Pictures from the August Meeting (kindly taken by Judy Messenger in my absence)





a. Show and Share

We will be back with show and share in September.

3. Quilt Tips – Maureen Merrill

See attached article on how to join bindng ends.

4. Sit and Sew

Sit, sew, knit, chat and enjoy your own dinner starting at 5:00 until the meeting time. Generally, the sit and sew is for anyone who just wants to come early, to sew or knit and bring their dinner. It is not limited to guild members and everyone is welcome do their own work or work on guild projects or kits; whatever suits you.

We will keep you up to date for sit and sew events for the coming months.

5. Pets Who Quilt

As a new pet owner (two cats – Hamlet and Lady Macbeth) I thought I would start a new series on Pets Who Quilt. So send me your pictures of your pets helping you quilt or just helping. If you don't' have a digital copy bring me the print and I will scan and return. I will start the series with a picture of Hamlet helping me prepare this newsletter (you can see the PNQG logo on the screen) and Lady Macbeth climbing (again). Aren't they beauties! Send me pics of your beauties and they will have their 15 minutes of fame.



BULLETIN BOARD

- a. Events
- 1. Quilt Canada Quilt Canada 2016 June 15-18 International Centre, Mississauga

Quilt Canada Blogspot

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



- b. Member Blogs Any members with a blog can list it here.
- c. <u>Trading Post</u> 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.
- d. <u>Newsletter</u>- 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.

PNQG Board 2015-16

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AND A FINAL THOUGHT



In my case, sad but true!