



Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild

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News from the Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild
January 2017

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to Everyone

A new year is always a new beginning and we are no exception. We have three exciting new projects kicking off this month and I hope you will participate in at least one if not all three. Our Guild is celebrating 20 years in September and Canada is celebrating 150 years in July.

Unfortunately I will miss our meeting on January 18th as I am heading out to the UK to visit my family but I am looking forward to catching up in February. I think I will have plenty to do at the retreat.

Kate works hard to find different things to do at our meetings and February's "Merchant Mall" is a great way to clear out items from your sewing room, remember your throwaways are often someone's treasures. It will also give us the opportunity to see the home based

businesses many of our members run.

Lastly a huge thank you to Wanda and Joanne who always do a great job with the tea and coffee at our meetings. Wanda has suggested, for pot lucks, we put out long tables in the hall as opposed to the kitchen. Makes perfect sense, why didn't I think of that sooner! If you have any suggestions to make our meetings run smoother please let me know.

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JANUARY GREETERS

Maureen G & Micheline G

MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER REGISTRATION

1. 47 members braved the cold to attend our feast of plenty.
2. One returning member signed up again, welcome back Bohang B., bringing our membership up to 92.
3. 3 guests joined us for the evening.

Gift Certificate winners were:

- a. Country Folk – Ursula Y.
- b. Hamels – Barbara V.

Karlie, Karri, Carla



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WE CARE COMMITTEE

We had 12 quilts handed in at the December meeting – thank you!

We will have a sign-up sheet at the January meeting for the upcoming workshop.

Workshop: Saturday, March 4th

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Sardis Library – large multi-purpose room, 5819 Tyson Road, Chilliwack

Please bring - your lunch, a mug and your sewing and cutting tools.

Susan

PROGRAMS

JANUARY: 2017 is here - Happy 150 Birthday Canada! Quilt Canada is doing a special nationwide charity quilts project in celebration of Canada's 150th Birthday. For this month's program we will hear all about it, how PieceMakers members can get involved and we will get started on our guild's Canada 150 quilts.

FAT QUARTER DRAW

The theme for JANUARY is RED
and/or WHITE

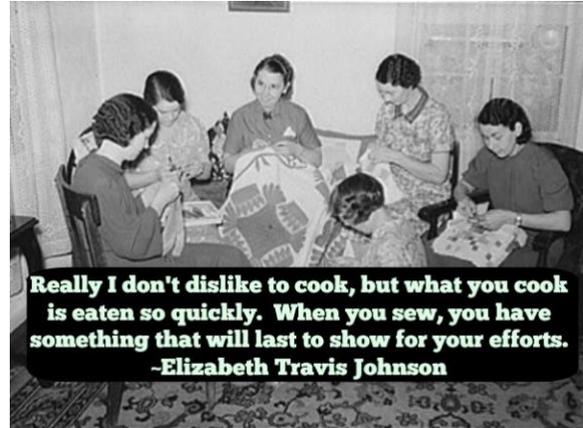
FEBRUARY: In February we are going to do a guild "MERCHANT MALL". Do you sell your quilted creations or fabric or notions or are you a quilting teacher or long-armed or a retreat host like me? Come sell your wares or promote your business at Merchant Mall night! We will talk more about this at our January meeting and have a sign up for those who plan to have a merchant table.

MARCH: We will have a great speaker for our March meeting Program. Lorna Moffat, of North Vancouver will be sharing the story of her artistic journey and showing some of her gorgeous printed silk scarves, stitched collaged purses, printed totes and more. You can check out her Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/lornamoffatdesign/>

Kate



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Hi, it's Kate Davies here, I run Sew Fabulous Creative Retreats for Quilters.

The holidays are over but I'm carrying on the giving spirit by making a special Buy One/Get One Free offer to Quilt Guild members. Get an extra retreat day for FREE on any retreats booked from now until May 30, 2017.

All you have to do to receive an extra day for FREE is spend a few hours of your retreat working on quilts for charity. I'll be working on slab blocks for Canada's Big Quilt Bee, but any

charity quilt work will qualify your retreat group for an extra day for FREE! It's a chance to treat yourself, and give to your favourite charity!

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2017 MYSTERY QUILT.

I'm back! This year it will be a shorter mystery but we will have fun, regardless!

First a few guidelines, the finished product will be rectangular or square, you may include as many colours or fabric as you wish.

Also, there will be a theme but "surprise" you will pick that theme out.

Go to your computer and select an art style, for example, art deco, abstract, realism, art nouveau, pointillism (good luck with that)

cubism or any other art style you wish.

Now using that art style you can do whatever you decide for layout. Will it be one piece, or maybe you will divide it into blocks, perhaps curves, it's up to you.

And for your first component you will add a tree, plant or some other type of foliage. Challenging enough? See you at the meeting.

Judi

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Attention Fellow PieceMakers

Our guild will be celebrating 20 years Young in September! (2017-2018)

We would like to invite you to participate in a fabric design challenge!

Get on your thinking caps and create a design. At a later date we will vote as a collective on our favourite. The chosen design will be printed on specially made fabric for our guild!

What does our guild mean to YOU? Draw, photograph, paint, stamp, (anything goes) and submit your idea on an 8½ X 11" piece of paper.

Design entries are due no later than our April Meeting.

Have questions? We will have a short presentation at the January Meeting.

Karri & Diane

LIBRARY REPORT

There are a number of books that have not been returned to the library, so members please check you sewing rooms, bookshelves and quilting spaces for any library books.

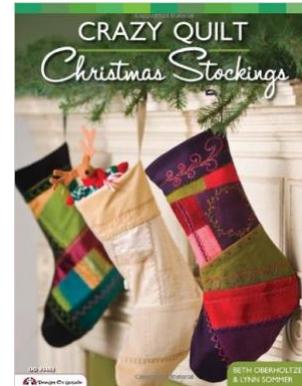
Remember there is a \$1.00 per month/per book late fee.

We have five new books this month, two with Christmas and winter projects, (to give you a head start on next year), one machine quilting, one hand quilting, and one with surface design ideas.

Don't forget to check Libib to look for books for your next quilting project.

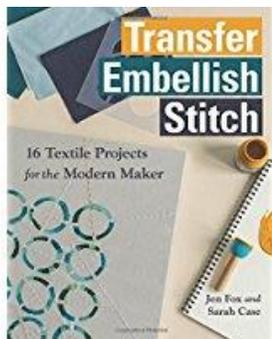
Library committee Diane, Naida, Cindy and Grace.

embellishments like paint, embroidery, and reverse appliqué. Then try your hand at 16 mix-and-match sewing projects from wearables to fun, useful gifts for the home.

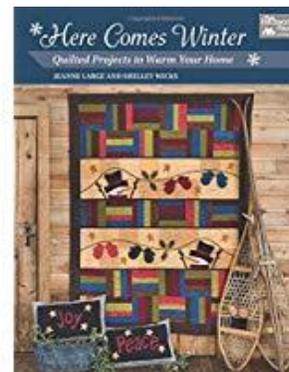


Learn how to combine fabric scraps to create holiday stockings the crazy quilt style with this easy-to-follow guide featuring a variety of projects.

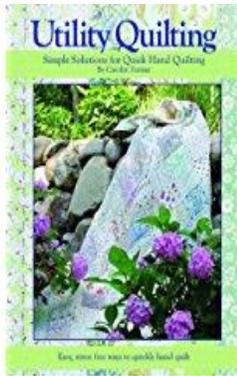
BOOK REVIEW



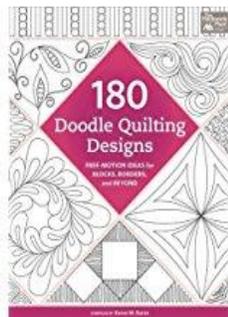
It's time for some hands-on surface design with your favorite surface — fabric! Transferring a motif is easy with 4 unique image transfer methods: stencil, transfer paper, freezer paper, and fusible web. Express yourself through unique



Inspired by the frosty winters of Saskatchewan, Jeanne Large and Shelley Wicks are back with more of the whimsical designs that have enchanted quilters around the world. This cheery collection is packed like Santa's sleigh with 20 festive projects.



This title introduces readers to utility quilting - an ideal method for modern quilters who want the satisfaction of hand quilting but like to get things done pronto. The volume includes 12 complete projects with step-by-step instructions.



When you're done piecing a quilt, do you often wonder how to finish it with free-motion quilting? Discover how to fill setting triangles, blocks, and borders with a variety of traditional and modern quilting designs, divided into chapters by style: Lines and Squiggles, Curves and Pebbles, Swirls and Feathers, and Just for Fun. This is a must-have book and lifelong reference for any quilter's library.

We would love it if more members contributed to the newsletter.

If you have something that you think that other members might enjoy – quilty stores/pictures/funny sayings/cartoon/pot-luck recipes/dates for an event - please email the information to janeeck@telus.net

The deadline is the Wednesday before the monthly meeting

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