



# Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild

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First Tuesday of the month at 7 pm:

September 5th 2023

October 3rd 2023

November 7th 2023

December 5th 2023

January 2 2024\*

February 6th 2024\*

March 5th 2024\*

April 2nd 2024

May 7th 2024

June 4th 2024

Zoom Meetings\*

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## President's Message

Heading into fall always has a sense of renewal for me. September marks the start of getting back to work or school in a serious way, as the heart of summer wanes. September also marks a fresh start for the Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild. We're back to business starting with our AGM. At the meeting this month, you'll hear about exciting new plans for the 10 months ahead, as well as some details about the 2024 Quilt show. I don't want to steal anyone's sunshine prior to our meeting by revealing any detail, but I think you are going to be impressed with the plans and quilting opportunities we will be offering. As always, I'd like to thank the members of our executive. They are a hard working group who are always thinking ahead about the guild, its future and its members. And if you have questions don't hesitate to come ask me or any member of the board. Happy Quilting! - Sharon G

## Agenda

### 2023 Sept 5th AGM

Welcome and call to order for AGM	Sharon
Confirm attendance / voting numbers	Sharon
Adoption of the agenda	Sharon
Approval of minutes from May 02, 2023 SAGM	Sharon
Approval of the financial statement 2022/23	Marlene
Approval of the Business Reviewer's Report 2022/23	Marlene
Approval not to appoint an auditor for 2023/24	Marlene
Adjourn	Sharon

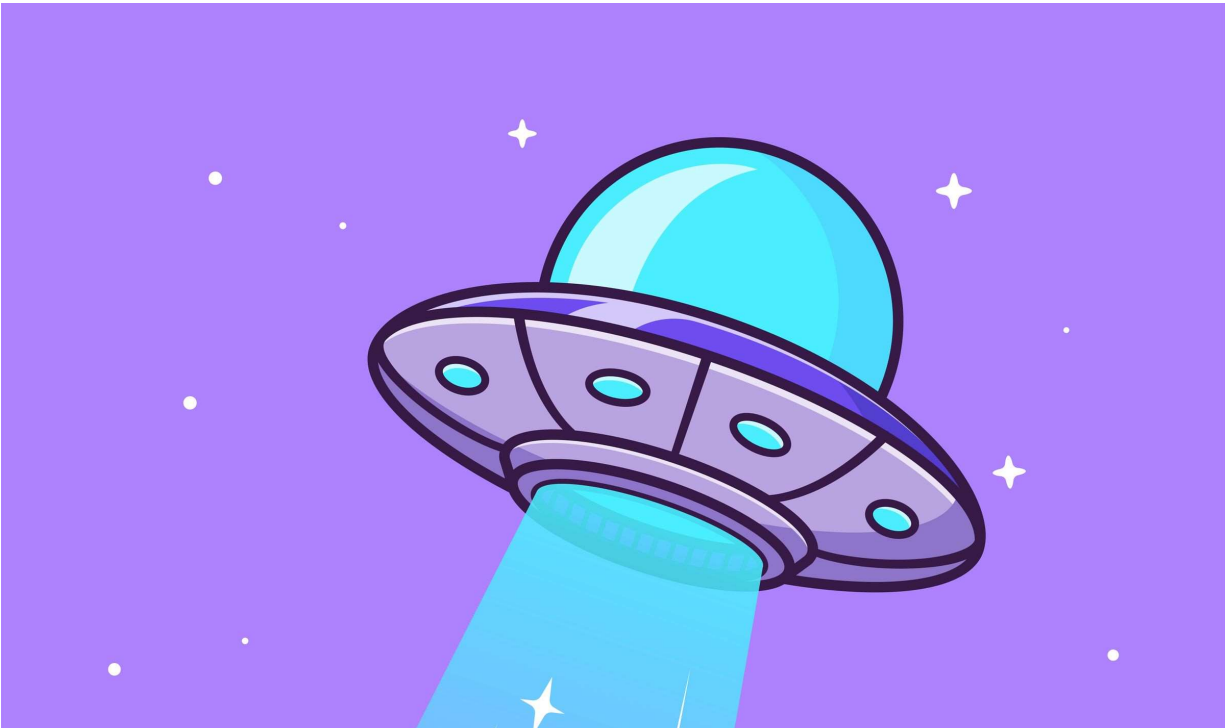
### General Membership Meeting Agenda

Call to order	Sharon
Introduction of September Program	Linda
Speaker - Christa Marcotte of 2nd Story Quilting - (45 mins)	
Upcoming Workshops	Jacque
Break	20 minutes
Upcoming Programing	Linda
Library	Dianne
UFO	Renee
Connecting Threads	Marlene
Quilt show report	Sharon/Tannis
Mystery Quilt	Tanis/Darlene
Show and Share	Everyone
Membership	Judy
Door Prize Draw	Judy/Sharon
50/50 Draw	Betty/Sheree
Adjourn	Sharon

Next meeting - October 3, 2023



# UFO Challenge 2023-24!



Welcome back! It's that time of the year to dig out those UFO's that have been "hanging" around waiting to get finished.

Definition of a UFO: a project started prior to Sept 1/2023. It can be in different stages from pieces all cut out to just needing binding. **Note:** a purchased kit will **NOT** qualify for the UFO category unless it has been cut or partially sown together.

The challenge will run from November 1/2023 and end June 1/2024. On an 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of paper, number and name your projects starting at 1 to however many projects you think you will finish by June 1/24. Also please include the perimeter of your project (ex. if project is 45 x 50, perimeter will be  $45+50=95 \times 2=190$ ).

Points will be awarded according to the perimeter. Deadline for entering will be Oct 28/23, this will give me time to make up the teams. Teams will be announced at the November Guild meeting.

When a project is completed you can send me an email to [wat2so@accesscomm.ca](mailto:wat2so@accesscomm.ca) or bring it to next Guild meeting. Also remember you get an extra point for putting a label on back of your quilt! - Renee Boomer



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August 28, 2023

Hello Quilters,

We have some exciting news! Starting in September, this newsletter will have a fresh new look and be arriving in your mailbox just once per month. If you enjoy reading about the Canadian quilting scene, hearing from other quilters like you, and keeping up with CQA/ACC events like **Quilt Canada** and Webinars, you will keep on enjoying this newsletter. And, of course, we know you love those puzzles!

Thank you, for your involvement with us through *Canada Quilts*. We love reading your responses to the Question of the Month, your opinions, and seeing the quilts you submit for the Jigsaw Puzzle.

See you next month! Lillian Perivolaris,  
Membership Director

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## VIBANK THREADS + TREADS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

A Community-Wide Event Featuring:

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Quilt Show, including: Craft Fair • Farmer's Market  
Quilt Vendors • Live Tutorials • Kid's Activities  
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. @  
Vibank Cooperative Community Centre (Rink)

Car Show - 9:00 a.m. on Blenkhorn St.  
Pancake Breakfast - 9:30 a.m. @ Senior Centre  
Bike Parade - 11:00 a.m.

Fall Supper - 6:00 p.m. @ Vibank Hall  
(Proceeds go to the Vibank Volunteer Fire Department; purchase  
advance tickets before Aug. 19 - Vibank Quik Stop, Vibank Town  
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## Guild Challenge for 2023-24 - Be Sustainable

The challenge this year is to repurpose fabric into something new. These fabrics can be used clothing, bedding, table linens, upholstery, etc. The quilted project must be made from at least 75% used materials with unused fabric scraps from your stash making up the remainder of the quilt. If you have to purchase any fabric for your project, it should come from a thrift shop, garage sale, etc.

The same rule will apply to the back of the quilt. Hint: bed sheets make great backing

The objectives of this challenge are:

1. Save household textiles from going to the landfill
2. Use found materials to create a work of art
3. Share your values regarding environmental responsibility



Your quilt or object must not be longer than 85 inches. It can be wearable, a quilted object, a bag, wall hanging, etc. Where ever your imagination takes you!

Include an index card describing how and what materials you repurposed to create your project.

All projects will be shown at the May 2, 2024 meeting. Each person will be given a number and Guild members will vote for viewer choice. **Please do not put your name on the front of your project or the index card.**

Projects will be displayed at the quilt show. - Linda Brumwell

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## Guild News

Bus trip to the S'toon Quilt Show, Friday Oct 27th, 2023  
We will leave the Southland Mall at 8am, stopping at the Northgate Mall and Lumsden to pick up anyone in that area.

Show admission is \$15 and Marlene will collect on the bus.  
We will leave S'toon to return home at 3:30pm.

Cost: \$45 (requires 40 people)  
Cash, cheque or e-transfer to:  
[ppmgtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ppmgtreasurer@gmail.com)

Name Tapes - \$10  
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The Carlyle quilt show is Sept 16 & 17 in conjunction with the Homespun Craft Fair.

The Quilt Show (non-judged) is in the Memorial Hall on Main Street and is 2 doors from Sew and Sew Quilt Shop and a few doors down is a really good bakery/coffee shop.

# Program Information

Christa Marcotte comes to us from Torquay, Sk. She is a busy woman who farms, raises a family, quilts and is a Sask. entrepreneur with her store, Second Story Quilting.

Christa likes unique and different ideas. Not knowing much about quilting, she started by making her son a quilt from scraps of fabric and has moved onto some fabulous quilts.

Christa believes that every quilt has a second story. Through her many travels she has discovered lots of new ideas and has discover many second stories for quilts.

## Second Story Quilting

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Library: Pat P, Mary O, Linda W &  
Debbie W



# Regina District Modern Quilt Guild (RDMQG)

The leaves are beginning to change colour and descend to the ground, kitchens have amazing aromas, produce is abundant... glorious colours, shapes and sizes are everywhere, the air is crisp and cool... sewing machines are shifting their summer covers and awaiting a little TLC, ready to tackle creative challenges for several months ahead... new fabric lines are appearing, interesting and exciting pieces are calling from fabric stashes, where rearranging isn't assigned to a specific season... schedules are being planned with time, creativity and sleep often in conflict. Snuggling under a warm, cozy quilt we can plan our next stitched artistry with new shapes, colours, techniques, old and new friends.

RDMQG will meet at the Queen City Kinsmen Clubhouse at 5215 14th Avenue for our next Sew Day on Sunday, September 17 from 9:00-5:00 pm.

Our Travelling Quilts are almost midway through their journey. What amazing blocks! New Group Challenges are under way.

Let the creative juices flow!

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Ruth B



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# 2023/2024 Fall Workshop Retreat & Zoom Sew Social Update

Let me start by saying, after carefully considering the information gained from the spring online survey and our June discussions, my team & I have come up with what we believe is a great workshop line-up for our 2023/24 session!!

Let me “talk” you through the Fall Workshops... get comfortable because this is gonna take more than a minute...

## Retreat Update:

At this time, it has been decided that we will look at all your feedback on retreats and Shannon will spend this next year locating a suitable venue to hold an in-city retreat that meets our wants and desires.

## Zoom Sew Socials:

Lynn will continue to host a monthly Zoom Sew Social. If you haven't tried it yet...consider jumping on zoom, if even for just a cup of coffee and a short visit. Valuable information is shared... sometimes completely by accident. The only change to the Zoom Sew Socials is the scheduling. Because of the scheduling conflicts with other workshops, instructors, the quilt show and personal scheduling conflicts, the Zoom Sew Social will not always be on the second Saturday of the month. That said, rest assured we will be reminding you of the date each month at the membership meetings, posted on our website and by email... Be sure to sign up ahead of time, so Lynn can get the zoom link sent out to y'all...

The Fall Socials are: 9am - 5pm  
September 16th  
October 7th  
November 11th  
December 9th



## Block of The Month Program:

You asked, and you shall receive!! We are offering the 6-month Heartfelt BOM program by Canadian designer Sandy Lindal from Scrappy Gal Quilt Company FREE to the PPQG members!!! How wonderful is that?? Your assigned PPQG BOM Co-ordinator will send out the monthly pattern packet and instructions via email on the 1st of the month. There will be a short in person meet-up prior to the guild meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6:30pm. She will host a one hour zoom tutorial on the 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7pm. And...you will also get a mid-project zoom meeting with Sandy Lindal to share your progress, receive advice, insight and encouragement from the designer herself!!

This program will run from October to April. What are the rules for the BOM you ask?

- You must be a PPQG member.
- You must sign up online through our website.
- The pattern is for your personal use only and not to be shared outside of the PPQG and
- You must be prepared to dig into your scrap buckets and have as much quilting fun as possible!!!



## **Workshops:**

Workshops will not always be held on the third weekend of the month for the same reasons as mentioned in The Zoom Update.

## **Important To Note:**

Registration for the Fall Workshops opens to the PPQG membership online at 9 am, September 6th . If you send in your request to register before 9am on September 6th, your email will not qualify for registration. Your spot is not guaranteed until payment is received. I want to remind everyone that, in order to get first dibs on these great workshops and take advantage of the reduced fees, you must be a paid 2023/24 member to register for workshops. This means, if you haven't paid your dues, you are a non-member. Non-member registration for Fall Workshops opens October 1st, 2023. Membership has its privileges, so make sure to pay your membership dues asap!

Workshop spots will be filled in the order that registration forms are received. There will be a waiting list once the workshop has filled, so sign up, because ya just never know... Life happens!

## **Fall Workshop Line Up (September to December):**

**September 29th & 30th** - We are kicking off the session by addressing the lack of social and knowledge interaction with a **Members Only Cheap & Cheerful Sew Social (\$15)!!** That's right not one, but two days of sewing and knowledge sharing! From 10am to 5pm each day we will be in the Victoria Square Mall's New Community Space for a relaxed fun day or two of sewing, mentorship and storytelling.

**Demos:** Linda mentioned that she has a love/hate relationship with flying geese so there will be a how to demo of this standard block. If there is something you would like to see demo'd, come talk to us at the workshop table, we will see what we can do to arrange that for you. While I won't make any promises (because I don't believe in making promises I can't keep) we will make every effort to address your requests. This workshop is meant to be a fun couple days of sewing! An opportunity to share knowledge and get to know each other a little better, while bonding over quilting. Quilters have big hearts and love to share, unless it's a favoured piece of fabric and then it's hands off buddy!! I strongly urge our new members and novice quilters to come out and play with the seasoned quilting veterans, as we impart a plethora of unsolicited advice!

**October 13th & 14th - Quick Christmas Gift Project (\$23) (Non-member \$33)** - Two full days of projects... not 1 but 4 projects... to wrap up and give away or selfishly keep for yourself!!! No judgement here!!

**Friday (October 13th yes, its FRIDAY THE 13th)** and we kick off with:

**The Hanging Towel...** This is such a fun way to transform a boring, or pretty tea towel into an impressive and functional addition to any kitchen. You will quickly transform one tea towel, 2 fat quarters and matching thread into a great gift to give to some lucky recipient and one to keep for yourself and I'm willing to bet, you won't be able to make just one!

**Shoelaces...** Yep, that's right... Shoelaces... fun and practical! A gift for the young-uns in your life... a little accessory to reflect your personality, or something to 'tie' into the one of the fabulous workshops we have set up for November!!!! These stitch up quickly and are so cheerful!! Make many sets to coordinate with your wardrobe... Or to gift away...

**Clothesline Coasters...** These were so popular a number of years ago... and seem to be making a comeback. Linda is going to show you how to take a cotton clothesline and turn it into an impressive gift. You can use the rope naked for a minimalist look. If that's too plain for you, add fabric paint, wrap fabric scraps around the rope in your favourite colour or (and this is awesome...) if you have an embroidery machine (or have a friend with an embroidery machine) you can stitch unique designs on them to really impress your family and friends. Once you have the basic knowledge of working with the cotton rope... you will be able to expand your repertoire with trivets, placemats, bowls - the sky's the limit! There are a number of books out there that can help you take this ordinary cotton rope to new heights!! There are even Facebook groups devoted to upscaling cotton rope... go figure...

**On Saturday** - We have planned a version of the ever-popular Jellyroll Rug... in Placemat size! If you've never tried the Jellyroll Rug technique, then this is for you... A much more manageable size than the larger floor mat that has been an oh so popular handmade item!!! Use up those batting scraps that are piling up in the corner of your sewing room!! Dig into your scrap bucket and create your very own Jellyroll strips! Got a Jellyroll waiting on the shelf to become something fun and functional?? This is the project!! One jelly roll will give you 4 unique placemats!!! Because this technique takes a wee bit of time to do, we have given you the whole day to play!!

**November 3rd & 4th** - I'm so very excited about these two workshops!!! Seriously, I start to vibrate every time I think about them!!! We have **Wendy Van Der Walt from Fabriculous** coming for not 1 but 2... back-to-back workshops!!! I asked for her 2 most popular workshops, and we got 'em!!

**Friday November 3rd - Quilted Sneakers (\$127 includes the \$90 shoe kit) (Non-member \$137 includes the \$90 shoe kit)** - OMG... I might just make 2 pair... I'm struggling with the decision of using my Tim Holtz or Tula Pink fabrics!!! These sneakers are so awesome!!! Ok ok... Here's what you need to know...

Your \$90 shoe kit is included in the price of your workshop... now, let me tell you what's in your kit:

- A Baffled Sole for comfort, in your choice of colour, black, white or brown.
- A shock absorbing insole (& you can swap it out for your own orthotic insole if you wear those)
- Eyelets
- Special waxed thread, and a special needle required to sew the quilted upper to the shoe sole.
- Oh, and the full colour pattern!!

Wendy will have the tools to set the eyelets available for use during the workshop, so you don't need to purchase those!! All YOU need to bring is your favourite fabric and a few other supplies! All this and more information will be on your handouts after you sign up for the workshops. The sizing for the sneakers is European (like Birkenstocks) size 8 = 38. I wear a size 8.5 North American shoe which generally puts me in a size 39 European shoe... ya short person with big wide feet kinda like a hobbit! Wendy says the shoes fit generous, so for us hobbits, we got this! Anyway, we will need your shoe size and sole colour choice when you sign up, as we have to preorder the shoe soles. **The deadline for registration will be October 3rd!** Anyone who registers after the deadline may have limited shoe colour choices. You won't want to miss out!! Space for this awesome workshop is limited!!! Seriously, who doesn't want a pair (or 2) of comfortable personalized sneakers!!!!!!!!!!



**Saturday November 4th - The Ruby Waxed Canvas Tote! (\$112 includes the \$75 bag kit) (Non-member \$122 includes the \$75 bag kit) -** You asked for a bag workshop... So here we go... Using waxed canvas, leather straps and... fabric to match your personally customized sneakers from Friday's workshop!!!! OMG We will be soooooo stylish out and about town!!! Your \$75 bag kit is included in the price of your workshop! (Kit valued at \$100) Your kit includes:

- A roll of Waxed Canvas (Wendy will provide numerous colours for you to choose from in class! There will be extra canvas rolls for purchase)
- Leather handle straps, your choice of black or brown (extras for purchase will be available!)
- 2m of interfacing
- A neutral coloured zipper & rivets
- And the pattern

YOU need to bring along Polyester Thread (Glide Brand or Equivalent) & fabric for lining and accent. This is where you can coordinate with your shoes from the Friday workshop!!! Wendy assures me that we will be 90 to 100% done both of these projects by the end of each day!! How exciting to go home with a done or nearly done project!!! Keep in mind, you are not obligated to sign up for both workshops, but both workshops are sooo exciting. We've kept the costs as low as possible by keeping busy Wendy for two days, why not take both workshops??!! (I feel like I'm saying the word workshop a lot...) Seriously, sign up up for both workshops!!! These are gonna be so much fun!! And I'm still vibrating!!! **Registration deadline for the Ruby Waxed Canvas Tote is October 16th**

**December:** Nothing! Nada! Zip! Absolutely nothing! No workshop! December is that ugly month where it's typically cold and we are all far too busy with Christmas shopping, baking, concerts, staff dinners, family and friends visiting... You get the drift, there is just too much going on and too much pressure leading up to the big day. So - no in person workshop...

The **Winter/Spring Line Up (January to June)** will be announced in the November newsletter, so stay tuned for more exciting workshops coming your way!! - Jacque B



### Did you know?

The Library has new page on our website, full of all kinds of fun! Well ok, it's full of books, but you should check it out! Just copy and paste this address to find out for yourself!

<https://www.prairiepiecemaker.com/library-1>

### Thank you Letter

Connecting Quilts Group,  
The blankets you have created  
are incredibly beautiful and are so  
appreciated! They give the patients  
comfort and a sense of home and  
normalcy while hospitalized.  
Words cannot fully express our  
gratitude!  
Thank you so much!  
Love, The staff, families, and  
patients of Unit 4F Pall, RGH.

## Mystery Quilt Pattern by Tannis Fahlman 2023-24

This year's mystery quilt is not for the faint of heart. The sewing is not difficult, but you must make mirror images and you will need to be accurate in your piecing. The finished quilt will be 80x 80 inches. Maybe you have a wedding or something special you need a quilt for.

This is an intermediate level quilt, using the stitch and flip method of piecing. This is explained in detail in your directions.

The quilt requires 2 colors plus a background. Color A uses light and medium fabrics. Color B uses light, medium, dark, and very dark fabric. The background should be a coordinating fabric. Background fabric can be light such as white, cream, or grey or totally different color from colors A and B. Example Color A - Blue, Color B -Red and background color- Yellow.

### Fabric requirements - the following are the colors I used for the instructions.

Background	4.5 meters
Color A Light Blue	1.3 meters
Color A Medium Blue	0.2 meters
Color B Light Violet	1.0 meter
Color B Medium Violet	0.5 meters
Color B Dark Violet	0.5 meter
Color B Very Dark Violet or Black	1.0 meter

**Note:** This year's mystery quilt will be by **registration only** and details can be found under the workshop section on the guild website. Check your emails as the Mystery Quilt and all the other workshops mentioned in this newsletter were sent to you last week!



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I sincerely apologize for any mistakes or omissions.  
Thank you for reading and see you next month! Jill N