

## DQG DECEMBER 8, 2010 NEWSLETTER

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### TONIGHT- CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Thanks to the members whose last names start with A to K for contributing tonight's pot luck dinner.

#### **Our Christmas wishes to all of you -**

May your seams be straight, your stitches be neat and your borders lie flat. Hoping everyone has a joyous Christmas and New Year, finding the time to spend it with family and friends and feel the spirit of the season. May you enjoy the taste, the smell and the sounds of this wonderful time of year.

**From all the volunteers on the Executive and Committees of the ADQG**

### A Quilter's Resolutions for 2011

1. Make & donate a quilt to charity.
2. Dye some fabric.
3. Make time to quilt every week or every day.
4. Teach someone to quilt/sew.
5. Try a new technique.
6. Get your sewing room/area more organized.
7. Finish 2 UFOs.
8. Get involved with your Guild. Volunteer to help on a committee or the executive.
9. Find a project that will make use of part of your fabric stash
10. If you can't find patterns to use up your stash, trade or share it with someone.
11. Remember that quilting should not be a mad rush to finish something, it should be creative, relaxing and fun!

### The Quilter's Shopping List

Do the men in your life shudder and turn pale at the thought of entering a quilt shop? If so, put some check marks beside this list of quilting accessories that can be found at some of their favourite stores. The stores listed are just suggestions, of course!

- telescoping pocket magnet for finding pins on the floor (Lee Valley \$7)
- Door peep hole for viewing quilts (Home Depot)
- office chair, with or without arms (Staples, Walmart)
- distilled water for your iron
- magazine holders for organizing all those magazines you can't bear to give away (Ikea, Staples, Walmart)
- metal metre stick for checking wobbles in your long seams (Hardware stores, Home Depot)
- peg board - preferably cut to size, painted white and mounted on the wall over your sewing table (Rona, Home Depot)
- pegs for that board that stay in - not cheap but so nice! (Talon Hooks at Lee Valley)
- stretchy gardening gloves with gripping dots on fingers and palms (Foxgloves at Lee Valley)
- rechargeable hand held vacuum that never leaves your sewing room (Walmart, Cdn Tire)
- mini vacuum attachments for getting all those dust bunnies out of your machine
- Wire baskets & frame for fabric (Ikea - Antonious series, 4 or 6 baskets, castors ) wood top optional
- shelves for books, for fabric, for tools
- stackable clear plastic bins of various sizes to make finding things so much easier
- sleeve board - perfect for small jobs or for taking to classes (Walmart)
- painters' tape for marking rulers, stretching background fabric (hardware stores, Rona)
- books or music on CD or MP3
- IOUs for loading up your MP3 player with new tunes

## ON THE WEB.....

### COLOUR SHIFTING

Ever wondered what a particular quilt would look like in different colours but couldn't quite imagine it? Have a look at the Judy Neimeyer Quilting web site at

<http://www.quiltworx.com/index.php?cmd=colorchange>

Click on any of the quilt patterns shown on this page, then click again on the tiny image that appears on the next page and watch that quilt morph through multiple colour changes. Fascinating! I just wish you could stop the image to evaluate a colour option more closely, but I couldn't figure out how to do it.

Free patterns anyone?

<http://www.bellaonline.com/articles/art6345.asp>

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**Our thanks to Patti Carey for donating a box of fabric leftovers from her workshop for the Guild to use.**

### FOR SALE

Needlepoint frame & stand kit - missing the nuts & bolts! Needs a handy person to put it together. \$15. See Jeanie Vanderzon



**It's Kelly's Birthday Sale!**

Please join us on  
**Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011**  
**8:30AM to 6PM**

All day special discounts!  
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### \*\*\*\*\* REMINDER FOR WED JANUARY 26 \*\*\*\*\*

"WHY DID I BUY ALL THAT?!!" Our January meeting is a garage sale. Any paid-up member may sell their unwanted quilting, sewing and fibre art supplies. Just call Sandy to arrange for a table at 623-3416 or 623-9782. Guests are welcome to shop!

If the weather is nasty, the Executive may decide to cancel the meeting and will call all members to inform them. Please ensure that Chris Gordon, the membership guru, has your current phone number(s) and knows how to contact you in the afternoon.