



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Elizabeth Hughes

I have just arrived in Florida as I write this message and have enjoyed two swims as you folks have enjoyed (bad wording, right) two big snow storms. You will be happy to know that we waited an extra day before we left due to the snow on the day of our last meeting. We got out of the snow in the Toronto area but picked it up again in Guelph and had it all the way to Tennessee.

I am very happy to have three of our Pine Tree Quilters' here in the Destin area; Paddy Taylor, Anne Gray and Mary McFarland. We plan to go again to the Snowbirds Quilting Group and will be happy to share with you anything we learn that is new. Thus far I have not spent any money on fabric but from what I understand, Mary has visited all the local shops. I have made up for it at the local wool shop.

We do trust that you have a good winter and accomplish lots while you are inside. Carrol will be chairing the February meeting and Shirley Anne the March meeting. I am sure you will enjoy the Art Groups presentation and learn different ways to be involved in quilting.

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Barb Coburn

Feb. 9 Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.

Several members of the Quilt Art Group are ready to demonstrate some fun techniques that you might want to try. If you want to take notes, please remember to bring a pen and paper.

March 8 Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.

We have invited our local quilt shop owners to this meeting to let you know what they are planning in their shops for Spring. They will also be bringing merchandise to tempt you.

This is also our AGM. Come and meet your new executive and offer them your support. Several of the committees will be looking for new members.

It seems that some of our members are getting to the arena very early on meeting days. We do not officially have this room until 12:30. We are fortunate to have a perfect place for our meetings at a very nominal fee. So

far the arena staff has not made an issue about this but I am concerned that we are taking advantage of the situation. I know that some members are concerned about the parking problem but coming early does not necessarily solve the problem. I hope that you will take this into consideration when planning your arrival time for our meetings.

I hope that I have been diplomatic about expressing the above. We are getting some people arriving at least an hour too early. As stated we have been lucky that no one has said anything.

WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Heather Ingram

Friday, March 9th.

There are still a few spaces in Judy Parker's "Nifty Pot Luck Carrier" class on Friday, March 9th. This class is perfect for all levels & promises to be a fun day. The cost is only \$15.00 & we'll take further registrations at the February meeting.

Friday, April 13th

We will also be registering for Susan Purney Mark's class. She is a designer, teacher & author from Victoria, BC. She encourages quilters, both newcomers and the more advanced, to enjoy the process, to gather as much knowledge as possible and to challenge themselves with new techniques and designs. She loves to focus on the different areas of surface design. She will be teaching "Shattered Angles", a technique full of surprises in creating a design to be "one of a kind". Learn how to stack, slash and sew fabrics, insert contrasting strips and how to play with colour and value to create a very unique design. Quilt size and layout are flexible. This design is the perfect quilt for fat quarters or a secret stash of wonderful fabrics. A variation of this quilt is in her book "Fat Quarter Frenzy Two". The cost of the workshop is \$45.00 and it's first come - first served at the February meeting.

Heather Ingram 645-6829 or hingram2@cogeco.ca

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Sandra Harthill

WELCOME

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THE HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH CLUB

Cathy Maher
Carrol Reid
Mary Denomy



LIBRARY NEWS:

Submitted by Linda Speller

We are always open to suggestions. So if you have an idea for a book or DVD that other members of the guild would enjoy and benefit from. Please let the library ladies know and we would investigate purchasing it.

OUTREACH

Submitted by Sylvia Bouchard

Our Cuddle Quilt and Quilts of Valour programs continue; if you want to help, contact Sylvia Bouchard 687-0412 or e-mail sylvie.bee@bell.net

INTEREST GROUPS

CLICK ON IT

Submitted by Dianne Gronfors

For February, two links for you. The video tutorial by Pat Sloan is sure to change the way we do bindings on some of our quilts. Looks great and is easy to do. The other link is just eye candy for budding quilt artists. There are lots of samples to give you some ideas of how to go about making your own art quilt.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCmJXBiqKX8> – video tutorial by designer Pat Sloan on an easy way to finish your bindings with machine stitching.

<http://www.nancyryanquilts.com/index.html> - quilt artist - lovely site to look through.

QUILT ARTISTS OF MUSKOKA

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

We will be meeting Thursday February 23rd at the Bohemian Cafe in Bracebridge (75 Manitoba Street) from 10-2. Our topic will be stamping. We will be carving stamps from erasers and other materials. A large collection of stamps will be available for you to use. If you would like to join the group we would love to have new members.

The Feb 9th meeting we are presenting zentangles, rust dyeing, and using shiva sticks. There will also be a table of quilting books that are on the artistic side for you to browse.

Zentangles

<http://zentangle.blogspot.com/>

<http://blog.suzannemcneill.com/>

rusting fabric

<http://www.prairiefibers.com/Rust%20Dyeing.htm>

shiva sticks

http://www.ehow.com/how_5693100_use-shiva-oil-sticks.html

ARCHIVES

Submitted by Susan McCallum

In addition to collecting and storing materials documenting the activities of the Guild, another role of the “historian” is to memorialize those Guild members who are now deceased. A Book of Remembrance is currently under development and eventually the relevant parts of that book will be given a special place on our website. However, there are some pieces of information missing from the archives and I would like to take this opportunity to ask for some assistance from the members to help fill in the gaps so that we can respectfully and fondly share our memories of our friends who have gone on ahead.

The members who are currently in our Remembrance Roll are:

Margery McQuillan joined the Guild: January 1992
deceased: 19 November 2004

Patricia Playter joined: September 1992
deceased: 23 September 2005

Hilda Kirton joined: January 1992
deceased: 3 May 2009

Dolores Johnston joined: September 1998
deceased 17 November 2007

Lydia Picott joined: 2002
deceased: 06 September 2009

Marlene Clarke joined: 2005
deceased: 31 March 2010

Marjorie Hyder joined: 2005
deceased 20 December 2010

Merle Fletcher joined: 2005
deceased: 06 July 2011



Patricia Playter



Hilda Kirton

If there is anyone who was a current, recent, or long-standing member of the Guild at the time of their passing and who doesn't appear on this list, I would very much like to add them so that they can be acknowledged by all of us.

Also, I would like to ask that if anyone has a photo, an anecdote, a published article, or a similar piece of suitable memorabilia, or a copy of a published obituary for any of our deceased friends, would they share it with us for inclusion on that persons page in the Book of Remembrance?

Not only did these individuals share our interest in quilting, they were our dear friends and we remember them with love.

(To share information with, or to contribute Guild-related material to the archives, please check the membership list for contact information—e-mail or phone number—or speak to me at any Guild meeting.)
Photo Captions:



Margery McQuillan

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, February 9th, 2012
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Submitted by Shirley Anne Sturgess

Nominations for Executive positions for 2012-2014
Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka

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| Chairperson | Carrol Reid |
| Vice Chairperson | Barb Coburn |
| Secretary | Marion McLaughlin |
| Treasurer | Judy Parker |
| Membership | Rosemary Carrington |
| Programmes | Judy Kobe & Mary Reimer |
| Workshop Program | Heather Ingram |
| Photographer | Wendy Beverley |
| Social | Ena Reitveld & Peggy Gairy-Clark |
| Sunshine | Tina Bax |
| Library | Eileen Baron |
| Archivist | Susan McCallum |
| Communications Newsletter | Joanne Smith |
| Communications Website | Dianne Gronfors |
| Community Outreach | Sylvia Bouchard |

Many thanks to the Nominating Committee comprised of Carol Cragg, Paula Elliott and Marianne Meeuwisse for presenting a slate of officers for the 2012-2014

Guild year. These nominees have agreed to stand for election at the Annual General Meeting in March 2012.

Additional nominations for any office will be accepted at the A.G.M. and have the consent of the nominee and a seconder.

PINETREE QUILTERS GUILD OF MUSKOKA **CONSTITUTION**

Submitted by Carrol Reid

Your Executive undertook a review of our Constitution to ensure that our business was being conducted in line with the Constitution and a few changes are recommended. Our Constitution states that we are to notify the membership at least 28 days prior to the AGM before the changes can be approved. The changes primarily have to do with our year end. Under the revision the year end would be changed to July 1 to June 30. This better reflects how our guild year works. The other change is in the language in regard to Chairperson, Vice and Past being changed to President etc. The word "Chairman" would be replaced with "Chair". The revised Constitution is attached for your consideration and will be voted on at the AGM at the March meeting. The current Constitution is available on the Pinetree website.

ARTICLE I - NAME AND OBJECTIVES

The organization shall be known as **PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA**. This shall be a non-profit organization.

The objective of the Guild is to provide education to the members and opportunities to contribute to community organizations.

ARTICLE II – GUILD YEAR AND MEETINGS

1. The Guild year shall be from July 1 – June 30
2. Meetings shall be held on the second (2) Thursday of each month – with July and August optional
3. The annual general meeting shall be held in June of each year and shall be known as the AGM. The final Treasurer's report will be available in September to allow for a review of the books in July and August.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership shall be open to all persons
2. The maximum number of members will be proposed by the Executive and ratified by members.
3. Membership fees are due July 1. Non members will pay a guest fee.
4. Changes in membership dues will be determined by the Executive.
5. The membership list is to be used for Guild purposes only.

ARTICLE IV – FINANCE

1. The fiscal year shall be from July 1 until June 30
2. The signing officers will be the Treasurer, President and the Vice President.
3. The financial records shall be available to any member upon request.
4. The financial records will be reviewed annually by two members at large.
5. Any revenues will be used in promoting the objectives of the Guild.

ARTICLE V – EXECUTIVE

1. The Guild shall be managed by the Executive.
2. The Executive of the Guild shall consist of the following officers plus Chairs of the standing committees.
3. Officers are:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Past President
 - d. Secretary
 - e. Treasurer

Chairs of standing committees are:

- a. Membership
 - b. Program
 - c. Social
 - d. Library
 - e. Communications
 - f. Community Outreach
 - g. Workshops
4. The above shall be elected at the A.G.M. and remain in office for two years, but may stand for more than one term.
 5. The Executive may establish additional Committees when necessary.
 6. The Executive of the Guild shall meet as required.

7. The Executive shall appoint a replacement to serve the unexpired term, when one of its members resigns.
8. Resignations shall be submitted in writing to the Executive.
9. The Executive has the right to appoint a replacement when one of its members is in flagrant neglect of duties, as determined by the Executive.
10. A quorum of the Executive shall be the majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The Nominating Committee shall consist of the Past-President, a Committee Chair and two Members at large.
2. This Committee will prepare a slate of officers to be presented to the members no later than 28 days prior to the A.G.M.
3. Additional nominations for any office will be accepted at the A.G.M. and have the consent of the nominee and a seconder.
4. Elections shall be held at the A.G.M.

ARTICLE VII – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

1. In all matters not provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws, Roberts Rules of Order shall be the authority.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

1. The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the A.G.M.
2. Notice of such proposed amendment must be circulated to the members no later than twenty eight (28) days prior to the A.G.M.
3. A review of the Constitution and Bylaws shall be completed every five years.

ARTICLE IX – PROHIBITION OF PRIVATE PROFIT

1. Should the Guild cease to carry on its activities, any assets remaining after all contracts, leases, and agreements have been completed, all Chattels shall be distributed at the discretion of the Executive.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I – DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

1. President

- a. Shall prepare the agenda for and preside at all meetings
- b. Shall receive reports from committee chairs
- c. Shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee
- d. Shall appoint a liaison person(s) for meeting venues
- e. Shall decide when meetings have to be cancelled and take steps to inform the membership
- f. Shall be custodian of a post office box key

2. Vice President

- a. Shall assist and replace the President as necessary

3. Past President

- a. Shall chair the Nominating Committee

4. Secretary

- a. Shall record the minutes at all meetings and circulate relevant copies
- b. Shall maintain a permanent file of all minutes, reports and a log of motions and policies; these will be available to all members upon request.
- b.1. Shall be responsible for updating the Policies and Procedures according to any motions and changes in the operation of the Guild. The Executive shall be provided an updated copy of the motions log and updated Policies and Procedures manual at the A.G.M.
- c. Shall answer general inquiries, correspondence and maintain these files.
- d. Shall be custodian of the post office box key

Sub-committee – Historian

- a. Shall be responsible for the collection, codification and safe storage of all Guild related material that is relevant to preserve the History of the Guild

5. Treasurer

- a. Shall have charge of all of the funds of the Guild
- b. Shall receive dues from Membership Chair
- c. Shall deposit receipts and disburse monies as authorized by the Executive
- d. Shall maintain all records necessary for the Annual Review and prepare such reports as required

ARTICLE II – DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS

1. May establish a committee and chair meetings
2. Shall provide pertinent information for publication in the Newsletter
3. Shall report at meetings as required
4. Shall report to the Executive regularly
5. Shall prepare an Annual Report

SPECIFIC

1. Membership

- a. Shall keep an up to date record of all members
- b. Shall arrange for the publication of the membership list
- c. Shall distribute membership cards for paid membership dues
- d. Shall forward all membership dues to the Treasurer
- e. Shall be responsible for checking in all members
- f. Shall welcome new members and visitors and notify the President of such
- g. Shall maintain a waiting list of prospective new members and contact them as required

2. Program

- a. Shall be responsible for the programs presented at the regular meetings

3. Social

- a. Shall arrange, prepare and serve refreshments at meetings
- b. Shall be responsible for sending appropriate cards and gifts to members

4. Library

- a. Shall maintain the Library

5. Communications

- a. Shall be responsible for the content, layout, editing, printing of the Newsletter
- b. Shall be responsible for communicating with members as directed by the Executive
- c. Shall be responsible for maintaining a website

6. Community Outreach

- a. Shall be responsible for community outreach projects
- b. Shall co-ordinate meetings to work on community outreach projects

7. Workshop Convener

- a. Shall be responsible for organizing workshops. May also, in co-operation with the Program Chair, book lectures and complete contracts with arranged speakers and/or teachers.
- b. Shall set fees according to specific costs and complete registration with Guild Members .

February 11th - 1-4 p.m. Quilters!

Are you one of the many quilters who live in Housey's Rapids or in the Gravenhurst/Bracebridge area? I know that getting to a fabric store can be a problem, especially in the winter. Now you can attend our **fabric exchange** at the Ryde Community Centre, 1164 Barkway Rd., in Housey's Rapids on Saturday, February 11, from 1:00 until 4:00. **No money will change hands.** The fabrics must be cottons or poly-cottons. Please have only cotton OR poly-cotton in each bundle. To make it easy to exchange with others, we suggest that you have your fabric in bundles of 20 – 5" charm squares or cut into fat quarters (21" x 18"). If you have several yards or metres of one design and want to sell it by the metre, you may cut it at the RCC, if someone wants to trade for it. Coffee and tea will be available to warm you up. For more info, email oknala@bell.net or call 705-867-0843. Driving directions are available as well as a map to help you find us. Plan to be there!

February (Sunday Feb. 12th)
Cathedral Window Tote Bag
by Sylvia Bouchard



Many of you have seen my cathedral window tote bag, and I thought you might like to know that it will be in a movie: I was an extra in a movie that was being filmed in

Gravenhurst last September; I was a "knitting lady", and had to wear a period costume complete with corset, bustle, and hat; the tote bag was my "prop" and I had to carry it at all times.

The movie is a CBC made for TV film called "Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town" and is based on the life of Stephen Leacock. The segment that I was in was the sinking of the Mariposa Belle, and was filmed on the Segwun. It is supposed to be aired on CBC in February (Sunday Feb. 12th has been mentioned). It might be fun to watch and try to spot the "Cathedral Window Tote Bag" !

Photo caption: Sylvia with tote bag second from the left.

March 30 – April 1st, 2012
Etobicoke Quilters' Guild Quilt Fever 2012

Etobicoke, Toronto, Ontario
Friday March 30 - Sunday April 1, 2012
Friday March 30th, 2012 10:00-5:00
Saturday March 31st, 2012 10:00-5:00 Sunday April 1st,
2012 10:00-4:00
56 Neilson Park Drive, Toronto, Ontario

Admission
\$5.00

April 21 - April 22, 2012
The Fabric of our Lives 2012

Trenton, Ontario
The Fabric of Our Lives quilt show presented by the Trent Valley Quilters' Guild. A display of quilts made by our talented guild members will be featured. The show will also include a quilt raffle, silent auction, a vendor's mall and a tea room.
Saturday April 21, 2012. 10:00 am – 5:30 pm;
Sunday April 22, 2012. 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Where: Knights of Columbus Hall,
57 Stella Crescent, Trenton, ON
Admission \$6.00
<http://trentvalleyquiltersguild.com/>

APRIL 26, 27, 28
PIECEMAKERS QUILT SHOW
Pyramid Recreation Centre
St Marys ON

PIECEMAKERS QUILT SHOW, the biennial quilt show produced by the Huron Perth Quilters Guild and the Stonetowne Quilters Guild. We would appreciate your assistance in spreading the word to your membership by including the details in your newsletter, linking www.huronperthquiltersguild.com to your website etc.



YOU MADE IT -

Your name tag
Items for Show and Tell
Money for 50/50 Library Books
Sign in at Welcome table Mugs