

PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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Meetings at Bracebridge Memorial Arena,
169 James St., Bracebridge, ON, 2nd floor
Second Thursday of the month 1 – 3pm

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Barb Coburn

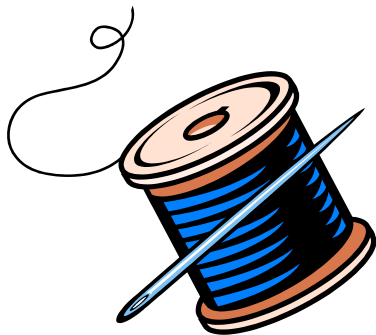
It is really difficult to find anything good to say about the deep freeze we are experiencing. There are only two positives that come to mind. The first is that we are not inclined to want to be outside so we have lots of time to work on our quilts. The second is that we all have quilts to keep us warm and help us forget the frigid temperatures outside!

At the last meeting, it was brought to my attention that several members had food and drinks near the quilts. Please keep these items away from the quilts in order to prevent any unfortunate accidents. Also, if you want to handle the quilts, please use the white gloves that are in a bag on the window sill.

Our meeting is the day before Valentine's Day. If you have a "heart" quilt perhaps you would consider bringing it for Show and Tell.

Just remember that when you wake each morning you are one day closer to Spring!

Barb



PROGRAMS

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse & Mary Reimer

FEBRUARY 13 - 15 minute demo's for Boutique items

MARCH 13 – Patti Carey of Northcott Fabrics, talk and truck show

WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Marta McIntyre

MARCH 14, 2014 – Double wedding ring (the easy way) by Patti Carey - There are still a few spaces left for Patti Carey's double wedding ring workshop on March 14. **Note that this workshop will be held at the arena, NOT the sportsplex.** It is from 9 – 4.

There will also be a potluck for Patti on the Thursday evening all members are welcome. A signup sheet will be available at the February meeting.

QUILTSHOW

Submitted by Marta McIntyre

Ladies...the show is creeping up on us all very quickly! Hope everyone is busily quilting on those entries. The entry forms will be available at the March meeting. There will be a limit of 2 large quilts per member, due to our ever growing number of members and the limited space we have at the quilt show. There is also a limit as to the number of smaller quilts due to the space. But don't let that discourage you from entering a few items. There is still lots of space for many items.

BOUTIQUE

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse

The donations to the boutique at the quiltshow are starting to come in.

From now on we will have a table at each meeting where some items will be displayed, to hopefully inspire you and give you ideas of what you could make.

We are also open to new ideas and suggestions and will gladly pass them on to the Boutique committee.

Donations can be received at that table as well. Please be sure your name and item description are entered on the list as we would like to be able to properly thank you for your efforts.

At the February meeting we will offer five demonstrations of Boutique items that you could make for the sale.

Some patterns, or directions to a website, will be available for these items.

A big thank you to the ladies who teach the demos, they have taken the time to make samples and teach us how to make their special articles.

Wendy B. and Marianne M.



CLICK ON IT

Submitted by Dianne Gronfors

<http://www.favequilts.com/Monthly-Quilting-Favorites/The-100-Best-Quilt-Patterns-of-2013-Baby-Quilt-Patterns-Quilted-Handbags-Free-Quilt-Blocks-and-More/ct> - this site compiled 100 of what they consider to be the best from blogs and web tutorials. Just close the “sign up” box. Not necessary.

HOSPITALITY

Submitted by Peggy Clark-Guiry

Thank-you to everyone for all the wonderful goodies that appear at our guild meetings. It's like a mini “potluck” each month! See you on the 13th.

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Rosemary Carrington

Welcome to Rhonda Adams and Valerie McCormick - new members in January. We were pleased to welcome back previous members, Jean McIver and Suzanne Hearn. We hope you all continue to enjoy the meetings, guest speakers and workshops. We have a total of 153 members.

LIBRARY

Submitted by Halina Dales

Your library has over 400 books, magazines and DVDs that you can borrow. These items were donated or purchased. If you have suggestions for library purchases, please email me at halina@dales.ca or call me at 705-385-1978

Over 50 items were borrowed for summer enjoyment. If you have library items at home, please return them to the next Quilt Guild Meeting, so that others in turn can enjoy them.

The National Juried Show 2013 DVD



This DVD is now part of your library. There are about 100 slides of quilts spanning, traditional, modern, landscape, portrait and art quilts. There's lots of inspiration for your projects.

Quilt Artists of Muskoka

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

We will be meeting February 23rd in Gravenhurst 10-2pm. We will be working on some zentangles. We would like to invite any guild member to join us.

Please bring watercolour paper (cardstock) if tangling on paper only, fabric fused to freezer paper, micron pigma pen (black) or white gelly roll pen for black fabric and maybe a piece of white paper to practice on. Some blank cards will be available if you wish to make a card for the boutique.

For more details and directions, please contact Carol Cragg in Baysville or any member of the group.

March 27th we will be going to the Chapel gallery as an outing to see Beth's show at 11am.

Treeness, Substance & Soul

For Beth Sellars, art is a creative adventure. Each painting is an exploration, hopefully as exciting for the viewer as for the artist. Her portfolio includes a wide range of media including acrylic painting, fibre and collage.

[Chapel Gallery](#), 15 King Street in Bracebridge

OUTREACH PROGRAM

Submitted by Joanne Smith

WE HAVE A HOME!!!

Through lots of phone calls and emails back and forth, Heather Smith and Wendy Beverly have secured the use of the basement of the Bracebridge Lions Hall! (near the Fair Grounds on Fraserburg Rd.) All our containers of fabric, batting, quilt tops and other supplies are now back under ONE roof!!! YAHOOOOOO!!!!

The outreach committee is excited to get organized and plans are underway for a workshop in April to finish some of the quilt tops. Stay tuned for some upcoming new projects!!!

There will be cuddle quilt top kits available at the back of the room every month. Please take one or two home to sew up!! All fabric is supplied, is already cut and the pattern with them. Just make them up at your own convenience and return them when done!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR OTHERS TO QUILT WITH?

Why not start your own group!?! If you are looking for other people to meet with outside of our quilt guild and our meetings please feel free to start your own group! If you are interested in quilting in general or maybe want to start your own hand quilting group, applique, machine embroidery group (think how much you could save by trading or borrowing one another's design disks), long-arm quilters, modern quilters, artistic quilts – whatever the topic. If you'd like to start a new group please feel free to make a sign-up sheet and place it at the back table to see what kind of interest there would be ... let someone on the executive know so we can announce it at the meeting and put it in the newsletter.

QUILTING IN THE OLYMPICS!?



The Sochi 2014 Olympic medals are truly unique and feature Sochi 2014's "Patchwork Quilt" – a mosaic of national designs from the various cultures and ethnicities of the Russian Federation. The medals depict the landscape of Sochi, with the sun's golden rays reflecting through a prism of snowy mountain tops onto the sandy beaches of the Black Sea coast. Made by skilled craftsmen from a combination of metal and polycarbonate, the medals have a sense of lightness and distinctive beauty, which will make it all the more special for the lucky athletes that get to take one home from the Games. (from www.olympic.org)

As I sit here watching the team figure skating I can't help but notice the quilt motif on the boards around the ice! Keep an eye out for the diamond quilt pattern throughout the games! I am sure it will be showcased in the opening of the Games tomorrow!



-Mugs

-Show & Tell

-Money for 50/50 draw

-Library books