

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

I spent four days last week volunteering for and with a very caring and compassionate woman. Despite having a number of stressful concerns in her personal life, she put her problems behind to comfort several people who had encountered issues of their own. I couldn't help but think of the large number of our members who do exactly the same thing. When they hear of others who are experiencing very trying times in their lives whether it be a fellow quilter or in the support of our Cuddle Quilt program.

We try hard to keep our meetings within the two hour range but lately they have been running longer than that time frame making it necessary for some of our members to leave before the end of the meeting. This means that they are missing part of the program. To try to correct this situation we are going to shuffle the agenda and swap the Program and Show and Tell. Let us know if you feel that this format will work better for you.

I will be standing trackside at a race track near New Orleans with cars speeding by while you are enjoying Sherry Hisey's presentation. Carrol Reid has kindly agreed to chair the April meeting. I'll be back in time for the May meeting.

See you then.

Barb

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse & Mary Reimer

APRIL 9 - A trunkshow by *Sherri Hisey on "Settings and Borders"* With 35 quilts Sherri will show us how to balance and arrange your blocks into a design of your own, keeping it simple in a unique and personal way! She is a well-known teacher, designer and owner of "The Border Creek Station pattern Company".

May 14. Trunkshow by Michelle Dunn of "Kallistiquilts" Michelle will have African, Japanese and Australian fabrics for sale and will show us quilts made from these fabrics.

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EXECUTIVE LIST 2014 -15

Past President	Carrol Reid	705 646 – 7609
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WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Marta McIntyre

APRIL 10 - There are still a few spaces left for *Sherri Hisey's* workshop *Magical Pinwheels* on April 10th. It is a bargain at \$40 which includes the pattern. It is going to be a fun and informative class.

MAY 15 - Jellyroll Race taught by our own *Elizabeth Hughes*. A great workshop for beginners, but not limited only to beginners. As long as you have about 40 – 2 1/2” strips, anyone can do it! Cost is only \$20. Sign-ups continue at the next guild meeting. There are still a few spaces available.

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Rosemary Carrington

Hi everyone from sunny, warm Hilton Head. It has been a very relaxing month, coasting around the many cycle paths and beaches. Not a single stitch has been sewn but I hope to check out the one and only Quilt shop on the island before I leave.

Renewal of memberships: \$25 due July 1st.

Post-dated cheques can be handed in at April, May or June meetings. Hopefully this will help keep congestion at the desk to a minimum at the June meeting.

Cash renewals will be accepted at the June meeting.

BUS TRIP

Submitted by Sue Bogers

WHERE: Mennonite Quilt Sale/Auction,
New Hamburg

WHEN: Saturday May 30 2015

COST: \$85 per person (includes bus and
buffet supper)

REQUIRED # - 35 (bus will hold 56)

BUS BOARDING: 6:15 am Walmart parking lot
Bracebridge

RETURN TO BRACEBRIDGE: approx 9:30 pm
Walmart parking lot, Bracebridge

The trip is a GO!!!

We have our minimum required fully paid people to confirm the bus trip a go!! **There is still room to make up to 56 if you are interested in coming.** I will have a table set up at the April meeting where you can sign and pay. Please make your cheque out to Pine Tree Quilters Guild of Muskoka. I will start cashing the cheques after the April meeting. If you need to cancel you will need to find someone to take your place. Any questions please email me at slbogers@gmail.com or call me 705 684-9389.

It will be a great day!!!!

OUTREACH

Submitted by Joanne Smith

A huge thank you to Joanne McKinnon and her Thursday group for the 15 beautiful quilts they donated to the outreach program. We can't wait to get these distributed as I know the hockey and cute girlie quilts will be a big hit!!

Many thanks to the members who have taken home and completed quilt tops. They are greatly appreciated. We hope to have a workshop in the fall to complete these.

If you are doing some spring cleaning of your sewing room and come across some quilt tops that perhaps you don't need or no longer like – keep us in mind. If you have finished quilts that are piling up in your closet with no home in mind – perhaps you might consider donating them to outreach.

We not only donate quilts to children but adults too! If you know of anyone who might find comfort in a quilt please let us know!! Perhaps you know someone who has just moved into a nursing home who would love a quilt to keep them warm, or someone in a wheel chair who complains about cold legs, or someone sick who is in hospital, going through cancer treatments, dialysis, etc. Please let us know!! We do have some bigger adult size quilts on hand. You can email or call me, any one on the outreach committee or you could let us know by posting it up on the “suggestion/comment” board.

“WE ARE LISTENING”

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse, on behalf of the executive.

This will be a new column in our newsletter!

As you may know, at each monthly meeting, there is a black bristle board and sticky notes available to give your opinion, suggestions and comments on things which are going on in the guild.

This could be anything from suggestions about program or workshop, speakers, topics of interest, or an opportunity to express your thoughts on things which bother you in the guild.

The executive is open to all ideas members may have and want to be able to react upon the issues expressed. The notes are discussed and acted upon at the following executive meeting.

The content of the notes (which are anonymous) and what has been done about them, will be published in the newsletter. This way everyone knows that their suggestions etc are not ignored.

In the future newsletters only new notes will be published.

In January we received three notes:

1. I like the idea of a consultant for each area. Sometimes I get stuck while sewing a project and wonder who to ask. Call it "Ask the expert" This would be ever so helpful.

We are working on a survey and lining up the “Experts” This program will most likely be in place in September.

2. I love the idea of holding the cuddle quilt workshop together with the meeting.

A second monthly or Bi-monthly meeting, to sew, socialize and informally teach is considered at a different location in Bracebridge.

3. *A project idea: Seasonal Bags, Christmas or other, for women in the shelters.*

We did Christmas stockings a few years ago but filling a bag would be more useful, to store shoes etc.

This idea has not been followed up on yet. Possibly the next Program committee?

In February three notes:

1. *I would appreciate a printed copy of the executive + their phone numbers so that if you need to speak to one of them you have the information.*

A list of the executive and their Phone Numbers is now part of the newsletter.

2. *I could not make it to the class (workshop) in Nov. for round placemats. I had car trouble!*

I paid \$25.00, it should have been \$20.00. I e-mailed the committee and I did not get a refund.

I was to replace myself. Not satisfactory.

As the guild has to commit to hiring a teacher and booking the teaching venue, there is a policy in place which states that no refunds are given. The option for someone, who has to cancel, is to find a replacement from a waiting list or friend. This person then pays her workshop fee to the original participant. This policy should possibly be stressed at the time of registration. Even if a replacement is not found you should still receive the pattern and any handouts.

A refund of \$5.00 was given, at the March meeting, to all participants in this workshop.

3. *There is a guild in Toronto, I think it is York Heritage, they have a place where they sew once a week for the entire day. Everyone brings their machine and works on their current project or their UFO's. People help each other; they bring their lunches and enjoy each other's company. This same guild has over 400 members and its annual dues are \$65.00 p.p.*

Lots of funds available to get topnotch presenters in!

Thank you for your suggestion. Should we raise the membership fee? Would you have any suggestions for top notch speakers?

In March two notes:

1. *I would like a workshop or "demo" on Sachiko. We could bring supplies and a square and we could work along with the demo.*

Thank you for your suggestion, another program idea possibility for the new program com.

2. *I am not interested in every speakers quilting story. I would like a speaker to emphasize a special technique, to make the presentation more of a teaching experience.*

Thank you. The workshop/ speaker chair has taken notice of this opinion.

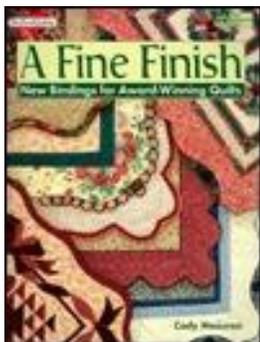
LIBRARY

Submitted by Halina Dales

The first few books are donated by Lynn Gauthier and Pat Strachan. Thank you Lynn and Pat!

Two new books have been added – Paper Pieced Modern and ABC-3D.

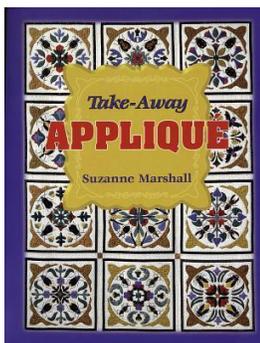
The Library Book Sale continues. Last month we sold \$133 of library books. Thank you!! For sale at our next meeting we will have the books from last month along with about 40 books and pattern books from Lynn Gauthier and me. There will also be magazines on the sale table.



#574 A Fine Finish: New Bindings for Award-Winning Quilts

by Cody Mazuran, Janet White (Editor), Bruce Stout (Illustrator)

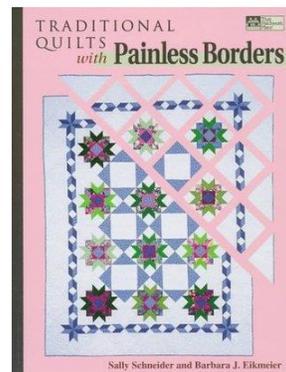
Discover a multitude of ways finish the edges of your quilt with lavish, eye-catching detail



#575 Take-Away Appliqué

by Suzanne Marshall

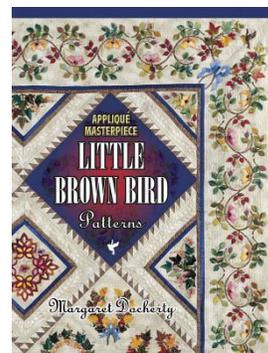
This award-winning quilter demonstrates her novel, simplified technique, Take Away Appliqué. Her unique way of quilting without a frame or hoop will surprise you. Sheer graphic impact, diversity of blue-ribbon quilt designs, insights into the creative process, and technical hints for improving one's next quilt are included. Wonderful patterns and easy-to-follow directions are sure to inspire you to appliqué Suzanne's way.



#576 Traditional Quilts with Painless Borders

by Sally Schneider, Barbara J. Eikmeier

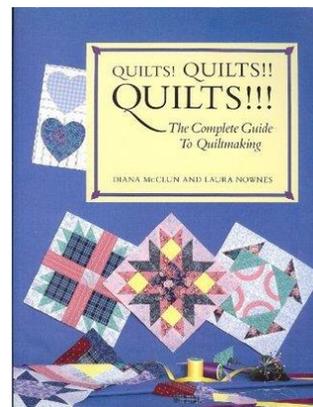
Create beautiful, stress-free borders! Learn about diagonal settings; then adjust the designs to suit your own projects. Directions for ten quilts that feature Painless Borders are included.



#577 Appliqué Masterpiece: Little Brown Bird Patterns

by Margaret Docherty

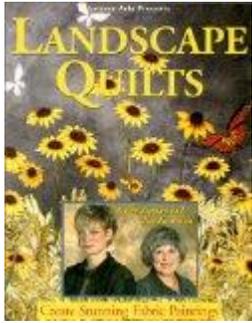
Based on a favorite song from the author's childhood, the little brown wren who is the star of this quilt is accompanied by an impressive array of feathered friends, wreaths, baskets, fruits, flowers, leaves, and patterns and helps others avoid the 'pitfalls' of quilt making while offering helpful hints and suggestions for beginners and advanced quilters alike Full-size patterns accompany this impressive work.



#578 Quilts! Quilts!! Quilts!!!: The Complete Guide to Quiltmaking

by Diana McClun

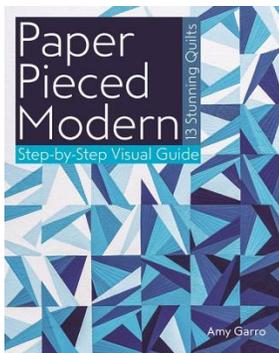
Based on the principle that a solid foundation turns beginners into lifelong quilters, 'Quilts! Quilts!! Quilts!!!' covers every tool, every technique, every stitch, every tip, and every shortcut in machine and hand quilting—no matter how basic.



579 Landscape Quilts

by Nancy Zieman , Natalie Sewell

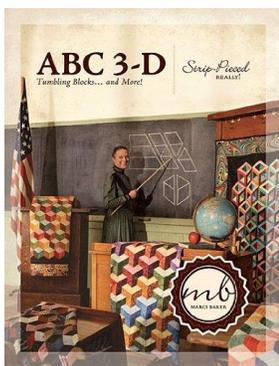
Make gorgeous quilts without patterns or measurements. The projects include creating woodland scenes, creating water, sky, mountains and snow. In full colour: illustrated step-by-step with nearly 300 colour photographs, plus line drawings.



#580 Paper Pieced Modern

by Amy Garro

Nothing compares to the accuracy you get with paper piecing—and it's never been easier to learn! Choose from 13 striking quilt patterns that appeal to the modern aesthetic, designed in Amy's sophisticated style, featuring clever color placement, unique settings, and a thoughtful use of negative space. With blocks that range from easy to more challenging, there's something for every skill level.



#581 ABC 3-D Tumbling Blocks... and More!

by Marci Baker

Everyone can succeed in 3-D! All patterns are strip-pieced... REALLY! No set-in (Y) seams. Learn the secrets to easily select fabric values to achieve dazzling 3-D designs · Illustrated to guide you through each step of the project · Includes 16 projects.

UPCOMING SHOWS

APRIL 18 & 19th

GEORGIAN BAY QUILTERS GUILD

Presents

REFLECTIONS OF GEORGIAN BAY: ROOT & WINGS

Tiny Township Community Centre,

91 Concession Rd 8

East, Tiny, ON

(north of Barrie)

Sat. 10 – 5pm & Sun. 10 – 4 pm

Members quilt show with a challenge entitled Roots and Wings. Jonas Salk wrote "Good parents give their children roots and wings. Roots to know where home is, wings to fly away and exercise what has been taught them."

This is the second biannual show of the Guild.

Admission \$5

Men are our guests website: <http://gbqg.ca/>

APRIL 24 & 25th

MISSISSAUGA QUILTERS GUILD

Presents

"OFF THE WALL AND UNDER THE COVERS"

Burnhamthorpe Community Centre,

1500 Gullenden Drive,

Mississauga, Ont.

Fri. 10 – 6pm & Sat. 10 – 4pm

Over 200 quilts, challenge quilts, raffles, boutique, etc.

Website: www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca

Admission: \$7

MAY 1 & 2nd

ROYAL CITY QUILTERS' GUILD

presents

"GATHERING OF QUILTS 2015"

Three Willows Church

577 Willow Rd.

Guelph, Ont.

Fri. 10 – 7pm & Sat. 10 – 5pm

Juried Show (Judge: Karen Menzies), Challenge Quilts,

Raffles, Silent Auction, Tea Room,

Merchant Mall, etc.

<http://www.royalcityquiltersguild.com>

Admission \$10