

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 was truly moved by Dale McMillan's presentation last month. Her personal quilting journey is inspiring and for me, it was also timely. As Dale's presentation illustrated, we all quilt for different reasons and while our motivation and inspiration may come from a different place, our respect for each others work and love of the "craft and art" of quilting binds us together. As they say, you can't judge a book by its cover. That's why it was so important for us to hear the "back story" of Dale's journey. The story brings context and meaning to her work.

You never know what personal challenge each one of us is facing. Just because it isn't tattooed on our sleeve like a badge of honour, doesn't mean it doesn't exist. This was brought home to me recently at a meeting of the nominations committee. While we are filling in the roster for next year, we are still in need of a team to take charge of Hospitality and someone else to take pictures at our meetings. As we reviewed the membership list, it became apparent how many members have already "served their time" or are facing a personal challenge that makes it difficult for them to volunteer in some capacity. Yet there are those, who despite their challenges are always stepping up and contributing. Which one are you? I would ask each one of you to please give some consideration as to how you can contribute in some small but meaningful way and keep our guild strong and vibrant.

On a final note, our meeting in March ran a touch overtime. We had quite a few timely announcements to share with you, so I apologise to those members who were put out. The executive endeavours to include as much information in the newsletter so that we do not interfere with the days program. However, I am writing this message before Easter and the meeting is still three weeks away. A lot can happen in those three weeks!

I was able to speak with Dale at the end of the meeting about her thread painting technique and she gave me the motivation and courage to try out the technique on a current project. Wish me luck!

As at the time of this message, the terrorist attacks in Brussels have just occurred, Donald Trump is inching closer to the Republican nomination for President and we

are enduring perhaps the last snowstorm of the winter. The world is crazy outside. How lucky we are to have our quilting.

See you April 14th and in the meantime, as Ellen would say, "Be kind to each other."

Margaret

PINE TREE QUILERS' GUILD EXECUTIVE LIST 2015 -16

Past President	Barb Coburn
President	Margaret Gage
Vice President	Nancy Lynch
Treasurer	Sue Bogers
Secretary	Pat Northmore
Program	Joyce MacKay Donna Naylor
Workshops	Donna Brown
Membership	Kim Wynott Barb Smith
Library	Jan McDonnell
Newsletter	Joanne Smith
Outreach	Jill Kieffer
Hospitality	Lynda Griffin Peggy Clark Guirry
Historian	Paddy Taylor
Website	Halina Dales

Please refer to the membership list on the web for phone numbers & email addresses.

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Joyce MacKay and Donna Naylor

First of all I would like to again thank Dale McMillan for her wonderful presentation at the March guild meeting. Samples of her artistic talent and the poignant story of her journey in quilting and life was a gift to all of us. Dale has agreed to offer a workshop in thread painting to the guild next year – what a treat to look forward to.

APRIL 14th - Our April meeting will feature a trunk show by **Jennifer Houlden**

(www.quiltsbyjen.ca). Jennifer is a quilt designer and textile artist from Coldwater, Ontario, and she will offer her ``Creating with Colour`` presentation. On Friday Jennifer will return to the Sportplex for those who have signed up for her ``Twisted Log Cabin`` workshop.

White glove volunteers for this month are: Paddy T., Sylvia B., Wendy W., and Pat W.

MAY 12th - Our final guest of the year (as arranged by your Program Committee) will be **Rev. Kathryn Gorman Lovelady** from Tiny, Ontario. Her presentation will offer a contrast between Aboriginal quilt traditions and international styles.



Secrecy surrounds the identity of the guest at our anniversary luncheon – I can't wait to see who it is!

WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Donna Brown

FRIDAY APRIL 15TH ~ 9 am to 4 pm ~
Bracebridge Sportsplex. Jennifer Houlden's
"Twisted Log Cabin" Workshop. **WORKSHOP IS FULL !!** ☺



HOSPITALITY

Submitted by Lyn Griffin

Thanks so much to Jean Andrews, Pat Northmore, Lynn Gauthier, Barb Smith, Joan Hines, Jan McDonnell and Joan Behm for the goodies that they provided for the March meeting. Thanks too, to Joan and Peggy who managed the kitchen/hospitality duties so well while I was away enjoying my grandchildren.

The following members have signed up to bring goodies for the April 14th meeting: Sylvia Bouchard, Linda Wilkin, Donna Naylor, Sandy Rasmussen, Lynn McNeice, and Leda Story.

There are still 3 spots available on the sign-up sheets for May. The sheet will be available at the sign-in desk at the April meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Kim Wynott & Barb Smith

Membership renewals will be accepted starting at the April meeting. Please put your \$25 cheque (post dated July 1, 2016 and made out to Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka) in a renewal envelope and complete the information on the outside. If you did not receive a renewal envelope during the March meeting, you may pick one up at the Membership desk.

A reminder that if you change your email address, please let us know so that our records can be updated and you will still receive your newsletter.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Submitted by Barb Coburn

The committee would like you to know that Margaret Gage has agreed to remain President for next year and Nancy Lynch will serve as Vice President. I am pleased that these ladies have made this commitment to our guild.

We still need someone to head the Hospitality Committee. This position is excellent for a co-chair situation. If you and a friend would consider taking on this responsibility then coffee time can continue.

Joanne McKinnon feels that she can no longer serve as our Guild photographer. We are in need of someone who can take pictures of our Show and Tell for the website. Joanne will be able to tell you what she does and will serve as a mentor.

I will not be at the April guild meeting but you can get in touch with me at barb@coburn.ca or at 705 687-7076.

WE LISTEN

There was no board or notes at the March meeting. I will make a new one. This is my summary of what I heard. I did have some people come to me with comments.

1. Please make sure that people speak into the mic because when you sit in the back you cannot hear.

2. The chairs are not that comfortable so can you make sure that the speaker does not take more than one hour.

There are people with back issues who are not able to sit too long. They have to get up and walk or stand along the side when the presentation takes longer. There are also people who have other engagements and have to leave at 3pm.

Thank you for your comments. Together we try to make the guild work better and your suggestions help.

1. the importance of speaking into and adjusting the mike to your height will be stressed again.

2. The program ladies realize that there are issues with sitting for a long time on the folding chairs.

Speakers are asked to prepare a one hour presentation.

Sometimes, for various reasons, we do run longer and it is good to be reminded.

Maybe this is also a good time to mention that we do start at 1pm

The new format, of having the presentation first, was started because people were leaving before and at 3pm.

Everyone enjoys the social 1/2 hour to see the library, all the interesting items on the back tables and most importantly to connect with their friends.

The executive is trying to juggle and run the guild in a way that makes all of us feel proud to be Pine Tree members.

We ask for your patience and meanwhile you have the comment board !

Marianne Meeuwisse for the Pine Tree Executive

25th ANNIVERSARY PICNIC LUNCHEON

*Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of
Muskoka*

Thurs. June 9th, 2016

*Brooklands Farms,
Butter & Egg Rd.
Bracebridge*

Cost \$25 (cheque only)



Tickets: If you exchange a ticket with another guild member, please scratch your name off the back and put the new members name on it. ALSO, please let Judy Kobe know who you have exchanged tickets with. Thank you.

25th ANNIVERSARY CHALLENGE

“Design a Pine”

Any size, any type of item will be suitable as long as it is a

“Design of a Pine”

Must be quilted.

Must be completed and handed in at the May 12, 2016 Guild Meeting. To be displayed at the June 9, 2016 25th Anniversary Luncheon

If you have any questions contact:
Elizabeth Hughes or Wendy Wight

Please fill out a recipe card with the following information:

Your Name

What the Challenge is

Measurements of the Challenge

The Challenge should be put in a pillowcase or sheet (depending on size) and have your name on the pillowcase or sheet.

The Challenge is to be handed in to Wendy Wight at the May 12th meeting.

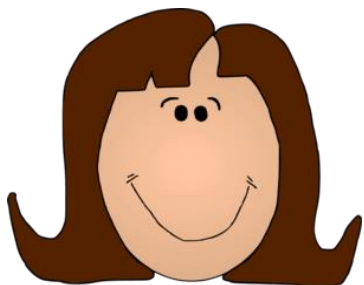
PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD BUS TRIP

When: Wednesday, June 15, 2016
**Where: Quilt Canada 2016 –
International Centre, Mississauga**

DEPARTURE: 7:30 am.
(7:15am) Board Hammond Coach Bus
Bracebridge –Walmart Parking Lot)

RETURN: by 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$65.00 per
person –includes entry and bus.

Required # 33 (bus can hold 55)



**There are about 7 spots still
open for the bus trip in order
to make it a go!!**

You must be signed up and paid up at the
April meeting to be signed up!

Schedule for the Day- Wednesday, June 15

7:15 am. Meet in Bracebridge Walmart parking lot.
(out from Dollar Store)

7:30 am. Depart by Hammond Coach. We are
unable to wait so please be on time.

9:30 am Arrive at Quilt Canada, International
Centre, Mississauga

3:30 pm. Board Bus for departure.

4:30 pm. Stop for Snack Break

6:30 pm. Arrive Bracebridge

There are food vendors at the International
Centre. We cannot take food into the show due to
contract obligations.

Unfortunately, we will be arriving too late and
leaving too early to participate in workshops or
lectures.

By the end of the April meeting we will need to
have our required number of 33 firmed up for the
trip to be a go. Of course the bus will hold 55. First
come first serve.

Please make your cheque payable to Pine Tree
Quilters' Guild of Muskoka.

**Cheques will not be cashed until the trip is a
definite go. Once we have the required number
we will cash the cheques and you are committed
to the trip. If you need to cancel you will need to
find someone to go in your place.**

**If you have any questions please call or email
me. Sue Bogers 705 684 9389
slbogers@gmail.com**

QUILT SHOW 2017

Submitted by Halina Dales

YOUR SUGGESTIONS ARE WANTED!!

At the April meeting we will be asking you for your suggestions as to what would make the 2017 quilt show terrific: as a member of the guild and as an attendee. Think back to other quilt shows you have experienced whether it's our own or others you have visited on your travels.

If you are not at the April meeting – please do not hesitate to call or email me with suggestions.
Email: halina@dales.ca phone: 705-385-1978

Your 2017 Quilt Show Planning Committee

Convenor	Halina Dales
Past Convenor	Marta McIntyre
Bed Turning	Judy Kobe
Boutique	Sue Bogers & Lynda Griffin
Merchant Mall	Susan McCallum
Publicity & Printing	Donna Brown
Secretary	Halina Dales
Tea Room/Cafe	Wendy Wight
Tickets	Barb Coburn
Treasurer	Jan McDonnell
Venue Logistics	Joanne Smith
Volunteers	Nancy Lynch
PTQG President	Margaret Gage

LIBRARY

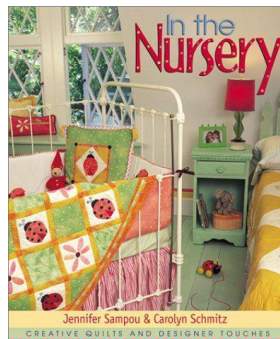
By Jan McDonnell

I hope you have had a chance to explore the online catalogue (called Collectorz) for the Guild library collection. You can access the site from the library tab on the Guild website or the link here:
<http://cloud.collectorz.com/pinetreequiltersguild/bo oks>.

There is a tutorial on the Guild website which you can use to learn how to use the online catalogue. If you have any questions, ask myself, Wendy Beverley or Leslie Songer-Terry.

There are still a few library items which will be for sale at the April meeting.

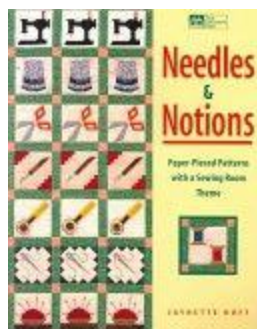
The following six books were recently added to your library:



#626 In the Nursery: Creative Quilts and Designer Touches

**By: Jennifer Sampou and
Carolyn Schmitz**

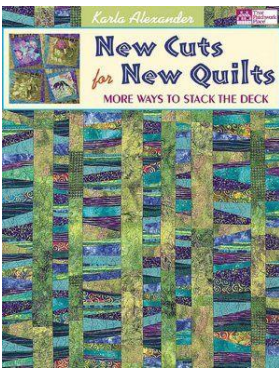
Create a designer look for a child's room without spending a fortune! Includes designs for eight custom rooms, with over 30 step-by-step projects for quilts, lamp-shades, headboards, wall coverings, and more!



#627 Needles & Notions: Paper pieced patterns with a sewing room theme

By: Jaynette Huff

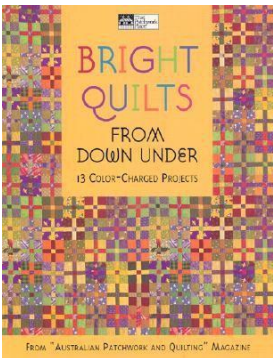
Full size paper-piecing patterns are provided for 13 delightful sewing room blocks in both 4" and 6" sizes! Motifs include a rotary cutter, sewing machine, seam ripper, and button jar.



#628 New Cuts for New Quilts: More ways to stack the deck

By: Karla Alexander

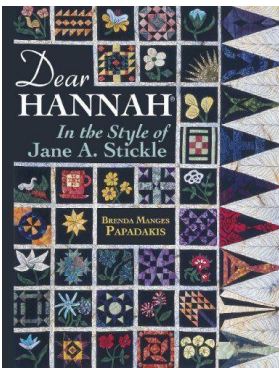
The "Stack the Deck" technique gets new life in this popular author's third book that contains 18 all-new projects. Full color.



#629 Bright Quilts from Down Under: 13 colour-charged projects

From Australian Patchwork and Quilting Magazine

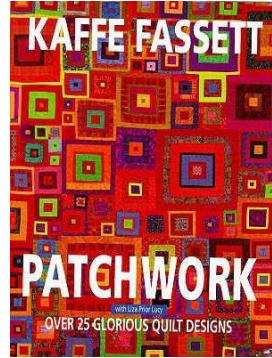
Quilts feature updated classics in fresh new colors- Includes simple projects for beginners and sophisticated designs for pros.



#630 Dear Hannah: in the style of Jane Stickle

By: Brenda Manges Papadakis

The legacy continues as thousands of 'Dear Jane' enthusiasts find more historical patterns linking past and present. As in the bestselling book, 'Dear Jane', a fascination with remarkable pieced and appliqued antique quilts is the basis for 'Dear Hannah'. Contains 144 block patterns, in small 4 1/2 inch sizes, set off with 48 unique border triangles and four corner blocks. Through 28 charming letters to her granddaughter, Hannah, the past is woven with the present to impart an appreciation for women and quilters throughout history.



#631 Patchwork – more than 25 glorious quilt designs

By: Kaffe Fassett

Kaffe Fassett--the world's most innovative fiber artist--takes on America's most popular handcraft: quilting. The result is a spectacular, original craft book which contains complete directions for 20 quilts, all of which can be reproduced by anyone with even rudimentary sewing and quilting abilities. 80 full-color photos.

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 - <http://www.brother-usa.com/Homesewing/ModelDetail.aspx?ProductID=XL3510#.Vt4Yqq0UXZ4>

Asking \$100 o.b.o.

Call Joan Parsons, Gravenhurst, 705-687-5557

Be sure to check out the back table for information about upcoming Quilt Shows, Quilt Retreats, and opportunities to enter your quilts in various Quilt contests and challenges!! **At most meetings there are also lots of “freebies” of books, magazines, patterns, fabric etc. brought in by members who no longer need them.**

“MY CORNER OF THE WORLD”

Art Quilts from Across Canada & Around the World

80 artists interpret their Corner of the World in this colourful exhibit of exquisite art quilts.

May 21 – Sept 5, 2016

Stratford Perth Museum, Stratford, Ontario

Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA) and the **Stratford Perth Museum** have collaborated to create a two-part, international travelling exhibition of art quilts. This 80 piece exhibition presents artists’ interpretations of their “corner of the world”. The artwork includes representational as well as abstract pieces, portraying a wide range of interpretations of this theme – from the geographical to the meta-physical.

My Corner of the World consists of 40 pieces from **SAQA International** member artists.

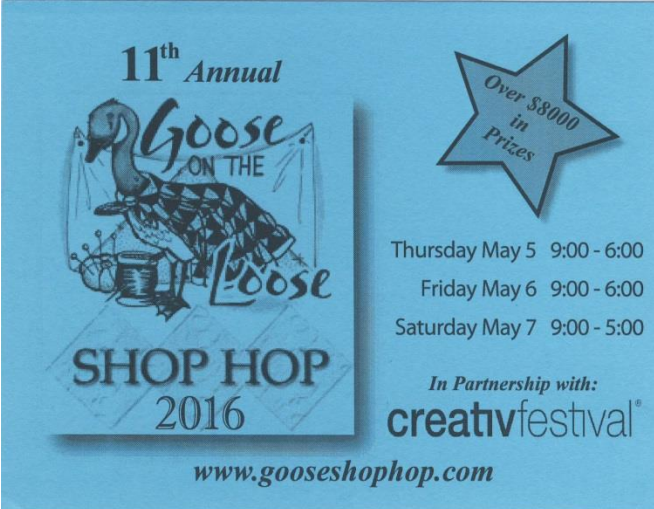
My Corner of the World – Canada consist of 40 pieces from **SAQA Canadian** member artists.

<http://www.saga.com/>

<http://www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca/>

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SUNSHINE QUILT SHOW Orillia, ON

Saturday & Sunday

APRIL 16 & 17 2016

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

at Trillium Manor, 12 Grace Ave., Orillia, ON

Quilt exhibits and sales, members' Sunshine Market, vendors, tea room, quilt raffle with proceeds going to the Activation Department of Trillium Manor. Admission \$5.00 per person per day, men admitted free. For further information, call (705) 259-0854 or visit our website: www.orilliaquiltersguild.com.