



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Elizabeth Hughes



I am writing this from cold Destin Florida. We haven't seen any snow since we drove through Birmingham, Alabama but I did put my ski jacket on one evening. We have never seen snow so far south until this year. Apparently they have had

snow in 49 States this winter.

Our time here thus far has been eventful. We started out with no phone or internet this year. We got up one morning and found the sugar dish knocked over. Thought that was strange but later in the day Bruce found the bananas had been partially eaten. We got a trap set with peanut butter on it but the critter got the peanut butter but did not land in the trap. Later in the morning we started the dishwasher and when the water drained from the first rinse it poured out from under the sink all over the new hardwood floor our owners had put in. The critter had eaten through the plastic drain pipe. It was obviously thirsty after the peanut butter. After having another night and not catching it yet and having the drain pipe chewed through again, you will have to wait till next month to hear the end of the story.

I have found a new quilting product that I am sure we will see soon in Canada. It is called "Sewline Fabric Glue Pen. You run the Sewline Pen along the edge of your fabric that you want to stitch together, then you put your second piece on top and it holds without pins. It is water soluble and has a fine edge to the pen. I will bring one back with me to show you. This item sounds like it would be very handy for those of us that are doing mini quilts.

I am sure you are going to enjoy the DVD on Machine Quilting this month and remember you will be able to borrow it from the library if you want to see it again. We continue to make more exciting plans for our 20th Anniversary Party. Please don't ask any of the committee what the plans are as we are trying to keep them a secret but we are sure you will be as excited as we are when the time comes to enjoy the day.

The Snowbirds in Destin have a small quilting group that I am going to enjoy. To really make it special I find

that Mary McFarlane has joined the group. What a small world and it is always good to have someone from home to share the time with you.

I would like to thank Shirley Anne for chairing the meeting this month and we will look forward to seeing you all soon.

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Barb Coburn

Feb 10 1:00 p.m. Bracebridge Arena

We will be showing the DVD "Mastering Machine Quilting" by Susan Brubaker Knapp who is an award winning quilter with many published patterns and articles in a variety of quilting magazines.

March 10 1:00 p.m. Bracebridge Arena

Our local quilt shops will be our guests. They will each be given time to tell you about all of the new classes, fabrics and products in their shops. They will also set up a mini merchants' mall for your shopping pleasure.

20th Anniversary Update

Plans are well underway for our "Turning Twenty" celebration. This will be marked by a lunch on Oct. 13 at Patterson- Kaye Resort with guest speaker Heather Stewart – 2009 Canadian Teacher of the Year. Cost is \$20.00. I hope you are putting you \$.50 a week into a jar! Reservations will start in April. All attendees at the lunch will be given several mementos to mark this special occasion. Former members are welcome to attend and if you know of someone please let us know. We have asked Heather to teach 2 workshops while she is in Muskoka. Topics for these workshops and sign-up information will be available in April. In the mean time I hope all of you are working on your President's Challenge quilts.



WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Heather Ingram

Friday, April 21, 2011 from 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm

Sign-up for Two Sided Quilts by Judy Kobe, Mary Lou Hamilton & Sharon Veitch start at the February meeting. The workshop is great for all levels. It's a neat technique for piecing & quilting all at the same time & winding up with a different quilt on each side. The cost is \$20 for the workshop to be held April 21st & participants will be required to purchase the book before the class as part of their supply list.

Heather 705-645-6829 or hingram2@cogeco.ca

Friday, January 14, 2011

Carrol Reid – Quilted Placemats

Submitted by Barb Ruttler

If you missed this course it sure was a lot of fun and a lot of information. We have some very talented and sharing members in our club. Most of us finished our projects; you will see them at the meeting in February. We would like to thank Carrol Reid for sharing this neat and easy way to make placemats and runners with us.

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Sandra Harthill

Welcome

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WELCOME BACK

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To date we have 112 paid members this year, including 12 new members. We have 19 members still to renew their 2011 membership. In February the Membership Committee will be handing out questionnaires to all members who have not completed one recently.

Thanks to the Membership Committee, Rena Liebster and Beverley Hall, for all their help at the Membership desk. Thanks also to Sue Cleveland for all her help in the past few years.

Remember to give the Membership Committee any changes in your name, address, phone number or email. Thanks and if you have any questions please call me at 705-646-0082 or email me at scm.hartill@sympatico.ca.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Submitted by Linda Speller & Eileen Baron

Check out our library. We have something for everyone.

OUTREACH

Submitted by Sylvia Bouchard

Recently, we delivered a dozen cuddle quilts to Interval House, and they have sent us a "Thank You" note. There are still plenty of kits to make cuddle quilt tops, and a few panels to make the toiletry totes for Interval House and Chrysalis; these will be available at the Outreach table at the meeting. The totes are filled with toiletries and given to the women when they arrive at the shelters; the following items are included in the totes: toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, hairbrush, soap, skin lotion, deodorant, pen and notebook. So, if you have any extras of these items, donations would be appreciated.

We are starting to work on a couple of Quilts of Valour; one is pieced, and one appliquéd.

For more information about Cuddle quilts, Quilts of Valour, or Tote bags, contact Sylvia Bouchard 687-0412 or e-mail sylvie.bee@bell.net

MYSTERY QUILT

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse

How is your Mystery Quilt coming along?

QUILT SHOW

Bookmarks advertising the quilt show are now available at each guild meeting. Please feel free to pick up and distribute them anywhere throughout this great country and beyond! All advertising we can get is great. Entry

forms and guidelines will be available at the February guild meeting. We will be going over some of the guidelines at each guild meeting until the show. Keep those fingers busy to ensure we have another wonderful show!

TIMES PAST

Submitted by Wendy Wight

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

Submitted by Pauline Lucas



Our focus this month is on another of our Charter Members – Wendy Wight.

Wendy was born in St. Catharines and until she was 17 lived in Thorold, attending public and high school there. Following graduation from high school Wendy entered

Mack Training School for Nurses in St Catharines, graduating from there in 1968.

During her days in Thorold she grew up on the same street as Bill but when he was 13 he went to New Zealand with his family and so they lost touch until 1973 when Bill, age 26, returned to the Niagara area. At this time Wendy was a shift supervisor in a nursing home in St. Catharines, and as Bill had an aunt who was there as a resident, she and Bill became reacquainted. The result – they were married in October of 1975. They have two children – Bridget born in 1976 and Philip in 1982.

Following the birth of Bridget Wendy continued nursing on a part time basis until 1986. In 1987 the family spent 5 weeks in New Zealand and decided on their return to make some changes. This resulted in moving to Muskoka in 1988 and Bill becoming the General Manager of Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club. They lived on the beautiful property of the club, and Wendy assisted Bill in this operation for 20 years. Besides her involvement with the Club, Wendy worked part time at a ladies shop in Port Carling for 7 years. In 2007 Bill and Wendy retired and moved from the Club property into a home just west of Bracebridge.

At around age 12, Wendy starting making clothes, and she actually made her own wedding dress (brave lady). While living in Fonthill in 1983 she took a quilting course with Nina Stahlschmidt, and in Muskoka in 1991 met Debbie Mariette at Makepeace Studio when the quilting “bug” really bit her and quilting became a

passion. When Pine Tree Quilters’ Guild was formed in 1991 Wendy became a member, taking on the position of co-chair with Donna Edwards following Debbie’s move from Muskoka.

As one of the founding members of our Guild, Wendy has worn many hats, becoming involved with the Program Committee, and also became chair of The Cure for Cancer Quilt for four years. During this time the Guild made and donated a quilt a year for auction by the Cure for Cancer organization.

Wendy has taken many workshops over the years, but her favourite day work shop was one held by Kaffe Fassett, at which time colour placement took on a whole new meaning for her and she completed a stunning diamond quilt as a result of this workshop. She does do some appliqué but really enjoys piecing more and often makes her own designs, and does a lot of hand quilting as she finds it very relaxing.

While quilting is probably her favourite hobby, Wendy reads, knits, loves cooking and baking, enjoys golf, Pilates, walking, and hiking and traveling. Obviously she is one busy lady but always ready to spend time chatting with others and passing on her expertise when asked for help. I know from experience that Wendy is a very caring person.

Thanks Wendy for taking time to share your story with us this month. Hope you have a good time down south in February, away from the cold and snow and soaking up some sun and heat. See you in March.

THE HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH CLUB



FEBRUARY wishes go to

Cathy Mahar
Carrol Reid

QUILT ART GROUP

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

Our next meeting will be Thursday February 24th at 10 am on the second floor at James St Place. Our word is "abstract". Please bring the beads you have been making and share the process for making them. We will not be meeting in March.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

February 25, 26 & 27, 2011

I am writing to you on behalf of the “Quilter’s Pleasure Weekend & retreat”. Every year we host a show at Nav-Canada Conference Centre in Cornwall, Ontario,

It’s a great weekend for all. Please share this announcement with your Guild Members and Friends. There will be classes for every level of quilter, a vendor’s mall, a fashion show, trunk shows and activities on center stage all day Saturday. We will be giving door prizes and we are also **GIVING** a sewing machine to every bus group of 20 or more people that are registered for 1 night stay. Visit our website for more info: www.quilterspleasureweekend.com

CALLS FOR ENTRY

Submission Deadline is

Friday April 15, 2011. 4:30 pm

Joseph Schneider Haus Quilt Block Contest 2011
Theme: Memories in Black and White (and Grey)
Block: 12.5 inches square with raw edges, unquilted,
NOT ON POINT.

Material: Pre-washed cotton, plain or print design fabrics

Technique: pieced and or appliquéd, embroidery optional

Statement: Include a brief statement of 50 words or less about the inspiration for your block

Mail to: Joseph Schneider Haus 466 Queen St. S.,
Kitchener, ON N2G 1W7

Information and entry form:

www.region.waterloo.on.ca/jsh

April 15 – 17, 2011

Kawartha Quilt Maker Guild – Feelings in Fabric
Presents: “Memories in Stiches”. Peterborough, ON
More details will follow if we get them

April 29 – May 1, 2011

The Region of York Quilters Guild proudly presents
“**Silver Threads Quilt Show** – Celebrating 25 Years
of Quilting Together”

at the Newmarket Seniors Meeting Place
474 Davis Drive, Newmarket, Ontario

Saturday April 30, 2011 10am – 5pm

Sunday May 1, 2011 10am - 4pm

Admission: \$5

Featuring quality quilts of all sizes, wall hangings, miniatures, quilted clothing and bags, our Guild Challenge and Viewers’ Choice. There will also be a Merchants’ Mall, Tea Room, Raffle Quilt and door prizes. Quilt Appraiser Judy Lyons on site May 1.

Wheelchair accessible. Free Parking.

May 6 – 8 2011

Festival of Quilts

Ottawa, ON

May 14 – 15

Quilts in the Gardens, a special exhibition of the Halton Quilters’ Guild. The exhibition takes place at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Burlington, Ontario, Canada. The Show Hours are **9am – 5pm on Saturday** and **10am – 4pm on Sunday**.

May 24 -28

CQA – Quilt Ontario 2011

University of Western ON

1151 Richmond St, London, ON

Upper Canada Village

50th Anniversary Quilt Challenge

Brochure will be on their webpage soon

http://www.uppercanadavillage.com/UCV/index_e.aspx

I have a copy that they forwarded to me and I will have it at the February meeting.

Or Contact: Pat Trudel, Domestic Supervisor

Upper Canada Village



Your name tag

Items for Show and Tell

Money for 50/50

Library Books

Sign in at Welcome table

Mugs