



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Shirley Anne Sturgess

Resolutions - take a look at your UFO's and sign up to get at least one finished by June. If you do, you have a chance to win the fat quarters forfeited by those who haven't.

Weather alert- I apologize to those who did not receive an e-mail or phone contact regarding the cancellation of our December meeting, I dropped the ball and sorry for any inconvenience to you. Another time there is fierce weather and cancelling our meeting is necessary we plan to have a better system:

e-mail to all - phone calls to those without e-mail - listen to The Moose FM radio in Bracebridge or Huntsville - or phone any executive member.

Happy New Year, good health and great quilting in 2010.

SUGGESTION BOX

It's available for **your** ideas.



PROGRAMS

Submitted by Barb Coburn

January 14 Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.

We are fortunate to have four of our members volunteer to conduct mini demonstrations. You will rotate to all of the stations. You may want to bring pen and paper to take notes.

February 11 Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.



We will celebrate Olympic month by holding our own games. They will be more mental than physical so no need to bring your skates or skis. Teams will compete for "medals". Come and spend a very relaxed afternoon.

WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Heather Ingram

March 10, 2010:

Dianne Gronfors is teaching "Sliced & Diced Nines 2". There will be a sample for you to see at the December meeting. The cost is \$15:00 plus materials.

Heather Ingram 645-6829 or hingram2@cogeco.ca

NOVEMBER WORKSHOP

Submitted by Marta McIntyre



Do we enjoy our guest teachers? You bet we do! Patti Carey showed us an awesome trunk show. She had simple but very inspiring ways to use boring panels and unusual fabrics. Patti's workshop was so much fun. There were lots of timesaving techniques from cutting fabric to mitered borders. Patti was easy going and so inspirational. "Does that make sense?" was her favourite line. It was interesting to see the same pattern look so different just because of the choices in fabric.

Can't wait to see everyone's "Lone Star" at show and share next month!

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Sandra Harthill

Please note: Please let our committee know of any changes to your name, address, phone or email address ASAP. Contact Sandra Hartill at scm.hartill@sympatico.ca or 646-0082 of the changes.

“MEMBERSHIP DUES” ARE DUE!!!

LIBRARY NEWS:

Submitted by Carrol Reid

Remember the video we viewed at the September meeting? "Carol Doak teaches you to Paper Piece". The video is now available in the library for members to borrow. There is a companion book that I am in the process of ordering, lots of tips on supplies, tools and tricks for your successful paper piecing.

The library also has a number of novels related to quilting stories, great for curling up on a cold winter day.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse

CO- NEWSLETTER EDITOR

One person has been doing this for the last several years but finds it onerous to do every month. Ideally this could be done by two people who are comfortable on the computer. A co-editors job means that the two people would take turns, every other month, putting out the newsletter.

Job Description;

- Gather the information and make up the newsletter,
- E-mail the newsletter to members and print copies and mail copies to people who are not on the internet.
- As you have the membership list on your computer, you will be asked once in a while to send out general information.

PROGRAM CHAIR the existing chair is willing to stay on for a while

Job Description:

- Make committee announcements at the general meetings
- Calling program committee meetings whenever necessary to plan a program.
- Contact the arena each month to arrange for seating and display tables.

- Make sure everything is cleaned up after a meeting and take leftovers home.
- With the committee arrange for an annual challenge
- With the committee arrange for a block of the month each year. (There is a subcommittee to look after this).
- With the committee arrange for a program when there is no speaker.
- Safe guard the resolutions and be the announcer at the June and Christmas potluck

There is already a person who looks after workshops, sign ups, billeting etc. everything which has to do with the speaker.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

Submitted by Pauline Lucas



For our monthly “look at members” we get to know a little more about Marta McIntyre. Life for Marta began in 1957 in Hamilton, where she lived and went to school until she was 16. At that time her parents decided to move north, to Bracebridge. She finished and graduated high school from Bracebridge Muskoka Lakes S.S., and right after graduating took a job with the District of Muskoka, at the same time attending night school for bookkeeping. Around that time she met her future husband, Steve, at the Patterson Hotel, which some of us remember as the home of Beverly’s Lighting. Not wanting to rush into things, they dated another 9 years before marrying in 1986. For a couple of years after they were married they lived in Banff where Marta worked for an accounting firm. When Steve was hired by Hydro One to work at the Nuclear Plant they returned to Ontario and lived in Pickering, and Marta worked for CIBC. They were living in Pickering when their two children, a daughter and a son, were born, and Marta decided to stay home and spend time raising their children. They made the move back to Bracebridge in 1991 and after the children were in school all day Marta went back to work, this time for the TD Bank. Her daughter has her BSc in Nursing, working in Hamilton, and her son is with Hydro One in his 3rd year electrical apprenticeship in Ottawa. When Marta’s sister-in-law purchased the Craft Nook about 4 years ago, she went to work for her and is still there working part time.

Sewing has been a hobby of Marta's since she was a small child, making doll clothes out of scraps of fabric she found under her Dad's (yes, that's right, her Dad's sewing machine - he had been a tailor in Germany and made all Marta's dresses until she was about 10.) About 10 years ago a friend show Marta a quilt she had made and Marta was hooked. She was introduced to Carolyn Dyk, who had started a satellite group, and so she joined it, joining the Guild in 2003. Marta became Secretary for the Guild in 2005, and also chaired a very successful Quilt Show in 2008, had such a wonderful time doing this she has volunteered to chair the next quilt show!

Through the Guild Marta has taken several quilting classes, loves to learn new techniques and shortcuts, and currently is a member of a group who meet every week at the United Church in Bracebridge, and also a member of the first miniature group. Besides quilting, her hobbies include scrap booking, cross stitching and is now learning to embroider, under the guide of Joanne McKinnon for "Redwork", and Marianne Meeuwisse for crazy quilts. And, as if not busy enough, is currently designing her own greeting card line, and is the primary caregiver for her parents, but as she says "quilting keeps her sane".

INTEREST GROUPS

QUILT ART GROUP

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

Our next meeting will be January 28th at 10 am-3 pm at James Place. (We had to cancel the December meeting) Our word will be "curves". We also will reveal the word "flight". There will be a discussion about silk. We will be staying into the afternoon to play with stamping, paints, pastels, inks and Shiva paint sticks. Please bring any of the above supplies plus some fabric to play with. We welcome any guild member. If you are planning to come, please tell a member before hand so we can contact you if we have to cancel. If the school buses are cancelled, we will cancel.

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THURSDAY MORNING GROUP

Submitted by Susan McCallum

The Thursday morning group held a pot luck lunch – 12 people in attendance. Food was fantastic as usual at these events. Judy Kobe demonstrated the magic pillow case.

PINS

Submitted by Elizabeth Hughes

Pine Tree Quilt pins are available for \$4.00 at the Membership Desk.

ARCHIVES

Submitted by Susan McCallum

Some guild members may not know that the Pine Tree Quilters' Guild has maintained a collection of pictures, meeting minutes, and other items related to Guild member activities since its beginning some twenty years ago. This "archive" of memorabilia relies on contributions of photos, media clippings, and other items such as patterns and instructions from workshops that members provide. Maintaining the collection is the job of the archivist, a position which I currently hold. With the twentieth anniversary of the Guild approaching, some of this archival material will be made available at each of the regular meetings, starting in January, so that members can revisit some of the good times and good friends from the past.

For many years, the archives consisted of a plastic tote box filled with bags and boxes and envelopes of assorted bits and pieces. First attempts to sort and label all of this stuff were frustrating and not particularly successful. However, since meeting with representatives from other Guilds this past October and sharing ideas and solutions to common problems, things are starting to take shape and the history of the Guild should be much more accessible to members soon.

If you have photos or clippings or collections of notes and patterns that relate to Guild activities or Guild members that you have collected over the course of your membership, and you would like to donate them to the archive, they would be most welcome. Please try to label any material, particularly photos, with dates and/or occasion as much as you can, to make the archivist's (my!) job a little easier. Even if you can't remember, someone else might, so don't hesitate to donate and every effort will be made to identify the content and include it in the permanent collection.



Your name tag

Money for 50/50

Sign in at Welcome table

Last call - Renew your membership - \$25.00

Items for Show and Tell

Library Books

Mugs