



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Submitted by Elizabeth Hughes

Happy New Year and Happy 20th Year of the Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka, during this coming year we will have little tidbits of information in our Newsletter regarding our Guild that happened before many of us were members.

Wendy Wight will be doing these peaks into the past. Pauline Lucas will be featuring our founding members and Past Presidents.

To help your hands feel good over this coming year, I am enclosing a recipe for "Quilters' Hand Cream". The recipe was developed by a nurse who is also a quilter and published in the Canadian Quilters' Association Magazine years ago. I have made it a number of times for friends and family. It really works and is great for these winter months when our hands get dried out from handling too much material or wool. Any brand of Vitamin E or A will do.

Not only is this our 20th Anniversary Year but it is our Quilt Show Year. How are you doing on finishing those quilts for "The Show". Please don't say to yourself that your quilt is not good enough to show. We are all learning as we go and I want to remind you that it was a quilter's first quilt that won "Best of the Show" last time. You also will be hearing from Marta and her Committee where you can be involved over the next few months. Please sign up wherever you can. It is great fun working at the show and when you hear from people that come how wonderful it is, it makes you feel really good that you have been a part of it all.

As far as our Mystery Quilt is concerned, we trust that many of you were "Turtles" rather than "Rabbits". I even made an error without the help of Mary Lou or Marianne.

At our meeting Marianne and her committee will be giving us demonstrations of items that we can make for the Guild Quilt Boutique. When you make something, it is not just for the benefit of the Boutique but our Outreach program benefits and you also benefit as you get the instructions or pattern to make for both yourself

and the Boutique. I want to thank you ladies for helping out once again.

I want to say thank you to Shirley Anne for chairing the next two meetings. I will be in Destin, Florida for the next two months but am as close as my computer via e-mail.

QUILTER'S HAND CREAM

This recipe for hand cream comes from Emergency Room nurses who use it to overcome the drying effects of antiseptic soaps. It is very soothing and healing, absorbs quickly and smells great. Quilter's are notorious for having dry, rough hands due to the handling of fabrics.

1 400 ml jar of Vitamin A cream

1 400 ml jar of Vitamin E cream

1 60 ml bottle of baby oil

1 50 g jar of Vaseline

1 15 g tube of Polysporin cream

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Barb Coburn

January 13 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 10 Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.



Stay tuned as information will appear here next month.

WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Heather Ingram

Friday, January 14, 2011 from 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm

Carrol Reid - Quilted Placemats - the Sportsplex.

Our own Carrol Reid will be teaching a variety of simple placemats or runners. This is a great workshop for beginners or for anyone who wants to make some homemade gifts or for anyone who just wants a play day with quilters. It's a bargain at \$15.00 per person.

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

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Sandra Harthill

Welcome

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Happy 2011. There are still 42 members who have to renew for 2011! To date we have 83 members and 6 of those are new members. The Membership Committee would really appreciate it if you would come early to the January 13th meeting to renew your membership so that we also can enjoy the meeting. Our Membership cost is \$25 and you can make cheques payable to Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka. Guests pay \$5 a meeting.

Please update your membership list with the following information.

Judy Simpson's email is now judys1119@hotmail.com and Linda Speller's is materialgirl737@gmail.com

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.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Submitted by Linda Speller & Eileen Baron

Beloved Baltimore Album Quilts by Elly Sienkiewicz, 25 classic 8" blocks, Appliqué basics plus special techniques for appliqué and embellishment.

Fast & Furious quilting as you go by Gudrun Erla, Beginner friendly table runners, placemats, baby quilts and bags.

Cloth Doll Making by: Patti Medaris Culea
Create your own work of art by incorporating ideas found in this amazing detailed book. The collection of projects includes patterns, hand dyed fabrics, beads, stamping, colored pencils, and more.

Sweatshirt Remix by: Debra Quartermain
The author's clear step-by-step restructuring and fitting techniques will show you how to adapt any size sweatshirt into an attractive garment. This book contains 20 sweatshirt transformations, plus a CD with project patterns, material lists, etc.

Miniatures In Minutes by: Terrie Sandelin
This book has full size foundation patterns to create 24 beautiful miniature quilts with techniques that dramatically speed up paper piecing. Learn methods that make paper piecing faster and easier, and choose the right fabrics to make your miniature sparkle.

OUTREACH

Submitted by Sylvia Bouchard

We still have lots of kits for Cuddle quilts; there are some of the new patterns, but also, quite a few of the easier 7x 9 blocks.

As we mentioned at the Christmas pot luck, we have the results of the appraisal of our Quilt of Valour, which will be raffled to raise funds to finish more quilts; the appraiser, Diane Shink, has set a value of \$849.00 for our Log Cabin Leaves quilt!!

Just for a change of pace: a while back, we received a half bolt of fabric which is very attractive, but not suitable for cuddle quilts; as it is 12" square panels, it is suitable for making small tote bags or pouches. We have found out that the two women's shelters try to provide a bag of toiletries to the ladies when they arrive at the shelter and that a local church has been donating the bags with toiletries; we thought we could use the donated fabric to make some bags and I have prepared some "kits". So, if you would like to try making a bag or two, pick up a kit from the Outreach table. Also, if you are interested in contributing to the toiletries, a list will be available.

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

There has been some confusion about the mystery quilt instructions given in December.

The correction is, Rows A and D are identical in the way you line up the squares, Row A gets pressed to the right and Row D gets pressed to the left.

If you decide to reverse the light and dark from the instructions, we advise you to draw out the rows for yourself.

It becomes very confusing to work from the sheet if you do not. I (Marianne) have experienced this!!!!

Ladies, the end is near. We hope you had fun, after all the routine work making the squares and trimming them.

Come to the January meeting and witness the unveiling of the mystery. We sure hope you will like what you see!

QUILT SHOW



Details to follow from Marta.

TIMES PAST

Submitted by Wendy Wight

Buying a cottage on Mary Lake in the summer of 1991 proved to be a double blessing.

Driving to Huntsville via Muskoka Rd 10, I passed a sign "Make Peace Studio", quilts.

Being a latent quilter, I stopped and went in. I was greeted by Debbie Mariette, the owner, with sounds of nature music in the background and a room full of wonderful material. I was hooked!

Debbie mentioned that there was a group of quilters that met on Thursday evenings and asked if I would like to join them.

The next week Bette Clark and I drove up from Port Carling to the gathering. There we met Eileen Baron, Donna Edwards, Hilda Kirton, Marge McQuillen, Kathleen Godfrey, Myrtle Westland, Thelma Evely, Janine Massink, Joyce Rumney and Trish Playter and others.

These women continued in the guild for some time. We worked on our own projects plus a common project "a block depicting our vision" of Muskoka. We put this together which throughout the years in our guild quilt has hung at our meetings and functions.

This was a year that began a passion for quilting with visions of perfect ¼ inch seams, fabric choices and block settings dancing in my head!

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

Submitted by Pauline Lucas

As we start 2011 and celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Pine Tree Quilters Guild, **we will focus on our Charter Members**, without whom this Guild would not be the super organization it is today. Our first Charter Member is Eileen Baron.

Eileen was born in Gateacre, a 17th century village which became part of Liverpool. Close to fields and wooded land, her family enjoyed exploring the outdoor life, and since they did not possess a car they walked a lot, and used public transport.



Eileen worked in Liverpool for the transport police, and on weekends enjoyed hiking in North Wales and The English Lake District and through hiking clubs, met and married Mike. They bought a house in 1969, the year of their marriage, however, that same year decided to emigrate to Canada. In 1970, they took the last voyage of the Empress of Canada from Liverpool to Montreal, and arrived at

Union Station in Toronto with three trunks, two suitcases, no accommodation and no jobs.

Eileen joined the Toronto General Hospital in medical records and Mike joined Kimberly-Clark. Their son, Simon was born in Toronto in 1972, and later in 1974, their daughter, Louise was born. At this time they were living in Bramalea, but not for long, as Mike accepted a two year assignment in Huntsville. So, they all took off to Huntsville, where the two years extended into 34! Their youngest son, Marc was born in Huntsville in 1978.

Eileen, since childhood has always been a sewer, making her own clothes, drapes, and even her own wedding dress. So, when she saw a notice in the Forester trying to get sewers together to form a quilting group, she went along to Trinity United Church and met Debbie Marriot. Later Debbie started her own studio where she held afternoon meetings this was the start of Pinetree quilters. When Debbie moved to Saltspring Island, the quilting group was well formed, and continued to grow into this wonderful group of people who have quilting in common.

Eileen enjoys piecing and assembling the tops of quilts, but is slower at getting them quilted. She enjoyed being part of Hilda Kinton's quilting bee; is now more involved with paper piecing and is a member of a miniature group where she enjoys the challenges of new ideas. Eileen is a former treasurer of the group, and currently works with the quilting library.

Eileen spent nine years as a volunteer with the St Mary's School library; has been a Friend of the Huntsville Library for over 20 years; and recently received her 25 year pin for volunteer work at the Fairvern nursing home. As a summer hobby, Eileen enjoys gardening.

Eileen now has 23 month old identical twin granddaughters and finds herself travelling the highway to Toronto a great deal to help out.

REMEMBERING A MEMBER

Submitted by Darlene Williams

Marjorie Heyder a member of Pine Tree Quilters, passed away on Monday, December 20, 2010 after a 21 month battle with brain cancer. She was a member of our Guild for about 4 years and had participated mostly in Outreach Program.

She learned to quilt from her friend Joan, in Barrie, in the 1970's. When she retired from Bell Telephone & moved to Severn Bridge, she joined Orillia Quilters' Guild & helped in the Outreach Program. She showed us how to tie quilts as well as making many quilts for many families in need in the Orillia area.

For several years Marjorie was on the committee of the Simcoe County Quilt Show hanging the quilts in the Museum up until the fall of 2008.

Marjorie also belonged to a small Kindred Group in Gravenhurst. She inspired us in many ways, as only Marjorie could do.

Quilting was a love of her life & she was happiest behind a sewing machine creating a new quilt.

Marjorie was just 64 years old when she passed. She made many friends in all walks of life, many of whom were present at the 'Celebration of Life' held in her honour in Barrie on Tuesday, December 28, 2010.

INTEREST GROUPS

THE BIRTHDAY WISH CLUB

Submitted by you via the editor



JANUARY wishes go to

Edith Cook

Mildred Everest

Pauline Lucas

Darlene Williams

And to anyone that I might have missed.

QUILT ART GROUP

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

Our next meeting is January 27th at James St. Place 10-12 on the second floor. Our word is "scraps". We will be making fabric beads trying different methods. All members are invited to our meetings.

Our group will be showing three of our words at the arena meeting after show and tell. The words are "waves", "trees and leaves" and "my favourite".

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 7 - February 26, 2011

Breaking Out - Group of Eight Fibre Artists

Greenwood Quiltery

275 Woolwich St, **Guelph**

Monday - Wednesday & Saturday, 10-5

Thursday & Friday, 10-6

Meet the Artists Wine & Cheese Saturday January 15th, 2-4pm

CALLS FOR ENTRY

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

Submission Deadline is Friday April 15, 2011. 4:30 pm

Information and entry form:

www.region.waterloo.on.ca/jsh



Your name tag

Money for 50/50

Sign in at Welcome table Mugs

Last call - Renew your membership - \$25.00

Items for Show and Tell

Library Books