

PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

President: Marianne Meeuwisse

June 2007

WELCOME

New Members:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring to Everyone:

Another quilting season is almost over.

Thanks to a lot of people participating in the challenge and the making of cuddle quilts we have been able to reach out to our community.

The program committee has been working hard at providing interesting truck shows and workshops and I am sure a lot of people have expanded their art of quilting.

“Show and Tell” is a very important part of our programs and it always amazes me how “new” quilters come shyly with their work and how beautiful it is.

It is important now to get organized for next year's quilt show. We will have full sized quilts, miniatures, art quilts and clothing and of course the Boutique.

We will have a large hall to fill and it is important that as many people of all different levels of ability display their work. It is refreshing for visitors to see the “nine patch” and “log cabin” beside the more complicated patterns; it encourages them to start quilting.

Please retain anything you make or make sure you can have it returned before the show.

I would like to wish you all a great summer.

Marianne

CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS

Congratulations to Joanne McKinnon (nee Johnson) on her marriage this past year.
New Info – 86 Meadow Heights Dr., B'bridge, P1L 1A3, Tel # 645-9031

PROGRAMS

SUMMER PLACEMATS ARE DUE IN JUNE!

At the April meeting 35 placemats were donated to Meals on Wheels. This brings the total to 98. Challenge winner was Margaret Gage who won a mini iron. Thanks to all who took part in the Spring challenge.

FALL PLACEMATS ARE DUE IN SEPTEMBER!

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Thursday, **July 12**

Quilt for the day, inside, outside, on the deck, on the dock, under the trees (rain or shine)
U bring your lunch, a mug, a folding chair and your hand work.

I will provide the coffee, tea, lemonade and goodies.

Leave your worries at home.

The day is Thursday, July 12 at Shirley Anne's, 1013 Baxter Road, off Highway 117. Just pass Marine Drive and Baxter Rd is on the left.

10 am to 3 pm Call if you need directions

August 10th

10 am to 3 pm

Quilt Day for the guild members at Joanne Kourtz, 1180 Paint Lake Road, Dorset (off 117 at about 4900 fire numbers...or 2 doors from Mildred Everest) Big green house on right hand side.

Please carpool.

Bring your lunch, quilting, bathing suit, chair, and mug. I will provide the coffee, tea, lemonade and some goodies.

Quilt on the dock, in the shade, on the screen porch or in the air conditioned house.

FALL PROGRAM

Submitted by Barb Colburn & Dianne Gronfors

Sept. 13 1:00 p.m. Bracebridge Arena
2006 CQA National Juried Quilt Show - To start the year of our next quilt show we are presenting, via CD, some of Canada's best quilts that were shown at the CQA Conference held in Ottawa.

Sept. 27 1:00 p.m. Rowanwood
Seminole Patchwork - demonstration

Oct. 11 1:00 p.m. Bracebridge Arena
Karen Wold - As a lawyer Karen will discuss copyright issues as related to quilting and answer your questions. As a quilter she will present a mini trunk show.

Oct. 25 10:00 a.m. Rowanwood
Cuddle Quilt Day Come out and see how much fun it is to make a contribution to our community.

Nov. 8 1:00 p.m. Bracebridge Arena
Karen Menzies - Karen will give us some insights into the life as President of the Canadian Quilters' Association. She will also show us some of her decorative and wearable fibre art.

Nov. 9 9:00 Bracebridge Sportsplex
Karen Menzies Workshop
Spontaneous or Geometric - How Hard Is That?

Supply List – for workshop
.5 m. each of 6 black/white cottons, including a stripe
.33 m. each of 4-6 bold, bright prints in a single colour family as the contrast colour. No less than this. She says that she knows it seems like a lot but it will be used and in a class like this a lot of horse trading is encouraged so more is better.
And, No Solids Please. She suggests that if a quilter brings blues for instance; she can trade with someone who brings purples. Use the summer to get your stash for this workshop.

Nov. 22 1:00 Rowanwood
Quilt Diagnosis - Bring a UFO that you don't know how to finish or a quilting problem that you would like solved. As a group we will try to give suggestions and answer your questions working on the adage that 2 heads are better than 1.

Dec. 13 11:30 Bracebridge Arena
Pot Luck Lunch

MEMBERSHIP

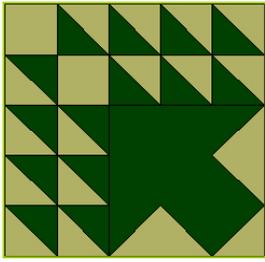
Submitted by Carol Cragg

As you know the new constitution has the year starting in January and going to December. That means that this year, one needs to pay for September to December 2007 and then January to December 2008. That is why the fees are \$32.50 for this time and they are due this year by September 30, 2007. Please remember to fill out the New Member / Renewal form and give it to or mail to me.

CUDDLE QUILTS

Submitted by Carrol Reid

Another successful workshop was held at Rowanwood in March 2007 with 15 - 20 busy members assembling and finishing quilts. Twenty quilts were delivered to Interval House in November 2006. We expect to make a delivery to Chrysalis very soon. Our current in stock completed quilts is 102. Some of the quilts will be used for the boutique at the 2008 Quilt Show. Several kits were given out at recent meetings and hopefully they will be returned at the June or September meeting which will help with planning the fall workshop. I will be looking for a couple of volunteers to help with a small workshop at my house in August to put together backings and get quilts ready for the next Rowanwood workshop. Anyone willing to help with this small workshop can call me at 646-7609.



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LIBRARY

Submitted by Carrol Reid

Since our last newsletter we have acquired 4 new books. Three of them were added last month and another one will join the Library at the June meeting.

We are attempting to get Scrap Quilts Using Fast Patch and have on order Ricki Timms Convergence Quilt.

Easy Machine Quilting: 12 Lessons to use your sewing machine for quilting.

Stars by Magic: A new super easy technique for making diamond free stars from squares and rectangles. Perfect points and no Y-seams.

A Gathered Garden: Dimensional flowers

Quilt Labels: One of a kind labels and unique ideas for a special finishing touch.

QUILT SHOW 2008

Coordinator – Marta McIntyre

June 20th & 23rd 2008

at the Bracebridge Fairgrounds

Remember we will need lots of quilts and quilted items for this show.

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Web Master - Dianne Gronfors

It is close to completion but it has to be perfect before we broadcast, so keep tuned. We will let you know when you can see it.

Dianne still needs digital pictures of this year's show and tell, workshops, demos, Christmas Pot Luck.

Dianne has done a wonderful job setting it up and all members will be proud of the efforts she has put forth.

Thanks Dianne.

INTEREST GROUPS

Quilt Art Group

We will be meeting at Rowanwood in September and November at 10 am - 12. Next year we plan to do some exciting projects so if you are interested please join us? This group is open to any member of Pine Tree. Our postcards raised \$395 to date for Chrysalis, the new woman's shelter in Huntsville.

The postcards will be on sale in the Shutterbug Gallery in Huntsville. This is on the Main Street on the same side as Gone Quilting. They will also be for sale at some fundraisers. We need lots more postcards so please make us some.

some link

http://quilting.about.com/od/quiltpatternsprojects/ss/fabric_postcard.htm?nl=1

or email Joanne Kourtz for ideas or help
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CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale: Dritz Quilters' Floor Frame 39x28
Asking \$75.00 Isobel Milne 645-2391
Q Snap Frame – Lap – 17x13
Asking \$10.00 – Isobel Milne

For Sale: Jasmine Heirloom Quilting Frame –
Oak – Uses 3 poles – has 5 different
poles – 4ft., 5ft., 7ft., 8ft., and 9ft.
Asking \$300.00 by Donna Edwards
(she will have a picture available at the
guild meeting)

HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Workshop

Thursday October 18, 9:30-3pm

Dorset Recreation Centre - Downstairs

This workshop will be to make postcards.

Instruction will be given in the various ways to make a postcard. Participants will then make postcards using various techniques and fabrics. We hope many will be donated to the fund raiser for Chrysalis. We will be selling them at our quilt show and in the Shutterbug Gallery, Main Street, Huntsville.

Cost of the workshop is \$1 for half a day or \$2 for a full day.

Coffee and tea will be provided.

Sign up will be at September and October meetings. Limited to 25 guild members.

Joanne Kourtz

Quilt Raffle

The Bracebridge Arts Council is having a quilt raffle to support the Rene M. Caisse Memorial Theatre Campaign. The double bed quilt top was designed, made and donated by Lydia Picott of Muskoka Quilting. It was quilted by Judy Dawes and Dianne Gronfors of Get Topless. Tickets are \$5.00 each and available through Margaret Gage.

Draw will be held 2:00 p.m. on September 29th, 2007 at the new theatre in the Community Complex in the Clearbrook subdivision.

Dockside Festival in Gravenhurst

August 17, 18 & 19th, 2007

Helen Benninger will be there. She would love to see any projects that were finished after her class. She can also give advice on unfinished projects, if there are any.

10 Good Reasons to Buy Fabric

1. It insulates the cupboard where it is kept.
2. It keeps the economy moving, it is my duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills and fabric shops
- 3 It is less expensive and more fun than psychiatric care.
4. It is a contest, the one who dies with the most fabric wins!

5. It keeps without refrigeration, you don't have to cook it to enjoy it, you will never have to feed it, change it, wipe its nose or walk it.
6. Like dust, it is good for protecting previously empty spaces in the house, like the ironing board, laundry basket, the dining room table, etc.
7. It is not immoral, illegal or fattening. It calms the nerves, gratifies the soul and makes you feel good.
8. Because it is **ON SALE!**
9. Because **I AM WORTH IT!**
10. And buy it now, before your husband retires and goes with you on all your shopping expeditions!

Dickie Lake Chicks

Edith (adopted Dickie Laker), Carol Cragg, Paula & Joanne Elliott, Stella Neilson and Sharon Penzvalto (adopted Dickie Laker) hit the road at 6:30 a.m., Sunday June 3rd. Lancaster County here we come. On the way we stopped at the Welcome Centre for Pennsylvania. It is a lovely facility and the staff was most helpful.

We arrived at our hotel in a terrible rain storm but Joanne got us there safe and sound. The next morning the sun was shining and so were our credit cards.

First stop was Bird in Hand. It was small so we thought we might spend an hour here. Well three hours later, we decided to have lunch and move on to Intercourse.

On the way to Intercourse, there is a small Quilt shop which caters to the Amish community call "The Quilt and Fabric Shack". It certainly was a great find. We spent the rest of the afternoon in Intercourse and on the way back to our hotel; we went through a covered bridge.

The next day we spent touring the city of Lancaster, first a historical walking tour and then the Heritage Centre Museum.

Wednesday, we headed to Burkholder's Fabric Shop which has 3000 sq. ft. filled with bolts of material and other related items. We allowed 4 hours here but only needed 3. Our credit cards came in handy. Off to Hershey for a quick tour and another quilt shop.

Our final shopping was done at "The Quilt and Fabric Shack" in Bird in Hand.

With our credit cards maxed out and no room in the van for any more purchases. We headed home a day early.

We would recommend a trip to Lancaster County.