



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

We are down to the wire for our Muskoka Quilts from the Heart quilt show. Given all the excellent planning by a superb quilt show committee I have every confidence that this quilt show will be outstanding. Halina Dales is to be commended for her "insane" top notch leadership and direction. I am so relieved that because of the teams excellent organization, the only thing I have to worry about is getting my quilts to the show on time, showing up to volunteer and picking up at the other end. Kudos to you Halina and the entire organizing committee. Kudos also to every member who is either exhibiting a quilt or volunteering or promoting the show OR just showing up with friends and family.

Our potluck meetings are always my favourite and I am sorry I will not be able to attend the June 8th meeting. Unfortunately I must be in Toronto for a commitment that cannot be rescheduled. It would have been my opportunity to pass the baton onto Nancy Lynch and her new executive team. I will be thinking of you though.

We are still in need of someone to take over the newsletter from Joanne Smith. Joanne has done a great job over the past several years and it is time for her to pass the baton. I'm sure she would be pleased to share her expertise and secrets with anyone who chooses to come forward.

If I don't see you at the quilt show, have a wonderful summer. I hope to provide you all with good news regarding the build of our new home on Porcupine Lake when I see you again in September.

Regards,
Margaret Gage

Meetings at Bracebridge Memorial Arena,
169 James St., Bracebridge, ON, 2nd, floor
Second Thursday of the month 1 – 3pm

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EXECUTIVE LIST 2016-17

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| Past President | Barb Coburn |
| President | Margaret Gage |
| Vice President | Nancy Lynch |
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| Secretary | Pat Northmore |
| Program | Joyce MacKay Donna Naylor |
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| Website | Halina Dales |
| Sunshine | Tina Bax |
| Photographer | Sherry Moncrief |

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

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Joyce MacKay and Donna Naylor

Program Coordinators' Report 2016/2017

Well, there you have it ... another year of guild programming complete. We hope you have enjoyed and learned from the guests we have invited to the guild this year.

Here is a look back at the artists and activities at our guild this year:

September 2016 – Jo-ann Core - Hand applique and quilting including a workshop on hand applique.

October 2016 – Albert Cote – “From There to Here” trunk show and rug workshop.

November 2016 – Shelley Mierle – Antique Doll Making

December 2016 – Christmas Potluck Lunch

January 2017 – Informal sewing day for Quilt Show boutique items.

February 2017 – Bring your own quilting project work day.

March 2017 – Mary Aman – “Tools I like to use” trunk show.

April 2017 – Dorothy Fu – “The Story of My Quilts – Traditional to Pictorial” and Autumn Splendour workshop

May 2017 – Sherida Giddings – “It’s All About Paper Piecing” and Quiltworx paper piecing workshop.

June 2017 – Spring Potluck lunch and AGM

JUNE 8th – POT LUCK

The June meeting at the arena will be

POTLUCK LUNCHEON
JUNE 8th
AT
12 NOON!

(please don't come before 11:30am)

Speaking of the potluck lunch, here are a few things to remember:

- Bring your cutlery and dishes
- Bring a generous contribution to the potluck table
- Bring your Show and Share items
- **Please don't arrive before 11:30 a.m.** so we can get things organized and set up for you
- Remember, as a thank you to the Arena employees, who are so helpful to us throughout the year, we will invite them to go along the potluck table first.

Looking ahead...

September 14th - we welcome *Catherine Timm* from *Creative Custom Quilting and Fibre Art*. On the Friday, she will be conducting a **workshop on making fused art postcards** (on display at our May meeting and again at the June meeting). The workshop is limited to 12 participants and the cost is \$25.00. A supply list will be available for those who sign up.

We have some very exciting guests planned for next year's guild meetings. *As always, please let us know if there is someone you know of who would be of interest to our members, or if there is a workshop you would like us to try to arrange.*

Thank you for your support throughout the year.

Joyce MacKay and Donna Naylor
Program Coordinators

MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Margie Sharples

Well ladies this is our final get together before the summer. As everyone knows membership is due for September 2017. I will have the envelopes at the sign in table if you could fill them out and give them to me at the meeting. I would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy summer and will see you in September.

Cheers
Margie Sharples

QUILT SHOW NEWS

Submitted by Halina Dales halina@dales.ca or muskokaquilts@gmail.com



**As I Am Writing This -
It's One Week To Show Time!**

One week from now on June 1st, the arena will have been transformed. The quilt stands will be up, the arena rink walls will be draped in black. The tables covered in black. Décor is done. The 300+ quilts have arrived and are on display. The boutique and café are ready. The antique bed laden with 17 quilts ready for the first Antique Quilt Turning. Most of the vendors have set-up their wares.

Friday June 2nd the doors open.

Wow! We wouldn't be here without the tremendous support of our members and the Planning Committee.

So today's newsletter is about thank you's!

Thank you

To our members

Tremendous participation and commitment! Here's a few of the ways you have helped the show:

- ♥ Over 300 quilts and quilted items for display.
- ♥ Donations: 700+ boutique items, door prizes, fabric for draping tables and to make hearts, item needed for set-up, for the café.
- ♥ Hours and hours of donated time to think, to sew, to put plans into action. Hours of time before, during and after the show.
- ♥ Ambassadors for the show by distributing bookmarks and posters near and far. Telling family and friends through word, email and facebook.
- ♥ Getting others outside the guild to work with you for the show. Husbands, friends, children, churches, community.

Our members came together and did everything that was asked and everything possible. If the success of the show is measured by the commitment and enthusiasm of the guild members – it's a resounding success!!

Thank you!!

Thank you ... To the Planning Committee

Besides myself, the members of the Planning Committee are:

Sue Bogers, Margaret Gage, Lynda Griffin, Marcia Groskorth, Judy Kobe, Nancy Lynch, Susan McCallum, Jan McDonnell, Marta McIntyre, Dale McMillan, Sherry Moncrief, Pat Northmore, Leslie Songer Terry, Patricia Wells, Wendy Wight

To join the planning committee the hope was that each member had base skills of: basic planning; playing well with others; likes to get things done; and, shows flexibility as plans change. Each committee member brought these base skills in spades!

Over and above the base skills, each person brought different skills, different passions, different backgrounds, different viewpoints. These differences were woven together by mutual respect, and a focus on delivering a great Quilt Show. A little laughter along the way didn't hurt.

I have worked with many teams in my career. Great teams, average teams and teams in name only.

This planning committee is one of the best teams I have ever worked with.

Thank you!!

**How did the quilt show
do? Who won Viewer's
Choice?**

**Come to the potluck luncheon to
find out the answers and much
more!**