

PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Although I was kept down south longer than expected last month and unable to attend the meeting, I am now "back in the hood" and looking forward to our upcoming March meeting where we will be inspired by Mary Aman and her love of machine applique and reproduction quilts. I am told that Mary comes from the Finger Lakes District of New York, an area whose lakes were also carved out by the ice age. I have visited there several times and find it a very serene locale. Bet they have more than a few lovely quilt retreats there!

I love March. We are now over the hump of winter and can look forward to the warmer temperatures of spring. And because I have a touch of the Irish in me, I enjoy St. Patrick's Day and the wearing of the green. Expect to see me decked out in my favourite colour at the meeting. Why not honour the little leprechaun hiding in each of you and wear a little green yourself. Maybe it will help to bring spring here a little sooner.

Jill Kieffer has mentioned to me her intention to step down from her role on the Outreach Committee. So there is another vacancy in next year's Executive committee. Speak to Jill or Joanne Smith at the meeting if this is something that interests you. I know that our cuddle quilts are very much appreciated in the community.

Speaking of the community, we received a lovely thank you letter from the Manna Food Bank for the donation made from our December Pot Luck. The Manna Food Bank provides up to 700 households each year. While the summer season may be one of prosperity, the winter season can be a challenge to survive for many among us. Another good reason to look forward to spring.

See you all at the meeting,
Margaret

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

PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD

EXECUTIVE LIST 2016-17

Past President	Barb Coburn
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Website	Halina Dales
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Photographer	Sherry Moncrief

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

50 / 50 WINNERS

from February Meeting

Congratulations to last month winners
Hannah Knowlton and Sherry Moncrief!

Remember winners are asked to come early to the next meeting to sell 50/50 tickets.

PROGRAMS

Submitted by Joyce MacKay and Donna Naylor

Often there is not enough time for a “good old chat” but that was not the issue at our February meeting! After “Show and Share” there was ample opportunity to work on personal projects, reconnect with “quilting buddies” and check out the Quilt Show Boutique items - and maybe become inspired!

A big “thank you” to Sylvia B for her mini workshop on “triangulation” and Pat N. for her demonstration of “Texture Magic”. We look forward to seeing any projects that result from Sylvia or Pat’s demos!

MARCH 9, 2017 - *“Tools I Like to Use” is the title of Mary Aman’s trunk show.* Mary is travelling from the Finger Lakes region of New York State to visit family in Bracebridge and has kindly offered to share her love of quilting with our Guild! Mary has been quilting for almost 40 years and she is especially fond of machine appliqué and reproductions quilts. If you are working on a project and would like to discuss “techniques” with Mary, please bring your quilting to the meeting.

APRIL 13, 2017 - *Dorothy Fu is a self-taught quilt artist of traditional and pictorial styles.* For her traditional work she likes to create something unusual inspired by a traditional block. Her pictorials are often based on her own photos taken around her neighbourhood. She uses a variety of techniques including painting and machine quilting.

Dorothy will be teaching an Art Quilt workshop on Wednesday April 12th. Autumn Splendour or Spring Leaves is suitable for all levels with free motion sewing experience. To see a sample of this workshop project, please go to dorothyfuquilts.wordpress.com/workshops. The cost of the workshop is \$40.00 and the sign-up sheet will be available at the March meeting. A supply list will also be available.

MAY 11, 2017 - Our guest speaker for May is *Sherida Giddings a Judy Niemeyer Certified/Quiltworx Instructor.* Her trunk show is entitled “It’s All About Paper Piecing”. More information about Sherida’s workshop and a sign-up will be available at the March meeting.

**White glove ladies for March are:
E. Black, P. Northmore, B. Taylor, H. Smith and M. Reimer.**

WORKSHOPS

Wed. April 12th -

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PLEASE NOTE WORKSHOP IS ON WEDNESDAY due to Easter

Fri. May 12th - *Sherida Giddings* will be teaching a workshop that will be announced at the March meeting

HOSPITALITY

As always, members really enjoyed the treats at the Feb. meeting. Thanks so much to: Dorothy Stoddart, Sandra Hartill, Sue McCallum, Pat Wright, Joan Hines, Halina Dales and Lynda Griffin

Thanks in advance to the following members who quickly signed up to bring goodies for the March meeting: Donna Naylor, Wendy Beverley, Joyce Rumney, Hanna Knowlton, Pat Northmore, Suzanne Brochu-Ranta, and Tammy Comeau

The sign-up sheets for the April and May meetings will be circulated at the March meeting.

WEBSITE NEWS

Submitted by Halina Dales halina@dales.ca

We tried an experiment.

An email was sent out when the photos from the February meeting were available. The photos from a meeting are put in an album. Typically an album from a meeting has 15-50 views (the number of times the album is opened). The album from the February meeting has almost 150 views. WOW!

From this point on Sherry Moncrief, your photographer will be sending out an email when she has posted the photos from a meeting.

QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE REPORT

Submitted by Lynda and Sue

Once again, at the Feb. meeting, the boutique table was full to overflowing with donations. Thank you so much to all members who have been busily sewing for the boutique.

We welcome any and all items and always look forward to seeing them all displayed on the table. A few items that we could use are: placemats, yoga mat carriers, sewing machine pads and items for men.

In March, we welcome Sue Bogers back from the sunny south. Sue is going to be overwhelmed with the number of beautiful items that have been donated.



GUILD CHALLENGE

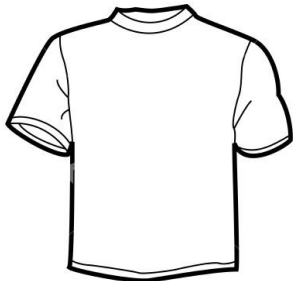
THE JUDGES ARE READY!!

Guild challenge bags must be in at the **April 13th** meeting. Winners will be chosen and prizes awarded at the May 11th meeting.

Please submit your bag in a sealed brown paper bag or envelope with your name inside the bag in a sealed envelope.

**Still Looking for Donations of
Black Fabric
.... The Arena Is Getting A
Makeover!**

To go along with the rented curtains for the ice rink the tables will be draped in black; and black drapes will be used as a background for smaller quilts. Preferably 3 metre lengths of 54 or 60" widths. Thank you from Dale McMillan and Pat Wells.



**Muskoka Quilts! from the heart
Shirts for Sale at March and April
Meetings**

Lynda Griffin has arranged with the embroiderer of the Quilt Show Logo to have available shirts for purchase.

Samples and a variety of sizes will be available at the March and April meetings for delivery at the May meeting.

QUILT SHOW NEWS

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

Get Your Quilt Entries In!

Get Your Quilt Entries In! We have 85 members who intend to show 270 quilts or quilted items. Wouldn't it be great to hit 300 quilts!

Of the 270 quilts – only 45 quilts have an entry form.

We need to have an entry form for each quilt for two reasons:

- to print the label that will be printed for display by your quilt
- and for the size.

The description and size determines whether it will be on large quilt stands, smaller stands, mannequins or other ways of displaying.

Paper entry forms will be available at the general meeting. All those that have an email address have received the online entry form or can go to the online entry form through our website. For the information on the website about entry forms, go to <http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/entry-form/>

And don't forget to submit a photo of your quilt. The photo is used for security and identification purposes. If you have multiple entries, please make sure that we know which photo goes with which entry. Labelling the photo with the name of the quilt sure does help keep everything organized.

**PLEASE ENTER YOUR
QUILTS NOW!!**

Spreading the Word

At our March Meeting we will have tools to help you spread the word about our Quilt Show:

- Bookmarks to share with family, friends and shops
- How to share the event through Facebooks
- Sample ways of sharing the event through email

For those on email, you will also receive information via email.

Our Quilt Show Committee Has Grown Once Again!! Sherry Moncrief has joined the Quilt Show Committee as our official photographer. She also will be helping with the tracking of volunteers and with publicity. Welcome on board Sherry!

LIBRARY

Submitted by Jan McDonnell

At our February guild meeting, I received the donation of several books for our library. There are too many to list here, so go onto Collectorz and check them out, or come and check them out at the next meeting. The new books are numbers 668 and higher. Thanks to the donors for the books – greatly appreciated!

If you want to link to the Collectorz database, you can do that through the Guild website or you can click here.

<https://cloud.collectorz.com/pinetreequiltersguild/books?viewType=cover>

Also, when I was entering data in the borrowed book database, I noticed that there are several books that have been out for a long time – more than a year in several cases! While there is no time limit on borrowed books, it would be great if they could get returned if they are no longer needed. So check your personal library and if you think you have some but can't remember the titles, come and see me and I'll let you know what I think you've got signed out.

UP COMING EVENTS

April 1 & 2, 2017

Region of York Quilters Guild

CELEBRATION of COLOUR

Newmarket Community Centre

200 Doug Duncan Drive

Newmarket, ON

This show will have hundreds of beautiful quality quilts, wall hangings, quilted clothing and bags made by over 150 Guild members with a wide array of quilting styles. There will be a merchant's mall, viewer's choice, tea room, door prizes and a fabulous raffle quilt.

Admission \$7

www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca

April 8 & 9, 2017

Georgian Bay Quilters Guild presents

REFLECTIONS OF GEORGIAN BAY QUILT SHOW

Tiny Township Community Centre

91 Concession Rd 8 East,

Tiny, ON

Featuring Quilted Exhibits, vendors, tea room, door prizes, demonstrations

Admission \$5 – men free

More info www.gbqg.ca or on Facebook

April 22 & 23, 2017

Rayside Balfour Stitchery & Quilting Guild

Presents

QUILTED TREASURES

Edgar J. Leclair Community Centre (behind arena)

158 St. Agnes Street,

Azilda, ON

(Sudbury)

Admission \$5

May 6 & 7, 2017

The Quinte Quilters' Guild
Presents a Quilt Show

**CANADIAN KALEIDOSCOPE
150 YEARS IN THE MAKING**

Quinte Curling Club
246 Bridge St., West
Belleville, ON

Tea room, merchants mall, free parking, raffles

Featured Quilter: Berlinde Bourette

Admission \$7

www.quintequiltersguild.ca

of them for sale). This is a Quilt Show not to be missed, and we invite you to join us in our Sesquicentennial celebration of the handmade quilt.

Come and be amazed at the variety of quilts, and the quilting talents of today's quilters, and those from our past.

Check out our facebook page at Sesquicentennial Quilt Show & Sale, and also our facebook event site at Sesquicentennial Quilt Show & Sale Orillia to invite your friends.

Admission \$6

June 2-June 3, 2017

Westmount Congregation
Presents

Sesquicentennial Quilt Show & Sale

The United Church Of Canada
23 Westmount Dr. S.
Orillia, ON

This year, 2017, we celebrate the craft of quilting with a Sesquicentennial Quilt Show and Sale. We are combining our Quilt Shows of the past with our Quilt Sales held more recently, and adding lots of Sesquicentennial flavour. The Sanctuary at Westmount will come alive with a huge display of quilts, artfully showcased on the church pews. The large stage area will feature quilts made to honour Canada's 150th birthday, as well as art created in other mediums for this celebration. Our library area will reflect Orillia's history since Orillia as a city shares this special birthday with Canada. As we are looking back at our past, the lounge will be arrayed in vintage and antique quilts, portraying the beauty of quilts made by our ancestors.

Downstairs, there will be a very large sale of quilts, quilted and sewn items – some of them made specifically to reflect this 150th birthday. Displays will be enhanced by items of Canadiana portraying things pertinent to Canada – our history, our animals, our tartan, our flag, our Centennial year, and things uniquely Canadian. There will be over 300 quilts available for your viewing pleasure (some

June 23& 24, 2017

Queens Bush Quilters,
Markdale presents

“Sew Much To Celebrate, Eh!”

Quilt Show

*Over 100 new quilts will be displayed including quilts designed to commemorate Canada's 150th birthday. Vintage quilts will be displayed; a quilt raffle and draws will take place. In addition, our very **special guests**, The Grey Highlands Hooking Craft Guild, will present their Rug Hooking Show, including demos -- making the event “two shows for the price of one.” A merchant mall is open to shoppers. The Tea Room will serve lunch and refreshments. Facilities are wheelchair accessible.*

Admission - \$8

Any questions or for further information - contact thequeensbushquilters@gmail.com or follow on Facebook