

PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

P.O. Box 446, Bracebridge, Ont., P1L 17T

Webpage: pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com



NEW EXECUTIVE:

Chairperson: Shirley Anne Sturgess
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Treasurer: Eleanor Anderson

Program Committee:

Barb. Coburn
Heather Ingram
Judy Kobe
Mary Lou Hamilton

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Judy Dawes
Tina Bax (Sunshine Lady)

Library:

Carrol Reid
Cathy Maher

Membership:

Sandra Hartill
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Outreach Committee:

Leda Story
Pat Jacobs
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Communications:

Paula Elliott (Newsletter)
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WELCOME

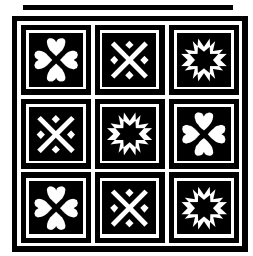
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QUILT SHOW

JUNE 20TH – 21ST
Bracebridge Fairgrounds
More Details to follow

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

from Shirley Anne Sturgess

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you, the Guild Members, these are very big shoes to fill, as many wonderful ladies have guided the Guild to where it is in 2008.

A very warm welcome to all new members and with more than 100 members in the Guild, we hope you are finding fellowship you enjoy and are participating in the activities prepared by Program committee of inspired volunteers; including sharing techniques and accomplishments, education and community service.

Marianne has been a wonderful friend and mentor and we owe her deep gratitude for all the hard work on your behalf and wish her well as she sets off to tour Europe on her bicycle with a brand new hip!

This is YOUR guild, and I challenge everyone to speak up! We need to know what programs you'd like, what workshops you want to participate in and I'd like to ask each and every Guild member to make YOUR voice heard, call me, write me and I'll be happy to pass along your suggestions.

Committee volunteers are hard at work on your behalf. Programs are being organized for coming months; membership lists maintained; library books are being added and listed for your convenience; Newsletter information assembled and the web site updated on a regular basis.

The recent Cuddle Quilt workshop was another great opportunity to serve our community while we sewed, laughed, stitched and had a great day of fellowship. Thanks so much to everyone who participated in this productive workshop and the 40 newly created quilts are now available for distribution.

Our hearts go out to the residents at Rowanwood Retirement Home who lost their homes in a recent fire. Thankfully no one was injured and they have been moved to other facilities. We will keep you advised as to their future plans.

Our Muskoka Quilt Guild room is just weeks away and everyone is expected to share the work as well as the pleasures of our unique display. Enjoy the moment; you should be proud of all your accomplishments.

Happy quilting,

CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS

Heather Ingram has a new # 645-6829; cottage # 645-9636, also new e-mail hingram2@cogeco.ca

PROGRAMS

Spring

May 8 – Bracebridge Arena – 1:00 pm.

May 9 – Friday, 9am to 3:30pm at the Sportsplex on Clearbrook Trail

This course by Elaine Quehl is designed for machine quilters who are familiar with free-motion stipple quilting and who want creative ideas to take them beyond stippling. In this class you will learn at least 20 different free-motion motifs and have samples to take home. There's no need to mark your quilt top and nothing to wash off after. We are lucky to have Elaine Quehl, a contemporary Canadian quilt artist from Ottawa, visit our guild. She specializes in colourful and intricately stitched pieced and appliquéd quilts.



May 22 - James St. Place - 1:00 p.m.

Confetti Quilts - Joanne Kourtz will lead the group.

Confetti Quilt

Please bring 30 or 35 (35 is better) 8 1/2 inch squares that go together. Bring them in a zip lock bag so that you can take them home that way. Bring a medium cutting board, ruler and rotary cutter or share with a partner. We will not be sewing them together. Children's prints work great and you can donate it as a cuddle quilt. Be careful of directional prints. Bring them all facing the same way. Bring some

extras and we can put some kits together for cuddle quilt kits.
Please remember the change of location.

June 12 - Bracebridge Arena - 11:30 a.m.
Bring your **pot luck** dish, plate, cutlery, etc.
You will also need a loonie and **25** buttons (they do not need to match). **Resolutions** are due at the June meeting. Bring your finished item or a fat quarter if it is not done.

Fall

Sept. 11 - Bracebridge Arena - 1:00 p.m.
Quilt DVD - topic to be announced
Paint Chip Challenge Show and Tell. You have the summer to get them finished. We hope to see a great response.

Oct. 9 - Bracebridge Arena - 1:00 p.m.
Back to the Basics - Come and brush up on your hand piecing techniques. Blocks made will be put together for a group quilt.

CUDDLE QUILTS

Submitted by Carrol Reid

The Cuddle quilt workshop on April 24th was a huge success. 24 members participated and the same numbers of quilts were finished and many went home to have the final touches applied.

Although we were saddened by the loss of the Rowanwood room, we were very much pleased with the venue at James Street Place in Bracebridge. We were able to sit around in comfortable surroundings in groups doing all of the stages of the quilts.

Thanks to everyone who participated and made this both an enjoyable and productive day.

25 quilts were delivered to Interval House in April to top of their supply as well as provide quilts for Chrysalis upon it's re-opening after the fire.

WANTED

Joanne Kourtz cuts the cuddle quilt kits for the guild. If you have any children's fabrics or plain fabrics and can cut them into 6 inch squares they will be used. It takes 32 of a fabric, two fabrics (63 squares) to make a kit. But we can use any that you cut. Also wanted are decent size pieces of leftover flannel for the backings.

QUILT SHOW 2008

Coordinator – Marta McIntyre

June 20th & 21st 2008

at the Bracebridge Fairgrounds

Thank you ladies for the entries. We are going to have a fantastic quilt show this year. We do need volunteers to help the show to be successful. The sign up sheet will be at the next couple of meetings. I am also on the lookout for a kind person to take over as Hanging chair. I have done most of the ground work. Talk to me anytime if you are interested. Remember to **keep a copy** of your entry form(s) because you will need it when you drop off your quilt and when you pick them up again.

The drop off date for the quilt show entries is **June 13, between 9 and 4** at Wilma Johnson's house-54 Spencer St., Bracebridge. Directions: Take Wellington St to Dill St. Turn west to Spencer St Turn Left Wilma's house is on the right.

If someone is going to be away during the quilt show but would still like to have quilts shown, they will need to provide a letter authorizing someone else to drop off and/or pick up on their behalf. Please let them know that they are still encouraged to enter even if they're away.

Entry forms are available on the website from a link on the home page. Print off as many pages as necessary.

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INTEREST GROUPS

Quilt Art Group

The next meeting of the Quilt Art group will be May 22. We will meet at St James Place. This is almost across the road from the arena towards town. If you park in the arena parking lot, enter the main doors, take the elevator down, turn right and we are at the end of the long hall.

We will be meeting at 10am. Discussion of the colour wheel rules will take place. We hope that many quilters will join us in this venue. Your assignment is black and white. The next meeting will be in September. We still need some postcards for the June Quilt show sale.

INTER GUILD

From: Carrol Reid and Shirley Anne Sturgess

An Inter Guild meeting was held in Stoney Creek, April 26, 2008 and attended by two representatives of our guild. There were 100 people representing 33 guilds and it was a day filled with sharing of ideas, discussions regarding concerns of all guilds and suggested solutions, ranging from programs ideas, speakers available, suggested workshops, fulfilling interests of experienced quilters as well as those new to the craft; newsletter contents; exhibits and shows. The day was organized by the Stoney Creek Quilters who had volunteered to host the meeting. Minutes and notes were taken throughout the day and will be provided to each participating Guild.

RETREAT REPORT

Pat Jacobs and I just returned from a three day quilting retreat plus one day of shopping along the way. We left Bracebridge Thursday morning and hit Country Concessions in Cookstown, Lilac Lane Quilts in Alliston, Cobwebs and Caviar in Shelburne and Quilts and Calicos in Exeter. We arrived at Brentwood on the Beach one day early, where we were met by our quilting friends Heather

Ingram, Peg Spence and others from Muskoka. We set up our sewing machines and spent the rest of Thursday and Friday until 4 p.m. doing our own thing. The other retreaters arrived along with the organizers Deb Biernes and Lynn Bradley and "Ladies at the Lake" officially got under way. The next two and half days were enjoyable socializing, eating, sewing, swimming and having a wonderful time. For me and I think the others, it was very productive and a good time was had by all.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Singer Featherweight

Good working condition, recently serviced. Additional feet, bobbins and manual. No box. Price \$300.00

Elizabeth Hughes, behughes@sympatico.ca or 705-385-2020

HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

The Kingston Heirloom Quilters and Limestone Quilters' Guild

When:

May 23, 24, 25, 2008

Friday 12 noon - 8pm

Saturday 10am - 6pm

Sunday 11am - 4pm

Where:

Portsmouth Olympic Harbour,
53 Yonge Street,
Kingston, Ontario

<http://www.quiltskingston.org/>

CANADIAN QUILTERS' ASSN

June 2nd – 7th,

St. John's, Nfld

Check magazine for more details

Midland, Ontario

The link below is for the gallery.

www.carriagehousegallery.ca

June 6 – June 29, 2008

Opening Soiree: June 6, 4-10pm

The show is featuring these three artists....

MELODY MADDEN Cambridge, Ont., P1L 17T

Textile Art-www.melodymadden.com

www.melodymadden.blogspot.com

PAMELA ALLEN (Kingston)

<http://pamelart.homestead.com/titlepage.html>

ALICE VANDER VENNEN

<http://www.alicevandervennen.ca/prod/home.asp>

Webpage: pinetreequiltersofmuskoka.com

HEART OF THE HIGHLAND QUILT SHOW

Fri. July 25, 2008 3 - 8 pm

Sat. July 26, 2008 9 - 4 pm

At the Minden Curling Club - Minden, Ontario

Admission \$5.00

SIMCOE COUNTY QUILT SHOW

Sept. 19, 20 & 21st, 2008

at the Simcoe County Museum

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$4.00.

Also including the Huronia Spinners and Handweavers, Rug Hookers, 6 Quilt Guilds and the Embroidery Guild and the Teddy Bear Club.

WATERLOO COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD SHOW

Sept. 28th & 29th, 2008

Forbes Hall (in Sports Centre) at RIM Park