



# PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

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## President's Message

Submitted by Shirley Anne Sturgess

A special welcome to new members and hope you find interesting and challenging projects in our Guild. You will find the Pine Tree quilters the most helpful and friendliest people in Muskoka and if there is a topic you'd like to see discussed, let us know. This is your guild, get involved.

For those that participated in the Cuddle Quilt day at James Street Place, a huge thank you, there are children, young people and adults that will benefit from your efforts and find comfort in the warmth of your love sewn into each quilt.

Take time to make a new friend. A stranger is a friend you haven't met yet.

## PROGRAMS

Submitted by Barb Coburn

**November 13**, Bracebridge Arena 1:00 p.m.

Janet Rice Bredin Trunk Show  
Janet will be bringing many of her nature - inspired quilts for us to view. She will be discussing how she uses her surroundings to influence her quilt making. Please remember to bring back your completed hand pieced squares for the Habitat For Humanity quilt.

**December 11** Bracebridge Arena 11:30 a.m.

Come and enjoy another Pot Luck lunch. Bring your dish to share and your plate, cup and cutlery.

We will be making a Christmas craft so you will need a needle, pins, thread (red, green and white) and scissors.

Your Seminole project from last year's Block of the Month will be part of our Show and Tell.

## WORKSHOPS

Submitted by Heather Ingram

There is still one spot left in Janet Rice-Bredin's workshop "Botanical Art Small Wall Quilts". It's 9am to 4pm on Friday, November 14th at the Sportsplex on Clearbrook Trail, Bracebridge. Cost is \$40. For those who are planning to buy kits from her, the Bearded Iris is \$22, the Morning Glory is \$25. & all others are \$30. The kit will include Steam-A-Seam & borders.

The next workshop will be Elizabeth Hughes "Amazing Tote Bag" on January 9th, 9am to 4pm at the Sportsplex. Cost is \$15. plus pattern & your own materials. Sign-ups start at the November meeting & space is limited.

## MEMBERSHIP

Submitted by Sandra Harthill

Memberships for 2009 can be renewed at our November meeting. It is \$25 for the year and the NEW renewal form is on our website if members want to complete the form at home. Cheques should be made payable to "Pinetree Quilters Guild."

## JAMES ST. PLACE PROGRAM

Submitted by Marianne Meeuwisse

"Fractured Quilt Demo" by Sylvia and more embellishments.

Nine people showed up for the "Crazy quilt and embellishment session" in James street residence on the fourth Tuesday in September.

A foundation of an 11" square was handed out and a supply of silks, brocade and other fabrics were available from a grab table.

It was a work, "hands on", session and everyone completed an 11" crazy quilt square to be embroidered in future meetings.

Everyone is welcome to join the group at 1 pm on the fourth Thursday of the month. Bring your mug and basic sewing kit.

There are still foundations available and it might be a good idea to bring your own scraps to crazy quilt with.

## **LIBRARY**

Submitted by Carrol Reid

A new book called "Jelly Roll Quilts" by Pam and Nicky Lintott will be available at the November meeting - Turn 2 1/2 inch strips or purchased "Jelly Rolls" into gorgeous quilts using the ideas and patterns in this book....Whether you collect 2 1/2 inch strips or purchase the jelly rolls you will have lots of options and ideas in this book. The book includes a handy chart of fabric requirements if not using the purchased jelly rolls.

Also new for the library are a huge number of books donated from the estate of the late Delores Johnston. They will be added over time and noted in the Newsletters. Watch for the updated library list on the website.

We receive a number of books as donations and sometimes we have duplicates or books that simply do not get used. These will be offered for sale at the meetings at a very reasonable price.

## **QUILT SHOW**

Submitted by Marta McIntyre

The Canadian Quilting Association Rosette for Viewers Choice was awarded to Doreen

Steele for The Country Lily, quilting by Sue Chinn of "Quilted Dreams".

Rosette for Small Quilts was awarded to Marianne Meeuwisse for "Four Seasons"

Rosette for Miniatures was won by Dianne Gronfors for "Wonky Friends"

Rosette for Wearables was given to Marianne Meeuwisse for her Crazy Quilt Jacket.

## **INTEREST GROUPS**

### **CUDDLE QUILT WORKSHOP:**

Submitted by Carrol Reid

Another successful workshop was held on Thursday October 23 at James St Place. Everyone worked diligently and we will have 27 new quilts to add to our inventory. We will continue to provide cuddle quilts for children in Interval House and Chrysalis and have also committed to provide 12 quilts a year to Victim Services to be used in their emergency kits. Thanks to all who participated in one way or another.

### **INTER GUILD MEETING**

Submitted by Barb Coburn

Heather Ingram, Carrol Reid and Barb Coburn travelled to Uxbridge on Oct. 18 to attend the Fall Inter Guild Meeting hosted by The Port Perry Patchers. Guild representatives from southern and central Ontario took part in a variety of round table discussions with topics ranging from programme ideas to how to hold a successful quilt show.

Before heading home we had to make a mandatory stop at the local quilt shop - a great way to end a very informative day.

### **QUILT ART GROUP**

Submitted by Joanne Kourtz

The next meeting will be November 27<sup>th</sup> in the Clubhouse, downstairs at St. James Place. The assignment is to figure out what colour you have the most of in your stash and make a monochromatic item. Also bring a fabric that you no longer like and be prepared to talk about this fabric using the colour wheel. Be

prepared to give the fabric away if someone likes it.

We will meet again January 22<sup>nd</sup>. This meeting will be putting sparkle in your quilt with foil markers. Remember any member may attend at any time.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### PINS

Submitted by Elizabeth Hughes

Pine Tree Quilt pins are available for \$4.00 at the Membership Desk.

### WEB PAGE INFORMATION

Submitted by Dianne Gronfors

The guild maintains a secure area on our website for things that are not public information such as our membership list, newsletter archives, constitution, treasurer's forms, etc.

Access to this area is simple but often found confusing. When you click on the link to "Member's Area" from the navigation bar, you are taken to another page that explains that the area is private for members and you then click on the link that says "Private Member's Area". Once you click on that link, you are prompted for a Member's Name and a Pass Code.

For Member's Name, DO NOT enter your name, you enter "**Guild Member**" (without the quotes). It's a generic name to keep it simple. Remember to use the capital letters and space just as if you were entering a real name.

For the Pass Code, enter "**P1L 2B5**" (without the quotes). This is the postal code for the Bracebridge Library. Enter it exactly like a postal code with capital letters and a space. That's all there is to it! More sophisticated systems are available for purchase but this was free and works perfectly well. However, it's only as secure as our member's make it. **Please keep this information confidential.**

## THANK YOU TO JAMES STREET PLACE

Submitted by Shirley Anne Sturgess

James Street Place Retirement Home has kindly allowed the guild the use of their facilities for our gatherings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. The residents are having a craft show/sale in their residence and some of our guild members have been busy creating items for the sale.

Mary Lou Hamilton created Christmas Tote Bags. Carol Cragg, Stella Neilson, Anne Sherry and Sandi Carnell worked together and made bags for use with walkers. Marianne Meeuwisse and Elizabeth McMillan each made a lap quilt top; Dianne Gronfors quilted them at a reduced rate and Lydia Picott provided the backing and batting at a discounted rate for these projects. Lydia also donated two purses. Marianne also donated a Christmas wall hanging.

From the Quilt Show boutique, there were place mats and Christmas decorations donated.

## VOLUNTEER WANTED

Someone to bring the Pine Tree Quilt and stand for display at our meetings, excluding pot lucks. Contact Shirley Anne 766-2738

## MATHAMATICAL INFORMATION

Courtesy of the Port Perry Patchers

"What can you get from a fat quarter?"

One fat quarter will give you:

- 99 - 2" squares
- 50 - 2 1/2" squares
- 42 - 3 " squares
- 30 - 3 1/2" squares
- 20 - 4" squares
- 16 - 4 1/2" squares
- 12 - 5" squares
- 12 - 5 1/2" squares

- 9 - 6" squares
- 6 - 6 1/2" squares

## HELPFUL INFORMATION

My "Care of Quilts"  
Submitted by Mildred Everest

1. Avoid sunlight if possible.
2. **WASHING:** Do not wash in a machine with an agitator. Soak in mild soap in the bath tub, work with hands, rinse and allow water to drain off. (You can put the quilt in the machine for the spin cycle. Let dry, if you put into the drier; use cool cycle. Do not hang when wet and heavy. **\*Wash Infrequently\***.
3. **SOAP** Use a mild phosphorus free soap. The best one is "Orvus" paste, purchased at a quilt store or in an agricultural outlet.
4. **OIL:** Oil from skin or men's whiskers –if quilt shows signs of oil **DO WASH** in order to protect the material.
5. The bed sheet should fold over the top of the quilt to protect it.
6. Do not tuck the quilts in tightly. Lift them, rather than pulling them up.
7. No pets on quilts.
8. Store in a pillowcase or folded in a sheet.
9. Quilts do wear out! So use it until it does!
10. Infrequently, for Mildred, means 2 to 5 years, depending on her mood for spring cleaning.
11. Orvus paste sure revives the colours of the prints and takes out the dust.

13. **FRONT END WAHSERS** – Is there a problem with the low suds soap that one is told to use in these machines????  
MILDRED WOULD APPRECIATE INPUT REGARDING CARE OF QUILTS.

## FREE

2 Quilting Stands. They consist of 4 stands each and the 1 x 2 in. frames. Call Shirley Neil at 705-789-2251 or by email [norman.neil@symptico.ca](mailto:norman.neil@symptico.ca)

## POEM

This quilt with stitches, strong and true  
Holds all the love I have for you;  
No antique treasure, or work of art,  
Just the simple gift of a mother's heart.

Gay Patches with some dark mixed in  
The way my love for you has been;  
Joy and pride some worry too  
Evenings waiting up for you.

As I placed each stitch with patient care  
I thought of you and breathed a prayer,  
That God would keep you safe tonight  
And show me the way to guide you right.

Now you are grown my job is through  
As the quilt is bound and finished too;  
It holds my love and faith and care  
To travel with you everywhere.

It may not seem important now,  
But keep it safely anyhow;  
And when there's no one else to care  
You'll find my love still waiting there.

To hold you warmly for a while  
And see you through a time of trial,  
No antique treasure or work of art  
Just the simple gift of a mother's heart.

Author Unknown