



# PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

February 2024

## President's Message



You will recall that our President's Challenge is to choose a category in a local Fall Fair, and enter a quilted item. It can be an entire quilt, or a set of potholders!

To help you, please check out the websites below, find their "Fair Book" and read the Homecraft section for inspiration. Usually, you need to pick up your "tags" and then return with your entries for judging one or two days prior to the fair. And then you will also need to plan to pick up your entries at the close of the fair. There is no requirement that you live in the community; fairs are happy to have exhibitors add to their fair displays.

- ❖ Armour/Ryerson/Burks Falls Agricultural Society - September 2nd, 2024 - <http://arbfas.ca>
- ❖ Bonfield Agricultural Society - August 17th & 18th, 2024 - <https://bonfieldfair.weebly.com/>
- ❖ Bracebridge Agricultural Society - September 13th, 14th & 15th, 2024 - <http://www.bracebridgefair.com>
- ❖ Dunchurch Agricultural Society - August 16th & 17th, 2024 - <https://www.dunchurchagsociety.ca/>
- ❖ Emsdale Agricultural Society - August 24th, 2024 - <http://www.emsdaleagriculturalsociety.ca/>

## MONTH AT A GLANCE

Thursday, February 1 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Modern Group Meeting on *Zoom*

Tuesday, February 6 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Guild Executive Meeting on *Google Meet*

Thursday, February 8 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Member's Meeting on *Zoom*

- ❖ Foley Agricultural Society - August 31st, 2024  
- <http://www.foleyagriculturalsociety.ca>
- ❖ Huntsville & District Agricultural Society - September 20th, 21st & 22nd, 2024 -  
<http://www.huntsvillefallfair.com>
- ❖ Magnetawan Agricultural Society - August 30th & 31st, and September 1st, 2024  
- <https://magnetawanagriculturalsociety.webs.com/>
- ❖ McKellar Agricultural Society - September 7th, 2024 -  
<http://township.mckellar.on.ca/photo-gallery/>
- ❖ Powassan Agricultural Society - August 31st & September 1st, 2024  
- <http://www.powassanfallfair.ca>
- ❖ Rosseau Agricultural Society - August 24th, 2024 - <http://www.rosseaufallfair.ca/>
- ❖ Severn Bridge Agricultural Society - September 7th, 2024  
- <https://www.severnfair.org>
- ❖ South River-Machar Agricultural Society - September 6th & 7th, 2024 - <https://southrivermacharagsociety.ca/>
- ❖ Stisted Agricultural Society - September 7th, 2024  
- <http://www.stistedfallfair.weebly.com>
- ❖ Strong Agricultural Society - September 13th, 14th & 15th, 2024 - <https://www.strongagriculturalsociety.com/>
- ❖ Trout Creek Agricultural Society - August 23rd, 24th & 25th, 2024  
- <http://www.tcagriculturalsociety.weebly.com/>



And if you'd like to learn more about how Quilts are judged, the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies will be hosting a "Judging School" on March 23 in Dunchurch. Judges will be recertifying, new judges will be taking the first step to certification, and interested quilters will be attending to learn more about the quilting standards. There will be opportunities to "practice judge" and to network with others. More information will be shared in our March newsletter.

**Terry W.**

## Program News

Our next meeting is on Zoom on Thursday February 8th at 1:00 pm.

Julia McLeod

[www:juliamcleodquilts.com](http://www.juliamcleodquilts.com)

“Anything but the Cotton”



Julia is an international award winning quilt maker living and working in Northern California. She specializes in making silk quilts. Her presentation shows what you can create with neckties, saris, kimonos and other unusual, ‘not cotton’ textiles.



## Show & Share

If the recent winter weather has you hibernating in your sewing space, maybe you have a quilting project completed? Please send pictures to Dale. We would enjoy seeing them! Dale's email address is in the Members Only portion of the website...**or, better yet...**email it to:

[program@PTQGOM.com](mailto:program@PTQGOM.com)

## A New Program Team!!!

We are delighted to tell you that we have two volunteers willing to serve as our new Program Committee!

### Terry Whitmell

Terry loves to learn, and so she's joining the Program Team to help continue the excellent learning opportunities that our Guild brings to our members.



### Liz Foll



Liz is a retired teacher. She lives in Gravenhurst and is excited to expand her knowledge of quilting by becoming part of the Program Team.

Their roles will not be official until your vote at the Annual Meeting, but they are joining Pat and Dale behind the scenes as they work together on finding speakers for the coming year.



## Member-led Workshops

### Coming in February ....

Foundation Paper Piecing with Julie D.

Date: Thursday February 29, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00

Location: *Zoom*

Foundation paper piecing allows the creation of intricate and precise designs. By sewing fabric onto a paper foundation, quilters can achieve accurate shapes and sharp points at irregular angles, making seemingly complex designs achievable. In this workshop, Julie will cover the basics of FPP as an introduction to the technique. However, like so many aspects of quilting there are many ways to do things, so Julie will also explore variations available. Participants will create a Canadian Maple Leaf quilt block (using a free online pattern from Monica Curry Quilt Design) during the workshop.



Please **use the link below to register** for this workshop:

<https://forms.gle/orfodxwuq62ULHve8>

### Coming in March...

Labeling and Recording Your Quilts - For Yourself and the Future with Heather I.

Date: Thursday, March 28, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00

Location: *Zoom*

Heather has the equivalent of 4 albums filled with write-ups, photos and fabric swatches for all of the hundreds of quilts she has made since 1985. She has travelled the world learning from quilt masters and is an award winner herself! Heather's presentation will highlight a selected number of her quilts with their stories and in the process inspire us to track our own work. The presentation will be about an hour with time for a "Q & A" after.



*Coming in April...*

Design As You Go with Mary W.

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Cost: \$10.00

Location: In Person at the Bracebridge Arena

Are you someone who loves colour and loves to play? Then this workshop is for you. There is no pattern necessary! By the end, you will have the background for a cushion cover or a wall hanging...or the inspiration for a larger project.



Start searching your stash for this project! You will need 100 - 2 1/2" squares from 7 different fabrics to make a 20" X20" pillow. combinations!

From your enthusiastic Program Committee

**Pat W., Donna N. & Dale M.**

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## **Membership**

We begin 2024 with 132 members. At our last (virtual) meeting, we were joined by seven guests.

If you wish to have a guest join us for our inspiring speakers, go to the website for registration.

Happy Quilting 🧵

**Mary W.**

**From CQA—Northern Ontario**

Happy New Year everyone!

QUILT CANADA EDMONTON!!!!

It's coming!

The entry form to submit your beautiful work in the National Juried Show, Edmonton is now open.



CANADIAN  
Quilters  
Courtepointes  
CANADIENNES

[Call for Entry 2024 National Juried Show - Canadian Quilters Association/Association  
Canadienne de la Courtepointe](#)

You've only got until **February 16** to submit.

I KNOW the work I've seen at guilds is every bit as good as work I've seen at Quilt Canadas.

Take a chance!

CQA/ACC members will get an advance chance to sign up for classes (with a discount) From February 20 - March 5 only.

Popular teachers sell out within minutes, so set your alarm early for February 20!

I know I will.

[Quilt Canada 2024 Classes and Lectures - Canadian Quilters Association/Association  
Canadienne de la Courtepointe](#)

Lectures and tours will also go for sale at the same time, but no discounts, just first chance at registering.

On March 6, registration will open for everyone with no discounts.

Take a look at the offerings and plan your sign-up strategy.

I will be emailing the CQA Rosette winners of quilt shows that happened in 2019 through the end of 2023.

They get the chance to have their winning quilt displayed at Quilt Canada Edmonton.

The entry for them is from February 1 to April 15.

In Northern Ontario we had 9 that posted a pic of themselves, their quilt and the CQA Rosette by December 15, 2023 on the CQA website who are eligible.

First come, first served.

Until next time!



**Cindy Connell**  
**Northern Ontario Representative for CQA/ACC**

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### **Modern Group**

The Modern Group meets the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. on *Zoom*. This month, Mary M. will be sharing some information about a modern quilter that she has been researching. There will also be discussions about the group making a quilt for the raffle at the next Guild Quilt Show in 2026. Please contact Sheila H. to have your name added to the distribution list to receive the link for the meeting.

**Wendy W.**



## Website News



Over the past month the Website has had changes, additions, and many updates. A few additions are the Outreach and 2023 Quilt Show sections.

Everything that is underlined here can be clicked on to take you to the Guild website

[Check out the Website](#)

### **Membership and Executive Lists:**

The Membership and Executive Lists are in the 'Members Only' section of the website. If you have forgotten the password to the 'Members Only' section – check your email that sent this newsletter.

<https://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/members-only/>

**Guild Meeting:** [2023 10 12 Guild Meeting Pictures](#)

**Guild Activities:** [Outreach 2023](#)

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**Quilt Artists:** [In Person Meeting January 18, 2024 Photos](#)

[Idea for Denim Quilts](#)

**Modern Group:** [January 4, 2024 Minutes](#)

[January 4, 2024 Photos](#)

***Creative Cards:***

Check out our new section for the link to [Creative Thank You Cards](#) that have been created by Guild Members and or Creative Artist's and sent to the Guild.

***Want Ads:*** Updates to [Want Ads](#) in Member Section

***Other Guilds:*** [Click Here](#)

**Pam R.**

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Meeting at Bracebridge Memorial Arena, 169 James St., Bracebridge – 2nd Floor