



PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

May 2024

President's Message



I am hoping that everyone has had a look at their local Fair Book, and chosen something to bring to our June meeting for the President's Challenge.

I was looking through the Bracebridge book, and saw a detail that might be of interest to those of us who enjoyed Heather's workshop in March. The Bracebridge Fair requires that the exhibitor attach a sample of the fabric, batting and backing, and that they identify the name of the quilter if it has been done by someone other than the exhibitor. For those of us just beginning to document our quilts, inspired by Heather, this will be something else we will want to add to our documentation. It's also good to see that they are ensuring honesty in their processes; we have had issues in some fairs with exhibitors submitting work that they have purchased.

I am participating in a "special" at the Magnetawan Fair, for the third year in a row. We were provided with fabric, and asked to make a 12 1/2" square. Two years ago the squares were Ukrainian colours, for a quilt to be given to a family new to the community. Last year we did Bear Paw squares, to create a quilt in memory of the former Secretary of the Magnetawan Agricultural Society. And this year the theme is "Stars", and the blocks will be used to make three crib quilts for charity. Thanks to Julie, I am attempting a paper-pieced star.

MONTH AT A GLANCE

Thursday, May 2 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Modern Group Meeting @ Bracebridge United Church

Tuesday, May 7 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Guild Executive Meeting on *Google Meet*

Thursday, May 9 @ 10:00 a.m.

- Member-led Workshop @ Bracebridge Memorial Arena

Thursday, May 9 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Member's Meeting on @ Bracebridge Memorial Arena

Thursday, May 16 @ 10:00 a.m.

- Quilt Artists @ Baysville Senior Centre

This year I would like to add a special award to my local fair, to encourage quilters to innovate and move beyond the traditional. It will also require that the judge set aside the provincial standards, and instead consider creativity and artistry in quilt design. I am hoping that members of the Quilt Artists and Modern Quilt group will send me suggested language that I might use, and I'll share it in the June Newsletter.



Terry W.

Openings on the Executive for the 2024-25 Guild Year

Once elected at our Annual General Meeting held in June, members who are taking on new roles will be a part of the Pine Tree Quilters' Guild's Executive. Each role has

assigned duties which are described in detail in our Guild's Roles and Responsibility document. Our outgoing members of the executive will assist in the training of new members of the executive.



We are still actively looking for members interested in taking on the roles of **Vice President** and **Hospitality**.

Openings are as follows:

VICE PRESIDENT

The role of the Vice President is to assist and/or replace the president as necessary.

This role has a minimum of a three-year commitment, as the person will transition from Vice President to President then to Past President.

SOCIAL/HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The role of the Social/Hospitality Committee is to ensure that refreshments are provided for Guild members and guests at each Guild meeting. This committee member is responsible for finding someone to do Sunshine, which is to send cards, gifts, or flowers to members.

Our Nomination Committee members are pleased to have successfully recruited individuals to take on the roles of **Workshop**, **Membership** and **Webmaster** for the 2024-25 Guild Year. Following are descriptions of their roles:

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE – Person would work with our present Workshop Committee Member

The role of the workshop committee is to co-ordinate a workshop with guest teachers who also provide a trunk show/lecture at a Guild meeting, working together with the program committee. As well, they would be responsible for booking and organizing Virtual Member-led workshops.

Skills Needed: Should be comfortable sending and receiving emails. Needs to have an interest in working alongside with the Program Committee.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The role of the Membership committee is to manage all aspects of the member registration process.

Responsibilities include:

- * Registration for Members and Guests
- * Creating Members' Lists
- * Communication with members of the executive, and membership
- * Data Collection
- * Name Tags

Skills Needed: Should be comfortable using technology and show a willingness to learn how to create registration forms and reports.

WEBMASTER

The webmaster is accountable for oversight and updating:

PTQG Website: <http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/>

PTQG FLICKR Site: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/134719553@N03/albums>

Skills Needed: Must be comfortable with computers and have a working knowledge of Google and Gmail. The knowledge is readily acquired if the webmaster is comfortable with technology and enjoys researching answers to questions.

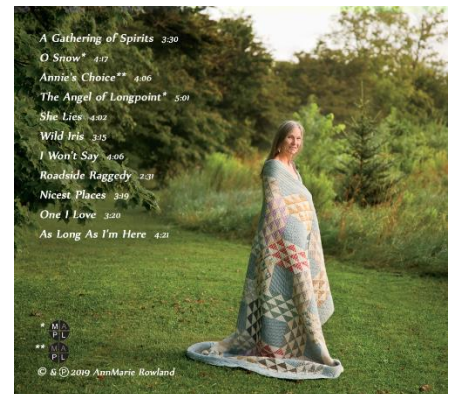
If interested in joining our executive team, please don't hesitate to contact our Past President, who is also chairing the Nomination Committee. Her contact information is available on the Members' Only portion of our website.

Suzanne B.-R.

Program News

AnnMarie Rowland's presentation on Thursday May 9th at 1:00 pm promises to be a unique experience with her combination of quilts and music. AnnMarie sings songs about the people who made her collection of antique quilts and the people who cherish those quilts.

<https://annmarierowland.com/#>



Show and Share – Seeing the quilts our members make and hearing about them continues to be a highlight of each meeting. If you have something to show us, please bring it to the meeting!

Workshop

“Introduction to Hand Quilting”

Have you ever wanted to add hand quilting to your quilting skill set? Terry will get you started, and provide you with techniques to choose your tools and materials, transfer your designs, hide your knots, and work towards even stitches. You may bring a project to work on, or use our workshop materials and tools to try it out. You may find it helpful to have your own scissors, needle threader, and thimbles.



The workshop will run from 10 to 12 on May 9, 2024, at the arena. Bring your lunch and join us for the Guild Meeting at 1 pm. Click the link below to register for the workshop. Cost is \$10.00 for members/ \$20.00 for non-members.

<https://forms.gle/eRaatozHHgVv3KJHA>.

Registrations must be received by **MAY 2.**

From your enthusiastic Program Committee

Pat W., Donna N. & Dale M.

“Fire Sale” Continues at our May Meeting



Just a reminder to bring your money (although cheques or an IOU for an e-transfer works too!) if you want to buy any library books at our May meeting. You will recall that we have to dismantle our library because there is no home for it at our new venue. We had a sale of books at our April meeting and that went well but there are still lots of books that need to go.

The books are sorted into categories (Techniques, Patterns, Applique, Celtic, Paper Piecing, Miniatures, Children/Baby Quilts and so on) to make your shopping easy. All proceeds go to our Guild.

Any questions? Email me treasurer@ptqgom.com or give me a call (705) 644-7604

Jan McD

Quilt Artists of Muskoka

At present the Quilt Artists can accommodate a few additional participants at our monthly meetings.

Meetings: Third Thursday of the month Sept. to Nov.
& Jan. to May

Time: 10 am to 2 pm

Place: Baysville Seniors Centre

Who: PTQG Members

Cost: \$3 for space rental

What: A play date to try different art quilt techniques.

Bring your own lunch & Show and Share



Contact: Dale M. With questions or to be added to our email list.

Dale M.

Modern Group

The Modern Group meets the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. The May, June, September and October meetings will be at Bracebridge United Church. Please bring a toonie to the meeting to help pay for the room rental.



Wendy W.

Hospitality

Thanks to Halina D., Hanne K. and Janet S. for organizing, serving and cleaning up the snacks/beverages at the April meeting. Thanks also to Halina D., Lynne F., Mary R, Lisa S., and Mary W., for supplying baking for the meeting in April.

Five members have volunteered to bring baking for the May meeting, so thanks in advance to Sylvia B., Suzanne BR, Hanne K., Heather M. and Ardith S. for volunteering to bring treats for the May meeting.



Please remember to bring your own mug – that way you don't have to pay 25 cents for the 'pleasure' of drinking out of a Styrofoam or paper cup ☺

Lynda G.

Memory Quilt

We have been contacted by someone who wishes to have a memory quilt made from plaid and cotton shirts. If you are interested, please contact Heather for details.



Heather M.

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: April 2024 Guild Meeting Pictures:
 [Speaker Tracey Lawko](#)
 [Show & Share](#)

Program: [Speaker Lineup 2023-24](#)
 [Workshops 2024](#)

Quilt Artists: [In Person Meeting March 21, 2024 Photos](#)

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