

September
2026

Pine Tree Quilters' Guild *of Muskoka*

President's Message



Adventure Awaits!

Welcome Back Pine Tree Quilters!

As the days begin to grow shorter and the crisp autumn breezes begin, I am filled with immense excitement and a few butterflies as I begin my year as Guild President! While writing my first President's Message, I am reminded of how much this community means to me and how incredibly honoured I am to step into this role for the upcoming Guild year.

I would like to extend a warm thank you to our executive members, committee chairs, and volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep our Guild engaged in creative, artistic, and inclusive learning opportunities for all of our members - from beginner to master quilters. This year our **Program Committee** has put together an outstanding group of speakers for our monthly meetings and workshops. Join our **Modern** and/or **Quilt Artists Group** to challenge your skills and get inspired! Please consider getting involved with the **Outreach Program** - we make a difference by coming together to serve our community. We appreciate the treats provided every month by **Hospitality!** And check out our new **Newsletter** format and remember to check the **Website** for additional information.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



MODERN GROUP

Thursday, September 3rd
1:00 p.m.

Bracebridge Library at the
Muskoka Lumber Community Centre



GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, September 10th
1:00 p.m.

Trunkshow: **Paul Leger**

Muskoka Lumber Community Centre

* In-person & via Zoom *



WORKSHOP

Friday, September 11th
More Patchwork Illusion 3D
with **Paul Leger**

* Registration Required *



QUILT ARTISTS GROUP

Thursday, September 17th
10:00 a.m. – 2:00pm

Autumn Leaves Seniors Centre, Baysville



QUILT STUDIO TOUR

Monday, September 28th
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Information to follow

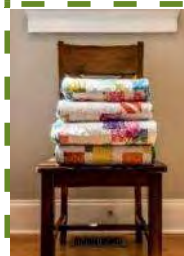
Let's Connect!



Take a few minutes to meet at least one new – to – you quilter at our meeting.

Let's greet with a simple hello and this...

"What is your favourite quilt block?"



Show & Share

We know you've been busy, and everyone loves seeing new projects! Don't forget to bring your Show & Share so we can hear the stories behind them - *Keep sharing!*



We're better together. Inspire. Create. Quilt.

President's Message - Continued...

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September always feels like a fresh start - the ultimate "back to school" feeling, but with fabric! As a retired educator, this feeling never seems to change. There is nothing quite like getting back into the sewing room when September arrives - you might be wrapping up a summer project (or **mystery quilt!**) or pulling out some unfinished quilts to help get back into routine. I cannot wait to see what you have been working on, so please make sure to bring your latest creations to our first **Show and Share!** A warm welcome to our newest members and guests - please make sure to greet new faces, invite them to sit with you, and give them a warm welcome. Check out our new **Let's Connect Challenge!**

As we kick off this new year, I ask for your support, your feedback, and perhaps a little bit of forgiveness as I learn the ropes! Together, we are going to make this an unforgettable, stitched together adventure!

Don't forget to pack your **nametag**, your favourite **beverage**, and your registration dues if you haven't yet registered for the 2026 - 2027 Pine Tree Quilters' Guild! See you all on **Thursday September 10th at 1:00 pm!**

Grab your fabric stash, dust off your machine, and let's get sewing!

Warmly,

Lisa Serebrin

PS: stayed tuned for **The President's Challenge** to be announced at the first meeting!



Vice President's Message



Welcome to the new Guild year!

An important part of each of our Guild meetings is Show and Share – a time where we get to see each other's work, ask questions, and be inspired. In order to show the quilts, we need people who are willing to take them, hold them up for everyone to see, and carefully fold them back up – “white glove people”!

Wearing white gloves is the way we make sure that we are returning the quilts to their owners in perfect shape. We need 4 volunteers each month to help with this task.

At the September meeting, we will pass around a sign-up sheet covering all meetings through December.

Volunteers will receive a reminder before their scheduled meeting.

Thank you for helping make Show and Share a special part of our Guild meetings!

Sheila H.

Past President's Message



Welcome back!! This summer seemed to fly by but we can look forward to seeing each other at our September meeting. As I have moved along to the Past President position, we can look forward to being led this year by Lisa S, as our new President.

I wonder what she will have up her sleeve? 😊

It may be a calmer year as the Quilt Show has now passed but it certainly will be an interesting year with the line up of guest speakers. *Sue B.*

Membership



Membership registration is open for 2026 -2027!

We have a great lineup of presenters that will provide you with ideas and inspiration and camaraderie.

We encourage you to register online AND submit your payment by e-transfer before the September 10th meeting.



- ✓ If you have done this, you will be able to go through the **Express line** to sign in when arriving at Guild Meetings.
- ✓ If you have filled out the online form but are making payment in person, you will have to line up to do this at the sign in desk. In this case, please come a bit early to be processed.

A reminder that the registration is on-line only and a two step process.

Complete the registration form by clicking the link below.

Be sure to click "submit" to finish.

<https://forms.gle/7ERdxSKZ6qkvCKWp8>

Payment can be made in 3 ways:

1. **Send an e-Transfer to:** muskokaquilts@gmail.com
(Preferred method). Be sure to indicate what your money is for. (i.e. membership, name tag, workshop, etc.)
2. **Sending a Cheque:** Make cheque out to **Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka** and mail to the Guild Treasurer: Treasurer, PTQGOM
1150 Golden Beach Rd, Bracebridge P1L 1W8
3. **Cash: This option is only available at in-person meetings.**
PLEASE NOTE: If you are bringing cash or cheque to the meeting, please put it in an **unsealed** envelope with your name on the front, the amount, and what it is for (ie Membership only, or membership PLUS name tag). Thank you!

If you have any problems, please email membership@ptqgom.com

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting in September! *Joyce M. and Leslie ST'*

Program



We will welcome Paul Leger to our first meeting of the year!

Thursday, September 10, 2026
at the Muskoka Lumber Community Centre at 1:00 p.m.

Paul will be presenting his Trunk Show to us, and then remaining in Muskoka for a workshop the following day.

Learn more about Paul at:

<https://paullegerquilts.com/>.

Looking ahead

We look forward to meeting Bill Stearman and Sharon Fisher in October and November, Brett Lewis, Peter Byrne and Carolina Oneto over the winter months, and Elaine Theriault and Kathy Wylie in the spring.

Terry W. & Julie D.

Workshop



Friday September 11, 2026

will be the date of our first workshop of the 2026-27 Pine Tree Quilters' Guild of Muskoka year.

This workshop is open to all members on a "first-paid-first-served basis", with a limit of 20 participants. The workshop fee of \$80 includes a kit of fabric for two blocks (only one done in class), pattern, template, handouts.

**An eblast will be sent at 9:00 a.m. on
Tuesday, September 1st 2026,
with a link to the registration form for the Workshop.**

If you are not comfortable completing an online form, you may also provide the same information via email to our Program email account, and our applications will be considered in the order in which they are received. Details will arrive in the email tomorrow!

Looking ahead

We are excited to learn from Bill Stearman and Sharon Fisher this fall, Lisa Serebrin over the winter, and Elaine Theriault and Kathy Wylie in the spring.

Terry W. & Julie D.



Block of the Month



Sew Along with Meadow Mist Designs

We are off to a good start with this year's Sew Along, which started in July. It's still not too late for members to join. We are following the same format as last year.

The initial step for members interested in participating in this year's Sew Along is to subscribe to the Meadow Mist Designs newsletter, which contains the instructions for the **Marigold Mystery Sew Along**.

www.MeadowMistDesigns.blogspot.com

Next step is to email the guild at: bom@ptqgom.com You will then be added to the participant list.

The **Marigold Mystery Quilt Along** started in July and will end April 2027 (10 months in all). Instructions are released the first Thursday of the month. Our first month (July), was the selection of fabrics for the project. The month of August, we started to make a series of blocks. Depending on how you work, monthly instructions can be completed in a couple of afternoons.

Like last year, we'll host monthly virtual gatherings to sew, share ideas, and discuss steps and suggestions. Terry W. will set-up a Zoom meeting for us for the next Wednesday after our monthly Members' Meeting. Each session will run from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The format will be very relaxed, and participants will be free to ask questions, share and work on the month's steps.



For those new to our Guild's Sew Along, instructions for the months of July and August will be emailed to you. Our first Sew Along Virtual Meeting is scheduled for:

Wednesday, September 16th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Looking forward to meeting our Sew Along participants! *Suzanne B-R*



Hospitality



Welcome back and I hope that you have had a restful summer. Thank you to all members who provided treats during the 2025-26 guild year.

The town has entered into an agreement with a local business, and we cannot make our own coffee and tea.

For this reason, members are asked to bring their own drink in a travel mug or purchase a beverage from the Canteen in the lobby area. We do have permission to continue with our goodies/treats.

At the September meeting, I will be passing around a sign up sheet for volunteers to bring treats for the members to enjoy during the break time at our meetings. Thank you in advance for signing up!



Ardith S. & Suzanne B-R

Sunshine



If you know of a member who is facing a medical challenge or has recently lost a loved one, please be sure to contact Heather, who is not only the secretary on our executive, but is also responsible for our guild's Sunshine and sending out cards on our behalf.

Heather's contact information can be found in the 'Members' Only' portion of our website. Thank you to all who notify us of members who are dealing with an illness or loss.

Heather M.

Outreach



Welcome back to another exciting Guild year!

Andrea and I have checked our current Outreach inventory and contacted several organizations to see what their needs are for this fall.



Our long term care facilities have expressed an interest for wheelchair lap quilts, approximately 30 to 35" wide by 40 to 45" long.

These smaller quilts are a great way to use our stash and should be very manageable for us to complete the quilting on our domestic machines. If you need batting or fabric for backing and binding for any quilts you will be donating to Outreach, please contact us - we'd be happy to help!"



Andy's House would appreciate twin-size quilts, approximately 65" wide and up to 80" long, as well as pillowcases (especially for males) and large adult bibs.

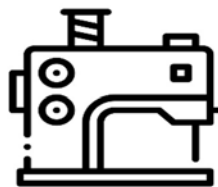
With Wendy W.'s help, we have created a parchment paper pattern and instructions for the bibs. Please see me at the meeting if you would like a pattern copy.

Mystery Quilt

We received this beautifully pieced Lone Star quilt top last year and Andrea completed it as a wall hanging and donated it to The Pines. If you recognize it as your work, please let us know so your name can be added to the label.

Thank you all for supporting Outreach over the years - your generosity has been amazing and truly appreciated!

Joanne R. & Andrea O.



WANTED: Quilters!

Please swing by the Outreach table this month as we have a large number of pieced quilt tops that have been assembled with pre-cut batting, backing and binding that need to be finished.

These are smaller sized quilts which are perfect for quilting on your domestic machines.

Please help us with our backlog of these much needed charity quilts.

Thank you!

The FREE Table: Did you know that we have a 'FREE to a good home' table at every guild meeting? This has been a great resource for sharing fabrics, books and quilting accessories that you no longer want but know that someone else will.

I'm happy to take home smaller unclaimed items and bring them back to future meetings, however, if you drop off bulky items such as sewing baskets or quilting frames, please take them home if no one claims them as I have limited storage space in my apartment. - *Joanne*

Quilt Studio Tour



Are you interested?

Open Doors: Quilt Studio Tour

Visit studios and enjoy a beautiful fall drive with friends!
4 to 6 Guild Members between Bracebridge and Kearny
will welcome you to tour their quilting workspace

Monday September 28th

Between 1:00 and 4:00 pm
Carpool with friends and come!
PTQGM members ONLY (a membership perk)

REQUIRED... at least 24 VISITORS to proceed!

CONFIRMED BY A SHOW OF HANDS AT OUR SEPTEMBER MEMBER'S MEETING

... If you plan to participate and will not be at the meeting, please email Dale M. to be counted.
Information, destinations and details will be emailed to all guild members by Monday September 20th.
No registration - just get guild friends together and come!

Dale M.



Quilt Artist Group

September 17, 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

(3rd Thursday of each month)

Baysville Seniors Centre 12 University St, Baysville.

Cost: \$3.00 per person for facility rental.

Bring: Your own Lunch, beverage, cutlery, supplies for the activity, Show and Share.

Each meeting is a play date. (See leadership schedule below.) For more information visit our guild website.

www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/quilt-art-group

September

Leader: Sylvia
Ecoprinting

October

Leader: Ingrid
Shiva Sticks

November

Leader: Lisa S.
Fabric Manipulation

The Leader each month looks after planning the technique and play activity, sending out a supply list, videos, tutorials and meeting details. They will email this information a week or more before the meeting date. All members are encouraged to share tutorials once the leader announces the technique for that month.

No meeting in December, June, July or August.

Meetings are cancelled if school buses are cancelled in the Baysville area.

We can accommodate 20 members. As of June 2026 there were 15 active members, so we do have room for a few new members. You must be a member of the Pine Tree Guild to join.

Questions or to join this group contact:

Carol C. and Dale M.



Modern Group

September 3, 1:00 pm
(1st Thursday of the month)

Castle Peak Room, Bracebridge Coulson Library at Muskoka Lumber Community Centre
Bring your modern Summer projects for Show and Share. All guild members are welcome.

We explore concepts of modern quilting and its characteristics. Over the years we have done BOM of modern techniques, made quilts for outreach and for the raffle of quilts at our quilt shows. Members have presented well known Modern quilters in the world and their area of expertise. We have a Sew Modern day in the Spring and Fall.

'Share Modern' is the highlight of our meetings where members show their work and discuss the design and machine quilting technique. Winter months we meet by Zoom.

We are an energetic group who love to meet and discuss all things Modern and welcome new quilters to come and explore Modern with us.

Wendy W. & Mary M.

Website

Need information about our Guild?



- ✓ Who are the up-coming Speakers and are there Workshops?
- ✓ When/where are Quilt Shows and other events in our area?
- ✓ Questions about Outreach Quilts?
- ✓ Need to contact another member or an executive member?
- ✓ Looking for Newsletters?
- ✓ Missed a meeting and want to know what happened?

This information and more is available at our website Pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com
Our **Members Only** page is password protected and contains information we want only our members to access.
The password is available in the email that the newsletter is attached to.

HEADS UP: THE PASSWORD CHANGES AS THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER GOES OUT.

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP SO THAT YOU ARE ON THE OCTOBER MAILING LIST.

The **Members Only** page is a great resource with videos of our meetings (individual speakers allow their presentation for specified times), wants ads (things our members are looking to rehome, community needs).

Over the summer we have updated the Quilt Show results, and have added the Quilt Show Photo Collection. The **Members Only** page now contains the patterns for the Boutique items for all of you who missed buying an item at the Quilt Show and now want to make it yourself, videos from the Quilt Show, the 2026/27 Executive List, as well as updated community requests.

Use the Up-coming Quilts Shows and other events section to plan your "Fall Colours" Tour, plus there are events into the middle of October!

Sherry M.

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