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Newsletter for the Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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## President's Message:

Hello fellow quilters! October is here and the fall season is upon us. As we move into the cooler weather and the leaves start to turn colour, I find myself thinking of the Thanksgiving holiday, and all the things that I must be thankful of.

Every day I do try to be mindful of all the things I have to be thankful of, but sometimes it is worth spending more time and putting pen to paper on the topic. If you actually take the time, write down all the things you are thankful for, you can realize just how much good there is in your life!

One of the things that I am thankful for is this guild. And there are many things about the guild to be thankful for, including the following:

1. It is wonderful to see all the quilts that other people have been making and see how creative people can be.
2. It is great to see the different uses of colour that people have (the mystery quilts done in so many variations are so neat to see).
3. I appreciate being able to meet people who have the same fabric addiction ... er ... I mean ... hobby.
4. Being able to talk with people and help solve some someone else's concerns/problems, or get help with a problem, is a gift.
5. Being able to get together with like-minded people, over the pandemic, via the guild's Zoom sew days and Zoom guild meetings was so important to me to be able to stay in touch with people while being safe at home but able to still feel like being part of a community.

As we head into the holiday, I hope you all have a chance to appreciate the good things in your lives, and that there are many good things for each of you. This reminds me that I forgot about

the sharing of good news at the September meeting! We have a “kudo” tradition that we can reinstate now that we are back in person. At our monthly meetings, members are invited to share their celebratory or life events with the membership. These events may include the birth of a child or grandchild, a new job, recovery from an illness, or any other great acclaim or honour. As a “payment” for this, you are asked to choose to bring in a 2 ½” fabric strip of full width of fabric (i.e., 2 ½" x 42"). We call these our “kudo strips” and the strips are used by the Community Outreach program. We will resume this in-person tradition at the October meeting (NOTE: the October meeting was moved to Monday October 17, so that it didn’t conflict with the holiday.)

I hope you all are well and have much to be thankful for. I look forward to seeing you on Monday October 17<sup>th</sup> (our 2<sup>nd</sup> last meeting at the Zion church in Oshawa).

**Laura B.**



## Vice President’s Message:

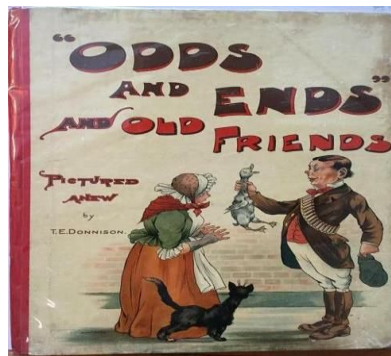
Happy Fall Everyone! I have to say that this is one of my favourite times of the year. The subtle beauty in the changing of the leaves the bountiful harvest and the cool crisp air awaken us to the changes around us.

I have just returned home from our Guild Stay at Home retreat. Everyone had an amazing time. So much laughter, sharing of ideas and thoughts. Oh yes and food!!! Holly and Diane were amazing hostesses and did a tremendous job with everything. There were draw prizes, an auction, demos, and a great “sale” table. Thank you, gals, for a job well done!!! I am looking forward to the next Stay at Home. If you have never been to a retreat, I would encourage you to attend and if you are a “regular”, I look forward to spending time together again soon.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!!

Bountiful Blessings

**Debbie W.**



## Past President's Message:

How many of you knew Debbie had surgery last month and has been recovering very well! She went off on a trip overseas lately and I can't wait to hear about her adventures! Way to go Deb!

Blessings to all,

Debbie K.



## DTQG 2022 Secret Santa Program –

Full guild members (registered and paid) may sign up for the Secret Santa program. Persons who know in advance that they will not be able to attend the December guild meeting should not sign up to participate.

Those who sign up will be randomly assigned another participating member, for whom they will act as the Secret Santa. Each Secret Santa is given likes/dislikes and a wish list of gift ideas / quilting preferences for their giftee, to assist in choosing a gift to give to their assigned giftee. Gifts are to be in the price range of minimum of \$15 to maximum of \$25 and can be either purchased or made. Please don't be a scrooge.

Gifts are to be brought to the 2022 Dec 12 guild meeting, with a tag of the giftees name (but not the name of the Secret Santa) for the in-person exchange. Gifts will be opened at the meeting. After opening their present, each giftee will try to guess which member of the group was their Secret Santa.

Sign-up for Secret Santa will be on line up until 5 pm on 2022 November 5 at the following website <https://www.cognitoforms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/DTQGSecretSanta2022> which is also available via the Secret Santa guild web page, <https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/secret-santa-2022>. Participating members will receive their assigned giftee by end of day 2022 Nov 12 (giving 1 month to obtain and wrap the gift before the 2022 Dec 12 guild meeting)

**Laura B.**



**DTQG 2022 Dec 12 Catered Dinner –**

Full guild members (registered and paid) may sign up to attend a catered holiday dinner prior to the December guild meeting. The dinner will cost \$30 per person (INCLUDES tax) and it will be held at the guild meeting location, with food being served at 5:30 pm on 2022 December 12. Those participating in the dinner are asked to arrive at 5:15 pm so that dinner can start on time and be done before the actual meeting. Members who are not attending the catered dinner are asked to arrive for the meeting at the normal 6:45 time, prior to the start of the guild meeting at 7:00 pm.

Please remember that the 2022 Dec 12 meeting will be held at our new location, the DeStefano Funeral, Celebration, and Reception Centre, located at 1289 Keith Ross Drive, Oshawa ON L1J 0C7.

The dinner menu is as follows:

- Garden salad with house dressing
- Roast turkey, dark and white meat pre sliced in pan gravy
- Apple and sage stuffing
- Port wine cranberry chutney
- Yukon gold mashed
- Honey glazed baby carrots & buttered green beans
- Freshly baked dinner rolls with butter
- Apple pie

Instead of turkey, lemon herb roast chicken pre sliced in onion gravy is available for substitution. This menu alteration must be requested at time of registration.

Registration for the dinner will be open until 5 pm on Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Refunds will not be available after Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> (but if you cannot attend, you can coordinate with another member to attend in your stead – just let the organizers know).

If you wish to attend the dinner, please register on line at the following website

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/2022DecDTQGCateredDinner>

which is also available via the guild website at

<https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/december-dinner-2022>.

Payment is to be made via e-transfer to the guild at [dtqguild@gmail.com](mailto:dtqguild@gmail.com) at the time of registration. In-person registration and payment is not available for this program option. If this is a problem, please contact the president directly.

**Laura B.**



**Program:**

**October:**

Join us on Monday, October 17 for some in-guild education. We will be having our first 4-corners in quite a few years. We will be learning some hand quilting from Susan M, some hexi magic from Maria S., a lot of ways to make Half Square Triangles from Sharon M and faux flange

binding from Kate. It will be a great night for a relaxed meeting and an opportunity to learn from our seasoned quilters within the guild.

So, wear your comfy clothes and enjoy the evening. Be prepared to move around the room when Laura sounds the timer. Some notes will be provided but bring your notebook with you for the extra tips that will be shared during this event.

### November:

November's Guest Speaker is **Leianne McCallum** and will be presenting “.

Have you wanted to learn to adapt your Sew Along blocks to be able to use your Studio180 Design tools? Do you watch a video and think "I wonder how I could change that process for easier piecing and more accurate results?" Do you find a free pattern and just know there's another way to approach those quilt blocks using the Tucker tools you've seen me share in my videos? Don't have any Tucker tools? Leianne will be bringing some for you to purchase of the quilts she will be showing us at the meeting.

Join us in November as we welcome back one of the guild's favourite presenters as she takes us on a journey through her Studio180 Life in 'Let's Tuckerize That'.

**Kate H**



## Mystery Quilt Block of the Month:

Hello Quilters

The Block of the Month is off to a great start with many members joining in. Don't worry, you can still register any time, and I will send you any prior blocks. The cost to participate in this program is \$5 per person, which will cover the cost of providing monthly prizes. To join the mystery quilt, go to <https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/mystery-quilt>, or see me at the next guild meeting to sign up.

There will be two blocks for October as one is constructed using the paper piecing method. In case you don't love paper piecing; you can just choose to do the alternate block.

**Reminder** - completed September blocks will not be submitted until our **November** meeting as participants from last year's BOM will be bringing in their finished quilts in October.

It was fun to see a sneak peek of finished blocks on our recent guild sew day; so many great colour choices. I am excited to see everyone's blocks in November.

Maureen E.

Sew Day Social Convenor: (all ZOOM SEW days are listed on the DTQG website for your convenience)



For those new to the Guild. Welcome! Our ZOOM sew days are designed to keep safety in mind. We encourage you to pop in, or come for part of the time, or spend the entire time sewing with us. You sew your own projects and attend at the time that is right for you! We often discuss; books, quilting tips and tricks, and quilting techniques. It is a nice way to get to know guild members that you wouldn't normally spend quality time with at a guild meeting:)

Fall Sew Days are:

Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1-4 pm

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> 1-4 pm and 7-10 pm

Thursday November 24<sup>th</sup> 1-4 and 7-10 pm

Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> 1-4 and 7-10 pm

Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> 1-4 pm

Thursday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1-4 pm and 7-10 pm



Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup> 7pm – last quilter sewing (AKA Bring in the New Year)

Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1-4 pm.

Our latest Sew Day winners have been Early Sept Joanne R and Late September Deb W

Yours in Sew Day Fun, **Jacqueline H.**



**Fabric Basket: Read CAREFULLY to see when you can DROP off your scraps.**

**DTQG SCRAP DEFINITION:** A scrap is a piece of fabric BIGGER than your outstretched hand. It should be at least as wide as your palm.

October Meeting ONLY Quilters with last names between **G-N** please bring in your scraps

November Meeting ONLY Quilters with last names between **O-Z** please bring in your scraps

Starting in December all members are encouraged to drop off their newly created Fall Scraps.

**Jacqueline H.**





## Membership:

It is good to be able to see so many familiar faces at our in-person meetings. It was also great to meet our new members to the guild. We had a lot of fun catching up with our “old” guild friends and hopefully making new friends as our guild year progresses. We have over 80 members registered so far this year. We hope you will come to the October meeting and enjoy the exciting program planned for you. Remember that our October meeting is delayed one week due to Thanksgiving. See you [October 17<sup>th</sup>](#). **HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!**

**Grace R. and Peggy G., your Membership Team**

Remember for all guild information you can use our Guild website, [dtqguild@gmail.com](mailto:dtqguild@gmail.com).



## Social:

Happy THANKSGIVING everyone! Please remember to **LUG A MUG** to our October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. and please bring your own coffee and tea to the meeting and if you prefer water, please remember to bring your own bottle of water. This month our refreshments will be supplied by the following members: Sharon C.; Andrew and Maria S.; Retta H.; Angie S.; and Gwen V. N. Thank you for volunteering to bring the goodies for our break time.

Remember that the only way for us to have refreshments at the break time in our monthly meetings is for our members to volunteer to bring them for all of us to enjoy. I will have the signup sheet at our October meeting. You will only be asked to bring refreshments once during the Guild year. Please volunteer to fill in the empty places on the signup sheet. Thank you.

**Grace R.**

## Retreats:

### **Stay at Home Retreat:**

We just had a very successful weekend of fun, comradery, and really good food. We had a really good sale table as well as prizes that we auctioned. We were able to raise approximately \$790.00 for the Cuddle Quilt program. Thank you to all our participants for your participation in the weekend as well as your generosity.

**Holly & Diane D.**

### **Fall Retreat:**

**RETREAT RETREAT RETREAT** – November 3 – 6, 2022

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

Join us for fun, fellowship, demos, and lots of sewing at Elim Lodge on Pigeon Lake. The cost for this fabulous weekend is \$420.00 for 3 nights and 10 meals or \$345.00 for 2 nights and 7 meals

The fall retreat will follow the health and safety protocols prescribed by the Province on Ontario and the local health unit. We require all participants to be double vaccinated. At this time masks are optional, please respect members' choices.

We require a minimum of 20 participants to a maximum of 30. We currently only have 18 paid so we need at least 2 more for the retreat to run.

Please go to the Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild website, complete the online registration form under Events – Retreat tab and send payment by etransfer to dtqguild@gmail.com Be sure to put Fall Retreat and your name to ensure your payment is directed to the correct account.

Please register and make your payment as soon as possible.

Thanks

**Holly & Diane D.**

Your retreat Divas



## Show and Share:

I'm in Cape Coral Florida, in the aftermath of hurricane Ian. The house has no hydro or water. We are at a friend's house in Fort Myers (for a very short time) that had their hydro turned on late last night. Not sure when we will be able to get home as the airport is still closed.

Don't forget to bring your quilts at the October meeting to share your art with the rest of the membership!

**Let's all wish Peggy a safe return home!**

**Peggy G.**



## Fabric Exchange 2022-2023

We will be having a fabric exchange using 5" squares with a workshop In May or June. The exchange will begin with the October meeting until May. Please remember to **use quilt store quality fabric and cut accurately.** No solid fabric but use prints or tone on tone.

The pattern is lap size and you will require 138, 5” squares in total. As our exchange will give you 128 squares you will be required to add 10 squares after the end of the exchange in order to achieve this number.

You will be handing in 16 – 5” squares of the color assigned for that month and get back 16 – 5” squares of different fabrics the following month. The more members signing up the more variety you will have. You will need to cut 2 strips of 5” width of fabric and sub-cut into 16 – 5” squares. You can use more than just one fabric choice of colour required. **Please put your squares in a plastic baggie with your name and phone number written on the front.** Registration can be found on the website at:

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/DTQGFabricExchange20222023>

As we will not be having in person meetings for the months of January, February, or March, you will hand them in at the December meeting and receive them back in April. At the April meeting you will be handing in April and May colours in order to have all 5” squares for the workshop.

OCTOBER - RED

NOVEMBER – BROWN OR GOLD

DECEMBER – GREEN

JANUARY – PINK

FEBRUARY - PURPLE

MARCH – BLUE

APRIL – ORANGE

MAY – BLACK OR GREY

**Angie S**



**Outreach:**

Thank you to all the members who completed and brought their quilts to the first in-person meeting of 2022. The following are the quilts and the members who completed them. Also, thanks to the members who picked up kits to complete for the Guild.

Made by Mary Lou H., with Jane S. quilting and binding them:



Quilts made by Nora and bound by Diane W.:



Pieced by Sandy P., quilted by Sandra F., bound by Carol M.



Quilt pieced by Mary Lou H., quilted & bound by Jane S.:

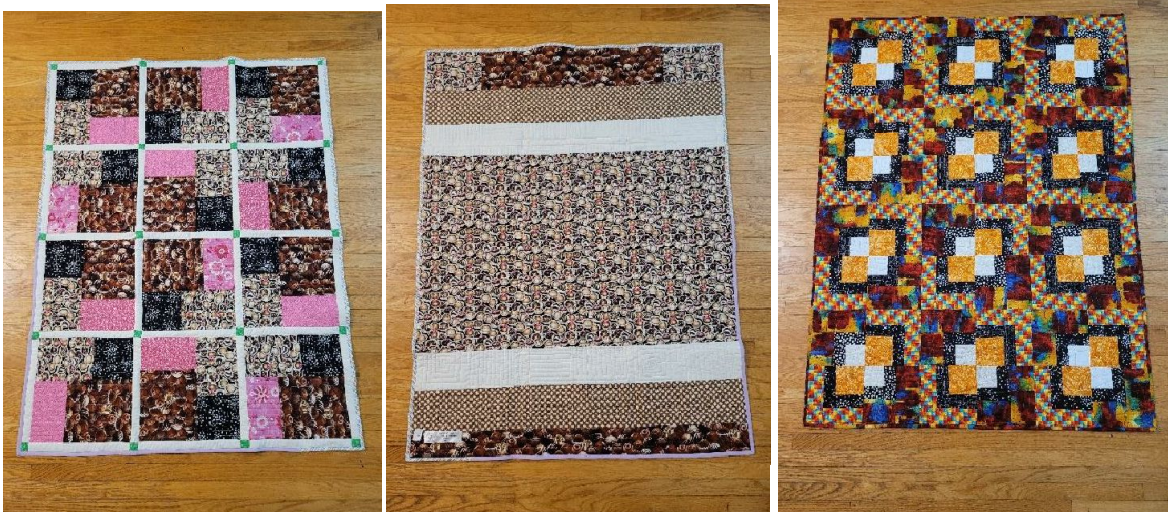




Quilts made by Kathy D.:



Quilts made by Gail. L.:





Quilt made by Diana H:



Pieced by Linda W., Quilted and bound by Jane S.:



Quilts made by Sharon M.:



Please remember that you don't have to be a long arm quilter or a fancy quilter to quilt one of our Community Quilts. This first quilt was done on a long arm and is beautiful, but the second quilt is beautiful too, even though the quilting is very simple, but it still gets the job done. Both quilts were quilted by Nora S.



Maria S.

## Library:

We will be bringing some of the new books and some of the older books to the in-person meetings for the rest of the year 2022. Once we are at the new location, we will be able to store them there, which will provide access to the complete library during each of our meetings.

During our zoom meetings some of our members recommended some new books that we should buy. If you have some recommendations for our library, please e-mail me and I will try to get them for us.

Maria S. and Andrew S.

## Newsletter:



Hi everyone:

Question of the month:

What storm was Peggy G. caught up in?

Unfortunately, I will not be present at October's meeting. Please Barbara at the 50/50 table to give her the answer and enter your name for the chance to win 2 fat quarters.

**Diane D.**

## QUILT SHOWS COMING SOON:

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## Sewing Machine Repairs:

A business card for Rick McBride, McBride Sewing Machine Repair. The card features a green and white color scheme. The text on the card includes: "Rick McBride", "Quality Workmanship Guaranteed", "McBride Sewing Machine Repair", "Repairs to all makes and models", "Cell: 416.670.4041", "Shop: 905.620.1133", "Toll Free: 1.877.620.1133", "E-mail: dsrpm@rogers.com", and a list of brands: "Elna", "Singer", "Janome", "Brother", "Babylock", "White", "PFAFF", "Kenmore", "Bernina", and "Husqvarna". There is also a small image of a sewing machine.

THAT'S ALL FOLKS!