



# PATCHWORK PRESS

The Newsletter for Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

September 2016 - Issue 1

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 30575 RPO Stevenson King, Oshawa, ON L1J 8L8

Email Address: [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca)

Web Site: [www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca](http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Lyne M.



How was your summer?

I can't believe the school year is about to begin and that this hot summer is coming to an end. I can't wait to experience a DTQG show this October! Have you been sewing and finishing projects in anticipation of having them hanging at our show? I know that we will have a wonderful array of talents showcased in our quilt display when we celebrate the Guild's Twenty Fifth Anniversary.

I am sharing a picture I took at Quilts at the Creek this summer. I love the juxtaposition of old and new in this picture – there is no right or wrong – they are both beautiful quilts representing two different styles and eras. The pink and white was purchased at an estate sale by one of York Heritage's members, cir. 1940's-50's, and the one hanging immediately behind is one of Kathy Doughty's original pieces ("What You See", 47x67). Kathy is an American living in Sydney, Australia. Attending one of her lectures this summer has opened my eyes to using bold prints in unexpected ways. I can't wait to see what I will do with all the "funky" fabrics I purchased over the summer! Maybe something will make it into the show...



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all executive members, new and returning, to the 16/17 Guild year, as well as our regular members. Please take the time to read this newsletter – it is bursting at the seams with information about everything DTQG!

Our first meeting of the year is September 6<sup>th</sup> – mark your calendars and see you there!

**MEETING DATES** – First Tuesday of the month

**TIME** – Doors open at 7:00, meeting begins 7:30, ends approximately 9:30

**LOCATION** – Durham District School Board, Staff Cafeteria, second floor, 400 Taunton Rd. E.

**REMEMBER TO BRING** – Your Name Tag, Library Books, Toonies for the Chance Draw and a Mug

**NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – Maria S.**

Because the newsletters is now accessible through our website, we will not be printing the last names of any of our members or their personal emails in future newsletters. Next month you will be receiving a membership list that will be emailed to you, so if you want to contact a member you can use that list. In the meantime you can email the Guild at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca) and the message will be passed on to the member.

**2016-2017 DTQG Executive**

At the Annual General Meeting in June, you voted the following Members to serve as the Guild Executive.

<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>2016/2017 – NAME</u></b>
President	Lyne M.
Past President	Kate H.
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Sharon M.
Secretary	Joyce P.
Treasurer	Maureen E.
Block of the Month	Angie S.
<b>Community Outreach</b>	
Cuddle Quilts	Diane D. Asst. Charlene W., Linda S. & Lisa P.
Donation Quilts	Dorothy M.
Library	Anna A. Asst – Meredith M.
Membership	Margaret S. Asst. - Carol C.
Newsletter	Maria S.
Programme	Susan S.
Publicity	Cheryl A.
Show and Share	Peggy G.
Social	Pam T. Asst. Jana B. & Peggy F.
Workshops/Retreats	Holly P. Asst. Kate H.
Web Site	Julia S.

The following members have volunteered to assist the Guild in these very important areas:

- Chance Draw: Elaine F. & Sandra F.
- Fabric Basket: Judy B.
- Fabric Switch: Lynn M.

EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Guild Executive meeting will be on Sept. 21, 2016 at 7 pm. Location will be announced later. All members are welcome to attend.

SOCIAL/REFRESHMENTS – Pam T. & Jana B. & Peggy F.

The newly elected Executive will be providing the goodies for our first meeting in September.

Please remember your plate, mug and utensils. Decaf coffee, tea and decaf green tea will be available. See you there! (Remember that orange products are not allowed.)

MEMBERSHIP – Margaret S. and Carol C.

Welcome back members to another exciting year in the Guild. We currently have 74 paid members including two new members over the summer.

The Early Bird draw for a refund of the annual dues ended Aug. 31 so those 74 names will be included in the draw at the September meeting. Good luck!

“KUDO” TRADITION

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 6 ½” square OR half a 2 ½” fabric strip (i.e., 2 ½” x 21”).

Please see Lyne, our President, if you have Kudos for September and she will include you in the agenda.

DURHAM TRILLIUM QUILT SHOW 2016 – Kate H., Chair



Quilt Show Update – September 2016

Please read the attached separate Newsletter with lots of important information about the Quilt show.

Our next Quilt Show Committee meeting will be in September, date and location to be announced later.

SHOW AND SHARE – Peggy G.

Show and Share at the September or October meetings will not follow our traditional format because of our upcoming quilt show. In September, members who participated in the Block of the Month and/or Fabric

Switch last year are encouraged to bring their resulting quilt tops or quilts to show, as well, anyone who has projects completed as part of the “Let’s Get Them Done” challenge, are also welcome to bring those projects to show.

**FALL RETREAT – Thursday, Nov. 10 to Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 – Holly & Kate**

Our Fall Retreat will be at Elim Lodge from Thursday, November 10 to Sunday November 13, 2016. The cost for Thursday to Sunday (3 nights and 10 meals) is \$280.00 for a double and \$310.00 for a single. Friday to Sunday (2 nights and 7 meals) is \$205 for a double and \$225.00 for a single. Come and join for fun, food, friends and lots of quilting. **We have 4 spaces left, bring your cheque and sign up at the September guild meeting!!**

If you already signed up, the final payment is due at the September guild meeting, and you must be a member in good standing to attend.

We always have some awesome optional projects at retreats, and lots of games and prizes. Come along and join in the fun!

**Stay at Home Retreat is Back!!**

Mark your calendars for our **2<sup>nd</sup> Stay at Home Retreat!!** We have booked February 3 – 5, 2017 for our next event. This time, we will be sewing at Thornton Dundee Park Clubhouse in Oshawa. It is an accessible building and our lunches and dinners will be catered!

We don’t have pricing to share with you at this time, as we are still working out the details. Sign-up details will be announced before the October meeting.

It’s a great opportunity to have some fun sewing and be able to leave your machine and projects there overnight and come back the next day to sew, sew, sew and have fun, fun, fun!! If you don’t like to sleep away from home, this is the ideal retreat for you!

**FABRIC SWITCH – Lynn M.**

This year’s fabric switch is six 10-inch squares in patterned Jewel Tones. September’s colour is Emerald Green. Every Guild meeting, participants bring in the required fabric and pick-up a mix of last month’s. At the end, all who “switched” all year, will have enough fabric to make a pattern that will be shared. If you have not signed up yet there is still time to get started. Just bring your six emerald green squares to the September meeting and sign up with Lynn M.

Fabric colour of the month is as follows: **Jewel Tones**

September	Emerald Green
October	Magenta \ Fuchsia (pink)
November	Ruby \ Red
December	Purple
January	Royal Blue
February	Burnt Orange \ Orange
March	Dark Turquoise (greenish -blue)
April	Burgundy
May	Amethyst (pinkish violet to deep purple)

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH - CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM – Diane, Charlene, Linda and Lisa**

This summer, Charlene and Diane delivered 56 cuddle quilts to the Children's Aid and to the Rose of Durham. At the Children's Aid, the nurses use the quilts to console the children in their care and at the Rose of Durham they put a quilt in the baskets given to young single moms. We received a nice thank you note from both organizations. It was hard to listen to some of the hardship stories, so we can be sure that the help we give them is very worthwhile.

We are continuing to have kits available for all our members to put together as well as tops to quilt. We will continue going to Whirls 'n Swirls to do some long arm quilting and everyone is welcome to try.

I hope everyone is having a great summer and are now getting ready for our show in October.

**Backpacks for The Denise House**

At the spring retreat, we asked members to make a backpack for the children at The Denise House, which is a local shelter for women and children fleeing abusive situations.

We had a number of backpacks completed at the retreat. If you took one home from the retreat, would you please bring it to the September meeting (even if you didn't finish it). Now, we'd like to ask members to donate items to go into these backpacks to give to Denise House. We will be stuffing them at a later date. We will put out a call for volunteers at that time.

Looking for suggestions? Toothpaste & toothbrushes, small colouring books, crayons, small toys (i.e., matchbox cars), markers, notebooks, play doh, glue sticks & other small craft kits, small stuffed toys, bubble bath. For the older kids: decks of cards, pencil crayons, notebooks, makeup, bath stuff, small bottles of lotion, deodorant, hair clips, hair brushes, combs, etc. This is a small sampling of the list of items to donate, so if there's something else you think they would enjoy, bring it to the meeting. No two backpacks will be stuffed alike!

Remember, some of these kids left their family homes with nothing but the clothes on their backs. The contents of the backpacks should be especially for them.

For more information about The Denise House, click the link to go to their webpage:

<http://www.thedenisehouse.com/home.php>

Thanks for your support!

Holly P. & Kate H.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH – DONATION QUILT PROGRAM - Dorothy M.**

We currently have the choice of two quilts we can offer as a donation quilt for your organization to use as a fundraiser in a raffle or in a silent auction with a reserved bid. Both are bed sized quilts pieced and quilted by volunteers in our guild. They are pictured below.

If you wish to apply for one of these quilts for your group, please contact Dorothy M. for an application form and your request will be brought forward at the next executive meeting.



**CHANCE DRAW – Elaine F. & Sandra F.**

For your chance to win half of the monthly collected funds, please visit the Chance Draw table with your toonies.

**PROGRAM – Susan S.**

Since the September meeting focuses on our upcoming quilt show, we will not have a guest speaker. Planning is well on its way for the rest of the year!

**LIBRARY - Anna A. and Meredith M.**

The Library is ready for a new year. Let us know if there are any titles you would like to see.

**SCRAP BASKET – Judy B.**

Our scrap basket is a very popular stop each month for members. Please remember that fabrics need to be at least the size of your hand and 100% good quality cotton. If you have smaller pieces to donate, (for example, squares or rectangles) please put them into a small Ziploc bag first, then into the scrap basket.

WEBSITE – Julia .

Our NEW website is up and running. Please visit it and check out the new format.

<http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/>

If there are any updates or corrections required please contact Julia through the Guild's e-mail.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - MYSTERY QUILT – Angie S.

I hope everyone had a great summer and is ready to start a new year with the Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild. I am excited to be doing the Block of the Month this year and have a finished quilt to show you at the September meeting. Below are the fabric requirements along with a picture of the quilt we are doing. I will be giving instructions for the first block after the September meeting, so sign up for this beautiful quilt. I will be sending instructions by e-mail every month. I will be happy to answer any questions at the meeting. See you there!



Designer: Monique Dillard of Open Gate Quilts

**Finished quilt:** 55-1/2" × 73-1/2"

**Finished blocks:** 9" square

Pick Your Background Fabrics:

First, choose a light color for the background fabric in the blocks, setting pieces, pieced inner border, and middle border. (For her quilt, Monique used assorted cream and tan prints.)

Here are the amounts you will need:

Blocks: four 18×22" pieces (fat quarters) of assorted light prints

Setting pieces and pieced inner border: two 5/8-yard pieces and two 1/3-yard pieces of assorted light prints

Middle border: 1/2-yard light print

Choose Your Medium Fabrics:

Select one or more medium colours, which will be used in the blocks, setting pieces, and pieced inner border. (For her quilt, Monique used assorted red prints.)

Here are the amounts you will need:

Blocks: five 9×22" pieces (fat eighths) of assorted medium prints

Setting pieces and pieced inner border: five 3/8-yard pieces of assorted medium prints

Gather Your Dark Fabrics:

Choose one or more dark colors, which will be used in the blocks, outer border, and binding. (For her quilt, Monique used assorted black prints.)

Here are the amounts you will need:

Blocks: Three 18×22" pieces (fat quarters) of assorted dark prints

Outer border: 1-1/4 yards of dark print

Binding: 5/8 yard of dark print

**SUNSHINE – Sharon M.**

If you know of a Guild member who needs a little “sunshine” by way of best wishes or words of encouragement, please let a member of the Executive know. A card will be sent on behalf of the Guild membership.



Should the weather not co-operate with our plans, we have a procedure in place for all members to receive an email notification of the cancelled meeting by early afternoon of the meeting date. We will also alert the local radio stations and newspapers, and our members that do not have email will receive a call.

As always, use your own judgment when deciding if you should venture out on the roads to join in the fun of our monthly meetings.

**ADVERTISING**

**Purple Threads**  
Longarm Machine Quilting

Rhonda Drake  
905-925-2965

Courtice, ON  
www.purplethreads.ca  
rhonda@purplethreads.ca

**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

- \*Elna
- \*Singer
- \*Janome
- \*Brother
- \*Babylock
- \*White
- \*PFAFF
- \*Kenmore
- \*Bernina
- \*Husqvarna

Philippa Skjaveland  
Sales & Education

*Ontario's Certified Full Service Gammill Dealer*

Phone: +1 (705) 201-5262      sales@kawarthaquilting.com

**Flare Fabrics**  
BATIKS AND BOLD COTTONS

Simply Canadian.  
Simply Online.

*Batik & Fabrics with Flare*

info@flarefabrics.ca  
1-888-973-5273  
www.flarefabrics.ca

*Sew Here Sew Now*  
Sewing Centre

**Catherine Mele**  
370 Old Kingston Rd.  
Scarborough, Ont. M1C 1B6  
416-282-0440

www.sewheresenow.com

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

To find out about more upcoming quilt shows, visit [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com) and look in the calendar under Events for listings by month and province. Below is a short list of Quilt-related activities in Ontario.

May 21 – Sept 5, 2016 – **My Corner of the World – Art Quilt Exhibition** at Stratford Perth Museum, 4275 Huron Rd.; Stratford, ON [www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca](http://www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca)

Sept 9 – Sept 11, 2016 – **Quilting at the Lakes** – Buckhorn Community Centre in Buckhorn ON  
<http://buckhornquilters.com/quilt-show/>

Sept 10, 2016 – **Quilt Sale Orillia** – Westmount United Church, 23 Westmount Dr. S., Orillia ON  
*Email:* [petejordan10@sympatico.ca](mailto:petejordan10@sympatico.ca)

Sept 10 – Sept 11, 2016 – **Quilts by the Bay** – at Odyssee Secondary School, 480 Norman St. North Bay ON  
*Website:* <http://quiltsbythebay-northbay.blogspot.ca/>

Sept 24 – Sept 25, 2016 – **2016 Festival of Quilts** – North Hastings Quilt Club – Bancroft Curling Club, 63 Newkirk Blvd, Bancroft ON

Sept 25, 2016, 1 to 3 pm – **In Conversation with Quiltmaker Veronica Puskas** – Bata Shoe Museum, 327 Bloor St. W., Toronto ON *Website:* <http://www.batashoemuseum.ca/tickets/>

Friday Oct 28 & Saturday 29, 2016 – **Silver Extravaganza Quilt Show** – Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild. General Sikorski Polish Veterans' Hall, 1551 Stevenson Rd. N., Oshawa, ON [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca)