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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Lyne M.

One of the questions at this month's Executive Meeting was "Should DTQG hold a quilt show in 2019/20"? As a group, we see the value of holding a show. It promotes the art of quilting which is one of our main objectives as a guild. It brings our members together to accomplish a huge goal as one. However, it is also a ginormous project with multiple moving parts.

As an executive, we decided that holding a show has many benefits and is a task we would like to undertake. This being said, we need the support and involvement of all members when we organize a quilt show. We need members to head committees, to plan and to organize. We also need members to complete projects to exhibit in this show. And most importantly, we need our members to support the show by volunteering ahead of time and at the event itself. My goal, if we have a show in 2019/20, is that we have a record number of members getting involved - with some new faces on committees!

At the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, I will stand in front of all of you and ask if our membership supports hosting a quilt show in the 2019/20 guild year. I hope to get a positive response and I hope that this includes some of you who may have been involved in the past, or never at all, committing to getting involved for the first time or again!

Having another successful show will ensure the continuation of our guild's excellent program and support of our community organizations. I am confident you will join the executive committee in supporting the planning and execution of another successful show in 2019/20!



**MEETING DATES** – First Tuesday of the Month, October through June

**\*\*\*NEW TIME\*\*\*** - Doors open at 6:45, meeting begins at 7:00, ends approximately 9:00

**LOCATION** – Durham District School Board, Staff Cafeteria (2<sup>nd</sup> floor): 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby

**DOORS TO USE** – Please enter the building via the doors which face Taunton Road (the southern-most doors). Be sure to enter the building by 7 pm, as the doors are locked after that.

**REMEMBER TO BRING** – DTQG name tag, library books, toonies for chance draw, a mug, and a plate.

**VICE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE – Sharon M.**

The arrival time has been revised, so the doors will now be open until 7 pm. Please ensure that you arrive so you can enter the building between 6:45 and 7:00 pm. After 7 pm the doors will be locked.

Greeters are needed for each meeting from 6:45 until 7 pm. I will be calling members for their support. If you would like to sign up in advance please see me at the meeting. Thanking you in advance.

**NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – Laura B.**

As the newsletters are being posted on our website, the newsletter will not contain the last names or personal emails of our members. Members will receive a membership list that will be emailed to you, so if you want to contact a specific member you can use that list. In the meantime you can email the Guild at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca) and we will do our best to pass along the message to the member.

**2017-2018 DTOG Executive**

| <b><u>POSITION</u></b>   | <b><u>NAME</u></b>   | <b><u>POSITION</u></b> | <b><u>NAME</u></b>                          |
|--|--|------------------------|---|
| President  | Lyne M.  | Membership             | Gail L.<br>Assistant – Kathy D.             |
| Past President   | Kate H.  | Newsletter             | Laura B.                                    |
| Vice President   | Sharon M.  | Programme              | Susan S.                                    |
| Secretary  | Stella D.  | Publicity              | Cheryl A.                                   |
| Treasurer  | Maureen E.   | Show and Share         | Peggy G.                                    |
| Block of the Month   | Angie S.   | Web Site               | Julia S.                                    |
| <b>Community Outreach</b><br>Cuddle Quilts<br>Donation Quilts<br>Walker Bags | Diane D.<br>Debbie K. & Linda S.<br>Dorothy M.<br>Maria S. | Social                 | Pam T.<br>Assistant – Jana B. &<br>Peggy F. |
| Library  | Anna A.<br>Assistant – Meredith M.                         | Workshops/Retreats     | Holly P.<br>Assistant – Kate H.             |

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

- Chance Draw: Brenda L.
- Fabric Basket: Lynn M.
- Fabric Switch: Mary C.

For personal reasons, Diane D is stepping down from her role as Community Outreach Convenor after December. The Executive is therefore helping the Community Outreach team from January through to the summer. We will seek a new volunteer to serve for a 2-year term for the new guild year. Please see Lyne M if you would like to help with this valuable program. To this end, we will schedule some Saturday Sew Days specifically for Cuddle Quilts, etc. The first one will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the John St. Senior Centre in Oshawa. Please sign-up! \$5 will hold your spot, let us know your committed to coming to lend a hand, and it will be returned to you at the actual sew day. Many hands make light work! It goes without saying, Diane will be missed by her committee!

**EXECUTIVE MEETINGS**

Our next Guild Executive meeting will be on **November 20th, 2017 at 7 pm**, Location is yet to be determined. All members are welcome to attend. Please contact a committee member if you need location details.

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

Very important: **NO orange products are to be brought into the building due to severe allergies.**

Treats for the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be brought by Jean K, Debbie K, Dana N, Betty H, Sandy M, Susan J, Jana B, and Anna A. Decaf coffee and tea will be provided.

Please bring your cup and a plate. Thank you to all the guild members who signed up to bring treats. Our list is full!

**SHOW AND SHARE – Peggy G.**

When you come to advise me that you have Show and Share for the evening, don't forget to enter your name in the draw for the monthly prize. Also, a reminder, according to our guild constitution, Show and Share is to promote our talents not our businesses!

**MEMBERSHIP – Gail L. and Kathy D.**

The membership desk was very busy last meeting with 30 renewals, 4 new members and 2 guests. Current membership is at 92. Jana S.B. won the Early Bird Draw and received a refund of her \$35 annual fee. If you have not yet renewed for the year please complete the attached registration form plus survey and come see us at the next meeting.

An order for permanent name tags will be placed after the January meeting as we currently have 14 people on the wait list including - Debbie K., Mary C., Lina S., Patricia K., Laura B., Diana S., Nora S., Renee D., Heather L., Carmella C., Laura F., Sherry F., Linda W., and Peggi W-L.. If you have lost your name tag or want your temporary one replaced with an engraved version, please let us know. New members receive their permanent name tag at no cost. If you have lost your engraved name tag, the replacement cost is approximately \$13 (to be determined at the time of order).

Please remember to wear your name tag to each meeting as it helps us get to know you and to identify guests. If you forget yours, a charge of \$0.25 should be paid at the membership table.

**“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 2 ½” fabric strip of full width of fabric (i.e., 2 ½" x 42"). Please see Lyne M. if you have Kudos to share before meeting starts.

**CHANCE DRAW – Brenda L.**

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

**PROGRAM – Susan S.**

Tracey Russell is an accomplished long-arm quilter and the owner of Whirls and Swirls Quilting. At our November meeting, Tracey will share her quilt story through a trunk show. She will also give tips on preparing your own quilt tops for long-arm quilting.

**RETREATS AND WORKSHOPS – Holly P. & Kate H.**

**Important Note: if you are paying by e-transfer, please use the exact security question and security response that is provided to you by the convenor to avoid payment rejections.**

**Fall Retreat – Thursday, Nov. 16 to Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017 – 2 SPACES AVAILABLE**

Come and join us for the fall colours at Elim Lodge on Thursday, November 16 to Sunday, November 19, 2017 for our annual Fall Retreat. We have planned a few demos, a shop visit and massages. The fee of this great weekend is \$290.00 for Thursday to Sunday or \$215.00 for Friday to Sunday. Single accommodation is \$10.00 extra per night.

Don't miss the fun, food, friends and lots of quilting!!

We still have a couple of spots available if you are interested in attending. Please see Holly at the sign-up desk!!

Payment method: cash/cheque (made payable to Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild) or by e-transfer at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca). Please contact the convenor for payment instructions!

**Stay at Home Retreat / Home Sew Sweet Retreat – FULL (Waiting List)**

Our Home Sew Sweet Retreat is planned for February 2-4, 2018 at the Thornton Dundee Park located at 210 Thornton Road South. We have catered lunches and dinners.

Second payment of \$60 is due at the November meeting or you can pay in full for \$120. Payment method: cash/cheque (made payable to Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild) or by e-transfer at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca) Please contact the convenor for payment instructions

**Workshops**

We are currently working on our workshop offerings for this year. More information to come!!

**WEBSITE – Julia S.**

Our 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.

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

We have 2 new books in the library: Modern Quilt Magic by Victoria Findlay and Free Motion Meandering by Angela Walters. Also, please remember to return borrowed books to library.

**SCRAP BASKET – Lynn M.**

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.

**SUNSHINE – Stella D.**

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

**FABRIC EXCHANGE – Mary C.**

This year's fabric exchange is 2 ½ inch strips (WOF – selvages removed), in retro fabric. Every month people will exchange 6 strips of retro fabric, so that each participant receives 54 strips by end of year. NO solid colours please. PLEASE USE QUILT SHOP QUALITY FABRIC.

The fabric colours of the month for the NOVEMBER the exchange are: Yellow floral

Fabric strips are to be brought to each meeting in a Ziplock type bag, with your name on it. If you can't come to a meeting, please arrange for a friend to bring the fabric in for you, or bring it in advance.

**Please bring your YELLOW FLORAL fabric strips to the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM – Diane D., Debbie K., and Linda S.**

This month we delivered 26 Quilts and 27 pairs of mittens to CAS (Children's Aid Society). We received a thank you card from the Children's Aid Society.

We took 6 tops to be quilted at Whirls and Swirls and picked up one top that needs binding. We have received a bag of jeans as scrap if anyone is interested in using them for quilts, please let Diane know. We are greatly thankful to the people who participated last Sunday at the Executive Sew Day for all of their assistance in the cuddle quilt program.

Come and see Diane and crew for more mittens as well as quilt tops kits to be made and some to be quilted. See you at the meeting.

**DONATION QUILT PROGRAM - Dorothy M.**

Here is the quilt that our guild donated to Simcoe St United Church for allowing us to use their facility for our executive meetings. They will use this quilt for a raffle. The approximate value of this large quilt is \$900.00.

Thanks to Colleen Z, Cheryl A, Dorothy M, and Sandra & Susan M for their part in creating this donation quilt.

We have 2 smaller quilts on hand now that could be used for a silent auction or raffle for a Durham non-profit organization. Send me an email for a request form. A larger donation quilt is in progress.



**WALKER BAGS PROGRAM – Maria S.**

The DTQG executive has decided to provide Walker Bags to not only Taunton Mills Senior's Residence as we had in previous years, but to many Senior Residences in Durham Region. We are providing a kit and a pattern for you to take home and sew together, and the next month return a completed walker bag. We will be contacting various Seniors Residences and delivering the bags as soon as they are completed. Please see Maria S. at the next meeting to pick up your kit. Many thanks for your help in this Community Project.

**2017/18 Guild UFO Challenge – Kate H.**

Join in the fun, register your six (6) projects for the Durham Trillium UFO Challenge at the November meeting. Get ready to start working on your projects after the meeting when the first selection is revealed!! See Joyce P. or Kate H. at the meeting with your registration form and money. Registration and rules included with the newsletter.

Let's get these oldies but goodies done!



**BLOCK OF THE MONTH QUILT – Angie S.**

Hi ladies, I hope everyone enjoyed making the first 2 blocks of this year's quilt! Please bring in your blocks to be displayed on our design board and to enter into a draw for a prize!

**Also, for those that have finished last year's BOM quilt, please bring it to the November's meeting to share with everyone and to enter to win the BOM grand prize. I can't wait to see them!**

**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.

November 10 - 11, 2017 – A Celebration of Quilts XIII – YHOG Quilt Show – York Heritage Quilters Guild, Toronto Botanical Gardens, 777 Lawrence Ave. East, Toronto, ON <https://yhqg.org/quilt-show-2017>

December 12, 2017, 2:30-4:30 pm – A Canadian Nine Patch Exhibit – Houston exhibit 2017 – Sponsored by “Love My Hood” and the City of Burlington. Brant Hills Community Centre, 2255 Brant Street, Burlington ON

September 9, 2017 - February 25, 2018 – A Thread and a Story – Museums of Mississauga. Tour times are by appointment Monday to Wednesday (9am – 4pm), or drop in Thursday-Sunday (12noon -4pm). See <https://culture.mississauga.ca/event/bradley-museum/thread-and-story> for more details.

March 23-24, 2018, 10-5 daily – Quilt Fever 2018 – Etobicoke Quilters' Guild – Neilson Park Creative Centre, [www.QuiltFever.ca](http://www.QuiltFever.ca)

May 4-6, 2018 – Feelings in Fabric 2018 – Kawartha Quiltmakers' Guild, Peterborough, ON. See <http://www.kawarthaquiltmakersguild.ca>

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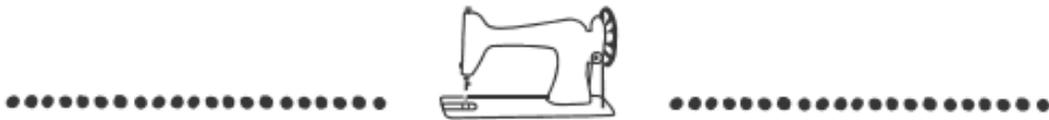
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