



The Newsletter for Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Sharon M.

I really enjoyed our guest speaker B.J. Reid. She shared her quilting experience with us with humor and her work was inspiring and playful. The dolls were beautiful. I hope you feel the same.

December is upon use which means the holiday season is approaching quickly. Is everyone shopping and baking and quilting, will you be ready?

This month is our potluck dinner meeting. The School Board has notified us that moving forward, the cafeteria is no longer available for rentals. For this reason, we will be meeting again in Room 2027 and 2028 for our December meeting. The room will be set up with tables and chairs. The food tables will be set up in the hallway so that we can accommodate everyone inside. It may be a little cozy; however, it is the best solution that was available to us with the short notice provided. Considering this, the executive has asked all convenors to only set up at break time. (Community Outreach, Chance Draw, Workshops and Retreats Boutique, etc.) They will be available during the break/or at the end of the meeting once you've secured your sweets.



The meeting will start with the presentation of the Meals on Wheels Placemats to the representatives from the Community Care Access Centres. (There will be a photo op as well which will happen before the meeting if you wish to participate.) This will be followed by some announcements from the convenors and then we will eat. I will extend the break time and then continue with kudo strips, show and share and draws etc.

Please note that the rooms are in use by another group until 6pm. The custodians will need to set up the room for DTQG between 6 and 6:30. Please allow them this time to set up the room by only coming up after 6:30. 6:45 IS PREFERRED.

Looking forward to seeing you on December 4th.

MEETING DATES – First Tuesday of the Month, October through June TIME - Doors open at 6:45, meeting begins at 7:00. PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 6:45 DUE TO SET UP

LOCATION – Durham District School Board, Staff Cafeteria (2^{nd} floor): 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby **ROOM** – 2027/2028 (Same as November Meeting) – in the hallway to the Staff Cafeteria (2^{nd} floor)

REMEMBER TO BRING – DTQG name tag, library books to return, toonies for chance draw, treats/goodies (see "Social" section below for what to bring), a mug and plate, any donations you have for the food bank, and any last minute place-mats you made for the challenge for Meals On Wheels Durham.

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

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

The December meeting (Dec 4th) is our Christmas potluck. If your last name begins with A through J, please bring a savoury item. If your last name begins with K through Z. please bring a sweet treat. Don't forget to bring a plate, cutlery and a mug/cup. Decaf coffee and tea will be provided.

PROGRAM – Lina S.

The December meeting is our holiday potluck. See the "Social" section for who brings a sweet treat and who brings a savoury dish.

PAST PRESIDENT- Lyne M.

Not much to report this month. This Past President business is a breeze! Sharon is doing an excellent job as President. I was happy to help her sort out our meeting space this month. I hope that everyone will be a little flexible and enjoy our December meeting as we celebrate our friendships and talk about our projects and families.

I wish you and yours safe travels if that is in your plans for this holiday season and above all else, the time to cherish your family and friends. Hoping your holidays are filled with love and happy memories, old and new.

<u>NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – Laura B.</u>

The newsletters are posted on our website so do not contain last names or personal emails. Members receive a membership list to allow you to contact a member. In the meantime you can email the Guild at <u>durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca</u> and we will do our best to pass along the message to the member.

EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Executive meeting will be on <u>Wednesday February 20, 2017 at 7 pm</u>, at the Simcoe Street United Church, 66 Simcoe Street South in Oshawa, enter via "office" door. All members are welcome.

FABRIC EXCHANGE – Mary C.

For those participating, this year's fabric exchange is an exchange of 10 inch squares. Please bring in 6 squares, not solid/plain fabrics, or novelty, seasonal prints or batiks. The selvage should be cut off the fabric before cutting the squares. PLEASE USE QUILT SHOP QUALITY FABRIC! When handing in your squares please put in ziplock bag with your name marked clearly.

The fabric for December's exchange is ... floral deep pink.

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. If there are questions, please contact Mary C. (see guild membership list).



<u>WEBSITE – Julia S.</u>

Our NEW website is up and running. Please visit it and check out the new format. <u>http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca</u>. If there are any updates or corrections required please contact Julia through the Guild's e-mail.

QUILT SHOW 2019 "Threads Of Friendship Quilt Show" – Kate H.

Your Quilt Show Committee is working hard to assemble the raffle quilt and we hope to have it quilted and ready for display in early 2019. The Boutique team have been making up kits from donated materials and are always appreciative of anything you can share. We had a good response to our table runner challenge and received a great variety of runners. People have taken home kits to assemble and we will be receiving your completed kits at the December meeting (after the break). The Show Challenge is SOLD OUT. Very excited to see what creations will arrive in October for judging.

We will be soon inviting vendors to attend our show. If you have suggestions, please let Diane D. know. As these vendors are confirmed, we will share that information with the membership. Please keep your calendar open (November 22-23, 2019) to volunteer at our show, many hands make light work.

Threads of Friendship Show Committee				
Chair	Kate H	Secretary	Maria S	
Treasurer	Joyce P	Boutique	Debbie W	
Youth Display	Holly P	Display	Julia S	
Publicity & Social Media	Lyne M	Quilt Registrar	Laura B	
Tea Room	Gail L, Kathy D & Gwen vN	Treasure Table	Dorothy M & Angie S	
Ticket Pull	Debbie K	Vendor Coordinator	Diane D	
Volunteer Coordinator	Diana S	Raffle Quilt & Tickets	Cheryl A	

Please stay tuned to the website and newsletter for updates!

"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 1/2" fabric strip of full width of fabric (i.e., 2¹/₂" x 42").

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

<u>**RETREATS AND WORKSHOPS – Kate H. & Holly P.**</u>

<u>Spring Retreat at Elim Lodge – 2019 April 11-14 (Thursday-Sunday)</u>

Don't miss the fun, food, friends and lots of inspiration!! If you have never been to retreat, you truly don't know what you are missing. It's such a fun time away with fellow quilters. A great way to get to know members of the guild in a more relaxed atmosphere. While I can't promise all your seams will be perfect, I am confident you'll have fun, and it won't be your last retreat!

Spring into the fun at our annual Spring Retreat at Elim Lodge from Thursday, April 11 to Sunday, April 14, 2019. We have planned a few demos, a shop visit, and massages. The fee of this great fun filled weekend is \$320.00 for Thursday to Sunday or \$230.00 for Friday to Sunday (or Thursday to Saturday). Single accommodation is \$10.00 extra per night.

Sign up at the December meeting. No payment due until January.

Home Sew Sweet Retreat – SPRING – 2018 February 1-3

We are super excited to announce the Spring Sew-At-Home retreat on February 1-3, 2019 with expanded capacity!! We can now accommodate 25-30 people!!

It will be held at Club Loreley, 389 Dean Avenue, Oshawa.

Cost is \$130 for 3 days for your table or \$95.00 for 2 days. Lunch and dinner included on Friday and Saturday. Sunday lunch only. All meals catered by the food styling of Trevor!! Sign up during the break at the December meeting, and pay your \$50 deposit. Open to all members of the guild.

Sew Days

Christmas Gift Bonanza (aka – I have to finish it before Christmas Eve) our last sew day of 2018 will be Sunday, December 16. Cost is \$20.00 for the day. Sewing from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Sign up and pay at the meeting.

We will have our next sew day on Sunday, January 20, 2018 at Rundle Park, so you can get it done for next Christmas, or Mother's Day?? Cost is \$20 for the day. Sewing from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up and pay at the meeting.

Workshops

March 24, 2019 (Sunday)– Machine Quilting with Tammy Murphy

Tammy Murphy is a long arm quilter and shares her quilting expertise in several free motion quilting classes at Quilters Cupboard. She will help you move beyond 'quilting in the ditch' and start to bring your quilting up a notch of two! This is a one-day workshop that is sure to be lots of fun and a great learning opportunity! Class is \$55.00, sign up at the December meeting, payment at the January meeting.

April 6, 2019 (Saturday)– Appliqué with Kathy Wylie



Did you enjoy Kathy's presentation in October? Were you inspired to learn more about the Appliquick method for turned-edge appliqué. The innovative <u>Appliquick</u> <u>tools</u> provide unprecedented ease and precision for preparing fabric for hand or machine stitching – even miniature-sized. If you have always wanted to learn turned-edge appliqué, or struggled with it in the past, this system is for you. <u>Appliquick rods</u> will be available in class so you can try before you buy, but we're sure you'll want a set for your toolbox. This is the sample we will be working on in the class.

Class fee \$ 65.00, sign up at the December meeting, class size is limited to 20 participants.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

For The December Meeting Only – The Community Outreach table will only be available at the break and for a short time at the end of the meeting.

PLACEMAT CHALLENGE – Laura F., Sherry F.

To date, we have collected 262 placemats for Meals on Wheels Durham. Representatives from Community Care Durham and Meals on Wheels will be at our meeting to accept our guild's donation to their program. Placemats received at the December meeting will have to be labeled, so they will be delivered to the Meals on Wheels office later in the week.

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The representatives would like to meet and take a picture with members who participated in the challenge. The picture will be taken just before the start of the meeting at approximately 6:50 p.m. in the cafeteria if possible. **The picture will be shared on social media**. If you would like to participate please ensure you arrive in time.

Some members have expressed a desire to continue the placemat initiative throughout the year. So we will gladly accept any donations and pass them along.

CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM – Laura F., Sherry F., Linda W.

At the November meeting, we had 22 finished quilts returned. Thank you to Linda W. (5), Whirls'n Swirls (5), Jane S. (3), Sandra F. (2), Gail L., Gwen V., Sharon M., Meredith M., Laura B., Sherry F. and Laura F. We had 3 pieced top returned. Thank you to Mary Lou H., Sandy P. and Kari B. Don't forget that all pieced quilt tops and finished quilts are eligible for the draw at the end of the meeting. November's winner was Sharon M.

To date, we have received 93 quilts. They have been allocated to Children's Aid Society (20), Rose of Durham (20), The Denise House (15), Elder Abuse (13), Grandview Kids (12), Whitby/Clarington Hospice Initiative (10) and West Park Health Center (3).

Just a friendly reminder that there are a number of kits that have been signed out since last year. We understand that life happens, but if you don't think you will be able to get to them before January/February, we would ask that you return them so that they can be redistributed. Thank you.

Mittens – We now have mitten kits available. Thank you to Diane D. for making up the kits from fabric that was donated by a generous member.

DONATION QUILTS – Dorothy M.

If you wish a quilt for a raffle or silent auction for your organization in the Durham region, we have a couple on hand you can apply for. I have the forms to send you to apply. See photos below. More will be quilted this fall.



Red strippy (lap or small bed) 44" x 60" value \$230.00



Modern strippy (light to dark, single bed size) 56"x85" value \$410.00



Size 60" x 78" Value \$400.00



Size 66" x 72" Value \$375.00

WALKER BAGS PROGRAM – Maria S.

Thank you to the members who have made Walker Bags for the Senior's Residences in Durham Region. There will be Walker Bag kits at December's meeting so please pick up a kit to complete during the winter and remember to return the completed bags to Community Outreach Desk and get a ticket for the monthly draw. Have a safe and blessed Christmas.

<u> CHANCE DRAW – Brenda L.</u>

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

LIBRARY - Sandy M. & Anna A.

Due to the limited meeting space for the Decemeber meeting and pot luck, the library will only be accepting returns of books. There will be no books/magazines available for sign-out.

There are still a few books/magazines that are overdue. Please allow others the pleasure of enjoying a good read and to get new ideas.

Title	Author	Borrowed by
Sew a Row Quilts	Karin Hellaby	Susan C.
The Canadian Quilter – Winter 2016	Magazine	Susan C.
Nov/Dec 2015 Love of Quilting	Fons and Porter	Shirley J.

MEMBERSHIP – Gail L. and Kathy D.

We had 5 people join us last month bringing our membership to 94. If you have not yet joined, you can find the registration form on the guild website or come see us at the membership table. *Our guild does not have a cap on the number of members accepted.*

Please remember your badges so we can get to know you. Our order for new permanent badges will be placed in January.

Fees and charges schedule:

- Guest \$5 per meeting
- Annual membership \$35 (October to June)
- Half year membership \$17.50 (for meetings from February to June)
- Replacement name badge \$13
- Forgotten name badge \$0.25

Guests are welcome for all meetings except our Annual General Meeting in June.

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, please let a member of the Executive know. A card will be sent on behalf of the Guild membership.



<u>CQA – QUILTS OF VALOUR - CANADA</u>

Quilts of Valour-Canada will be celebrating its 10th anniversary as a non-profit in 2019. As part of this, they are hoping people will help make more quilts by providing 10.5 inch finished log cabin blocks, made in reds and whites with a yellow centre. More information and the pattern and colourway can be found at the CQA website <u>https://canadianquilter.com/quilts-of-valour-canada/</u>. The guild will not be collecting these blocks, but members are certainly welcome to participate on their own, if desired..



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.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

December 16, 2018 (Sunday) – 9:00 am to 8:00 pm – **DTQG Sew Day "Christmas Gift Bonanza"** – A sew day for you to dedicate to finishing those Christmas projects that are not quite finished. Rundle Park Hall, 241 Park Road South, Oshawa. \$20 per person. Sign up with Kate H. at the guild meeting's retreat/workshops table.

June 8-9, 2019 – **Stithing Among Friends Quilt Show** – Quilting Corners Guild – Ealliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert St. W, Alliston ON, <u>www.acqguild.edublogs.org</u>

June 12-15, 2019 – **Quilt Canada 2019 – Quilting Goes Viral!** – E.Y. Centre, 4899 Uplands Drive, Ottawa ON. <u>https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2019/</u>

November 22-23, 2018 – Threads of Friendship Quilt Show – Durham Trilliam Quilters Guild (our show!) – Sikorski Hall, Oshawa ON – reserve the date to help at the show (and set up on Thurs Nov 21)