The Newsletter for Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Sharon M.

June is upon us and the guild year is coming to an end. What a year we have had. Lots of great guest speakers, a book sale and lots of fun sew days and retreats.

Planning is underway to set a program for 19/20 guild year. The quilt show will be fast approaching in the fall with the final details yet to be arranged. You will be called on for support and assistance to ensure a successful show. New for this show is the quilt show entry form. The form will need to be completed and submitted online for each of your entries. The form is available on the DTQG website: go to www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca, click on the 2019 Show page, and then click on the "Quilt Entry" button.

Starting in September, the guild meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month as a result of the voting that took place at the May meeting. To date, a decision has not been made for the October meeting which falls on Thanksgiving Day. The executive will address this at the June executive meeting and will let you know.

See you on Tuesday June 4th, the Annual General Meeting will take place followed by a potluck buffet.



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 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.

MEETING DATES: June 2019 only: First Tuesday of the month. Starting 2019 September, meetings will be the second Monday of the month (September to June). Any conflicts due to holidays (e.g., Thanksgiving) will be determined by the executive each year and communicated to members.

TIME: Doors open at approximately 6:30 pm, meeting begins at 7:00 pm, ends approximately 9:00 pm.

LOCATION: Zion Christian Reformed Church, 409 Adelaide Ave. E. Oshawa

REMEMBER TO BRING – DTQG name tag, library books, toonies for the chance draw, a mug, and any donations you have for the food bank (needed items include canned fruit, boxes of cereal, peanut butter, crackers, pork & beans, spaghetti sauce, rice, toilet paper, hand soap bars, and toothpaste).

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

November 22 & 23, 2019 - General Sikorski Hall, Oshawa.

Our show committee is continuing to put the puzzle together that will be our show. We hope that you are working on completing your quilted items, whether it be a full quilt, lap quilt, bag or other quilted items which showcase the wonderful talent of our guild.

Our Boutique team has been making up kits from donated materials and are always appreciative of anything you can share. Currently they are looking for coordinated (current) fabrics. Additionally, if you have completed items to donate, they would be very well received.

New at this show: Have you considered selling your quilts? Members will be invited to participate in the boutique with up to 3 items to be sold on consignment. The guild will receive a 15% commission for all items sold. We will not accept items that were part of any challenge, such as the table runners. Stay tuned for news on how to register items to be sold.

The Show Challenge fabric is SOLD OUT. We are very excited to see what creations will arrive in October for judging. Some of us have begun the first draft of our designs.

Diane has been working on recruiting vendors. If you have suggestions, please let Diane D know. As these are confirmed, we will share that information with the membership. Please keep your calendar open to volunteer at your show, many hands make light work. Diana Smith, our volunteer coordinator, will be asking for membership participation for set up, take down and lots of things between, including helping and serving in the tea room, assisting in the boutique or at the treasure table, and everyone's favourite, white glove, where you get to walk around the show and look at the quilts. I know that is one of my favourite jobs during the show.

So far, we have confirmed the following stores will be attending our show: Appleseed Quiltworks, Lindsay; Bolts & Bobbins, Woodville; Quilters Cupboard, Uxbridge; Sew Have Fun, Oshawa; Ultimate Sewing Centre, Oshawa. All these stores have great products and are brick and mortar shops which we all need to support!

Registration of quilts to be displayed at this show will be done electronically via a website. The registration site is up and running, so feel free to register your quilts right away! Go to the guild's website and navigate to the page for the quilt show (http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/2019-show.html). Then click the button off to the right that says "Quilt Entry". Register each quilt individually (one at a time). You can register as many quilts as you like, however, should we run out of space for all quilts, we will implement a 3-per-member display limit. Therefore, when registering, we ask you to let us know your top 3 quilts, so we can ensure to display the ones you want shown the most. If you do not have a computer and cannot find someone to help you do the entries, Laura B will be accepting quilt registrations in person at a fall meeting (exact date yet to be determined – details in future newsletters / meeting announcements). If you need help, questions can be sent to Laura B via the guild's email durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca.

Please stay tuned to the website and newsletter for updates!

Your 2019 show committee,

Kate, Laura, Lyne, Maria, Diana, Holly, Debbie W., Diane, Debbie K., Holly, Angie, Dorothy, Joyce, Cheryl, Gail, Kathy, Julia & Gwen.

"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 $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric strip of full width of fabric (i.e., $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 42").

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

LIBRARY - Sandy M.

Please return any outstanding library books at the June meeting so that inventory can be done over the summer.

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

The June meeting is our annual general meeting and pot luck. Members with last names A to K are requested to bring sweets and last names L to Z are requested to bring savoury dishes. Don't forget to bring a placemat that will be donated to Meals on Wheels after the potluck. And of course, bring a cup and plate and utensils! Decaf coffee and tea will be provided.

Note that due to our new location, there are no longer any restrictions on orange products. Sign up at this coming meeting for next year's refreshments – get the month of your choice if you sign up early!!

EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Executive meeting will be on <u>Wednesday June 19, 2017 at 7 pm</u>, in the Gathering Room of the Chartwell Centennial Retirement Residence (259 Hillcroft St, Oshawa). All members are welcome. Please sign in at the front desk, if attending the meeting.

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.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH QUILT - Angie S.

Everyone should have the finishing instructions for this year's block of the Month if you don't please let me know and I will send them out to you. I am looking forward to seeing all your finished quilts in September and there will be a draw for a gift certificate to one of our local shops. I hope everyone has a safe and fabulous summer!

<u>WEBSITE – Julia S.</u>

Our website continues to run at http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca. The website will be updated if a meeting is cancelled due to weather. If there are any updates or corrections required on the website, please contact Julia S. through the Guild's e-mail.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – Laura B.

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 durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca and we will do our best to pass along the message to the member.

RETREATS AND WORKSHOPS - Kate H. & Holly P.

Fall Retreat – Elim Lodge – November 14-17, 2019 – Sign up in June



Come and join us for the fall colours at Elim Lodge on Thursday, November 14 to Sunday, November 17, 2019 for our annual Fall Retreat. We have planned a few demos, a shop visit, machine cleaning and massages. You might get some sewing in as well. It's up to you! Don't miss the fun, food, friends and lots of quilting!!

Sign up and make your first deposit of \$100 at the June meeting to hold your spot. Please be reminded that you must be a member of the guild in order to attend our retreats, so don't forget to renew your membership at the June meeting.

Payment method: cash/cheque (made payable to Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild) or by e-transfer at durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca Security question: Fall Retreat Answer: Durham2018

If you are paying by e-transfer for any of the guild items, please do not change the security answer

Sew Days

Our Sew Days are held at Rundle Park Community Hall, 241 Park Road South (entrance is off Burk Street).

May 26 will be an open sew day. Sign up at the Workshop table. Cost is \$20.00 for the day! Time: 9:30 – 8:00

May 26 also has scheduled a day to long-arm quilt completed community outreach quilts at Works 'N Swirls Quilting. There are still 2 spots available. Sign up at the Community Outreach. No cost to members! Time: 10:00 - 4:00 (or sign up for a partial day)

June 23 this sew day date has been changed to an open sew day (formerly for the fabric exchange). Sign up at the Workshop table. Rate is \$20 for the day! Time 9:30-6:00

July 14 (NEW! Summer Sew Day) will be an open sew day. Sign up at the Workshop table. Cost is \$20.00 for the day! Time 9:30 – 7:00

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.

PROGRAM – Lina S.

June is our Annual General Meeting and Pot Luck. There is no additional program element for this meeting.

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!

SHOW AND SHARE - Peggy G.

If you have a quilt to share, please make sure you come to the Show and Share table FIRST to register your quilts and enter your name in the monthly draw.

PAST PRESIDENT – Lyne M.

We have three positions remaining open on our guild's Executive roster for next fall. All other positions have been filled.

- Social: If we want to offer refreshments at our meetings, we need a Social Committee or Convenor. This group or person ensures members have signed-up to bring treats to our meetings and also ensures that there is hot water and coffee for break time, along with the usual accourtements milk, sugar, etc.
- Block of the Month this is an aspect of the guild that is always enjoyed by the participants. The convenor takes the time to pick a pattern and breaks-up the instructions in 8 or 9 installments so that the participants are fed the information in chunks every month at meeting time. It can be a mystery pattern to the group or it can also be revealed at the beginning up to the convenor.
- Membership Assistant an assistant to help the membership convenor keep track of our members is needed.

Are you interested in either of these positions? Send Lyne M an email ASAP!

I would like to thank all our members who have stepped-up to serve our guild in their particular way. Without an Executive, guild business does not get accomplished!

The Executive listed below will be looking for your vote to affirm their positions at the AGM!

Position	2019-20 Guild Year
Officers of the Guild:	
President	Sharon M
Past-President	Lyne M
Vice-President	Debbie K
Secretary	Steven B – New
Treasurer	Joyce P – New
Voting Members of the Executive:	
Block of the month	*** Vacant
Community Outreach	Laura F
Library	Sandy M
Membership	Patricia K – New
Newsletter	Laura B
Programme	Lina S
Publicity/Advertising	Bev M – New
Show & Share	Anne M – New
Social	*** Vacant
Workshops & Retreats	Kate H
Website	Laura B – New
Non-Voting Executive	
Chance Draw	Barbara S – New
Community Outreach Committee	Sherry F, Sandra F, Linda W, Manon A, Dorothy M
Fabric Basket	Jacqueline H & Retta H – New
Fabric Switch	Pam T – New
Library Assistant	Anna A
Membership Assistant	*** Vacant
Show & Share Assistant	Jean K
Workshop & Retreats Assistant	Holly P

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

At the May meeting, we had 8 finished quilts returned. Thank you Jane S. (3), Linda W. (2), Collen Z., Sandra F. and Jacqueline H. We also had 9 pieced tops returned. Thank you to Linda W. (2), Diane D. (2), Susan M., Elaine F., Carol M., Kate H. and Mary Lou H. We also had 30 walker bags completed by Dorothy M. and mittens and a doggy bed completed by Carol M. and Collen Z. Thank you to all who donated fabric.

Don't forget that all pieced quilt tops, finished quilts, walker bags and mittens are eligible for the draw at the end of the meeting. May's winner was Susan M.

We currently have 40 mitten kits available. CAS distributes these to children in need as well as in their Christmas baskets. If you are looking for a quick project these take approximately 30 minutes.

SUMMER CHALLENGE

In light of the Quilts of Valour presentation we had at the May meeting, we would like to challenge all members to make log cabin or hug blocks over the summer. For more information, please go to the Quilts of Valour website https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/hug-block-info.html (Hug Blocks). The Log Cabin pattern is attached at the end of the newsletter. Community Outreach will collect all blocks and kit them to make tops or forward them to Quilts of Valour per their wishes. This is a very worthy cause that supports are veterans.

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

<u>WALKER BAGS – Maria S.</u>

Thank you so much to Dorothy M. for the 30 walker bags she made and donated to the Guild's Walker Bag project. We have donated twenty-five bags this year and will be able will help us help out other Seniors Residences next year. Please come to the Community Table and help by working on kits during the summer. Thanks to all the members who have helped this year.

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MEMBERSHIP – Gail L. and Kathy D.

Our current membership is 104. 102 were full year and 2 were half year memberships. We had 25 guests attend during the year.

The membership application for 2019 - 2020 will be available on the guild website once the fee has been voted on at the June AGM (proposed increase to \$40 from \$35). If you wish to participate in the early bird draw, your application, along with your fees, must be received by August 31, 2019.

We will accept renewals at the June 4th meeting. When you sign in at the membership desk for the AGM, please pick up an application and return it to us with the new fee during the break.

Have a great summer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

June 8-9, 2019 – **Quilting Among Friends Quilt Show** – Quilting Corners Quilt Guild, Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert Street West, Alliston ON L9R 1H2. http://aqcguild.edublogs.org/quilt-show-2013/

June 12-15, 2019 – **Quilt Canada 2019 – Quilting Goes Viral!** – E.Y. Centre, 4899 Uplands Drive, Ottawa ON. https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2019/ Hotel information (group rate available until mid-May 2019) is now online at https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2019-hotel-information/

June 17, 2019 10-4:30 – LCQG Workshop: What WAS the Judge Thinking? An Introduction to Quilt Judging – Instructors: Joyce Brown and Judy Villett, certified judges and QJCP instructors. Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church, 160 Wayside Dr., Perth ON. Cost \$50. Contact llakeg@gmail.com or mstarkman1@gmail.com for more information.

Threads of Friendship Quilt Show

Nov 22-23, 2019 –

Durham Trillium Quilters Guild – General Sikorski Polish Hall, 1551 Stevenson Rd. N, Oshawa ON. www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca

Quilts of Valour – Pattern/Colour Placement for Log Cabin Block (10 1/2" unfinished)

Fabric requirements:

- 2 ½" wide strips of various darks (reds)
- 2 ½" wide strips of lights (white-cream)
- 2 ½" squares of yellow for centers

