The Newsletter for Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Sharon M.

Welcome to the new guild year.

I trust everyone had a great summer, travelling, sewing, spending time at the cottage/trailer or just enjoying your back yard. In July my husband and I completed a road trip to Nashville to visit his sister with a stop in Paducah to see the quilt Museum. What an awesome experience ... so many beautiful quilts of all sizes and colours, with lots of appliqué pieces. Then in August we spent two weeks in Ireland on a coach tour. A beautiful country and lovely people.

This is a quilt show year. The committee has been busy getting ready for the show in November. The show needs your support and participation. The committee will have more information to share with you.

Lina has worked over the summer and put together another great program that will be interesting and inspiring.

Once again, we will support the food bank at the church. You can bring your donation and place in the box inside the front door.

We are looking forward to seeing you on the September 9th meeting which includes a guest speaker.

MEETING DATES: Second Monday of the month. Conflicts due to a holiday (e.g., Thanksgiving) will be determined by the executive each year and communicated to members. They are also on the website.

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 chance draw, funds to purchase advance quilt show tickets, a fat quarter to donate to the quilt show ticket pull, stockings completed as part of the summer quilt show Boutique stockings challenge, your 2019/20 membership form and payment, ... and if that isn't enough... 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).



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.

2019-2020 DTQG Executive

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

POSITION	NAME	POSITION	NAME
President	Sharon M.	Membership	Patricia K.
Past President	Lyne M.	Newsletter	Laura B.
Vice President	Debbie Ke.	Programme	Lina S.
Secretary	Steven B.	Publicity	Bev M.
Treasurer	Joyce P.	Show and Share	Anne M. & Jean K.
Block of the Month	VACANT	Web Site	Laura B.
Community Outreach	Laura F.	Social	VACANT
Cuddle Quilts	Assistants: Sherry F.,		
Donation Quilts	Sandra F., Linda W., Manon		
Walker Bags	A., & Dorothy M.		
Library	Sandy M.	Workshops/Retreats	Kate H.
	Assistant – Anna A.		Assistant – Holly P.

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

Chance Draw: Barbara S.

Fabric Basket: Jacqueline H. & Retta H.

Fabric Exchange: Pam T.

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

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

I hope that you have been thinking about the show over the summer as the show committee has been meeting monthly to finalize details for our upcoming show. We have lots of information to share with you, so please read on...

First of all, we've had a change in the charity we are supporting with our raffle quilt. We are now supporting **Rose of Durham**. They were very excited to jump on board. A representative from Rose of Durham will be at the September guild meeting to share some of their programs with us. It coincides with the raffle tickets being available for members to sign out for selling. Please see our **raffle coordinator**, **Cheryl A.**, to pick up your packages of raffle tickets to sell.

Our volunteer **coordinator, Diana S.**, will have her lists posted for you to fill in your available times to help during the show. Many hands make light work. We need helpers on all days of the quilt show and on set up day. There are so many jobs to do, you would not believe me. We will talk about the jobs at the September meeting. Do you have a student who is in need of some community service hours? Sign them up for Saturday's take down. By that time, we (the show committee and volunteers) will be really tired and would really appreciate having some younger people to help! There's a saying that it takes a village to raise a child, well, consider this quilt show as your child.

Whoa! Before we get to set up day, we need your quilts and quilting items registered!

Registration of quilts to be displayed at this show will be done electronically via our website (except the challenge fabric quilts). The registration site is up and running, so feel free to register your quilts right away! As of the time of newsletter issue, 13 quilts were already registered! To register your quilt, 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 "DTQG Members - 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-quilts-per-member display limit. Therefore, when registering, we ask you to indicate your top 3 quilts, so we can ensure to display the ones you want shown the most. Paper registrations will not be accepted. If you do not have a computer, please try to find someone else with a computer to help you. The executive is looking into having someone to help do electronic registrations at a future meeting or sew day (details will be provided in future newsletters / meeting announcements). If you need help with on-line registration, questions can be sent to **registration coordinator, Laura B.**, via the guild's email <u>durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca</u>. Gail L. reported that it was easy to register! Thank you for the endorsement, Gail! I myself have registered 2 quilts for the show, and it really was very easy.

Our **treasure table coordinators, Dorothy M. and Angie S.**, are now accepting items that you no longer need in your sewing room...such as books, magazines, kits, fabric, tools, and templates to name a few of the items they are looking for. The show is accepting donations at the September through November guild meetings, or you can set up a time to drop items off at Dorothy's house (call her first). Please measure fabric being donated and put its size on a sticker or tag on the fabric.

To come to the show, you're going to need a ticket! Advance tickets are \$5.00 and will be available from our **publicity coordinator, Lyne M.**, at the September meeting. All members are encouraged to support the show by buying a ticket regardless of whether you are volunteering or not. As a member who will be volunteering, you only need to buy one ticket, even if you volunteer Friday and come to the show as a guest on Saturday. There is no expectation that you, as a volunteering member, would need to purchase tickets for both days.

The **quilt show challenge & children's display coordinator, Holly P.**, will be patiently waiting for October to have your challenge item handed in. I hope that you are working on yours, there is still time. Get creative, put on some music, perhaps the 'Dance of the Butterflies', I found this link to share for inspiration.... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RZqYW57meZg. Some of us work really well under pressure, but please don't miss the deadline of the October guild meeting to hand in your completed item.



The Stocking Challenge is due at the September meeting. Members in attendance will be able to Oooo and Ahhhh at your lovingly crafted masterpieces and vote on their favourite. I'm sure there's a prize involved! Our **boutique coordinator**, **Debbie W**., and her team, will also accept any items that you wish to donate to the boutique or any completed kits that you have

done over the summer. Each member can donate up to 3 items to be sold, which will be displayed at the boutique table as space permits. Do you have something that you would like to enter into their consignment sale? Registration of quilted consignment items is on line as well: 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 "DTQG Members – Consignment Entry". Register each item individually (one at a time).

What would a show be without the vendors? Perhaps a little more display space, but not nearly as much fun. We have invited many brick and mortar shops to our show and our **vendor co-ordinator**, **Diane D.**, has been working hard to secure great shops from our local area and hopefully some you've never heard of. So far, we have Appleseed Quiltworks, Bolts and Bobbins, Quilters' Cupboard, Sew Have Fun, Ultimate Sewing Centre and Whirls and Swirls Quilting already signed up. She's still working on a few more, so watch for updates. Our vendors are a tremendous draw for the show, and I hope that you will shop at their booths.

Our **ticket-pull coordinator, Debbie K.**, has asked for members of the guild to each donate a fat quarter so that she may get creative in making fabric shaped flowers to display in bunches for you to buy tickets. Who wouldn't want a coordinated flower bunch!! What a great idea! Note that the items in our ticket pull section don't all have to be quilting-related. We do have some non-quilters at our shows, often known as husbands, who may fancy something there. Even kid related items would be awesome. Why not get together with some friends to put together a collection of items? Keeps the cost for you down and increases the value of the items at the sale.

Our **tea room coordinators**, **Gail**, **Kathy & Gwen**, have decided on serving 4 kinds of sandwiches at the show. They are also looking for your culinary skills to be put to the test by baking some delicious goodies in the form of cookies, squares, loaves, and tarts! Oh my... see the sign-up sheet at the September meeting as some items are required in limited amounts.

For this show, we will be having a Feature Quilter. Our own Anne M. has agreed to show off her quilts and share her journey in quilting. Anne was my first contact at the guild. I am honoured that she has agreed to be our Feature Quilter. She has always been someone I have looked up to for her quilting skills as well as a great resource for our guild.

We are getting revved up for the show, it's only a couple of months away. Time will pass very quickly! Lots to get done, but, great teamwork makes the dreamwork. Everyone on the committee is excited about the final push to get the show off the ground for the membership. I hope that you will volunteer your time, finish your quilts (did I mention registration??) and support the show. We need you all front and centre...after all, this is membership's show. People will come to see the quilts, admire your skills regardless of your level, enjoy some delicacies from the kitchen, and shop with our vendors. It's going to be a wonderful show!

Your 2019 show committee,

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

<u>LIBRARY – Sandy M.</u>

Just a reminder from your Library, all borrowed books or magazines must be returned to the library at the next month's meeting. If you still need the book/magazine for your project, you can sign it out again. We are still looking for suggestions for new books or magazines, please email Sandy M. (see membership listing or send to guild email). In June, Sandy sent out a number of emails to remind some members to return borrowed books/magazines, please remember to bring to the September meeting. Thank you, Sandy.

Still outstanding: Modern Views, 3YD Quilts,

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CHANCE DRAW – Barbara S.

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

SOCIAL/REFRESHMENTS – Vacant Position.

To Snack or Not To Snack ... that is the questions! Our guild finds itself without a Social Committee this fall. What does that really mean? Well, it means we will not have treats at our monthly meetings nor will coffee or tea be offered. Is this the end of the world?!? Of course not! Although it is nice to have, it is not a necessary function of our meetings.

At our September meeting, there will be treats, both sweet and savoury, which will be supplied by the Executive Members of our group. However, it will be a "bring your own beverage" type of night.

Except for our traditional December and June potlucks, moving forward, our meetings will be snack free. Of course, we have to ask - if anyone is interested in teaming-up and becoming our Social Committee, please speak to Lyne M. (Past President) at the September meeting!

"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.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH QUILT, 2018-2019 – Angie S.

I'm hoping everyone had a chance over the summer to finish the Block of the Month quilt. Please bring your finished top to our first meeting in order to have a chance to win a \$50.00 gift certificate for one of our local shops.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION – Lyne M.

We are very glad to see that we have new members to our guild! Let's make them feel welcomed! There will be a short orientation field trip before the November meeting - showing everyone where everything is and pointing out all the great ways they can get involved. More details will be included in the November newsletter. In the meantime, don't be afraid to ask questions and get to know people!

EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Executive meeting will be on <u>Wednesday Sept 18, 2019 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 – Jacqueline H. & Retta H.

With fall weather upon us it is a great time to take a few minutes and do some "stash management"! Jacqueline and Retta are managing our scrap basket this year, and they are urging us to complete a 10 minute challenge! The challenge goes like this ... set a timer then take a cursory glance around your stash for hand sized scraps that you would love to part with. Then bring those to the stash basket at the September meeting.

WEBSITE – Laura B.

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 Laura B. through the Guild's e-mail. The quilt show page is up and running and members can register their quilts via this page. Sign up your quilt soon so you don't forget!

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. The fee for this great fun filled weekend is \$325.00 for Thursday to Sunday or \$230.00 for Friday to Sunday (or Thursday to Saturday). Single accommodation is \$10.00 extra per night. At this time, there is still lots of space if you want to join in the fun.

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 we can't promise all your seams will be perfect, we are confident you'll have fun, and it won't be your last retreat!

Your next installment payment of \$100 is dues at the September meeting. Please see Kate at the sign-up desk!! Payment method: cash/cheque (made payable to Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild) or by e-transfer at durhamtrilliumgg@yahoo.ca Security question: Fall Retreat Answer: Durham2019

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

Home Sew Sweet Retreat – SPRING – Jan 31 – Feb 2, 2020 – Being Planned

We have booked the Club Loreley (German Club) for our Sew at Home event for January 31-February 2, 2020. More details and pricing to come. Watch the newsletter for details about sign up (sign up will NOT be in September).

Sew Davs

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

Dates for sew days are being worked out and will be provided in a future newsletter.

Workshops

We received the survey responses and will be looking into booking a few workshops this year with our fabulous slate of upcoming guest speakers, and possibly a ruler class with Tammy Murphy. Workshops are currently in the planning stages. Watch for details. (If you have a suggestion for a great teacher, please let Kate know.)

SUNSHINE – Steven B.

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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM - Laura F., Sherry F., Sandra F., Linda W.

At the June meeting, we had 24 finished quilts returned. Thank you Linda W., (15), Sandra F. (2), Maureen E., Kari B., Lyne M., Sharon M. Julia S. and Andrew S. In addition to June's finished quilts, we also completed another 24 quilts at our day at Whirls'n Swirls. Thank you to Peggy F., Linda W., Carol M. and Jana B. for binding all these quilts. We had 5 pieced tops returned. Thank you to Diane D. (2), Anne D., Gwen V., and Sandra M. We also collected 55 placemats.

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.

SUMMER CHALLENGE (Log Cabin Blocks for Quilts of Valour) – Linda W.

In light of the Quilts of Valour presentation at the May meeting, members were challenged to make log cabin or hug blocks over the summer. If you have sewn some over the summer, please see Linda W. at the Outreach table. She will also have a variety of Hug Blocks which are \$5.00.

If you haven't finished one, there is still time to complete your Quilts of Valour hug and log cabin blocks for this very worthy cause that supports our injured military personnel. Let us help Quilts of Valour meet their goal of 20,000 donated quilts by the end of 2020. For more information, please go to the Quilts of Valour website. https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca.

Last year we donated 211 quilts to Children's Aid Society, Rose of Durham, Denise House, Grandview Kids, Elder Abuse, West Park Health Centre and Whitby/Carrington Hospice. We also donated 370 placemats to Durham Meals on Wheels, 3 pairs of mittens and 5 pillowcases to CAS.

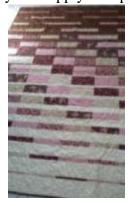
Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting and making the coming year as successful as our last year. None of this would be possible without the generosity and caring of our members.

DONATION OUILTS - Dorothy M.

If you wish a quilt for a raffle or silent auction for your organization in the Durham region, we have a few on hand. 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 – Linda W.

A number of walker bag kits are available for sewing. Please see Linda W. at the Outreach table.

PROGRAM - Lina S.

Our September speaker will be Judy Lyon who will talk about quilt appraisal. Judy will be presenting "The Importance of a Quilt Appraisal and What is the procedure." This Lecture/trunk show will show different types of quilts including antique, vintage, contemporary, modern, art, and fibre art. We will look at each area and discuss what factors come into play when placing value. What different types of appraisal are there? What type of value will be used? Who needs an appraisal and why?

SHOW AND SHARE - Anne M. & Jean K.

Please bring your finished projects to share with the membership at our monthly meeting. We love to admire and applaud your work. To participate in the monthly draw for a prize, register your quilt(s) at the Show and Share table prior to the start of the meeting.

FABRIC EXCHANGE - Pam T.

It's time start the 2019/2020 fabric exchange! At the September meeting, Pam T. will be doing the signup, and there is no fee to participate. Please join us as we will all have more beautiful fabrics that way. This year at each meeting, we're exchanging 8 strips of Batik, each 2 1/2" strips of Batik. The colours for the year are as follows:

September: Dark midnight blue

October: Light grey
November: Dark Teal blue
December: Light Teal

January: Medium to dark Blue

February: Light blue March: Purple April: light purple

May: 4 strips of yellow/gold and 4 strips of green

Remember to remove the selvedges and put your strips in a ziplock bag labelled with your name. Next month you will receive a bag with mixed strips of that colour to use in your quilt when you drop off your next colour.

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MEMBERSHIP – Patricia K.

Welcome to the new year. Please be sure to renew your membership or sign up as a new member! The membership forms for 2019-2020 year are available on our website (www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca). If you have not paid yet, please bring payment to the September meeting. The membership fee is \$40 per year.

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.

Sept 7-8, 2019 – **Crystal Pieced Expressions Quilt Show** – Almonte Quilters Guild. Almonte Civitan Community Hall, 500 Almonte Street, Almonte ON.

Sept 14-15, 2019 – **North Hastings Threads of Friendship** – North Hastings Quilt Club. Faraday Community Centre, 29860 Highway 28 South, Bancroft

Oct 5, 2019 –**2019 Needle Arts Fair** – Seniors Centre, 56 Francis St., Kingston ON. Contact <u>needleartsfair@gmail.com</u> for more information. <u>www.quiltsknigston.org/cgna</u>

Oct 18-19, 2019 – Waterloo County Quilters' Guild 2019 Quilt Exhibit – Forbes Family Hall at RIM Park, Manulife Financial Sportsplex, 2001 University Ave East, Waterloo ON, www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca

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

April 20-25, 2020 – **AQS Quilt Week in Paducah Kentucky** – Cardinal Coach Tours will be offering an escorted tour to the renowned AQS Quiltweek in Paducah, Kentucky from April 20 – 25, 2020. Contact lynne@cardinalcoachtours.ca for more information.

Members' Corner

For sale: Janome MyLock Serger, electronically controlled. Includes instruction book, workbook and carrying case. Asking price \$150.00. Please contact Jacquie Favrin.



Are you a fan of YouTube? I certainly am. I love to have video tutorials from different quilters playing while I sew. I found a really great one that I wanted to share with you. The channel is "Just Get It Done Quilts". The host, Karen, is down to earth, funny, talks about things quilting related and I can totally relate to her, she's just very real to me. She sews in a small space in her condo, and has some great tips, tricks and fun stories to tell. She has a couple of great episodes all about colour theory, and who doesn't need help with that?? Did

I mention that she's CANADIAN, talks about local Toronto stuff, goes to places I know! She has taken lessons from Johanna Masko of the workroom?? Check her channel out! We need to support our Canadian quilters putting themselves out there! Kate H.