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The Newsletter for Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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## NEW MEETING LOCATION – Debbie K. for Guild Executive

Welcome DTQG Members to a very special edition of our newsletter.

Your Executive needed to find a new venue for us to have our in-person meetings. This was brought about by increased costs, extra insurance requirements and past and current issues which have come up at our current venue.

Our new venue will be easier to access for all, is on a good transit route, has lots of parking and lighting. Our meeting room is spacious, pretty, and will allow us the ability to have hybrid meetings (Zoom and in person at the same time) in the future.

Following this article is the presentation on the new meeting location that was given at the September 2022 guild meeting. As you read through the information you will see that there are a great many other benefits to our new venue. One of the best is that we don't have to move the library books back and forth anymore: they will be stored at the meeting location and the staff will bring them up and take them back into storage for us.

Your Executive did extensive research looking for a new venue that is cost effective, allows our entire membership to attend (sufficient space), has features that are accessible for all, has the ability to grow with us, and is in our catchment area. Many places were visited, assessed, and discussed. Quite a few were removed from the list because of lack of accessibility or excessive cost.

Please enjoy reading about the new venue. If you have any questions please contact one of the Executive Officers (Laura B, Debbie W, Maureen E, Gail L, or Debbie K) and we will be very happy to answer your inquiry.

Hope you have a wonderful day. Take care of yourself and your loved ones. Give yourself a hug because you are awesome.

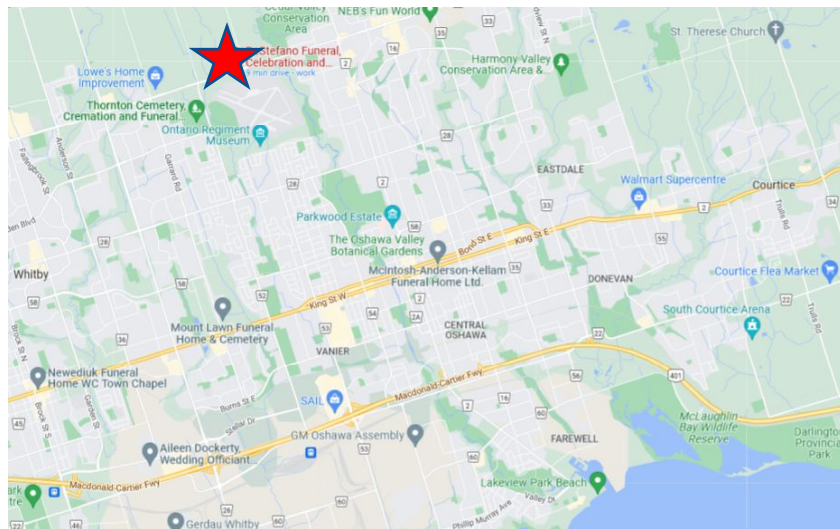


# DURHAM TRILLIUM QUILTERS' GUILD



## 2022-2023 New Meeting Location

## DESTEFANO FUNERAL, CELEBRATION AND RECEPTION CENTRE



1289 Keith Ross Drive, Oshawa ON L1J 0C7

## MEETING ROOM



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## PARKING



## MEETINGS AT THIS LOCATION

- DEDICATED TO OUR GUILD ON OUR MEETING NIGHTS
  - Can stay on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month
  - We will be the only ones at this facility on our meeting nights
  - They guarantee not to schedule anything else those nights (no visitations, etc.)
  - If any rooms are set up, all doors will be closed
- Washrooms on same level
- Fully accessible

## BENEFITS OF THIS FACILITY

- Same price as current fee at church
- Parking lot large and well lit
- Large washrooms, on same level
- Fully accessible
- On major public transport route
- Decorated multipurpose event space
- Facility is providing tea, coffee, milk/cream, sugar, dishes at no extra charge
- Setup of room and takedown after will be done for us, included in price
- Audio, TV/screen, zoom and internet (no extra cost)
- Will store our library books and move them in and out for us
- Large – fits current membership with room to expand

## BENEFITS OF THIS FACILITY

- No extra insurance cost
- Catering available
- Can move to a bigger room if needed
- Has a quilt display stand we can use
- No need for a full year contract – savings for the 3 winter virtual months
- No sales pitch – info on the funeral home will NOT be given at our nights
- Someone from the event space is there – don't have to open or lock up
- Can't find as good a place for such a low cost
- Might be able to give up storage locker since no longer need library storage

## CURRENT CHURCH LOCATION

- Cost is going up in January
  - On top of 50% increase in rent for 2022
  - It is going up again for 2023 (amount unknown)
- New EXTRA insurance required (would cost an additional \$270 for 2023)
- Set up is no longer done for us
- Would need full contract (including the 3 months we will be virtual)
- Dark parking lot, not sufficient space
- No real public transit options
- No real possibility to do a zoom hybrid
  - Have to pay for church media person to do it – extra \$100+ per month and no guarantee anyone would be available

## CONCERNS – PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE GUILD OFFICERS

- If any member has concerns about the new location and wishes to discuss their concerns, please contact one of the guild officers (President Laura B, Vice President Debbie W, Treasurer Maureen E, Secretary Gail L, Past President Debbie K)
  - A private tour can be arranged if desired
  
- Some Contact Options:
  - Guild (dtqguild@gmail.com)
  - Use Website contact us page

## DECEMBER MEETING – DEC 12

- A “get to know the location” and taking advantage of the new ability for catering
- Catered holiday dinner BEFORE the meeting
  - Menu and cost will be provided in advance, along with sign-up method
  - Only members who sign up to attend the dinner will pay for it
  - Those who do not sign up for dinner are to arrive at normal meeting time