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Newsletter for the Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild

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President's Message:



Hello fellow quilters!

I'm afraid that due to a few extra challenges this past week or so, I've run past the deadline for the November meeting. So, there is not going to be much of a president's message this month. It is not fair to delay the newsletter coordinator because I missed the deadline.

I hope you are all well, and I look forward to seeing you at our November meeting, which is our last meeting at the Zion church in Oshawa.

Laura B.

Vice President's Message:



The fall has arrived, and winter will soon be here. I have such fond memories of the at home retreat and we had so much fun! Looking forward to our winter one.

Debbie W.



Past President's Message:

Hello all you amazing Quilters,

What a full couple of months I have had. When I look back and see what has been accomplished it sort of amazes me. Yes, I have lots still to do but, if I take the time to appreciate and congratulate myself on what I have accomplished, it helps my brain to be excited about going ahead and doing more.

I had a wonderful trip in Switzerland with a very good friend of mine. She is amazing and planned the whole trip. I learned so much and saw so much of different areas of Switzerland and we even went to visit Italy one day. So many new experiences for both of us (the first time she has ever driven in mountains...was quite a learning experience for her, especially with a standard vehicle).

My assumptions of what Switzerland is like were tossed out the window. Much of Switzerland is tropical and semi-tropical. Many areas have palm trees, very old Aloe vera plants, huge swaths of vineyards (Switzerland does not export their wine but I can tell you that it is very good), and many huge lakes.

The skiing is done in the top part of the Alps, and they manufacture quite a bit of the snow in the beginning of the season. The training Nicki and I did in the military helped us to understand and cope with the difference in altitude, so we moderated our activities the first couple of days. Hard to breathe when there is less oxygen in the air.

The towns, the cities, the roads (what we would think is a one lane road in many areas is a two-lane major road). You really need to be alert driving in Europe as it does tend to have some heart exciting times when roaming their roads. Good thing the Swiss are patient and courteous.

Even with all the adventures that Nicki and I had the thing I remember and treasure the most is the time we got to spend with each other. The catching up on news, the quiet times of just reading, chatting about nothing really, the time of sharing and growing a relationship. This is what I treasure and appreciate. These are the types of experiences that we have learned from the last couple of years which are so special and wanted in life. It is what makes life enjoyable and worth being here.

As we head into the planning for Christmas and family get togethers remember what is special. Remember that you, just as you are, are wanted to be part of the conversation. The "doing stuff"

can and should be shared with others so you can be part of the room. We love to “do” for others and find it hard to receive because of our training. Give others the honour of learning how to give alongside of you, share your knowledge and love of craft with family and friends while enjoying the times of sharing space and conversation.

The Guild had another retreat the first weekend of November. It was a great time of sharing our craft, laughter, stories, life and giving back to our community. It is so wonderful that we have these opportunities to gather in person again. Thank you, Holly and Diane, for organizing and running these retreats.

We also have our virtual Sew Days and Jacqueline has done such an awesome job of running and keeping it so entertaining. These mini retreats from home have helped so many keep connected and accomplish so many projects. They also inspire us to try new things, read different books, tell our stories, and connect with others in the guild in ways that we had not been able to before. Thank you to all those who come to the sew days for a short time or a long time. You help us to stay connected and add so much to our lives.

Well, I need to get this article finished and sent off to Diane. I also need to get outside and help work on the raised garden bed we have created in the back. The weather is supposed to be wonderful for the rest of the week so time to seize the opportunity and finish up the outside work. Be blessed, enjoy your week/month and we will see you on a Zoom call sometime.

Debbie K.



DTQG 2022 Secret Santa Program –

We are running another Secret Santa program this year. It was lots of fun last year!!

Full guild members (registered and paid) may sign up for the Secret Santa program. Persons who know in advance that they will not be able to attend the December guild meeting should not sign up to participate.

Those who sign up will be randomly assigned another participating member, for whom they will act as the Secret Santa. Each Secret Santa is given likes/dislikes and a wish list of gift ideas / quilting preferences for their giftee, to assist in choosing a gift to give to their assigned giftee. Gifts are to be in the price range of minimum of \$15 to maximum of \$25 and can be either purchased or made. Please don't be a scrooge.

Gifts are to be brought to the 2022 Dec 12 guild meeting, with a tag of the giftees name (but not the name of the Secret Santa) for the in-person exchange. Gifts will be opened at the meeting. After opening their present, each giftee will try to guess which member of the group was their Secret Santa.

Sign-up for Secret Santa will be on line **up until 5 pm on 2022 November 5** at the following website <https://www.cognitofirms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/DTQGSecretSanta2022> which is also available via the Secret Santa guild web page, <https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/secret-santa-2022>. Participating members will receive their assigned giftee by end of day 2022 Nov 12 (giving 1 month to obtain and wrap the gift before the 2022 Dec 12 guild meeting)

Laura B.



DTQG 2022 Dec 12 Catered Dinner – Laura B.

Full guild members (registered and paid) may sign up to attend a catered holiday dinner prior to the December guild meeting. The dinner will cost \$30 per person (INCLUDES tax) and it will be held at the guild meeting location, with food being served at 5:30 pm on 2022 December 12. Those participating in the dinner are asked to arrive at 5:15 pm so that dinner can start on time and be done before the actual meeting. Members who are not attending the catered dinner are asked to arrive for the meeting at the normal 6:45 time, prior to the start of the guild meeting at 7:00 pm.

Please remember that the 2022 Dec 12 meeting will be held at our new location, the DeStefano Funeral, Celebration, and Reception Centre, located at 1289 Keith Ross Drive, Oshawa ON L1J 0C7.

The dinner menu is as follows:

- Garden salad with house dressing
- Roast turkey, dark and white meat pre sliced in pan gravy
- Apple and sage stuffing
- Port wine cranberry chutney
- Yukon gold mashed
- Honey glazed baby carrots & buttered green beans
- Freshly baked dinner rolls with butter
- Apple pie

Instead of turkey, lemon herb roast chicken pre sliced in onion gravy is available for substitution. This menu alteration must be requested at time of registration.

Registration for the dinner will be open until 5 pm on Friday December 2nd. Refunds will not be available after Wednesday December 7th (but if you cannot attend, you can coordinate with another member to attend in your stead – just let the organizers know).

If you wish to attend the dinner, please register on line at the following website

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/2022DecDTQGCateredDinner>

which is also available via the guild website at

<https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/december-dinner-2022>.

Payment is preferred to be made via e-transfer to the guild at dtguild@gmail.com at the time of registration. However, **due to a few requests, we have arranged that in-person registration is available at the November meeting.** If you wish to pay in person (cash or cheque), Maureen will be taking these payments at the November guild meeting.



Program:

November:

November's Guest Speaker is **Lianne McCallum**, who will be presenting "Let's Tuckerize That".

Have you wanted to learn to adapt your Sew Along blocks to be able to use your Studio180 Design tools? Do you watch a video and think "I wonder how I could change that process for easier piecing and more accurate results?" Do you find a free pattern and just know there's another way to approach those quilt blocks using the Tucker tools you've seen Lianne share in her videos? Don't have any Tucker tools? Lianne will be bringing some for you to purchase of the quilts she will be showing us at the meeting.

Join us in November as we welcome back one of the guild's favourite presenters as she takes us on a journey through her Studio180 Life in 'Let's Tuckerize That'.

Kate H



Mystery Quilt Block of the Month:

Hello Quilters

Please bring your completed blocks from both September and October to our November guild meeting. I am excited to see your blocks; and there will be a prize for each month. Submit your name for each block completed. You will also see the two new November blocks on display at the table.

If you haven't joined yet, you can still register any time, and receive all previous blocks. The total cost to participate in this program is \$5 per person, which will cover the cost of providing monthly prizes. To join the mystery quilt, go to <https://durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/mystery-quilt-1>, or see me at the next guild meeting to sign up.

Maureen E.

Sew Day Social Convenor: (all ZOOM SEW days are listed on the DTQG website for your convenience)



Now we have been told that ZOOM is not for everyone. That is ok. That is great. We all have different ways to stay connected to likeminded friends. For those new to the Guild. Welcome! Our ZOOM sew days are designed to keep safety in mind. We encourage you to pop in, or come for part of the time, or spend the entire time sewing with us. You sew your own projects and attend the times that are right for you! We often discuss; books, quilting tips and tricks, and quilting techniques. It is a nice way to get to know guild members that you wouldn't normally spend quality time with at a guild meeting :)

Fall Sew Days are:

- Saturday November 12th 1-4 pm and 7-10 pm
- Thursday November 24th 1-4 and 7-10 pm
- Wednesday December 7th 1-4 and 7-10 pm
- Sunday December 18th 1-4 pm
- Thursday Dec 22nd 1-4 pm and 7-10 pm
- Saturday December 31st 7pm – last quilter sewing (AKA Bring in the New Year)
- Sunday January 1st 1-4 pm.

Our latest Sew Day winners have been Early October Holly P and Late October Kelly L

Yours in Sew Day Fun,

Jacqueline H.



Fabric Basket: Read CAREFULLY to see when you can DROP off your scraps.

Our Scrap Basket runneth over! We are very fortunate that so many of us are interested in reducing our stash and recycling those pieces we have no need for. This is a great time to take a peek at the different fabrics available to you. If you are doing a scrap quilt, the scrap basket is a wonderful way to add pieces to your quilt.

DTQG SCRAP DEFINITION: A scrap is a piece of fabric BIGGER than your outstretched hand. It should be at least as wide as your palm.

November Meeting ONLY Quilters with last names between O-Z please bring in your scraps

Starting in December all members are encouraged to drop off their newly created scraps.

Jacqueline H.



Membership:

Thank you to all the members who have already renewed your memberships for the Guild year 2022-23. We recently welcomed 3 new members to our guild. Please remember that these new members might not know anyone at the Guild. If you see someone sitting by themselves, please take a moment and introduce yourself to them, ask them to join you and your friends or sit with them during the meeting. Last month's meeting it was noticed that new members were

sitting on their own. Our guild has always been known for its friendliness. We had many new members join us during our pandemic years. They too should be welcomed and made to feel our friendliness and willingness so bring them into your group of friends. Remember the pebble thrown in the water produces many circles. One person introducing themselves to another starts the first circle and then their friends make more circles. Please make the effort to have everyone feel a “warm fuzzy” for attending our guild meetings.

Your membership team needs your assistance in compiling a list of names that need guild name tags. Members get one guild name tag for free when they sign up to the guild as a new member. However, during the pandemic years we had new members who did not receive a guild name tag as we didn't meet in person. Now that we are meeting in person, we need name tags again! If you joined the DTQG as a brand new member September 2019 until October 2022 and did not receive your first name tag, please send an email to the guild (asking to have the email forwarded to membership coordinator Grace R., giving your name and when you joined the guild. [Click Here to Email](#). We are hoping to order the name tags soon so please either send this information before November 18th or sign the sheet at the Membership Table at the November 14 guild meeting. Also, if you can't find your name tag and want a new one ordered for you, there will be a sign-up sheet at the Membership Table as well. Please note that the cost for the replacement name tags will be passed along to the members needing replacement ones.

Also, we would like to provide a friendly but urgent message to all the members that did not renew their 2022-23 membership yet. Past members who hadn't renewed their membership as of the end of October, have been removed from our mailing list. But the good news is that you can renew at any time during the year and have your name re-entered.

Your membership team hopes to see you on November 14th for our last meeting at Zion Church.

Grace R. and Peggy G., your Membership Team

Remember for all guild information you can use our Guild website, dtqguild@gmail.com.



Social:

I would like to thank Lina R. for your help with the Social Committee. I know it will be more difficult for you to attend some of the meetings due to your recent move. Enjoy your new surroundings and new home.

Oh My!! If you were not out to our October meeting, you missed so many delicious goodies during our snack break. Ladies and Gentlemen, you outdid yourselves with the yummy treats. Thank you for remembering to bring a list of ingredients for all to see.

This Month Sandy Mac., Anne A., Kate H., Diane W., Sylvia H., and Holly P. will be bringing the treats. Don't forget to bring a list of the ingredients with your treats as we do have some members that have food allergies. If you have allergies that I should be aware of, please see me at a meeting or send me a quick email, directed to Grace R, so that I too can be better prepared for meeting your needs. [Click here to email.](#)

Remember to bring your own drink as there will not be liquids available at our November meeting. Plates and serviettes will be provided.

Grace R.



Retreats:

Stay at Home Retreat:

Holly & Diane D.

Fall Retreat:

There will be 20 members enjoying our Fall Retreat at Elim Lodge on November 3-6, 2022.

Cozy Home Retreat:

Our winter home retreat will be February 24-26, 2023, at the Club Loreley.

More information to follow in the December newsletter.

Spring Retreat:

Our spring retreat at Elim Lodge will be April 13-16, 2023. There will be more information to follow once we are in the new year.

Holly & Diane D. (Your retreat Divas)

Show and Share:



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Please bring your quilted projects to our November meeting. At the meeting, please sign a piece of paper for each article that you will be displaying, place the paper in the pink paper bag located on the Show and Share table for a chance to win a monthly prize.

Peggy G.



Fabric Exchange 2022-2023

We will be having a fabric exchange using 5" squares with a workshop in May or June. The exchange will begin with the October meeting until May. Please remember to **use quilt store quality fabric and cut accurately.** No solid fabric but use prints or tone on tone.

An example lap-sized quilt pattern is provided which requires 138, 5" squares in total. As our exchange will give you 128 squares you will be required to add 10 squares after the end of the exchange in order to achieve this number.

You will be handing in 16 – 5" squares of the color assigned for that month and get back 16 – 5" squares of different fabrics the following month. The more members signing up the more variety you will have. You will need to cut 2 strips of 5" width of fabric and sub-cut into 16 – 5" squares. You can use more than just one fabric choice of colour required. **Please put your squares in a plastic baggie with your name and phone number written on the front.** Registration can be found on the website at:

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/DurhamTrilliumQuiltersGuild2/DTQGFabricExchange20222023>

As we will not be having in person meetings for the months of January, February, or March, you will hand them in at the December meeting and receive them back in April. At the April meeting you will be handing in April and May colours in order to have all 5" squares for the workshop.

NOVEMBER – BROWN OR GOLD

DECEMBER – GREEN

JANUARY – PINK

FEBRUARY - PURPLE

MARCH – BLUE

APRIL – ORANGE

MAY – BLACK OR GREY

Angie S



Outreach: [This Photo](#)

Thank you to all the members who completed and brought their quilts to the October Meeting. The following are the quilts and the members who completed them. Also, thanks to the members who picked up kits to complete for the Guild.

We received many tops/flimsies that we will prepare into a kit and ready to be quilted. As I mentioned last month, our outreach quilts don't require fancy quilting – they just need enough quilting to hold it together – even just straight lines quilted about a hand distance apart is great. Keep up the good work. We and the community appreciate your help.

If you are going to the Elim Retreat, we plan to bring some kits for you to work on there too. Thanks for your dedication to the Cuddle Quilt program.



At the last Elim Retreat in April 2022, we were given a challenge to make a block for the Chandelier Quilt in Blue and Yellow, the colours of Ukraine's flag. All the members contributed at least one block and Diane D. took the blocks home and sewed the top and then quilted and bound the quilt. Thanks to all the members of the Guild for helping. This quilt will be given to a Ukrainian family who has just come over from Ukraine.



Donated by Gail L.



Donated by Judy B.



Donated by Gwen V.



Quilted & returned by Diane D.



Donated by Kathy D.



Donated by Kate H.



Donated by Anne D.

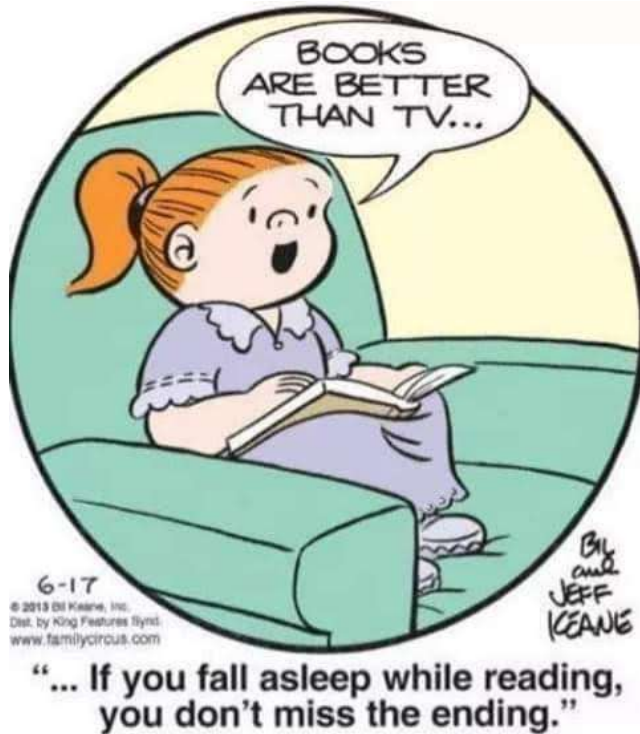


Donated by Peggy F. for the Ukraine

Maria S.

Library:

I will be bringing two new quilting books I bought at Value Village. I thought they were interesting and of course not expensive. Hope you enjoy them.



Maria S. and Andrew S.

Newsletter:



I hope you are enjoying the newsletter and please feel free to send me any interesting articles you think our members would enjoy.

The question of the month:

How many people joined the guild recently?

Diane D.

Outside Guild Workshop Invitation

Kindred Hearts Guild – Curved Piecing Workshop

Join Kindred Hearts Guild in learning all about curved piecing! Featuring the Sew Kind of Wonderful concept, instructors from Sew Socially will be there to walk you through the process step by step. You will be able to make a runner featuring either the Mini Poinsettia or Fun Poinsettia, just in time for Christmas decorating! The Poinsettias are free patterns, and enough to give you a good feel for the technique. We hope you can join us!

Date: Saturday Nov 12

Time: 10am – 3pm

Place: Whitby Baptist Church, 411 Gilbert Street East, Whitby

Cost: \$40 members / \$50 non-members

Special ruler & book discounts for attendees

To register, send an e-transfer to khggpayment@gmail.com with the password 'curvesworkshop' including your name & contact info

In Memoriam:

It is with sadness that the guild announces the following deaths:

- Joyce Post's mother, Terri Imai
- Lynne Huether



Lynne served on the executive & chaired a quilt show.

QUILT SHOWS COMING SOON:

A Celebration of Quilts X1V



Friday, November 11, 2022, 10 AM - Saturday 12, 5 PM

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