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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Lyne Mielke



Are you enjoying this quilting weather? Isn't it perfect?!? Too cold to go out, so might as well stay in and get something done. Who knows – by the time you read this, we might be back in our flip-flops since our weather is so crazy these days!

Our Guild has been busy as ever over the last month. Cuddle quilts are being handed in, items are being made for Boutique, and the Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> workshop was a huge success!

Retreats are around the corner and we'll be at Taunton Mills and Elim in no time to enjoy some quality sewing time with our friends and meals we did not have to cook or clean-up after. Life is good!

On a personal note, I am making a quilt for my mom using the Hex N More ruler by Jaybird Quilts. I am using their Snack Time pattern. I am loving this pattern and ruler! At this time, I need to say that I am not a gadget or ruler girl. I have my tools and do my best to figure out how to use them instead of purchasing something new for every project. I am so glad I bought this one! This pattern is easy-breezy to assemble and the effect achieved is pretty awesome. I know my mom will love the quilt once it is done.

2016 marks 30 years of marriage for my husband and me; we were engaged in February and married in September. My work cycle does not afford me the chance to take a vacation in September so we decided to go away and celebrate our engagement instead of our nuptials. Sun and Beach here we come! You will not see me at the March 1<sup>st</sup> General Meeting because we'll be on our vacation. I am leaving the hosting of this meeting in the very capable hands of Kate Hull and I will see you all at the April meeting. I'm looking forward to some much required relaxing time while away – rejuvenated to get much sewing done upon my return (and finish my mom's quilt).

Please take time to read this information-packed newsletter. All the conveners are doing an amazing job throughout the year with their respective portfolios and the newsletter is where they can communicate directly with you. You don't want to miss out on any of the great stuff happening.

**MEETING DATES** – First Tuesday of the month

**TIME** – Doors open at 7:00, meetings begin 7:30, ends approximately 9:30

**LOCATION** – Durham District School Board, Staff Cafeteria, second floor, 400 Taunton Rd. E.

**REMEMBER TO BRING** – Your Name Tag, Library Books, Show and Share Items, Loonies for the Chance Draw, and a Mug

**NEW MEMBER’S ORIENTATION – Sharon MacDonald**

There will be an orientation walk-about at the meeting next month in April. If you are a new member, I invite you to meet me at 7:10 pm at the door of the cafeteria and I will introduce you to the many convenors that represent many of our programs within the guild. Looking forward to meeting you all.

**DOOR PRIZE TICKETS – Sharon MacDonald**



Ladies, at every General Meeting, a member of the Executive hands out “Door Prize Tickets”. We walk around and hand them to everyone. This exercise serves two purposes – one, you get a chance to win one of two great prizes; two, it gives us a chance to calculate the attendance to our meetings. So please, please, please, if you see one of us walking around with door prize tickets, come and get one! Or, if you do not have one by break, use some of that time to get a ticket. We should not have to find you just before the draw! So, in March, when Kate says “Does everyone have a door prize ticket?”, everyone will say a resounding “Yes!”, right?!? Yep, yep, yep! (Thank you in advance. It’s a small thing, but in the grand scheme of things it will make the evening flow that much better.)

**PAST PRESIDENT SUBMISSION FOR MARCH 2016**

**The Recruiters Are Coming!!**

At the February executive meeting, open positions on the Executive were discussed and reviewed based on completion of existing terms of service and resignations. We are in an interesting conundrum this year, as the resignation of our President vaulted our First VP into the President’s role. The nomination committee is made up of the Past President, First Vice President and a Member at Large. They are charged with the task of recruiting new members of the Guild to serve on the executive in the coming years. Most positions have a two-year term. As such, not every position will be recruited for. Some Executive members are in their first year of a two-year term.



Betty Hearn has agreed to be our ‘Member at Large’ to assist the Past President (Kate) and President (formerly 1<sup>st</sup> VP- Lyne Mielke) in their quest.

Open Positions Available:

<b>Convener Position Available</b>	<b>Currently held by:</b>	<b>How Long in this Position</b>	<b>Term</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Sharon MacDonald	1 Year	1 Year, then 3 additional as you move up 1 <sup>st</sup> VP; President; Past President
<b>Treasurer</b>	Lucie Richardson	4 Years	2 Years
<b>Programme</b>	Vacant (Diane Dorion is filling in for the balance of this year)		2 Years
<b>Show &amp; Share</b>	Kleo Tobias	2 Years	2 Years
<b>Block of the Month</b>	Susan Smyth	2 Years	2 Years
<b>Library Assistant</b>	Anna Anderson	2 Years	2 Years
<b>Publicity &amp; Advertising</b>	Angie Smith	3 Years	2 Years
<b>Social</b>	Retta Hartley & Jacqueline Hill	2 Years	2 Years
<b>Workshops &amp; Retreats</b>	Holly Pigott	5 Years	2 Years
<b>Website</b>	Kate Hull	5 Years	2 Years

In accordance with the guild Constitution, Section V, paragraph 3: Any Committee Convener may serve an additional term of one or two years

So, now that you know which positions are open, I will outline their jobs as written in the Constitution:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Guild Officer - Term 4 years in Total (from 2<sup>nd</sup> VP through Past President)**

- Assists the President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President when necessary.
- Conducts new member orientation.
- Assumes the responsibility with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of conducting the annual In-Guild Challenge
- Assumes responsibility for sending condolence, get well, etc. cards as appropriate.
- This position shall be considered training for the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and President
- Organizes the greeters for each general meeting
- Maintains membership email address database and is responsible for all communication to Guild Members

**Treasurer – Guild Officer**

- Has charge of all Guild funds, receives dues and fees, deposits receipts and issues cheques when required.
- Maintains all records as necessary to the annual examination and prepares such reports as are required.
- Shall receive a record of financial transactions from each Committee Convener.
- Prepares an annual budget.

**Programme Convener**

- Arranges for speakers at General Meetings, with Executive Approval.
- Arranges for equipment needed such as speakers, etc., and sets up for the evening.
- Advises the Treasurer prior to meeting of expenses and has appropriate cheques at each meeting.

**Workshop Convener (and Retreat)**

- Arranges for workshops and enlists teachers as needed.
- Is responsible for registration and collection of fees.
- Advises the Treasurer of all expenses and has appropriate cheques at each workshop.
- Arranges for facilities and equipment as needed, with Executive approval

**Show-and-Tell Convener**

- Arranges for display and presentations of all materials brought to the General meetings by members.
- Arranges for the return of all materials to their owners.

**Social Convener**

- Arranges for coffee, tea and simple refreshments to be served at meetings.

**Block-of-the-Month Convener**

- Chooses block, prepares materials, and presents to members, with approval of the Executive

**Publicity/Advertising Convener**

- Publicizes all Guild meetings and functions.
- Receives information about events of interest and informs the membership
- Is responsible for invoicing and collection of fees for advertising in the Newsletter and on the Website

**Web Site Convener**

- Shall be responsible for maintaining the Web Site.
- Shall be responsible for adding new features as approved by the Executive

These job descriptions are not all-encompassing. If you are interested in one of these positions, please take a few minutes to chat with the current convener to ask them any questions you may have. If this is the job you are interested in, please see either Kate Hull or Betty Hearn at the March Meeting or contact them by telephone following the meeting.

**What is the difference between a Guild Officer and a Convener?** The Constitution outlines that the guild cannot run without the Officers. **DTQG's Officer** Roster is as follows: President, Past President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. **Conveners** are committed members who volunteer their time to organize particular enhancements to the guild's operations, to make the guild experience not just

good, but **GREAT**. If we do not have Conveners for certain positions, the program simply does not run. For example, if no one steps forward to run Show And Tell, then we don't have that as part of our monthly meeting. It definitely would be missed by everyone at the meeting, but it would not be run in that guild year. Please keep in mind these are all **VOLUNTEER** positions!

Some of the jobs are entry-type jobs onto the Executive. Everyone has an **OPPORTUNITY** to be a **LEADER**. Some jobs require different skill sets; for example, Show and Tell is a great job to get your feet wet, but to be Second Vice President you should have a keen interest in the President's position. That is one job for which ladder-climbing is encouraged! Treasurer is another position that previous experience in Accounting is essential for. Keeping track of the guild's money is no small task! Block of the Month would appeal to someone with a creative flair! What's your skill set?

**What are the benefits to being on the Executive?** Thank you for asking! You get first-hand knowledge of upcoming events at the guild, i.e. speakers, workshops, and first opportunity to sign up for retreats. As part of the Executive, you are involved in shaping the direction of the guild, in the current year and beyond. Getting involved in the Executive gives you an opportunity to network with the Guild and members of the Executive. Why else? Because you **BELIEVE** in the Guild and **WANT** to be part of its future. Some of the reasons are intrinsic, meaning that you can't put a price on them – it just makes you feel good to be involved. If you are one of those people, **WE NEED YOU ON THE EXECUTIVE**. Answer the call.

### Quilts of Valour – Lyne Mielke



**Quilts of Valour - Canada Society**  
*Supporting our Canadian Armed Forces members past and present,  
with quilts of comfort in their time of need.*

If you remember, your Executive Committee voted last month to help Quilts of Valour with the task of putting together their Block Hugs for Quilt Canada. We said we would do 500. The fabric has arrived from QOV headquarters and we are ready to go!

Mark Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> down – we will be meeting at John Street's Senior Centre from 6:30pm – 9:00pm to get some cutting and kitting done! Let's see how many we can do in one night and then we'll know how many more evenings or Saturdays are required. We will also bring this project to Retreat and get some kits done there as well if we are not done by then.

This is an organization that needs our support. Come on out – Rotary blade and mat in hand! Sign-up with Holly.

### Canadian Quilters' Association – QUILT CANADA



It's just around the corner - in time and physically! Quilt Canada will be running June 15-18, 2016, at The International Centre in Toronto.

Have you thought about volunteering at this national event? They need to fill hundreds of positions. To that end, Jane Saunders, CQA's Volunteer Coordinator, will be visiting our Guild's meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> to recruit YOU! Come equipped with your questions and ready to lend a hand to this very important event taking place practically in our backyard.

Want to find out more before March 1<sup>st</sup>? Check out [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com) for more details about volunteering and the show itself.

As well, our Executive Committee voted at their last meeting to make a donation of \$1000 towards show prize money. CQA pools donations from various sources and allocates the funds to the winners in each category in the juried show. Jane Saunders will be presented with this cheque at our March meeting.

### **SOCIAL/REFRESHMENTS – Retta Hartley and Jacqueline Hill**

Hi there... WE are back! WE were in Iqaluit, Nunavut, and had three wonderful weeks living in the world of a 7 year old. Jasmine is our granddaughter and a lovely child.

The following members volunteered to bring some goodies to the March meeting:  
Sonja Beggs, Holly Pigott, Jana Barkley, Mary Balogh, Kate Hull, Shirley Jarvis, Peggy Gibson, and Aisla Vos. Thank You!

We will have decaf coffee and various teas for your enjoyment. Remember that **orange products are not allowed.**

### **MEMBERSHIP – Margaret Simpson and Carol Crossman**

There are now 123 members in our Guild. Welcome to the new members who joined in February: Andrew Steventon, Deborah Lettner, Bonnie Kerr, Terry Imai, Doreen Hewitson, Sunni Caron, and Jane Souch.

### **DURHAM TRILLIUM QUILT SHOW 2016 – Kate Hull, Chair**

#### **Silver Extravaganza Quilt Show Update – March 2016**



The Quilt Show Committee continues to meet monthly, and we are making fabulous progress. The Raffle quilt for Habitat for Humanity is at the long-armor as we speak, and we hope to have it completed by early March. Once we have the quilt completed, and Habitat for Humanity prints the tickets with their lottery license, Sharon MacDonald will have raffle tickets available for you to sell. We will provide you with a photo of the quilt to help you sell them. We kindly ask that each member take a book of tickets to sell. Every raffle ticket sold will help Habitat for Humanity Durham to fund their builds in Durham.

A big thank you to Susan Stones for designing the Raffle quilt; Gail Lamb, Kathy Dornan and Gwen Van Netten for pulling it all together. Well done, ladies. The quilt is really stunning and I know we will sell lots of tickets for our community partner!

**Betty is working hard with the vendors** to secure all the spots, and I'm really pleased that we have nine paid confirmed vendors ready for the show. We will be welcoming the following vendors to our show:

- Ultimate Sewing, Oshawa

- Ruby Pearl Quilt Shop, Oshawa
- Sew Have Fun, Oshawa
- Picton Fabric World, Picton
- Appleseed Quiltworks, Lindsay
- Past Time Pieces, Blenheim
- Soft Impressions, Tilbury
- Stitch Witch, Belleville
- Whirls N Swirls Quilting, Whitby

If you happen to be at any of these shops, be sure to mention how much we are looking forward to seeing them at our show.

**THE VACANCY HAS BEEN FILLED!! Julia Smith has kindly offered to take on the role of display coordinator for the show.** The committee will support her to make this show spectacular. We're ready to go forward with floor plans and all kinds of interesting stuff! We have booked the frame rentals and now it's full steam ahead. Are you working on your quilt, bag, wallet or wearable art for her to hang at the show? I know that Julia will do a great job.

**Kleo is working on our publicity** and we will have bookmarks soon. If you would be kind enough to share them with any of the other guilds and shops in the area (or farther afield) we would really appreciate it. Just let her know where you're sharing them, so we don't double up.

**The boutique sisters** are rolling along well; kits have been handed out at every meeting, and we kindly ask that you complete and return the items as soon as you can. They have also been available at sew days if you want to come out and sew something for the boutique. They might have another project ready to go home with you. If you have items that you have made for the boutique without a kit, they will be glad to accept them as well. Every item helps!

**Silent Auction** Did you get something at Christmas that was not quite YOU but that someone else would be happy to get a chance to bid on? Is there something in your house that is nearly new which you thought you would use but haven't? Or, did you buy something for a great deal but now wonder why you bought it in the first place? If any of those is the case, bring your items to the April General Meeting (I will be away for the March meeting) and she will set it aside for the Silent Auction she is organizing at our quilt show in October. No item is too small – if we need to, we will group like items and make themed baskets.

We are also collecting 2 ½" strips (width of fabric) to make our very own jelly-rolls. Again, if you have strips you'd like to donate for this project, please bring them to the April meeting.

**Show Challenge:** We are all sold out of the show kits now, so I hope you are all planning something special for the show. I'm looking forward to seeing what we can all make with our kits. The challenge is always so interesting: same fabrics, totally different takes on how to use it.

**Our Youth Challenge** is being co-ordinated by Susan Smyth this year. We have two categories, children 8-12 and youth 13-18. It is our hope that you have some young members of your family who might be interested in entering. The work should be reflective of the age of the child, of course with some guidance. I hope we get lots of entries.

**Our Tea Room** is headed up by Holly Pigott and Lynn Mayotte. They would like you to pull out your favourite recipes for cookies and squares for the show. If you want to test out your recipes before the show,

bring them to a guild meeting and indicate that these are some of the tasty treats we can expect at show time. Homemade is always preferred. Keep in mind the show will be just before Halloween, so break out the ghosts & goblin shapes as well!

**Our Volunteer Coordinator**, Carol Crossman, will be getting the sign-up boards ready soon, and we will be looking for volunteers to help with set-up, take-down and lots of fun stuff in-between. Keep your calendar open and watch for details. Ideally, we ask that each member help for at least two hours of the show or more if they wish. Don't forget to allow yourself shopping time!

Our quilt show committee will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Next meeting on March 9 at Taunton Mills.

Happy Sewing!

### **SHOW AND SHARE – Kleo Tobias**

Great meeting in February!!! We had over 18 quilting items from 10 members!!! Our monthly winner was Cathy Jones and we contributed over 4,000 inches to the CQA contest.

Looking forward to seeing the quilting items you will be bringing in March.

Don't forget to measure the perimeter of each of your quilt entries. Stop by the Show & Share table to register the inches and enter your name for a chance to win the monthly prize!!!

### **WORKSHOPS – Holly Pigott & Kate Hull**

#### **Stain Glass - April 16, 2016**

Joni Newman, our April speaker has created a new, easy method of Stain Glass Quilting using raw edge fusible appliqué on a black background. The edges are sewn down and the pieces quilted in one step using free motion quilting.

The workshop will be from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the John Street Branch of the Oshawa Senior Citizen Centres for a fee of \$40.00. You can choose any one of Joni's beautiful northern landscape patterns, which are available at Sew Have Fun Quilt Shop. There is still room, so please sign up and pay your fee at the March meeting. Joni's web site is [www.quirkandquilts.com](http://www.quirkandquilts.com)

#### **Sew Day – February 27, 2016**

Our Sew Days are held at the John Street Branch of the Oshawa Senior Citizen Centres from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for a fee of \$5.00. We provide tea, coffee, water and morning snack. We also bring irons, ironing boards, electrical wheels, three large cutting mats and table risers. Lunch is available in the cafeteria or bring your own.

The boutique sisters will demo some items and have kits available. If you work on something for the show or charity, your \$5.00 will be refunded. Please come and join us this Saturday, February 27th or March 19th to sew something for the Guild or your own project. Please let me know if you are attending either Sew Day so I can have a table ready for you.

### **SPRING RETREAT – Thursday, April 7 to Sunday, April 10, 2016 – Holly & Kate**

Our Spring retreat will be at Elim Lodge for a fee of \$300.00 for a double (3 nights & 10 meals) or \$330.00 for a single room. Friday lunch to Sunday lunch will be \$225.00 for a double and \$245.00 for a single room.

Annie's Quilt Shop will demo some new rulers and offer some retail therapy on Saturday morning. Charlene Stephenson, our resident massage therapist, will be available on Friday and Saturday to relieve your aches

and pains. Please sign up for your massage at the next meeting - she will only come if enough people are interested.

**NEW THIS RETREAT** - Going to the Spring Retreat? Need your machine cleaned?

Rick McBride of McBride Sewing Machine Repair will be attending our retreat on Saturday morning. For \$50, your machine can get a basic tune-up which includes cleaning, oiling and minor adjustments. The best part? You will be without your machine for only 20 minutes or so (time to socialize, cut, iron, etc.).

Before Rick will commit 100% to coming, we need to have at least 5 machines signed-up, with a maximum of 10. This will be a cash transaction handled at the time of service rendered. Look at Rick's ad at the end of this newsletter to see all the brands he services. It's pretty darn convenient if you ask me! Sign-up with Holly at the March meeting or send her an email.

Please pay your remaining balance at the March meeting. We have 2 spaces available so please join us for lots of fun, food, sewing and socializing.

**FALL RETREAT – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 TO SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2016**

**A new retreat experience.....Home Sew Sweet Home Retreat – Holly & Kate**

We are pleased to announce our first ever **Home Sew Sweet Retreat** that will happen Friday April 29 to Sunday May 1, 2016.

We will be sewing at Taunton Mills Retirement Residence in the third floor Ballroom/Dining Room from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 pm on Friday and Saturday and until 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

The room will be locked each night so no need to take your machine and projects home until the end of the retreat. Your lunch and dinner will be served by the culinary stylings of Taunton Mills' catering staff. Breakfast is not included. We will provide tea, coffee and water throughout the day. Please feel free to bring something for our snack table. We also supply irons, ironing boards, electrical wheels and three large cutting mats. We will have prizes, games and the same kind of fun as we have at our Elim Retreat, except we'll be closer to home and you can sleep in your own bed each night!

The retreat has a maximum capacity of 15 people. The building has free parking and is accessible by elevator. Members who are not attending the Spring Retreat will have the first opportunity to sign up. Members who are attending the Spring Retreat will be put on a waiting list. You must be a Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild member to sign up. Please advise us of any dietary restrictions or food allergies upon sign up.

The cost for our super fun weekend is \$120.00 for Friday to Sunday or \$90.00 for Saturday and Sunday. This includes two meals on Friday and Saturday and lunch only on Sunday. Payments of \$60.00 are due at each of the March and April General Meetings.

We had many interested members at the February meeting so only have a few spaces left. Please join us by signing up at the March meeting and paying your first installment of \$60.00.





FABRIC SWITCH 2015 – 2016 – Lynn Mayotte

The colour for March is Pastel Baby Blue. Please bring 21 5-inch squares.  
For those planning ahead, April is Pastel Lavender and May is Pastel Peach.

I encourage you to bring your squares to the meeting or you will not be included in the exchange for that month. You will have a week's grace after the meeting to get them to me.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - MYSTERY QUILT – Susan Smyth

Many thanks to Barbara Suddard for looking after the Guild's Mystery Quilt (a.k.a. Block of the Month) participants at the February meeting. I hear that Barbara did a great job for you.

Congratulations to Sonja Beggs who won a \$10 gift certificate to Sew Have Fun in Oshawa. Participants, please remember to stop by the Mystery Quilt table at the March meeting. Check-in and complete a ballot for the participation draw.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please email me by Monday, February 29 if you'd like to enter the participation draw.

Let me know if you have any questions.  
Susan Smyth

COMMUNITY OUTREACH - CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM – Diane, Charlene, Linda and Lisa

Twenty-two quilts were returned at the last meeting. We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the number of quilts we have received. We know that everyone is busy with the quilt show preparations, and we really appreciate the effort you make when you donate a quilt to our program.

We also made and delivered ten pillows to the Durham Animal Shelter last month.

PROGRAM – Diane Dorion

In March, we will be welcoming Marion Myers who will be presenting the basics of colour theory using charts and images of paintings in a slide show. We know when she has finished her lecture that you will better understand why you are attracted to the colours and combinations you choose. It will also leave you more confident when choosing fabrics for all of your future projects.

LIBRARY - Colleen Zavrel and Anna Anderson

We have three new books in the library: Scrappy Firework Quilts by Edyta Sitar (member's request), Appliqué Workshop by Laurel Anderson, and The Appliqué Workbook: Traditional Techniques, Modern Style by Casey York. These will help build skills after last month's inspirational speaker.

We also have three books kindly donated: The Thimbleberries' Guide for the Weekend Quilter, Radiant Star Quilt by Eleanor Burns, and All About Quilting from A to Z.

We still have **20 books unaccounted for**. At an approximate cost of \$20 per book, this represents a loss of \$400. Again, we ask that you check bookshelves to see if books are hiding there.

Thank you, and enjoy the new books.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH – DONATION QUILT PROGRAM - Dorothy Mattingley**

We have one smaller **lap quilt still available** for a member to request for their non-profit organization. Please request a form from me.



It is a **Fall Quilt** in brown, rusts and gold measuring 46" x 48".

Thanks to the many hands that helped to create the tops, as well as quilting, binding and labeling them. If you have a top that you no longer want or need and wish to donate it to this program, please leave it with Kate Hull while I am away for the winter. I will quilt it and get it ready for next year's requests.

**SCRAP BASKET – Judy Bowring**

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 Ziplock bag first, then into the scrap basket. Thank you.

**“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 6 ½” square **or** half a 2 ½” fabric strip (i.e., 2 ½" x 21").

Please see Kate our Past-President, if you have Kudos for March. She will include you in the agenda.

**WEBSITE – Kate Hull**

Our website has been updated and information regarding our upcoming show will be posted as soon as we have new information.

**SUNSHINE – Sharon MacDonald**

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.

**CHANCE DRAW – Pat Moore & Shirley Jarvis**

For your chance to win half of the monthly proceeds, see Pat Moore & Shirley Jarvis at the draw table.

**GREETERS – Sharon MacDonald**

If anyone would like to volunteer to be a greeter at a meeting, I would appreciate the assistance. There is a sign-up list at the Registration Desk. Please feel free to sign up. A greeter welcomes members, visitors, and new members to the Guild meeting. When necessary, showing new members around the room, i.e. the library, workshop table, outreach table, etc.

Sharon MacDonald, Second Vice President

**EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES**

Our Executive meets at 7:00 at Taunton Mills Retirement Residence in the second floor hobby room on the third Wednesday of each month. All members are welcome to attend.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

To find out about more upcoming quilt shows, visit [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com) and look in the calendar under Events for listings by month and province.

Friday, May 27 & 28, 2016 – **Dunnville's Own Tiny Stitchers** at Dunnville Memorial Arena, 275 Ramsey Drive, Dunnville, ON - Admission \$7

**Newsletter – Maria Steventon**

Please note that you do not have to print the newsletter in colour if you don't want to. You can set your printer to black and white, and if you are not interested in all pages, you can set your printer to only print certain pages.

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Included is a stitch regulator and 2 pantogram boards along with an instruction manual.  
Please call Angie Smith. I can deliver the frame.



What will the weather bring for us on our March and April meeting dates?

Hopefully nice, clear skies and roads!

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.