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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Sharon M.

2020 has some great speakers coming your way. This month Karen Brown a You-Tube sensation will be discussing “Colour, Energy & those Darn UFO’s.” Guests are always welcome, so bring a friend out for an interesting evening.

Looking for a road trip in the spring? The Hills & Valleys Quilt Shop Tour will be April 30, May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> with 5 shops participating. A poster with the details will be at the registration desk or go to <https://quiltshoptour.wixsite.com/hillsandvalleys>.

Do you want a chance to make a new quilting friend? If so, Quilt Canada Mini Swap may be of interest to you. Sign up between Jan 2 – 23 so you can be partnered with a quilter who has interests similar to yours. The mini quilt cannot be bigger than 24x24. You will have 3 months to complete the project. For more details go to <https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-mini-swap/>.

That's it for now, see you Monday January 13<sup>th</sup>.

**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 borrowed at the last meeting, toonies for our chance draw, show and tell, funds for advance quilt show tickets, funds to purchase bags to submit your quilt to the show, a fat quarter to donate to quilt show ticket pull, items for the boutique, 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).



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.

## 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.

**LIBRARY – Sandy M.**

All books and magazines **MUST** be returned to the library prior to the start of the next meeting. This will allow your librarians the chance to prepare the returned item to be borrowed again.

Please allow fellow guild members to have the same enjoyment and inspiration that you have had. If you still need the book/magazine, you can borrow it again another time.

We are always looking for suggestions for new books or magazines, please email Sandy M (see membership listing or send to guild email and indicate to forward the message to Sandy M for Library).

**CHANCE DRAW – Barbara S.**

For your chance to win half of the monthly collected funds, please visit the Chance Draw table with your toonies. The winner of the December draw won \$29.50. Good luck!

**SOCIAL/REFRESHMENTS – Vacant Position.**

Our guild finds itself without a Social Committee this fall. This means that we will not have treats or beverages at our monthly meetings.

**UFO Challenge – Peggy G and Peggy F.**

Hello quilters. The past few months have been busy preparing for the quilt show and enjoying Christmas get-togethers with family and friends. Now, we'll have time to work on UFO item # 4 which is due at the February meeting. It's not too late to join in on the fun. We're still accepting applications at the January guild meeting. Bring a list of 5 items you want to finish, and your \$5.00 to join. We'll have paper forms printed if you don't want to print the one attached to the December newsletter. You're allowed 2 months to complete each item. Join in the fun of the UFO challenge & Happy Sewing!

**“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 ½” fabric strip of full width of fabric (i.e., 2 ½" x 42").

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

**EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES**

Our next Executive meeting will be on **Wednesday January 15, 2019 at 7 pm**, in a designated room in the basement of the Chartwell Centennial Retirement Residence (259 Hillcroft St, Oshawa). A sign will be posted to indicate the room. All members are welcome. Please sign in at the front desk, if attending the meeting.

**SCRAP BASKET – Jacqueline H. & Retta H.**

With winter 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 each month! 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 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.

**NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – Laura B.**

The newsletters are posted on our website so do not contain last names or personal emails. Members were sent receive a membership list which will allow you to contact a member directly. If you did not receive the list or the member had not registered by the time it was sent, you can email the Guild at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca) and we will do our best to pass along the message to the member.

**RETREATS AND WORKSHOPS – Kate H. & Holly P.**

**Home Sew Sweet Retreat – SPRING – Jan 31 – Feb 2, 2020 – FULL with wait list**



You can tackle your projects and hurry hard to the end of your quilting! Enjoy our non-sporting event weekend with quilting friends and Chef Trevor! We have booked the Club Loreley (German Club) for our Sew at Home event for January 31-February 2, 2020. Price is \$135 for Friday-Sunday lunch or any two days for \$110. Price includes lunch and dinner on Friday and Saturday, and schnitzel lunch on Sunday. If you are a real football fan, you'll be home before kick-off and ready for the half-time show!

Please make your final payment at the January meeting. If you are unable to attend, please let me know as we have a waiting list..

**Spring Retreat – Elim Lodge – April 16-19, 2020**



Mark your calendars for the Spring Retreat at Elim Lodge. April 16-19, 2020.

We are looking for members to do a couple of demos on that weekend. If you are planning to attend and are interested in helping us out, let me know.

Fees are TBA. Please note, single accommodation is \$10.00 extra per night. Sign up in January with your first deposit of \$100.

**Sew Day – Saturday February 29 – Rundle Park Hall – Cost \$25**

Our Sew Days are held at Rundle Park Community Hall, 241 Park Road South (entrance is off Burk Street). Come out and enjoy the fellowship of your kindred spirit quilters. Sew days are inspiring. A great way to get to know your fellow guild members in a relaxing atmosphere. Price includes lunch. Sign up at the January meeting. Payment due in full at the February meeting. Start at 9:30, Sew until 8.

Payment method: cash/cheque (made payable to Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild) or by e-transfer at [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca) We now have automatic deposit, security question not required!

**Workshops**

Now that the quilt show is done, I can focus on workshops. How about a ruler workshop? Machine quilting? Let me know what you are interested in. Keep these dates available February 29, April 25 and May 23. We're working on it!

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**CUDDLE QUILT PROGRAM – Laura F., Sherry F., Sandra F., Linda W.**

At the December meeting, we had 16 finished quilts returned. Thank you Sherry F. (4), Jane S. (4), Sandra F. (3), Allie E. (2) Cheryl L. (2) and Laura F. We had 10 pieced tops returned. Thank you to the Guild Retreat poke-a-dot challenge participants (5), Gwen V. (2), Kathy D., Carol M. and Gail L. Thank you to Jacqueline H. and Retta H, who bound 4 quilts for us. We also received 13 placemats and an afghan from Betty H.

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. December's winner was Jacqueline H.

As of December 13th, Community Outreach has donated 52 quilts, 61 Placemats and 40 pairs of mittens.

If you are looking for a small project to take to the January Stay-at-Home retreat, we have lots of kits available. Hope to see you at the meeting. Happy New Year!

**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 few on hand. I have the forms to send you to apply. See photos below.



Red strippy (lap or small bed) 44" x 60" value \$230.00



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Size 60" x 78" Value \$400.00



Size 66" x 72" Value \$375.00

**PROGRAM – Lina S.**

At our January meeting, our speaker will be Karen Brown. You-Tube sensation Karen from "Just Get it Done Quilts" will be discussing "Colour, Energy, and those Darn UFOs". Check her out at [www.justgetitdonequilts.com](http://www.justgetitdonequilts.com)

**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.**

January's exchange fabric is medium to dark Blue batik. We are exchanging 8 x 2 1/2" strips width of fabric (selvedges removed). Please bring your strips in a labelled ziplock bag. In this meeting I will give you your assorted strips from November and December.

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**PAST PRESIDENT – Lyne M.**

2020 is here! What will it bring? How will you get involved with our guild?

One of my tasks as past president is chairing the nomination committee. This committee needs a member of our guild who is not currently on the executive. Please consider joining me in this adventure! You will get to recruit members to fill positions on the executive. These positions are important and ensure the smooth running of all facets of our guild’s activities. Interested? Find me at the January meeting and we’ll talk.

**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. Below is a short list of Quilt-related activities in Ontario.

Dec 1, 2019 – Jan 31, 2020 – **Best Day Ever** – Quilts, dolls, and other items made by Margaret Franklin (one of our members) will be on display – Boyd Museum, 21 Canal Street East, Bobcaygeon, K0M 1A0. <http://www.theboydmuseum.com/home.html>

March 27-28, 2020 – **Etobicoke Quilters Guild – Quilt Fever 2020** – A Quilting Journey. Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke ON. [www.quiltfever.ca](http://www.quiltfever.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](mailto:lynne@cardinalcoachtours.ca) for more information.

May 1-2, 2020 – **Quilts from the Valley** – Rouge Valley Quilters’ Guild, Forest Brook Community Church, 60 Kearney Drive, Ajax ON. [www.rvqg.com](http://www.rvqg.com)