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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Sharon M.

Boy, it's time again for another president's message. I'm falling short of items to talk about this month. I've been getting ready for retreat, so I have done a lot of cutting and thinking about what projects I want to take.

With that in mind, I have purchased the Kona Jungle fabric required for the "Gateway to Adventure" challenge with CQA (details on the challenge can be found here: <https://canadianquilter.com/member-guild-challenge-2020/>). Time to get my creative juices flowing. How about you? Will you be participating? It should be a fun challenge.



Lina has a great program lined up for February. Meet the designers, Nellie Holmes and Christine Baker from Upper Canada Quiltworks.

That's all for this month.

Happy sewing and see you all Monday February 10<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, quilts for show and tell, 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. A cancellation will also be posted on our website. 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 January draw won \$48.00. Good luck!

**“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 February 19, 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.

**WEBSITE – Laura B.**

Our website continues to run at <http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca>. Please note that the main page of 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. Each year, members are sent a membership list to allow direct contact of a member. 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.

For newsletter distribution, going forward, the guild executive has decided that we will send a link to the newsletter on the website, rather than sending a copy of the newsletter. At this time we will also be discontinuing printing newsletters for people without email. The newsletter will be made available on the website (<http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/newsletters.html>) 1 week before the meeting.

**PROGRAM – Lina S.**

At our February meeting, Nellie Holms and Christine Baker of Upper Canada Quiltworks will present “Taking Quilting from Hobby to Business”. <https://uppercanadaquiltworks.com/>

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

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



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

Join in the fun at our Spring retreat at Elim Lodge. We have some fun games, good friends and of course some food as well. We know the weather can be unpredictable, but I predict that regardless of the weather, you will have fun.

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.

We will also have some Community Outreach projects ready to be sewn up for those of you looking for a super quick ‘finished project’!!

Fees: 3 night/10 meals is \$355 or 2 night/6 meals is \$245.00. Single supplement is \$10 per night. Sign up at the February meeting in with your first payment of \$200. 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!

**Sew Day – Saturday February 29 – Rundle Park Hall – Cost \$25 – Full with Wait List**

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.

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**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. Save the date. May 23. We’re working on it!

**Upcoming events**

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming events:

- Stay at Home – Fall Retreat (NEW) – October 2 – 4, 2020
- Fall Retreat at Elim Lodge – November 5 – 8, 2020

Be sure to renew your membership, because only members can attend!

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

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

At the January meeting, we had 28 finished quilts returned. Thank you Laura F. (9), Linda W. (6), Whirls & Swirls (4), Jane S. (3), Sherry F. (2), Gail L., Judy B., Kari B. and Sharon M. We had 5 pieced tops returned. Thank you to Sherry F. (3), Kari B. and Margaret S. Thank you to Jana B., Kari B., Diana S., Jacqueline H. and Linda W. for binding 5 quilts.

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. January’s winner was Kari B.

We have lots of kits available. Hope to see you at the meeting.

**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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**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.**

February's exchange fabric is light 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.

**PAST PRESIDENT – Lyne M.**

**Recruiting a Recruiter!**

The Nomination Committee is looking for a member to join them. At the moment, it is comprised of Debbie K. (current Vice President) and myself, Past President. We need someone who can commit to meeting with us once or twice over the next five months and help recruit members for various positions on our guild's Executive Committee.

Requirements:

- A member who is not currently on the Executive Committee
- A member who is able to speak to members at guild meetings and events over the next semester in order to fill the open positions
- A member who has time to call or email members to invite them to join the Executive or to give further information on the open positions
- A member who is willing to promote the open positions as required at meetings and in newsletter

Debbie and I would love you to join us! If you are interested in this short-term position, please contact me directly or through the Guild's email. We need to find someone ASAP so we can get going on recruiting!

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**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.

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 23-25, 2020 – **Piecemakers 2020 Quilt Show** – Huron Perth Quilter’s Guild and The Stonetown Quilter’s Guild, The Pyramid Centre, 317 James St. S., St. Marys ON [www.huronperthquiltersguild.com](http://www.huronperthquiltersguild.com) or [www.stonetownquilters.com](http://www.stonetownquilters.com)

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)

May 2-3, 2020 – **Sunshine Quilt Show** – Orillia Quilters’ Guild, Trillium Manor, 12 Grace Ave, Orillia ON, <http://www.orilliaquiltersguild.com/>

May 8-9, 2020 – **Mississauga Quilts!** – Mississauga Quilters Guild, Burnhamthorpe Community Centre & Arena, 1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga ON, <http://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/quilt-show-20201.html>

May 29-31, 2020 – **20/20 Visions of Quilts in Niagara** – Niagara Heritage Quilters’ Guild, Meridian Community Centre, 100 Meridian Way, Fonthill ON, <https://niagaraquiltersguild.com/2020-quilt-show/>