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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Lyne M.



Hello Everyone!

This year, Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild celebrated its Silver Anniversary! Twenty-five years ago, a few local women got together and decided to form a group to preserve the art of quilting. Am I ever glad they did! Our Quilt Show last fall was a celebration of our Guild's milestone and through our Guild, the community benefits.

On a continual basis, our membership is encouraged and inspired by the speakers who are invited to our monthly meetings as well as our workshops and retreats. We can be proud to be members of DTQG.

Summer is here. Cottages have opened. Campers are getting their gear ready. Gardens need our attention. Educators and students are off for a much-deserved break. And road trips of all kinds can be had at a moment's notice! Some of us will be attending AQS' Quilt Week in Grand Rapids, MI – what fun! Take a look at all the shows listed near the end of this newsletter. Which ones will you be able to attend? So please, stay safe and healthy this summer, sew when you can, enjoy your travels and the family and friends who will come along the way, and we will see you in the Fall!

But, before that, I will see you at the AGM on June 6th! Come on out and enjoy the great pot luck and awesome social time.

EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Guild Executive meeting will be on **June 26th at 7 pm**. Meeting place is **Education Centre – 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby, Staff Cafeteria – 2nd Floor**. The meeting is for both the outgoing and newly elected Executive. All members are welcome to attend!

MEETING DATES – First Tuesday of the month

TIME – Meeting begins at 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, Toonies for the Chance Draw and a Mug

SOCIAL/REFRESHMENTS – Pam T., Jana B. and Peggy F.

It's potluck time for the Social Committee, so I'm looking forward to everyone bringing treats for all to share. Please bring **savoury items if your last name begins with A -L** and **sweets if you are M to Z**.

We will also be bringing around the list to get an early start on volunteers for next year's treats.

Very important, please: **NO orange products are to be brought into the building due to severe allergies.**

PAST PRESIDENT'S UPDATE FOR JUNE – Kate H.

The recruiting is over!



The list of the new executive recruits is attached to the newsletter. A big 'Thank You' to Sharon MacDonald and Anne Murray for their help in recruiting the new Executive for the coming Guild year. Your counsel and assistance has been greatly appreciated!!

Some people are new members on the Executive and some have moved around into new roles on the Executive. We bid a warm farewell to those moving out of their positions.

New ideas, new faces and friendships!! I hope you will all welcome and support the new executive over the coming years.

2017-2018 - DTQG Executive

At the Annual General Meeting you will be asked to vote to approve the following Members to serve as the Guild Executive.

POSITION	2016/2017 NAME	2017/2018 NAME
President	Lyne Mielke	Lyne Mielke
Past President	Kate Hull	Kate Hull
Vice President	Sharon MacDonald	Sharon MacDonald
Secretary	Joyce Post	Stella Dorsman
Treasurer	Maureen Eberhardt	Maureen Eberhardt
Block of the Month	Angie Smith	Angie Smith
Community Outreach Cuddle Quilts Donation Quilts Walker Bags	Diane Dorion Asst. Charlene Watson, Linda Sarch Dorothy Mattingley Judy Bowring	Diane Dorion Asst. Debbie Kent Dorothy Mattingley Maria Steventon
Library	Anna Anderson Asst – Meredith MacKellar	Anna Anderson Asst – Meredith MacKellar

Membership	Margaret Simpson Asst. -	Gail Lamb Asst. - Kathy Dorman
Newsletter	Maria Steventon	Laura Boksman
Programme	Susan Smyth	Susan Smyth
Publicity	Cheryl Anderson	Cheryl Anderson
Show and Share	Peggy Gibson	Peggy Gibson
Social	Pam Tremblay Asst. Jana Barclay & Peggy Foreman	Pam Tremblay Asst. Jana Barclay & Peggy Foreman
Workshops/Retreats	Holly Pigott Asst. Kate Hull	Holly Pigott Asst. Kate Hull
Web Site	Julia Smith	Julia Smith

The following members have volunteered to assist the Guild in these very important areas as well:

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| Chance Draw | Brenda Lewicki |
| Fabric Basket | Lynn Mayotte |
| Fabric Switch | Mary Clapdorp |



Inventory Clear Out

Show off your DTQG Spirit – get your guild bag for \$10 while quantities last - durable and washable – will hold your kudo strips, library books and cuddle quilt kits!!

See Kate during the break at the June meeting; exact change please!!

MEMBERSHIP – Margaret S.

Before heading into summer, why not get your name entered in the draw for membership fee refund! (This only applies to memberships received before August 31, 2017). The Guild has a final membership of 115 and it would be great to top that in 2017-2018!

“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 Lyne, our President, if you have Kudos for June and she will include you in the agenda.



Our Guild Executive has begun supporting some of our local county fairs with prize money for quilting competitions at the local level. As our constitution reads, we are in the “business” of promoting quilting within the Durham community.

This year, we have committed to support the following county fairs in the amount of \$200 each:

Brooklin Spring Fair – June 1 – 4, 2017

Port Perry Agricultural Fair – September 1 – 4, 2017 (Labour Day Weekend)

Orono Agricultural Fair – September 7 – 10, 2017

If you get an opportunity to attend, check out the Homecraft section of course, as well as the tractor pulls and the demolition derby!!

SHOW AND SHARE – Peggy G.

Please bring your Show and Share for June, and if you participated in Show & Share during this year please come to the Show & Share table and submit your name for a year-end draw.

NOTICE: WORKSHOP AND RETREAT PAYMENT – Maureen E. – Treasurer

As cheques are becoming obsolete in favour of electronic transactions, the Guild will now accept e-transfers for workshop and retreat payments.

After signing up for your class or retreat, let the convener know that you will be paying by e-transfer. A different password will be assigned to each workshop or retreat to enable processing of the transactions. Also, please enter your full name in the comments field, as sometimes it can be a challenge to determine who the sender is (e.g. Maria S.’s email is mchromej@something.com).

Submit your e-transfer to the Guild e-mail at durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca. The treasurer will contact the convener to let her know when the funds have been deposited.

FALL RETREAT – November 16 – 19, 2017 – Holly & Kate

Come and join us for the fall colours at Elim Lodge on Thursday, November 16 to Sunday, November 19, 2017 for our annual Fall Retreat. We have planned a few demos, a shop visit and massages. The fee of this great weekend is \$290.00 for Thursday to Sunday or \$215.00 for Friday to Sunday. Single accommodation is \$10.00 extra per night.

Don’t miss the fun, food, friends and lots of quilting by signing up at June’s meeting.

Payments are due in June, August and October (post-dated cheques accepted or e-transfer to the Guild email address – attention: Maureen E., password: **fallretreat**).

Home Sew Sweet Home Retreat – Mark your calendars for **February 2-4, 2018** for our next stay-at-home retreat at the Thornton Dundee Park Clubhouse. Limited to 15 participants. Sign up at the next guild meeting, first payment is due at the October guild meeting. Total fee is \$120.00.

PROGRAM – Susan S.

June is our Annual General Meeting, so there will not be a speaker. Please come out to our September meeting and find out what we have planned for you for next year!

Slab Block Quilts for Ronald McDonald Houses – Sharon M.

Just wanted to thank everyone for their generous support and participation in the process of making slab block quilts for the families who stay at a Ronald McDonald House during their time of need. A quilt is a gift that can provide comfort and warmth, and a way to express our caring thoughts to families in our community and across Canada.

If my count is correct, we have about 50 quilts to donate – quilted, bound, and labelled. The final count was not available at the time of submitting this report to Maria. The final count will be available at the meeting.

The following letter was received by DTQG from the CQA:



Dear Kate

Thank you for your donation of \$ 1,000 from your guild, Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild. Your generosity will help to make Quilt Canada 2017 the best one to date.

Quilt Canada 2017 is already gaining momentum among our members, students, teachers, volunteers, vendors and especially those participating in our BIG QUILT BEE. We are so pleased that your guild is making this happen.

We will have 400 quilts on display including our National Juried Show, Trend-Tex Challenge, a new Youth Show, a new Guild Rosette Winner Show, and numerous other concurrent shows. All will be “must see” venues.

The Big Quilt Bee, supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities across our nation, is being supported by quilters across Canada. Excitement builds as blocks, quilt tops and quilts are already being produced and we anticipate a huge response at Quilt Canada 2017.

Our roster of teachers is exciting and covers a broad spectrum of topics. Spaces are filling but we have lots of space for new registrants. Watch our website and Facebook page, and other social media as plans develop.

Hope to see you and many from your guild at Quilt Canada 2017 and the BIG QUILT BEE.

Happy Quilting

Leslie Whitby

President

Canadian Quilters' Association/Association canadienne de la courtepointe

FABRIC SWITCH – Lynn M.

I will bring a sample quilt that used the squares we exchanged this year. Thanks to all who participated, and have fun creating your next project! Mary C. will be taking over the fabric exchange next year. I will be doing the fabric basket, so keep bringing your fabric pieces and exchange for new ones.

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

Another year has finished and I want to thank all members who helped us with cuddle quilts, mittens and walker bags. Please bring in your projects at the June meeting so we can take them to a needy person before the end of June. We will also have kits available for you to work on over the summer. Many thanks to Charlene and Linda for their help over the last two years. Have a great summer everyone!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH – DONATION QUILT PROGRAM - Dorothy M.

This year we had two requests for Donation Quilts. We had three quilts on hand for any requests.

1. Durham District School Board requested a quilt for a **raffle** to raise money for their “Adopt a Family program”. They raised **\$3,140.00** and were able to help 6 families and 6 teens on their own with a Christmas hamper and warm clothing for each.
2. NASC Hockey Association requested a quilt for their **Silent Auction** to celebrate their 70th Anniversary. There was a **minimum bid of \$500.00**.

Thanks to our volunteer piecers, quilters and binders who make this program possible.

CHANCE DRAW – Brenda L. L. & Kate D.

There will be a Chance Draw at the June meeting, so please bring your Loonies and Toonies and try your luck!

LIBRARY – Anna A. and Meredith M.

Thank you to everyone for a successful book sale. There will be no library at the June meeting but please return any books so we can inventory them and put the library away for the summer.

SCRAP BASKET – Judy B.

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 (e.g., squares or rectangles), please put them into a small Ziploc bag first, then into the scrap basket. Thanks!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH – Angie S.

The finishing instructions for Block of the Month went out after May's meeting. You will have all summer to complete your quilt. I hope to see all quilts at our first meeting in the fall where there will be a special prize draw. Remember that if you have any problems or questions you can email or call me. Have a great safe summer!



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Still thinking of joining your friends going to Grand Rapids' Quilt Week? Go to our guild's website for the links to all the important information about what promises to be a great trip!

WEBSITE – <http://www.durhamtrilliumquiltersguild.ca/> – Julia S.

The trip to the AQS Grand Rapids Quilt Show is up with a link to the full flyer details and registration form. Edna will take scanned copies of the form and e-transfers for the deposit. Contact her at ecarroll@travelonly.net or at 519-468-0129 for the details required and to reserve your place. Let's make this a fun trip! Open to all quilters, not just Guild members.

SUNSHINE – Joyce P.

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.

GREETERS – Sharon M.

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 and new members to the Guild meeting. If necessary, show new members around the room (i.e., the library, workshop table, and outreach table). I will also be calling on members for their assistance.

Note from the Editor – Maria S.

Thanks for all the help and co-operation of the Guild Executive and the encouragement from the Guild Membership. I enjoyed doing the Newsletter and wish my successor, Laura B., all the best. This is a fantastic Guild, and I look forward to many more years of being with you!



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.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

To find out about more upcoming quilt shows, visit 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:

Friday June 2 – Thursday June 29, 2017 – **Quilts on the Wall Exhibit** – Connections, a celebration of sewn art, by Catherine Clarke, Helen Garland and Doris Lovadina-Lee, Toronto, ON. For more information visit CQA at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/event-info.php?ID=1099>

Thursday June 8 – Sunday June 11, 2017 – **Canada 150 – A Celebration of Art Through Fibre** – Ailsa Craig Quilt Festival, 155 Annie Ada Shipley St. Ailsa Craig, ON www.ailsacraigquiltfestival.ca

Saturday June 10 & Sunday June 11, 2017 – **Stitching Among Friends Quilt Show** – Quilting Corners Guild, Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert St. W, Alliston, ON www.aqcguild.edublogs.org

Wednesday June 14 – Saturday June 17, 2017 – **Quilt Canada 2017** – The International Centre, Toronto, ON <http://www.canadianquilter.com/index.php>

Friday June 23 – Saturday June 24, 2017 – **Sew Much To Celebrate, Eh!** – Queen’s Bush Quilters, Markdale Arena, Markdale, ON thequeensbushquilters@gmail.com

Sunday June 25 – Wednesday June 28, 2017 – **Angela Walters is Coming to Canada** – WhirlsnSwirls Quilting, APQS Ontario, Oshawa, ON <http://www.whirlsnswirlsquilting.ca/collections/angela-walter-classes>

Saturday July 29 & Sunday July 30, 2017 – **Quilts at the Creek 2017** – Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto, ON <https://quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com/>

Friday Sept. 15 – Saturday Sept. 16, 2017 – **Quilt Extravaganza** – Pyramid Recreation Centre, 317 James Street South, St. Marys, ON QuiltX.ca

Saturday Sept. 16 & Sunday Sept. 17, 2017 – **2017 Harvest of Quilts** – Settlers Village Quilters, Bobcaygeon Curling Club, 49 Mansfield St., Bobcaygeon, ON www.settlersvillagequilter.ca

Friday Oct. 13 – Saturday Oct. 14, 2017 – **Canada Strong and Quilting! Quilt Show 2017** – Halton Hills Quilters’ Guild, Croatian Franciscan Centre, Croatian Franciscan Centre, 9118 Winston Churchill Blvd, Norval (Halton Hills), ON www.hhqg.ca

Friday November 10 & Saturday November 11, 2017 – **A Celebration of Quilts XIII – YHOG Quilt Show** – York Heritage Quilters Guild, Toronto Botanical Gardens, 777 Lawrence Ave. East, Toronto, ON <https://yhqg.org/quilt-show-2017>