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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Lyne Mielke



I can't believe that the guild year is coming to an end so soon. I feel like we accomplished great things as a group and as individuals. I hope the great speakers whom Dorothy Green booked for us over the last two years have inspired you as much as they did me. I have completed quilts in this short time that I don't think I would have tackled without our workshops and/or speakers. We also get inspiration from each other and that is just as exciting!

Please plan to attend our June meeting as it is the Annual General Meeting and your presence will be invaluable. Also, it's a great time to catch up with friends while we enjoy our savoury and sweet bites!

Summer is almost here. Where will you go? What will you sew? What great things do you have planned for our **Silver Extravaganza Quilt Show** in October?

I hope to see everyone at the June meeting and I wish everyone a safe and healthy summer.

It has been a pleasure stepping into the President's role for the last little while and I can't wait for my new term to begin in July.

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

**TIME** – Doors open at 7:00, meeting begins 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, and a Mug

## EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

Our next Guild Executive meeting will be on **June 14, 2016 at 7 pm**. This will be a transition meeting with the outgoing Executive members exchanging information and books to the newly elected 2016-2017 Executive. Location will be announced later. All members are welcome to attend.

**PAST PRESIDENT SUBMISSION FOR JUNE 2016**

**2016-2017 - DTQG Executive**

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

| <b><u>POSITION</u></b>         | <b><u>2015/2016 – NAME</u></b>                                       | <b><u>2016/2017 – NAME</u></b>                                       |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| President                      | Rhonda Drake/Lyne Mielke   | Lyne Mielke  |
| Past President                 | Kate Hull  | Kate Hull  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President | Sharon MacDonald   | Sharon MacDonald   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President | Sharon MacDonald   |  |
| Secretary                      | Joyce Post   | Joyce Post   |
| Treasurer                      | Lucie Richardson   | Maureen Eberhardt  |
| Block of the Month             | Susan Smyth  | Angie Smith  |
| <b>Community Outreach</b>      |  |  |
| Cuddle Quilts                  | Diane Dorion<br>Asst. Charlene Watson, Linda Sarch & Lisa Puddephatt | Diane Dorion<br>Asst. Charlene Watson, Linda Sarch & Lisa Puddephatt |
| Donation Quilts                | Dorothy Mattingley   | Dorothy Mattingley   |
| Library                        | Colleen Zavrel<br>Asst – Anna Anderson                               | Anna Anderson<br>Asst – Meredith MacKellar                           |
| Membership                     | Margaret Simpson<br>Asst. - Carol Crossman                           | Margaret Simpson<br>Asst. - Carol Crossman                           |
| Newsletter                     | Maria Steventon  | Maria Steventon  |
| Programme                      | Dorothy Green  | Susan Smyth  |
| Publicity                      | Angie Smith  | Cheryl Anderson  |
| Show and Share                 | Kleo Tobias  | Peggy Gibson   |
| Social                         | Retta Hartley<br>Asst. Jacqueline Hill                               | Pam Tremblay<br>Asst. Jana Barclay & Peggy Foreman                   |
| Workshops/Retreats             | Holly Pigott<br>Asst. Kate Hull                                      | Holly Pigott<br>Asst. Kate Hull                                      |
| Web Site                       | Kate Hull  | Julia Smith  |

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

- |               |                            |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| Chance Draw   | Pat Moore & Shirley Jarvis |
| Fabric Basket | Judy Bowring               |
| Fabric Switch | Lynn Mayotte               |

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

The Annual Meeting Snack Buffet is on for the next meeting on June 7.

Those with names starting with **A to J** – **bring a Savoury Dish** and those with names beginning with **K to Z** – **bring a Sweet Dish**.

Please remember your plate, mug and utensils. Decaff coffee, Tea and Decaff Green Tea will be available. See you there! (Remember that **orange products are not allowed.**)

**MEMBERSHIP – Margaret Simpson and Carol Crossman**

We already have 34 members who paid for 2016-2017. They are eligible for the draw to win back their membership fees. The deadline to get your name in the draw is Aug. 31, 2016.

A Membership Renewal Form is attached to the Newsletter email, so that you can print it out and fill it in before the meeting, and there will also be forms at the Membership Desk.

The 2015-2016 Guild Year ended with 127 members. Welcome to all and we hope to see you all renew your memberships in the 2016-2017 Guild year.

**DO YOU NEED A CHALLENGE?!? – Lyne Mielke, President**

By now, you should have received an email message giving you details of the **“Let’s Get Them Done”** DTQG Summer Challenge.

If you have not received that message, please send a note to the Guild’s email address (at top of this newsletter). This challenge is all about projects we have sitting around that are at various stages of completion.

How many projects will you enter? You can do up to five. Last day to register your project is at the AGM, on June 7<sup>th</sup>. You can also enter electronically.

Good luck everyone!

**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 Mississauga.

Have you thought about volunteering at this national event? They need to fill hundreds of positions. Check out [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com) for more details about volunteering at Quilt Canada.

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



Quilt Show Update – June 2016

The Quilt Show Committee continues to meet monthly and we’re making great progress. We are waiting for Habitat for Humanity Durham to print the tickets for the raffle quilt, and as soon as Sharon MacDonald has raffle tickets we will start handing them out. We will also 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.

Betty has worked really hard to secure vendors for the show. I'm really pleased that we now have 10 paid confirmed vendors ready for the show. In October, we will be welcoming the following vendors to our show;

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

Kleo is working as our publicity convenor and has bookmarks and posters available at all meetings. 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 progressing 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. 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 use the letter we attached to the April newsletter to secure any prizes for the silent auction? Lyne will be happy to receive them at any of the meetings. Keep in mind, we need prizes that will entice the men to put their money on the table as well, so if you are out at a restaurant in the area, ask if they will donate a prize for our silent auction. The letter is available for you, as many companies don't just hand out things without verification. Don't be shy! Lyne is also continuing to collect 2 1/2" strips to make jelly rolls.

Show Challenge: How are you coming along with yours? Mine is started! How about you?

Our Youth Challenge is being coordinated 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. Summer is coming, kids are off school, great time to bond over some project!

Our Tea Room will be facilitated by Holly Pigott and Lynn Mayotte. At the April meeting, Holly suggested that there should be chocolate in them, and maybe chocolate frosting too (apparently chocolate items are good sellers at the show). They would like you to pull out your favourite recipes for cookies and squares. 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, and no loaves please. Keep in mind, the show will be just before Hallowe'en, so break out the ghosts & goblin shapes as well!

We will have the sign up boards ready for the June meeting, 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 and viewing time!

Last, but not least, admission tickets for the show will be available at the meeting from Kleo. **Tickets are \$5.00 each, which is quite the bargain if you compare it to other local shows.** If you come to work at the show, your ticket gains you admittance to all days, not just the day you help out. This offer is not for the general public – guild members only. Husbands and children under 12 are free (with adult accompaniment). With your admission ticket, you have the opportunity to win a door prize and vote for Viewers' Choice. Rosettes to be awarded for all categories, including a rosette from the CQA for the show favourite.

Our next Quilt Show Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, June 29 at Taunton Mills.

### **“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.

### **SHOW AND SHARE – Kleo Tobias**

Hello Everyone,

I just can't believe we are having the last meeting of our Guild year!!! Where did the time go???

Our winner last month was Julia Smith and we had almost 2,000" for the CQA challenge!!

This month, in addition to our monthly prize, I will be drawing from ALL ballots that were entered throughout the year. The prize is a \$25.00 gift certificate.

I know I'm being mean by not letting you know, but to tell the truth, there are so many amazing quilt shops around I still have not made up my mind!! Lol!

Please don't forget to enter your quilts and let me know:

\*How many quilts

\*How many total "perimeter" inches (measure around each quilt)

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our AGM and hope you have lots of quilts to Show and Share!!

### **FALL RETREAT – Thursday, Nov. 10 to Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 – Holly & Kate**

Our Fall Retreat will be at Elim Lodge from Thursday November 10 to Sunday November 13, 2016. The cost for Thursday to Sunday (3 nights and 10 meals) is \$280.00 for a double and \$310.00 for a single. Friday to Sunday (2 nights and 7 meals) will cost \$205.00 for a double and \$225.00 for a single. Come and join us for fun, food, friends and lots of quilting.

Please sign up, and payments are due in June, August and September (post-dated cheques accepted).

### **FABRIC SWITCH – Lynn Mayotte**

Thank you to all who participated this year. I encourage you to show and share your finished projects that incorporated these squares. I will be introducing next year's fabric exchange at the June meeting.

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH - MYSTERY QUILT – Susan Smyth**

Participants have now received all of their instructions for the 2015-2016 Block of the Month Mystery Quilt.

Over the summer, please try to complete your quilt so that we can show our collective work at our quilt show in October. It is also an opportunity to complete your mystery quilt from last year and we will show them too!

Congratulations to Sonja Beggs, winner of the participation prize in May. Sonya won a gift certificate for Sew Have Fun.

Let me know if you have any questions as you are finishing your quilts.  
Susan Smyth

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

Thank you everyone for your support this year in making all of those wonderful cuddle quilts. Come see us at the next meeting to pick up a kit or two to work on over the summer.

We will be going to Whirls ‘N’ Swirls again on Monday June 13 and everyone is welcome. Thanks so much for the efforts of my team (Charlene Watson, Linda Sarch and Lisa Puddephatt) to prepare the kits and make tops, plus to be there for the intake and outtake of the kits each meeting. Happy sewing this summer!



**PROGRAM – Diane Dorion**

Hope you enjoyed the program this year. Dorothy Green did a great job setting up the program and I know that I enjoyed all of our guest speakers.

The June meeting is our AGM which means it is potluck supper so bring your plates and utensils plus cups. Have a great summer!

Jane Cramer, our May Guest Speaker, is also a representative of Quilts of the Creek. Please remember to submit a quilt to the show and to also attend. All the information for the Show is at [www.quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com](http://www.quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com)



Julia showing off one of Jane Cramer’s creations at May meeting.



**LIBRARY - Colleen Zavrel and Anna Anderson**

The May book sale was very successful. Proceeds will be used for new books next year. Thank you to everyone for the support. A reminder to return all library books so they can be inventoried and put to bed for the summer.

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

This month a request was received and accepted for a Donation Quilt for a raffle for University Women's Club (Tuesday Curling League) by member Lisa Puddephatt. The raffle will take place in November. They use the money to provide scholarships to women in the Durham Region to go to university.

If you would like to request a Donation Quilt for your non-profit organization in Durham Region to have a raffle, please email me to get a request form

I am in the process of long-arm quilting some donated tops to be used for raffles. If you have any finished tops that you no longer wish to quilt and would like to donate to this program, please contact me at the above email address or see me at a meeting.

We have donated eight quilts this year. Three raffles have not taken place yet. We received a very nice thank you note from Community Living, Oshawa/Clarington. They raised \$1,030 from the quilt we donated to them for a raffle.



**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 Ziploc bag first, then into the scrap basket.

**WEBSITE – Kate Hull**

Our website is down temporarily while we migrate to a new server with our webhost. Please be patient and watch for our new updated website! Show information will be updated soon.

**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.

**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.

**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. Please see the last page for a short list.



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 – continued...**



May 21 – Sept 5, 2016 – **My Corner of the World – Art Quilt Exhibition** at Stratford Perth Museum, 4275 Huron Rd.; Stratford, ON [www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca](http://www.stratfordperthmuseum.ca)

June 13, 2016 – **DTQG Community Outreach**, will be at Whirls n Swirls. Please contact Diane Dorion if you are able to help.

June 15 – 18, 2016 – **Quilt Canada 2016**, The International Centre; Toronto, ON [www.canadianquilter.com](http://www.canadianquilter.com)

June 22, 2016 - **Ganaraska Quilt Guild** invites you to attend their Wednesday meeting. The guest speaker is Patti Carey from Northcott Fabrics. She will be doing a trunk show. Admission is \$5.00. Location: Durham County Seniors Citizens Centre, 200 Station St., Orono, in the Recreation Hall. Time: 7:15

July 9 & 10, 2016 – **Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild Quilt Show 2016** by PEC Quilters' Guild, Wellington Community Centre, Essroc Arena – 111 Belleville St., Wellington, ON [www.pec.on.ca/quiltersguild/](http://www.pec.on.ca/quiltersguild/)

July 23 & 24, 2016 – **Quilts at the Creek 2016**, Black Creek Pioneer Village; Toronto, ON [www.quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com](http://www.quiltsatthecreek.wordpress.com). Please see the website to enter your quilts and to see workshops.

Oct 28 & 29, 2016 – **Silver Extravaganza Quilt Show** by Durham Trillium Quilters' Guild. General Sikorski Polish Veterans' Hall, 1551 Stevenson Rd. N., Oshawa, ON [durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca](mailto:durhamtrilliumqg@yahoo.ca)