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celebrating 25 years

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Message from our Co-presidents

Hello Ladies,

I hope everyone is well and safe and staying home as much as possible. This certainly has been quite a month. As you will read in the newsletter, our April guild meeting is cancelled. We will make a decision on the May meeting as we get closer. We did hold our March Executive meeting, but did so remotely with everyone connecting to a Zoom meeting on their computer.

We quilters certainly know how to keep busy when we have to stay inside. Please share what you're working on. We will have lots of projects to show when we are able to hold our meeting, but in the meantime you can post them on our guild Facebook Group or email them to Judy at jmacleod11@hotmail.com and we will be able to have a virtual Show & Tell.

Many of our members, myself included, are sewing masks. If you hear of any local needs for masks, headbands, headcovers or anything else please let us know.

Please support our advertisers, now more than ever. These are local businesses that are vital to our community. Many are open for online or phone orders and may offer delivery or curb side pickups.

An email was sent out earlier regarding the **Duffie Awards**. (See page 6 & 7. Please give some thought to the Duffie nominations. We want your input to honour our fellow members.

Hoping that you, your family and loved ones stay healthy and safe. Keep on sewing and we will see you soon.

Oksana and Fern



START TIME - 7:15 PM ... DOORS OPEN AT 6:45



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The Executive

Co-Presidents:	Fern Pugh, Oksana Slipenkyj
Vice-President:	Julie MacFarlane and Heather Sheridan
Past President:	Linda Lewis
Secretary:	Anne Nicholson
Treasurer:	Darlene Cordingley Assistant: Vacant
Program:	Linda Lewis, Sue Pirie, Marcia Lalonde
Membership:	Christine Robinson, Yvonne Guse-Ruhn
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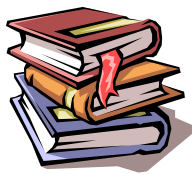
The Committees

Birthday Club:	Leah Mitchell,
Block of the Month:	Judy MacLeod, Sheila Klein
Bulletin Board:	Vacant
Community Projects:	Karen Turcott, Karen Hunter, Connie Walterhouse, Trish McKibbin, Val Asbourne, Penny Squirrell, Fern Pugh
Financial Reviewers:	Diana Cordingley
Historian:	Leah Mitchell
Librarians:	Liz Nash, Lorna Raney, June Moir, Linda Horner
Lucky Draw:	Helen Currie, Stella Graham, Sharon Courage, Marie Tupling, Louise Cornelius
QBA	Candice Kitchen, Ann Swift-Peters
Quilt Show:	Kim Beckner, Yvonne Conway
Refreshments:	Diana Cordingley for socials only
Retreats:	Judi Sullivan, Yvonne Conway, Susan Pirie, Candice Kitchen
Show 'n Tell	Cathy Smith, Mindy Swack, Dale McMillan
Stitch 'n Share	Leah Mitchell
Web Coordinator:	Oksana Slipenkyj
Facebook:	Judy MacLeod

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LIBRARY BLOCK for April 2020
Liz Nash, Lorna Raney, June Moir, Linda Horner

Free Spirit Block Party – variety of authors

This book is where modern meets traditional. It features forty blocks from twenty FreeSpirit designers. Think outside the box with five surprising sampler quilts to flaunt your finished patchwork, applique and paper-pieced block.

This month *Miniature/ Small Quilts* books would have been featured.




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*Dufferin Piecemakers
Quilting Guild*

The address for the website is: <http://www.dufferinpiecemakers.org/>

Members Corner: Login is the e-mail address the guild has for you
Password: password10 (until you change it)

Guild Facebook Page—Did you take a look yet?
Please add a photo or two.

Dufferin Piecemakers has a Facebook page! If you're on Facebook pop over and click "Like". Just search for Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild and there we are! We'll post lots of pictures from Guild meetings, news about upcoming speakers and workshops, and things you don't see in the newsletter due to space constraints. If you have news to share with the Guild, send an email to Judy MacLeod jmacleod11@hotmail.com and she'll put it on to the Facebook page for you.

Program Corner 2020

April 24 **Cancelled**

Unfortunately we did not get to see and hear **Sue's Sherman's** presentation at the March meeting and we have cancelled **Helen Martin** who was to be our speaker in April. We will attempt to have these speakers at a future meeting.

May 25 **on Hold**

Our May meeting (if it happens) features Margaret Makallses who is a fibre artist. Her show is called "An Evening of 100 Quilts." Through the quilts she relates the stories from her first stitches to her current works in progress.

Workshop - **Saturday April 25 - GETTING TO KNOW YOUR SERGER - Cancelled**

In addition we will try to arrange an alternate date for the Serger Workshop. Refunds will be available at the next guild meeting.

Your Program Committee: Linda Lewis, Sue Pirie, Marcia Lalonde and ??? (volunteer needed)

Daphne Evelyn, a former member now living in St. Marys, shares projects begun at our guild



Left: Over half of the blocks are from *The Bag Ladies Round About* last year
Right: I Spy Quilt made from the 5" kids' theme exchange blocks from 17-18.





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COMMUNITY PROJECTS Report - April 2020

A big thank you to all of our members who continue to graciously support our Community Outreach Projects with generous gifts of fabric, completed tops, binding and stitching quilt tops at home and contributing other bits and pieces. It's always amazing to see how all of this goes together to make some very wonderful finished quilts.

Penny and Connie have been sewing and quilting away during this time of isolation. They are accepting donations on Connie's front porch. Call or text Connie 519-939-8783 or Penny 519-217-2935 to let them know you are coming.

Connie has sent many photos of what they have been working on. They will be posted on the website and Facebook. Please have a look and enjoy!

Stay safe

Your committee: Karen Turcott, Karen Hunter, Connie Walterhouse, Trish McKibbin, Penny Squirrel, Val Ashbourne, and Fern Pugh (pillow case lady)



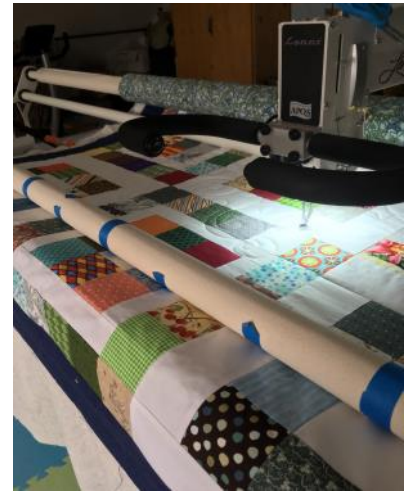
Log Cabin with hand bound binding

Examples



Slab blocks sewn by Val Ashborne

of CC quilts



Penny at work

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Editor's Note: Moved? Change of address? **Change of e-mail address?** Change of phone number? It is important that you notify membership first, then newsletter. The members of each committee are listed on page 2 of every newsletter. **And ...** if you have any photos, quilty stories, tips, hints, web sites you might like to share, send them to your editor (email on pg 2) but remember the deadline which appears on every odd page of your newsletter! Thanks, Judi



Retreat at the Farm

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CANCELLATIONS

Spring Weekend Retreat

Fall retreat will be Friday October 30 to Sunday November 01

One Day Mini Retreat April 18

One day retreat will be rescheduled for November

Most quilt shows scheduled between now and the end of June

We've received notices from:

Common Quilt Guild in Ottawa, Oakville Guild, Lindsay Creative Quilters - on hold, Pinetree Quilters, Mississauga Guild

Quilt Canada hoping to go ahead June 18 - 20

QBA - Quilting by Association

Workshops for members by members

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it has been necessary to cancel the QBA workshops scheduled for May and June this year. We have enjoyed many successful workshops and the committee thanks those guild members who participated and learned new skills. The committee would also like to express our gratitude to those members who volunteered their time to present the workshops: Anne Swift-Peters, Ann Moum, Dale McMillan and Kim Renshaw as well as Candice Kitchen, Leah Mitchell and Debby Panke whose presentations had to be cancelled. We look forward to new and interesting projects in the next Guild year.

Candice Kitchen & Anne--Swift Peters

Thank you

June 1st 2017, I had a lumpectomy procedure for breast cancer. Following my surgery that day, as I was about to leave Headwaters Health Care Centre, I was giving a small pillow with two covers and I was told to use it to alleviate the pressure from my arm against my breast or between the car seat belt and the chest. I kept that pillow and the little piece of paper that came with it with the name of the organization that oversees creations. I am sorry that I didn't do this earlier, I just want to say a big thank you for your thoughtfulness. Marie-Elise

The Riverbend Artists of Grand Valley (RAGV)

produce a monthly Artz Info Network (AIN) calendar.

You may access the calendar at

<http://www.riverbendartistsograndvalley.ca/cal.html>

to see the upcoming art events scheduled for the month in Orangeville and area.

Block of the Month 2019 - 2020

Town & Country Mystery Quilt April 2020 – Church

We have so much to be thankful for this month. We have Easter, spring, and we have each other and our families. We're busy keeping safe and practicing Social Distancing. We have our online Community via e-mail and Facebook, and of course, our website. While gatherings are being cancelled, we still have our families and our friends to keep us sane. So a church block was a no brainer for us. We agonized over this one. Whatever we each come up with, it was either too small, too big or too difficult. Then Sheila found one that was just right ... with a few changes on our part. We foundation pieced the steeple and incorporated some stitch n flips. The original pattern credit goes to *The Scissortail Quilting Company*. It can be made smaller than the 16 inch block we've gone with. Contact Sheila for that info at sglklein@live.ca.

Happy Easter, and please stay safe. Judy & Sheila



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BULLETIN BOARD

DPQG PRESIDENTS' CHALLENGE 2020

The year is 2020 and we have 2 Presidents! We have chosen to work on the theme of **Double Double**.

Here are the criteria:

- Please work in pairs. Find a buddy & design a project. You can double up with more than one buddy but each pair is responsible for a project.
- The project must feature 2 techniques; such as appliqué & piecing, appliqué & paper piecing, hand stitching & embroidery etc.
- Project is anything you wish to make such as table runner, wall hanging, pillow, bag, baby quilt. Project must be completed & presented at the June 2020 meeting.
- Include a brief description of the techniques used.
- Use your imagination!

The Duffies are coming:

Each year the guild awards 3 Duffies plus one Member of the Year recognition. These awards started in 2013 as the Joannies (named after a fun-loving, vibrant guild member who passed away). In 2018, they were renamed the Duffies.

We would like all members to have the opportunity to nominate a fellow member for one of these awards.

Please nominate your fellow members who might fit into one of the previous fun categories or suggest a new category. (*See page 7 for former categories*) We would like to have a back story to go with your nomination.

Member of the Year is a great honour to receive and should be someone who has made an obvious continuing contribution to the guild. We would like you to give this some thought and ask for nominations for this honour. Please write a short note to go with your nomination.

Please pass on your nominations to me before the next executive meeting which will be April 30, 2020. Any question, please don't hesitate to contact me by email (lianmor@sympatico.ca) or phone 519-941-8515.

Volunteering - Get involved



It's unfortunate we haven't been able to meet due to Covid 19, but everyone will be looking forward to our next guild year. We have several openings on the executive and committees for the next year. Consider volunteering. You don't have to do it alone. Many positions can be shared, so why not volunteer with a friend? We thank Julie MacFarlane and Heather Sheridan for doing just that, volunteering as co-vice presidents.

Nominating Committee Report

We are currently looking for the following positions: (more may be available as members switch to try something new)

Newsletter Editor – laptop and computer training provided on Microsoft Publisher.

QBA: (members teaching members) - need 2 people to coordinate this activity by finding volunteers to teach the workshops and to schedule the workshops.

Program committee: needs at least one more member

Retreat Committee: would like at least one more volunteer,

Please contact Linda Lewis at llewis1@rogers.com if you wish to volunteer for a position or change to another committee. We had a lot of members confirm their positions at the February meeting. Thank you. That makes our job a lot easier. Many hands make light work! See page 2 of the newsletter for positions.

Most other committees have some returning members confirmed, but there is still room. What committee are you interested in joining? We look forward to hearing from you.

Your nominating committee, Linda Lewis, Christine Robinson and Sue Hopkins Van Zant



224 Centennial Rd (by the Dairy Queen)

To our valued customers, we hope this newsletter finds you well during these challenging times. In an effort to help flatten the COVID-19 curve, the Orangeville location closed Mar 19th.

We will re-open when the public health situation permits.

April is traditionally our Birthday Flyer sale. With tonnes of savings, new Spring items and give-aways. We are hopeful this will still happen.

Presently we are looking at creating an online shopping platform to meet some of your sewing needs.

In the meantime, stay up to date on our Facebook page; "Fabricland Orangeville".

Thank you for your past and future patronage. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at: Rebelo_fabricland@bellnet.ca

Joannies & Duffies History

Year 1 2013

Stash Buster: Alanna Woodrow
Community Project Star: Trish McKibbon
Meeting Fun Maker: Beth Toms
Member of the Year: Doreen Riggin

Year 2 2014

Stash Buster: Beckie Shaw
Community Project Star: Elizabeth Bricker
Gadget Junkie: Debi Arnold
Member of the Year: Leah Mitchell

Year 3 2015

Scrappy Stash Buster: Betty Sanderson
Community Projects Star - binder extraordinaire: Rosemary Galbraith
Queen of the 1/2 square triangle: Berva Buttery
Member of the Year: Judi Sullivan

Year 4 2016

QBA Queen: Pat Forrest
Super workshop supporter: Liz Nash
Community Projects Star: Val Ashborne
Prolific new member: Oksana Slipinkji
Member of the Year: Fern Pugh

Year 5 2017

Pillowcase Queen: Nanette Horton
Junkyard Quilter: Linda Horner
Stepping up to the Plate: Kim Beckner
Member of the Year: Sue Pirie

Year 6 The Name is changed to: The Duffies

Year 6 2018

Enthusiastic New Member: Tara Doyle
Sophomore keener: Daphne Evely
Community Projects Star: Karen Hunter
Member of the Year: Darlene Cordingley

Year 7 2019

Binding Queen - Joan Tipping
Speaker of the Year: Lorna Rainey
Community Projects Star: Olive Carr
Members of the Year: Connie Walterhouse & Penny Squirrell



Birthday Club

Celebrating this month: April

Debi Arnold 15

Lynda Moore 15

*You don't have to be in the birthday club to be recognized.
Contact Leah Mitchell and let her know your birth date.
hileahandbob@gmail.com*

Did you remember your secret sister with a small quilty gift or a card on her birthday? Gifts may be left on the membership table at our general meeting or delivered in many interesting ways!
If your "sister" is not at the meeting, please take your gift with you.

REFRESHMENTS

*We no longer enjoy
refreshments at our meetings
except at our socials.*

Please supply your own drinks.

DATE CHANGES

In the months of February and May our meetings will occur on the 4th Monday of the month in order to accommodate holidays.

**Please supported our advertisers
in these difficult times.**

Want to contact a guild member?

The e-mail addresses of members can be found on the guild website in the private members' section. www.dufferinpiecemakers.org
See page 2 of this letter for instructions.



A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER! During the meeting please....

- ◆ Turn off the ring on your cell phone or go to another room to use it
- ◆ Minimum chatting when there is a speaker.
- ◆ Keep our meetings scent free (we have members and guests who are allergic/sensitive to perfumes, scented body wash, etc.)



WANTED: JOURNALS Family Transition Place

Our commitment to FTP is 200 journals for the year. Please help by donating them at any time. The journals need to be about 6" x 8", lined pages, bound by either coil or glue. Please leave them in the basket provided at the membership table at every meeting.

Journals are always needed.

Meeting Information

General Meeting:

Date: Monday, April 20, 2020
Orangeville Fair Grounds
(aka OAS Event Centre)

Time: 6:45 p.m. Doors Open

Place: Orangeville Fairgrounds
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CANCELLED

Executive Meeting:

Thursday April 30 2020 7:00 pm.

Place: Online with Zoom

Please call/email Co-president Oksana Slipenkylj if you wish to attend. oslipenkylj@rogers.com

Stitch 'n Share Leah Mitchell

Stitch and share meets every Wednesday from 1:00 to 3:30 PM. in the Community Room of the Meridian Credit Union on Broadway in Orangeville. We are pleased to be able to meet there every week at no charge as part of their community outreach.

Please contact Leah Mitchell at 519-928-3059 **for any meeting information if you wish to attend** and are not on the current Stitch and Share e-mail list.

Cancelled until further notice.

Next Meeting Bring

- ◆ Name tags worn
- ◆ Indoor shoes please
- ◆ Library books to return
- ◆ Any completed Community Projects or pillow cases
- ◆ Workshop or QBA fees
- ◆ Show and Tell
- ◆ \$\$\$ for lucky draw and raffle tickets
- ◆ **Journals for FTP**
- ◆ **Plastic milk bags**

And a



Covid 19 donations made by guild volunteers



Top row: masks

Middle row: caps

Note the button on the masks. The mask's elastic can be hooked around the button instead of the ear.

Bottom: hospital staff wearing caps

[More volunteers are needed.](#)

If you would like to help, contact Oksana: oslipenkyj@rogers.com
Or Judy M: jmacleod11@hotmail.com



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