

The Piecemakers' Star

Celebrating 25 years

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Message from our Po-presidents

Have you noticed? There is a little more daylight each day! We are well on our way through the winter heading toward spring with lots of things to look forward to. Some of them are our one day & weekend retreats, new members' day, workshops, and of course the Presidents' Challenge.

If you missed the challenge announcement at the January meeting, the details are in this newsletter, so please check it out and plan to participate. (see page 6)

Our February meeting is always a fun evening of socializing, learning and creating. Check out the program information to get all of the details of what to look forward to and also what you might be able to bring to facilitate this hands on evening.

We have an up to date membership list so if we have a stormy meeting day, please check your email about 5pm when the decision will be made re meeting cancellation. We are hoping that this will not be necessary.

Enjoy February!





Fern & Oksana

Quilters Anonymous

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



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The Executive

Co-Presidents: Fern Pugh, Oksana Slipenkyj

Vice-President: Vacant

Past President: Linda Lewis

Secretary: Anne Nicholson

Treasurer: Darlene Cordingley

Assistant: Vacant

Program: Linda Lewis, Sue Pirie, Marcia Lalonde

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Penny M. Squirrell, Sue Hopkins Van Zant

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 McKibbon, Val Asbourne, Penny Squirrell,

Fern Pugh

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Diana Cordingley, Maxine Barnes

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Linda Horner

Lucky Draw: Helen Currie, Stella Graham, Sharon

Courage, Marie Tupling, Louise

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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, Diane Harris, Mindy

Swack, Dale McMillan

Stitch 'n Share Leah Mitchell

Web Coordinator: Oksana Slipenkyj

Facebook: Judy MacLeod

Please send newsletter submissions to: ${\tt dpqgnewsletter@gmail.com}$

OR

Judi Sullivan : sulljudi@gmail.com



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

Create with Cork Fabric by Jessica Kapitanski

Create luxury bags, trendy wall décor and fashion accessories. Learn all about getting started with cork fabric - no special sewing tools required. Sew something unconventional with durable, eco-friendly and fashion-forward cork fabric.

We are featuring Seasonal books this month.



6 Precut Fat Quarters only \$24!

"MACHINE QUILTING TECHNIQUES" with special guest teacher Jen Holden Saturday October 26

Just one of the classes on our website!



cobwebsandcaviar.com

Cobwebs & Caviar, 147 Main St. W. Shelburne, ON



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

February 24 - Community Projects Hands on Night

February is our "hands-on" meeting. There will be stations to make pillowcases, placemats, slab and no-iron log cabin blocks along with guidance on how to make them. You can learn how to do completely machine-stitched binding and of course, there will be time for socializing and meeting other guild members.

We need sewing machines, cutting mats, cutters and rulers. See next page for details.

March 16 - Sue Sherman - Fibre Artist

In March we will have Sue Sherman. Sue is a multi-faceted crafter having done sewing, knitting and copper wire jewellery, but Sue is here to share her work as a fibre artist who does her own designs on her quilts. All her work is done on her own machine or by hand.









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







Last month's speaker Brenda Dagg and examples of her work





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COMMUNITY PROJECTS Report - February 2020

February is our Work Bee month! - for both the afternoon and the evening. Please come prepared for an evening of working with other guild members to create some beauty and warmth for others. Also bring any extra orphan blocks, squares or strips that we can add to our assortment of fabric and blocks ready for you to jump in and try out your designing skills.

If you signed up to bring specific sewing equipment, please make sure to bring it along. If you didn't sign up, and still want to, please contact Penny to volunteer to bring your sewing machine and extension cord (we only have room for 14), pmsquirrell@yahoo.com Or bring a cutting mat, rulers and rotary

cutter, and any other basic equipment.

We will also have guild members showing and teaching ideas and skills.

There will be a beautiful quilt by Trish McKibbon raffled off. Tickets will be \$1 and only available at the February meetings. The draw will be at the February meeting.

The afternoon Work Bee starts anytime after 1:00pm for any of our members who are able to join us. We'll sew all afternoon, have a quick break for supper and sew all evening too!

Let's keep on creating, stitching and sharing, and we'll see you on Monday February 24th, quilt supplies in hand.

Members who wish to work on their own project are welcome to use available space in the afternoon.

Your CP committee: Karen Turcott and Karen Hunter Co-Chairs, Connie Walterhouse, Trish McKibbon, Penny Squirrell, Val Ashbourne, and Fern Pugh (pillow case lady)



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR SERGER WORKSHOP **SAT. APRIL 25/20**

9:30am - 3pm Meridian community room

Bring your serger and join Monique from Brampton Sew and Serge for this workshop. You will complete a workbook full of samples featuring various serger techniques. Great reference tool, specific to your machine! Class fee is \$55. There is an additional fee of \$15 for the kit. This includes 4 cones of thread, workbook and fabric swatches.



@The Scottish Nook, 283 Main St., Schomberg

Hours of Business

Wed. - Fri. 12:00 - 5:00

Sat. 10:00 - 4:00



Sun. - Tues. by appointment only. Call or text Judy at 416-830-1648 DROP BY THE STORE. OR GIVE US A CALL. WE'LL HELP YOU FIND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR! YOUR TRUSTED 1 Dufferin Street, Cookstown, Ontario LoL 1L0 PFAFF DEALER

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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

Planning for Next Year



Our guild year is half over. It's time to line up volunteers who will service on various committees and in executive positions for next year. Have a look in the left hand side of page 2 and you can see how many people it takes to keep this guild running in top form.

Linda Lewis and Christine Robinson form the basis of our nominating committee. One more person is required to serve on this committee.

Please see one of these ladies if you would like to help out.

If you are presently volunteering, we need to know if you are willing to continue with your job or if you wish to step down.

Please let Linda or Christine know what your plans are for next year.

At this point in time the vice president position is open. It would be wonderful if two of you would step up and do the job together.

Newsletter Editor Needed

I have been happily editing your newsletter for the past five years. I think it is time to have someone else bring new ideas and designs to this letter.

If you have questions about what's involved, please see me at a meeting or contact me at sulljudi@gmail.com



November 5, 2019

Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild Attn: Ms. Candice Kitchen PO Box 325 Orangeville, ON L9W 2Z7

Dear Ms. Kitchen,

On behalf of the staff here at Family Transition Place, and the women we serve, I wanted to thank you and the members of the Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild for generously donating several beautiful handmade quilts and pillow cases, and for the ongoing donation of notebooks. Your ongoing support and thoughtfulness make all the difference to the women and children who find refuge at our shelter and to the staff that serve them.

We receive a lot of feedback from women that have used our services and we are touched by their meaningful messages. See some of their "volces of courage" below. We thank you for being a part of their journey by supporting us in our work.

From past FTP clients:

"You have helped so much to help me believe in myself and to follow my dreams. I will never forget my time here of nurturing, sharing and caring. Bless you."

"Thank you for showing me that there is HOPE even when I was in the worst time of my life.

I could not have managed without you."

"I felt welcome from the first night I was there. You are all so understanding and have helped me, and have allowed me to feel that I need to put the past behind me. I am a stronger woman now."

We sincerely appreciate the consideration and generosity of donors like you.

Sincerely.

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Norah Kennedy Executive Director

Each year we endeavour to publicly thank our donors and supporters. If publicizing your name would create a problem please contact Kelly Lee at (519) 942-4122 att 243. In an effort to keep you in the know, we will fenivered by you future newslatters with information about our congress and ministeries writes you at it see us not to do so. Family Transition Phase does not set of a value our making lists.

Safety, Support. Hope. Building healthler communities – one relationship at a time.

20 Bredn Parkway, Orangeville, Ortatrio 19W 427 to 1519-492-4122 fax 519-492-8/43

www.familytranticoplace.ca. Christ j8M 17/37/35/8869001





IT'S TIME FOR SPRING RETREATS

Guild quilting retreats give you time to escape daily stresses, responsibilities and everyday interruptions. They allow you time to sew when and what you want. Enjoy the atmosphere of like-minded quilters and finish off all those UFOs or start on a new project.

Spring Weekend Retreat

Friday March 27 to Sunday March 29 at Stayner Retreat Centre. Double rooms with 2 or 3 piece bathrooms.

Double: \$215 Single: \$255 Includes all meals.

Sold out - add your name to the waiting list - often someone

drops out at the last minute

One Day Mini Retreat

Saturday April 18 at the Orangeville Seniors' Centre Sign up at the February meeting.

\$40 with supper \$20 for day only

9:30 - 8:00 9:30 - 4:30 Bring your own lunch

Block of the Month 2019 - 2020 Town & Country Mystery Quilt February 2020 – Apartment Building

A note from Sheila

Growing up in Saskatchewan, a mid-winter thaw meant coming inside and trying to rub some warmth and feeling back into fingers and toes. After more than 30 years in Ontario, the sight of green grass in the middle of February still amazes me.

But I digress. In Dufferin Piecemaker-land, many do not live in single family dwellings. Since we are an equal opportunity BOM committee, we present to you ...

The February Block of the month - apartment block!

Judy and Sheila (Pattern will be sent separately)



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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!



Retreat at the Farm

556071 Mulmur-Melancthon TLine, Mulmur, ON

Come & retreat to our 100 acre farm nestled in Mulmur Twp, close to the town of Shelburne.

Features:

- a large workroom with lovely natural light
- separate space for cutting & ironing
- livingroom & additional screened sunroom
- eat-in, fully fitted kitchen with table for 10
- 4 softly decorated bedrooms with oh so comfy beds!
- sleeps 10 (rooms accommodate 2-3 person each)

text, call or e-mail

519-942-6012 www.getawaytothefarm.com

e-mail: retreatatthefarm2018@gmail.com





January Show & Tell

Top: Linda Lewis & Darlene Cordingley with their giant pin cushions, a QBA project

Middle:
Dale McMillan's
"Our Ideal
Colours" a competition entry for
exhibit at Homer
Watson Gallery in
Waterloo.

Bottom: Penny Squirrell's Slab quilt





BULLETIN BOARD

Thank you to my Secret Sister for your bag full of lovely treats. My hands are softer, my stash has grown and my coffee will taste better from a quilt cup. Loved the hand written greeting in the yo-yo quilt card.

Leah Mitchell

SECRET SISTER...whomever you are.... thank you for the fabulous gift bag I received. I luv it all.

Deb Fawcett

To my Secret Sister,

Thank you very much for my Christmas gift of fabric You really spoiled me! Love it, look for show and tell.

Debi Arnold



Please accept our sincere thanks. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support throughout the year. Your donation has been used to continue

the programs and supports for homeless and at risk youth. Your generosity and support has made a huge difference in many young lives.

From all of us at CHOICES, thank you and Merry Christmas! Sincerely the residents and staff.



We have a volunteer TREASURER who will do the Quick

Book entries for us.

We still need an assistant treasurer. She will help collect money, do deposits etc. It takes two to make things easier! Please see one of our co-presidents to volunteer.

Things get solved if you get involved.!

NEW MEMBERS DAY

Saturday February 22 At Meridian Credit Union Community Room City Centre Orangeville

If you have joined the guild in the past couple of years, please join us for a day of sewing and socializing. Work on a project with member instructors. (looking for those who haven't attended before, of course) Contact Judi Sullivan: sulljudi@gmail.com or 519-941-1202 to register



Are you interested in designer and/or decorating fabric? Upholstery and/or drapery fabric samples? Please contact Margo Young: 519-415-5577 or e-mail margo77young@gmail.com



224 Centennial Rd (by the Dairy Queen)

February "SPRING PREVIEW" Feb 5th - 29th 50% off 3 Day Coupon Event Feb 13-15 Feb 20-22nd 3 DAY MEMBER'S 50% SALE

Be sure to sign up on-line or in-store to get all your offers and updates !!!! AND follow us on FACEBOOK !!!!!

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What's On - Upcoming Shows



Edmonton Alberta

June 18 - 20, 2020

https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2020/

OUILT FEVER 2020

Etobicoke Quilters Guild Mar 27 - 28 Fri 10-5; Sat 10-5

Nelson Park Creative Centre, 56 Nelson Drive, Etobicoke

Admission: \$10

https://www.etobicokequiltersguild.com/

PIECEMAKERS QUILT SHOW

Huron Perth Quilters Guild & Stonetown Quilters' Guild

Apr 23-25 Thu 10-5, Fri 10-7, Sat 10-4

The Pyramid Centre, 317 St. James St. St. Marys

Admission: \$8

https://www.huronperthquiltersguild.com/piecemakersquiltshow.htm

QUILTED EXPRESSIONS

Oakville Quilters Guild

May 1 – 3 Fri 10-4, Sat 10-4, Sun 11-4

International Union of Operating Engineers, 2245 Speers Rd, Oakville

Admission: \$8

https://www.oakvillequiltersguild.ca/show2020.html

QUILTS FROM THE VALLEY

Rouge Valley Quilters Guild

May 1 - 2

Forest Brook Community Church, 60 Kearney Dr, Ajax https://www.rvqg.com/p/quilt-show.html

STITCHES IN BLOOM

Chatham Kent Quilters Guild

May 8 – 9

St. Paul's Congregational Church, 450 Park Ave W, Chatham https://ckquiltguild.com/category/quilt-show/

MISSISSAUGA QUILTS

Mississauga Quilters Guild

May 8 - 9 Fri 10-6. Sat. 10-4

Burnhamthorpe Community Centre and Chic Murray Arena, 1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga

Admissions: \$8

http://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/quilt-show-20201.html



QBA - Quilting by Association

Workshops for members by members

QBA is a program within our guild with members teaching members, from patterns or workshops that they have learned and are passing on the knowledge. It is a special event that is held on the **first Saturday of the month from October to June** at the Meridian Credit Union in Orangeville. It's a fantastic way to get to know other members in a smaller setting and learn a new technique for the low **cost of \$5.00**.

Below is a sample of some of the classes to look forward to, but as you can see we need to fill a couple of dates.

If you have a suggestion of something you feel you'd like to teach to our wonderful ladies, please see Candice Kitchen or Anne Swift-Peters

Mar. 7 Kim Renshaw Curvey tablerunner - free form

sewing

Apr. 4 Leah Mitchell Cathedral Windows - quilt as

you go

May 2 TBA TBA
June 13 TBA TBA

Special Thoughts

If you know of someone who should be sent a card from the guild, contact secretary Anne Nicholson (anicholson1@sympatico.ca) or one of our co-presidents.

The Riverbend Artists of Grand Valley (RAGV)

produce a monthly Artz Info Network (AIN) calendar. You may access the calendar at http://www.riverbendartistsofgrandvalley.ca/cal.html to see the upcoming art events scheduled for the month in Orangeville and area.

ADVERTISING RATES

		Same ad Every Month		Ad Changes Required	
Type of Ad	Ad Size	Guild	Non-Guild	Guild	Non-Guild
Secret Sister		free	n/a	n/a	n/a
Classified	1"x3"	\$ 7.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00	\$10.00
Business Card	2"x3"	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$15.00
Quarter Page	5"x3"	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00
Half Page	7"x5"	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$35.00
Full Page	7"x10"	\$50.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$60.00

Prepay for the year and get a 10% discount!



Birthday Club

Celebrating this month: February

Louise Cornelius 27

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.

Birthday Club Members Submitted by: Leah Mitchell

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.

CONCERNED ABOUT THE WEATHER?

Check your e-mail for a notice around 5:00 PM.

An e-blast will be sent out to advise you if a meeting is cancelled. If it's not cancelled, use your discretion and make your own decision.

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, February 24, 2020 Orangeville Fair Grounds (aka OAS Event Centre)

Time: 6:45 p.m. Doors Open

Please wait until 6:45 to arrive. This will allow time for the committee volunteers to set up the room. The meeting starts promptly at 7:15 p.m. but there's lots to do and see before we begin.

Executive Meeting:

Thursday February 27 2020 7:00 pm.

Place: Orangeville Meridian Credit Union

Please call/email Co-president Oksana Slipenkyj if you wish to attend. oslipenkyj@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.

Every guild member is always welcome.

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
- Sewing machine and supplies

And a



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