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Message from our Co-presidents

CONGRATULATIONS!....our guild has held its first meeting using Zoom. Thanks so much to the 50 members who participated. It will get better and easier as we become more familiar with this technology.

For the October meeting, you can check into the meeting at 6:45 for time to chat with fellow members and then the meeting will begin at 7:15.

We haven't forgotten the Presidents' Challenge. Please send a photo of your project by email to Trish McKibbin. Her email address is trish.mckibbin@sympatico.ca. Trish will assemble these photos and send them onto us (no names attached) so we can make our Double Double challenge decision. Please send your photos to Trish before the November meeting (Monday, November 16/2020)

Also, there is still time to nominate a fellow guild member for a Duffie award. These will be presented at the December meeting. You can make up a category and then nominate a member. Some ideas from past Duffie awards went to the member who had the largest stash or member who owned the most gadgets! Use your imagination and think of a member who deserves to be recognized. We also have a member of the year award to be given. Let one of us know your suggestion.

Keep on reading as there is lots of information in your newslettermembership, program to name a couple.

Hoping you have a pleasant Thanksgiving in whatever way you chose to celebrate. Nature has provided us with a bounty of colour this year, hope you have had opportunity to enjoy it.



ZOOM START TIME: SOCIAL 6:45 MEETING 7:15 PM



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The Executive

Co-Presidents:	Fern Pugh, Oksana Slipenkyj
Vice-Presidents:	Julie MacFarlane and Heather Sheridan
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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 Squirrel, Fern Pugh (pillowcases)
Financial Reviewers:	Diana Cordingley, Maxine Barnes
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Librarians:	Liz Nash, Lorna Raney, June Moir, Linda Horner
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QBA	Vacant
Quilt Show:	TBD
Refreshments:	Diana Cordingley for socials only
Retreats:	Judi Sullivan, Yvonne Conway, Susan Pirie,
Show 'n Tell	Cathy Smith, Mindy Swack, Dale McMillan
Stitch 'n Share	Leah Mitchell
Web Coordinator:	Oksana Slipenkyj
Facebook:	Judy MacLeod

Please send newsletter submissions to:
dpqgnewsletter@gmail.com

OR

Judi Sullivan : sulljudi@gmail.com



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

The Guild library is closed and we are meeting by Zoom online.

Be sure to consider visiting your local library in Caledon, Orangeville, Grand Valley or Shelburne for quilting books and inspiration.



Tues to Fri 10 am to 4pm
Saturday 11 am to 3 pm

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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

October 19 - Helen Martin - Quilts & Their Stories

Helen Martin is doing a virtual presentation revealing the stories behind the quilts from her antique collection. Her presentation is prerecorded but she will be on hand to answer any questions.

Zoom link for the meeting will be e-mailed to you the day before.

November 14 - Sue Sherman

Sue Sherman, who was to be our scheduled speaker last March, is able to be with us virtually. Sue is a national and international award-winning quilt artist, presenter and teacher. She says she likes to explore the magical properties of fabric and thread to reflect some of her other lifelong passions especially travels and wildlife.

December 21 Virtual Show & Tell

What projects have you been working on since our last in person meetings? Send us up to 3 photos of your sewing quilts and projects that you have been working on during Covid, with a line or 2 about each one and we will put together a virtual show and tell for our December meeting.

Email all photos to llewis1@rogers.com We can't wait to see what you have all been up too!!

Your Program Committee: Linda Lewis, Sue Pirie, and ??? (volunteers needed)

What you missed last month:

Our speaker, **Noshi Galati**, was also doing her first Zoom presentation. She gave a fun and engaging show, marrying her two cultures, India & Canada, together with her unique quilt designs and hand quilting. Loved her story of going out to furnish her new home in Canada and the first thing she bought on her new credit card was a sewing machine before she had a table, chairs or a bed. Don't you just love a woman who has her priorities straight? (Leah Mitchell)

Bag Ladies Update

We're going to go to a two month format for the time being. **You'll have the first two weeks of the month to drop your bags off** to Judy, in her truck for contactless delivery. Call or text to let her know you're coming (519-216-7575) and her truck will be unlocked for you to place your bag inside. For those not familiar with it, the truck is a black Dodge Ram, parked in the corner of the building parking lot at 53 First Avenue, Orangeville. Parking spot # 30. It's easily seen as soon as you pull into the parking lot. We'll also look into a drop off/pick up spot in Shelburne for those further north.

The second two weeks of the month will be for you to pick up your new bag, and then Month 2 is your time to work on a block. We will repeat this two month cycle until it is safe to meet in person again or until 12 blocks have been made.

Judy MacLeod: jmacleod11@hotmail.com and Debi Arnold: sewistdeb@gmail.com

Reminder: Get your bag to Judy by October 15



JANET SLATER
LONG ARMER

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Three drop off points
Sue Pirie's house in Orangeville,
Barb Davis's house in Nobleton,
Dianne Hope's house in Tottenham
Call for directions

84696 Southgate
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COMMUNITY PROJECTS Report - October 2020

Karen Turcott delivered 4 quilts to Victims Services this past month. Not many of our regular places that we donate quilts to are accepting them right now. If anyone knows of people in need of a quilt? Please let Karen Turcott or Connie know.

Connie is getting organized to deliver placemats, so if you have any finished placemats, they can be dropped off at either; Karen Turcott, 3 Westdale Ave., Orangeville, [416-518-4204](tel:416-518-4204) OR Sue Pirie, 30 Bredin Pkwy., Orangeville, [519-942-8279](tel:519-942-8279) (beside Family Transition Place) or at Connie's. There is still a need for Placemats, one side Christmas and the other whatever. Connie has fabrics and batting. Contact her if you need some (number below).

Connie and Penny continue to quilt any tops that are dropped off at Connie's. And will stockpile them until things open up.

If you have been cleaning up or out your fabric stashes, they are accepting donations on Connie's front porch. Call or text Connie [519-939-8783](tel:519-939-8783) or Penny [519-217-2935](tel:519-217-2935) to let them know you are coming.



Top donated by Sue HVZ

Your CP committee: Karen Turcott, Karen Hunter, Connie Walterhouse, Trish McKibbin, Penny Squirrell, Val Ashbourne and Fern Pugh (coordinates pillow case donations)

MEMBERSHIP

The executive has proposed a **reduction in membership fees for this Covid year to \$25**, since we will not be gathering for a meeting, at least this fall.

As our co-presidents noted we still require money to pay our speakers, support community projects and other activities.

To pay your membership fee:

Please e-transfer your payment to dpqguild@outlook.com with a note giving your reason for the transfer, OR mail your cheque payable to: Dufferin Piecemakers at Box 325 Orangeville L9W 2Z6, OR place your cheque in Sue Pirie's mailbox at 30 Bredin Pkwy in Orangeville (next door to Family Transition Place), OR drop your payment off at Cobwebs and Caviar in Shelburne.

If there are changes to your information (address, e-mail, or phone number) please contact:

Christine Robinon: christine.robinson.7@icloud.com

Your receipt and membership card will be mailed to you.

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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



Zoom Hints

If you need instructions on how to use Zoom on a computer, watch the video here:
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting>

If you plan to use a tablet or smartphone, you'll need to download the app called "ZOOM Cloud Meetings" from the App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android).

Here are 5 tips for ZOOM participants!

1. Check and mute your phone or microphone upon entering the meeting (if it is not already done for you).
2. Keep your microphone muted unless actively speaking. Remember, side conversations are heard by all participants so keep all conversations appropriate.
3. If you are using video, make sure the camera is focused and centered on your face. Avoid upward angles so others aren't looking up your nose.
 - Make sure there is good lighting. Poorly adjusted cameras can be distracting and inhibit the non-verbal aspects of communication.
4. Speak clearly and slow your pace. Avoid talking over or interrupting another participant.
 - In ZOOM the name/phone number/video will be highlighted in a yellow box if they are actively speaking.
5. Look into the camera when talking, not at yourself.
 - Direct eye contact is still useful in a virtual setting. It shows all the participants that you are actively talking with them and not distracted. This will also give you a confident appearance.

Adapted from original post by: [Kelsey Irvine](#) Posted: [March 31, 2020](#) Category: [4-H & Youth](#), [Clubs & Volunteers](#)
<http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/nassauco/2020/03/31/how-to-be-a-good-zoom-participant/>

Used with permission from The Bluewater Quilters Guild newsletter

Oksana will be leading a practice Zoom meeting on Thursday October 17 @ 7:00 PM.
E-mail her for the link to join this "practice" session. oslipenkyj@rogers.com

2021 Secret Sister Birthday Club



Due to lack of interest (only 26 members participated in 2020) and Covid -19 the Birthday Club will be cancelled for 2021. However, if you wish to be remembered on your special day, Leah will continue the practice of posting your birthday on the back page. Please email or call Leah. (hileahandbob@gmail.com or 519 -928-3059) to give your permission to post your birth date.... no permission, no posting. Call now while you are thinking about it.

Note: you will find out who your Secret Sister was this year in January.

Article submitted to Farmview Magazine by Leah Mitchell

Most quilting guilds have adapted to the social restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic by staying in touch with each other through email streams, curbside and backyard visits. Guild meetings are held by Zoom as most quilt teachers with trunk shows have adjusted their workshops and lectures to virtual presentations. One anticipated event at a guild meeting is the Show & Tell event which has adapted to a virtual Show & Tell. Members are asked to send photos of their quilted projects for a PowerPoint slide show and as their work is shown each member can say a few words about their work. The Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild, like many other guilds, has a Community Outreach Program and has found ways to continue filling this Community need. Individual members sew quilt tops from their own stash of fabric or from the Guild's donated stash. We have a few members who own long arm quilting machines and so they volunteer to quilt the tops which are then passed on to members who do the binding..."many hands make light work". From time to time our Guild will receive donations of fabric, unfinished quilts and blocks. One recent donation included a set of 12 maple leaf appliqued blocks that were signed and dated 1993. A guild member assembled the blocks with sashing, cornerstones and a border. (Photo attached) Sept 16th was a beautiful, warm, sunny day and the Wednesday Afternoon Stitch & Share group met, for the first time since March, in a member's backyard, observing social distancing and wearing the masks that we made for ourselves. (photo page 7)



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BULLETIN BOARD



Special Thoughts

If you know of someone who should be sent a card from the guild, contact secretary Anne Nicholson
anicholson1@sympatico.ca

Our sympathies go to
 Janet Laing on the loss of her sister
 Sue Fletcher



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!

October Block of the Month

from
 Sheila
sklein@live.ca

And Judy
jmacleod11@hotmail.com



Questions? Send them a note.



224 Centennial Rd (by the Dairy Queen)

Face mask or covering required in store, please stay safe.

Cozy up to Fall sale Oct 2nd – 31st

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Quilting cottons as low as \$8/m , Flannelettes \$7/m

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What's On - Upcoming Shows



Quilt Canada 2021
June 16 - 29, 2021
International Centre
6900 Airport Rd. Toronto

<https://canadianquilter.com/registration/>

Join your fellow quilters at an amazing show with competitions, classes and a merchants' mall.
One day or 4 day passes will be available.

Check out the Canadian Quilters Association new website:
<https://canadianquilter.com/>

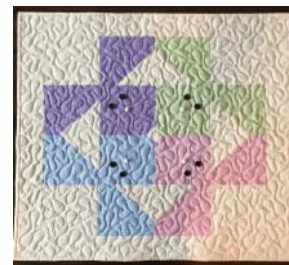
Join this Canadian quilting community. Magazine published 4 times a year, monthly newsletter, blogs, patterns (row by row quilt along on now), galleries, and challenges.

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 from and are passing on the knowledge.

We're working on a location and some dates. Stay tuned.



Needed: a couple of volunteers to organize this program.

This entails finding presenters, booking a location, collecting money for the workshop, and contacting those who signed up with the project requirements.

INTERNET FAVOURITES

Do you have a favourite quilting website, facebook page, blog or quilt along? Share your internet tips with members by sending them for publication in the newsletter to: dpqgnewsletter@gmail.com
Sharing this month is **Joyce Dennie**.

Quilt In A Day with Eleanor Burns Free Pattern "Stitch Pink Block Pattern". They are on Block Five but you are able to download the others. <https://www.quiltinaday.com/search/default.asp?search=Stitch+Pink++&button=Search>
Quilt in A Day TV <https://www.quiltinaday.com/tv/default.asp>

Crazy Quilter on A Bike Blog by Elaine Theriault <https://crazyquilteronabike.blogspot.com/>
Elaine has published many Quilt Patterns in various Quilting Magazines, writes articles for Quilt Social and has started to teach classes at The Hobby Horse and Brampton Sew N Serge through Zoom.

Afternoon Stitch & Share update:

Since mid March the S'n'S Ladies have been staying in touch with each other with a weekly email called "Wed Chat". We share our individual activities, our gardens, our pets and anything else that takes our fancy.

If you wish to join this email "Wed Chat" group please let me know. Meanwhile stay safe and keep well.

Leah Mitchell (Afternoon Stitch 'n' Share Committee)
hileahandbob@gmail.com



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

Type of Ad	Ad Size	Same ad Every Month		Ad Changes Required	
		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!

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Birthday Club

Celebrating this month: October

Oksana Slipenkyj 14

*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? Because of Covid, gifts should be delivered to the person's home address if possible or delivered in other interesting ways!
Contact Leah for information if needed

Birthday Club Members Submitted by: Leah Mitchell 519-928-3059

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.

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

Keep receiving the newsletter

If you change your e-mail address, be sure to let the newsletter editor know.

E-mail: dpqnewsletter@gmail.com

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.

Please deposit your donations in Sue Pirie's mailbox
30 Bredin Pkwy (beside Family Transition Place)

Meeting Information

General Meeting:

Date: Monday, October 19, 2020
Via Zoom

E-mail with link to follow.

Time: 7:15 PM Social at 6:45 PM

Please wait until you are admitted to the meeting room by Oksana.

Place: your choice

Executive Meeting:

Thursday Oct. 29 7:00 pm.

Place: Zoom

Please call/email Co-president Oksana Slipenkyj if you wish to join in: oslipenkyj@rogers.com

Stitch 'n Share

Leah Mitchell

[See page 7 for a Stitch and Share up-date](#)

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 Whenever We Meet Again Bring

- ♦ Name tags worn
- ♦ Your mask
- ♦ 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**

