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President's Message

Happy New Year to all our members and their families and wishing you all the best in 2025!

I spent most of my Christmas season celebrating with family and friends and spending some quality time in my sewing room for some stitching therapy. I hope you have the opportunity to do the same this New Year.

Have you set any goals for 2025? In the guild, we hope that you gain additional knowledge, and you create friendships with fellow members. Also, please consider volunteering in some way as we can all benefit from sharing our talents.

The following is a list of upcoming events/activities:

The January meeting will be a virtual tour of Quilters' Cupboard store in Uxbridge and will include shopping opportunities.

QBA for February 1st - Long Armers needs.

Show and tell - Please send pictures to Heather Sheridan at heathersheridan@rogers.com by January 19th and she will do a virtual show.

The February meeting will also be in the comfort of your home as it will be on ZOOM. Please log on at 6:45 pm to socialize with meeting participants and the meeting will start at 7:15 pm.

President's challenge - Make anything out of a jelly roll. It could be any quilted item, a jacket, a vest, or a rug as long it is made out of 2 ½ Inch fabric. You can cut your own or use a jelly roll. This is due at the June 16th, 2025, meeting.

I want to share a simple quilting tip - Be open to trying new techniques and equipment.

Warmest regards,
Louise Cornelius



LOUISE CORNELIUS

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The Executive

DPQG Executive 2024/25

Executive:

Past President – Heather Sheridan

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QBA – Fern Pugh, Judi Sullivan

30th Anniversary – Fabienne Good, Madeleine Rentsch + 3 more

Retreats – Tara Doyle, Judi Sullivan, Christine Robinson

Communications/Website/Facebook – Heather Sheridan, Kim Beckner

Show 'n Tell – Mindy Swick, Karen Turcott

Stitch 'n Share – Marion Cole

Want to contact a guild member?

Please contact Janice Jones

janicejones25@hotmail.com

Meeting Information

General Meeting:

Date: **Monday, January 20th, 2025**

Time: **6:45 pm**

Location: **Zoom Meeting**
Link will be sent out by email

Executive Meeting:

Thursday, January 23rd at 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting

An email will be sent to all Executives with the Zoom Link

All executive members and committee chairs please attend.

2025 Meeting dates:

Jan 20	Zoom	Feb 10*	Zoom	Mar 17	April 21
May 12*		June 16			

*date change due to holiday



*Dufferin Piecemakers
Quilting Guild*

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

Members' Corner:

Login: Use the e-mail address the guild has for you

Password: password10 (until you change it)

Guild Facebook Page—Did you take a look yet?

Dufferin Piecemakers has a Facebook page and here's the link to it:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61562908059084&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

We will post lots of pictures from Guild meetings, news about upcoming speakers and activities, 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 Kim Beckner kim.beckner@gmail.com or Heather Sheridan heathersheridan@rogers.com and one of them will put it on the Facebook page for you.

*** A reminder to all members to please LEAVE the old Facebook page and group which are no longer being moderated

There is also a page for members only. Members will be invited to join as their membership is paid. Be sure to accept the invite when it is sent. Here you can do your own posting of things you'd like to share with other members, great patterns or deals you've come across, and accomplishments you've achieved.

Program News

Our January and February meetings will take place virtually via Zoom.
The Zoom link will be sent out the day before the meeting.

January 20 Norine Graham-Robinson

<https://www.quilterscupboard.ca/>



Join Norine for a virtual tour of this fabulous full-service quilt shop in Uxbridge. See an impressive selection of fabrics, books, patterns, kits, wool applique' and samples to inspire you, including new arrivals. Learn about their services for quilters of all levels.

You may want to take advantage of a special online shopping incentive.

Check out their U-tube channel: www.youtube.com/@QuiltersCupboard

If you know someone who is interested in joining our Zoom meeting with Norine, our guest fee is \$10. Please e-transfer the fee to dpqguild@outlook.com with a message in the note field – January Zoom. In order to receive the Zoom link for the meeting, send your email address to the Zoom coordinator at guild@dufferinpiecemakers.org by Sunday January 19.

February 10 Vanessa Grenier - Quilts for Survivors



Vanessa Grenier, founder of Quilts for Survivors, is an experienced and dynamic speaker who brings passion, heart, and a wealth of knowledge to every presentation. With years of experience working in the quilting community and supporting survivors of Residential Schools and other trauma through the power of quilts. Vanessa connects with her audience on a deeply personal level.

<https://www.quiltsforsurvivors.ca/>

QBA - Quilting by Association **Workshops by members for members**

Our next **Zoom Sew Along** is **Saturday February 1** at 10:00 AM until noon.

Join Janice Payne as she provides us with tips for preparing your quilt top for long arming.

Zoom links are sent the day before the workshop, along with project instructions.

Log on and join us if you can. These workshops are open to all guild members.

Convenors - Fern Pugh: elizabethfern15@gmail.com and Judi Sullivan: sulljudi@gmail.com



Winter Weekend Retreat

Friday March 7 to Sunday March 9 2025

9:30 Friday to 2:00 PM Sunday

Stayner Retreat Centre, Stayner Ontario

Join the group for fun and laughs and a chance to sew all weekend.

Meals and accommodation included.

\$350 double - \$410 single (Sadly the prices have increased)

OR Come for just for the day - Friday or Saturday \$85 – includes lunch and supper.

Register by emailing Christine Robinson christine.robinson.7@icloud.com

Or Judi Sullivan sulljudi@gmail.com

Payment by e-transfer to: dpqguild@outlook.com Or cheque payable to Dufferin Piecemakers Box 325 Orangeville L9W 2Z6



One Day Mini Retreat

Save the date: Saturday April 12 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Orangeville Seniors Centre, 26 Bythia St. Orangeville

30th Anniversary Quilt Project

On February 22nd, Sandy Lindal (the designer of the Heartfelt Quilt) will join us to give us tips and advice on how to piece our quilt. We will meet from 9:30am - 4:00pm at Montgomery Village. Please bring your sewing machines, rulers & cutters - this will be a hands-on event!

Regards,
Fabienne & Madeleine
30th Anniversary Quilt Project

Community Out Reach

Starting this month, on January 20, we will be having Sewing afternoons again!

On the Mondays of the monthly meetings from 1-5pm, at Chartwell Montgomery Village Retirement Residence, 155 Riddell Rd., Orangeville.

If you're interested in joining us, or picking up kits, please contact Karen Hunter 416-786-2081 (cell) 905-584-8732 (home), or karenhdesigns@yahoo.com

This quilt top was donated to our guild by Leah Mitchell's friend and neighbour Pam in Waterloo. Louise quilted it and Karen Turcott put the binding on.



ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED THROUGH COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild has been an active participant in the Dufferin County area and beyond for over 30 years—this most of us know. Are you aware that our wide-ranging commitments ensure that people of all ages and stages of life are included in our outreach program? We assist and support a variety of organizations whose goal is the well-being of all our communities.

The charitable organizations that receive our support will be highlighted in this and future newsletters so that Guild members can get to know them, or be reminded about our relationships.

Dufferin County Community Support Services – Meals on Wheels

Hot and frozen meals are delivered to homes of seniors and disabled adults, which ensures their nutritional need are being met. This regular social contact also can help identify potential crisis situations.

DPQG - Each fall the Guild receives a request for placemats which will be delivered to clients. In November. We donated 100 through the Shelburne and Grand Valley offices. These placemats, which are approximately 13"x18", have everyday fabric on one side and Christmas fabric on the reverse. Even though the request for them comes in the fall, many members enjoy making them throughout the year. Note: Caledon Fair, held in June, is including this type of placemat in its Home-craft section this year, with entries to be donated to Meals on Wheels. Why not support the Fair in this category? Win-win.

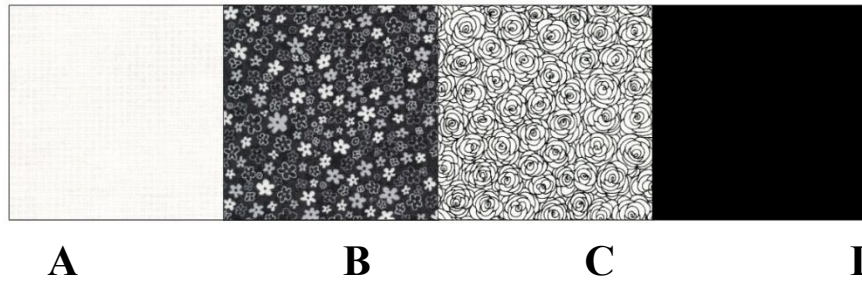
Cedar Heights Residential Living

Cedar Heights specializes in the treatment of young individuals ages 12-18, living with brain-based disabilities including FAS (Fetal Alcohol Syndrome) and ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder). They operate two residences in Dufferin County. Each one supports six to nine teens, providing education, life and social skill training, and recreation.

Individual residents have their own bedrooms and their own quilts supplied by DPQG. We recently donated six twin bed size quilts, along with stocking stuffers collected at the November meeting.

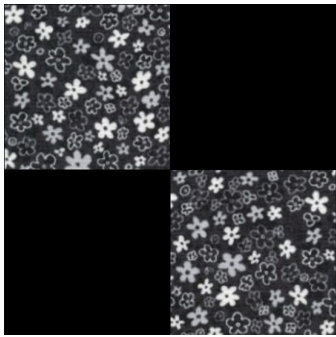
Creative Projects

Crossing Squares (5)



Unit 4

Using your **B** and **D** strips, you will be making Four Patch blocks as you did in **Unit 3**. You will be making 7 strip sets. Press toward **D**. Cut apart every $2\frac{1}{4}$ " (need 120) to make 60 Four Patch blocks.



Set aside 20 of these blocks and put in a baggie labelled **Unit 6**.

Return the rest to the **Unit 5** baggie.

Vice President's challenge

The first (of many) Guild challenges - LOGO twist

Finished block to be 8" - Due at our in person meeting in March.

Our DPQG logo the Briar Rose in yellow on a field of turquoise blue replaced our original logo in 1997-98 and was designed by Kym Ranger. There are no thoughts to replace this logo but I want to see what our members can design in their own interpretation of our logo. Using ONLY the colours of the logo, design and sew your take, it can be thread painting, abstract, paper piecing, felted, crumb or scrap, it doesn't even need to look anything like the logo. The colours need to be from the logo - yellow, brown, turquoise, gold, and teal (or green if that's what you see in the logo) but otherwise the design is yours. You have until the December meeting to finish your block and bring it in. This should be a quick sew to get you into quilting mode for the winter and a fun way to try a new technique or try your hand at designing.

You may do more than one block, the more the merrier ! Blocks received will be used in a quilt.

I can't wait to see what you all come up with!

Barb Redford



Pillowcase Project

If you wish to have pillowcase kits, please contact Fern Pugh at 519-941-8515 or email elizabethfern15@gmail.com. Fern also accepts pillowcases made from your fabric collection

Membership News

Welcome to new member : **Joanne Proulx**



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Stitch 'n Share

Please join our friendly group of members the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

Bring your own drink and some hand work to keep you occupied or just enjoy visiting. All members are welcome. A wonderful way to meet others who share your love of quilting.

We gather in the meeting room of the Orangeville Library – Mill Street branch on the corner of Broadway and Mill Street. The entrance is on Mill Street ... Meeting room is on the lower level, but there is an elevator.

Upcoming dates: January 15, February 5 and 19



Need to contact us?

Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild P.O. Box 325, Orangeville, ON, L9W 2Z7

Please send newsletter submissions as **Word Doc** and **jpegs** or change of email addresses to Janice Payne at: dpqgnewsletter@gmail.com

Newsletter submission deadlines: **February 1st 2025**

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 bring **JOURNALS** to Next Meeting
or
Deposit in Sue Pirie's mailbox
30 Bredin Pkwy (beside Family Transition Place)



BULLETIN BOARD



Birthdays

Happy belated birthday...

Yvonne Conway Dec 26
Debbie Fawcett Dec 26

Judi Sullivan Jan 1
Nancy Palmer-Neely Jan 11
Kathy Smith Jan 14
Leah Mitchel Jan 28
Janice Payne Jan 29



If you know someone who should receive a card, please contact Christine Robinson at christine.robinson.7@icloud.com



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Join us

Wednesdays 6.30 pm

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AND

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AND
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Until Jan 25 2024 Grand National DELIGHTS A touring exhibition of 37 fibre art pieces each exploring a delightful image or activity. Woodstock Art Gallery, 449 Dundas St, Woodstock
www.grandnationalfibreartexhibition.com/delights2024

March 28-29, "Quilt Fever" Etobicoke Quilters Guild https://etobicokequiltersguild.com/quilt_show/

April 26-7 "Quilted Treasures" Region of York Quilters Guild Community Centre Newmarket <https://www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca>

May 2-3 PIECES OF MAGIC" Quilt Show 2025, Oxford Quilters Guild's " Embro Zorra Community Centre located at 355644 35th line, Embro <http://www.oxfordquiltersguild.com/>

CQA Canadian Quilters Association

<https://canadianquilter.com/about-cqa/>

CQA was formed in Toronto in 1981. It has become a country wide organization. The CQA/ACC mission is to promote and celebrate quilting and Canadian quilters by preserving the traditions of those who have come before us while looking to new and creative ways to enhance quilting for the present and future. The creativity of quilting in Canada continues to evolve as new techniques combine with the traditional. CQA/ACC is dedicated to preserving the traditions of quilting, supporting current trends in quilt making and providing a forum for Canadian quilters of all ages and levels to share and learn about the Canadian quilting scene.

Membership is required to access all the association has to offer. (See link above)

CQA is active on [Facebook](#), [Pinterest](#) and [Instagram](#) and encourages you to follow along and join in the fun. We invite you to share the projects you're working on and share tips and advice with other quilters in our community. This is a great way to develop your sewing skills, while connecting with other makers who share a passion for quilting!

Save the date for Quilt Canada – a huge quilt conference with displays, speakers and workshops at the International Centre in Mississauga **June 19 to 21**, 2025.



Get to know one of the workshop teachers at [Quilt Canada 2025](#) and learn how to use colour and value to create dazzling illusions of depth and dimension with pieced shapes.

The January 15 webinar features Ruth Ann Berry of [Quilters Clinic](#).

Members \$10, Non-members \$15 <https://canadianquilter.com/webinars/>