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President's Message

I hope you are enjoying the longer days, and have been out to a few Quilt shows.

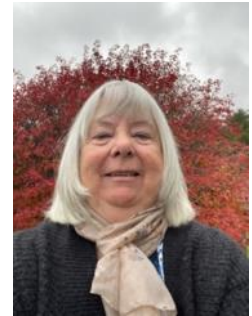
During the month of May, we will have a quilt displayed in the Grand Valley, Shelburne and Orangeville libraries to acknowledge our 30th anniversary.

May 12th is our Annual General Meeting for all Guild members. The brief AGM starts at 7:15 sharp. I encourage everyone to attend, as a quorum is needed to accept the constitution revisions. Following the AGM, our May speaker is Candice Kitchen, a Guild past president, who will share her Journey in Quilting.

If you wish, bring something you no longer want or need for the Give and Take" table, and pick up anything you like. Stop by the Community Outreach table to return a project or pick up a kit.

President's Challenge- Make anything out of a jelly roll. It could be any quilted item--a jacket, vest, or a rug, as long as it's made from 2 ½ inch wide fabric. You can cut your own or use pre-cut. I'm excited to see your finished projects at the June 16, 2025 meeting!

Warmest regards,
Louise Cornelius



LOUISE CORNELIUS

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The Executive

DPQG Executive 2024/25

Executive:

Past President – Heather Sheridan

President – Louise Cornelius

Vice President – Barbara Redford

Secretary – Christine Robinson

Treasurer – Tara Doyle

Program – Yvonne Guse Rahn, Cheryl Staeger

Membership – Janice Jones, Pat Forrest

Newsletter – Janice Payne, Judi Sullivan

Committees:

Creative Projects – Sue Pirie

Community Outreach – Karen Hunter, Elspeth King, Sharon Courage, Nancy Palmer-Neely

Financial Reviewers – Marilyn Copeland, Kim Beckner

Historian – Judi Sullivan

Lucky Draw – Helen Currie, Sharon Courage,

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, May 12th, 2025 IN PERSON**
Time: **6:45 pm**
Location: **Orangeville Senior's Centre**
26 Bythia St, Orangeville

Executive Meeting:

Thursday, May 24th 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:

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

May 12 - (Note the date change due to the May long weekend)



Candice Kitchen “Here’s what I Like to do”



Our past president Candice will share her quilting/sewing journey. She loves quilting and has shared her passion with kids and adults alike. *Candice has a variety of business experiences and currently operates her own online business, I Can Sew Make That, selling bags and accessories. You can find her on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/icansewmakehat/>*

She’s having a great time at retreat in this photo.

Please note that a brief **Annual General Meeting** will take place before our speaker. Come out to support the updating of our constitution.

June 16 - Celebrating 30 Years

Join us for an evening of celebration as the Guild ends its 30th year!



Recognition of our past presidents
Members’ appreciation and awards
Reveal of President’s Challenge projects
Socializing with present and former members
Yummy potluck finger foods, plus a special anniversary cake

Retreats

Fall Weekend Retreat – Save the date Sep 26 to 28

Registration will take place at the June meeting

Stayner Retreat Centre, Stayner Ontario

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

Fall day Retreat – Save the date Saturday October 25

Registration will take place at the September meeting.

Orangeville Seniors Centre on Bythia street.



Let’s have a Quilt Show!



Show your interest by volunteering to serve on a steering committee.

Lots of decisions need to be made to make one happen. Sign up at the May meeting.

Quilt display at the International Plowing Match in 2023.

Plan to visit shows put on by other guilds for ideas. See the list of shows at the end of the newsletter.

Community Outreach

This past month many things were delivered. 39 breast cancer pillow kits went to the Orangeville hospital, 7 quilts went to Family Transition Place, 27 quilts went to Early ON (Ontario) Years in Grand Valley, Shelburne and Orangeville, and 6 lap quilts and 5 single bed size quilts went to Bethell Hospice.

We are in need of more single bed size quilts.

Our next sewing afternoon will be Monday May 26, 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.

Community Outreach committee: Karen Hunter, Elspeth King, Sharon Courage, Nancy Palmer-Neely, Jill Cameron

MASTECTOMY PILLOWS FOR HEADWATERS – A revision to the April newsletter:

Members are welcome to participate in this program by making **pillowcases** for the special pillows. Drop them off on Community Outreach table at Guild meetings. Please follow the instructions below.

Pattern for Pillowcase: (Finished size: 10" x 13")

Fabric: 100% cotton print washed and dried with **unscented product**. Fat quarters work.

Ribbon: ¼" pink satin ribbon cut 26" long for each pillowcase.


Step 1: Cut fabric 20" x 16". Fold 3" down on the 20" length of the fabric WST and press. Open and overcast/serge or turn under each 3" side. This is the top of the pillowcase.

Step 2: Make Ribbon Casing: Fold over a ¼" on the top 20" side. Press.

Fold down to the 3" fold mark wrong sides together (WST). This mark is shown in the photo by the RED arrow. Top stitch in place.

Step 3: Fold the fabric in half, RST, and overcast/serge or sew the bottom and sides together. Trim corners slightly on an angle.

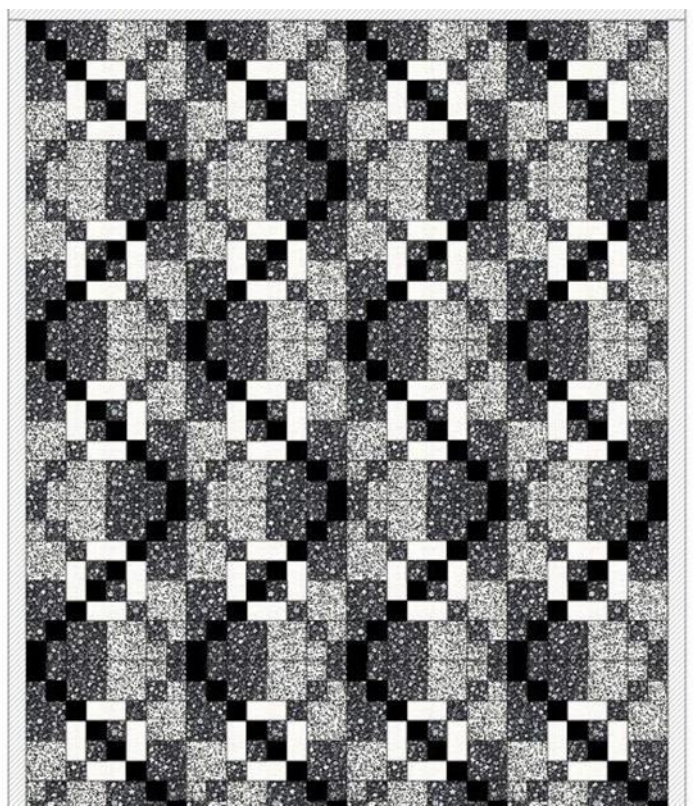
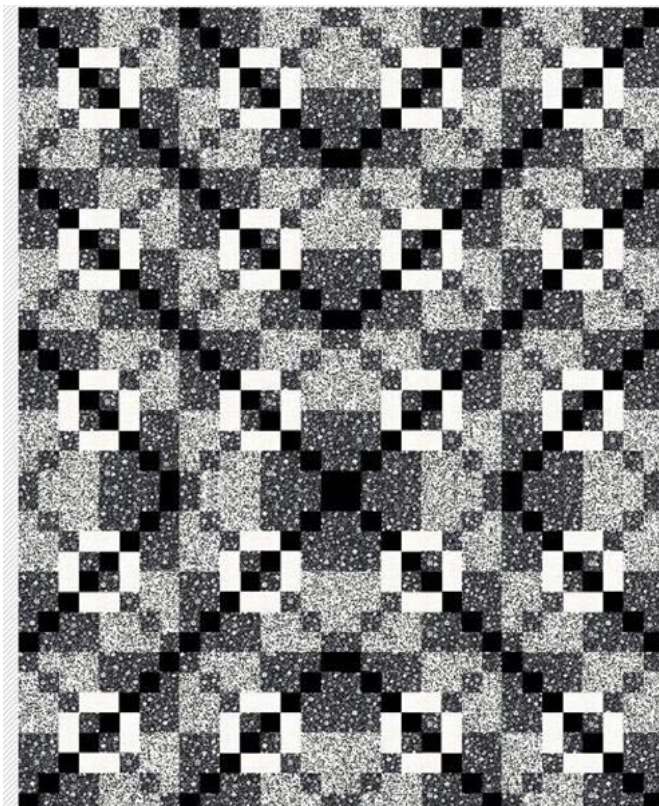
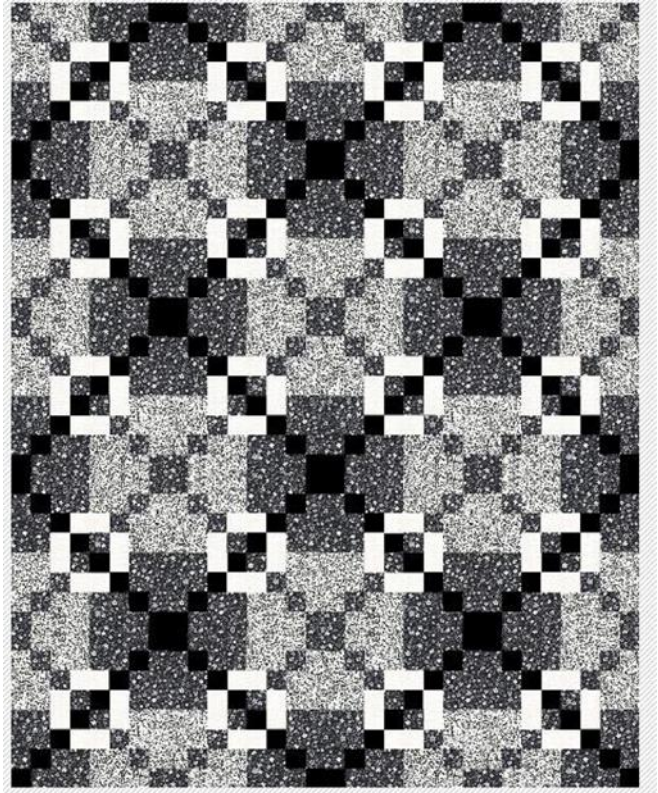
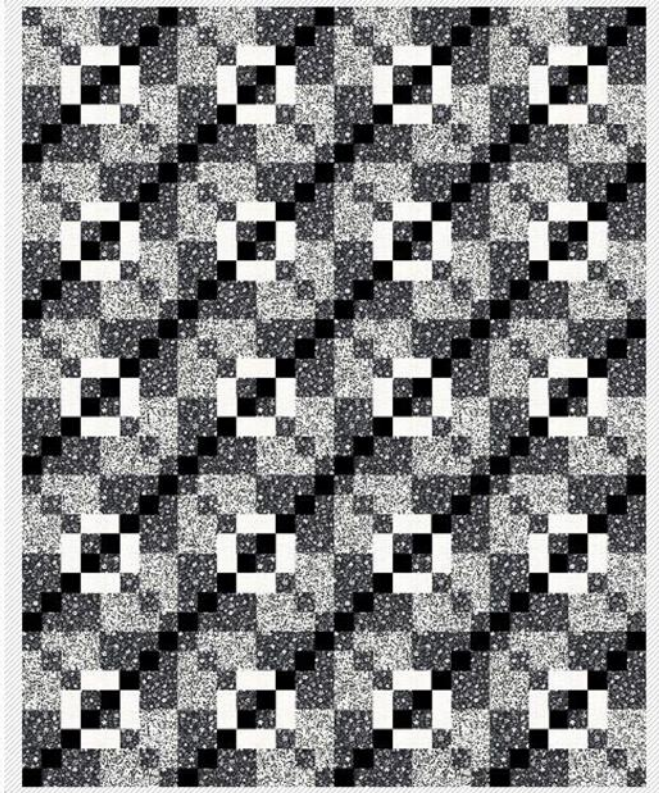
Step 4: Turn right side out. Thread the ribbon through the casing and tie a knot in the ribbon.



Creative Projects Mystery Quilt

Crossing Squares (9)

You will now arrange your blocks in 5 rows of 4 blocks. There are several different arrangements you might wish to try. Here are 4. Press rows 1, 3 and 5 to the left and rows 2 and 4 to the right



DPQG NOMINATION SLATE for 2025/26

Members will be asked to vote to accept the slate of candidates for 2025/26 at the AGM on May 12. If anyone wishes to put her name forward for an Executive position, she should contact the Nominations Committee as soon as possible.

Executive

Past President – Louise Cornelius

President – Barb Redford

Vice President – Janice Jones

Treasurer – To be confirmed

Secretary – Christine Robinson

Membership – Pat Forrest, Diane Griffith, Val Lamothe

Program – Yvonne Guse Rahn, Candice Kitchen, Val Lamothe

Newsletter – Janice Payne, Judi Sullivan

The following members have volunteered to serve in these Guild positions or on Committees. No vote from members is required.

Community Outreach – Karen Hunter, Elspeth King, Nancy Palmer-Neely, Jill Cameron, Sharon Courage
Sue Pirie (Journals for FTP), Fern Pugh (Comfy Cases)

QBA – Judi Sullivan, Fern Pugh

Creative Projects – Anita Rowland, Gail Brown

50/50 Draw – Lois Metz, Janice Payne, Jennifer Reid, Helen Currie

Retreats – (Day) Christine Robinson, Judi Sullivan

(Weekend) Heather Sheridan, Michelle McGee, Lynne Norman

Communication – Judi Sullivan

Social Media: Facebook – Heather Sheridan, Kim Beckner. *Webpage* – Barb Redford

Show 'n Tell – Karen Turcott, Debby Panke, Cathy Voight

Stitch 'n Share – Marion Cole, Sue Pirie

Social Secretary – Lorna Raney

Potlucks – Sue Pirie, Judi Sullivan, Barb Schroder

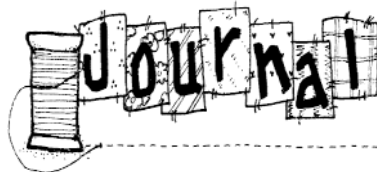
Financial Reviewers – Kim Beckner, Marilyn Copeland

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

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

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

84 members to date!!!

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: May 7, May 21

Questions? Contact Marion Cole: marionbcole@rogers.com



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QUILT SHOP, EVEN FOR JUST A MINUTE, IT'S
ALWAYS 3 HOURS LATER WHEN WE COME OUT.



MUST BE SOME BIZARRE BLIP
IN THE SPACE-TIME CONTINUUM.

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Let's Support Our 2025 Caledon and Dufferin County Fairs

Dates

Caledon – June 13-15 - "Seed to Table"

Orangeville – Aug. 29-31 (Labour Day weekend) – "Pinwheels and Pinecones"

Shelburne – Sept. 12-14 – "Barns, Boots and Bales"

Grand Valley – Sept. 19-21 – "Pumpkins and Pulls"



Sponsorship: Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild Fall Fair Special

Creative use of a panel made into a finished quilted item. May be hand or machine quilted by the entrant or another quilter named on the entry tag.

Prizes: \$10 \$8 \$6

For Caledon Fair only:

This placemat challenge is the special category that fair organizers created for our Guild. We hope many of you will support this generous offer. See caledonfair.ca for entry information. If you want to enter placemats or a panel project, and are unable to drop off or pick up your entry, the Guild could help. Contact Barb Redford.

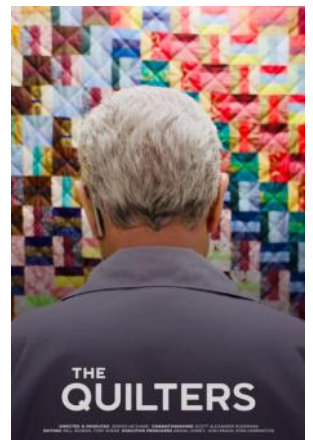
"Retained Special- Placemat challenge- 2 quilted (hand or machine) place mats, (13"x 18") one side with Christmas fabric or theme and the other side exhibitor's choice. Should be quilted lightly and may be bound or turned. These will all be donated to Dufferin Piecemakers for their Meals on Wheels placemat Community Outreach program.

Prize: 1st \$10, 2nd: \$8, 3rd \$6."

Check out "The Quilters" on Netflix May 16th

<https://www.netflix.com/us/title/82006530?s=i&trkid=258593161&vlang=en>

Follow the daily lives of several quilters inside the sewing room at South Central Correctional Center, a Level 5 maximum-security prison in a small town two hours south of St. Louis, MO. From design to completion, the men reveal their struggles, triumphs, and sense of pride in creating something beautiful in this windowless, sacred space deep within the prison walls.



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Birthdays

May Birthdays:

8 - Joanne Proulx
 8 - Mindy Swick
 11 - Alison Harrington McCabe
 16 - Helen Currie
 17 - Karen Turcott
 20 - Judi Jamieson
 23 - Tracy Oldford
 29 - Diane Woodward



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



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Quilt Shows

May 15-19, WEFTFest Festival TriSisters Art House St George Banquet Hall, 665 King St N, Waterloo, ON <https://weftfest.ca/>

May 30-31 "Stiches in Our Time" Halton Quilters Guild Sheridan Conference Centre, Oakville <http://www.haltonquiltersguild.com>.

May 30-May 31 10am-6pm/4pm Quilted Treasures Quilt Show 2025 Lindsay Creative Quilters Guild, Lindsay Curling Club, 18 Peel Street, Lindsay, Ontario. \$10 Admission

June 1 Y Knot Quilt Show and Sale, Falstaff Family Centre, 35 Waterloo St., Stratford, On. All proceeds will go to support the Stratford family "Y" and the Stratford Perth Hospice. More info www.yknotquiltshowandsale.com

June 7-8, "Stitching Among Friends" Quilting Corners Guild. Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert Street West, Alliston, Ontario. Admission Adults \$10 Children 12 or younger \$5 www.aqcguild.edublogs.org.

July 16-19 Wool Applique Show and Share Creekbank Sewing Centre 031385 Grey Rd 14 Conn, ON

Registration for entrants April 1 to May 16. Everyone welcome to enter their items. Door Prizes, demos, lectures, workshops and food.

Quilt Canada – a huge quilt conference with displays, speakers and workshops at the International Centre in Mississauga **June 19 to 21**, 2025.
The Guild will be organizing carpools to CQA closer to the event.

Support the **Quilts for Survivors Binding Challenge** at Quilt Canada.
They will be collecting binding at their booth at the show.
Binding should be 2 ½ inches wide labelled with the length on the package.
Their goal is to collect over a billion inches of binding!



What to See at Quilt Canada

National Juried Show (NJS)

See the most talented Canadians designers offering quilts and fibre arts in a variety of categories. You can wander the NJS by yourself or take a tour for \$25.00. A tour lasts approx. 45 minutes.

TrendTex Challenge

See the different quilts made using the 5 fabrics donated by TrendTex. The theme is Blooming and each entry must include the 5 fabrics in the kit..

Stargazing—a Youth Challenge

Complete a quilt based on the theme "Stargazing" using any style of quilting - art, traditional, and/or modern. using all or part of a fat eighth of challenge fabric.

Guild Rosette Invitational

Quilts that were awarded a Canadian Quilters Association Rosette at their local show are on display..

Merchants' Mall

Over 60 vendors will be selling a variety of quilting supplies.

Lectures, Workshops

A variety of workshops and lectures are offered throughout the event

Check out the Quilt Canada website for up to date information.

<https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2025/>

CQA is active on [Facebook](#), [Pinterest](#) and [Instagram](#) and encourages you to follow along and join in the fun.