

The Piecemaker's Star



Dufferin Piecemakers' Quilting Guild

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President's Message

I hope you're enjoying a wonderful summer and taking time to relax and recharge. While you do, your Executive and committees have been hard at work behind the scenes preparing for another exciting Guild year.

We have an incredible lineup of events, activities, and opportunities planned for the months ahead. With so much to look forward to, the start of the season can feel like a whirlwind—but our hope is that every member discovers something that inspires them, whether it's trying something new, connecting with fellow members, or becoming more involved in our Guild community.

September is always an exciting (and busy!) time as the Guild officially kicks off, so be sure to keep an eye on our calendar, website, and Facebook page for sneak peeks, announcements, and all the details you'll need to plan your Guild year. You won't want to miss what's coming!

We're also delighted to announce that this fall will bring an exciting new partnership initiative. Our Executive and the initial steering group have been working together to develop this opportunity, and we're looking forward to welcoming members as we launch this new venture. Building meaningful relationships with our community partners is one of the Guild's guiding principles, and creating fresh, engaging ways to connect with our community helps keep our Guild vibrant, collaborative, and forward-looking.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back this September for another memorable year of friendship, learning, service, and fun. Here's to an exciting year ahead!

Barb



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MEETING INFORMATION

September 21, 2026
7:00 pm Meeting
Orangeville Seniors Centre

Executive Meeting
August 26, 2026

2026/2027 Meeting Dates

Sept 21
Oct 19
Nov 16
Dec 21 Social
Jan 16 Zoom
Feb 15 Zoom
March 15
Apr 19
May 17
June 21 Social

Program

2026-2027 Meeting Program

September 21	Sarah Yetman of Spooled Rotten Quilts- award winning long armer from Brantford
October 19	Quilt show wrap up and short speaker TBA
November 16	Interview and trunk show Pat Forrest
December 21	Social
January 18 2027	via Zoom Gloria Loughman -Australian quilter https://www.glorialoughman.com/
February 15	via Zoom Dawn Boyd - Sisters Oregon Quilt Show https://www.sogs.org/
March 15	Hands on / Workshop
April 19	Catherine Petch Bluewater Quilters' Guild
May 17	AGM and Quilters "Therapy" Sale/Auction
June 21	Social

Anita Rowland, Fabienne Good
Your Program Committee

Workshops are still being figured out!

Things to remember for the September meeting:

Bring you Presidents/ Northcott Challenge items in, have name on back

Sign up for Fall Retreat

Sign up for Quilt Show jobs and bring any final items in

Things to bring to every meeting:

1. FTP Journals
2. Pillowcases / Community projects you have completed
3. Name Tag
4. Money for Lucky Draw
5. Show & Share (we LOVE seeing your projects!!!)
6. Tasty Beverage
7. Awesome smile

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.

Starting in September we are now gathering in the gallery at The Centre 375 Hansen Blvd in Orangeville. Questions? Contact Marion Cole at marionbcole@rogers.com

Pillowcase Project

If you wish to have pillowcase kits, please contact Fern Pugh at

519-941-8515 or email

elizabethfern15@gmail.com. Or pick up a kit or two at every meeting. Fern also accepts pillowcases made from your fabric collection.

Need to contact us?

Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild

P.O. Box 325, Orangeville, ON

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Please send newsletter submissions as well as email address changes to Janice Payne at dpqnewsletter@gmail.com

Want to contact a Guild member?

Please contact Pat Forrest at

patsyf43@yahoo.com



Our commitment to Family Transition Place is 200 journals for the year. Please help by donating them. The journals need to be about 6"x8", lined pages, bound by either coil or glue. Bring the journals to the next meeting or deposit in Sue Pirie's mailbox 30 Bredin Parkway (beside Family Transition Place).

MEMBERSHIP

We have a great year planned for the Guild. We encourage you to renew your membership on or before the September Guild meeting. Bring your cash or cheque with you to the meeting if you haven't already renewed. Or simply send an e-transfer to dpqguild@outlook.com (be sure to put your name in the message box).

If you have any questions, please contact Diane at diane.griffith0264@gmail.com.





Dufferin Piecemakers
Quilting Guild

The address for the website is:
www.dufferinpiecemakers.ca

Have you checked out the new
Facebook page?

We will be posting lots of pictures
from Guild meetings, news about
upcoming speakers and activities. If
you have news to share with the
Guild, send an email to
Candice Kitchen at
candicekitchen@yahoo.ca

There is also a page for members
only. Members will be invited as
their membership is paid. Be sure to
accept the invite when it is sent.
Here you can post your own things
you'd like to share with other mem-
bers, great patterns, deals you've
come across, and any accomplish-
ments.

Northcott- President's Challenge



Don't have a package of fabric yet? Let
Barb know, barborangeville@gmail.com

The Challenge

- To coincide with the Quilt Show -
Quilts at the Park
- Due at the September meeting
- Theme - Falling Leaves
- Size - No larger than 20" x 20"

The Rules

1. You must use all 3 fabrics from the
Northcott package in the project, but
there is no size requirement for each
fabric, all 3 fabrics must be on the
FRONT of the project
2. Think outside the box, be artistic and
wild, go 3D, edges do not need to be
square.
3. Your project can be anything, a small rug,
a bag, a wall hanging; but it must be
finished ! (and no larger than 20inx20in)
4. You can use any other fabrics to finish
your item.
5. Embellishments are encouraged! Add
buttons, ribbons, embroidery, paint,
needle felting etc
6. The items will be hung on a "clothesline"
type display using clips. A hanging sleeve
is not required unless it will help your
project hang better.

Presidents Note

I'd love to see art pieces rather than
traditional quilt blocks, but blocks are
welcome! Explore the theme, interpretation
is up to you. Some of my inspirational artists
are Lorraine Roy, Alyson Vega, and saga.com
(Studio Art Quilt Associates)

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL FAIRS



Check each fair's 2026 book for inspiration, information and entry forms. Note that some categories for quilting have specific size ranges. We have Guild members actively facilitating the home-craft sections of their local fairs. Let's support them!

Dates and Themes for Dufferin Fall Fairs

Orangeville – September 4-6 – “Cows & Cornstalks”

Shelburne – September 18 -20 – “Harvest, Honey & Home

Grand Valley - September 25-27 – “Apples & Scarecrows

Congratulations to Barb Redford for winning the Judge's Choice rosette at the Caledon Fair for this gorgeous Canadian wilderness quilt, long armed by Janice Payne.

The quilt convenor was grateful for the Guild's continued support.



2026 UFO Challenge

This month's project is a Wildcard project... choose something not on your list that needs finishing...

Lucky Draw begins again in September

Tickets

\$2.00 for one chance

\$5.00 for three chances

QUILTS at the PARK - October 16 & 17/26

QUILT SHOW UPDATES

Promoting “Quilts at the Park” – What Guild members said they are doing so far...

- Talking about the show with friends and family, sharing a postcard
- Mailing a postcard with a personal note to an out-of-town friend
- Treating someone with a raffle ticket
- Posting a card or poster on bulletin boards in an apartment building or local business
- Dropping off postcards to quilt shops as they “shop hop” their way through southern Ontario

Thank you to all of you who picked up postcards and posters at the June social, and to those who suggested places to distribute them.

Our first Guild meeting isn't until September 21. If you would like postcards or posters to distribute in August/September, contact Janice Jones, and she will get them to you. Electronic copies of the poster and the postcard are also available from her if you wish to send them to your contacts. janicejones25@hotmail.com

Volunteers needed for our quilt show

Our upcoming quilt show is just around the corner and we need you to help make it a wonderful event.

Volunteers are the heart of a successful show, and there are many ways you can lend a hand. Whether you're available to help with setup, assist in the admissions area, sell raffle tickets, serve refreshments, or help with take-down. **Every contribution makes a difference.** Many of these positions you are able to be seated the entire volunteer time such as the lobby admissions, mini draw area, selling raffle tickets.

If you have a friend, neighbour, high school grand child needing volunteer hours please consider asking them to help us out.

Donating a couple of hours of your time will get you free admission to our show.

If you're able to volunteer, please sign up at the September meeting or contact the Quilt Show Committee or the Volunteer co-ordinator Val Lamothe at Val.lamothe@gmail.com

Mini Draw

We have 35 items for the Mini Draw, which is good.

We could use some more items like “mug rugs” and sets of 4 coasters.

Karen Hunter
905-584-8732

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Vendors for Quilt at the Park Quilt Show 2026

Stache Fabrics and Notions in London is a fun, unique and modern online fabric and notion shop specializing in high quality, 100% cotton fabric for quilting, fashion, and crafts.

Country Concessions in Cookstown is a Quilt Shop that offers in-store and online shopping to take care of all your quilting and sewing supplies needs.

Creebank Sewing Centre in Conn near Mr Forest offers everything you'll need for your sewing project, providing customers with sewing machines, accessories, threads, patterns and kits. Qualified on-site sewing machine repair experts can get your machine back to working order in no time

Kallisti For 25 years have been specializing in Japanese cotton fabrics for quilting and other sewing projects and ships online worldwide

KwiltKozy in Fergus offers fabric and sewing supplies for sale, expert sewing tutorials, and comprehensive quilting lessons. Join KwiltKozy's vibrant community of passionate makers who sew, quilt, and create.

Sew Little Time is a home based business that's carries many different quilting fabrics from Northcott.

The Quilt Jeannie in Harriston for all your quilting needs, 100% quilting quality cotton. When life give you scapes make a quilt. The Quilt Jeannie is here to help you with your quilting needs

Boutique

Please bring any items you have made to donate for the Boutique table, to the September meeting. If you would rather help out another way, please consider volunteering your time at the Boutique for a few hours during the Quilt show (short time commitments) or to help with any aspect of the show. A big thank you for all the items we have already received.

Thanks, Linda

Message from the Hanging committee

Once again, thank you for your fantastic submissions for our upcoming show.

If you have submitted more than 2 Large quilts, your third choice may be partially folded on a quilt rack, table etc. If this is a problem, please let me know as we have limited spaces and trying to fit them all in is a challenge.

If you are still unsure of the hanging sleeve required, there will be a sample & instructions at the Sept meeting. Please direct any further questions or concerns to debbypanke@hotmail.com

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Raffle

Raffle -Have you sold all your raffle tickets? There are still lots more! Please contact Barbara S Email bischroder@icloud.com

1st prize



2nd prize



3rd prize



Here are some local businesses who are selling raffle tickets on our behalf. Please let your family and friends know so they can stop by and support a local business and buy a few tickets as well!!!



BookLore

Orangeville's Independent Book Store
- for people who take life literally

BookLore, located at 121 First Street in Orangeville has graciously offered to sell raffle tickets for us. Their summer hours are Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm, Saturday 10am to 5pm. Please stop by their store and support their business.



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Birthdays— July and August

July 2 Valerie Lamothe
July 3 Yvonne Guse Rahn
July 4 Linda Black
July 6 Lois Metz
July 18 Gail Brown
July 29 Linda Horner

August 2 Marion Cole
August 5 Sue Pirie
August 9 Jean MacIver
August 14 Cathy Voight
August 22 Cheryl Staeger

Caring Thoughts

Do you know someone who is going through something and might appreciate receiving a get well card or a sympathy card, please contact Lorna Rainey at lmraney72@gmail.com

Need advertising?

Do you have a sewing machine you'd like to sell? Are you a crafter needing to get your business out there or vending at a craft fair?

We would love it if you would consider advertising in our newsletter. Very reasonable rates for a one month, quarterly, or monthly ad.

Please send an email to dpqgnewsletter@gmail.com to inquire about rates.

Our June Social

So happy Anita shared her delicious rhubarb squares with us... they were delish!!!

Rhubarb Dream Bars—Anita

Crust:

1 cup flour
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup butter

Filling:

2 Large eggs
1 cup sugar
1 1/4 cup flour
1/4 tsp salt
2 1/4 cups diced rhubarb

Line or grease an 8x8 pan. Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Process dry crust ingredients in a food processor. Bake 15 minutes.

White crust is baking, mix filling no longer than a minute. Stir in rhubarb.

Pour into a slightly cooled crust and bake for 40-45 minutes. Cut when cooled.

My changes... forgot the crust in the oven for an additional 10 minutes.... Add 1 tsp vanilla to the filling... and replaced 1/3 cup of white sugar for brown sugar.

For Executive/Committee Members

A big thank you to all the "retiring" and current members of the Executive and Committees who attended the meeting in June. We had a very informative discussion about our wonderful Guild. A planning meeting for the 2026/27 members will be held on the evening of **Wednesday, August 26**. Details will be sent in an email from Janice Jones in the next week or so. The location will be determined by the number of attendees

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June Meeting Memories



Jennifer's Duffie – enthusiastic newby



Recognition of Yvonne's contribution to program



Recognition of Candice and Val's contributions to program



Recognition of Pat's work on membership



Thanks to Karen for her work on Community Projects



Thanks to Yaz for stepping up to take over the position of Secretary

BULLETIN BOARD

June Meeting Memories





DPQG EXECUTIVE

2026-2027

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Longarming	Louise Cornelius, Connie Walterhouse, Michelle McGee, Janice Payne
FTP Journals	Sue Pirie
Comfy Cases	Fern Pugh
Breast Cancer Pillows	Anne Moum
Historian	Judi Sullivan
Lucky Draw	Lois Metz, Janice Payne. Jennifer Reid
QBA	Judi Sullivan, Fern Pugh
Retreats—Day	Judi Sullivan
Retreats—weekend	Michelle McGee, Heather Sheridan
Communication	Judi Sullivan

Social Media

Facebook	Heather Sheridan, Candice Kitchen
Webpage:	Barb Redford
Show 'n Tell	Karen Turcott, Debby Panke, Cathy Voight
Stitch 'n Share	Marion Cole, Sue Pirie
Socials December and June	Barbara Schroder