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DUE TO COVID-19, OUR GENERAL MEETINGS ARE
SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

We will keep you notified of any changes on opening dates via newsletter,
website and/or e-mail blasts.



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Day by day we have endured and 2020 has passed by. Day by day, staying safe, we will endure the rest of what this virus has in store for us. With the vaccines arriving we have hope of being allowed to get back to quilt activities and meetings before 2022 arrives. What a long haul.

I miss seeing your lovely faces and smiles. Many of our members continue to quilt their hearts out, and I bet we have all watched more TV than ever before. We are hoping that you all feel connected to the guild, but of course a few members don't have computers and can't access our website. If you know a member that doesn't have access to on-line information, reach out to them. Be sure they know about the Mystery Quilt and that we now have Show and Tell on-line. At the present time these members are still receiving the newsletter by snail mail.

The internet is like a fix for our minds when we need inspiration. Pinterest has been my best buddy lately. Be sure to check out the CQA/ACC site at: <https://canadianquilter.com> Canadian Quilter is also trying to keep us connected through Covid restrictions. There are many things to keep you active on their site. Niagara Heritage Quilt Guild is a paid up member.

Your executive continues to work behind the scenes making sure that your guild is ready to run when the light turns green. Feel free to let us know if you have any ideas or concerns that you'd like addressed. Stay safe. Keep in touch.

Happy New Year
Lynda Iannandrea, President NHQG
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Hugs, Lynda

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AWESOME AD-HOC COMMITTEES

Meals On Wheels	Sharree Eidt Ann Marie Tummillo
NeoNatal	Donna Murray
The RAFT	Julie Bayza

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Challenge for 2019 -2020 "Clue"

To all the devious quilters out there who have perfected the perfect crime, please send a picture (.jpeg format) of your creation to me at dquilting@gmail.com by March 15, 2021, including your name and the Clue number. The pictures will be published on our website April 1, 2021 under Show and Tell. Only the Clue number will be shown beside the picture on the website. The winner of our Viewer's Choice will be announced in our last newsletter of the year and receive a prize.

All of our detectives will then have a look at the pictures and select their favorite one letting me know who you have voted for the Viewer's Choice by emailing me at dquilting@gmail.com or calling me at 905 651 3036, by April 15, 2021. As detectives, you are also encouraged to let me know that you have figured out the 3 clues that each of our designers used to create their pieces. Let me know your answers to these mystery pieces. The member who guesses the most correct clues will receive a free Guild membership for the year when we recommence our in-person meetings. The winners will be announced in the last newsletter of the year.

Debbie Hipple

WEBSITE

Two new website pages were launched in November and December. I hope you have all had a chance to check them out.

- Mystery Quilt:** Check out the new Mystery Quilt page on our website. The first two clues are posted and the third clue will be posted January 15, 2021. Hope that you will enjoy turning some of your stash or getting some new fabric into a lovely top or double/queen quilt. It's never too late to start.
- Show & Tell:** Send a picture via e-mail of the quilt you want to share in a **.jpeg format**. In the body of the e-mail tell us about your quilt in 80 words or less, starting with your name & the name of the quilt if applicable.
Send to: quiltshowandtell@hotmail.com and in the subject field indicate: Show & Tell.
- Gallery:** We need to freshen up our gallery pictures as well
Send a picture via e-mail of the quilt you want to post in the gallery. Please send in a **.jpeg format** only.
Send to: quiltshowandtell@hotmail.com and in the subject field indicate: Gallery

Your Website Committee

MEMBERSHIP

Wonder when your membership card will arrive?

Answer: Niagara Heritage Quilters Guild membership dues paid in 2020 and before the start of our next session will be attributed to the full year following our next start date. Your membership cards will be validated at the first meeting upon returning to our regular schedule. These times have certainly been difficult. Be safe, healthy and happy until we meet again.

Sue Moskal

If you haven't already done so, please renew your membership today to continue receiving the bi-monthly newsletter with information regarding the guild and its activities.

ON-LINE NHQG MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL PROCEDURE

1. www.niagaraquiltersguild.com (Home page will open)
2. At the top menu bar Click on **Membership**. A membership information page will open.
3. 5 lines from the bottom of this page click on "**online membership/payment form**"
4. Complete contact information, type of membership, membership dues, publication consent and volunteer request.
5. Click on **Submit**
6. A PayPal window will appear. If you already have an account this is where you would log in. **Please note: you do not need an account or to open an account with PayPal.**
7. At the bottom of this window click on "**PAY WITH A CREDIT OR VISA DEBIT CARD**"
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9. Complete all the information fields in full. Click on "**Pay Now**"

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MAIL IN RENEWAL PROCEDURE

Download the membership application form, from our website, complete in full and mail to:

Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild
P.O. Box 284
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Community Outreach

Thank you once again for all your hard work and contributions to our Community Quilts. So many of you are busy sewing, binding, and quilting – you truly are an inspiration! If you are getting low on your stash, or just want some different fabric to play with, please contact Jennifer, and I can put together a fabric bundle for you.

Our YWCA challenge for the transitional housing unit is a success! We have exceeded our goal of 30 twin quilts and 10 double quilts. The latest word is that the housing unit will open in March, so we are ahead of schedule! If you are still working on a twin or double size quilt for this challenge, please continue. We have other places we donate to that want these larger size quilts; rather than just lap size quilts.

Another 51 baby quilts have been donated, thank you everyone! We have learned that there are a number of Indigenous babies and children in FACS care. To bring an early appreciation of their culture to these precious babies, we are offering the Squash Blossom kit. Available January 5, 2021, choose 1) fabric for pieced top and pattern; 2) fabric for top, backing, binding, plus batting and pattern; or 3) pattern if you prefer to use your own materials. Thank you to Lorna Costantini (lornacostantini.com) for the Squash Blossom pattern. According to Iroquois legend, corn, beans, and squash are three inseparable sisters who only grow and thrive together. Contact Kathleen O'Flaherty (QandS@bell.net or 905-327-5252) for kits or more information.

Three quilts were donated to Niagara Region Mental Health, Hope Recovered program. Other donations to our usual places are still on hold.

As always, our greatest need is batting. Fortunately, Kathleen O'Flaherty has successfully raised \$235 selling donated items on Facebook Marketplace, which allowed us to purchase another roll of batting. Please check out our listings labelled with CQ – there are some good deals there and all money raised helps us keep going.

Finally, another reminder to please save your UPC labels from Hobbs batting packages. With five UPC labels, we can order a roll of Hobbs 80/20 for a drastically reduced cost through their charity program. If you wish to pick up, or drop off items for Community Quilts, contact Jennifer Dyck, jenniferk2p2@gmail.com or 289-690-1625. If you want to become more involved with Community Quilts, contact Jennifer to be added to our google group.

Jennifer Dyck

SCHOLARSHIP

Hard to believe, but the school year for students, is already half way. For those going onto further education beyond high school, plans are already being made for the fall school year. Provisions are in place to award our annual \$1,000 scholarship in 2021. Please help to promote this scholarship to family, friends and neighbours who may have someone going to college or university in the fall and could possibly qualify. All details including the application form are available on the Guild's web site.

There is also a vacancy on the scholarship committee for 1 person. If you or someone you know would be interested in serving the Guild in this way, please contact either Lynda Iannandrea or myself.

Gloria Meyer

MEALS ON WHEELS

I'd like to congratulate the guild for an outstanding response to our Meals on Wheels place mat request. On November 19, I passed on 317 beautiful place mats to the organization. As well, 350 signed cards were given to be distributed. The organizers were thrilled and looked forward to distributing them to their clients December 2, 2020.

I'm also pleased to report that one of the recipients, Charles Krause, sent a lovely thank you and to our surprise a monetary donation to our Guild. He expressed his appreciation for our kindness and how meaningful it was at this time of year. It was evident that it gave great pleasure to him and his wife. (see his letter below)

I'm also grateful for the number of signed cards that I received. I'm already ahead 100 for next year!

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication.

Sharree Eidt

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S RECEIVED

On behalf of my Family I wish to thank your guild for the wonderful gift of place mats, quilted. It is such kindness and thoughtfulness, which makes the Christmas season meaningful. My wife, who is presently hospitalized will be overjoyed to receive it and do her more good than any medication.

Charles Krause

Hi Carol,

I am sorry it has taken so long to get a picture. With Covid and our new safe delivery protocols, getting pictures are almost impossible. I was able to get a pic of one of our long time clients, who was a long time volunteer many years ago. She absolutely loved her place mat. Purple is her favourite colour. We have had many calls thanking the Quilter's Guild for the place mats. You would not believe how many people enjoy them and look forward to them. We donated the extra ones to the Long-term clients at Ina Grafton (they make our food). The activities coordinator called me to tell me how happy everyone was. It has been very quiet and isolating for all seniors this year, and the beautiful craftsmanship of the place mats is a much-needed ray of sunshine for them. Thank you and the Guild for making our clients so happy. Take Care



Merry Christmas to all and all the Blessings for a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Bertha Power

Meals on Wheels Office Manager

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EASY

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