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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

We're starting to feel things changing. Winter is in its last stretch, and the vaccine will be available in the coming months. As things start to open up, we are starting to be excited to get life going again. I wonder though, what will it look like. I have this gut feeling that things will not be as we remember them for a very long time.

With this in mind the forward looking Niagara Heritage executive is starting to think about the position the guild is in. The guild is run on your membership fees. It pays for the hall rental, those wonderful programs we all enjoy, and standard expenses such as insurance, CQA dues, website and newsletter expenses. We have to find other moneys for scholarship and community projects.

We were preparing for a large quilt show last spring, but a large amount had been already spent on advertising before we had to cancel. This is lost money, and in case you were wondering, leaves us unable to plan another quilt show at this time.

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Presidents Message Continued:

2020/2021 EXECUTIVE

The paid membership now is at 96. It will be impossible to pay for the Merriton Community Centre and provide speakers with this number, but that is the amount we have to make the decisions to move forward. Obviously we would not need the space at the Merriton Hall for so few members. This is food for thought. I hope to get you thinking about it, because whether we start meeting again in September or next year, plans have to be made in advance. If you have any ideas of a meeting place with parking and storage space please let me know so we can make some inquiries. We also have to form a committee for fundraising to keep projects funded if this is something of interest to you let me know. Please don't be shy. I really want to hear from you.

This I tell you, not to be negative, but to let you know that the executive is going to be working hard to come up with answers and provide a good program for you with the membership we have. If you do intend to return, but haven't paid you dues, this should explain to you why it is important to do so. We can only move ahead with positive plans with known numbers.

So with this not so uplifting but honest President's Message, I would ask you to stay positive, because what can be more fun than sharing quilting with all our guild members. Let's not wait until our first meeting for Show and Tell - Send in your photo for our virtual show, and make sure you check out the Mystery Quilt on the website. I'm doing mine and can't wait to share it with you.

Sending you a hug and a wish for your good health and happiness.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Challenge for 2019 -2020 "Clue"

A reminder 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 under the Show and Tell page heading. 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 will 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 20, 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

Mystery Quilt

The first 4 Clues for the Mystery Quilt are on the website under the heading of Mystery Quilt.

Hope that you will enjoy turning some of your stash (or getting some new fabric) into a lovely lap or double/queen quilt. Fifth clue arrives on March 15, 2021

Show & Tell: Send your submissions to: quiltshowandtell@hotmail.com

Debbie Hipple

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

Your executive is a great group and they continue to work on your behalf, so that when we can get together, we can jump right in. To that end, we will need some volunteers on the next year's executive! Consider what you might enjoy doing for the guild!

We will need a **Vice-President**, and a **Secretary**.

CHAIRS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Gloria Meyer needs a volunteer committee member for the Scholarship Committee. We will also need volunteers to create a Fundraising Committee but more on that in the next newsletter.

If you haven't had the chance to be part of this group, please use this as your chance. Please send me your names via email: franinglis@sympatico.ca or phone: 905-397-9036

Fran Inglis

MEMBERSHIP

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.
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MAIL IN RENEWAL PROCEDURE

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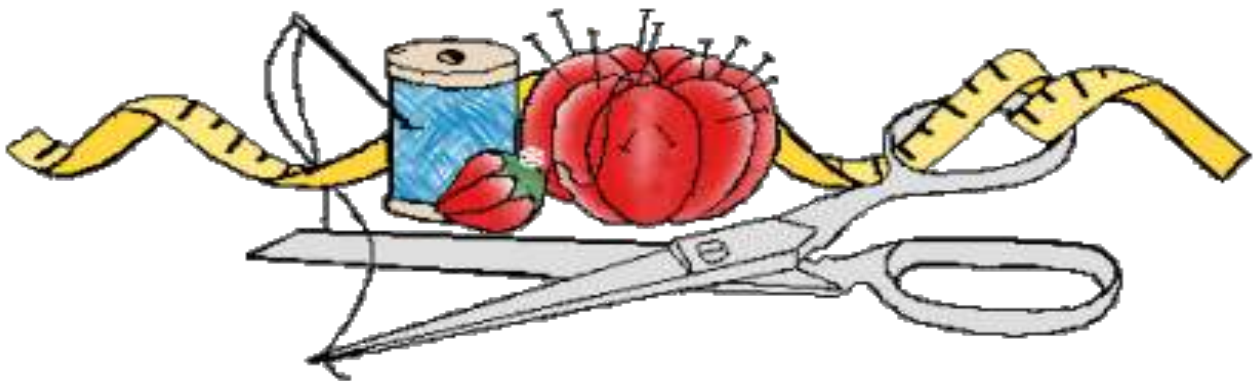
Community Outreach

Everything has been pretty quiet now with Community Quilts since our latest lockdown. Although we are now entering the Grey zone, it is still in our best interest to stay at home as much as possible. I'm sure you are all sewing away, and I'm looking forward to seeing what all you have done when we can open up more in the spring.

We have received a donation of an entire roll of batting from the "Motley Quilters." Many thanks to Linda Anderson, Gloria Simon, MaryAnn Madden, Jean Christie, Donna Rauscher, Marty Crowder, Dorothy Hollinraka, Lynda Reinhardt, and Val Catton for your generosity. Jennifer will be using this batting to prepare quilt packages of tops, backing, binding and batting for our longarmers. Once those are prepared, and we move towards fewer COVID restraints, they will be available for porch pick up. Jennifer will send email to the Google group at that time. Until then, please continue to work at home. If you have any questions about Community quilts, please contact Jennifer Dyck at jenniferk2p2@gmail.com or 289-690-1625. For information on sewing baby quilts for Project Noah, contact Kathleen O'Flaherty (QandS@bell.net or 905-327-5252).

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.

Jennifer Dyck



SCHOLARSHIP

It's hard to believe, but the school year for students is already half way through. 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

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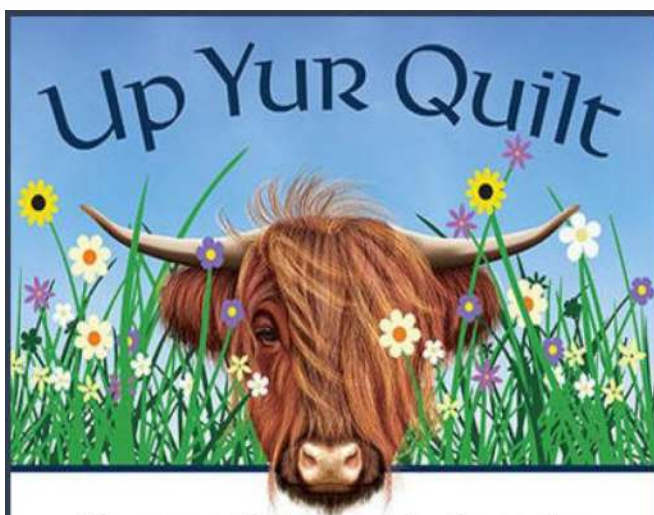
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