



Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild

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General Meetings Dates
Fourth Wednesday of the Month:

- September 28, 2022
- October 26, 2022
- November 23, 2022
- January 25, 2023
- February 22, 2023
- March 22, 2023
- April 26, 2023
- May 24, 2023 (AGM - Dinner Meeting)**



BRING WITH YOU:

- Appetite
- Face Mask – Personal Choice
- Name Tag
- Membership Renewal Forms & Payment
- Community Quilts
- Show & Tell Quilts
- Money For 50/50 & Loonie Draw

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No Freebie Table available at this meeting.

RESIDENT'S MESSAGE



WOW, Where did the time go?

My first year out of two as President is coming to a close. It hasn't always been easy especially with holding the Publicity Chair position as well. Trying to balance my life, guild work and play has been challenging to say the least even with my strong organizational skills.

Many lessons learned this year and I'm very sure I have many more to learn.

“Many Hands Make Light Work”

I really appreciate this phrase today especially with guild elections at the end of the month. Volunteerism is an important factor in the guild and responsibilities are made easier when spread among as many members as possible.

We all have something special, a skill set, that we bring to the table. You can help us so much more than you think.

It is time to renew your membership. You could renew on-line or print the membership form from our website and mail it in. I have also included the membership application on page six (6) of this newsletter.

Your executive is in the process of reviewing the budget for 2023-2024 guild year and renewing your membership on a timely basis is important to that process.

Save a few dollars and renew before June 30, 2023.

After such a long dreary winters I am so looking forward to the summer. With the nicer weather I started cleaning out my garden beds. I also like to move some of the perennials around especially if one is not doing so well where it is. Reshaping the flower beds and mulching are next on my to do list. It's a big job but once it's done I can sit back and enjoy the results.

I am looking forward to getting away for a few weeks in June. While we are visiting friends in New Brunswick I will take a few days to attend Quilt Canada in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Perhaps I will run into some of you there.

Hope to see you at the May AGM Dinner meeting.

Wishing you all an amazing summer.

Carol McRae, President

*In my dream world, fabric is free
and quilting makes you thin!*

2022 / 2023 EXECUTIVE

President	Carol McRae
Vice President	Heather Murray
Secretary	Debbie Hipple
Treasurer	Theresa Bell
Past President	Lynda Iannandrea

CHAIRS & COMMITTEES

Committee	Chair	Sub Committee / Initiative	Committee Members
Archives	Sharree Eidt		Ann Marie Tummillo
Auxiliary Group	Heather Murray		Lolly Chalice
Fundraising	Vacant	50/50 Draw	Lynne Wilkinson
			Donna Murray
		Loonie Draw	Leslie Moulson
			Lynda Moffett
			Rose Ranahan
Giving Back	Gloria Meyer	Community Quilts	Kathryn Karr
			CQ Team
		Meals On Wheels	Sharree Eidt
		Neonatal Quilts	Donna Murray
		Raft	Julie Bayza
Membership	Maureen Morrison		Sharon Watson
Program & Workshops	Pat Andres		Irene Bootsma
			Luci Ronald
			Judy Yovanovich
Publicity	Carol McRae	Newsletter	Carol McRae
			Fran Inglis
			Lynn McDonald
		Website	Debbie Hipple
			Solange James
Scholarship	Vacant		
Special Events	Leslie Moulson		Rose Ranahan
			Lynda Moffett
			Arlene McGuire
White Gloves & Greeters	Lynne Wilkinson		Stephanie McBride
			Fran Inglis

2022 / 2023 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

TREASURER

Hello fellow quilters:

Well this has been quite a year for our guild, Mother Nature was not on our side this winter but we will survive. Being your treasurer is a pure delight for me. I enjoy the work very much, although this past year was very quiet where finances were concerned. I look forward to the new guild year and many great quilting experiences. Have a great summer and we will meet again in September.

Happy Quilting

Theresa Bell

PAST PRESIDENT

As Past President my role has been to insure the continuity of organizational changes in the guild. To support the President and executive and uphold the succession of Officers and Chairpersons positions.

The past year and a half has been a recovery time from the pandemic and an adjustment to our new location. Mother Nature wasn't kind to us this winter and that presented more problems. The executive has rallied to adjust to these interruptions and are working to insure the guild is a healthy, happy place for us to meet and share our craft. I'm watching all of them and they are doing a great job.

Being Past President would seem like quite a easy job except for having to run the upcoming election.

BUT - you are there for us. I've had the pleasure to talking to many of you over the last few weeks, and things are coming together nicely. There are still positions open for you to volunteer to help our organization be even better. I get to do this again next season and I look forward to it.

Quilting friends are the best.

Lynda Iannandrea

2022 / 2023 COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

ARCHIVES

The majority of the archives are stored in our storage unit with those from 2011- present stored, in binders, in my basement. The last General meeting of the guild held in March 2020, was the last paper copy archived. The executive voted unanimously that the newsletters, minutes and membership lists starting in 2021, would be archived on a USB stick. Presently, I have 3 such sticks. This makes the storage of our archives less cumbersome. We continue to research what specific materials need to be included in our archives and for what duration.

Sharree Eidt

GIVING BACK

COMMUNITY QUILTS

The Guild members have been quite active this year despite the un-cooperative weather this winter. For Community Quilts, there have been several successful sew days at Kathryn Karr's. The "team" approach is working very well. This year completed quilts were donated to the YWCA shelter, to Hospice, a sister of one of our members who had a fire and quilts for the Ukraine initiative.

RAFT

At our November meeting a generous amount of items were collected and delivered to Raft. They were so grateful for everything.

Thank you to everyone for your contribution.

Gloria Meyer

NEONATA

Many thanks to our generous members who donated 226 neonatal quilts in 2022/2023. We look forward to delivering more this year. The nurses really appreciate the quilts, as they brighten up the rooms.

Best wishes for a healthy and fun summer.

Donna Murray

MEALS ON WHEELS

Once again the guild has stepped forward to sew a wide variety of beautiful placemats for those who receive meals from Meals on Wheels. Altogether, we delivered 26 koozies, 238 placemats along with 250 signed Christmas cards. Bertha, the Meals on Wheels representative, was more than pleased. She assured us that their clients look forward to receiving the placemats at Christmas. During the next four months, please set aside some time to make placemats for these special people. We'll be ready to receive them in the Fall!

Thank you everyone, for contributing to this worthwhile initiative.

Sharree Eidt

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM



Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild Membership 2023 – 2024
P.O. Box #284 Thorold On L2V 3Y9

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Type of membership: New Renewal Charter Lifetime

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Membership Dues (before June 30th) \$45.00 after June 30th \$50.00 Fulltime students with student card: \$25.00

Please note: Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild will publish a membership list once a year that will include name, city and phone number only. This membership list will be made available to members of the Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild for **PERSONAL** use only.

The Guild reserves the right to use the member's information for Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild business only

Charter and Lifetime members must fill out a membership form in order to keep your address and phone number current and your name on the Membership list.

You **must check here and sign below if you do not wish** to have your information included in the membership list to be given to members only.

You **must check here and sign below if you do not give your consent** for publication of any photos taken of you to be used by any means by Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild.

Signature _____

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

Please check off any volunteer work you would be willing to help with. Thank you, thank you, thank you!
If you're a member of the executive, you're already volunteering and don't need to check off anything below.
If you're not a member of the executive, we'd like you to choose one of the following items below.

If you own a long arm-quilting machine, would you volunteer to quilt a few quilts for "Community Quilts"?

Greeters (welcome members, new members and guests)

White glove ladies (show off the quilts for speakers and members' Show & Tell)

Name _____ Phone number _____

PROGRAM & WORKSHOPS

Our Committee is very thankful to the Special Events committee for kicking off our Fall meeting with a delayed 40th Anniversary Celebration. Presented by Charter and current members of our guild made for a very interesting historical perspective of our guild and quilting in general. In October, Toni Major presented her Journey into Art Quilting and her workshop was at capacity. Fran Inglis provided us with a very informative trunk show on Crazy Quilting and spectacular samples to look at in November. Unfortunately, bad weather wreaked havoc on our January and February meetings and the Shop Hop and workshop from January have been rescheduled to our April meeting times. We are thankful to Elaine Theriault, who presented an excellent presentation of modern quilts she had designed at our March general meeting. A big thank-you to the committee, Irene Bootsma, Luci Ronald and Judy Yovanovich for their help and support.

Pat Andres

SPECIAL EVENTS AGM Dinner Meeting

As we bask in this beautiful spring weather, it is almost time to celebrate the guild's achievements of 2022/2023. In addition to our annual business meeting and the past-president's quilt challenge, we have planned a catered dinner so you may enjoy time with your quilting friends before we break for the summer. Please join us (members only):

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

5:00 p.m. for dinner at 5:30 p.m.; business meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15 per person; please note that the guild is subsidizing \$7.60 per person of the total price

Menu

You may select roast beef with gluten-free gravy or chicken cordon bleu with asparagus (no ham), and a choice of Caesar or garden salad; also included are potatoes, veggies, gluten-free crust less pies for dessert, tea and coffee. A vegetarian option is available.

Please reserve your spot at the general meeting by visiting Leslie at the loonie draw table. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Payment options are cash, cheque or e-transfer. You can also e-mail me at: leslie.kennedy.moulson@gmail.com

Send e-transfer to payments@niagaraquiltersguild.com

Your events coordinator will contact you regarding your meal preferences.

Draw Prizes

This year's Events Committee is nothing if not enthusiastic about door prizes. Be sure to join us and try your luck at any number of beautiful gifts.

We look forward to seeing you there.

WHITE GLOVES & GREETERS

Well I will not be unique in my message if I say it has been an unusual year for Greeters and White Gloves. Just when I thought everyone was lined up and ready to help, Mother Nature stepped in!

I would personally like to thank all the guild members who served either as a Greeter in our vestibule or a 'white glove' artist or both. It is always appreciated by our speaker if we have people to help display their trunk show.

It goes without saying that we all love to show our quilts on stage!

That was the carrot, now come the stick. Would you consider signing up for the whole year to be a white glove? This year there will only be three workshops that have speakers so the commitment is not that much. If you cannot make a meeting simply call me, (Lynne Wilkinson) and I will be sure to cover your spot.

Your help is so appreciated by all who see the wonderful displays. Check the box on the membership list that tells me you are willing to help out, even if it is only for one month.

The guild and I will thank you. There is no better reward

Lynne Wilkinson



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