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# Ancaster Quilter's Guild

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February 2025



## President's Message

January's temperatures certainly provided us with many opportunities to stay indoors and focus on our quilting projects. Although it was one of the coldest nights in January, it was a pleasant surprise to see the excellent attendance at our meeting. In addition, we started the year out on a positive note, with two guild members volunteering to work with a few executive members rewriting/editing our by-laws.

Next our challenge will be to determine how we want to manage the Comfort Quilt initiative. Currently, quilts are the primary contribution we make to the community but we are considering reducing the number of quilts and introducing three or four new projects to meet other needs. In order to determine which projects to proceed with, we are planning on having guild members vote at the February meeting. The projects we are voting on are fidget quilts, wheel chair quilts, baby quilts, placemats, pillow cases, Christmas stockings and medical bags. Some of the above are currently being made by our guild on an ad hoc basis. If you have any other ideas, please come prepared to add them to our list.

Each new project would have a team leader, who would decide how to accomplish the project, i.e. by organizing workshops or preparing and distributing kits for sewing at home. Based on the results of the vote, a detailed description of the selected projects, with the team **leader's duties and responsibilities will be written.**

Our February meeting is going to provide us with a hands on opportunity to try a quilting method that many of us would not try on our own. What a great opportunity for many of us when there is an experienced quilter on hand to help!

*Janice Haluszka, Acting President*

## REMINDERS!!

Third Tuesday of each month  
Marshall Memorial United  
Church  
20 Gilbert Ave, Ancaster

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. for  
social time at 6:30  
Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

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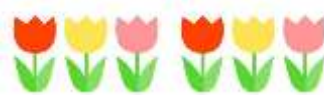
## Programme February 2025

Hello Members,

This month we have a hands-on programme that everyone can participate in and take away a new skill. We will be showing a presentation from our very own Rose Petersen and her stunning quilts some of which are created using needle turn applique. We will be providing a small sample of a tulip for everyone to try needle turn applique and all you have to bring with you to the meeting is a needle, thread and scissors. Rose will be there to field your questions. This month's meeting will be fun and interactive and we will be providing a prize draw for those who bring in their completed piece to next month's meeting.



*Eva Butty & Judy Taylor*



## Executive

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## Workshop Dates



Our next UFO/Workshop will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Louise Hamilton from Purple Rooster Quilting will be teaching her Cat wall hanging and the Dragon Fly applique on Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>.

If you have signed up or are interested in attending this class, the material requirements will be available at the February and March meetings.

*Janice Haluszka & Barb Masefield*

## Membership

Hello Ancaster Quilters Guild Members!

Thank you to everyone for your membership dues for 2024 to 2025. We are pleased to announce that our paid membership is now at an even 100 members!!!

The new membership list was sent out after the January meeting to capture all the latest details. If you need the updated list, don't hesitate to let us know. Email address below.

Remember that your friends are always welcome as guests, and the guest fee remains at \$5 for the remainder of the 2024 to 2025 year. Many guests end up as new members, so be sure to invite your quilting friends.

Membership renewals for next year 2025- 2026 will be announced in May 2025.

Your membership team,

*Donna Hamilton and Corinne Ethier*

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## Comfort Quilts

Hello everyone!

We are happy to report that 94 quilts tops and 82 pillow cases have been completed! There will be more quilt tops that need binding to be sewn on.

A little reminder to members to please return completed placemats and quilt back kits that you have finished.

*Janet Shannon and the Comfort Quilts Team*


## WHAT TO BRING TO A MEETING

- \* Name Tag,
  - \* Bring Your Own Beverage,
  - \* Indoor shoes
  - \* Money for Basket Draws
  - \* Please keep saving Pop Can Tabs as there will be a container for them at the membership table
  - \* Note that cell phones should be turned off or to vibrate. If you must answer your phone, please go to the entry hall to do this.
  - \* Show & Share
  - \* Money for 50/50 **NOTE please try to have toonies and loonies to pay for this.**
  - \* Blocks and completed tops for Comfort Quilts
- NOTE: our meetings are now fragrance and latex free**



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At our January meeting, a number of beautiful quilts were displayed by our very own members. Thank you for taking the time to show us your creativity and craftsmanship. It was very inspiring to the members. Keep up the great work and we hope to see more at future meetings.

- Deborah Shadbolt, Front and back of quilt
- Kathy Larmond—2024 Shop Hop
- Margaret Geerts—Snowman Quilt and Christmas Tree Wall hanging
- Suzette Lucier – Batik Winter Landscape, Asian Inspired and Purple Batik (King size)
- Rose Petersen—Hawaiian Wall Hangings

See pictures on page 13 of the newsletter or on Facebook.

Please ensure that your name and that of your quilt is listed. We do thank you for sharing your work.



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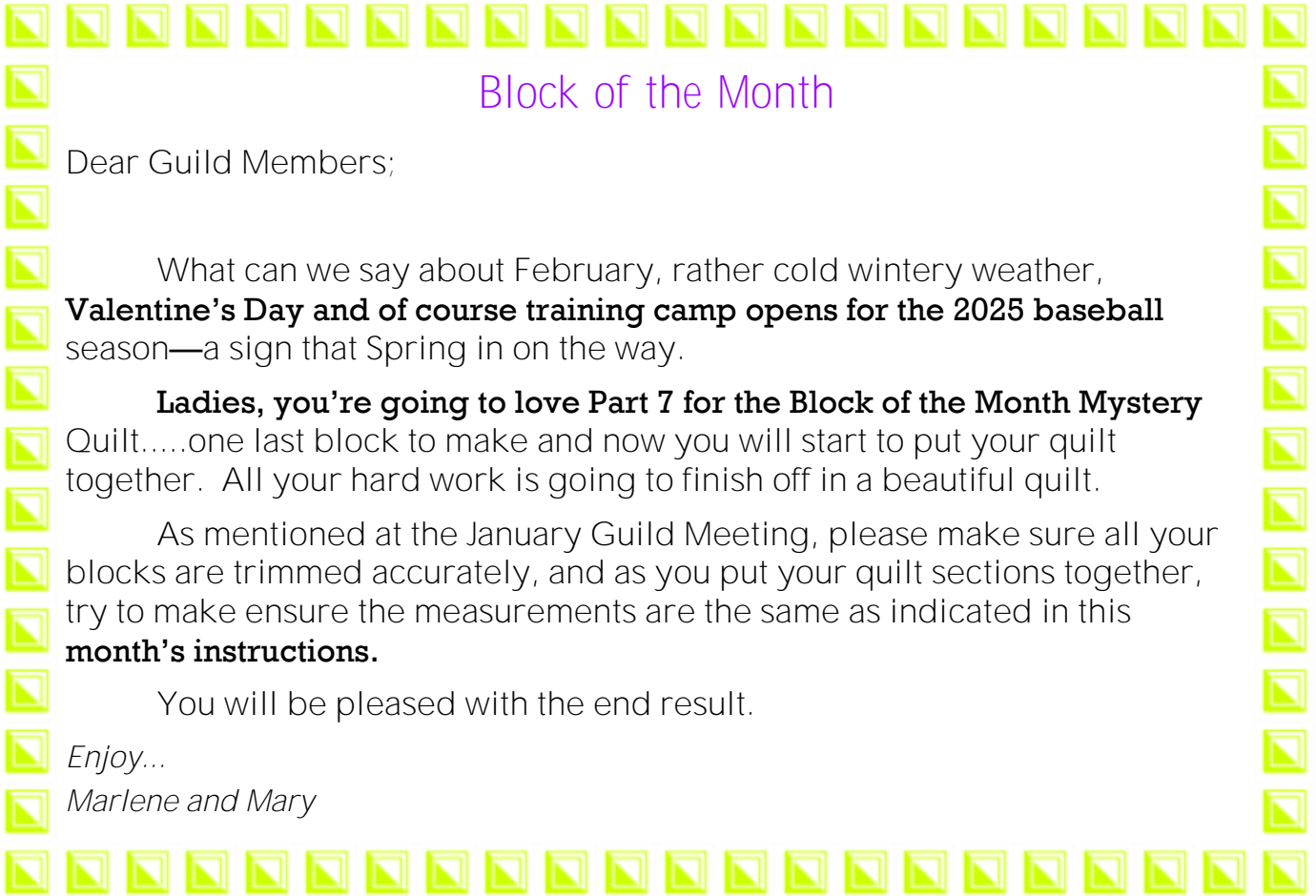
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## Block of the Month

Dear Guild Members;

What can we say about February, rather cold wintery weather, **Valentine's Day and of course training camp opens for the 2025 baseball season**—a sign that Spring is on the way.

**Ladies, you're going to love Part 7 for the Block of the Month Mystery** Quilt....one last block to make and now you will start to put your quilt together. All your hard work is going to finish off in a beautiful quilt.

As mentioned at the January Guild Meeting, please make sure all your blocks are trimmed accurately, and as you put your quilt sections together, try to make ensure the measurements are the same as indicated in this **month's instructions.**

You will be pleased with the end result.

*Enjoy...*

*Marlene and Mary*

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## Show and Share

Thank you to our members for sharing their beautiful quilts and creativity.



Deborah Shadbolt,  
Front and back of quilt



Kathy Lamond  
2024 Shop Hug



Margaret Geerts  
Snowman Quilt and Christmas Tree  
Wall hanging



Suzette Lucier – Batik Winter  
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