



Quilting is a Way of Life



Ancaster Quilter's Guild

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March 2025



President's Message

Hard to believe that we are almost in the middle of March. It has been a long, cold, white winter and finally, we are seeing more blue sky as the days get longer. Time for hibernating is coming to an end as some quilt shops are advertising mystery shop hops, a sure sign that spring is around the corner.

Quilting is a great source of distraction in these **turbulent political times**. In February's monthly QUILTSocial magazine, they tell us their articles celebrate the joy of quilting with projects that blend creativity, practicality, and playfulness. It made me realize that quilting does give us the opportunity to express our personal tastes and enjoy the hours we spend creating (and hopefully completing) our projects.

At our February meeting, we had the opportunity to try needle turned appliqué. It will be interesting to find out how many members will try this method on a future project. For some of us, the arthritis in our fingers may dictate the method we use to applique. Although I have to admit, I may consider a small project in the near future!

As discussed in the February newsletter's President's message, and the subsequent voting by members, you signalled which new projects we would make for Comfort Quilts. Next year the projects will be pillow cases, fidget quilts and baby quilts. To date, guild members have stepped forward to support pillow cases and fidget quilts. We will be looking for two more volunteers to support our quilt efforts (regular size and baby size).

Be sure to bring your recently completed project **to this month's Show and Share. It is always interesting to see the talent and creativity of our members.**

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 March 2025



Hello Guild Members,

Have you ever wondered what the value of a quilt could be and what determines its value? This month we are fortunate to have Judy Lyons as our guest speaker. You may recognize her name from our newsletter where she advertises as an appraiser and lecturer. Judy will be providing a trunk show, an opportunity to ask questions and presenting her new book titled "Canada's Forgotten Artifacts: 1967 Centennial Quilts. You will have an opportunity to purchase a copy of this book at the meeting. The cost of the book is \$45 and payment will be accepted by cash, e-transfer and credit cards. This book is sure to be a great addition to your quilt library.

Please remember to bring with you your completed needle turn appliques for a chance to win a prize.

Eva Butty & Judy Taylor



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Workshop Dates



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

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

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 our paid membership is now at **101** 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

corinnew.ethier@gmail.com



Comfort Quilts

Hello everyone!

A little reminder to members to please return completed placemats and quilt back kits that you have finished. Further updates will be provided at our March meeting.

Comfort Quilts Team

WHAT TO BRING TO A MEETING

- ◆ Name Tag,
- ◆ Bring Your Own Beverage,
- ◆ Indoor shoes
- ◆ Money for Door Prizes
- ◆ Show & Share
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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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Block of the Month

Hello everyone,

March is a very busy month, with March Break, St. Patrick's Day, the start of baseball season, and hopefully Spring.

Also, this month...members, you are going to receive the last two parts of the Mystery Quilt. You will see that Part 8 and Part 9 are identical, as you are putting all those beautiful blocks together to complete your Mystery Quilt.

We hope you enjoyed this Mystery Quilt as much as Marlene and I had choosing the pattern, shopping for the fabric, now that was an experience.... working on the blocks and completing this beautiful quilt.

Marlene and I want to thank-you for your participation in the Block of the Month Program and we hope you had as much enjoyment making the quilts as Marlene and I had organizing this program over the past 2 years.

Thank you ...

Enjoy Block of the Month

Marlene and Mary

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Show and Share

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

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



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