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Ancaster Quilter's Guild

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January 2025



President's Message

Happy New Year, .

At this time of year many of us reflect on changes we would like to personally make, eliminating bad habits and focusing on new challenges we would like to undertake this year. In our younger years we may have referred to them as New Year's resolutions, but with age we are more realistic now. Whatever your plans are for 2025, if they pertain to quilting, we are here to help you achieve your goals.

Hopefully this year, some members will consider volunteering to fill the upcoming gaps in our executive and committees. It is an exciting time as we dissolve our incorporation status and redefine our organization. To start with we are looking for two or three volunteers to work with two executive members to rewrite our by-laws. If you are interested, please contact me.

In closing, I want to personally thank our Fundraising Committee and our guild membership for their generous support of our December Fundraising effort. The results clearly demonstrate the strength of our members to support their guild.

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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Brant Quilt Show 2026

When: September 25th & 26th

Setup: September 24th Take down: September 26th

Where: Best Western, Brantford Rhonda Bennitt,
coordinator

Programme January 2025

Getting to Know Your Executive & Programme Committees

This month we are providing an opportunity for you to get to know 'Your Executive and Programme Team'.

[Click Here for a Link for Job Descriptions](#)

The participants will introduce themselves and give a brief glimpse of where they are in their quilting journey. After the evening's presentation we hope that you will feel comfortable in giving your input and perhaps consider becoming more involved in your guild in the near future.

Eva Butty & Judy Taylor

Executive

President – Janice Haluszka

Vice-President –

Secretary - Nadia Mustillo

Treasurer – Kerry Alldritt

Program– Judy Taylor,

Membership – Corinne Ethier

Past President– Janice Haluszka

Committees

Advertising - Janice Haluszka

Block of the Month – Mary Crowe,
Marlene Reynolds

Membership – Corinne Ethier, Donna
Hamilton

Program – Judy Taylor, Eva Butty

Workshop –Janice Haluszka, Barb
Masefield

Social Coordinator – Nadia Mustillo

Comfort Quilts – Janet Shannon, Sam
Croucher, Diane Childerly, Karen Rienau

Draw Prizes – Linda Clugston

50/50 – Lois Hancock

Media/Newsletter – Susan Lusted

Greeter – Martha Forbes

Caring Cards - Sheila Clark

Fundraising - Debbe Durham, Cathy
Pinelli, & Dianne Busser



Workshop Dates

Our next workshop is scheduled for :



Mark your calendars for our April 2025 UFO/ Workshop, Friday April 11th and Saturday April 12th.

This will be the weekend before our monthly meetings (as Easter is the

following weekend).

On Friday, Louise Hamilton from the Purple Rooster will be teaching her Cat wall hanging and the Dragon Fly reverse applique.

Any questions, call or email Janice.

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 membership is now at 95 members.

The new membership list will be sent out at the same time as the January newsletter as a pdf file.

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. New members are welcome mid-year, at the price of number of months times the guest fee.

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

Dignity Quilt

Thanks to Janet Shannon for sending a picture of this quilt below which was made by our guild and donated to the Parkland Care Facility on Golf Links Rd. in Ancaster.



Fundraising Report



January 2025

Ancaster Quilt Guild members enthusiastically took part in the festivities at the December Ancaster Guild meeting and added to the fun and excitement. The Fundraising Team is pleased to announce that the Ancaster Quilt and Basket Raffle raised a total of \$ 1,497.60 toward 2025 Guild expenses. The 21 baskets and 3 quilt rack raffled raised \$1,127.60 while the Quilt raffle earned \$370.00.

Thank you to those who donated whole baskets or part of baskets and to those who enthusiastically purchased raffle tickets. Your generosity greatly benefits the Ancaster Quilters Guild.

Debbe Durham, Cathy Pinelli, and Dianne Busser

December 2024 – Raffle Winners

Baskets -

Quilting – Marjorie Weber
Quilting – Gail McCombs
Chocolate – Heather Mackay
Garden Lovers – Aline Koiter
Quilting – Marlene Reynolds
Bee – Kathy Fogarasi
Self-care – Sandy Gaetani
Tea Lovers – Colleen Dawson
Gourmet – Carrie Browne
Italian – Desiree Turnbull
Quilting – Linda Clugston
Joy of Christmas – Beth Edwards
Leisure – Sue Costie
Leisure – Terry Eleveld
Sport Lovers – Audrey McIssac
Inspiration – Ann Roy
Quilt Member Special – Robin Lane
Quilt Member Special – Chris Durocher
Evergreen and Holly – Joan Hoskin
Jam Filled Stocking of Gold – Diane Hrynczuk
Treasure Chest – Terry Ralph

Quilt Racks –

Plaid Ribbon – Diane Childerley
Gnome Ribbon – Deb Hamann
Red Ribbon – Cathy Crocket
Winter Quilt – Karen Rienau

WHAT TO BRING TO A MEETING



- * Name Tag,
- * Bring Your Own Beverage,
- * Indoor shoes
- * 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 & Door Prizes
- * **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

Caring Cards

Remember to send the name of members to whom a caring card should be sent to Sheila Clark

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Judy Lyons

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At our Dec. 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.

- Linda Hing - Christmas Sampler
- Ann Roy - Sophia's Quilt - leaves and celtic knots
- Linda Young - Christmas Tree (Korean Quilting)
- Elizabeth Rosser - Christmas Trees
- Lucy Lobodici - Pin Wheel Scrappy Heart

- See pictures on page 15 of the newsletter.

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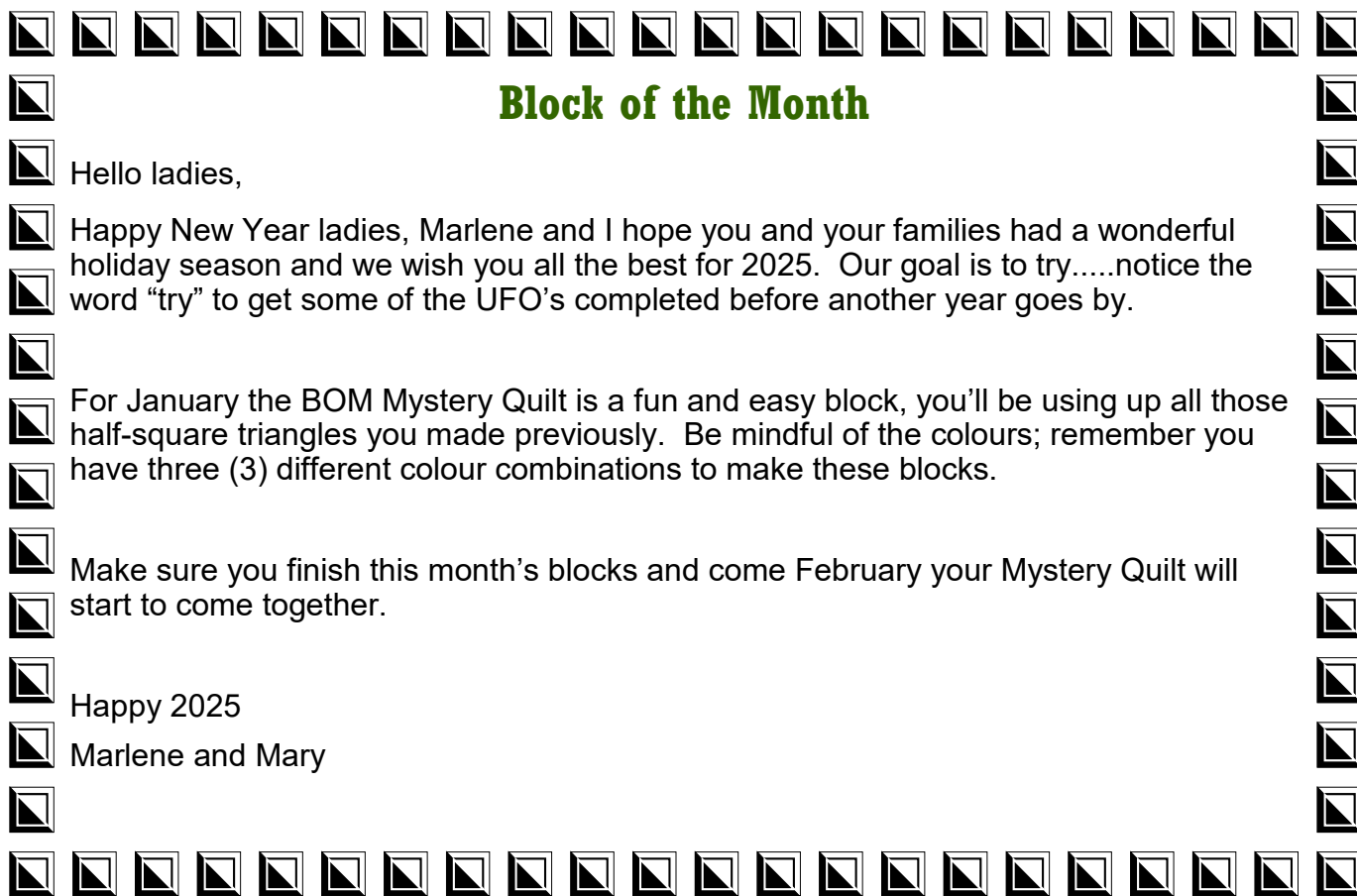
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Block of the Month

Hello ladies,

Happy New Year ladies, Marlene and I hope you and your families had a wonderful holiday season and we wish you all the best for 2025. Our goal is to try.....notice the word "try" to get some of the UFO's completed before another year goes by.

For January the BOM Mystery Quilt is a fun and easy block, you'll be using up all those half-square triangles you made previously. Be mindful of the colours; remember you have three (3) different colour combinations to make these blocks.

Make sure you finish this month's blocks and come February your Mystery Quilt will start to come together.

Happy 2025

Marlene and Mary

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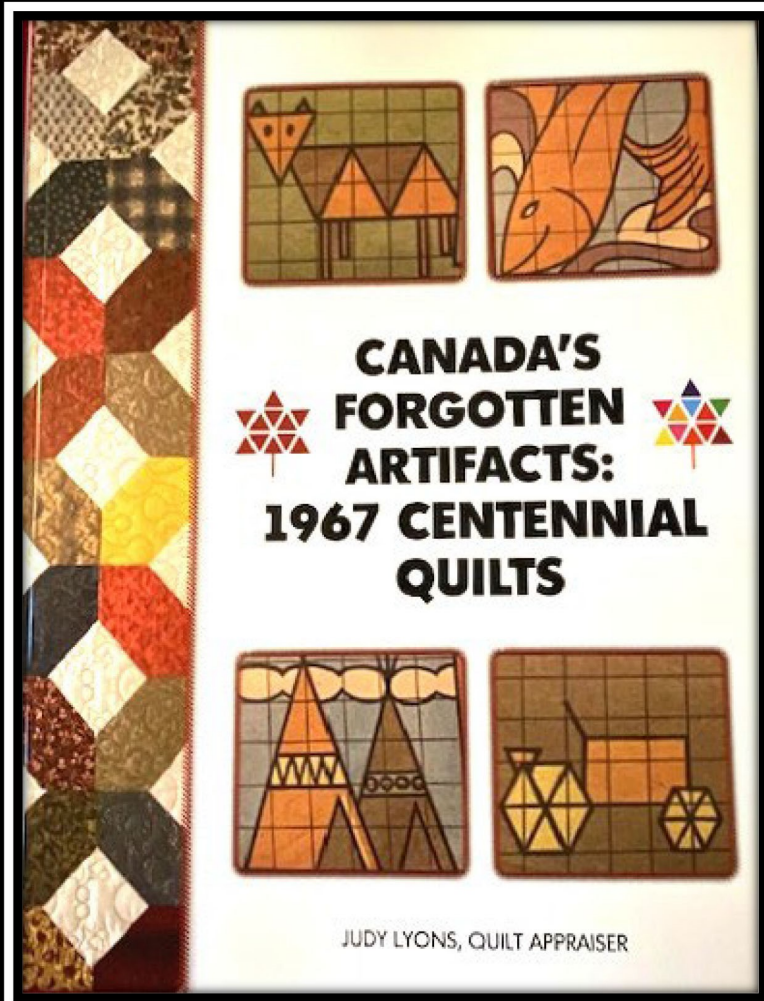
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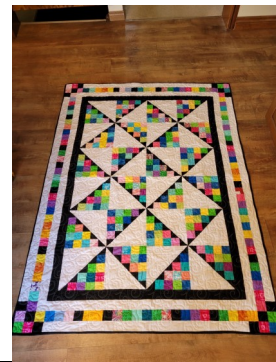
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See page 6 for a complete listing of members who shared their expertise.




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