

Ancaster Quilter's Guild

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Dec. 2023

President's Message

December 2023

Hopefully now that the holiday season is in full swing your list of 'made' is longer than the 'to be made', but if not, keep reminding yourself that you work MUCH better under pressure! All kidding aside, the season brings it's own set of unique pressures...pressure to make things 'perfect' whether it be getting the perfect gift for everyone on your list, making rather than buying, sticking to the diet, getting cards in the mail on time...you get the idea, we all have our list.

Whatever is included on your list, remember to take time for yourself; we cannot be everything for everybody, and taking time for our own needs really does help us to focus better on the important things.

I am personally looking forward to a visit from my son whom I haven't seen in person since his wedding in 2007, thank goodness for the internet! Many life experiences, a tour in Afghanistan, producing children, going back to university, leaving the army, limited resources, you get the picture...and poof many years later. So, find something special to look forward to and dig and embrace it, look at the big picture and the small stuff will fall into place!

I'm also looking forward to our annual Christmas social time, and I know that your program ladies have made a very special effort to make it an enjoyable time for all, there will be spacial draws, a quilt to be raffled, some fun games, and of course a time to enjoy the company of other guild members. It will be great way to kick off the festive season in style, please join us!

I hope that all of your holiday activities are happy and healthy, and that you get to spend some. quality time with your loved ones. Best Wishes for a happy and healthy 2024!

Alison McDonald, president,

REMINDERS!!

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

Meetings in person on the third
Tuesday of each month.

Doors open for social time at 6:30
Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

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Programme

Decemberr 2023

Hello Guild Members,

This month we have a jam packed programme planned and it is going to be dedicated to a night of games. In order to get the most fun out of your evening we ask that you bring the following:

- 1) 5 strips of 2-1/2" WOF in red, white and cream
- 2) Pen or pencil

In the spirit of giving, we are asking members to donate to Hamilton Food Share who will be matching cash donations to make 5 times the amount. We will have a donation jar available for those who wish to donate cash or gift cards. A registered account has been set up online for the Ancaster Quilt Guild if you wish to donate this way and receive a tax receipt.

We of course can't forget the social part of the evening and that means nibbles. If your last name falls between A-M please bring one dozen savory treats and if your last name falls between N-Z please bring one dozen sweet treats. Remember to bring your own beverages.

We look forward to a large turn out for our festive and fun evening.

Judy Taylor & Eva Butty

Executive

President – Alison McDonald

Vice-President – Claire Renaud

Past President– Janice Haluszka

Secretary - Nadia Mustillo

Treasurer – Kerry Alldritt

Advertising - Susan Lusted

Block of the Month– Mary Crowe,
Marlene Reynolds

Membership Secretary – Corinne Ethier,
Donna Hamilton

Program Coordinator – Judy Taylor,
Eva Butty

Program Fundraising–

Workshop –Janice Haluszka, Barb
Masefield

Social Coordinators –

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

Draw Prizes – Linda Clugston

50/50 – Diane Childerley

Media / Newsletter–Susan Lusted

Greeter – Martha Forbes

Caring Cards - Sheila Clark

Workshop Dates



Mark your 2024 calendar for our next UFO days, Friday April 19th and Saturday April 20th. Also, keep the request for pop tabs as we will have a container on the

Membership desk for people to drop them in. complete. Bring your lunch; coffee/tea will be provided.

Thanks,
Janice and Barb

Looking For Quilt Shows

Check out this website.

- https://canadianquilter.com/calendar/#start_date=2023-10-01

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Membership

Hello Ancaster Quilters Guild Members!

We hope you have already renewed for 2023-2024. If you are not sure, don't hesitate to contact us at corinnew.ethier@gmail.com.

We still have a number of names on our list from last year that have not renewed, we hope to see you this coming meeting. Please bring your cash or cheque for \$40, renewal and \$45 for a new member and see us at the membership table.

Keep your name on our email list for future newsletters and information from our executive team by renewing your membership asap. And of course, join us for our in person and zoom meetings; all included in your membership dues.

If registering by cheque, please make out to

SEE YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR DETAILS

Reminder to all that we are required to obtain your permission **every year** for our website and membership list, and we also need to check your email and snail mail addresses. That is why you must resubmit the Membership Information and Declaration Form annually. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated. This form was sent by email on Oct. 4, 2024 so that it can be filled in ahead of time.

See you Tuesday!

Corinne Ethier and Donna Hamilton



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WHAT TO BRING TO A MEETING



- * **Name Tag,**
- * Bring Your Own Beverage, Last names A—M bring one dozen of a savoury snack. N –Z brings one dozen of a sweet snack.
- * Indoor shoes
- * Money for Basket Draws and for the Quilt Draw
- * Tabs from pop cans container 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 for Comfort Quilts

NOTE: our meetings are now fragrance and latex free

Caring Cards

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Kits

ANCASTER QUILTERS GUILD
FUND RAISING EVENT
DECEMBER GUILD MEETING



Your fund-raising team has plans to generate funds to support guild activities and to cover some of the rising operational costs of the guild. At the December 19th meeting, we will be holding two different draw activities. First, a beautiful quilt, donated by Jackie Syer and quilted by Debbie Winn will be on offer. Secondly, several themed gift baskets have been put together including Chocolate theme, Comfort theme, Sports theme, Italian theme and Coffee theme baskets. Additionally, five smaller quilting theme baskets will be available as part of the fund-raising event. We also will be including a special “diva” quilted wall hanging along with the baskets. All in all, many nice treats as part of the second group of gifts.

Tickets for the donated quilt will be sold at \$5 each. Please buy as many as possible to support your guild.

Tickets for the theme baskets and quilt baskets as well as the wall hanging will be sold at 3 tickets for \$5. Again, your generous support will be appreciated.

All monies will go to support the Ancaster Quilters Guild. Please invest in the guild you love.

- On a separate note, our community fund raising event will occur at the June 2024. With input from the Executive Team, we will determine whether we will hold a food drive for Neighbour to Neighbour or collect items for Interval House or perhaps decide on some new community group needing our support.
- Finally, coming in the new year, we would like to offer members of the Ancaster Quilters Guild the opportunity to purchase an embroidered golf shirt with a logo related to our guild. Samples of the T Shirt will be available for sizing at the December meeting. This will be a one-time only event. The shirts will be available in the spring of 2024. More details on this fund-raising activity will be communicated at our December meeting.

Your Fund-Raising Team

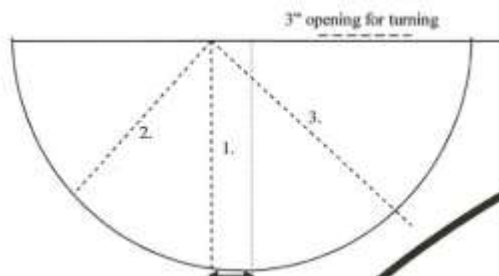
Dianne Busser, Debbe Durham and Cathy Pinelli

Treasurer

In our November newsletter, we advertised for someone to step up and take over the duties of treasurer. Thanks to Kerry Alldritt for stepping up and volunteering to do this. We know that Marlene Reynolds who has been our treasurer and has done an excellent job will be an excellent mentor to Kerry. Thank you to Marlene for all that she has done as treasurer.

Decorative Tree Napkin

Supplies for 4 ea. 16" Napkins:
2 coordinating fabrics: 1/2 yard each



Upcoming Quilt Shows



- Niagara Modern Quilt Expo, Niagara Modern QG, Fonthill May 3 & 4 2024
- Hamilton Quilt Guild Merritt Hall, Ancaster Fairgrounds 630 Trinity Rd. RR#1 Jerseyville May 31 - June 1, 2024 <https://www.hamiltonquiltguild.ca/quilt-show-2024-entry-rules--registration-form.html>

Webpage: <http://www.ancasterquilters.com/home>

Comfort Quilts

Thank you for all the finished quilt tops, donated quilt tops and fabric.

This month we will be bringing in the quilted tops and asking members to take them home and do the binding. Binding is supplied

Janet Shannon, Sam Croucher, Diane Childerly,

A Quilter's Christmas List

1. A larger sewing room (preferably one that cleans and organizes itself).
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The logo for 'Up Yur Quilt' features a brown Highland cow with long, shaggy fur and curved horns, looking directly at the viewer. The cow is surrounded by a field of green grass and various colorful flowers, including yellow daisies, purple and pink blossoms, and white daisies. The background is a clear blue sky. The text 'Up Yur Quilt' is written in a large, blue, stylized font at the top of the image.

Block of the Month

Hello Ladies;

Marlene and I hope everyone is having fun working on their blocks...November's block is outstanding...we're sure you'll enjoy working on this one.

Along with the November block, we have attached the layout of the "Canada Quilt". With the design of the layout, this will enable you to switch blocks around, add your own blocks, delete some blocks or follow the layout we did for our quilts.

Ladies, also remember to look in your spam or junk folder if the monthly BOM download does not show up your "Inbox".

Marlene & Mary



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Saturday December 2 9:30 - 3:00
CLOSED December 24 - 26
BOXING WEEK SALE December 27-29
CLOSED December 30 - January 1
Regular store hours resume January 2, 2024
Monday - Saturday 9:30-5:30

The banner features a dark green background with festive decorations including holly leaves, red berries, snowflakes, and yellow stars. The text is centered and uses a mix of red and white colors.

.Links for Quilt
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