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Ancaster Quilters Guild

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OCTOBER 2026



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Windy days and sweater weather—what a good reason to head to your sewing room! While the leaves are flying, you can ‘fall’ into your projects, whether they are UFOs, WIPs, or something new. Better yet, invite a friend over, enjoy a cup of pumpkin spice tea, and sew up a ‘storm’!

Starting this month, you will find the **Members Showcase** table just outside the kitchen doors. Here, you will see some great Halloween and fall quilts, wall hangings, pillows, and table runners. These items will brighten up our homes as the days get shorter and darkness comes earlier.

Don't forget to bring your contributions to this new initiative. You don't need to stand up in front of everyone or say anything—just add your work to the table for everyone to enjoy. These items can be from your collection, and you may have shown them at some point before, but please bring them again! Contributors will be entered into a draw that will take place at our June meeting.

Remember to wear your name tag at our meeting next Wednesday. You may find yourself the winner of a little gift, and you'll be encouraging everyone to get to know you. Be sure to welcome your neighbour when you sit down and share your fall plans for your sewing room.

This month, we are looking forward to hearing from one of our community partners and seeing all the wonderful quilts you have been making for people in our community who are in need. We will continue this work with another sew day November 9th.

Finally, in support of Marshall's United Church, which generously donates its space for our community outreach sew days, we are invited to purchase **Girl Guide cookies**. They are the mint ones, and each box is \$6. A supply of cookies will be available for purchase at our meeting and if you are interested, please bring exact cash to buy a box or two. Stay warm,

Corinne Ethier, President



REMINDERS!!

3rd Wednesday of each month
IN PERSON

Marshall Memorial United Church
20 Gilbert Ave, Ancaster

Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Come in earlier at 6:30 p.m to
sign in and socialize

Membership Fee: \$40
Guest Fee: \$10

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Programme
October 2026

Hello Members,

This month, Charmaine Spence of Good Shepherd – Martha House will be our presenter. She will talk about the shelter's services, domestic and gender-based violence, and their root causes.

A question-and-answer period will follow.

Our own committee will present quilts to Martha House. Please join us for this informative evening!

Eva Butty & Judy Taylor



Caring Cards

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

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MaryLouise Duncan

Community Outreach

☐ **Comfort Quilts**: Wendy Dalrymple, Janice Leverton

☐ **Pillow cases**: Marlene Reynolds, Mary Crowe

☐ **Christmas Stockings**: Dianne Busser, Kerry Alldritt

Draw Prizes –Kathi Larmand

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Caring Cards – Sheila Clark

Fundraising –Debbe Durham, Dianne Busser



Membership

Welcome ladies and welcome October! A crispness is in the air, fireplace is on, and I am cuddled under a warm quilt as I send this reminder to you all about our membership. RENEW, RENEW, RENEW!

Our fees remain at \$40.00, with our guest fee at \$10.00 a meeting. Our current membership is at now at 74!

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

Please place your membership payment in an envelope and PRINT your name, address, email and phone number on the outside of the envelope.

Thanks so much!



Debbe Durham

Comfort Quilts



It's October, a great month, Thanksgiving, Halloween and the turning of leaves!

Once again we have been busy cutting kits. They will be available at our table. There are some outstanding quilt kits from last year!! If you have one please finish and return it (or if you are having trouble completing it, return it and we will complete it for you)!. Also, don't forget to return any quilts that you have finished binding. thank you for your continued support.

Wendy Dalrymple & Janice Levertton

WHAT TO BRING TO A MEETING



- Name Tag,
- Indoor shoes
- Money for Door Prizes
- Bring Your Own Beverage
- Show & Share
- 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 & latex free

Fundraising

Members responded enthusiastically to the Autumn Quilt Raffle featuring the “Quilted Witch Quilt” at our September meeting. Lovingly made by Guild members in memory of recently deceased Ancaster Quilters Guild members, the quilt was created using materials donated by their families. Proceeds will go to Bob Kemp Hospice.

Tickets will be available again at the October 21st meeting, with the draw taking place later that evening. **Tickets are 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10.**

At our December meeting, the Fundraising Committee will hold its Gift Basket and Christmas Quilt Raffle to support the ongoing needs of the Ancaster Quilters Guild. Donations have already started arriving, and the baskets are taking shape. The Christmas raffle quilt is complete, and we’re sure you’ll love it!

If you have items to donate for the December event, please contact a member of the Fundraising Committee.

Debbe Durham and Dianne Busser



Workshop

We have booked the Fellowship Hall at Marshall Memorial Church for **November 9** for our next community outreach sew day. Please save the date.

At our October Guild meeting, we will discuss our Community Outreach programs and decide which project we will focus on in November. Come prepared to share your ideas and suggestions.

Christmas Stockings: Our September outreach Workshop resulted in 43 completed Stockings! These workshops continue to be successful because of your membership and participation. Thank you! If you have completed Christmas stockings, please bring them to our October meeting.

See you soon!

Kerry Alldritt

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Stay connected with our quilting community and find us on Facebook and Instagram! We’d love to have you join us! Scan the QR codes with your phone’s camera to access our social media pages.

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Block of the Month

BOM Program Is Back!

We're excited to launch this season's Block of the Month (BOM) program! A new technique will be introduced in October, November, March, April, and May.

Stop by our table on meeting night to sign up for October's block. The participation fee is \$2 per block each month.

You'll receive a Ziploc bag containing all the fabric needed to complete the block, along with a draw ticket to fill out with your name.

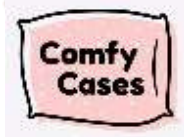
Return your completed block and draw ticket in the bag provided at the November meeting. If your name is drawn, you'll win all the completed quilt blocks, plus the fabric needed to finish the quilt at home!

This year, block construction instructions will be posted on the Ancaster Quilters Guild website, including step-by-step photos and written instructions. Hope to see you on October 21!

Beth Edwards, Janet Randall and Marlene Reynolds



Dear members,



We want to thank you for your continued participation and support of our Comfy Cases program. The area representative is so thrilled with our members and has stated numerous times how generous Ancaster Guild is with their support of the Comfy Cases Program in supplying pillow cases to children in hospitals. Your time and talent is noted and appreciated by the Comfy Cases organizers. Thank you so much.

Ladies, a little reminder, if you took any kits in September could you please bring them back to our October meeting, the Christmas pillow cases need to be off to the area representative as soon as possible. Thank you

Marlene, Diane, Cathy, Mary



SNACKS / SOCIAL

Ladies,



For the October meeting, members with the **last names "A to Du"** are asked to bring in a snack for our break time. This way of doing our snacks was a big success last year and I'm sure this year it will be even better. Thank you so much for your participation.

Mary Crowe & MaryLouise
Duncan Social Committee

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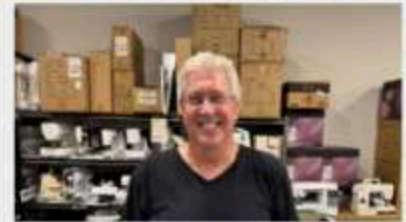
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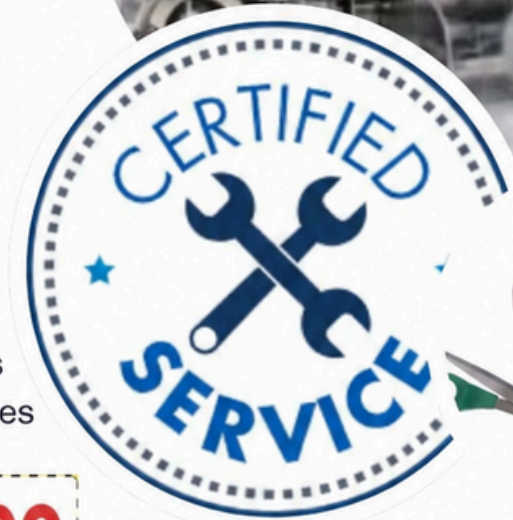
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Show and Share

At our September meeting, beautiful quilted items were displayed by our very talented members. Thank you for taking the time to show us your beautiful creativity and craftsmanship. It was very inspiring to the members. Keep up the great work and we hope to see more at future meetings.



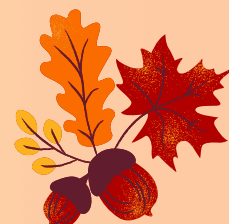
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