

# Ancaster Quilter's Guild

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*March 2021*

## President's Message

March 2021

Most of us associate the month of March with St. Patrick's day and how fortunate for us that our meeting next Wednesday is on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March. That's the one day of the year that even if we are not Irish, we search through our closets looking for something green to wear and plan a dinner of corned beef and cabbage.

Historically, parades are held in American cities (New York City, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and Savannah), so it will be interesting what impact the pandemic has on these celebrations this year. What are the odds that they still colour the river in Chicago green this year?

So, in preparation for our meeting next week, find some article of clothing that's green to wear (or in my case, buy some inexpensive items at the dollar store). Also, we will not have to worry about the smells in our homes after cooking cabbage, as the pandemic has ensured no one will be dropping by for a visit!

In closing, I am looking forward once again to seeing you at our virtual meeting next week

Janice Haluszka,  
President

## REMINDERS!!

Meetings online the third Wednesday of each month Logon for social time at 6:30 Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. "Doors" will close at 7:05 p.m.

We hope to be back at our usual meeting site in 2021. Third Wednesday of each month Marshall Memorial United Church

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## Programme:

### Trunk Show by Audrey Vrooman

#### Queen Bee at B Quilty Studio

Audrey Vrooman, Handi Quilter Educator and Certifiable Threadologist, will be the guest speaker at our March Meeting. Audrey has been a quilt maker for almost 20 years and, over the years, her quilts have hung in juried shows such as the CQA, AQS Paducah and IQA Houston, as well as at guild shows. She will show a selection of her favourite quilts, including a couple of award winners, and share stories of all the fun places quilting has taken her. At the end of the quilt presentation, she will share a short video technique on creating tiny piping to add to your binding. Today, Audrey considers herself an eclectic quilter who enjoys spicing up her quilts with a fresh take on fabric selection and lots of detailed quilting.

We look forward to her presentation.

Programme Committee



## Executive

**President** – Janice Haluszka

**Vice-President** – **NEEDED**

**Past President**– Alison McDonald

**Secretary** - Debbe Durham

**Treasurer** – Marlene Reynolds

**Membership Secretary** – Dianne Busser  
& Martha Forbes

**Program Coordinator** – Willy Walker,  
Hanna Nudds

**Program Fundraising**– Sam Croucher

**Workshop** –Laurie Allan, Mary Crowe

**Library** – Elizabeth Rosser, Mary Louise  
Duncan, Trish Murphy

**Block of the Month** - **NEEDED**

**Social Coordinators** – Heather Ritter &  
Eva Butty

**Comfort Quilts** – Cathy Pinelli, Karen  
Rienau, Mary Crowe, Colleen Dawson  
Janet Shannon

**VON Placemats** –Brenda Lupton

**Draw Prizes** – Heide Koehn, Linda  
Clugston

**50/50** – Diane Childerly

**Webpage/ Advertising/ Newsletter**–  
Susan Lusted

**Greeter** –Colleen Dawson

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## Membership

We continue to have good attendance of members at our virtual meetings of the Ancaster Quilters Guild with 56 individuals joining us in February. It's great to see members taking advantage of the small project suggestions mailed out each month with the newsletter. Please continue showing your finished items virtually at the Show and Share. Your work is so inspiring!

If you know someone who isn't receiving their newsletter, or hasn't been able to connect virtually via Zoom but would like to, please let us know.

Dianne Busser and

Martha Forbes

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## Placemats & Mug Rugs

Please continue to make placemats and mug rugs and when we resume our meetings, Brenda Lupton will be collecting them.

Remember to use those orphan blocks to make placemats to donate also.

Brenda Lupton

## SEW WHAT ELSE?

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- \* Name Tag,
  - \* Indoor shoes
  - \* Money for UFO/Workshops
  - \* Tabs from pop cans
  - \* 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
  - \* Coffee cup, Lug a Mug
  - \* Money for 50/50 **NOTE please try to have toonies and loonies to pay for this.**
  - \* Library Books to return
  - \* Blocks for Comfort Quilts
- NOTE: our meetings are now fragrance and latex free

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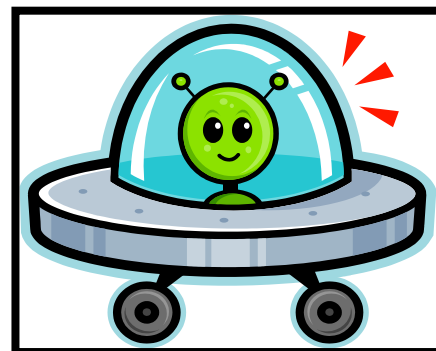
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Kits

## Workshops and UFO Dates

Due to the current pandemic restrictions and health concerns, our guild is suspending UFO's until further notice.



## Stashbuster Challenge 2021

Join us to BUST YOUR STASH this year with our Stash Buster Challenge! I have carefully chosen ONE 6 inch block that we will make using our stash. The block pattern is free and will be available January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

The FREE pattern for this block will be available to download at:

<http://www.bordercreekstation.com/the-stash-buster-challenge-2021.htm>

This Challenge is about making 1 or 2 blocks each week for 52 weeks...the quilt size will be up to you and how many blocks you want to make.

Our goal? To BUST OUR STASH! Let's do it together!

Share your progress and invite your friends and let's have fun doing it!

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[Stoney Creek Quilters; Guild](#)

## Just Sew You Know

- An interesting link sent from Barb Gibson
- [www://allpeoplequilt.com](http://www.allpeoplequilt.com)
- [Quilt a Four-Leaf Clover Block for St. Patrick's Day \(craftsy.com\)](#)
- From Susan Lusted

### Panel Magic

Finished size: 34½" x 54". Need a small quilt in a hurry? Find a great panel and get to it! (\*Alternative size option)



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## DRAW PRIZE WINNERS

### FIFTY FIFTY DRAW WINNER

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### POP TABS

We are still collecting pop tabs for the purchase of wheel chairs through the Elora Legion. Donations can be turned in at the Membership Desk when we resume our meetings.

Thank you for your participation. Jackie Syer





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## Comfort Quilts

Hello Quilters,

We continue to piece quilt tops and get them quilted and ready for delivery. The ladies of our guild have done an amazing job during the restrictions we have faced during the past year. Thank-you to all who support the Comfort Quilt program. Your wonderful quilts will be distributed to those in need in our community. If you are interested in working on a quilt kit or two, my details (address, phone number and email for Cathy Pinelli) are available from our membership list. Just give me a call or send me an email and I'll be happy to get a kit ready for you. Thank-you to all the ladies who have come by my home to pick up and drop off quilts.

Just a heads up: This June will see the completion of four years for me (Cathy) as your Comfort Quilt Coordinator. I have enjoyed working with all of you and have been thrilled to see all the wonderful work you have done. I am stepping down as the leader of the team and am looking for someone who would be interested in replacing me commencing in September 2021. I, and the other ladies on the team, will continue to support the new leader.

We all bring different skill sets to the group and have worked together to support the Ancaster Quilter's Guild in its commitment to the outreach program. If you would be interested in participating as the Team Leader, please let Janice Haluszka (President) or me know. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have about the role. It has certainly been a fulfilling experience being part of a group that supports the guild's key outreach program for our community.

The Comfort Quilt Team

Mary Crowe, Colleen Dawson, Karen Rienau, Janet Shannon and Cathy Pinelli

## Project of the Month March 2021



**This is a link for placemats for April and Easter. How cute is this project?**

Download instructions and the you tube link is below.

[TableGlitz\\_April\\_forDownload \(shabbyfabrics.com\)](http://shabbyfabrics.com)



A Helpful Hint: [A Very Unusual Yet Useful Sewing Machine Foot - YouTube](#)

This came up during our last online meeting. The problem was that one couldn't see the edge of applique when doing it by machine. Sew Very Easy which is on YouTube every Tuesday and Thursday had this on. Laura Coia is holding a Leather Foot for a home sewing machine. Check the link above. This foot looks like a spare tire and was used for sewing gloves. You don't have to lower the feed dogs and you can see your work easily. I was amazed when I saw this one.



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## Library Report

We added several new books that are sure to pique interest.

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Elizabeth Rosser, Mary Louise Duncan, Trish Murphy



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