



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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Upcoming Programs

In **October**, Patricia Hutton will be speaking to us about the organization SewREDI Buffalo.

According to their Web site: "SewREDI Buffalo is a Refugee Economic Development Initiative in Buffalo, NY that uses the medium of sewing to teach economic empowerment and provide opportunities for self-sufficiency to members of Buffalo's refugee community. The people we teach gain marketable skills as well as a place to come together and share the experience of making something from start to finish.

We are staffed entirely by community volunteer sewing instructors, and we supply all of the materials for projects so that the folks who come to sew with us never spend a dime. As each refugee learns to sew, they take a test to earn their own sewing machine so they can sew for their families. SewREDI was founded in 2011 by Patricia Hutton, a Canisius College professor and the advisor of Canisius Enactus. Students from the Canisius Enactus chapter provide additional volunteer staff.

***In regards to the various questions we have received about donations to SewREDI - they will take any fabric, machines that are simple and not in cabinets (storage issues), and [for receipt/tax purposes] they can provide a gift in kind form from Canisius if our non profit is not complete or from ourselves if it is."

In **November** we will have a Fabric Sale. It will start at 7pm, with our regular meeting to follow. Don't forget to bring an empty tote bag and money (including small bills and change would be helpful). Invite your friends! During the meeting we will have our Election and Round Robin reveal.

December will be a dinner catered by Campobello's. Joann C. will start taking sign ups in October (by mail or at the meeting). The cost per member is \$10. Paper plates and plastic utensils will be provided, though you are also welcome to bring your own place setting if you'd like.

***Note that the December meeting has been moved to Thursday, December 14th.

The menu is:

Roasted Chicken
Eggplant Parmigiana
Mashed Potatoes
Macaroni & Cheese
Mixed Vegetables
Rolls & Butter
Cookies & Fruit
Coffee & Tea

Minutes of the September 21 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Theresa Utz made motion to accept Aug. minutes as printed in Aug. newsletter. Seconded by Joyce Morris

PROGRAM- Noell -

- o Oct. is Sew Redi speaker. She will accept donations of sewing machines (no cabinets), fabric, notions.
- o Nov. is Fabric Sale, starting at 7 pm. Business meeting after. Reveal of Round Robins.
- o Dec. is catered dinner. Induction of new officers.
- o Feb. will be the Guild Buck Auction

TREASURER- JoAnn - Gave report of checking and savings balance. Contact her for details

MEMBERSHIP- Cindy - 94 members, 1 guest

HISTORIC HOMES- Theresa - Will meet Fri. Oct. 13, 10 am, in tea room. Bring sewing machine if you can.

COMMUNITY SERVICE- Betty - Wed. Sept. 27 in Steffan, 10 am. Pattern for dresses for Mexico will be in newsletter. You can use your own fabric. Kits will be available in Oct. but must be returned in Nov. Because of earthquake, dresses are desperately needed.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS- Linda has boot off her foot. Betty Z's cast comes off next week. Congrats to Marija who has a quilt and pattern published in Nov. McCalls Quilting

QUILT SHOW - Still needs someone to be in charge of Publicity and someone to be in charge of Hanging quilts. Remember, there are others who help. We need coordinators.

CARD WORKSHOP- Lori and Mary Ellen - 2nd Friday of month, 1 pm. \$15 per session includes all tools and materials Let them know by Oct. 1 for next session. Open to guild members and general public.

EARLY BIRD SESSIONS - Need some more volunteers for demos. One more in 2017 and then hiatus until May 2018 because of quilt show meetings.

2018 OFFICERS- looking for Recording Secretary

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING with BNHV (sets down specific agreements with AQG and BNHV) as sent to membership via e-mail

- o Similar to previous agreement. Education section added to 2018 agreement
- o There will be someone to co-ordinate education offerings.
- o Will now be sent to Herb Schmidt for BNHV approval.

GUILD SHIRTS - Took a count of how many members would be interested in purchasing guild polo shirt, sweatshirt hoodie, or guild patch. Board to discuss further.

- o 11 would be interested in shirts- cost \$25 - \$40
- o 13 would be interested in patc

SHOW AND SHARE
MEET AND GREET PROGRAM

NOVEMBER FABRIC SALE by Natalie Masker

Clean out your stash. Remember that fabric you bought years ago and now you wonder why. Bought too many yards of that wild fabric? Bring to Oct. meeting if you can. Measure and label yardage. Total up donation. Fat quarters also wanted. Get \$1 in Guild Bucks per fat quarter, \$5 guild bucks for each yard. Lots of fabric wanted for a terrific sale. We have invited other guilds to come. Real money used at sale. Proceeds to go to Education Fund to bring in teachers. Bring your own tote bag.

Papercrafting Fun -

Enjoy the fun of making your own cards, containers, tags, ornaments, seasonal decorations and more while in the company of other like minded crafters. All crafters are welcome!

In each class you will make a minimum of 4 items to take home, and 1 item to be donated to one of the quilt guild service committees.

Kit Fee: \$15 for all museum members (non-members will also pay the museum entrance fee). All needed supplies will be provided in the kits.

Payment by cash or check due at the start of each class,

Register by the first Friday of the month to guarantee a kit will be prepared for you. Register at the quilt guild meeting preceding the class or by contacting MaryEllen Cannon or Lori Racle, or by calling the museum at 716-689-1440.

2nd Friday of each month at the museum from 1pm-3:30pm. (Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8).

Community Service - by Betty Zebrowski .

Thank you to all members who are making blocks! We had 113 blocks made of our September / *Spy Christmas* pattern. October's pattern is included in this newsletter. Remember, you get 5 bucks /block and 25 bucks for four blocks made. *[And you get a fun pattern to use for your projects]*

Thank you to the members attending this month's community service meeting. We accomplished so much; we had fun, too! Please consider joining us. We meet in Steffen Bldg. 10am to 1pm the Wed. following the general meeting. Our next meetings; October 25th; Nov. 29th.

We will be filling ditty bags in January. Please bring in toiletries, etc for bagging.

Our next donation of **Quilts for the Troop** is in December. Please bring your donations to the Nov. meeting.

Thank you Quilting Angels!

Blossom Time Block - by Betty Zebrowski .

This easy flower block can be for seniors, teen, or soldiers. Very cheerful!

Remember, you now receive 5 bucks / block; Make 4 blocks get 25 bucks!

For each block:

four 5 x 5 inch squares coordinating color for petals

four 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch squares - white solid, or tone on tone white

four 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 inch square - gold solid, or small print

On each 5 inch square; sew 2 1/2 inch square diagonally on square. On opposite corner sew 1 1/2 inch square diagonally.



Fold to corners.



Sew squares together.



9 1/2 unfinished block THANK YOU!

[Leaving the excess in, creates a whiter corner; a brighter center. Ironing the seams flat will help with the bulk.]

QCNYS = Quilting Connections 2018 * REGISTER TODAY

REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

Teacher Vendors - December 31, 2017

Master Class Lottery - December 1, 2017

Quilters Retreat available on First Come, First Basis!

Thursday, September 13, 2018

QCNYS Business Meeting, Networking, National Teacher Lecture & Trunk Show

Thursday Evening - Sunday Afternoon, September 13 - 16, 2018

QCNYS New York State Quilters Retreat and Mini Mall

Friday and Saturday, September 14 - 15, 2018

Master Class with National Teacher Ricki Selva

**Teachers Registration
for Quilting Connections Networking Opportunity**

Registration Opens: Sept. 20, 2017
Registration Closes: Dec. 31, 2017
http://www.qcnys.org/QC2018/teachervendor_form.htm

**Member Registration
for Meeting and/or Quilters Retreat**

Registration Opens: Sept. 20, 2017
Registration Closes: May 1, 2018
http://www.qcnys.org/QC2018/attendee_form.htm

**Lottery Registration
for National Teacher Class with Ricki Selva**

Registration Opens: Sept. 20, 2017
Registration Closes: Dec. 1, 2017
**Register for the Lottery Drawing to participate in a 2-day class with Ricki Selva on
September 14 - 15, 2018**
http://www.qcnys.org/QC2018/attendee_form.htm

Refreshments - by Cindy Hubacher
The people who signed up to bring treats in October are Theresa Utz, Pat McDonald and Annette Meyer-Grunow

Historic Homes by Theresa Utz
Historic homes will be meeting on the second Friday of the month - it's October 13 at 10 AM. We will be meeting in the Tea room hopefully. If not, they will find a place for us. We'll find out when we get there. Thank you and hope to see you all there.

Early Bird Specials by MaryEllen Cannon
On our regular meeting night at 6:15 in the tea room there will be a free demo hosted by one of our members. It will be a short (15-20 minute) presentation on a topic the volunteer host would like to share. The demos will be free with no registration or reservation required; everyone is welcome to attend. If there is interest, follow up classes will be arranged.

Come join us and please let us know if you would be interested in presenting a demo, or if there is a topic, technique, project, pattern ...that you would like to see presented. Below is the schedule of presenters we have scheduled so far:

Oct	working with salvages	MaryEllen Cannon
Nov	easy holiday decorations	?? how about you??

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

no news

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Sept 29-30. Southtowns Piecemakers presents Quilted Treasures at Annunciation Church, corner of Clinton and Girdle Rd. Friday, 10am-7pm. Saturday, 10am-4pm. Admission \$5.00

Oct 13-15. at the Hope Lutheran Church, 2 East Main st, Arcade, NY. Chicken & biscuits luncheon. Friday 11am-8pm. Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 11:30am - 4pm.

October| Calendar of Events

- Oct 3 -Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30pm at Wegmans - Sheridan & Essjay
- Oct 5 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Oct 12 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Oct 13 - Friday - Historic Homes at 10am in the Tea Room
- Oct 13 - Friday - Papercrafting at 1-3:30pm
- **Oct 19** - Thursday 6:15-6:30 - working with salvages by MaryEllen Cannon
- **Oct 19** - meeting 7pm
- Oct 25 - Community Service - 10am in Steffen
- Oct 26 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room

Publications - MaryAnn Krafft

If you have any problems with receipt of our e-mail messages, or change your e-mail provider, please send an email to MaryAnn Krafft with your request

to: newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org.

Articles to be included in the **November 2017** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Sun, Oct 29**, to be included in the newsletter, space permitting.

We welcome inquiries about AQQ membership and encourage our members to bring your family and friends as a guest to one of our monthly guild meetings, held the third Thursday each month, at 7 PM at the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village, located at 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst, NY 14228.

Officers

President - Jackie Groszkowski

First Vice President - Noell Porter-Goettel and Jennet Freatman

Second Vice President - Cindy Hubacher and Laurie Thomas

Secretary - Natalie Masker

Treasurer - Joanne Castiglia

Committee Chairs

Accuquilt - Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle

Block Lotto - Jackie Groszkowski

Blog - Mary Ellen Cannon and Marija Vujcic

Challenge Quilts - Lynne Nothum

Community Service - Betty Zebrowski

Country Store Liaison - Mary Ellen Cannon

Guild Bucks - Cindy Hubacher

Historic Homes - Theresa Utz

Library - Jean Miller

Museum Events - Theresa Utz

Nominating - Joanne Castiglia

NYS Consortium - Sue Kogler

PM Quilters - Joyce Morris

Program - Noelle Porter-Goettel and Jennet Freatman

Property - MaryAnn Krafft

Publishing Editor - MaryAnn Krafft

Quilt Show 2018 - MaryAnn Krafft + Sue Kogler

Quilting Bee - Joann O'Brien

Quilts For Courage - Sylvia Siegel

Quilts For The Troops - Betty Zebrowski

Raffle Quilt 2018 - Marija Vujcic

Seminar 2.0 - Mary Ellen Cannon and Jan Reilly

Sunshine & Shadows - Kathy Tomasulo

Website - Marie Buchanan



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