



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

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July 2016

Upcoming Programs

July: Fabric Bingo - instructions will follow. bring Bingo markers to play -- pennies, buttons, etc.

August: Garage Sale - sign up sheet will be available at the July meetings.

September program will be a lecture by Linda Hunter. "Helpful Hints for Award-Winning Quilts."

Also a "thank you" to everyone who helped organize the John Kubiniec classes and to everyone who attended his lecture and classes. Since several people have asked, I would like to mention that he would love to come visit us again, after his book is printed, and sign copies for us.

To the Members of the Amherst Quilters Guild,

I would like you all to know that due to circumstances beyond my control, I have resigned my position as President of the Amherst Quilters Guild effective June 1, 2016. Jackie G. has graciously agreed to continue on as acting President until the end of the term, which is December 2016.

I wish Jackie and the entire AQQ Board of Directors the very best for the remainder of their terms.

Thank you all for your support this past year and a half. I hope to see you again at a meeting very soon.

Robi Witulski

Minutes of the June 16 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Jackie called meeting to order at 7 PM. Guest speaker John Kubiniak was introduced. He gave a lecture and trunk show. At 8:30 a short business meeting was held.

- We gave thanks to Robi for her service as President. Jackie G. is interim president.
- Financial report will be given at July meeting due to time restrictions.
- We need new president, treasurer and membership chair for next year. Please think of volunteering. Guild is only as strong as people who take responsibility to help run it.
- Lynn Nothum is chairing a new quilt challenge due Mar. 2017. Details available at meeting.
- Winners of two community service lottery prizes were picked. Lucky Mary Carroll won both prizes.
- July meeting will be Quilt Bingo. Directions for making board was in June newsletter. After game, boards will be collected to be made into quilts by community service group. Please bring pennies, coins, buttons, for board markers.
- Quilts for Troops will be delivered in July after meeting. If you have any to donate, bring them to July meeting.
- Aug. meeting: from 1 – 5 we will be working on Quilts for Courage to be donated to Children's and Roswell Hospital pediatric units. Pattern and needs list in newsletter. Bring sewing machines if you can. We also need people to cut and iron. We will have dinner after. Evening meeting- 7 pm- business meeting first. Show and share next. We will have a garage sale afterwards. You can set up any time after 5 pm but NO sales until after business meeting. You keep your own money. Sign up with Noell if you want a table. Mark your items. Bring your own change. CLEAN OUT YOUR SEWING ROOM AND BRING MONEY!!
- There are still books of quilt raffle tickets to be picked up. It is too expensive to mail them. Please try to come to meeting and pick them up or arrange for a friend to pick them up. Money and stubs due at Sept. meeting at the latest. Drawing at end of meeting in Sept

Sunshine & Shadow -

Mary Ellen Cannon's mother, Margaret Cannon of Hornell passed away on June 11 at the age of 92. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Bingo Blocks -

For the columns:

- 1 Red
- 2 Yellow/orange
- 3 Pink/purple (with black or white "free square" in the center)
- 4 Green
- 5 Blue



For the categories:

- 1 Polka Dots
- 2 Stripes
- 3 Plaid
- 4 Hearts and/or stars
- 5 Flowers and/or leaves
- 6 Solid or tone-on-tone
- 7 Novelty
- 8 Holiday
- 9 Geometric
- 10 Paisley

Using 2 1/2" brightly colored squares, construct a block - 5 squares x 5 squares. Only use one block from each category per column/color.

*As per Jackie, earn ten Guild bucks for each block made.

*If you make more blocks than you can play, you can give to others to play (and still earn Guild bucks).

Quilts for Courage -

On August 18, we will be working on the adaptation of a quilt from the Missouri Star Quilt Company.

Large Floating Squares Quilt

Fabric Requirements

(46 x 56" finished quilt size)

1 yard total medium to dark scrap fabrics for large squares

6- 3.5 inch squares- use scrap fabric

1 3/4 yard light background fabric

Backing fabric and batting

Cutting - Colored Fabric

9- 9.5 x 9.5 inch squares

Background Fabric

Outer border- 5- 3.5" width of fabric strips

6- 3.5 inch squares

15- 9.5 inch squares

16- 3.5 inch squares

16- 3.5 x 9.5 inch rectangles

Sewing

1. Sew one 3.5" colored square to a 3.5" background square. Press. Then sew another 3.5" background square to the opposite side. Press.
2. Then sew the 3.5 x 9.5 inch rectangle of background fabric to the block you made. Then sew another 3.5 x 9.5 inch rectangle of background fabric to the other side. Press. Now your floating block is done.
3. Sew a 9.5" background square to a floating block square. Then add a 9.5 inch background square to the opposite side. Add a floating square and then a 9.5 inch background square so the row looks like the diagram below.
4. Piece 3 of these rows. Press these rows to the right.
5. For alternating rows, sew colored 9.5" colored squares to 6- 9.5" background squares as shown below. Press these rows to the left. Sew 3 of these rows.
6. Sew the rows together as shown below. Begin with the solid color block row. Then sew the 3.5 inch strips to all sides of the quilt. Add batting and backing. Quilt and bind.

Buffalo History Museum submitted by Linda Hunter

Here are the dates for AQQ to quilt at The Buffalo History Museum.
Saturday, August 6 and
Friday, September 2. Times for each day are 12 noon - 4:00 pm.

The museum would also like volunteers to quilt on the following special days:

Food Truck Rodeo days, Wednesdays, July 6 and August 3, beginning at 5 pm: family fun, food truck vendors, music - **free** for all.

Party on the Portico, Friday evenings, beginning at 5:30 pm -
July 15 and August 19. Cash bar, light snacks, music, \$5.00 members, \$10.00 non members, **FREE** if you quilt!

All supplies for the quilt will be provided. Please bring your own thimble. If you wish to work on your own project, bring anything you need. A good personal lamp will also be a good idea. Lighting is low to protect the quilts.

Also, come and celebrate the new opening of the next quilt rotation on Wednesday, August 17. Free Admission all day, with quilt vendors on site from 10 am - 7 pm. (You'll have to bring some money for the vendors!)

Consortium by Sue Kogler

This quarter's consortium meeting was held in Naples, NY. The business portion of the meeting was conducted. As at all the meetings, each guild's delegates give a report on what their guild is doing. This includes, community service projects,, guest artist/speakers they have had and other program ideas.

After lunch, scholarship awards are presented and reports were given by the recipients of previous awards. They told of the uses of scholarship money. This time there was a presentation by a quilter/lecturer on thread art. She had beautiful examples of her work.

The next meeting will be in September at Painted Post.

Saturday Seminar Series

by Mary Ellen Cannon and Jan Reilly

There will be a meeting of the Seminar Committee at 6pm before the July Guild meeting. We will discuss where we have been and where we are going with the Saturday Seminar Series. Everyone is welcome.

Upcoming Events -

Westfield Quilters' Guild presents "Schoolhouse Quilts" on **July 29-31**. Friday & Saturday, 10-5, Sunday 10-3. Westfield Central School, route 20, just south of NYS Thruway exit 60. admission \$5

Kenmore Quilters Guild triennial quilt show will be held on Friday, **September 30**, from 10am-5pm and on Saturday, **October 1**, from 9am - 4pm at St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, 2368 Eggert Rd, Tonawanda, NY.

It's not too early to register your quilt for the show! Walker Valley's Country Quilters will hold their thirteenth biannual quilt show **September 24 and 25**, from 10a.m. until 4p.m. at the Pine Bush High School, 156 State Route 302, Pine Bush, NY. Admission is \$7 per day or \$10 for both days.

In addition to an amazing quilt display, the show will include, guest speaker Susan Reich, Invitational of Antique Quilts –"Scrap Happy," a gallery talk, a judged show, a variety of quilt related vendors, a craft supply sale, a block contest, a boutique with Quilts and quilt related items for sale, demonstrations, door Prizes, AQS Appraisals by Sue Reich, and raffle prizes which include Quilt, Quilter's Attic gift certificate or a handmade basket full of quilting fabric, and a raffle to support the guild's Pine Bush High School Scholarships! Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

For more information on the show, how to register your quilt, and how to become a vendor for the show visit the guild's web site:

www.countryquilters.org

July 2016 | Calendar of Events

- July 5 - Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30
- July 7 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters - 9:30am in the Tea Room
- July 14- Thursday - Tea Room Quilters - 9:30am in the Tea Room
- July 21 - Thursday 7pm - meeting & Quilt Bingo
- July 27 - Wednesday - Community Service, 10 am in Steffen
- July 28 - 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 **August 2016** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Wednesday, July 27**, 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.

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Quilt Show 2018 - ??????????

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Quilts For Courage - Sylvia Siegel

Quilts For The Troops - Betty Zebrowski

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