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August 2016 - Upcoming Programs

DATE CHANGE!!!! Due to the Scottish Festival our meeting date for our August meeting must be changed. The custodian at the Village cannot possibly set up for our Quilts for Courage sew-in and get ready for the Festival which begins the next day. Therefore, our meeting day is being moved up one week. All the plans are the same, but we will be meeting on **Thursday, August 11**. Please let any guild member know of this change. We don't want anyone making the effort to get there and arriving a week late.

Quilts for Courage starts at 1pm.

Guild Garage Sale - starting **after** our business meeting at 7pm. If you would like a table and have not signed up yet at a meeting, please contact Noell (info in directory). Those who have signed up for a table, please bring your own change.

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

Our October speaker will be Lisa Corretore. She will present some of her quilts and "Creative Ideas for Rag Quilting."

Quilts for Courage - by Sylvia Siegel

Quilts for Courage is an ongoing program where members make quilts for the Children's Hospital Hematology/Oncology Department and the pediatric floor and clinic at Roswell Park. On August 11th, we will meet in the main room at the museum to work on quilts for the kids. Bring a sewing machine, fabric, rotary cutter, mat and extension cord to work on the [Large Floating Squares Quilt](#) or any quilt of your choice. The guild

will supply irons and has fabric available if you would rather use that. You can come just to cut fabric and iron sewn pieces.

We will begin working at 1 p.m. and continue until 5 p.m. when we will have dinner for those who worked during the afternoon. Submarine sandwiches will be available. If your last name begins with A-M bring dessert and N-Z bring a salad or main dish. You also need to bring your own drinks, plates, and eating utensils.

Large Floating Squares pattern is [here](#). It is an adaptation of a quilt from Missouri Star Quilt Company. You can see the original on the web site if you search Floating Squares Quilt. It is very easy and should be quick to cut and piece. If you have any questions, please call Sylvia Siegel (652-7602).

Scottish Festival - August 19 - 21

Please note, all guild members volunteering to present demonstrations at Scottish Festival should enter the festival through the Shaw Admissions Gate only. There guild volunteers will be asked to sign-in. This is to track their service hours, as well as to ensure they receive free admission to the festival on the day(s) they volunteer their time. Volunteer parking will be located on the lawn in front of Shaw.

By-Laws Revision

On Thursday, **August 4** there will be a meeting of the Guild By-Laws Revision committee in the Tea Room at 9:30 AM. So far we have five volunteers to work on the committee but anyone who is interested is more than welcome. This is the first meeting so you haven't missed anything. Those present will receive a copy of the current By-Laws and will choose a "leader". Again, anyone who is interested is welcome. The more input the better.

Minutes of the July 21 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Jackie called meeting to order at 7 PM.

- Marie Buchanan gave Treasurer's report. It was requested that all checks reimbursed to members be cashed ASAP so books can be balanced. There are still many checks outstanding from April quilt show.

- Mary Ellen made motion that Treasurer's report be on member's only section of web site every month. Passed.
- Cindy Hubacher is collecting tickets and money for Raffle Quilt. Please bring to the next meeting if you can. Drawing will be at Sept.15 meeting so that is the LAST possible time.
- Aug.Meeting date changed due to Scottish Festival Setup. Quilts for Courage and Garage Sale will now be **AUG.11.**
- Quilts for Courage (1-5pm) pattern on website: Amherstquiltersguild.org
- Novelty fabric for floating sq. will be available if needed at sew-in. Bring background (Neutral), sewing machines, Rulers and Cutting tools. Also needed:people to iron and cut if you can't bring in your machine.
- Subs will be provided for dinner, at 5pm. See newsletter for salad and dessert assignments. Bring your own dishes and beverage.
- Aug.meeting: Business meeting and then sale. NO selling until AFTER business meeting. Please bring friends to meeting. All customers welcome. Great Bargains available.
- Community Service- Quilts for Troops will be taken to air base in Aug. There is a raffle on-going for Aurifil Thread box (approx. \$100 value) and an appliqué pattern from Bunny Hill (over \$25 value) for community service projects.
- It was requested that newsletter have link to pdf files for easier printable patterns.
- Volunteers needed; President, Treasurer, 2nd VP (membership) for 2017. Also a chairperson (or group) for Raffle Quilt 2018. Quilt needs to be designed and block packages given out to members early next year. Contact Joanne Castiglia if you would like to volunteer to serve. NO officers, NO guild.

Sunshine & Shadow -

Carolyn Mathias, long time former member passed away on July 13.

Loretta Cadwallader fell and broke her ankle and has been unable to quilt.

Raffle Quilt

The tickets and money for the raffle quilt are coming in slowly. Hopefully it will improve in August and September. There has been a date change for the drawing of the winner. The tickets say that the drawing will take place on Saturday, September 17. When they were printed we thought that would be a Seminar Saturday. Well, that's probably not going to happen.

So, the drawing will be held at our September meeting, September 15. Please have your tickets and money in by then.

Our Next Raffle Quilt

I know we haven't raffled our current quilt yet, but it's really time to start planning for the next quilt for a few reasons. First of all, the process of making the quilt is very time consuming. Secondly, since currently we no longer have a seminar in September at which the drawing was traditionally held, it makes sense to move the drawing date. One of the possibilities is to have the drawing at the Quilt Show. (This has NOT been decided yet.) If we do change the drawing date it gives us even less time to complete the quilt. According to NY State law raffle tickets can be sold for only 180 days prior to the drawing which would mean that the quilt must be finished by October 2017. That gives us just a bit over a year to complete it.

With all of that in mind we need ideas for the next quilt. Think about a quilt that has many blocks that can be done by our members. It can be a pattern that you purchase or find in a magazine or even better an original design. Please think about this and bring your ideas (or a picture of the quilt) to our August meeting. Hopefully that will inspire others. We will vote on the ideas at our September meeting. Hopefully we'll have quite a few designs to choose from.

Buffalo History Museum submitted by Linda Hunter

This is a reminder that Amherst Quilters Guild will be quilting at The Buffalo History Museum on **Saturday, August 6** from 12 - 4 pm. The group quilt is almost finished, but there may be some hand quilting left to do. Since it is our monthly demonstration day, we would love to see many of you there. Please bring some other work to do in the event there is not enough to quilt on the project quilt. Also, a light is always helpful. There are lights available, but you may want to have your own as lighting is low for the protection of the quilts on display. Also, this will be the last time we see these particular quilts in the exhibit, as the third rotation of quilts will begin on August 17.

There will be two quilt shops at The Buffalo History Museum, selling quilting supplies, on Wednesday, August 17 from 10 am - 7 pm. They are Auntie's Attic and Mt. Pleasant Quilting Company, both shops that we may not have visited in a while due to their distance from us. This is a great opportunity to see the new exhibit of quilts and to do some shopping. There will also be a reception from 5 - 7 pm. Hopefully, since our guild meeting will have been the week before, members will be able to enjoy this exhibit on August 17.

Do join us in this rewarding activity. Contact Linda Hunter, 716-625-8039; hunterlj@roadrunner.com

Upcoming Events -

Quilting on the Bayfront - **September 15-17** at the Bayfront Convention Center in Erie, PA. For more info, see the website - <http://www.millcreeksew.com/quilting-on-the-bayfront-erie-pa.htm>

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. For more information on the show, visit the guild's web site: www.countryquilters.org

August 2016 | Calendar of Events

- Aug 2 - Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30
- Aug 4 - Thursday - BY-Laws revision - 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Aug 6 - Saturday - Hand quilting at the History Museum - 12 - 4pm
- **Aug 11** - Thursday - 1pm - Quilts for Courage
- **Aug 11** - Thursday 7pm - meeting
- Aug 17 - Thursday - 10am - 7pm - Buffalo History Museum
- Aug 19-21 - BNHV Scottish Festival
- Aug 24 - Wednesday - Community Service, 10 am in Steffen
- Aug 25 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room

Publications - MaryAnn Krafft

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Articles to be included in the **September 2016** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Monday, August 29**, to be included in the newsletter, space permitting.

We welcome inquiries about AQG 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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Quilts For Courage - Sylvia Siegel

Quilts For The Troops - Betty Zebrowski

Raffle Quilt 2016 - Cindy Hubacher

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