



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

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Upcoming Programs

For October:

Lisa Corretore is scheduled for a lecture and trunk show on "Creative Ideas for Rag Quilting." She is also going to follow this up with a Saturday Seminar class on 10/29.

For November:

Mary Ellen Cannon's program is on "fabric origami".

December

We have decided to have a catered holiday dinner this year. The cost will be \$10 and the deadline to sign up is December 1st. The meeting time will be moved up to 6:45pm. Dinner will be catered by Campobello's.

Turkey
Vegetable Lasagna
Stuffing
Potato
Vegetable
Rolls
Cookies
Fruit
Coffee and tea

We will have a surprise craft project after dinner, something you can make for yourself or use as a last-minute gift.

In the past ladies brought their own place setting. You may still do this if you like, but the caterer will also be supplying plates and utensils

Minutes of the September 15 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Jackie called meeting to order at 7 pm. We welcomed quilt teacher John

Kubiniac who came with autographed copies of his new book to sell.

Treasurer: Marie gave report on income and expenditure. See members only section on website for details.

Program: Noell gave report on up-coming program

Oct.- Lisa from Patchwork Garden- Rag Quilts

Nov.-MaryEllen- Make and Take

Dec.- Holiday Party- to be catered by Campobello's- cost to members \$10- guild to pay balance. Form will be on the website.

Membership: 117 paid members. Nametags to new members given out.

Quilt Raffle: name drawn, winner is Pat McDonald.

Final figures on income will be given next month. Marija V. has volunteered to design and head committee for 2018 Quilt Raffle. Members voted on submitted design choices.

Community Service: Betty Z. gave report. 24 quilts delivered to Air Force Base. 43 Blocks donated for next quilt.

52 fabric ornaments donated for BNHV Xmas tree we were asked to decorate. More ornaments are needed. Must be in at Oct. meetings.

Contact Rebecca Ribis if you need design suggestions.

Sunshine and Shadows: Lori Racle is home from surgery and doing well.

Nominating Committee: JoAnn C.- slate of officers to be presented in

Oct.- Pres, Treasurer, 2ndvp (membership), nominations are still be taken.

Contact JoAnn Castiglio if you would like to run for office or nominate someone.

By-Laws/Constitution Update Committee- still working on revisions. Will be presented to members for vote when completed.

Fons & Porter Love of Quilting special for guilds presented. New or renewal subscription for 1 yr. - cost \$15 vs \$20 plus bonus of thread spools and 2 booklets. Make check payable to Fons & Porter Love of Quilting and bring to Oct. Meeting to fill out form.

Comm. Service Raffle drawn. Natalie Masker won 1st choice. Linda Randall 2nd choice.

Nov. meeting- pillowcase dresses for Mexico due at Nov. meeting. See Loretta Cadwallader for details and kits.

Ornament Day- a fund-raiser for BNHV, will be Sat., Nov 5. Volunteers are needed to help paying participants with making fabric ornament. Ideas and helpers needed. There will be kit for minimal cost. Contact Jackie G.

Seminar: Oct. 29-All day- 9-3 Basket. Half day- 9-12- Rag Quilt. See website for info/forms

BNHV asked **Historic Homes** committee to regroup to make copies of civil war banners. Theresa Utz to get more info.

Cindy Hubacher will head **Hospitality** beginning Jan. Members to sign up for snacks.

Show & share

Linda Hunter gave **lecture** on How to Make Winning Quilts using quilts to illustrate pluses and no-no's.

Christmas Ornaments

The Village has requested that each of the guilds make ornaments to trim a Christmas tree. They can be any size or shape. The only stipulation is that they're made of fabric. Several members have found designs that are both adorable and simple to make. Rebecca Ribis has volunteered to chair this activity. Her phone and email address are in the 2016 directory and are also on the "Members Only" page on the web site. If you have any patterns or would like a pattern please contact her. Since the trees will be decorated in early November the ornaments are due at the **October meeting**.. Anyone who donates an ornament will receive 10 Quilt Bucks per ornament. Our annual auction will be here before you know it. This is a great way to increase your buying power.

Community Service - by Betty Zebrowski

Just to remind all members to bring your ornaments for the museum to the October general meeting. Hope to see more members at our Community Service meeting on Oct., 26th. If you can't make our meeting, please continue to make items for us at home. **It's truly appreciated! Thank you!**

Historic Homes - by Theresa Utz

At the request of the BNHV, we are re-activating the Historic Homes committee, with the Replication of Civil War artifacts as our focus for now. One of the projects planned is making rag rugs for the houses as *needed*.

If you are interested in working on this committee, we will be meeting on the first Wednesday in November, **Nov. 2**, beginning at 10 AM in the Tea room.

Please join us, everyone is welcome, no experience necessary!

Sunshine & Shadow -

Lori Racle had surgery recently and is recovering at home.

Award Winning Hints by Linda Hunter

Sashing width should be no more than 1/3 the width of the block. Ex. If block is 12", sashing shouldn't be more than 4". And, I usually make it less than that.

Each fabric in the border shouldn't be any wider than half the width of the block. If there are 12" blocks, each border strip shouldn't be wider than 6". And, again, often I make them a little narrower than that. The border may be made of more than one border strip. Simply be careful not to make the border so wide that it looks like you were trying to avoid making another row of blocks!

Love of Quilting Guild Special

Fons and Porter are offering a special for guilds. You can renew or get a new 1 year subscription of magazine for \$15 vs. \$20 regular cost. In addition, you get bonus gifts thread spools and 2 booklets. Sign up at Oct. meeting. Check payable to Fons & Porter Love of Quilting. See Natalie Masker

4-Star Anniversary Challenge by Lynne Nothum

Create a project celebrating 40+ years of the guild. Include 4 stars using any pattern and technique and you must use at least 1 red fabric. (Red is the color of the 40th anniversary!). For inspiration and ideas check out the books in our library. If you'd like to celebrate the actual anniversary (42 years), add 2 surprise elements such as buttons or other trims, photos, etc.

The project size should be a minimum of 48" total circumference and a maximum of 144" total circumference. Your project could be a pillow or table runner, or a wall-hanging or baby quilt. It must be a completely finished item, not just a top.

Due date: March 2017 meeting!
Use your own creativity and imagination!!!

Buffalo History Museum submitted by Linda Hunter

. Our dates for the remainder of this entire project are:

Thursday, October 6,

Saturday, November 5 and

Friday, December 2. The times are always 12 - 4 pm. We are asking all guilds to volunteer for a day in January 2017. This is the last month the

exhibit will be open, and we won't know what the weather will be like. However, we are still hoping to have demonstrators.

Saturday Seminars by Mary Ellen Cannon

The seminar committee met before our September guild meeting to talk about the future of our guild seminars. The Saturday seminar series is successful if measured strictly by the amount of money deposited into our treasury since February when we began. We have made more profit than the past 5 seminars we've held (with the exception of the Bonnie Hunter year). However it is discouraging to the committee when the classes have very low enrollment or in some cases have to be cancelled due to lack of interest. In my personal opinion, speaking only for me, it is also an insult to the teachers when a class has only 5 or 6 students. The dilemma for the committee continues to be—what do our members want from a seminar? What would interest them enough to attend? If you can help us shed light on the answers to those questions, please share with one of the committee members or attend the next seminar meeting.

In October we will be offering two Saturday seminars. Both will be held on October 29; this is a week later than usual because the regular Saturday following our guild meeting is booked for the BNHV Trick or Treating festivities. Our two classes should be of interest to many of our members. The Zen Rag Quilt class will be taught by Lisa Corretore. Many of you know Lisa from her classes at Patchwork Garden. Lisa will be presenting the program during our October guild meeting as well. We hope to have the quilt project to show you at our next guild meeting. Our other class will be a Market Basket class, taught by Donna Mileham. A photo of the basket is posted at our web page in the Saturday seminar section. Donna has taught basket making at several of our past seminars. Her classes are always popular and fill up quickly.

The registration forms, and supply lists for both classes are posted at our guild's web page. <http://www.amherstquiltersguild.org/saturday-seminar-series/> If you do not have internet access and would like the information we have posted, please feel free to contact me or my co-chair Jan Reilly. We will gladly mail you the information via snail mail, or answer any other questions you may have. Our contact information is in our guild's register.

As we have done for the other Saturday seminar classes, a minimum enrollment of 5 students must be reached or the class will be cancelled. The cancellation date for the seminar classes in October will be Wednesday, October 19. By Lisa Corretore's request, we will wait to make a decision on her class' enrollment until after she speaks to us at the guild meeting

Upcoming Events -

Morningstar Quilt Guild presents Quilts at Knox Mansion on Friday Oct 14th from 10am – 6pm and Saturday Oct 15th from 10am-4pm. Admission \$5

October 2016 | Calendar of Events

- Oct 4 - Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30
- Oct 6 – Thursday- Quilting at the History Museum 12-4pm
- Oct 6 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Oct 13 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- **Oct 20** - Thursday 7pm - meeting
- Oct 26 - Wednesday - Community Service, 10 am in Steffen
- Oct 27 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Oct 29 – Saturday – Seminar classes

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 2016** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Thursday, October 27**, 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.

Officers

Interim President - Jackie Groszkowski

First Vice President - Noell Porter-Goettel and Jennet Freatman

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Challenge Quilts - Lynne Nothum

Community Service - Betty Zebrowski

Country Store Liaison - Mary Ellen Cannon

Guild Bucks - Jackie Groszkowski

Library - Jean Miller

Museum Events - Theresa Utz

Nominating - Joanne Castiglia

NYS Consortium - Jackie Groszkowski and Sue Kogler

PM Quilters - Joyce Morris

Program - Noelle Porter-Goettel and Jennet Freatman

Property - MaryAnn Krafft

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

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

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