



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

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Upcoming Programs

***Our **August** meeting date will be Thursday **August 24th** due to the Scottish Festival.

In **August**, Carol and Mike Miller will talk about techniques for photographing quilts. Topics include lighting, composition, camera settings, showing detail, digital photo adjustments, file sizes, and more. Various uses of photos will be covered, such as creating a personal quilt catalog, submissions to magazines, websites, blogs, FaceBook, and emailing images. They will show photos of quilts taken in different locations with various camera settings to show how several factors affect the final image and they welcome any questions you may have.

Carol is a retired microbiologist and is an award-winning photographer and quilter. She has made over 60 quilts of various sizes for display and as gifts. She also gives classes on ancient cave art and, along with her husband, has co-edited a number of books available online. Mike is a retired computer software engineer and an award-winning photographer, stereographer, and writer, and a book designer with over twenty books to his credit. He is a newbie quilter. They are both members of Clarence Log Cabin Quilters and Kenan Quilt Guild.

In **September** we will have a "Meet and Greet." Plan to mingle with your fellow quilters as we learn a little more about each other, play some games, and maybe win some prizes.

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.

Minutes of the July 20 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Meeting called to order at 7 by Jackie G.

- Noell introduced Jean Butzer as guest speaker. Jean discussed some applique techniques she uses and showed many of her appliqued quilts.
- Show and Share
- Business Meeting
- Lori made motion to accept June's minutes as printed in newsletter. Theresa Utz seconded. All in favor.
- Noell- Programs: August 24 (note change in meeting date)

1 – 5 “Quilts for Courage” will take place in main room. Work on quilt pattern given in last newsletter for Roswell and Children's Hospitals. Bring machines if possible. If not, there is always a need for people to cut and press. Dinner will be available at 5 for workers. Bring own beverage
Reg. meeting at 7PM Mike and Carol Miller on how to photograph quilts

- . “Sew Redi Buffalo”- an organization that helps immigrants learn to sew. Will discuss program and needs.
- We are going to have a FABRIC SALE. Natalie gave details. See article for details.

Dec. members voted on choices for holiday party. Catered at BNHV won vote

- JoAnn gave treasurers report. We have tax exempt number if you are buying for guild. Contact Jackie for copy of form.
- MaryAnn gave update on quilt show. We have a need for 2 CHAIRMEN: HANGING OF SHOW, BASKET RAFFLE –major fundraiser- (helpers available for all jobs)
- Scottish Festival volunteer sign-up
- We put ad in Southtowns Piecemakers Quilt Show (Sept) program about our show
- Marija contacted Jackie and said Raffle Quilt top is done and is being quilted.
- We need 3 members for nominating committee for 2018 officers. – 1stvp (program) and Secretary. If you are on nominating committee you are not asked to serve on board. Contact Jackie if you are interested in Board Position or nominating committee.
- Name Taggers

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 24th, 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 Flutterby Quilt or any quilt of your choice. The guild will supply irons and has fabric available if you would rather use that.

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. You will need to bring your own drinks, plates, and eating utensils.

A copy of the pattern is listed below. It is an adaptation of a quilt from Missouri Star Quilt Company. It is very easy and should be quick to cut and piece. If you have any questions, please call Sylvia Siegel (652-7602).

<https://www.missouriquiltco.com/shop/detail/47519/msqc/msqc/flutterby-quilt-pattern-by-msqc>

NOVEMBER FABRIC SALE by Natalie Masker

We are planning a "clean your stash" fabric sale for Nov. All proceeds will go to Education Fund to help finance more teachers coming to guild. This will be a CASH event. We need donations of fat quarters and yardage. For yardage we are asking that you measure and pin length to bundle. Fat quarters will sell for \$0.50 and yardage for \$2. Quilting fabric only. Fabric left after sale will be sorted and used for community service, guild buck auction, quilt show and donations to Redi Buffalo or church groups. To make sale successful we need you to tell friends, neighbors, and members in other quilt guilds you belong to. Everyone is invited. If you have dress fabric, we will not sell but it may be donated to Redi Buffalo. You may start bringing in fabric at next meeting. Questions? Contact Natalie or Jackie.

2018 Quilt Show DEMO ideas

Please return this to Betty Z with your suggestions. Thank you.

1. What would you like to see demonstrated at the quilt show?

2. Do you have the name of a member[s] you think should be asked to DEMO ?

3. Would you like to volunteer to DEMO at the show?

Your Name _____ phone# _____

DEMO _____

Refreshments -

The following ladies have signed up to bring refreshments to the August meeting - Ricky Por, Debbie Kent and Helen Slominski.

We will need need signups for Oct and Nov.

Community Service by Betty Zebrowski

There will be no Community Service in August. Have a great summer.

Buck a Block by Betty Zebrowski

I Spy Christmas Block due September 2017

Last year we donated a larger quilts for a door prize drawing at the Christmas party for the Reserve Base in NF. I thought we could repeat that fun for these special families again. This year we will be making a **disappearing nine patch**. Let's make lots! We can make this quilt and with the extra bocks, make some Quilts for Courage, too!

Remember, you now receive 5 bucks each block.

For each block:

four - 5x 5 inch different Christmas prints

one 5 x 5 inch med or dark green solid/small print

four 5 x 5 inch white solid or small print

Make the 9 patch [14" sq. unfinished] as shown:



Cut and sew as shown: see photos



Unfinished block [13 1/2" sq.] You're done!
Thank you! Questions? to Betty Z

Quilts for the Troops by Betty Zebrowski

16 quilts were delivered to the Niagara Falls Air Base in July. Our next delivery to the Troops will be in December.

Thank you Quilting Angels for working on quilts, blocks, ditty bags, walker bags, etc. for all our recipients!

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:

Aug	paper piecing	Joyce Morris
Sept	5" & 10" slicer ruler demo	Lynne Nothum
Oct	working with salvages	MaryEllen Cannon
Nov	easy holiday decorations	?? how about you??

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

Say a prayer for Theresa Utz's niece Sara who is fighting brain cancer.

Pia's brother passed away.

A former member, Sally Grove, lost her husband, Dick, in June.

Jan Farrell's sister Marjorie passed in July.

Betty Zebrowski's daughter, Rachel, married Nathan Putnam in June.

August | Calendar of Events

- Aug 1 -Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30pm at Wegmans
- Aug 3 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Aug 10 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- **Aug 24** - Thursday 6:15-6:30 - paper piecing by Joyce Morris
- **Aug 24** - meeting 7pm
- Aug 31 - 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 **September 2017** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Tues, Aug 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.

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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