



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

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Upcoming Programs

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.

***In regards to the various questions we have received about donations to Sew REDI - 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."

Minutes of the August 24 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Jackie called meeting to order at 7 pm.

- Carol and Mike Miller gave a presentation on how to photograph quilts.- possible settings , kinds of cameras (what features you can use), how to display, what to avoid when shooting indoors and outdoors, how to improve and resize photos on your computer using such programs as GIMP(available on-line free, Mac and PC), Picassa, Irfanview (pc's), Photoshop and Photosize.com
- Business Meeting began at 8 pm
- Lori R. made motion to accept minutes of July meeting as printed in newsletter, Jan F. seconded. Passed.
- BNHV is holding a Harvest Festival Educ. Day on Sat. Sept 9, 10–4. We will be staffing the Bigalow House, working on our quilting and doing demos. Jackie passed around sign- up sheet for volunteers.
- Committee Reports
 - Program- Noell- Sept. Meet and Greet
 - Sew Redi Buffalo-speaker
 - FABRIC SALE- money to go for education speakers, teachers. Bring in fat quarters and yardage (measured and labeled) starting now. All members of any guilds and guests invited.
 - catered dinner from Campobello's
 - JoAnne gave report on checking and savings, income and expenses. (Contact her for details)
 - 2 rejoining members, Pam Pandolphi and Gail Kratt. 94 total members.

Name Taggers

Old Business

- Raffle quilt- Jan Farrell to contact Marija to check on progress and get picture of top.
- Jackie read thank you's from Pres. of BNHV Board and Pia Lepard
- MaryEllen and Lori gave presentation of PaperCrafting Club they are starting second Fri. afternoon at BNHV for guild and museum members beginning in Sept. There will be a \$15 material fee per meeting. Come to one class or all. Pay per class when you come. Pre -registration with Lori Racle.
- Nomination Committee- still need chairperson. We need someone to run for Recording Secretary. Contact Jackie G.

NOVEMBER FABRIC SALE by Natalie Masker

The collection of fabric for the sale has begun. You can bring donations to next meeting. Remember to measure yardage (from ½ yard and up) and label-please use safety pins. Guild bucks will be given. When you are de-cluttering your sewing room- Save scraps for fabric pool at Quilt Show and other items for Guild Buck Auction. These can be brought to next two meetings as well if you wish, or you can wait until it is closer to events.

The Board has decided to adjust the pricing of the fabric slightly. We do not want to have to handle a lot of change, so FAT QUARTERS will be \$1 and YARDAGE will be \$3. We hope you will all understand the reason for the change.

Remember- all cotton fabric only for sale. Money will go to education to bring in some teachers at reduced rates for members. Sew-Redi will accept fabric suitable for clothing.

The Sale will happen at beginning of Nov. meeting, so PLEASE invite friends, members of other guilds to come and shop. The more the merrier.

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. (Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8).

Refreshments -

The following ladies have signed up to bring refreshments to the September meeting - Jennet Freatman, Elaine Conway and Joanne O'Brien.

We will need need signups for Oct and Nov.

Historic Homes by Theresa Utz

Historic homes will be meeting on the second Friday of the month - it's September 8 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:

Sept 5" & 10" slicer ruler demo
Oct working with salvages
Nov easy holiday decorations

Lynne Nothum
MaryEllen Cannon
?? how about you??

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

no news

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Sept 14-16. Quilting on the Bayfront Located at the Bayfront Convention Center, Erie, PA Admission: \$8 per day

September| Calendar of Events

- Sept 5 -Tuesday - Board meeting 6:30pm at Wegmans - Sheridan & Essjay
- Sept 7 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Sept 8 - Friday - Historic Homes at 10am in the Tea Room
- Sept 8 - Friday - Papercrafting at 1 - 3:30pm
- Sept 14 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- **Sept 21** - Thursday 6:15-6:30 - sliced ruler demo by Lynne Nothum
- **Sept 21** - meeting 7pm
- Sept 28 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room

Publications - MaryAnn Krafft

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Articles to be included in the **October 2017** newsletter can be sent to newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org by no later than **Wed, Sept 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

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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