



AMHERST  
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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## Upcoming Programs

For **January** we are pleased to announce that Alice Donaldson will be our speaker. We have had several requests for her to present her beautiful projects, which include miniature piecing, hand embroidery, wool applique, and beading embellishments. Alice currently teaches Wool Club, Ornament Club, and the "Let's Keep Stitching" hand embroidery classes at Patchwork Garden. She was also the featured quilter at the Clarence Log Cabin Quilters' Quilt Show in 2017.

The **February** meeting will include our annual Guild Bucks Auction.

## Minutes of the December 14 Meeting

Submitted by Natalie Masker

Quilt Show chairmen meeting at 6:15.

Holiday Dinner began at 6:45.

Business Meeting:

Mary Ann Krafft made motion to accept Nov. meeting minutes as published in newsletter. Seconded by Cindy Hubacher.

Program: Jan. Alice Donaldson, Feb. Guild Buck Auction, Mar. Birthday Party, April Quilt Show Preview Party.

Membership: Renewals now due. Those that renewed in Nov. received 50 guild bucks, Perfect membership for year- received 25 guild bucks

Name taggers.

Treasurer: gave report

Tickets for Raffle Quilt were there to be picked up. Will be there in Jan. also. They cannot be sold until beginning of April.

Quilt Show: instead of silent auction there will be a Premier Raffle- tickets \$1 each. Wanted- mini quilts, lap quilts, table toppers, table runners. Same type of items we had for mini-auction. Please have them ready in March.

Community Service- Ditty bags can be brought to meeting in Jan. They will be filled with toiletry items at end of Jan. All donations of toothbrushes, paste, soap, shampoo, combs, deodorant, small pkg. tissues, socks, accepted in Jan. Guild Bucks given.

Historic Homes: begins again 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. in Jan. (Jan. 5) in tea room.

Card Workshop continues on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri. of month. Notify Lori Racle or Mary Ellen

Cannon a week before if you are coming.

Theresa Utz did Installation of new officers: Mary Carroll- secretary: Lori Racle and Sue Kogler- 1<sup>st</sup>. VPs (Program)

Board Meetings changed to 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of month, beginning Feb., 10 am, at Wegmans Community room on Alberta. Anyone welcome.

## New Officers

Theresa Utz installed our new officers - Sue Kogler & Lori Racle as co-First Vice Presidents and Mary Carroll as Secretary.



## Quilt Show meeting -

Join us on January 18 at 6:15 for a quilt show meeting. We will be looking for status updates for several committees. (judges, program, awards, & publicity). All are encouraged to attend

## Quilt Show Premier Raffle - by Kim Guido

Check your UFO's, look over the piles of finished projects, peruse your stash!!! Your guild needs your assistance! The Quilt Show will include a new Premier Raffle, in place of the auction, this year. We are looking for donations of items of somewhat greater value than the regular basket raffle. The suggestions for donations include, wall hangings, any size quilt (baby through king size), décor items, purses and totes, placemats, table runners, wearables, etc. Any item you

have made, and are willing to donate to this raffle, is welcome. Please consider helping the Guild in this endeavor. Thank you all, Amherst Quilters.

### **Annual Guild Bucks Auction** by Natalie Masker

The Guild Buck auction will take place at our February meeting. Donations are needed at the January meeting. The scope of donations has been expanded to include home decorations, household items, novels, along with usual quilting and craft items, including fabric, kits, patterns, notions, knitting, all crafting items, books, (no quilt magazines). Guild bucks given for all donations. Last chance to earn those precious Guild Bucks!

### **Meeting Cancellation**

In the event of bad weather on a meeting night please turn to Channel 2 for meeting cancellation information. Obviously if you hear that the museum (Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village) is closed our meeting will be cancelled. This is the only station that will announce guild closing information

### **Refreshments**

Patricia Ohtake and Cathy Chretien offered to bring snacks to the January meeting.

### **Membership**

If you haven't renewed your membership, please send it to the museum. \$30 for seniors and \$35 for the rest of us.

### **End of the Year Reports**

End of the year reports are due by the end of January. They don't have to be long. A few sentences telling what you have done will be fine. If you're not sure if I'm expecting one from you check the end of the newsletter with the list of all committee chairs. If your name is there I'd like a report from you. You will receive 50 Quilt Bucks for submitting it, and maybe a bit more if your report is quite detailed.

## **Papercrafting Fun** - by Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle

We will be continuing our monthly paper crafting classes into 2018. We meet on the second Friday of each month from 1:00 - 3:30 in the tea room of the museum. The kit fee for each class is \$15 (Non BNHV members are welcome, but will also pay the admission fee to the BNHV), with all supplies and necessary tools provided. You do not need to bring any supplies of your own to class. In each class we make a combination of cards and other paper crafts. You will have four to take home with you, and one is donated to the guild's community service committee to be used by our guild, or to be included in the ditty bags we make and give.

When you sign up you are not making a long term commitment. Each class is stand alone, and you can participate or not each month depending on your interest and your personal schedule. We'd love to have you join us. If you would like to join us for the January 12th class, please contact either Lori Racle or Mary Ellen Cannon no later than Friday January 5 so we will have your kit ready for you. Our contact information is in our guild roster and at the password protected section of our guild website.

## **Community Service** by Betty Zebrowski .

Instead of a block this month, please bring toiletries to fill ditty bags. or make more ditty bags -pattern in last months newsletter. Make four bags and receive \$25 Guild bucks!

Hope to see you at our community service meeting on January 24th. 10am to 1pm.  
Hope to see you there!

## **Quilts for the Troops**

13 quilts were delivered to the Air Force Reserve Base on Dec 16th. The families at the Christmas party were delighted! Thank you to our quilting Angels!!

## **Sunshine & Shadow** - by Kathy Tomasulo

no news to report

## **January Calendar of Events**

- Jan 9 - Tuesday - Board meeting dinner - 6:30 at Lebros's
- Jan 4 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Jan 5 - Friday - Historic Homes at 10am in the Tea Room
- Jan 11 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am in the Tea Room
- Jan 12- Friday - Papercrafting at 12:30-3:30pm
- Jan 18 - Quilt Show meeting at 6:15

- **Jan 18** - meeting at **7pm**
- Jan 24 - Community Service from 10am-1pm in Steffen
- Jan 25 - 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](mailto:newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org).

Articles to be included in the **February 2018** newsletter can be sent to [newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org](mailto:newsletters@amherstquiltersguild.org) by no later than **Mon, Jan 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** - Sue Kogler and Lori Racle

**Second Vice President** - Cindy Hubacher and Laurie Thomas

**Secretary** - Mary Carroll

**Treasurer** - Joanne Castiglia

## **Committee Chairs**

**Accuquilt** - Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle

**Block Lotto** - Betty Zebrowski

**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** - Sue Kogler & Lori Racle

**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** -  
**Sunshine & Shadows** - Kathy Tomasulo  
**Website** - Marie Buchanan



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