



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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Upcoming Programs by Sue Kogler

May's guild meeting will feature Annette Meyer-Grunow. She will give a slide show on finding inspiration for our quilts.

There were a few people at the quilt show expressing interest in joining the guild. If you see faces that you don't know at our meetings, introduce yourself and welcome them. Be available to chat with them about what we do as a guild.

Our quilt show was a great success! Hugs and thank you to all those who submitted their quilts, those who worked tirelessly registering and accepting quilts, those who gave their all preparing the show, those who were present in all capacities at the show, those who did work behind the scenes. To all of you - a special thank you. and to Mary Ann Krafft for chairing it all, our great leader. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Want to see a list of the winners? <https://www.amherstquiltersguild.org/events/>

Minutes of the April 19 Meeting

Submitted by Mary Carroll

We all enjoyed the Galaxy of Quilts preview party.

Upcoming Classes by Natalie Masker

The Deb Tucker Hunter's Star class on May 18, taught by Deb Thomas has 6 openings left. There is some pre-cutting to do, so if you are interested contact Natalie Masker ASAP at 688-9006 or Nataliepm@aol.com Those who put down a \$10 deposit and need pattern and ruler owe \$30.24 due by May 17 (May meeting). Checks can be made payable to Deb Thomas.

Are you looking for a lightweight machine to take to class?
How about a Janome for the low low price of only \$50? It is used but still in the box. Contact either MaryAnn or Jackie.

Raffle Quilt - If you haven't picked up your raffle quilt tickets yet, please do so ASAP. Here is a photo of our new queen sized raffle quilt (95 x 105).

The Raffle Quilt took in approx. \$350 at the show. Ticket stubs and money can be turned in to Natalie at any meeting. We have more tickets available if you want them. You earn one buck for each dollar turned in.



Babylock Raffle - by Natalie Masker

And the Winner is Barb Hall.

The raffle made \$362. Thank you all for buying tickets. A big thanks to the Aurora Sewing Center who graciously donated the Babylock Sofia2 Sewing and Embroidery Machine.

Quilt Show wrap-up - by MaryAnn Krafft

Just when you thought you had enough of the quilt show....

- Committee heads - If you send me a report by the May meeting I will give you \$50 guild bucks. ma.krafft@yahoo.com
- Please submit any expenses for reimbursement to Joann
- If you were one of the lucky few to install a pink road sign, please return it.

The Return of Early Bird Specials by Mary Ellen Cannon

We have recently completed another successful Quilt Show. It showcased the talent that our members have and were willing to share with all of us. Would you like to have more of our talented members share with us via the continuation of the Early Bird Demos before each of our monthly guild meetings? We need volunteers willing to share a 15-20 minute demo on any quilting topic of their choice. Without volunteers we can't continue this

popular program. What could you talk about if you're willing to share with us? A new ruler or template that you've tried out, even if the project isn't finished yet! We all know how that goes. How about a new book or pattern...Photos from a recent show or quilting trip...Reviews of new threads, needles, or other gadgets and tools...Worthwhile sites on the internet that you visit frequently...a non-quilting craft which uses fabric for 3D items such as flowers, containers, garden accessories...sewing activities for children that could be shared with grand kids and other over the upcoming summer...

Please let me know if you are willing to share with us. The schedule for the upcoming months is wide open, so you can choose a month that is convenient for you. My contact information is in our roster, or look for me at our monthly meetings. We don't have to look for outside experts to find a wealth of talent and information— you have lots to share!

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

Patricia Ohtake's grandson, Hudson Seiji Beetem, was born to her daughter Miyoko, her husband Rob, and daughter Alexis (3 yrs), on March 18th in Seattle, WA. Hudson weighed 7lbs 12oz. He is patiently waiting for a quilt from his Grandma Patricia!

Theresa Utz's grandson was accepted into West Point.

Community Service - by Betty Zebrowski

Don't forget to bring your 'posey blocks' to the May meeting. (Instructions were given out at the March meeting and the quilt show)

Our next community service meeting is on May 23rd in Steffen building. 10 to 1pm. Please join us!

Twin Cities Guild would like to invite all of you to our Garage Sale on Wednesday, May 2nd from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. It will be at the Wheatfield Community Center at 2790 Church Road, Wheatfield, NY 14120. There are roughly 16 tables with lots of goodies on them. Please help us out and pass the word. It is greatly appreciated.

We hold our monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of the month.

Cannoli Dip - by Joanne Castiglia

Carton of ricotta cheese
2-4 tbsp powdered sugar (or to taste)
1/4 tsp vanilla extract
1/4 tsp almond extract
Mini chocolate chips or chopped nuts or chopped crasins

Whip all ingredients.

Pizzelle cookies, or vanilla wafers or any small cookie can be used for dipping.

BNHV Facility Change by Rachel Ravago

Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village received a very generous donation of a meeting table for our Tea Room. It was installed, with various smaller tables placed around the room for additional seating. Due to this, BNHV will not be able to re-arrange the Tea Room based on weekly meeting needs. However, special requests for events such as guild workshops, will be accepted. Please alert your guild members.

Another generous donation has allowed us to create an additional meeting space in what was formerly the Schmidt Gallery. This space will be available about mid-May.

As always, feedback is greatly appreciated.

May Calendar of Events

- May 4 - Friday - Historic Homes at 10am in the Tea Room
- May 7 - Monday - Board meeting 10am at Wegmans on Alberta
- May 10 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am
- May 11 - Friday - Papercrafting at 1-3:30pm
- **May 17** - Thurs - meeting at **7pm**
- May 23 - Community Service in Steffen from 10-1pm
- May 24 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am
- May 31 - Thursday - Tea Room Quilters – 9:30am

Publications - MaryAnn Krafft

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provider, please send an email to MaryAnn Krafft with your request to:

aqgnewsletter@yahoo.com

Articles to be included in the **June 2018** newsletter can be sent to aqgnewsletter@yahoo.com by no later than **Tues, May 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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