



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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Upcoming Programs

Sept. 19 meeting will be on labels. Bring any new or antique quilts you own with labels on them. We will be discussing different methods of creating your own unique labels. On Saturday **Sept 28**, 12-3, we will have a workshop on creating your own labels. There will be 3 stations. We will rotate every hour, giving you time to create labels using 3 different methods. Cost is \$10 for materials. Cindy will collect money at Aug. and Sept. meetings.

Guild membership will vote on suggested changes in By-Laws at the September meeting. The new slate of officers will be presented in October and voting will occur in November at the business meeting after the Fabric Sale.

On **Oct 17** Peter Grace will speak to us on Buffalo Architecture. The meeting will be held in the Prohibition Room

Nov. 21 is our FABRIC SALE. You can start bringing in your fabric in Sept. and Oct. Remember to measure and label yardage. Invite friends, members of other guilds, people in any of your quilt classes or sewing groups, any quilters or sewers you know. Everyone is invited. Money made goes to support our education classes.

Dec. 19 is our holiday dinner and white elephant exchange.

Jan.16 Rachel will be discussing quilts owned by the museum. Meeting at 10am.

Minutes of the August Meeting

Submitted by Mary Carroll

Natalie Masker opened the meeting with a drawing for free patterns which were left over from a recent LeMoyné Star workshop. Susan Kogler acknowledged the 18 members who spent the afternoon at the museum working on our Quilts for Courage.

Susan Kogler introduced the guest speaker, Karen Terich, an occupational therapist who gave an informative talk and demonstration on being comfortable and preventing injury while quilting.

Jan Farrell made a motion to accept the previous minutes which was seconded by Jackie Groszkowski and passed.

Pam Pandolfi has volunteered to be a co-chair for programs for the next two years. We need an additional co-chair and some committee members. We also need a volunteer to become librarian. Susan Kogler has volunteered to assist Cindy with hospitality duties.

Sharon Millitello is collecting the \$10 fee for the Quilt Label workshop scheduled for Sept. 28. Nine members have signed up for the workshop which has a capacity for 15 people. Members are being asked to bring vintage and new quilts with labels to the September meeting.

Members are being reminded to measure and label (using safety pins) the fabric being donated to the November fabric sale. We need volunteers to set up from 3 to 5 pm in Steffen on the day of the sale. The profits will go to the Education Fund.

Four changes need to be made to the bylaws to adapt them to the current needs of the guild. The proposed changes will be published in the newsletter and will be voted on during the September meeting.

The following committees gave their reports:

- Membership – name tags have been ordered for new members
- Historic Homes – will meet again in September and will continue to work on the yo-yo quilt. The men's shirts quilt was displayed.
- Community Service – will meet on Aug. 28 to assemble more blocks. New members are encouraged to come and bring their machines. We meet from 10 am to approximately 1 pm. We are currently giving out kits for members to make "Little Dresses." The dresses need to be finished by the October meeting
- The Early Bird Special for Sept. will be a presentation by Sue Kogler on making a mug carrying case. Volunteers are needed for future demonstrations.
- The American Women's Suffrage Movement (19th amendment) is celebrating its centennial. Please see Natalie about a request to submit a 24 inch quilt to honor the movement.
- MaryAnn Krafft is seeking more volunteers to fill positions for the upcoming quilt show. The first meeting will be at 6:30 preceding the Sept. guild meeting.

The BNHV staff is requesting the guilds to demonstrate their skills during the upcoming Waterways exhibit. The Tea Room quilters will demonstrate quilting from 10am to noon on Oct. 31 and the Quilt-til-You-Wilt group will do the demonstration on Oct. 30 from either 10am to noon or 11am to 1pm.

The 2020 opportunity quilt is currently being quilted and the logo for tickets is being designed.

The NYS Quilters Consortium is hosting a Best of NYS Quilt Show in Painted Post, NY on Sept. 20 and 21, 2019.

The meeting ended with Show and Share which included some of the completed Quilts for Courage.

Call for Volunteers

We are in need of a First VP co-chair. (Program) - Thank you to Pam Pandolphi who has volunteered to be a co-chair VP for program. We still need someone to co-chair with her. PLEASE STEP UP TO HELP. To have a good guild but we need helpers. We have a list of ideas for programs and people willing to help. We just need ONE more person to help lead and organize. E-mail Natalie if you can be that person. New slate of officers needs to be presented at Oct. meeting.

Proposed changes to Bylaws for Amherst Quilters

Guild

August 1, 2019

Bylaws Committee members: Linda Hunter, chair; Jan Farrell (present); Kim Guido (not present)

We propose three (really four) changes to the bylaws.

First: **Use these two first statements only in Article IV etc. below -**
ARTICLE IV –OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION, **Section 2. Elections;**
A. The election of officers will be administered as stated in Article IV of the main body. Each term of office will be two years.

Remove “The office of treasurer will be limited to two consecutive 2-year terms in office. No other elected officers may serve consecutive terms. No individual may be on the board for more than four consecutive years.”

Second (and Third – see the correction): In the event that we are unable to use our library at BNHV at some point in the future, we suggest these changes now so the bylaws do not have to be amended again for a while.
ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION, **Section 3. Duties of Officers;** E. Duties of the Treasurer

Keep the following, with a correction shown in red: “The treasurer shall have custody of all funds of the AQG. The treasurer shall keep a written record of all expenditures made, complete **an (not and)** accurate account of receipts and disbursements of the AQG and shall have books and accounts available for audit. The treasurer shall provide monthly financial statements to the AQG executive board, the AQG membership, and the BNHV director.” **Change the next sentence to read: Copies of the financial reports shall be stored at BNHV in a place designated by the AQG Board. Keep the following sentence and the entire rest of the paragraph.** All bills and receipts shall be retained by the treasurer and made available as needed. . . .

Fourth: Because we suggest the change in **Section 3. E. Duties of the Treasurer,** **Section 6. Year End Reports** must be changed also: **Keep the following:** The financial advisory committee will conduct a yearly review of the financial records and will work in conjunction with the treasurer to prepare a year- end financial report. **Change the next sentence to read: All year end reports, records, receipts and bills will be stored at BNHV in a place designated by the AQG Board.**

Note the following information in the Bylaws for ratification of an amendment:

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS OF THE BYLAWS

“The Constitution and/or Bylaws of the AQG may be amended upon receiving a two-thirds vote of members present. The proposed amendment must be sent to each member and the BNHV director at least two weeks before it is presented at a meeting for ratification.”

Early Bird Special by MaryEllen Cannon

The Early Bird Special for Sept. will be a presentation by Sue Kogler on making a mug carrying case. Volunteers are needed for future demonstrations.

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

Sue McNess suffered a heart attack. She spent three days at Gates Vascular Institute at which time one stent was inserted. She is currently home and doing quite well. Phone calls and cards would be greatly appreciated.

Pat McDonald's son, George, passed Monday evening, and is now in heaven with Sally and Megan (his wife and daughter).

Lori Racle had a small heart attack. She had three stents inserted, but is now home from the hospital.

Shawn (Stover) Schofield, the Executive Director of the BHHV, is moving to Florida this fall.

Quilts for the Troops - by Betty Zebrowski

Our next delivery for quilts will be the last week of November. So please plan to finish your Q for the T to bring to the November meeting. Thank you.

Visions of Quilting 20/20 - by MaryAnn Krafft

Committee chairs are going fast... If you would like to chair one of our committees - we have just a few available. If you are not sure what needs to be done - I have a list of directions available. \$100 Quilt Bucks to chair a committee. Let me know what you would like to chair.

<http://kraffy72@yahoo.com>

Here are some of our openings -

Take In, Set up/ Take Down, Labels, Recruit workers, book sale,

Upcoming Events

Quilting on the Bayfront - Sept 19-

21 <http://www.millcreeksew.com/quilting-on-the-bayfront-erie-pa.htm>

WNY Fiber Arts Festival Fireman's Field, East Aurora September 28th,
10am - 5pm <http://www.wnyfiberartsfestival.org>

Southtowns Piecemakers presents Quilted Treasures Sept 27-28 at
Annunciation Church in Elma.

Kenmore Quilters, Oct 4-5 at St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, 2368
Eggert Rd, Tonawanda NY 14150

Quilts at the Kenan - Nov 1-3 <http://www.kenanquiltersguild.org/biennial-quilt-show.html>

Mark your calendars - The Amherst Quilters will be holding a fabric sale on **November 21 at 7pm**. Yardage will be selling for the low-low price of ONLY \$3 per yard and fat quarters for \$1. This is a great way to build up your stash. Bring a tote bag or two and plenty of cash (they will also take checks). See you at the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village (formerly called the Amherst Museum) at 3755 Tonawanda Creek Rd, Amherst, NY. Please share this news with all your quilting friends.

September Calendar of Events

- Sept 4 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Sept 5 - Thurs - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room
- Sept 6 - Fri - Historic Homes - 10am in the tea room
- Sept 9 - Mon - Board meeting - 10:30 at Natalie's House
- Sept 12 - Thurs - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room
- Sept 11 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Sept 18 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Sept 13 - Fri - Papercrafting at 1-3:30pm
- **Sept 19** - Early Bird - Sue Kogler on making a mug carrying case at 6:15

- Sept 19 - First Quilt Show meeting for Visions of Quilting 20/20 6:30
- **Sept 19** - Thurs - **meeting at 7pm**
- Sept 25 - Wed - Community Service from 10am-1pm in Steffen
- Sept 25 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Sept 26 - Thurs - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room

Officers

President - Natalie Masker

First Vice President - Sue Kogler and Lori Racle

Second Vice President - Rebecca Ribis

Secretary - Mary Carroll

Treasurer - Sharon Militello & Joanne Castiglia

Committee Chairs

Accuquilt - Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle

Block Lotto - Betty Zebrowski

Blog - Mary Ellen Cannon

Challenge Quilts - Lynne Nothum

Community Service - Jackie Groszkowski

Country Store Liaison - Mary Ellen Cannon

Facebook - Sylvia Siegel

Guild Bucks - Rebecca Ribis

Historic Homes - Theresa Utz

Library - Jean Miller

Museum Events - Theresa Utz

Nominating -

NYS Consortium - Pam Pandolfi

Program - Sue Kogler & Lori Racle

Property - MaryAnn Krafft

Publishing Editor - MaryAnn Krafft

Quilt Show 2020 - MaryAnn Krafft & Lori Racle

Quilting Bee - Joann O'Brien

Quilts For Courage - Sylvia Siegel

Quilts For The Troops - Betty Zebrowski

Raffle Quilt 2020 - Quilt-Til-You-Wilt group

Sunshine & Shadows - Kathy Tomasulo

Website - Marie Buchanan



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