



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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Upcoming Programs

December 19 meeting, will be a dinner at Sean Patrick's restaurant on Millersport Highway. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Cocktails may be purchased by you before the meal. Your reservations have been turned in.

Our entertainment is a White Elephant trade. Look around your house for something that you may have shoved back into a closet or stuck on a shelf and wondered why you have kept it. This is not something that you need to buy but something that you really don't like nor want. Wrap it up and pass it along. Have fun!

Jan. 16 Rachel will be discussing quilts in the museum's collection. Meeting at **10am**.

Minutes of the November Meeting

Submitted by Mary Carroll

The meeting was held in the Steffen Building and opened with a welcome to the members and visitors. A special welcome was extended to those who were still purchasing the donated fabric.

A motion was made by Jan Farrell to accept the October minutes as published. The motion was seconded by Cindy Hubacher and passed unanimously.

The slate of officers to be elected for 2020–2022 are: Rebecca Ribis will be the First VP for Programs and Mary Carroll will continue as secretary. Betty Lerner will be the Second VP for Membership for one year (replacing Rebecca Ribis). Lori Racle made a motion to close nominations. The secretary cast one ballot to accept the slate presented which was accepted unanimously.

BNHV forms are available for members to renew their membership for 2020. The museum will probably not send out reminders until the end of January.

The 2020 opportunity quilt will be unveiled during the February meeting. Raffle tickets will be available for members at the March meeting.

The final instructions (Step 6) for the mystery quilt are being given out during this meeting to the eighteen participating members. The grand showing of the quilt or quilt top will be during the February meeting.

Jackie pointed out the blue transport wagon which has been purchased

for the guild. During future meetings we will place all items to be returned to our storage room in the wagon and moved to Steffen during our break. We need to comply with the museum's policy of vacating all of the buildings by 9 pm.

Reservations are still being taken by Lori and Susan for the holiday dinner at Sean Patrick's on December 19 at 6 pm. We will have a White Elephant gift exchange.

The January meeting will be at 10am in the Ball Room. We will view many of the quilts owned by the museum. This meeting is open to the public.

Pam Pandolfi reminded everyone of the Consortium's quilt challenge. The deadline is June 18 for an entry involving a "2020 Vision" theme. Details are on the Consortium's website.

Linda Hunter reported that Natalie is currently in rehab and is working with the therapists to regain her strength.

Early Bird Special by MaryEllen Cannon

Demos will return in January . Jackie will show us how to layer your quilt using pool noodles. In February Mary Ellen will show a trick for getting nice mitered bindings on any unusual quilt corner—120 degree or 135 degrees no problem!

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

Several members have asked about Theresa Hariharan. Her niece made the decision to move her into an Assisted Living situation. She now resides at Elderwood Village at Bassett Park, 245 Bassett Park, Williamsville 14221. I'm sure she would like to receive cards from everyone. She may not remember who you are, but receiving mail is always fun.

Natalie Masker is doing better and is now in a rehab facility. She came home for Thanksgiving dinner with the family. It all went without a hitch. Sally and Neal made turkey with all the fixins and it was wonderful.

Community Service by Jackie Groszkowski

At the beginning of November I drove into Buffalo to deliver our most recent quilts. There were 16 in all. I'm sure that they will brighten up the residents' rooms.

Ditty Bags

The day before Thanksgiving several of our members got together to fill the ditty bags. Folks, you've outdone yourselves. We filled more bags than any time since I've been making arrangements for distribution. We Filled 104 bags for adults and 22 for children. Recognition has to go out to two outstanding participants. First of all, Maddie Fussell (Susan Kogler's granddaughter) who sewed two bags and filled them with things a child could use. It was part of her community service project for school. (Maddie is 9 years old.) The second person who deserves recognition is Joni Thoman. She's the only person who asked me if we were going to do bags for children this year. We had a few things donated, but with all that was going on this fall I just didn't think to ask for children's items. Well, Joni supplies coloring books, markers, crayons, etc. Almost single handedly supplied items for the children's, bags. A great big THANK YOU to everyone who participated.

Quilt Bucks by Rebecca Ribis

The Guild is asking you to please trade in your lower denomination Quilt Bucks for larger denomination ones. We are short of the lower denominations and want to avoid printing more if we can. Could you please bring your Quilt Buck collection to the December or January meeting in stacks of \$100. Rebecca will accept your trade-ins and update your collection. We thank you.

Fabric Sale. A big thank you to all our members who helped sort all the material for our fabric sale. We had plenty of shoppers, but still have some leftover fabric. It is being donated to Buffalo Sews.

2020 VISION Call for Entry – QCNYS Traveling Exhibit

2020 Vision – Participants are asked to respond to this title in whatever direction their thoughts take them... Will your entry be sight related? explore eye glass fashions? offer a macro view of some item? will you offer a view of the future? expand on a random thought or explore the existential? What is your vision?

Basic Requirements

- Entries shall be three layers joined by stitching through all layers
- Edges must be securely finished (no raw edges please)

- Embellishments must be securely attached (shank style buttons or similar raised items are a travel concern so are prohibited.)

Size Restrictions

Entries shall be square (four equal sides) and within a minimum dimension of 35-1/2" and a maximum dimension of 36-1/2".

Sleeve Requirements

- Entries shall include a minimum 2" sleeve with slight ease (to accommodate the QCNYS 3/8" diameter hanging hardware).
- The sleeve must not show above the top edge of the quilt.
- The sleeve will be positioned no greater than 1" from the top edge and shall also be recessed 1" from left and right edges.

Entry Form

Participants must complete the online QCNYS entry form, including: a brief (75 words or less) statement on the inspiration for the entry; QCNYS membership status; contact information, insurance statement, photography and travel release. Entry Form at www.qcnys.org/challenge

Deadline

Entries must be received no later than June 18, 2020.

December Calendar of Events

- Dec 2 - Mon - Board meeting - 10am at Wegmans on Alberta Dr
- Dec 4 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Dec 5 - Thurs - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room
- - Historic Homes is taking a break - will resume in January.
- Dec 13 - Fri - Papercrafting at 10am-4pm in the Tea Room (class is full)
- Dec 18 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Dec 19 - Thur - **Holiday dinner at Sean Patricks - 6pm**

Officers

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Second Vice President - Rebecca Ribis

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