



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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Upcoming Programs

Birthday Party. Happy Birthday to us! Our birthday dinner and celebration will be held at our next meeting, on **March 19th, at 6:30**. Back by popular demand is a soup and salad dinner, with rolls, butter, and cake. Please bring a glass or cup for your beverage, and a bowl, if you wish, instead of the disposable bowls provided. We will be providing water, coffee and tea. If you have a special drink you would like to bring, please feel free. If you have not paid the \$5 for your reservation, please contact Kim Guido, at 694-1410 or 480-9277, by March 6th. See you at the party!

Minutes of the February Meeting

Submitted by Mary Carroll

Jackie Groszkowski opened the meeting by introducing Rebecca (Program Chair) and the members of the Quilt til You Wilt group which is a sub group of guild members. Rosellen Ring-Easton invited all members to join their group on Wednesdays from 10 am to 2 pm at the museum. This group volunteered to make the biennial raffle quilt and decided to do the project totally "in house." A pattern depicting a mosaic tile floor in Venice, Italy was chosen. Fabric was purchased, the center was appliqued and the quilt top was pieced using the paper piecing method. The quilt, titled "San Marcos Medallion" was unveiled. Following this presentation, Pam Pandolfi gave a talk and demonstration on paper piecing. Kits were prepared and machines were set up for members to practice this paper piecing method.

After a short break Rebecca announced that the March meeting, our anniversary party, will begin at 6:30. Members are asked to pay a \$5 fee, make a reservation, bring a placemat, mug and silverware. Each member is requested to bring a quilt which tells a story, perhaps something related to a birthday, oldest quilt, etc.

Members are requested to check the roster for errors before it is published. We currently have 89 members.

MaryAnn Krafft is requesting members to sign up for various jobs for the upcoming quilt show. We need donated books for the book sale and gallon bags filled with matching fabric or a kit for the fabric pool. We also need donations for the Premier Raffle and for the basket raffle. All items for the Premier Raffle should have an Amherst Quilters Guild label.

Mary Margaret Szymanski will present an all-day educational workshop on free form quilting on a domestic machine on Saturday, May 16. Annette Meyer-Grunow recommended visiting the current exhibit at the Castellani Art Museum which is 20/20 Vision: Women Artist in WNY. The meeting concluded with Show and Share.

Membership by Betty Lerner

Some of our members may not be able to attend regular evening meetings for a variety of reasons. However if you would like to attend meetings but need a ride, please let me know. 204-8691 or blerner628@yahoo.com

If you are willing to drive a member who lives near you to meetings, also let me know. I will try to match members who drive with those who don't or can't.

Let's make sure everyone who wants to attend a meeting is able to do so.

20/20 Visions of Quilting by MaryAnn Krafft

March 19 will be our last guild meeting before the show. If you are a committee chair - please plan on attending a meeting starting at 6pm.

This would be a good time to submit your registrations - deadline is April 1. <https://www.amherstquiltersguild.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/2020-entry-form-pg1.pdf>

Quilt Show – premier raffle. I hope everyone is working on your items for our Quilt Show. Please don't forget about the Premier Raffle, and consider donating one, or more, items. We are hoping for anything from miniatures, place mats, table runners, baby quilts, throws, to full sized quilts. Vintage items are also welcome. Donations will be accepted at our March meeting (the birthday party), and anytime through to "take in" on April 17 and 18. Keep stitching!

Sunshine & Shadow - by Kathy Tomasulo

Theresa Hulub's husband passed. Obit in Thursday's newspaper - - <https://buffalonews.com/2020/02/27/hulub-paul-r/>

Community Service - There is no new block of the month this month. Please continue getting ready for the quilt show. If you're all ready and want to do something for Community Service check last month's newsletter for the directions for the four piece rail fence and the appliqued flower. Those blocks can be turned in anytime between now and May.

Misc

There were two boxes full of fabric left in the storage room in Steffen. Does anyone know what they are for? Where do I return the totes? Please let me know - ma.krafft@yahoo.com

JoAnne Greco is now offering long arm quilting services. Contact her at 839-3557 or jsgreco4@msn.com for more details.

Upcoming Events

Lancaster Quilt Show at the Doubletree Willow Valley Resort in Lancaster, PA on March 25-28. <https://www.thelancasterquiltshow.com/>

March Calendar of Events

- Mar 2 - Mon - Board meeting - 10am at Wegmans on Sheridan near Hopkins
- Mar 4 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Mar 5 - Thurs - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room
- Mar 6 - Fri - Historic Homes - 10am in the Tea Room
- Mar 11 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Mar 12 - Thur - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room
- Mar 13 - Fri - Papercrafting at 1-3:30pm in the Tea Room
- Mar 18 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Mar 19 - Thur - final quilt show meeting at 6pm
- Mar 19 - Thurs - **Birthday meeting at 6:30pm**
- Mar 25 - Wed - Community Service 10am-1pm in Steffen
- Mar 25 - Wed - Quilt-Til-U-Wilt - 10am - 2pm
- Mar 26 - Thur - Tea Room Quilters – 10am in the Tea Room

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

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