



AMHERST
QUILTERS GUILD

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CHECK YOUR MAIL!

We are unable to meet in person in October due to Covid Complications. However, we don't want to miss the opportunity to present our new challenge.

The program for this un-meeting will be on our YouTube channel. The program will present the challenge and give you a tutorial on finding inspiration. The program will be posted October 15. Go to YouTube, type "Amherst Quilters Guild" in the search box, when the answers come up click on the words or the logo, and select AQG3 Inspiration.

You will also receive an envelope in the mail with a script of the tutorial, and the details of the challenge. This is going to be fun!

If you don't receive an envelope by October 20, call or e-mail Betty Lerner (716-204-8691, blerner628@yahoo.com). If you are having difficulty with YouTube contact Betty for help..

Holiday Video

Since we don't have a meeting in December due to our holiday dinner, we are putting together a video for December. Just a treat for all of us and a especially for those who are unable to attend the dinner.

Please send pictures of holiday decorations and quilts you have made or that have been made for you to Betty Lerner (blerner628@yahoo.com). If you have actual photographs, you can mail them to Betty Lerner, 1685 Maple Rd Unit B, Williamsville NY 14221-8107. I promise to return them! Pictures can be snapshots with family, pets or anything.

Thanks for helping!

Board Minutes - Aug.31, 2020

Attendance: Jackie Groszkowski, Rebecca Ribis, Sharon Millitello, Joanne

Castiglia (via Facetime), Betty Lerner and Mary Carroll

The meeting opened with a discussion on the positive feedback from the publication of the previous board minutes.

Rebecca has confirmed the choice of Sean Patrick's as the location for the December holiday party. We need a minimum of 35 attendees so we are encouraging members to bring guests. We will have a White Elephant gift exchange.

Betty Lerner opened the discussion on her recent You Tube video. She would like to make videos of presentations at future meetings so members who are not able to attend the meetings would be able to view the featured speakers.

Joanne reported that our finances are stable.

Sharon reported that the nominating committee has completed their mission. Joanne Greco will be membership chair and Betty Lerner will be the next president.

The museum did not approve of our request for the quilters to have more access to the buildings. Currently we have been assigned two days per month and we will be in the Ball Room from 10 am to 2 pm on each of the assigned days. All subgroups can meet at that time period as the Ball Room has a maximum capacity of 25 people. Our days are: Sept. 10 & 23, Oct. 7 & 21, Nov. 6 & 18, Dec. 2 & 16.

Several members showed samples of the block which could be used in a quilt for the outgoing president. We decided on 6 1/2 inch square blocks with 4 in. blocks on two corners. Details will be sent to our members via email. Rebecca will collect the blocks, the PM Quilters will assemble them and Mary Ann Krafft will do the quilting. The blocks should be sent to Rebecca and are due by Oct. 1.

The September meeting is scheduled for Sept. 17. Since we have to limit the attendance we will be hosting two meetings. The early meeting will be from 6 pm to 7:15 pm. The later meeting will be from 7:30 to 8:45 pm. Members must call or email Betty Lerner to reserve a place at either time slot. Betty's phone number is 716-204-8691 or email her at blerner628@yahoo.com. Members should bring projects for Show and Share.

The board members stayed to sort more fabric donated to the guild from Betty Mott's estate.

Guild Minutes - Sept 17, 2020

Due to occupancy limitations in the BNHV, the quilters split their monthly meeting into two sessions (6 – 7:15 pm and 7:30 – 8:45 pm). The following minutes are from both sessions.

Jackie Groszkowski called the meeting to order with the members observing a moment of silence for the people who are not with us tonight.

The guild will not meet during October as the museum needs the ballroom for Halloween festivities. The November meeting will be in the same two sessions as we are doing tonight. Members need to contact Betty Lerner for a reservation as we are allowed a maximum capacity of 20

people for each session. The December meeting is a holiday party at Sean Patrick's.

Jackie reminded everyone that the quilters guild has access to the ballroom on the following dates: Sept. 23, Oct. 7 & 21, November 6 & 18, December 2 & 16 from 10 am to 2 pm. All of our subgroups can be present on these days.

Rebecca Ribis reported on the forthcoming programs. Although we will not meet in person in October, Betty Lerner will have a program on You Tube on "Finding Inspiration" which will be an introduction to our next challenge quilt. The November meeting will feature demonstrations on quick and easy quilts. Betty Lerner is requesting a picture of something the member made for the holidays. She will make a video of these pictures and show it at the December meeting.

Jackie reminded the members to check their emails for the directions for the Presidents Block.

The guild has received a very large donation of fabric from a former member. We were in the process of scheduling a garage sale as our storage facilities are at capacity when Jackie received a request for this fabric. Sharon Millitello made a motion for us to honor this request provided they pick up the fabric. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Ellen Cannon reported that work on the Quilters Showcase is in progress. She has received 54 quilts and will probably divide them into three groups. The photography sessions will begin shortly. The finished video will be on You Tube an on both the BNHV's and the guild's websites.

Since we will not have an October meeting, the nominations committee announced the slate of officers for 2021. Joanne Greco will take over the duties of membership, Sharon Millitello and Joanne Castiglia will continue as treasurers and Betty Lerner will be inducted as President.

The meetings concluded with a Show and Share of quilted items.

Guild Showcase- by MaryEllen Cannon

The guild showcase is chugging along. We have finished the outdoor photography, and by the time you read this the indoor photography will be complete too. Then the editing of the photos begins, and the planning of the script and its illustrative photos comes next. Thank you to Annette Meyer-Grunow, Ina Randall, Jean Nicholson, and Arlesa Shephard for helping us with the staging of the photos!

Blog - by MaryEllen Cannon

I have gotten the go-ahead from Jackie to move the drawing for our blog prizes to the holiday party at Sean Patrick's. Each time you comment on a blog post your name is entered in a drawing for fun prizes. The more you comment, the more entries you get. If you'd like to be included, there will

be many opportunities coming on future blog posts (and you can go back to past entries with our archive if you desire). Don't miss out on the fun.

Sunshine and Shadow -

Jane Browne lost her husband James on August 31, 2020.

Cindy Hubacher is recovering at home following a hysterectomy. Thank God it was benign and not the cancer they thought.

Bette Strom is now in comfort care at Millard suburban

December meeting:

Get your reservations in for our December Dinner at Sean Patrick's.

Our reservation is for Thursday December 17, with dinner at 6:30 and cocktails on your own anytime before. Remember, you may bring a spouse or a friend! Ask the Mailman or your favorite daughter-in-law!

Entrees will be either chicken piccata, roast pork loin or grilled salmon. Included are soup, salad, green beans, parsley buttered potatoes, rolls, ice cream with topping, coffee and tea.

We will do a white elephant exchange. So, if you wish to participate, bring a wrapped gift. Reservations must be made by December 1. Cost is \$25 per person, cash or check made payable to the Amherst Quilters Guild. Mail or give your payment along with your entree choice to Kim Guido at 533 Homestead Drive, Tonawanda 14120.

Do you need a quilt quilted for Christmas? I have a few openings for custom or edge to edge quilting. You may contact me at 585-599-3761 or send me an email at mmszy@frontiernet.net. Until then, keep stitching.
Mary Margaret Szymanski.

For Sale

Light box about 18 x 24 inch screen with separate long light. \$20. Will deliver if needed. I can email or text a picture. If you are interested, email seagullq@aol.com. Sylvia Siegel

Oct. 7 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt / Community Svc

Oct. 21 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt

Nov. 6 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt / Community Svc
Nov. 18 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt
Dec. 2 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt / Community Svc
Dec. 16 10am-2pm - Quilt til You Wilt / Community Svc
Dec 17 Dinner at Sean Patricks

Historic Homes will be on hiatus until the world gets back to normal.
The Tea Room Quilters may use a section of the ballroom any of the
above times.

Officers

President - Natalie Masker
First Vice President - Rebecca Ribis
Second Vice President - Betty Lerner
Secretary - Mary Carroll
Treasurer - Sharon Militello & Joanne Castiglia

Committee Chairs

Accuquilt - Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle
Block Lotto - Jackie Groszkowski
Blog - Mary Ellen Cannon
Challenge Quilts - Betty Lerner
Community Service - Jackie Groszkowski
Country Store Liaison - Mary Ellen Cannon
Facebook - Sylvia Siegel
Guild Bucks - Betty Lerner
Historic Homes - Theresa Utz
Library - Jean Miller
Museum Events - Theresa Utz
Nominating - Sharon Militello
NYS Consortium - Pam Pandolfi
Program - Rebecca Ribis & Committee
Property - MaryAnn Krafft
Publishing Editor - MaryAnn Krafft
Quilt Show 2022 -
Quilting Bee - Joann O'Brien
Quilts For Courage - Sylvia Siegel
Quilts For The Troops - Betty Zebrowski
Raffle Quilt 2022 - Quilt-Til-You-Wilt group
Sunshine & Shadows - Kathy Tomasulo
Website - Marie Buchanan

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