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QUILTERS GUILD

STITCHING OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE

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## Upcoming Programs

January's meeting is our one and only daytime meeting. Doors open at 10am, meeting at 11am. Learn what to do with your ORPHAN Blocks. You know, those blocks left over that you can't seem to find a home for? We hope to adopt them at the January Guild meeting. So, bring an orphan block or more, at least 12.5" square.

Bring a ruler (12.5" or bigger), seam ripper, a rotary cutter and some pins. It's ok if you don't have any blocks. Someone will bring two or three.

## Letter from the President

Here we are!!! Another year of challenges ahead. But so much to look forward to.

Our Quilt Show in April should be fantastic! We have all had two extra years to create wonderful things. It's time to finish those bindings and complete your Mask Challenge.

I hope everyone has renewed their memberships. After this newsletter we will be updating the membership list. Non-members will no longer be receiving newsletters and that will be very sad. We have managed to stay together with consistent numbers of members throughout the past two years. To lose members now will be devastating. If you have been waiting until the last minute to renew, time is up! Members who are not current will have to pay BNHV admission prices to attend meetings or satellite groups. This is the BNHV policy for 2022. We can accept membership renewal and new memberships throughout the year, but if there is a gap in membership, you might miss something really good!

I am looking forward to the programs our new Vice-Presidents are planning for 2022 as well.

We have an approved schedule of dates when we can use the Ballroom for meetings and gatherings. The list of dates is included in this newsletter. We have secured meeting dates and times. We also have scheduled the first and fourth Thursdays (more or less) with some adjustment for BNHV events. If you have or would like to form a satellite group on those days, you are free to do so.

Looking forward to another year of friendship,  
Betty

## **Minutes of the Board Meeting**

via Zoom on Dec. 14, 2021

Present: Betty Lerner, Lori Racle, JoAnne Castiglia and Mary Carroll

Betty Lerner announced that all arrangements have been made for the holiday dinner on Dec. 16 at Banchetti's. We have eighteen people signed up for dinner. Banchetti's has graciously waived the fees for not meeting the minimum attendance for a banquet. Betty will ask Linda Hunter to install the new officers during dinner.

Betty Lerner is working with the BNHV staff on our room reservations for 2022. We are requesting the ballroom on the first and fourth Thursdays from 10am to 2 pm each month. Betty will send out a notice when she receives a confirmation. The meeting times during March and August are being adjusted.

Sarah Miller who is in charge of the museum's education program is being invited to speak at one of our meetings as she is requesting our participation in her programs.

As of today we have 34 members renewing their membership. When Linda Hunter meets with her committee she also needs to consider an alternate plan for the future in case the contract with the museum does not materialize.

JoAnne Greco is taking a survey among the members to get their opinions on our relationship with the museum.

Betty would like Community Outreach to continue to recognize members who help the community such as Theresa Utz donating to City Honors.

Betty would like to renew the program where we donate hats, mittens, gloves and socks to the children at School 45 (International School) in Buffalo.

We will change our Zoom contract to unlimited minutes so we can include more minutes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Carroll, secretary

### **Sunshine & Shadow** - by Linda Hunter

Mary Dixon just had a new granddaughter, born December 29.

We have just learned that Mary Margaret Szymanski is having surgery December 30th for uterine cancer. The good news is that she recently found out that it has not spread to any other part of her body. Please keep her in your prayers.

## **Early Bird Special** - by MaryEllenCanon

We'll be back to our early bird specials in January! Linda Hunter will be sharing a technique she told us about after a presentation at a previous guild meeting. Join us at 10:15 before the January meeting if you'd like to hear Linda's presentation.

## **Historic Homes** - by Theresa Utz

Just a reminder that starting in 2022, historic homes will be meeting on the Thursday of the month. So our first meeting will be Thursday, January 6 beginning at 10 AM. Hope to see you there. And happy new year to all.

## **Community Service**

<https://patsloan.typepad.com/files/pat-sloan-block-1-winter-fun-1.pdf>



## **Calendar of Events**

### **January**

Jan 6	Historic Homes	10am-4pm
Jan 20	Early Bird Special	10:15am
	Guild meeting	11am
Jan 27	Community Service	10am-4pm

## **Officers**

**President** - Betty Lerner

**First Vice President** - Annette Meyer-Grunow & Rosellen Ring-Easton

**Second Vice President** - JoAnne Greco

**Secretary** - Lori Racle

**Treasurer** - Sharon Militello & Joanne Castiglia

# Committee Chairs

**Accuquilt** - Mary Ellen Cannon and Lori Racle

**Blog** - Mary Ellen Cannon

**Challenge Quilts** - Betty Lerner

**Community Service** - Theresa Utz

**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** -

**NYS Consortium** - Linda Hunter

**Program** - Annette Meyer-Grunow & Rosellen Ring-Easton

**Property** - MaryAnn Krafft

**Publishing Editor** - MaryAnn Krafft

**Quilt Show 2022** - MaryAnn Krafft

**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** - Linda Hunter

**Website** - Marie Buchanan



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