



Upcoming Programs

This coming **Thursday, Feb 16**: Pam Pandolfi: trunk show of new work. at Faith United Church on 1300 Maple Rd corner of Hopkins. Enter the church from the west parking lot - no steps. Doors open at 6pm, meeting at 7pm.

If you are going to the next few meetings, bring a mug for coffee/tea.

March 16 -

Come early !!! Starting at 6pm, we will be selling (yes, selling) some of Natalie's bed sized quilts. This is your chance to own a piece of AQG history. We will accept cash or check. All unsold quilts will be donated.

Do you want to learn a new technique? Ina Randall to demonstrate/explain the process of her cheese cloth pictures, as people liked them at the last quilt show.

April program: We are back at the BNHV.

Patricia Ohtake: Her program title is "Making Your Quilts Your Own".

In this program, Patricia will share how she uses different approaches and techniques to create unique quilts. A variety of quilt genres will be shared in the discussion and trunk show.

Minutes of the Board meeting - Feb 7

Present: Sally Ginsberg, Linda Hunter, Betty Lerner, Annette Meyer-Grunow, Rosellen Ring-Easton, JoAnn Castiglia and Mary Carroll via Zoom

The meeting was an open discussion on future plans for the Guild. The following topics were covered:

- Diane Ashby, through her insurance agency, has written an insurance policy for our guild which is basically a liability policy.
- JoAnn Castiglia will continue to remind our attorney (Michael DeFreitas) to work on our application for 501C status. JoAnn and Rebecca Ribis are serving on this committee.
- We are in the process of removing essential items from our closet in Steffan as the building will be closed for approximately two months while the Town of Amherst renovates the building.
- We currently have 46 members for 2023. A discussion followed on retaining past members and recruiting new members. Linda sent out an informative letter to past members and potential new members.

We need to offer classes and/or workshops on techniques and interesting projects to attract new members. Cindy Hubacher has offered to teach one of these workshops. We will check with our satellite location to see if the Faith United Church of Christ is available for a Saturday workshop. Annette and Sally will meet with Sandy, the church liaison, this coming Thursday, February 9 to see the facility.

- JoAnn reminded us that we need to establish a budget for 2023 and have it approved by the board. Last year we paid BNHV \$300 for storage. Also, we are a Guild and we should not be collecting membership dues for BNHV. When we have 501C status the IRS will be looking at our total income.
- We need to look at our relationship with BNHV since they are taking all of our dues. Should we make a break and rent the ballroom when we need the room? We questioned the cost of renting it and must think carefully before any action.
- When we achieve 501C status we will need to establish a community outreach program along with an educational program.
- The February meeting will be at our satellite location, the Faith United Church of Christ at Maple and Hopkins in Williamsville. Pam Pandolfi will present a trunk showing.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Carroll, secretary

AQG History by Betty Lerner

I am in the process of digitizing the old records that were in the closet in Steffen. These records have not been preserved in archival conditions so it has become necessary to preserve them.

If you have any pictures or other records of Guild events, could I borrow them for a while? I will scan them into the records I am preserving and return them to you as quickly as I can.

I plan to be at the February meeting. I can get them then, or you can drop them off at my house, or mail them to me. This will give us a complete record of the Guild,

Membership by Linda Hunter

Please ask your friends who may have been AQG members in the past, or are interested in becoming members now, to send in dues of \$35.00 for the 2023 membership. We are hoping to print a new membership list before the March 16 meeting. We would like the members' information in by March 6 to give us time to print before our March 16 meeting. Thank you.

Sunshine & Shadows by Linda Hunter

Janet Rogers (former co-owner of Threads of Time) is now in Brothers of Mercy in Clarence with Alzheimers

Quilt Show 2024 by MaryAnn Krafft

The membership voted and we will skip the quilt show for 2024.

Upcoming Events

Many of us know Ruth Ohol as an excellent quilter and quilting teacher in Lockport. She has won many awards for her quilts in AQS shows in Paducah and Lancaster, Genesee Valley Quilt Club show last year, as well as our local shows. This should be of interest to us especially because Ruth has presented her quilts at our guild.

Ruth Ohol is doing a benefit trunk show next month, Saturday 3/18 from 1:30-3:30 with a meet the teacher - artist afterward. It will be held in the sanctuary at Solid Rock Church, 8590 Telegraph Rd. Gasport. That's route 31 and it's about 1.5 miles east of Gasport Elementary School. There's no admittance fee but they will accept a free will donation at the close. She has much new work since she was last at our guild.

March 29-April 1. Wednesday-Saturday 9am-4pm
[www.TheLancasterQuilt Show.com](http://www.TheLancasterQuiltShow.com)

July 16-28 Quilting by the Lake
<https://schweinfurthartcenter.org/qbl/>

Calendar of Events for 2023

February 16 6pm-9pm regular meeting at Faith United Church
February 23 10am-4pm Community Service

Officers

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NYS Consortium - Linda Hunter

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Raffle Quilt 2024 -

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