



# Amherst Museum Quilters' Guild



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## Upcoming Program News – Loretta Cadwallader

**May 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting** - Dennis Foster will present our program on May 16, at 7 pm. His kite-making venture uses many quilt piecing techniques. This will be a very interesting evening.

### **Quilt Show 2014 Meeting, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm - Kelly Miller and Kit Willey**

We will be having our first organizational meeting on Thursday, May 16th at 6 pm prior to our regularly scheduled guild meeting

Thank you to all who submitted a name or voted on a quilt show name. Our 2014 Quilt Show will have the name, Blooming Quilts! Also, we are still looking for volunteers to run various committees. Please consider volunteering.... no experience needed... just your willingness to help! We hope to see everyone on May 16th.

### **Scissor Sharpening at May 16<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting - Kim Guido**

Just a quick reminder to all Guild members and guests - May is "Sharpening" month. Steve Toth, of Shear Mobility, will be at our May meeting with his sharpening van. Please bring any and all shears, scissors, pinking shears, etc., to the meeting, and Steve will have them sharpened before we leave. Small scissors will be \$3, regular shears \$6, and pinking shears are \$9. He does a wonderful job, and is very happy to do this for our guild. Stay sharp! And see you in May.

**June 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting** - Loretta Cadwallader will give a presentation on her trip to Mexico City with a medical/ health and beauty team to help the people in the garbage dump areas. The group presented 32 pillowcase dresses to young girls during this time. She is going again this December. There will be kits available for community service to make dresses for Loretta to take again this year. Our fabric bins are overflowing, so this will be a way to help us lessen our stash while aiding the poor in Mexico. For the dresses, we need to buy bias tape. Jackie suggested we ask members to raid their bias tape stash and bring to May meeting so we don't have to purchase too much. We need double fold bias tape that is 1/2 wide.



## ***General Meeting Minutes April 18, 2013 - Kelly Miller***

The meeting began at 7 pm by MaryAnn.

Lynne announced that the raffle quilt cutting day will be held Saturday, April 27th from 10-4 at the Burchfield Center. All are welcome.

Bette announced that there are still seats available on the bus trip to Shipshewana, Indiana in June. Contact her for details.

MaryAnn shared that the Clarence Quilt Show is this weekend. Let's try to support other local quilt guilds!

Kelly is still looking for volunteers to help with the quilt show sub-committees. Please contact her if you are interested. The first quilt show meeting will be May 16th at 6pm prior to our regularly scheduled guild meeting. As a result of our vote, the name of our 2014 Quilt Show will be Blooming Quilts!

PM Quilters' Meeting will now be held at Sue Kogler's house.

Kim Guido is pleased to announce that Steve the scissor sharpening guy will be at the May Guild Meeting. Please bring your scissors. The prices range from \$3 to \$9.

Room size quilt frames are available through the guild for free if anyone is interested.

Consortium meeting will be here at the museum in June. Volunteers are needed to make baked goods. Please contact Natalie M. if interested. Also, AMQG will be hosting consortium classes in July. Please help make pincushions as favors. Thank you!

Jackie was excited to announce that community service received 79 blocks! Thank you to everyone who donated. Please take a pattern for next month.

Desserts are needed for May, June, July, and August meetings. Please sign up.

The guild is donating 20 acid free quilt storage boxes to the museum!

Karen G. presented Zen Tangle. If anyone is interested in taking a class, please let her know and she will work on setting one up. This technique is useful to help with free motion quilting. The cost will be \$25 and will be held at the museum. Date to be announced.

Mary Ellen shared some details about Seminar. First, please pick up your seminar brochure. Also, the guild is looking for liaisons to distribute information to other guilds and quilt shops. Kit asked for suggestions for future National Seminar teachers. She needs to start looking now for two years out. Several Seminar teachers shared their class projects. Selecting a class will be a difficult decision!

Linda Hitchens announced that the membership rosters are complete; please pick one up if you haven't already.

Linda Hunter shared a book of Alice's quilts and memorabilia written by Joe Bachraty. A copy will be available in the AMQG library.

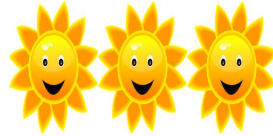
After a short break, name taggers were drawn.

Everyone then enjoyed a wonderful trunk show by Rosellen Ring-Easton.

Lastly, the members enjoyed sharing their quilts during show and share.

The meeting adjourned around 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Miller, Guild Secretary



### ***Sunshine and Shadows – Kathy Tomasulo***

- Sue McNess has shingles and is experiencing some difficulties; please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

### ***QCNYS Consortium Meeting, June 19<sup>th</sup> – Natalie Masker and Linda Hunter***

We are hosting, along with Kenmore, the June Consortium Meeting on the 19th. Set up at 8:45, meeting at 10 am. Lunch at 12 pm. If you staying for lunch, you need to let Natalie know. Cost for meals is \$8. We need volunteers for registrations, meals, etc. Amherst is doing breakfast and we need donations of coffee cakes, donuts, brownies, muffins, etc. Meeting ends around 1 - 2 pm. Kenmore is doing lunch, so if you wish; you can leave around 10:30 or stay for meeting and lunch. Please call Natalie, contact information is in Member Roster, or let her know at the May meeting. She will have a sign up sheet there. We also need another 75 pin cushions (use two 2 1/2" strips light and dark in spring/summer colors, sew together, cut into 2 1/2" rectangles, sew together light to dark to make 4 1/2" square. Sew a button in center. Add a 4 1/2" backing; leave small opening, stuff with batting leftovers, and close opening). We will collect them at the May meeting. Please volunteer and help us out. The last meeting had 160 people come from all over. Thank you!

### ***Community Service Meetings – Joyce Morris***

The committee meets from 10 am to 1 pm the fourth Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact Joyce Morris. Her contact information is in the Member roster on our guild website. All are invited to join in the activities. Bring your sewing machine and supplies. The committee has cutting boards and cutters. Various size rulers are helpful. New ideas are always welcome!

- *Next meeting – May 22<sup>nd</sup>*

### ***Community Service Block Lottery – Jackie Groszkowski***

I'd like to thank everyone who made string blocks for our next Community Service project for the troops. We collected 79 blocks in addition to the 24 that went into the Lottery. There were two winners in April. If you forgot or were unable to bring them to the April meeting please bring them to our next May meeting. We will take them anytime.

Next month's blocks are for Quilts for Courage. If you didn't get the directions our Webmaster, Don Dee has them available on our web site.

### ***2013 Membership Directory – Linda Hitchens***

The 2013 Membership Directory is done and I have them. They will be available at our next meeting if a member has not picked one up yet. If there are any corrections please contact me. My contact information is in the Members Only link on our guild website.



### ***PM Quilters 2013 Schedule – Joyce Morris***

PM Quilters is a group of friendly quilters who gather each month in the home of one of the members. Any Guild member is welcome. For those that are planning to attend will need to contact the hostess so that the seating arrangement can be made.

All members are invited, but if we get much bigger, we'll have to hire a hall! We have a great time during our meeting of learning and friendships. Then the hostess serves tea and coffee with goodies. What more could you want? Just be sure to call first!

Please note that the contact information for each of the members below is in our Member Roster on our guild website.

- May 23 - Betty Zebrowski
- June 27 - Joyce Morris
- July 25 - Jackie Groszkowski
- August 21 - Sue Kogler, Cottage by Lake Ontario
- September 26 - Joanne Castiglia

### ***Hospitality Update – May 18<sup>th</sup> – Refreshments***

Thank you to the following members, who will be bringing refreshments for our May 18<sup>th</sup>, guild meeting:

- Sally Grove
- Linda Hunter
- Jean Nicholson
- Kit Willey
- Pat Zimmerman

### ***2014 Raffle Quilt - Lynne Nothum***

The 2014 raffle quilt is to be created of batiks, using stars and mariner's compasses. It will be queen size. Kits for the raffle quilt should be ready for distribution at the May meeting. We need 44 star blocks created; they vary from very simple to a little more difficult, so you can choose one that fits your ability. One of our members (Renee) has already volunteered to make the mariner's compass blocks and Marija is writing the instructions. The blocks will be due at the August and September meetings. If anyone has questions, hopefully I can answer them. My contact information is in the Member Roster.



## *May Seminar Update by Mary Ellen Cannon*

The march toward our fall seminar continues. Seminar registration is now officially open for members. Registration for the general public opens on May 6th. Seminar information is now live at our website ([www.amqg.org](http://www.amqg.org)) and brochures have been mailed. Some of our teachers have more detailed bios and/or class descriptions at the web site than we were able to fit in the space in the brochure. Photos of projects will be posted as they arrive (three are there now), and supply lists will be available early this summer.

The best way for us to keep the price we need to charge you, the attendees, under control is to put a quilter in every seat at seminar. We need your help to do that. Please mention our seminar whenever you are with quilters and crafters. You never know who may want to attend, who has never heard of seminar before. I am always amazed when I teach my quilting classes that there are many quilters in Western New York who do not know about our guild or our seminar. We have postcards and bookmarks we can give you to hand out far and wide.

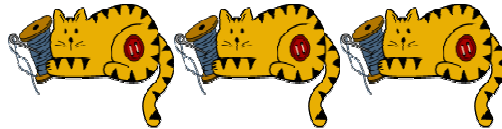
We're still looking for liaisons, particularly to other guilds in our area. If you belong to another guild in addition to AMQG, please consider acting as a liaison to that organization.

We are relying more each season on the internet for disseminating seminar information for three main reasons. The more important of the two is the amount of money it saves us. Printing costs continue to climb-you know that yourself if you purchase paper and ink for your computer regularly. Secondly we are able to share much more information with you by taking advantage of our guild's website. More detailed class descriptions can be shared in the space there than we could fit into the very limited space in the seminar brochure. We also are able to post photos of the projects for each class in the gallery of our seminar section-if you miss the sharing at our meetings, you can still get a look at proposed projects there. Finally we are able to bring in seminar attendees from much further afield by making a presence on the web and in social media. We can be found through searches for teacher names, the museum name, and quilt techniques by name, etc. Several attendees last year only found out about us through their use of the internet.

All of that aside, we do not want to disregard all of those quilters who do not have easy internet access. Don't forget about the access to the internet found at public libraries, and community centers. Feel free to contact any of the guild board members, Jan Reilly or myself if you would like our help in getting any of the information found at our site.

We hope you will find a class (or two!) that you will enjoy at seminar this fall!

As always, if you have any questions, suggestions, or comments please contact me or my co-chair Jan Reilly.



### ***Member Recipe Sharing - from Jackie Groszkowski***

*[Please note that this recipe is also posted in our "Members Only" link on our guild website]*

#### **VERY EASY COFFEE CAKE –**

- 1 plain yellow cake mix
  - 3 eggs
  - 3/4 cup flour
  - 1 can apple pie filling (cut apples into smaller pieces)
- Mix all ingredients together. Put in 2 greased, floured pans

#### **CRUMBS**

- 3/4 cup flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup butter

Bake 350 degrees for 45 minutes



### **Upcoming Events of Interest**

**The Twin City Quilters Guild** – are hosting the "Kaleidoscope of Quilts" Quilt Show Saturday, May 4th, 2013 from 9 am to 5 pm and Sunday, May 5th, 2013 from 10 am to 4 pm. It will be at the Wheatfield Community Center, 2800 Church Street, North Tonawanda, NY.

#### **Westfield Methodist Church – Carol Bish -**

National Teacher, Linda Pool will be visiting us for our May meeting. Linda Pool will present a trunk show and lecture Thursday, May 16, 2013 at the Westfield Methodist Church in Westfield. The workshops she will present are Counted Creations on Friday May 17, 2013 from 9 am- 3:30 pm and Saturday, May 18, 2013 will be A Heart in Bloom and Roman Stripe by Machine from 9 am - 3:30 pm. The workshops will be held at First Baptist Church, 19 Union Street, Westfield, NY. Class fee is \$40 for one, or \$75 for both classes. For more information contact: Carol Bish, [bishjc@yahoo.com](mailto:bishjc@yahoo.com) or (716) 753-2041. Linda Pool's website is, <http://www.lindaslace.com>

#### **Genesee Valley Quilt Club 2013 Show - May 31 - June 2, 2013**

Magical Threads - Inspired Stitches - The largest quilt show in New York State, RIT Campus in Rochester, NY. . Over 600 quilts, 50+ vendors, Project Iron Quilter, Vendor Shop Hop, Special Exhibits, Quilt Appraisals (prior registration), Workshops, Lectures and Demonstrations, free parking. Group Rate Discount - pre-registration required. Additional information at [www.GeneseeQuiltFest.com](http://www.GeneseeQuiltFest.com)

#### **The North East Crazy Quilters 2013 Quilt Show – Vacation Destination**

**Where** - North East Elementary Center, Rt. 89 and East Division Street, North East, PA

**When** - Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 10 am to 5 pm. 12 noon to 4 pm. Admission, \$4.00

Over 150 Quilts, Appraisals, Theme Challenge Entries, Chinese Auction, Demonstrations, Raffle Quilt, Tea Room, Vendors. For more information call: 814-725-8510, [FLBLE@verizon.net](mailto:FLBLE@verizon.net)  
Don't miss "Art in the Park" in Gibson Park as part of your weekend fun.



### **AMQG Webmaster – Don Dee**

If you have any updates or changes to our Amherst Guild website please send them directly to Don Dee at: [webmaster@amqg.org](mailto:webmaster@amqg.org). In order to access the “Member Only” link on our guild website, you will need your **User name and password**. Please contact Don Dee, our webmaster to request this information.

### **E-Mail Tree/Communications/ Newsletter/Membership - Colleen Dee**

If you have any problems with receipt of our e-mail messages, change your e-mail provider, or no longer wish to receive a hard copy of the newsletter, or want to submit a recipe for the website, please send an email to Colleen Dee with your request to: [amherstguild@roadrunner.com](mailto:amherstguild@roadrunner.com).

Articles to be included in the **June 2013** newsletter must be sent to Colleen, at [amherstguild@roadrunner.com](mailto:amherstguild@roadrunner.com) by **no later than Monday, May 27th**, to be included in the newsletter, space permitting.

We welcome inquiries about membership and encourage our members to bring your family and friends as a guest to one of our monthly guild meetings, **held the third Thursday each month, at 7 PM** at the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village, located at 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst, NY 14228.

### **May 2013 Calendar of Events**

- May 1           Deadline for on line mailing of newsletter to e-mail tree
- May 1           Board meeting, 6 pm [Location at Tim Horton's/Transit Road, in front of Russ's Steak House
- May 16          2014 Quilt Show Organizational meeting, 6 pm
- May 16          Monthly Guild Meeting, 7 pm
- May 22          Community Service - 10 am – 1 pm
- May 23          PM Quilters at the home of Betty Zebrowski contact information in Member Roster
- May 27          Deadline for articles for June newsletter articles

