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Upcoming Program News - Loretta Cadwallader

39th Annual Quilting Seminar

September 18-21, 2013 is Seminar time!!



<u>September 18th Program</u> - In September we will have seminar. The lecture, "Quilting with Expresso....Quilts, Creativity and Fun," by Pat Sloan will be <u>Wednesday night the 18th at 7 p.m</u>. This is free to members of AMQG, \$8 for the public, \$4 for BNHV members. These lectures are always so informative and fun.

We will have four days of classes and quilting camaraderie! Pat and our local instructors will offer classes each day.

<u>October Program</u> - Pine Grove Quilt Shop will present the program, giving us some ideas for Christmas and other projects. Bring your purse and be ready to shop, too. Susan Dray is so entertaining, also. You won't want to miss this meeting.



General Meeting Minutes - Kelly Miller

Minutes from the Amherst Museum Quilters' Guild Meeting- August 15th, 2013.

The meeting started at 7 pm.

Mary Ellen updated us on seminar. With seminar about 1 month away, liaisons need to check with shops for door prize donations. She sold raffle tickets to Pat Sloan's class for only a dollar. Seminar also has a BOGO deal through the end of August. Go online to see samples and supply lists.

Marija introduced us to the WNY Modern Quilt Guild.

Kelly talked about the 2014 Quilt show. The dates will be April 11th, 12th, and 13th, 2014. There will be a quilt show meeting in October prior to the regular guild meeting.

Linda H. invited someone to go to the consortium meeting on September 18th.

Lynne reminded everyone to please turn the finished raffle quilt blocks.

Jackie thanked everyone for making community service blocks. They received 176 blocks, plus 50 more to raffle off! She reminded everyone to take the new block directions for October.

Alice's Dream took in \$92 for their sale and raffle of Alice's things.

Name taggers were drawn.

Mary Ellen drew for the two winners of the Pat Sloan class.

Show and share.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm

Respectfully submitted, Kelly Miller

Blooming Quilts 2014 - Kelly Miller and Kit Willey

Mark your calendars! The Blooming Quilts quilt show is now officially scheduled for April 11, 12, and 13 2014! The preview party will be on Thursday, April 10th, 2014. I am getting excited for our upcoming quilt show; however, there is still a lot of work ahead. We will be having a quilt show meeting prior to our October guild meeting at 6:00 pm. Please try to make this meeting if you are a committee chair, as we have skipped a few months for the summer. Also, I will be preparing a meeting agenda, so email me any items you would like to discuss. We are still looking to fill a few committee chairs. If you would like to volunteer in any way, please come to the meeting. Everyone is welcome. Thank you!



September Seminar Update by Mary Ellen Cannon

Seminar is now fast approaching. Many of us are looking forward to a day or two of learning, stitching, and having fun with friends. There are still spaces available for more of you to join us. More spaces than we would like actually. Registrations are down for seminar this year. After some discussion with our board members, we offered two deals at our August meeting, which we hope will help seminar break even. We were able to raise some money by raffling off 2 spots in one of Pat Sloan's classes. Those recipients, Sandy Schufelt and Kelsey Cadwallader won free entry for the price of their raffle ticket.

We also are offering a BOGO1/2 deal until September 1. That deal was announced at the guild meeting, and sent out via our e-mail tree. We also asked all members who knew of the deal to spread to the word to our members who do not read e-mail. We realize that some of our members are missed when messages go out via our e-mail, but we felt that time was of the essence in publicizing this effort.

If you do not have easy access to the seminar information posted at our website or at Pat's, please do not hesitate to contact me, Jan Reilly, or any of the guild board members for help. We will be happy to assist in any way we can.

We hope you will find a class that you will enjoy at seminar this fall! Currently all classes have spaces; class I: Color Is Exciting has been canceled. If you have any questions regarding class registration, contact Jan Reilly. She has all of those details at her fingertips.

Seminar 2013 DEAL!! BOGO ½

Buy one class at full price; get the second one at half price. What a great opportunity for a member and a friend to enjoy a day of quilting together!

Here's the "fine print":

- 1 of the two classes must be for a guild member
- Both registrations do NOT have to be for the same class.
- 1/2 off the lesser priced class both registrations must be in the same envelope Envelope postmarked no later than 9/1/13
- First come, first served if a class fills up



Sunshine and Shadows - Kathy Tomasulo

- Natalie Masker's husband was re-admitted to Sister's Hospital and is recovering from pneumonia.
- After four years, Beth Hodgson's cancer is now in remission.

Historic Homes Committee - Theresa Utz

Historic Homes will start meeting again on Wednesday, September 11, 2013, beginning at 10 am, in the Tea Room. Please note that this is the SECOND Wednesday of the month, I am moving it up one week because Seminar begins on the third Wednesday, and the space will not be available.

However, beginning in October, we will be meeting on the third Wednesdays of the month, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, and Dec. 18. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Any and all are invited to join this committee. We will be completing the top of the quilt we are currently working on, and will begin tying it as per the original. Our next project has been selected, and the original is beautiful. It is a two-color Delectable Mountain pattern and much of it can be worked on at home. So come join us and become part of re-creating history.

Theresa Utz, Chairman

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* – Wednesday September 25th.

Community Service Update - Jackie Groszkowski

With the help of Betty Zebrowski and her granddaughter Lily, I delivered fourteen quilts to the Erie County Home. The residential facility is now housed on the campus of ECMC. It is beautiful. What a change from the old facility in Alden. The ladies who accepted the quilts were thrilled with them. "They're going to do so much to brighten up the residents rooms." They currently have 396 residents so they can use many more quilts. They also suggested walker bags. If you have a good pattern for them please give me a copy. I'm sure that sometime in the winter that will be our "Block Lottery".



Quilts for Courage - Sylvia Siegel

At the end of July, I made a quilt delivery to Roswell Park Pediatric Clinic and Children's Hospital Hematology/Oncology Division. There were slightly over 90 quilts total from our guild and Kenmore Quilter's Guild. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to complete their quilts for the kids and those who worked this past month on August 15th.

Below is the letter I received from Sharon Johnson who is the Social Worker at Children's.

Dear Quilters,

We are forever thankful for the beautiful quilts received in the past and present. It is very much appreciated and each child/family that receives them has fallen in love with them.

There is an unforgettable facial expression of gratitude on each child's/family's face when the quilts are presented to them. This sort of reaction reminds me of how powerful something of this matter reveals kindness and healing to those who have illnesses.

Once again, we say thank you for sharing your gifts, dosage of love and generosity.

Sincerely, Sharon Johnson Social Worker

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.

- September 26 Joanne Castiglia
- October 24 Judy Balcerzak
- Nov/December 5 Sue McNess



Recipe Sharing

Broccoli Salad - shared by Joyce Morris' Sister-in-law, Joanne Morris

1 large head of broccoli (chopped) (This can be half and half of cauliflower) 1/2 cup raisins

1/2 cup chopped red onion

1 pound or less as desired of fried crumbled bacon

1 cup Hellman's mayo

1/2 cup sugar or less

2 tablespoons vinegar

Blend dressing ingredients, mayo, sugar and vinegar and pour over other ingredients except bacon and let marinate until ready to serve. Add bacon at last minute so it stays crisp. To help prepare a day or two in advance mix first three ingredients and keep refrigerated. Keep dressing in separate container. This is easy to make in smaller quantities and just add dressing as needed. Dressing will keep indefinitely in the refrigerator.

(Note – this recipe has also been posted on our guild website).





Upcoming Events of Interest

<u>The Museum Quilt Guild in Batavia, New York</u> - will be hosting Wendy Butler Berns in October, 2013. Wendy is an award winning quilt artist, teacher, and lecturer from southern Wisconsin. She is very enthusiastic and entertaining. To learn more about her quilts and background visit www.wendybutlerberns.com.

Wendy will conduct 2 classes and a lecture at the First Presbyterian Church in Batavia. Workshop and Lecture schedule are as follows:

- Thursday, October 17th will be a full day workshop –"Liberate Your Logs".
- Friday, October 18th will be a full day workshop –" Out on a Limb".
- Saturday, October 19th, Wendy's lecture will be "Our Quilts' Hidden Stories" which includes a power point and quilts from her original works. The lecture will begin after a short break following our regular guild business meeting.

Galaxy of Quilts - Quilt Show

When: Friday, October 4, 2013

Time: 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday, October 5, 2013

Time: 9 am - 3 pm

Where: St. Bartholomew's

Anglican Church

Sponsored by – Kenmore Quilters Patch. Any questions, please contact Pat McDonald, 716-873-2831

<u>Orchard Park, NY</u>- Three talented Fox Run community members will be displaying their quilt works in the Gyda Higgins Art Gallery at Fox Run Orchard Park. Mrs. Margarethe Carl, Mrs. Lois Fleck, and Mrs. Peg Cornelius will be showing a portion of their extensive collections they have quilted over the years. This show will be open to the public September 16th – October 18th. Please contact Fox Run Marketing Department for details regarding a reception date to meet the artists at 716.662.5001. Fox Run is located near the corner of Rt. 20A & California Road, Orchard Park, NY.

Michelle Bermingham, Marketing Assistant Fox Run at Orchard Park One Fox Run Lane Orchard Park, New York 14127 716-662-5001



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. 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.

Articles to be included in the <u>October 2013</u> newsletter must be sent to Colleen, at amherstguild@roadrunner.com by no later than <u>Monday</u>, <u>September 23rd</u>, 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.

September 2013 Calendar of Events

•	Sept.1	Deadline for on line mailing of newsletter to e-mail tree
•	Sept. 4	Board meeting at 6 pm, at Tim Horton's, on Transit Rd, in front of Russ's Steak House
•	Sept.11	Historic Homes Meeting, Tea Room, 10 am
•	Sept.18	Seminar Lecture, Wednesday, at 7 pm, Pat Sloan
•	Sept. 18-21	39th Annual Quilting Seminar
•	Sept.23	Deadline for submitting articles for October newsletter
•	Sept. 25	Community Service - 10 am – 1 pm
•	Sept. 26	PM Quilters at the home of Joanne Castiglia.