



# Amherst Quilters Guild



NEWSLETTER

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December 2013

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## Upcoming Program News – Loretta Cadwallader

### December Program

Our annual Christmas party will be held December 19, **starting at 6 p.m.** This is always a great time to celebrate the holidays and fellowship with our quilting friends. This year we are changing things up a little. Sandwiches will be provided for our dinner. We are asking ladies whose last name begins with A-L to bring a dessert. Those with initials M-Z, bring a side dish. Please furnish your own table service and placemat. Please include a list of the ingredients that are in your dish. This will help those who have food allergies to make informed decisions

We look forward to the performance of the Cheektowaga Central High School Jazz Band performing that evening. The son of Sally Ginsberg, one of our members, is a member of this band.

Karen Goddard will be accepting **food and winter clothing donations** again this year for the Tri-Community Food Pantry. There will be a **hat and mitten tree** and **guild bucks** will be given your donation.

Please remember your items for the January Guild Bucks Auction, and pick up any items you ordered from Lynne Ellis at last month's meeting.

### January Program—

Are there items in your sewing room that you purchased and no longer use or want? The AQQ "Quilt Bucks" auction, held at our January 16, 2014 meeting, is a great way to recycle those excess items. You can bring them to the December meeting, or drop them off on set up day.



## ***AQG General Meeting Minutes – Kelly Miller***

Amherst Quilters Guild meeting minutes November, 21st 2013

Meeting started at 7:04 pm by MaryAnne

She announced that a refreshment chair is still needed.

We have new officers starting in January.

Publication officer- Karen Goddard

Secretary- Jane Browne

Vice Presidents- Roxy Golde and Susan Teetsel

MaryEllen awarded blog candy to some guild bloggers! Jane Browne won the grand prize. Everyone is encouraged to check out the blog at [Amherstthreadtales.com](http://Amherstthreadtales.com)

Linda H. talked about the quilt consortium. It is now time to hand in passports from 2013 if you purchased one and have seven entries. Our quilt show will be in the 2014 passport, so please consider buying one. Also, Natalie and Linda are looking for guild members to be new consortium delegates. The next meeting is Tuesday, December 3rd.

Jackie G. thanked everyone who made ditty bags for community service. At least 60 were turned in. Community service is filling the bags on Wednesday, November 27th at 10 am in Steffan. Please consider helping.

We received a thank you note from Terrace View LTC for the recent donation of quilts.

Please pick up new directions for community service blocks on the table. Also help yourself to the fabric on the side table.

Please sign up to only receive the newsletter via email. This will cut costs to the museum.

Keep working on your quilts for the quilt show.

Karen asks that you get newsletters in early this month. Thank you.

Maryanne requested that anyone bringing a dish to share to the Christmas dinner also list the ingredients on a 3x5 card for those members who have food allergies.

Theresa announced that historic homes is looking for indigo fabric with dots or stars for their next reproduction quilt.

Loretta was pleased to announce that she collected over 200 dresses for Mexico. Thank you to everyone who took the time to make them.

Betty Z announced that she is collecting quilts for the troops again. They will be mailed in early December. Also, Lynne Ellis is here to take orders for shirts.

We enjoyed a beautiful show and share and then took a short break.

After break, we were amazed by the McCarthy Horse and Buggy Quilt Company.

We adjourned shortly after 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Miller

***Consortium Volunteers Needed***

The Amherst Quilters Guild is looking for one or two members to attend the quarterly Quilters Consortium of New York State meetings. QCNYS meets quarterly at various locations around the State to conduct business, share guild program ideas and provide networking opportunities for our members. You will be reimbursed for your mileage and for lunch. **What a great opportunity to travel the state and visit various quilt shops.**

***Hospitality Chairman Needed***

We have an opening for a hospitality chairman. Here is a rare opportunity to contribute to the Guild without exerting a lot of extra effort. Basically your duties consist of setting up a table for goodies and making coffee. You don't even have to bake the goodies yourself. Please consider volunteering a little extra time each month. Remember, this is your Guild too.

***Library***

The following books have been purchased for the library-

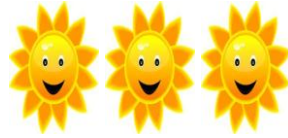
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| Scraps Plus One.               | Joan Ford          |
| Scrap Quilting Strip by Strip. | Kim Brackett       |
| Scrap Quilts Fit for a Queen.  | Sally Schneider    |
| Modern Neutrals.               | Amy Ellis          |
| Devoted to Scraps.             | Best of Quiltmaker |

**Calling All Quilters**

Are you a quilter or know someone who is? We are looking for quilters to assist with our Treasured Threads program. This program involves specialized Hospice volunteers creatively piecing together “*Treasured Threads*” of a loved one’s clothing to create a tangible lasting memory. The Treasured Threads program is offered to families utilizing our bereavement services after having lost a loved one thru the Hospice program.

Recently, we have had an overwhelming number of families interested in having a “treasured thread” created, but we have a very limited number of quilters. Therefore, if you are a quilter or if you know of someone who is and would be interested in assisting us with this wonderful program, please contact Lisa at [lnestico@palliativecare.org](mailto:lnestico@palliativecare.org) or 989-2360 for more information





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

- Renee' Stockwell's daughter Amanda had a baby boy on Thursday, November 21. Ilija Marko Andrijevic 10 lbs, 22". All are doing well

**REMINDER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**, please note that there is a ***NEW email address for our AOG email communications*** and you will need to update your records to send to Karen Goddard at this new address: [AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com).

### ***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*** – Please note there is no meeting in December 2013.

### ***Historic Homes Committee – Theresa Utz***

Historic Homes beginning in October, we will be meeting on the third Wednesdays of the month, and the next meeting is December. 18<sup>th</sup>, mark your calendar 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.

### ***Donations Needed for January 2014 Auction – Natalie Masker***

We need donations for January 2014 auction to be brought in to our monthly guild meeting either in December. Thanks!

### ***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.

- December 5 – Sue McNess

***Quilt Show Demonstrators Needed – Karen Goddard***

Karen Goddard is looking for anyone interested in doing a demo at the Quilt Show next April. If you have an interesting pattern, technique, new ruler or notion you would like to demo, please let Karen know.



**AQG Webmaster – Don Dee**

If you have any updates or changes to our Amherst Quilters Guild website please send them directly to Don Dee at: [webmaster@amqg.org](mailto:webmaster@amqg.org).

**E-Mail Tree/Communications/ Newsletter/Membership – Karen Goddard**

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 Karen Goddard with your request to: [AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com).

Articles to be included in the *January 2014* newsletter must be sent to [AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com) by ***no later than Monday, December 23rd***, to be included in the newsletter, space permitting.

We welcome inquiries about AQG 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.

**December 2013 Calendar of Events**

- Dec 1           Deadline for on line mailing of newsletter to e-mail tree
- Dec            PM Quilters at the home of Sue McNess
- Dec 4           Board meeting at 6 pm, at Tim Horton's, on Transit Rd, in front of Russ's Steak House
- Dec 18          Historic Homes Meeting, Tea Room, 10 am
- Dec 19          AQG Monthly Meeting, **6 pm**, Christmas Party
- Dec 23          Deadline for submitting articles for the January 2014 newsletter
- Dec            Community Service – no meeting in December

