



Amherst Quilters Guild



NEWSLETTER

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March 2015

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Upcoming Program News – Roxanne Golde and Susan Teetsel

March

The March meeting is the 40th Annual Guild Birthday Party starting at **6:45**. We will have a great time while enjoying our catered dinner. Be sure to fill out your RSVP form so we'll know how many are coming. Come for an enjoyable evening.

April

Rosellen Ring-Easton will be demonstrating "Disappearing Everything".



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No minutes due to the February meeting cancellation.
Respectfully submitted Jane Browne, Secretary

Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather on the day of our meeting, cancellation will be announced on WGRZ-Channel 2, or check your inbox for a guild email.

Program News

Wow! Have we been busy planning!!

Our 40th Anniversary Party is March 19th. Please get your \$5.00 reservation to Marie Buchanan. We will accept your membership renewal at the birthday dinner, if you haven't already done so. We'll be having a wonderful dinner and treats for everyone.

April 16th will have Rosellen Ring-Easton demonstrating "Disappearing Everything". We'll learn how to start with the basic Nine-Patch then with creative cutting and simple stitching magically make outstanding new blocks!

Our June 18th meeting will be a garage sale! More details will be forth coming. All you have to do now is mark the date on your calendar and get a couple boxes to store the items you will want to sell.

Roxy and Sue

AMHERST QUILT GUILD'S 40TH BIRTHDAY PARTY
Celebration Reservation Form

Where – Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village
Catered Birthday Dinner
March 19, 2015, 6:45pm

Member Cost: \$5.00

RSVP/Payment due by: March 6, 2015

Member Name: _____

Make Check Payable to: Amherst Quilt Guild

You may mail your check to our Treasurer, Marie Buchanan, (her address is in the 2014 roster)

Paint Chip Churn Dash challenge

Your creative entries are due at the March meeting. Please remember to attach your paint chip to the front of your entry. Winners will be determined by popular vote, and there will be prizes for the top three!!!!

Lynne Nothum

Ditty Bags

I want to thank all the members who helped to make our Ditty Bag donation a huge success. Everyone who donated toiletries, helped to sort the donations, made the bags and those who helped to fill them a great big THANK YOU! After a bit of a mix-up the City Mission truck came to my house to pick them up. I didn't have to drive into downtown Buffalo to deliver them. Their truck is in Lockport every Monday so they swung by and picked up the ditty bags. How's that for service?

Thanks again. Hope you've started saving for next year.

Jackie G.

Fiber Art Show

The Crosstown Quilters are sponsoring the Fiber Arts Show at the Burchfield Nature & Art Center, West Seneca from March 5 - 29, with the opening reception on Sunday, March 8 from 2 - 4 p.m. All kinds of fiber arts will be represented including quilts, homespun yarn, lace, and embroidery. The hours of the Center are Tuesday through Friday 10 am - 4 pm, and Sunday 1 - 4 pm. On Saturday, March 21 we will be celebrating National Quilting Day from 10 am - 4 pm. There will be demos and ideas for using up all those leftover fabrics!

January Auction

Please check the items you won at our January Auction. I may have inadvertently left two signature squares in a small pink calico bag that was donated. They are 3 inch squares signed by Kim Diehl and Bonnie Hunter. They have great sentimental value for me and I am unable to find them in my sewing room and I fear that I left them in this pink bag after I hand appliqued the corners on.

The bag was commercially made and only about 7" by 5" with a fold over flap and Velcro closure. If found, please return the signature squares to me.

Thank you,
Karen Goddard

Block Lottery

Since our February meeting was cancelled I'm putting the block I had planned on the back burner. Instead we're going to do something super simple this month, a four patch block. You may use any two colors you wish, just make sure one is light and the other dark. (Really, anything goes.)

Cut: 2 (two) dark squares 5" x 5"
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Stitch: a light square to a dark square. Do the same with the other two pieces.

Press toward the dark.

Sew the two sections together so that the dark areas are on opposite corners.

If you cut up your scraps for Joan Fords Scrap Therapy years ago this is a good time to drag them out and use them. As always, thanks for your contribution. And remember you'll earn quilt bucks!

If you made the patriotic block for February, please bring them to the March meeting.

Jackie G.

Membership

All membership renewal payments **MUST** be received by the March meeting and birthday dinner at the latest in order for you to be included in this year's directory. (due to the weather, Jackie has agreed to hold off publishing the new directory until the end of March).

Jackie Groszkowski

Sunshine and Shadows

Patricia Ohtake became a grandmother welcoming Alexis Yukiko Beetem, born January 30th, 2015 in Santa Cruz, CA. This is the first child for Patricia's daughter and son-in-law, Miyoko and Rob.



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.

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

If you have any problems with receipt of our e-mail messages, or change your e-mail provider, please send an email to Karen Goddard with your request to: AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com.

Articles to be included in the *April 2015* newsletter must be sent to AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com by ***no later than Monday, March 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.

March 2015 Calendar of Events

- March 4 Board meeting 6:30
- March 18 Historic Homes, 10am in the Tea Room
- March 19 Guild meeting Birthday Dinner 6:45pm
- March 23 April Newsletter Deadline
- March 25 Community Service, 10-1, Steffan
- March 26 PM Quilters, Theresa Utz
- April 1 Board Meeting 6:30

