



Amherst Quilters Guild



NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Program News – Roxanne Golde and Susan Teetsel

May

The Carriage Quilt shop is coming with demos for us.

June

We will be having a garage sale! More details will be forth coming.

July

Member demo. Again, more details will be forth coming.



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No meeting minutes were taken in April.

Letter from the President

Even I, who am a lover of all things cold and snowy, had my fill of winter this year. I know I am not alone in thinking that this time would never come again. What a sight for sore eyes to see green overtake the barren trees, and the hot reds and yellows of the first spring bulbs beginning to bloom. This is the time of year that symbolizes fresh starts, new ideas, and new beginnings. As a guild, we have new members; I love looking out into the audience at our monthly meetings and seeing so many new faces. We are at the beginning stages of planning our next quilt show, Still Stitching After 40+ Years. In case you haven't yet heard, that is the name of our next show, and it is going to be in April, 2016. Are you going to be starting something new to enter into the show? It may seem like a long way off from now, but, time has a nasty habit of sneaking up on us all. A year will be gone before you know it. I would love for the upcoming show to be our biggest and best ever. To accomplish this, I'd like to put out a challenge to all our members. If you've entered quilts in the show before, I challenge you to enter one more. If you've never entered, I'd like this show to be your first. Does anyone else have any ideas to make "Still Stitching" the best yet? We'd love to hear them. Come talk to any of us on the show committee, or send us an email if you're shy.

Leaving you in stitches,

Robi

Program News

Our May meeting will have the Carriage House from East Aurora doing demos. In June we'll be having a garage sale. We would like to have sewing and craft related merchandise. If you need a table please sign up for one. In July we will be having a member demo. And don't forget about our bus trip to Syracuse on July 30.

Roxy and Sue

Community Service

On Wednesday, May 27 we will be having a Walker Bag Workshop for those who don't understand my directions or would just like to sew with friends. It will take place from 10:00-1:00 in the Steffan Bldg. If you want to bring your own fabric that's fine, but not necessary. We have quite a bit of donated fabric. You will need to bring your machine and if you have a heavy duty needle for the machine it would be very helpful (a #16 or #18---denim needle). Also two white buttons would be great.. We have some but probably not enough. (I will make buttonholes for you if you wish, but please note, my machine will make automatic buttonholes only up to 1". So, your buttons must be 1" or smaller.) With a bit of luck we should be able to complete an unlined bag in 3 hours. I'm not distributing directions until our May meeting. They will also be in the June newsletter. Finally, if you'd like to come and help, but don't want to drag your machine there will be cutting and pressing to do. Hope you'll join us.

Jackie G.

2016 Amherst Quilters Guild Quilt Show

Mark your calendars for April 22-24, 2016 for our biennial quilt show entitled "Still Stitching after 40+ Years". A great big thanks to all who volunteered to chair a committee. Plan on attending a brief meeting on Thursday, May 21 at 6:15 pm to discuss our upcoming plans. I will be passing out quilt bucks.
MaryAnn Krafft

Sunshine and Shadows

Amy Veneski-Oliver, daughter of member Dianne Veneski, passed away on March 24.
MaryAnn Krafft welcomes her first grandson - Jerry James Krafft, born on April 7, weighing in at 7 lb, 7 oz.
Jerry is named after his Great Grandpa and Dad.

Betty Z welcomes another grandson - Clarksdale William Zebrowski was born April 8 at 5:12am, weighing 8lbs 2oz. His parents were married in Clarksdale, Ms.

Upcoming Quilt Show**Flights and Fantasies Quilt Show
at****The New England Air Museum***September 21 -27, 2015**10am - 5pm**"Ticket To Ride"**Quilt Exhibit (150+ quilts)***Special Quilt Exhibit:*****Mary Wilson Kerr's Quilt As Desired****Quilt Raffle, Basket Raffle, Challenge Quilt Exhibit**Marie Bostwick Lecture Saturday **Only******www.neam.org****info: jackie@cvquiltworks.com****Friday-Sunday Events****Vendors and Demos**Mary Wilson Kerr Lectures and Quilt Tours**Trunk Shows - Book Signings - Quilt Appraisals, food vendors*



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.

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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 **June 2015** newsletter must be sent to AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com by ***no later than Tuesday, May 26th***, 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.

May 2015 Calendar of Events

- May 6 Board meeting 6:30
- May 20 Historic Homes, 10am in the Tea Room
- May 21 Guild meeting 7pm
- May 26 June Newsletter Deadline
- May 27 Community Service, 10-1, Steffan
- May 28 PM Quilters, Kim Guido
- June 3 Board Meeting 6:30

