



Amherst Quilters Guild



NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Program News – Roxanne Golde and Susan Teetsel

September

We will be having 4 of our members do demos for the September program. It should prove to be quite interesting.

October

Our guest speaker will be Julia Deal from SewArtistic.com. She prints quilt patterns through quiltwoman.com. Roxy met her at the Pittsburgh Quilt Market last year. She will be having a trunk show, and doing a demo called "Playing with Curves".



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8/20/15

Robi called the meeting to order.

Announcements:

Nominations are open for secretary, 1st vice president, and publications editor

Quilt Show: committee chairs please let MaryAnn know how many workers you need and for which days.

30th Anniversary Quilt: The quilt was presented to Betty Z. for safe keeping. She spoke about the making of the quilt.

We did name taggers, split club and we had 3 guests tonight.

Bingo was played as our event of the evening. Fun was had by all that attended tonight!

Respectfully submitted, Jane Browne- secretary

Message from the President

Hello guild members. I can hardly believe that summer is nearly over. Pretty soon, the leaves will start to turn and fall. Then...and this is my personal favorite part...the snow will fall. This all means we're going to be getting back into some serious quilting weather. And, we're going to need it. Did you know that our next show is only eight months away? Don't forget...this is going to be a big one for us since it is the Guild's 40th year!!

We need to make this one our biggest and best yet. So, start planning on which quilts you're going to enter.

Yes, I said quilts. In the dream world in which I live, all of our members submit four or five quilts for the show. What a great problem for us to give to Marija...how is she going to lay them all out to fit them all in???

Shifting gears now...thank you to all who attended the Seminar meeting before last weeks regular guild meeting.

Lots of good ideas were brought up, and Seminar 2.0 is a work in progress. We want to hear from all our members (and non-members, as well) about what YOU want to see in terms of programming and education offered by the guild. Keep your eyes open for a survey to appear on the horizon.

Keeping you in stitches...Robi

Nominations

From the Nominating Committee

I put the Nomination Box out at our August meeting. When I opened it there was one nomination. Ladies, we cannot sit back and say, "Let Robi do it". She has enough to do. I'm also not asking you to volunteer (although that would be nice) I'm asking for the names of the persons you feel would do a good job. Please think on this. We need nominees for:

1st Vice President- this is the person (or persons) who are responsible for our monthly programs. Roxi and Sue have done a great job and have scheduled programs into the Spring. The first program you'd be responsible for wouldn't take place until May.

Secretary- I guess this office is self explanatory.

In addition to those offices there are five other jobs that are appointed by the President. Please give these a thought too.

Hospitality-Betty Zebrowski has been doing this for a while now. She's done a great job organizing our supplies. She has suggested that two ladies take over this job and alternate months. If we don't have a volunteer there will be no "goodies" come January.

News Editor-Karen Goddard has done this job for the last two years. She needs a break. The job has two parts, editing the newsletter, and sending out information on the email tree. Do you want to do without these?

Web Site- Don Dee has done a great job for us with the web site, but he too is getting tired. The board has discussed making improvements to the web site, but is reluctant to spend the money if no one is interested in taking it over.

Historian-We need someone to take pictures and keep the scrapbook up to date. Sound interesting? We've been without an historian for quite some time. Do you care?

Sergeant-at-Arms- again this position has been vacant since Kim Guido gave it up. Again, do you care?

Ladies, we're all members of this guild. It's impossible for the vast majority to sit back and let a tiny handful do all the jobs.

The Nomination Box will be out again at the September meeting. Please give me some names to work with.

Jackie Groszkowski

Quilts for the Troops

On August 7th, 23 quilts were delivered to the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve Base. Captain Brian Haun and members of the Friends of Family Support Association were delighted to receive the assortment of quilts. Since quilts will be given to the children of Reservists, too; the kiddie quilts were a big hit. They were very grateful!

Thank you to our Quilting Angels! The next Quilts for the Troops drop off will be after Thanksgiving.



A Thank You to All

Receiving the *Circle of Women Quilt* was a wonderful surprise! I am truly delighted, humbled, and thrilled to be so honored. I just want to thank the AQQ Board and all the guild members. Being in this '*Circle of Women*' has truly been a treasure in my life.

Betty Z.

2016 Amherst Quilters Guild Quilt Show

It's time to get started! Quilt Show Chairs are asked to reply to Lori Racle with your volunteer needs. Please include your name, activity, days needed (ex. pre-show: registration, set up or preview party or show days) and the number of volunteers per shift. Thanks, as this will help to get the members you need to assist!

You can email or call me with the information. My contact info is in your membership booklet.

Thanks you, Lori

Sunshine and Shadows

Nothing to report this month.

Upcoming Quilt Show

Sept 18 (9-6), Sept 19 (9-5) -- Quilters Garden Quilt show at the United Methodist Church of North Chili, 2200 Westside Dr at Buffalo Rd, North Chili. \$5, or 4\$ with food donation.

Sept 25 (10-5), Sept 26 (10-4)) -- Silver Jubilee of Quilting show presented by the Eden Quilt Guild at the Eden United Methodist Church, 2820 East Church St, Eden. \$5.

Oct 2 (10-7), Oct 3 (10-4) -- Southtowns Quilt Expo presented by Southtowns Piecemakers Quilting Guild at the Annunciation Church, 7850 Clinton St at Girdle Rd., Elma. \$5.

Nov 6 & 7 (10-5), Nov 8 (11-4) -- Keenan Center, Lockport, NY

Community Service

Last month I took 36 walker bags and 15 quilts to Terrace View Manor located on the grounds of ECMC. They were absolutely thrilled with the colorful quilts and number of walker bags. They said to make sure that I thank the members who gave so graciously of their time and talent for people they don't even know.

We'll be doing this again next year, so if you have time and are stuck for a project why not get started on next year's contribution?

Jackie Groszkowski



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 *October 2015* newsletter must be sent to AQGNewsletter@yahoo.com by ***no later than Monday, September 28th***, 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.

September 2015 Calendar of Events

- September 2 Board meeting 6:30
- September 16 Historic Homes, 10am in the Tea Room
- September 17 Guild meeting 7pm
- September 23 Community Service, 10-1, Steffan
- September 24 PM Quilters
- September 28 October newsletter deadline
- October 7 Board Meeting 6:30