

*The* ALL STAR

# GAZETTE

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**November 2023**

**ISSUE 11**

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### NOVEMBER

**6 BOARD MEETING 10 am**

All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. Gazette deadline is midnight tonight.

**13 SIT & STITCH**

**20 GENERAL MEETING 10 am**  
**QUILT CHAT: The Log Cabin**  
**Family with Sunnie Malesky**  
**FOOD BANK !!!**  
**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

*See slate on p.7*

Jan. lunch tickets on sale \$6.

**23 Happy Thanksgiving! Do not**  
**use batting to stuff the turkey.**

**27 DEMO DAY! Free for All Stars**

### DECEMBER

**4 BOARD MEETING 10 am**

All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. Gazette deadline is midnight tonight.

**11 SIT & STITCH**

**18 GENERAL MEETING 10 am**  
**“Florida Follies” holiday party**  
**Drawing for Featherweight!!!!**  
*see p. 6*

**25 A rare no-activities Monday.**  
**Enjoy your celebrations!**

### JANUARY 1, 2024

#### BOARD MEETING

Jan. 22 Birthday Luncheon!

*See p. 9*

**Board Meeting** 10 AM first Monday each month.

**General meeting** 10 AM third Monday each month, with business, program, and Show & Tell. Social time at 9:30. Hand stitching group follows General meeting, bring a lunch.

**Classes** set up at 9:00 and start at 10 AM, unless stated otherwise, and go for various lengths of time.

**Sit & Stitch** gathers at 9:30, meets 10 to noon

**Location:** First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd., Jacksonville, Florida 32223

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# MINUTES of the OCT. GENERAL MEETING

## All Star Quilters' Guild General Meeting Minutes October 16th , 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Sherry Verell at 10:00 A.M.

Sherry asked if there were any corrections to the September General Meeting Minutes. There were none. Linda Harper made a motion to accept the minutes as published, Sandra Kaye seconded the motion.

Sherry read a letter from Pat D'Elia, thanking the guild for their hard work in making QuiltFest a success.

Sherry recognized that there has been a chair shortage at the church and stated she is working on it and it should be fine for the upcoming meeting.

Mary Anne Dennis read the **nominating committee's** nominations for 2024. President – Sherry Verell, Vice President – Raney Manning, Treasurer – Sharon Tomore, Recording Secretary – Donna Caldarise, Corresponding Secretary – Linda Harper. The vote will take place next month. Mary Anne stated that at that meeting, nominations can be taken from the floor (with the nominee's approval).

**Vice President/Programs** Raney Manning stated that the December meeting will be Florida Follies. Sign-ups for the January Birthday Party will take place at the next general meeting.

Today's program is Modern Quilts. The November General Meeting will be Sunnie's Log Cabin Chat.

**Treasurer** Sharon Tomore gave her Treasurer's report. The Beginning balance was \$18,065.20, Income totaled \$1,445.89, Expenses totaled \$18.22, The Ending balance was \$19,492.87.

Sheri stated that the guild collected \$1,090.00 from QuiltFest.

**Corresponding Secretary/Community Service** Terri Chamberlain stated that she sent cards to June Rittscher, Maureen Orr, Bonnie Helm, and Elaine Brett.

Terri stated that last month \$1,165.00 in cash/check and food was donated to the Mandarin Food Bank. Nine quilts were donated to Pedscare, eight quilts to Harfelt and eleven quilts to Daniel.

Next year the guild will start collecting pillowcases for Case for Smiles. The pillowcase directions and requirements are in the newsletter.

Sharon Buquo stated there will be another **Honor Flight** in April. Quilts will be needed before the March General Meeting.

**Education** Ellen Cannon stated that Demo Day will be the Monday after Thanksgiving starting at 10:00 AM. There will be 8 different Demonstrations.

**Fall Retreat** Sunnie stated that there are two openings left for Fall Retreat.

Sunnie has one spot open for the November General Meeting Log Cabin Chat, if you have a log cabin quilt let Sunnie know.

**Featured Quilter/QOV** Linda Marsh stated that this month's Featured Quilter is Debra Huisinga.

Last week Linda presented a QOV to an Air Force Veteran in Fleming Island. Next month Sandra Kaye will be presenting a QOV to an Army Veteran.

**Hospitality** Elfriede Echt thanked members who provided treats for the meeting. Elfriede passed around the sign-up sheets for November and December.

**Library** Vicki Zoller pulled 5 modern quilting books from the library if any members are interested.

**QuiltFest** Pat D'Elia stated that the nominations for next year are Pat D'Elia for President and Ellen Cannon for Treasurer. The Modern Quilt Guild will be part of QuiltFest starting next year.

Ellen Cannon stated that \$900.00 was raised from the friends of QuiltFest,  $\frac{3}{4}$  of which came from All Stars Quilters' Guild.

Pat stated that 270 items were donated to the Silent Auction, all but 20 were sold.

\$4,000.00 was donated to Community Hospice Pedscare Bereavement.

Seventy-eight baskets were donated to the Quilters Walk 1460 envelopes were sold, \$7300.00 less \$700 or \$800 in expenses, so each of the 6 guilds received \$1090.00.

Pat recognized Sondie Frus's hard work in attaining sponsors for QuiltFest.

The number of quilts available for sale was down from previous shows. 91% of the volunteer slots were filled, Pat thanked Patti Wallace and Candi Lennox

**Road Trip** Pat D'Elia stated that the road trip to the Ocala quilt show will be November 3rd. We will meet at the Target on San Jose unless other plans have been made. The sign-up sheet has been circulated.

**Sit 'n Stitch** Mary Anne Dennis is looking for a volunteer to help her with Sit 'n Stitch for next year. LeighAnn McGuigan volunteered. Trish Egbert stated that there will be a Sit 'n Stitch on October 30th, November 13th and December 11th. Trish thanked members who helped out with the community service 16 patch blocks.

**Utility Bags/UFOs** Mary Anne Dennis stated that the bags are sorted and ready to go to DEFC, Hubbard House and Safe Harbor. More bags are available to sew. UFO's are ongoing.

**Membership** Susan Sharpe thanked Bobbie Redshaw and Sheron Walser for their help. 2024 renewals start in November. Renewal Emails will go out shortly and Susan requests that you print out the attached form and make any necessary changes. Early bird sign-ups will be in November and December. Susan has no volunteers for the greeter program for November and December, so she will be asking greeters as needed. She will address tee shirts in December or January.

At our meeting today there were 3 guests, 7 new members and 83 members present. We now have a total of 186 members.

The winners of the drawing were Candi Lennox and Sue Blythe

**Website** Pris Roehm stated that if you aren't getting the eblasts let her know (remember to check your spam folder first).

**Program** Raney Manning introduced Candi Lennox from the Modern Quilt Guild

**Show 'n Tell** Pris Roehm for Susan Kingston 6 members shared their quilts.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50.

The next Board Meeting is November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

The next General Meeting is November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Donna Caldarise

# NOTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING

- Use of the SQUARE for payments has been suspended, due to processing fees. We are working on a solution.
- Isaiah House, our 2023 raffle quilt charity will be receiving a check for the entire proceeds of \$1,519.
- Ways & Means needs a chair, as do other committees. Please ask the President or the current committee chair about what a position entails...you are under no obligation to take the role! Chairmen also welcome help with their committees, so please speak up! You may also “shadow” a chair to learn if that job is a good fit for you.

## *From the President*

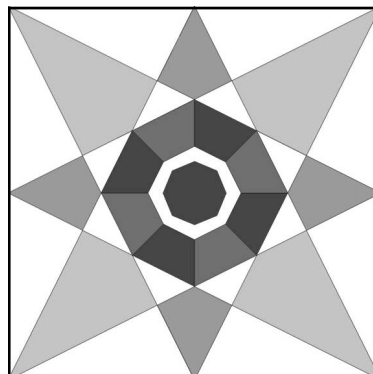
Did you know that volunteering for a position is one of the best ways to help your guild and to make new friends? Without volunteers we couldn't exist, and many of the positions can be fun and rewarding.

Every year the president is tasked with filling all of the volunteer positions. We need more of you to get involved, so that we can continue to be a fantastic guild. There is something for everyone, and you can be assured that we will do our best to help you succeed. You may shadow the existing chair for a few months to see if the position is a good fit for you. Mentoring by previous chairs and other leaders is always available.

Right now we have a critical need for a Ways and Means chair. This position requires only a willingness to help raise funds for the guild. It may involve one big event or several smaller projects. Many members have great ideas for you to implement, and former chairs have a lot of good information for you. You will have a lot of help and support.

If you think you might be interested in a position on the board as a committee chair, please contact me. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have. Text 904-662-8429. Email [bizzieblondie@yahoo.com](mailto:bizzieblondie@yahoo.com).

Sherry Verell



# CHALLENGE

By Vicki Zoller

The 2024 Challenge will be announced in January. I look forward to seeing more creative All Star quilts next year.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Terri Chamberlain

## Applause

12 quilts delivered to Peds Care

11 quilts delivered to Hartfelt

## Appeal

**NOVEMBER General Meeting - Food Bank** - In November, our guild donates to the Mandarin Food Bank to assist our community during Thanksgiving and Holiday Season. Thank you for your continued generous hearts.

## Pillowcase Workshop

Case for Smiles - Sit n Sew - 5th Monday- 1/29

Come to a workshop that will demo How-to make the burrito style pillowcases for our newest charity project. This is a quick and easy project. All Stars will create smiles for many children in Jacksonville hospitals. Join us!

Check our website for much more info on this pillowcase project, plus instructions for making a case!

All Stars, thank you for sharing your generosity and talent.

Community Service Team

Sharon Buquo - Fabric Table & Batting

Joann Davenport - Fabric Table

Vondy Hilbert - Food Bank

Linda Harper, Delivery of quilts

Terri Chamberlain - Community Service Chairman

## UTILITY BAGS

FREE pre-cut kits to make these helpful bags are available at the General Meeting. They are being distributed to the homeless, victims of abuse, and foster children. It is a small item that has a large impact on people in need.

# **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

**By Terri Chamberlain**

## **Cards Sent**

Jean Newton - Thinking of you

Carol Burd - Thinking of you

Bonnie Taylor - Thank you quilt donation

If you know of an All Star that needs a card, please email me. [terri@plusmark.com](mailto:terri@plusmark.com)

# **EDUCATION**

**By Ellen Cannon**

Can you believe it??? This is the month for Demo Day. It is on November 27th, the Monday after Thanksgiving at 10:00 AM.

If you are new to our guild come, you are in for a treat. There will be eight demonstrations ranging from design a quilt, a new product, to make a change purse.

It is a fun informative morning.

The Education Committee has been listening to suggestions for classes for 2024. We believe we have things in the works that will interest almost everyone.

The first on February 26th and it will be a Collage class.

This class will be fun, will not be expensive, and you will go home with a finished piece. Stay tuned for more information. We will be telling you more at the November general meeting.

Happy Thanksgiving! We have so much to be thankful for!

# **ELECTION 2024**

Election for 2024 officers will be held at this month's meeting. Please be prepared to vote so we can be brief and get back to QUILTS!

The following slate will be voted on at this month's meeting.

President: Sherry Verell

Vice President : Raney Manning

Recording Sect. : Donna Calderise

Corresponding Sect: Linda Harper

## **FEATHERWEIGHT RAFFLE! SUPPORT ALL STARS!**

Featherweight AJ series March 1950 centennial model with special badge!

The usual attachments

Tray of extra bobbins some with thread

Original book of instructions

An original buttonhole maker (green case)

Box with blind stitch attachment

Extra needles....Original black carrying case....Recent maintenance by our own Vondy Hilbert

*On display at this month's meeting!*

Get your tickets now...only \$1. Drawing at the December 18th meeting!



## **FEATURED QUILTER**

**By Linda Marsh**

Diane Hutsell is our November Featured Quilter. Diane was born in Kentucky, and met her husband during their senior year of high school in Ohio. After a few years in college, they married and the Navy sent them to Florida.

Diane and her husband loved Florida, and remained in Florida even after completing his Navy commitment. They raised their family in Florida.

Diane has always loved sewing and smocking, but never tried quilting until she retired and moved to Nocatee. Her next door neighbor just happens to be Deb Frain, a wonderful quilter and active member of our guild. A couple of years ago Deb invited Diane to go with her to a guild meeting and to Cinnamon's quilt shop to attend a "Baby Shower" quilt show. With Deb's encouragement that she could make a baby quilt, Diane bought a pattern book and so began her quilting adventure. Diane loves quilting and the friendships she has made through it!

Though only an All Stars Guild member for a couple of years, Diane says she has learned a great deal about quilting from members and guest speakers, and has enjoyed Quilt Fest, the day trips, raffles, and the Christmas Party and considers all of it fun. She appreciates how very kind and giving the members are to share their quilting knowledge, donate so many beautiful quilts to charities, and work so enthusiastically to make All Stars such a terrific guild!

Diane finds herself drawn to traditional and vintage-looking quilts. She loves Riley Blake and Liberty fabrics. When not quilting, she enjoys pickle ball, traveling, and times with family.

Diane enjoyed working as a Newborn Intensive Care Nurse during her career and suspects that might be the reason she loves making baby quilts!

# HISTORIAN

By Sandy Onsager

November 1996 was the 10th anniversary of Quiltfest and the first time ASQG participated as a member guild. There were approximately 250 entries registered for show. There was an awards party on Saturday following the show at the Shrine Auditorium.

# HOSPITALITY

By Elfreide Echt

The following have signed up to provide refreshments for the November general meeting:

Healthy

Decadent Chocolate

Savory

Your specialty treat

Sweet

Salty

2 2Ltr drinks

2 2Ltr drinks

*Thank you!*

Julie Hammond

Barbara Nichols

Randy Powers

Maureen Orr

Adriane Elwood

Virginia Waller

Deb Frain

Linda McClelland

# LIBRARY

By Vicki Zoller

Books of the Moment: Modern Quilting

Are you inspired to explore Modern Quilting after last month's wonderful program? The guild library has several books on this topic. Modern Quilts and More by Kimberley Einmo and Modern Selvage Quilting by Riel Nason are currently available. There are a few more books on Modern quilting in the guild's library, but they are currently checked out. Remember that **you can peruse the guild's library on the All Star website and reserve any book that appeals to you.**

Maybe you will be inspired to make a modern quilt, or maybe you will just enjoy learning about these vibrant quilts. Either way, the library has the resources for you to expand your quilting knowledge.

Happy reading and happy quilting!



# MEMBERSHIP

**By Susan Sharpe**

Eighty-five members attended the General Meeting held on October 16, 2023, at First Christian Church. We had three guests and six new members on that day. The new members are: Janet Brown, Patty Campioni, Jenny Chambless, Jane Flesher, Barbara Lumpiesz and Lori Johnston.

We now have 186 members in All Star Quilters' Guild. With so many members, I am sure you understand how important it is to bring and **wear your nametag.**

I will be emailing a 2024 Membership form to each current member (this will be your 2023 form with an addendum for 2024), requesting an update of your personal information; approving as is or correcting the information.

Please be prepared to print and return the form in person, with a check or cash; or via mail, (check only) no later than the January General Meeting in order to be included in the 2024 Directory. **Annual dues remain \$25. If you want the Directory mailed to you, please add a fee of \$2.50 for postage. The Square will not be available for Membership payments; we will accept cash or check only.**

NOTE : You will be initialing one of two options, as well as signing and dating the form at the bottom .

As soon as this newsletter is posted, I will be sending emails to guild members so you have time to get your renewal returned to me to qualify for the November early-bird drawing if you want.

**There is also an early-bird drawing in December.** Remember, the January 2024 General Meeting is the deadline to be included in the 2024 Directory.

If filling out a new form is easier for you, feel free to do that.

The directories will be handed out at the February General Meeting.

If you do not plan to renew, please let me know, as opposed to saying nothing.

# PROGRAMS

**NOVEMBER: Quilt Chat: the Log Cabin Family** with Sunnie Malesky

**DECEMBER: "Florida Follies" holiday party more information to come!**

Featherweight raffle winner to be drawn. Tickets are on sale NOW!

**JANUARY 2024: Happy Birthday All Stars! Festivities and a box lunch!**

We will begin collecting money at this month's meeting, cash or check, for \$6. The guild will pay the balance, however the cost has gone up , so it's still a super deal!

# QUILTFEST 2024

By Pat D'Elia

[WWW.QUILTFESTJAX.COM](http://WWW.QUILTFESTJAX.COM)

## QUILTS of VALOR

QOV is getting back in gear. They can always use quilts. You may make a quilt that refers to a particular branch of service (Marines, Army, Air Force, Navy, etc.). Contact Linda Marsh for more information or see QOV under SERVICE on your website for a link to the national page.

Sandy Kaye will be making a report at this month's meeting.

## HONOR FLIGHT QUILTS

HONOR FLIGHT will be looking for 25 more quilts in the Spring (April/ May). These are small wheelchair size. See Sharon Buquo for more information.

## 2024 RAFFLE QUILT

Sandy Kaye is Quilt Mother for our annual charity fund raiser. Tickets will be available next year...which is coming soon! We can't wait to see the Big Reveal!

## RETREATS

**SPRING:** *See you next year in the same place!*

### FALL:

We sewed until we dropped...then got up and did it again! Scrappy Days were indeed running rampant at The Retreat at Silver Springs. And there were monkeys!

Dates for next year are October 28 to Nov. 1 (the very last week of October). Pencil it in now! The committee will form up sometime in late Spring.

## ROAD TRIP!!!

**By Pat Delia**

Several guild members trekked down to Ocala on Friday, November 3rd to see the quilt show presented by a local guild. We had a very nice time and also visited Tomorrow's Treasures Quilt Shop that is closing soon. We were treated to a 45% discount and I think all in attendance bought SOMETHING !

Road trips are an excellent way to bond and strengthen bonds between members. If you haven't experienced one, you should give it a try. C.J. Clark makes reminder calls for people signed up for these events. Thank you C.J., your efforts make road trips go more smoothly. You're a GEM!

NOTE: Pat has served the guild well as Road Trip Coordinator and now it is time for someone else to take the lead.

**If you want to have the bus trip to AQS in Daytona in February**, there has to be a coordinator. Feel free to talk with Pat about this position.

## **SHOW & TELL for OCTOBER**

1. Raney Manning Feathers Flying collage rooster
2. Sharon Buquo Black sashing, bright stripes
3. Sharon Buquo Burgundy Border
4. Sharon Buquo Boys Stars teal & black
5. Sharon Buquo Square Cream Border
6. Janice Martin Yellow Brick Road # 1 (UFO)
7. Janice Martin Yellow Brick Road # 2 (UFO)
8. Janice Martin Starry Night
9. Janice Martin Hopeful Spring aqua pink plaid
10. Lynne Turpin Jacket Kaffe Fassett fabrics
11. Sheron Walser Brightly Harvest Wishes
12. Pat Hensley Veggies

Please remember to sign in when you bring or show your quilt...and if it is part of the UFO project, get your card punched.

See pics of these quilts and more on our website!

## **SIT & STITCH**

**By Trish Egbert & Mary Anne Dennis**

There are only two Sit 'n Stitch Mondays left in the year. (OMG I'm not ready for the holidays yet!) This month it's November 13. No special activities planned, so bring your own project to work on. Your quilting friends would love to see what you've got going in your sewing room these days!

**NOTE:** Trish will be bowing out of her role here. Welcome LeighAnnMcGuigan as new co-chair with Mary Anne.

# **TREASURE TABLE!** (formerly the Freebie Table...still FREE!)

By Linda Harper

NO FREE/TREASURE table for the following months: NOVEMBER, DECEMBER and JANUARY!!

Will resume in February.

## **UFOs 2023**

By Mary Anne Dennis

Finish 10 quilts...win a gift certificate to a local quilt shop!

Be sure to list your Show & Tell as a UFO and get your card punched.

LAST CHANCE!

2024 is the Year of the UFO before it goes on break for a year or so. Get busy and make those UFOs count!

## **WAYS & MEANS:**

### **FEATHERWEIGHT RAFFLE!!!**

The Featherweight Raffle tickets are on sale NOW! \$1 per chance.

Drawing to be held at our December 18 meeting.

Featherweight AJ series March 1950 **centennial model with special badge**

The usual attachments

Tray of extra bobbins some with thread

Original book of instructions

An original buttonhole maker (green case)

Box with blind stitch attachment

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Recently maintained by our own Vondy Hilbert

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## NOVEMBER

7 SONDIE FRUS  
7 BERNADETTE KNOX  
7 OLE OLSON  
14 KATIE ELAKMAN  
15 TRISHA GROS  
17 JUDY CWALINA  
19 PATRICIA KERN  
21 JEAN NEWTON  
21 LYNNE TURPIN  
22 MELINDA RIALS  
23 KATIE GRUNDON  
26 EVELYN LEDDY  
28 RANDY POWERS  
29 DEBRA HUISINGA  
30 MARITA ENG

## DECEMBER

3 ELFRIEDE ECHT  
3 KATHLEEN VOIGT  
4 ANNETTE GRAHAM  
5 DONNA NICKLIS  
5 LAURA ROWE  
6 LINDA MCCLELLAND  
7 TERRI CHAMBERLAIN  
9 ELIZABETH COUCHOUD  
18 KRISTAN VAN DALSUM-HEIN  
23 SHARON WILCOX  
25 PATTI SANDERS  
25 VIRGINIA WALLER  
27 DIANE HUTSELL  
29 GERI WILLEMS  
31 SHARON TOMORE



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# MARKETPLACE

## ***LAST CHANCE FOR THESE ITEMS!***

### **FOR SALE**

**BERNINA 350 Special Edition**, hardly used

Purchased in 2017, includes walking foot and all other feet and gadgets.

Asking \$800 OBO.

**Contact Ann Caraway 904-262-6341**

**Very nice Singer 301.** Completely serviced, oiled greased and adjusted.  
\$200.

Also **sewing machine cabinet** is compatible for all machines. Very nice condition \$35

**Contact Gloria Hart 904-710-1491**

**Bernina sewing machine c1992.** \$350.00 Many stitch options! Includes manual & various attachments. Bonus: 2 tins (old) buttons etc. Also large bag of thread. There is a table--not pretty but functional.

**Text "sewing machine" & your name to 904-616-1563.**

**Valerie Bennett**

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**TICKETS \$1.00...drawing at Dec.18th meeting!**

## **DO YOU PROVIDE QUILTING SERVICES for OTHERS?**

It's time to update our members' listings always on the website and from time to time in the newsletter!

If you'd like to be listed, please contact Sunnie (sunsky @ comcast.net) with the following:

**Name**

**Location.**

**Type of service** (longarm? Custom or pantographs?...however you like to describe what you offer!), binding, finishing partial quilts, quilt repair, etc. Hand quilting???

**Best way to contact you.**

NO pricing...that's between the customer and the quilter.

Let us help you find the people who are looking for your services!

## **QUILTING SERVICES**

### **Binding**

**Trish Egbert**  
**904-735-0294**

### **Quilting**

BQ Enterprises, LLC (aka **Sharon Buquo**) **904-928-9300**  
BUDGET FRIENDLY!!!!  
Edge to Edge only (Several patterns to choose from)

*Support your fellow All Stars!*

## **Your meeting check list for November:**

- \$6 check or cash for January luncheon ticket
- Lots of cash or 1 check for a whole lot of Featherweight raffle tickets (just sayin'...this is a valuable machine that can be sold almost immediately if you don't really want it)
- Show & Tell quilts
- Nametag!
- **FOOD BANK donation.** Staple items (peanut butter, canned fruit & veggies, canned tuna & other meats, etc.) CASH and CHECK donations also very welcomed! Collection at door before you go in so you don't have to carry a heavy bag.