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GAZETTE

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

4 BOARD MEETING 10 am

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

11 SIT & STITCH

QUILTFEST

12 Hang Quilts Tues.
13 SALE ROOM turn in Wed.
14-5-6 SHOW TIME!
Saturday Take Down, Raffles,
Quilt Returns

18 GENERAL MEETING 10 am

Sarah Squared Quilts
FOOD BANK collection!

25 SIT & STITCH...bring a story or time from QuiltFest to "show & tell"

OCTOBER

2 BOARD MEETING 10 am

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

9 SIT & STITCH

- 16 GENERAL MEETING 10 am The Modern Quilt Guild! Last payment for RETREAT
- 23 RETREAT BEGINS!
 10am Monday through
 Friday morning

30 SIT & STITCH

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

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MINUTES of the AUGUST GENERAL MEETING

All Star Quillter's Guild General Meeting August 21st, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Sherry Verell at10:00 AM

Sherry asked if there were any corrections to the July General Meeting Minutes. There were none. Ronnie Potter made a motionto accept the minutes as published, Mable Holiman seconded the motion.

Sherry, for Ellen Ford, passed around a sign-up sheet for the QuiltFest Raffle Table. Sherry announced that we need 3 volunteers for the **Nominating Committee.** Mary Anne Dennis, LeighAnn McGuigan and Stacy Wilson volunteered.

Sherry stated that she will be at QuiltFest Take-in at our church, selling advance Quilt-Fest tickets, cash or check.

Vice President/Programs Raney Manning stated that next month our program will be with Sarah Squires. October will be a program by the Modern Quilt Guild. The December program theme will be Florida Follies. Raney needs 14 volunteers for the December program, starting next month.

Treasurer Sharon Tomore gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$9,779.53. Income totaled \$4,760.39. Expenses totaled \$249.01. The ending balance was \$14,290.91.

Corresponding Secretary/Community Service Terri Chamberlain sent out three cards this month. Thirty-one quilts were delivered this month. Next month we will be collecting for the food bank.

Sharon Buquo stated that there will be an **Honor Flight** in September. Sharon needs a few more quilts by the September meeting.

Education Ellen Cannon stated that the last class for 2023 is

August 28 th . The Monday after Thanksgiving is Demo Day.

Fall Retreat/QuiltFest Take-in Sherry Verell, for Sunnie Malesky, stated that there are still a few openings for Fall Retreat.

Sherry passed around the sign-up sheet for QuiltFest Take-in.

QOV/Featured Quilter Linda Marsh thanked Susan Sharpe and Elfriede Echt for donating Quilts of Valor. Two quilts were presented this past month.

The Featured Quilter this month was Karen Duffy.

Hospitality Elfriede Echt thanked the members who provided treats for the meeting. She also thanked Jean Newton for setting the table.

Challenge/Library Vicki Zoller thanked the members who participated in the Challenge. In January she will announce the Challenge for 2024.

The updated library inventory is listed on the website

Publicity Sondie Frus QuiltFest posters and bookmarks are available. Sondie encouraged members to talk up QuiltFest. There will be a QuiltFest ad onWJCT! Let Sondie know if you see it.

Membership Susan Sharpe stated that there are 91 members present. One new member and 6 guests. We now have 176 members. Susan thanked today's greeters – Barbara Nichols and Patti Sanders. The drawing winners were Mary Anne Dennis and Patsy Beach. Susan needs a greeter for next month.

Quilter's Walk Sherry Verell, for Linda McClelland and Deborah Pearce, stated that the Quilter's Walk baskets are complete!

Raffle Tickets Karol Blomgren, for Linda McClelland, stated that 5 or 6 members still have not turned in their tickets. Raffle ticketsare available. Karol will be at the

Board Meeting and QuiltFest Take-in with the raffle tickets. Karol let the guild know that our guild has entered 86 quilts in QuiltFest!

QuiltFest Pat D'Elia stated that a total of 450 quilts have been entered in QuiltFest. Donations are still being accepted for the Silent Auction. Presale tickets will be available at Bee's Quilts Shop, Tilted Quilters and Cinnamon's Quilt Shop from August 1st toSeptember 1st — cash only!

Friends of QuiltFest Sherry and Pat thanked Ellen Cannon for her work on Friends with QuiltFest. Ellen thanked the guild on the great job they did, signing up for Friends of QuiltFest.

Sit 'n Stitch Trish Egbert stated that there will be a Sit 'n Stitch on September 11th and September 25th .

UFOs/Utility Bags Mary Anne Dennis stated that UFOs are ongoing into 2024, keep your punch cards. She is still collecting utility bags. Mary Anne read the rules for the Sale Room at QuiltFest. She has collected enough Cord Wraps for the give aways.

QuiltFest Volunteers Patty Wallace stated that volunteers are still needed especially on Saturday.

Featherweight Raffle Mary Anne Dennis shared with the guild that raffle tickets for the Featherweight will go on sale at the September General meeting.

Program Brown Bag Mystery Quilt Reveal. The winners were Karen Weisman, Pat Hemsley, Vicki Zoller, Frances Hallett, and Karen Duffy. **Show 'n Tell** Pris Roehm for Susan Kingman 15 members shared their quilts and bags.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM

The next Board Meeting is September 4 th , 2023 at 10:00 AM. The next General Meeting is September 18th , 2023 at 10:00 AM.

QUILTFEST WEEK!!!

Monday 11th—Tuesday 12th: Hanging the quilts

Wednesday 13th: Bring in Sale Room quilts; bring in Silent Auction; set up guild tables; Vendors set up

THURS 14th—FRIDAY 15th—SATURDAY 16th: THE SHOW IS ON! 9am to 5 pm.... Wear your All Stars shirt!

SATURDAY after 5:00— Take Down! Your help is needed!
Pick up un-sold Sale Room quilts
Pick up your show entries

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

Donation Quilts - September Community Hospice Peds Care 14 Daniel - 16 Hartfelt - 27

Appeal

REMEMBER MANDARIN FOOD BANK - September General Meeting

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

By Mary Anne Dennis

Please remember to stop by and pick up some pre-cut bags on the regular meeting days. Thank you to those who have been contributing all along.

MYSTERY BAG PROJECT

By Sunnie Malesky

What a successful event! About 40 quilts can in for sharing and are now part of the community Service donations.

The judges said it was fun to pick their favorites. Despite some complaining (which is actually part of the fun in a Mystery Project like this!) everyone made a great quilt and had a good time. See them on our Facebook page!

Requests have been coming in to make this an annual event...so it will be! Look for another project next year.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

By Terri Chamberlain

Cards sent:

Melinda Rials - Thinking of you Georgia Morris - Sympathy

If you know of an All Star that needs a card, please email me. terri@plusmark.com

EDUCATION

By Ellen Cannon

Classes are over for this year but there is still Demo Day on November 27! Plans are being made for next year, including a special Beginners level series for those who would like to learn or refresh their skills. A Stack & Whack and a collage class re in the works, plus a return of the popular Featherweight maintenance class. Let Ellen Cannon know what sort of classes you'd like to see us sponsor, or a teacher you'd like for All Stars to bring to this area.

FEATURED QUILTER

By Linda Marsh

Patricia Sanders (Patti) is our Featured Quilter for September. Patti was born in Jacksonville at NAS. She lived in California from 1950 until 2010. at which time she relocated to Jacksonville. She has been quilting since 2012, and says her first guilt was a mess but she kept it. At the time she made her first quilt, she had also just begun sewing.

Patti joined All Stars in 2022 and was sponsored by member Raney Manning. She has not yet joined any committees in All Stars but looks forward to jumping in soon and supporting the guild. Her feelings about our guild are that we "welcome new members with open arms, and will help you with anything you want or need to know. The guild offers many classes to help you with developing or improving your skills. I was welcomed



by my first name the first and second month I attended, which made me feel like I had always been a part of this fabulous guild."

Patti especially likes "grunge" fabric as it can be easily used for many purposes in quilts; it blends well with other fabrics, and can be used as borders, backgrounds, and sashing. She also loves Jordan Fabrics, learning from them new ways to cut and use fabrics. Jordan Fabrics also teaches how to blend various colors and fabrics together while making it look so simple.

2023 will be the first time Patti is entering a quilt in QuiltFest. It is a quilt using three different techniques or fabric. She quilted a wall quilt for her granddaughter which Patti designed with fabric her husband had created and incorporated embroidery into the quilt.

In addition to All Stars, Patti currently belongs to Coastal Quilters of N.E. Florida. Patti held three Board positions while in Coastal; Treasurer, By-Laws, and 2nd VP. She served on several committees; Hospitality, Membership, and Sign-Ups.

Patti says she "enjoys organizing, mostly in areas that help me to do something better or faster; such as my quilting room, my bedroom, my jewelry, but most of all I love to organize and re-organize my sewing room. Doing so gives me another opportunity to look at my fabric, it provides me other ideas on the uses for my sewing notions. It opens up a whole new motive for being in that room".

Patti grew up in the foster care system in California which provided an insight as to many aspects of life; the sorrows, losses, benefits of understanding life with its wants, needs, and can't haves. She grew up in situations with abnormal family dynamics. Most people do not know that Patti "grew up in a foster home for 9 years of my youth who became a person who knew she could be anything she wanted to be. I fell into a job that I loved, Quality Assurance Engineer for Memorex Corporation. That position added to an all-ready determined personality that I could be all I wanted to be. I pushed forward; while being a divorced woman raising 3 sons on my own, working a full time job, I succeeded in getting a Bachelor Degree in Industrial Engineering. I was awarded a job as a System Engineer for Lockheed Missiles and Space Corporation (LMSC) in the development of Communication Satellites. I was employed by them for 31 years before I retired in July of 2009. I now seek to become the best Quilter I can be. Please keep in mind I had never had any domestic skills such as cooking and sewing. Cooking was something I had to do so really never had a great determination to do it whereas sewing was something I wanted to do. Thus, I am determined to learn it and with my determination and the wonderful people whom I am surrounded by to support and help me, I will succeed. Thank you All Stars for being here for me!!"

HISTORIAN

By Sandy Onsager

I didn't start quilting until 2000 when I took a beginners quilting class in Clearwater, FL. I was quite surprised when I read the following article in the August 1996 newsletter. The article was taken from Southern Belle Quilters' newsletter.

"Harriet Hargrave, the quilting industry's machine quilting and applique guru, is designing a prototype sewing machine for quilters. The machine will have a larger bobbin, more space under the arm to fit a quilt, a broader bed and several more features which will make machine quilting easier."

The article went onto say Harriet was having a hard time convincing Bernina executives there was a need and market for this type of machine. Harriet asked quilters to write to Bernina stating "you don't want a machine to embroider "Mickey Mouse" you want a reasonably priced machine which will quilt ." and the rest is history!

HOSPITALITY

By Elfreide Echt

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

Healthy Cyndie Campbell Decadent Chocolate Deb Frain

Your Specialty Treat Sweet or Salty 2 2-liter Drinks 2 2-liter Drinks Lynne Turpin Laura Allen Julie Hammond Randy Powers

Thank you!

LIBRARY

By Vicki Zoller

Book of the Moment— Potholders for All Seasons

It isn't too early to start sewing holiday gifts. The book Potholders for All Seasons has 19 different potholders plus a microwave bowl cozy. Wouldn't an assortment of potholders make a great gift! Many of the designs in this book would also make charming quilt blocks, too. This book comes to the library from Ellen Cannon. Watch for more of Ellen's gifts to the guild library to be featured in future Library News columns.

Some of Ellen's books will also join books set free from the Guild library and will be for sale for the low price of **only one dollar at the September meeting**. **Please bring correct change to purchase a book**. Lots of eye candy and inspiration await you!

MEMBERSHIP

By Susan Sharpe

Ninety-three members attended the General Meeting held on August 21, 2023, at First Christian Church. We had four guests and three new members in attendance. The new members are: Trisha Gros, Chris Hoggatt and Sara Maguire. There are now 177 members in All Star Quilters' Guild.

Due to so many new members, please remember to bring and wear your nametag. Thank you to everyone who signed up to be a greeter for guests who come into our meeting without knowing anyone. I will send a reminder email no later than the Friday before the General Meeting to those who signed up and ask the volunteers to arrive no later than 9:30 am, choose a seat and perhaps save an extra seat for a guest; then hover near the membership table so

I can connect you to the guest. Will someone please contact me to volunteer in September?

Ellen Ford is signed up, but based on experience, it is very helpful to have two ready to go! If not in September, I have openings in October (to assist Vondy Hilbert); November and December.

Regarding the T-shirt sales, I really did not anticipate that it would be so popular! Thank you to everyone who supported it; whether in thought or deed (so many who chose not to buy a t-shirt gave me words of encouragement, which was great.) For those who purchased a shirt, I hope you enjoy wearing it. I think you deserve an accounting for the project now that all payments have been collected. We sold (you bought) a total of 129 shirts and we provided \$886.46 to the Guild Ways and Means

account after payment to J&J Design. Thank you again!!
Thank you,
Susan Sharpe
Sheron Walser
Bobbie Redshaw
WATCH NEXT MONTH FOR EARLY BIRD MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS!

PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER: Sarah Squared Quilts **OCTOBER:** The Modern Quilt Guild

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

Do you have a quilt in the **Log Cabin family**? Looking for All sorts of traditional cabins, pineapples, improv, pictorials, etc. Please share! Contact Sunnie (sunsky at comcast.net).

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

Featherweight raffle winner to be drawn (tickets available next month)

LOOKING FOR: LOG CABIN FAMILY QUILTS!

Do you have a quilt in the Log Cabin family? They share the trait of strips going around to make the block pattern...this can be done in so many ways! Please consider sharing your quilt, vintage or contemporary, in November for our second annual QUILT CHAT program!

You will be totally comfortable sitting in a nice upholstered chair, and just having a little chat with Sunnie Malesky about your quilt.

Contact Sunnie if you have any questions or want to get on the list!

QUILTFEST 2023 "Sew Full of Whimsy"

Bv Pat D'Elia

QUILTFEST dates, September 14-16, 2023 VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS STILL NEEDED

WWW.QUILTFESTJAX.COM

QuiltFest checklist:

It's almost here. These are the things you need to know:

- 1. We have well over 450 quilts.
- 2. We still need **volunteers**. Please be sure to support QuiltFest and sign up for at least one shift.

Registration is easy and done online. Go to **quiltfestjax.com or call Patty Wallace** for assistance

You get free entry to the show for a 2-hour volunteer commitment.

- 3. Forms are available for the **Quilt Sale Room**. Sell your quilts at the show. See Mary Anne Dennis for forms and instructions. Fifteen percent of your sales goes back to QuiltFest, the rest is yours. **BRING QUILTS TO THE PRIME ON WED. SEPT.13**
- 5. We are still collecting donated items for the **Silent Auction** at the show. These can be small. quilts, no larger than 24"x24", or other fabric items, such as purses, bags, table runners, placemats, stuffed animals or pillow covers. Please turn these in to a QuiltFest rep. OR bring to Prime on Wed. Sept. 13
- 6. All Stars will have a table at the show where we sell tickets for our beautiful raffle quilt. There are opportunities to sit at this table and sell tickets and promote membership in our guild. See Ellen Ford to participate. Volunteering for this position does NOT get you free entry to the show, but is rewarding, please help.

Thank you, let's make this a great and memorable event. It takes all of us.

Pat D'Elia QuiltFest President

QF VOLUNTEERING

I see lots of slots filled in over the last month. Thanks so much to each of you for your valiant efforts. Keep up the good work.

In particular, we need help hanging quilts on Tuesday, September 12. No ladder required, but volunteers must be able bodied enough to lift arms overhead. Volunteers for setups on Wednesday are also needed.

Volunteers get in free for each day they serve. We love our volunteers and couldn't run the best regional Quilt Show in Florida without them.

Thanks again. Lisa Schreck, Quiltfest Volunteer Coordinator 704-453-4122

QUILTFEST TURN-IN DAY SAT. SEPT. 2nd!

Thanks to all the All Stars who came in to help! We handled over 150 quilts, receiving many compliments on our friendly and efficient work.

Special thanks to Patsy Kern & husband, Mary Anne Dennis, and Sondie Frus & husband for delivering all the guilts to the Prime.

We had great time getting a pre-show peek at some gorgeous quilts, and meeting lots of quilters from all around town. The Modern Quilt Guild was having a retreat "down the road" at Marywood that weekend, so they all came to turn in their entries at our location!

QF QUILTERS WALK BASKETS

By Linda McClelland

Look for the two All Star baskets during the show! Buy lots of tickets...there are many great prizes, including an \$800 new-in-the-box Handi-Quilter sewing machine!

QUILTS of VALOR

No report

HONOR FLIGHT QUILTS

Sharon Buquo needs 3—4 more lap-size quilts for the Honor Flight leaving in Sept. Please bring one to *this month's* meeting! Contact Sharon if you need more info.

2023 RAFFLE QUILT

By Linda McClelland

ARE YOUR TICKET STUBS & MONEY TURNED IN????

Our beautiful quilt has gone off to judging...look for it at the show, hanging behind the quild table!

Sandy Kaye is off to a great start with the 2024 guilt, so stay tuned for more on that!

RETREATS

SPRING: See you next year in the same place!

FALL: ALMOST FILLED! Only 1 or 2 places left

Don't hesitate to contact Sunnie if you might be able to come at the last minute. As long as there is a space, we will love to have you!

Retreat dates this year are October 23-27, 2023 when "Scrappy Days Are Here Again!"
See Sunnie Malesky, Registrar, for your form! Or send an email (sunsky@ comcast.net)
The retreat is at The Retreat at Silver Springs



Our 2023 Raffle Quilt! "Baskets of Whimsy"

(www.theretreatatsilversprings) where we have met for several years. Four people to a cabin (double sinks, potties, showers in each), your own large table in the sewing room (grouped by 4), all meals from lunch Mon 10/23 through breakfast Fri. 10/17, block drawing, demos, door prizes and many optional activities all for \$320.

You may pay in full or a \$50 deposit will hold your place. Please complete payment by Oct. 16th. Check, cash or we'll have the Square available at general meetings for your credit card.

Attendees' packet of information with be available at the September meeting. Meanwhile, please address any questions to Sherry Verell or Sunnie Malesky, Retreat Chairs!

SHOW & TELL for AUGUST

By Susan Kingston.

No report.

SIT & STITCH

By Trish Egbert & Mary Anne Dennis

We have two Sit 'n Stitch dates this month, September 11 and 25.

What? September already? It's QuiltFest time! Hooray!!

We're reviving an All Star tradition. The Sit 'n Stitch after the show is QuiltFest Show and Tell. Bring something from the show to share with the rest of us. Something you bought, something you won, something you heard or saw, something that happened to you. One of the fun things about being in a guild is talking about quilting with others who know and appreciate exactly what you're talking about.

No special plans otherwise. Bring a project to work on or a problem to get advice on. Bring your sewing supplies or your cutting supplies and work on some community service quilts. Or just come keep the rest of us company. Love have ya!



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TREASURE TABLE!

(formerly the Freebie Table...still FREE!)

By Linda Harper

Just a reminder if you put something on the FREE Table and would like to take it back after the meeting please do so. We are donating the items that are left on the table to

make room for new items the following month.
PLEASE REMEMBER QUILT RELATED ITEMS ONLY

Look for this month:

A large de-stashing of fabric & scraps & sewn units Several rulers Books and magazines...many the current issues!

UFOs 2023

By Mary Anne Dennis

Finish 10 quilts...win a gift certificate to a local quilt shop! Only 5 more months this year!

WAYS & MEANS

The Featherweight Raffle tickets will begin sale in October. Drawing to be held at our December 18 meeting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER

1 JEAN MCLAUGHLIN

2 JULIE MAINOR

4 BONNIE HELM

6 PHYLLIS BILLINGS

7 SHERRY VERELL

10 LEIGH ANN MCGUIGAN

10 VICKI ZOLLER

12 JOANNE ALTENBURG

12 MICHELLE LEMMERS

13 JESSIE STOKESBERRY

17 BOBBIE REDSHAW

17 KATHERINE THOMPSON

18 LESLIE MOELLER

19 NANCY TOMER

20 BARB BAUER

22 LINDA MARSH

23 BETTY ANN AGNEW

24 FLOY WESTERMEIER

25 DEBBY BROCK

OCTOBER

8 DEB FRAIN

8 MARTHA HANN

9 DAPHINE MOERLER

10 JOYCE SHARIFI

10 VANNA WILLIS
17 SARA MAGUIRE
23 LIZ STALEY
24 MINDY ASHBY
24 KAROL BLOMGREN
27 DELIA BRIGHT
28 JUNE DANIELS
30 MARY HOSKINS
31 BARBARA NICHOLS
31 DIANA OLIVER

MARKETPLACE

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**

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!

LOCAL NEWS!

Paula's Fine Fabrics is now Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe - Baymeadows!

It's true! Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe has purchased Paula's Fine Fabrics as of August 1st! With this purchase, Cinnamon's is now a Bernina Dealer and providing service to our quilting community from TWO great locations!

Paula's Fine Fabrics location will soon be re-branded with Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe logos. We will refer to the current Hood Road location as "Mandarin" and Paula's location as "Baymeadows".

Each location will have different merchandise. There will be some duplication in notions such as needles, scissors, rotary cutters/blades and batting, etc. but fabrics will be different in order for us to offer MORE variety to the sewing community. Mandarin will remain more traditional, while Baymeadows will be more on the modern side as they are now.

We plan to continue to provide garment fabrics and patterns at the Baymeadows location.

BERNINA repairs will continue to be available!

SHOP MANAGER WANTED

D&R on San Jose is looking! Know somebody who needs a job and would be good here?

QUILT SHOW at Miss D's in PALATKA

Enter before Sept. 30 Show dates October 6 &7 Mary Anne Dennis has forms and info