

# *The* **ALL STAR GAZETTE**

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## **CALENDAR of EVENTS**

### **DECEMBER**

**5 BOARD MEETING 10 am**

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

**12 SIT & STITCH**

**19 GENERAL MEETING 10 am:**

**“Winter Wonderland”** celebration  
Short business session, followed by  
**FUN & GAMES & FW Winner!!!**  
Last chance for Early Bird renewal  
drawing see p. 8  
No Freebie Table until Feb. 2023  
ZOOM discontinued

**26 SIT & STITCH**

This could be the holiday escape  
you need!

### **JANUARY 2023!**

**2 BOARD MEETING 10 am**

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**9 SIT & STITCH**

**16 GENERAL MEETING 10 am:**

**BIRTHDAY PARTY! P. 9!!!**  
No Freebie Table until Feb. 2023  
ZOOM discontinued

**23 SWEATSHIRT JACKET**

**Free** Morning lecture still open,  
afternoon class is filled.

**30 SIT & STITCH & Sweatshirt Jacket**

**follow-up session** ...lecture or class  
attendees welcome for some extra  
help (meeting in separate room)

**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

**Mailing address:** All Star Quilters Guild, P.O. Box 23772, Jacksonville, FL 32241-3772

**Website:** <https://www.allstarquilters.org>

# MINUTES of the NOV. GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President, Pat D'Elia at 10:00 a.m.

Thought for the Day: Success consists of getting up just one more time than you fall.  
Oliver Goldsmith

Motion was made by Linda Harper to approve the October minutes as published, and seconded by Stacy Wilson. The motion passed.

Miscellaneous Matters by Pat D'Elia

For the guild January birthday party last year we had a catered lunch. Motion was made by Sunnie Malesky that members pay \$5 for the catered lunch and the guild underwrites paying the remainder. Patty Wallace seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Today is the last guild meeting available by Zoom. The guild is discontinuing its membership with Zoom.

The December holiday celebration committee will meet following this guild meeting. CJ Clark will handle reminder phone calls. Will have a parade in costumes. Will play Left, Right, Center game with 8 to a table; members need to bring 3 fat quarters. to play.

On 10/29 Pat attended a meeting of all sister guild Presidents with members of the QuiltFest board. QuiltFest is comprised of 6 guilds with the sole purpose of hosting QuiltFest. Costs were more than \$120,000. The only reason QuiltFest operated in the black this year was due to increasing the ticket price by \$2 and charging \$5 for parking. There is a new meeting site for QuiltFest board meetings and that is at Hospice the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Vice President Linda Wilson  
Fall Retreat for 2023 will be October 23-27.

Recording Secretary/Quilts of Valor, Linda Marsh  
Barbara Nichols awarded 30 QOVs during October made by Country Star Quilt Guild.  
Linda Marsh awarded 1 QOV to a Vietnam vet.  
Patty Wallace and Raney Manning volunteered to take home a patriotic panel each and make them into pieced quilt tops.  
Sandra Kaye volunteered to become a QOV presenter for the Jacksonville area.

Corresponding Secretary, Terri Chamberlain  
Sent a sympathy card to Lynne McCrork. Her husband passed.  
Foodbank, Vondy Hilbert  
Received \$770 cash and \$175 in food from members today.

Free Table  
Linda Harper volunteered to handle the Free Table.

Treasurer, Ellen Ford

Annual budget for guild is almost \$30,000. Current balance is \$12,622.08.

Library, Vicki Zoller

She will take donated books for the library if they have a published date of the year 2000 or above.

Education, Ellen Cannon

November 28 is Demo Day. It will start at 10:00 and have 8 tables.

Sunnie Malesky will teach a sweatshirt jacket class and lecture. It will be held on January 23.

The class by Linda Hahn will cost \$50 + a kit that Linda sells for \$28. You will make a beach crab wallhanging using her method of "one-pin paper piecing".

The March class will be on free motion quilting and taught by Sue Hurley. Sign-up will be in January.

Featured Quilter, Donna Caldarise

November Featured Quilter was Martha Hann.

Hospitality, Elfriede Echt

Thank you to those bringing refreshments.

Membership, Susan Sharpe

We have 86 members present; 4 on Zoom; guests: Virginia Waller, Karen Diaz, Iris Hunton.

Early Bird registration for 2023 has begun. We have 77 renewals for 2023 so far, and 5 new members.

Sit and Stitch, Sherry Verrell

Will be held December 12 and 26

Utility Bags/UFOs, Mary Anne Dennis

She has instructions for making the utility bags. Bags are 20"x40" with pockets 9.5"x10.5", and 2 straps.

UFOs will begin in January. To qualify, the UFO must have been started prior to 2022.

Ways and Means, Patty Wallace

Is selling tickets for the Featherweight sewing machine. Drawing in December.

Special speaker: Paul with Knights of Columbus. Many Knights of Columbus groups are having to get rid of satin capes they have worn for years. They would like to donate the fabric the capes are made of to be used for the benefit of the community somehow. The capes all appeared to be made of solid color satin-type fabrics.

Program on Collage Quilting by Josh McLean (from Cut Up & Sew in Palm Coast) and JoAnne Lamb.

Next board meeting is Dec. 5; next guild meeting is January 19.

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Linda Marsh  
Recording Secretary

## PAT'S POST

Hope everyone had a lovely Thanksgiving, and is preparing to share the December holidays and New Years with family and friends.

Our Holiday Celebration, themed "Winter Wonderland " promises to be fun and enjoyable. Many guild members are helping put this together and their efforts are much appreciated.

In January, we will celebrate the birthday of our guild, which is 34 years old. We also recognize our members' birthdays at that time and show our appreciation for each and every one of you. A catered lunch will be served. Please be sure to purchase a ticket for \$5. Seating is limited. If you will be bringing a guest, they will need a ticket also.

Lots of activities going on in the next couple of months . Hope to see all of you participating and enjoying yourselves.

Happy Holidays!

*PAT*

**"Baskets of Whimsy"**  
Our beautiful 2023 Raffle Quilt  
Kathi Thompson, Quilt Mother  
See p.10



# **CHALLENGE**

**By Vicki Zoller**

The 2023 Challenge will be announced in January.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**By Terri Chamberlain**

## **APPLAUSE**

Quilts Delivered by Laura Rowe

Peds Care - 9 quilts, 3 pillowcases

Daniel - 13 quilts

Hart Felt - 10 quilts

Safe Harbor - 1 quilt

FOOD BANK - NOVEMBER COLLECTION

Total - \$955.00 cash & food

## **APPEAL**

Your Community Service team's wish for each of you.... HAPPY HOLIDAYS!  
All Stars, thank you for sharing your generosity and talent.

### **Community Service Team**

Sharon Buquo - Fabric Table & Batting

Vondy Hilbert - Food Bank

Laura Rowe - Contact & deliveries of donations.

Terri Chamberlain - Community Service Chairman

## **UTILITY BAGS**

**By Mary Anne Dennis**

Would like to thank all the ladies who have been kind enough to continuously make these bags lately. We need more though. I will be bringing over 60 precut bags for you all to pick up and sew.

Target date is to have them done by our February 20th meeting. I will have printed instructions available. Come to any Sit n Stitch and I'll be there to help you with any questions.

# **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

## By Terri Chamberlain

Cards sent : thanks to Cinnamon's for door prizes; sympathy to Pat Pataki's family; thanks to Liz and Therese for Me Dolls...they made some at QultFest with a few All Star members, and were inspired to make more at home! Sympathy to Margaret Stewart in the passing of two family members, especially sister-in-law Diane who was a guild member several years ago.

## EDUCATION

### By Ellen Cannon

Classes for the first half of 2023 will keep you busy learning new things. Listed below are the classes and dates. Mark your calendars and begin signing up at the January meeting.

January 23 - morning - sweatshirt lecture

January 23 - afternoon- hands on - class full

January 30 - morning - sweatshirt help/ follow-up session

February 27 - all day - Linda Hahn - Crabby beach - 3 spaces available

March 20 - afternoon - Sue Hurley - Free motion quilting - sign up begins in January

April 10 - all day - Mable Holiman - table runner Judy Niemeyer pattern - part 1 - sign up begins in January.

April 24 - all day - Mable Holiman - table runner - part two

May 22 - all day - Collage quilt - contract being negotiated

May 23 - half day - Collage quilt

As you can see great classes are in the works. Check back here (newsletter) next month to get the prices for all the classes.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday! May 2023 be a healthy happy year!

## SWEATSHIRT JACKET LECTURE & CLASS INFO

On Monday **Jan. 23, 10:00 to 12 noon**, there will be a **free** lecture with many samples, showing design options you may choose. This will be followed by a demonstration of how to cut the sweatshirt and start sewing, so you can have your own custom jacket, and comfortably work at home. Although this is free, you **MUST** sign up, as there will be a limit to the number of seats available. At the lecture/demo, you will have an opportunity to make a donation to the Food Bank. No supplies needed for the lecture!

**Following a lunch break there will be a special session of hands-on sewing for those who want to bring all their supplies and machines.** This has **10 seats only**, (currently filled...get on the wait List, you never know!). **SUPPLY LIST** in OCT. Gazette. **The next week, on Monday the 30th, those who are working on a jacket (whether you attended the hands-on or just went home and started on your own) will have a follow-up session at no charge.**

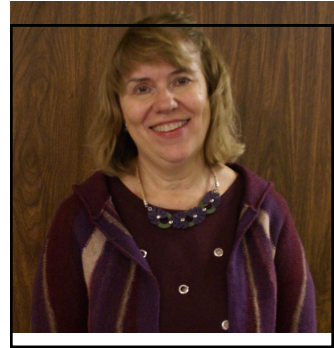
Bring your jacket for advice, assistance, and encouragement!

## FEATURED QUILTER

By Donna Caldarise

Barbara Hillson moved to Ponte Vedra in 2018 and joined All Stars the following year. With husband Marc and terrier-mix dog Oliver, they relocated from Melbourne Beach, FL where she was a member of the Seaside Piecemakers Quilt Guild and the Sunstitchers Circle.

Barbara is originally from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she got involved in garment sewing in her teens. During high school, her first quilt was made when, together with two friends, she used all the sewing scraps to make a twin-sized patchwork quilt, tied simply with yarn.



Fast forward to adult years, Barbara worked as a full-time research librarian in the Washington DC area. Then in the early 90's her daughter's Brownie troop was in need of a service project. Barbara led the project for the girls to cut, sew and tie a patchwork quilt donated to charity (fun, but many ouch situations from the girls!). Several evening quilting "how-to" classes followed, plus self-instruction, along with the guidance of her Mom, an avid quilter who was retired in Arizona. (And Barbara still has her late Mom's Bernina 1090 machine, said to be a classic.)

Over the years, Barbara has made 3 bed-size quilts, along with several table runners, wall hangings, pillows, bowls, placemats and tote bags, but is not anywhere near as prolific in producing items as the All Star members, (but is always inspired & amazed by the Show 'n Tell!!).

Since retiring, she and her husband of 36 years have spent their time focusing on travel, although always managing to pick up local fabrics and seeking out fabric shops if possible. Places traveled since retiring 8 years ago include: New Zealand, Cuba, Scandinavia, Machu Picchu and the Gallapagos, Greece, Turkey, France, Spain and Morocco.

A little-known fact about Barbara is that she worked in the Main Reading Room of the Library of Congress way back when it still had a huge card catalog, and she now has an antique 30-drawer card catalog in her sewing room, which is great for keeping sewing notions!

## HISTORIAN

By Sandy Onsanger No report this month

## HOSPITALITY

December refreshments are already planned.

**JANUARY BIRTHDAY MEETING** is in planning stages. Let Pat know if you'd like to help. CATERED LUNCH by Tidbits will be only \$5, with the guild covering half the remaining cost. GET YOUR TICKET **THIS MONTH!** It's a party...fun & games!

## LIBRARY

By Vicki Zoller

Library News: Last Minute Books

The holiday season is upon us and there is not much time left to make quilted gifts.

But there are a few books in the library that have quick-to-make projects. Potholders for All Seasons by Chris Malone has some very cute designs, and you can make a bed runner that looks like full-sized folded quilt from the designs in Quick Change: Refresh a Room Fast with Quilted Bed Runners. Or you might be thinking about starting a holiday quilt for next year. If so, check out Quilt A New Christmas by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins.

Do you just want to curl up with a good quilt book instead? How about Bran Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement and Following the Barn Quilt Trail by Suzi Parron or Have I Told You. . . threads from a Creative Life by our own Marita Eng?

A reminder: The Guild library will not be open at the January general meeting. Tables are in use for our birthday luncheon.

Happy Holidays and Happy Quilting!

## MEMBERSHIP

**By Susan Sharpe**

Membership Renewals/New-Joins: Early membership (“early bird”) registration for 2023 takes place in November and December.

**Members who renew during the early renewal period will be eligible for a prize drawing for the month in which they renew. *First drawing this month!***

**We will be able to take credit cards as payment** - don’t forget to add in mailing costs if you want your directory mailed to you (see below).

Please go to our web site, fill out a membership form even if your information is the same, PRINT IT OUT, and bring that with your method of payment: cash, check or credit card. (If paying with cash, it would help so much if you brought the exact amount.)

To be included in the Membership Directory, the Membership Chair must receive the membership form and dues no later than the January General Guild meeting of the new year.

**If you would like the directory mailed to you**, please add \$2.50 to cover the cost of mailing.

We currently have 163 members, 86 who have renewed already for 2023!

## PROGRAMS

**December 19** Holiday Party - “*Winter Wonderland.*” **Wear your most festive holiday attire** and be ready for fun, games, and prizes! Last chance for Featherweight raffle tickets! **Ticket sales end before the meeting starts**....winner announced at the meeting! **Bring 3 Fat Quarters** to participate in some games (but don’t stay home if you forget them). Look for the Very Special Refreshments!



There will be a vote on our 2023 Budget. **See page 14-5** and contact President Pat, Treasurer Ellen Ford, or the particular committee chair if you have questions.

**January 16, 2023 BIRTHDAY PARTY!** We start the new year with a bang! Installation of officers, business, Show & Tell, a brief program from the 12 x 12 Group featuring their collaborative project based on Doug Eng's photography, UFOs return, and the Challenge theme will be announced!

**PLEASE BUY YOUR LUNCH TICKET AT THIS MONTH'S MEETING! Only \$5** for a lovely Tidbit's box lunch. A count is needed so we can order with a minimum of extras.

## **PUBLICITY & QUILTFEST**

**By Sondi Fus**

Jacksonville Quiltfest is our quilt show. We own it as part of the six sister quilt guilds. We are a family of quilters responsible for its success.

As publicity chair this year, I need the following help:

- Do you have time to introduce me to a better graphic design system and get me up to speed? I'll get it for my computer. Right now I'm using Microsoft Publisher.
- If you are already planning to enter a quilt in the 2023 quiltfest, I'd like to follow the path of your creation. I'm looking for at least three. I'd guide you for pictures to take with a good phone camera, and/or I'd stop by your home from time to time to make little videos and talk about the process. This would be for eventual publication.
- Do you know someone who has a skill with creating documentaries – filming and sound and editing?

I've gotten some good suggestions for generic locations to reach out to, but if you can volunteer yourself or give me the name of someone specific, it will be much appreciated.

## **QUILTS of VALOR**

**By Linda Marsh**

Please email or call Linda Marsh if presenting Quilts of Valor is something you might be interested in. During a normal year, you would present between 4 and 8 QOVs.  
lindaemarsh@gmail.com: 904-304-4181

## **2023 RAFFLE QUILT...who's your charity?**

Ticket sales will start next year after we choose our 2023 Charity.

Do you have a suggestion? There are so many worthy projects, even ones that have been previously put forward but didn't get selected! It's OK to nominate it again!

Our beautiful quilt "Baskets of Whimsy" is bound to be a big money maker for some local charity...why not yours?

## **RETREATS**

**SPRING:** The committee has a potential new location. More info next year!

**FALL:** . See Pat D. to be on the committee or suggest a theme.

## **ROAD TRIPS RETURN!**

By Pat Delia

**The Daytona Beach AQS quilt show** is in February. We have taken a bus to this event for several years in the past. It has always been a popular event. I'm looking into reserving with Academy Bus Lines again this year. The trip will be on **February 24th (Friday)** leaving the First Christian Church parking lot at 8:00 am SHARP. We will arrive at the show at approximately 9:30 am and return via bus at 3:00 pm.( back in Jacksonville around 5 pm) After I am quoted a price from the bus company, I will announce the price of the trip per member. I also obtain group pricing for admission tickets.

At the December meeting, I will pass around a sign up sheet to determine interest in this trip. In January and February, I will collect the fee. This trip is usually partially funded by the guild treasury.

Come and spend the day with guild friends and members and see lots of great quilts and vendors!

## **SHOW & TELL**

Report unavailable. Pictures available on the website!

## **SIT & STITCH**

December will be on the 12th and 26th ( take a break from your holiday guests?).

In 2023 S&S will be hosted by Trish E. and Mary Anne D. They are cooking up some fun ideas. When a month has a 5th Monday, that will be a special project Community Service day. There will also be demos through the year.

This is a best time to get to know people better, receive help with a project, or just sit and schmooze!

## **UFOs 2023**

It's a whole new program with prizes and more! No long lists to submit!

You are invited to get started right away by bringing your first UFO to the January meeting! **It must have been started before 2022.**

Details in the January newsletter.

## **WAYS & MEANS**

By Patty Wallace

**THIS month is the drawing for the lovely, fully functional and serviced antique Featherweight sewing machine!** It comes with accessories, carry case, and more, a

package that easily has a retail value in excess of \$1600.  
This is one of the first groups manufactured right after WWII Armistice Day, sews through multiple layers of denim like a warm knife through butter. As the name implies, is a perfect weight, size for travel, downsizing, for your motor home.....  
Tickets are \$1.00 a piece, packets of 20 and sales will be held up to the morning of the Dec. Winter Wonderland program, Dec. 19. Please see Linda Mc and display!



#### **More Featherweight info:**

Did you know you can find the birthday of your Featherweight at the International Sewing Machine Collectors' Society...and other Singer machines, too! Find the serial number located on a raised boss on the underside of the machine. Lay your machine on its back and look on the left hand side of the main body (not the folding extension table).

[https://ismacs.net/singer\\_sewing\\_machine\\_company/serial-](https://ismacs.net/singer_sewing_machine_company/serial-numbers/singer-sewing-machine-serial-number-database.html)

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Good site for info on ALL vintage machines!

A Facebook page: **Featherweightology**. Great group of fans, owners, and people who can usually answer any question!

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### **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  
23 SHARON WILCOX  
25 PATTI SANDERS  
27 CHARLENE COX  
27 DIANE HUTSELL

### **JANUARY**

2 CJ CLARK  
7 JOANNE HERMAN  
12 SUSAN SHARPE  
13 TONI ANWEILER  
14 NANCY MORAN  
15 GLORIA HART  
17 BARBARA HILLSON  
19 LEAHRAE NEWELL  
19 SANDY ONSAGER  
21 ANN CARRAWAY  
23 JEAN MCCORMICK  
27 LOU DOWNEY  
29 PRIS ROEHM  
31 FRANCINE WILLHIDE  
31 GINNY PERKINS

## **FREEBIE TABLE RETURNS FEBRUARY 2023**

## **MARKETPLACE**

**NO FREEBIE TABLE UNTIL FEBRUARY 2023**

### ***FOR SALE***

**A longarm quilting ensemble.**

Have a Merry Christmas with a gift to yourself: This

**package includes a Husqvarna Mega-Quilter with a Handi-Quilter Avante frame.**

This is a non-computerized model for free motion quilting. The nine-foot frame is

currently dismantled, but the parts all labeled for easy assembly. Floor pads are included for noise reduction, along with wood blocks to set the frame on for added height. Included are pentagrams with laser pen, bobbins, thread and stitch regulator. It can be yours for \$480.

**Susan Sharpe 703-405-3937**

### **NEW Poly Fill**

TWO ....20 lb. containers @ \$ 52.00 each

and only ONE.....10 lb. box @ \$ 26.00

Please call **Kathleen Voigt...904-260-4717**...Please leave a message.. .My phone does NOT take text messages.

### **WANTED**

Looking to buy a working vintage Singer 201, preferably with table, for \$75-100. Do you have one you aren't using? **Contact Laura Rowe, 904-406-0369 (home) or 904-505-5760 (cell/text).**

Still looking for a felting/embellisher machine! **Sunnie Malesky sunsky@comcast.net**

### **ODDS & ENDS**

We know many All Stars have Featherweights...the raffle tickets sales alone show that many want one! Let Mary Anne or Trish know if you'd be interested in a FW Day at Sit & Stitch next year!

***Handstitched Worlds: The Cartography of Quilts*** is at the Lightner Museum in St. Augustine through January 20., 2023.

**QUILT SHOW at The Villages**, January 17 & 18. Call Mary Anne D. if you want to go.

### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

We will be voting on the 2023 budget at this month's meeting. It has been worked on for the past three months by the board of elected officers and committee chairs.

To keep the voting process tolerable, please contact President Pat Delia, Treasurer Ellen Ford or any of the particular committee chairs if you have any questions before the meeting. This is a summary of final totals, but not all individual expenses/ income. As always, the budget is a guideline, and we can only spend money we have...that's what membership dues, class fees, raffles and Ways & Means are for! Committees often end up spending less than the budget allotments. Retreats and Road Trips are close to self-supporting. **Income projection on following page (p. 15).**

### **Proposed Expenses for 2023**

Challenge

120

prizes, materials	
Administrative	3552
rents, equipment	
Communication	250
website	
Community Service	1000
batting	
Corresponding Sect.	70
cards, postage	
Education	2970
Instructor expenses	
Library	70
Membership	845
Directory, door prizes, member cards	
Programs	2400
Presenter fees, travel, etc.	
Quilts of Valor	105
Batting, presentations	
QuiltFest	740
Category sponsor, program ad, basket	
Refreshments	200
Retreats	
Fall	10,500
Spring	1,700
Road Trip	1875
bus to Daytona	
Sit & Stitch	50
Treasurer	45
checks, supplies	
Ways & Means	1245
raffle quilt expenses	
	TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENSES \$27,737

BUDGET SUMMARY, continued...

## Projected Income for 2023

Community Service	300
fabric sales	
Education	2300
class fees	
Library	80
sales, fines	
Membership	3930
dues	
Memorial Gift	100
QF Quilters' Walk	1000
Retreats	

Spring	1700
Fall	12000
Road Trip	1512
Ways & Means fundraisers	4600

TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME \$27,737

This budget summary was prepared by your Gazette editor, Sunnie Malesky, who accepts blame for any adding errors.

For the complete budget, please contact Ellen Ford, Treasurer, before the December 19 meeting.