The ALL STAR GAZETTE

VOL. 35FEBRUARY 2023CALENDAR of EVENTS

ISSUE 2

FEBRUARY

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 Georgina Lewis trunk show UFOs return!!!!! Library reopens Freebie Table returns
- 27 CLASS: Linda Hahn details p. 7 a few seats still available

NEW All Stars' email!!!!

E-Blasts and notices will come under the All Stars name. SEE PAGE 5!

MARCH

6 BOARD MEETING 10 am

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13 SIT & STITCH

20 GENERAL MEETING 10 am Sue Hurley will discuss quilting free motion with rulers Vote for 2023 charity for raffle quilt FOOD BANK COLLECTION!!!!!

27 CLASS: Free Motion Quilting with Sue Hurley

We are doing something every Monday of the year! Don't be shy...join in!

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 E-mail: allstarquiltersguild@gmail.com

MINUTES of the JAN. '23 GENERAL MEETING

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

Thought for the Day: "Sometimes courage means holding on. Sometimes courage means letting go." Author unknown.

December minutes were moved for acceptance by Patty Wallace, and seconded by Sharon Buquo. Vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Miscellaneous Matters by Pat D'Elia

On the table is a Sit 'n Stitch survey. Please drop the completed survey in the basket on the Membership table on your way out.

At our Winter Wonderland event, a cardboard box decorated with blue metallic paper has gone missing. If you have the box, please return it.

Today our guild is 34 years old.

Bus trip to Daytona Quilt Show is Feb. 24 and costs \$40. The bus will leave from the church at 8:00 a.m., and will leave the show at 3:00 p.m. Bus capacity is 56.

Selection for the guild's 2023 charity will be narrowed to 3 charities at the March board meeting.

Pat, Sondie Frus, Ellen Cannon and Patty Wallace will visit Augustine Landing to talk about quilting.

Tomorrow night is the first QuiltFest board meeting. Pat is QuiltFest President this year. The meeting will be held at Community Hospice on Sunbeam Rd. at 7 p.m. The pattern placed at your table setting was donated by a former member.

Today is the last meeting for Linda Wilson serving as our Vice President. She has filled many positions over the years and is moving to live with her daughter, but they have both joined as members and will attend as many guild meetings as they can.

Vice President, Raney Manning

Programs scheduled for 2023 include Georgia Lewis in February. She has all year planned except June.

Corresponding Secretary, Terri Chamberlain

Cards sent to Kathleen Voight, Jody Scuillo and Peggy Hurley.

During 2022, the guild donated 309 quilts, 119 pillowcases, 150 utility bags, 40 Quilts of Valor, \$895 of food, and \$2,330 cash for food bank charities.

For the sweatshirt workshop next Monday, Terri will have fat quarters for \$.50 each or 3 for \$1.

Treasurer, Pat D'Elia for Ellen Ford

Current balance is \$15,000.00+. The audit committee performed their review and says guild's books were in pristine order.

The board voted to increase the donation to the church for 2023 to \$3,500. The members voted on the amount, and it passed.

Sharon Tomore will be the new Treasurer.

Education, Ellen Cannon

The sweatshirt class is next Monday; help will be provided for your in-progress sweat-

shirt on January 30.

The class by Linda Hahn will be February 27; cost is \$50 plus \$28 kit fee. March 27 will be free motion quilting using rulers by Sue Hurley; \$35, bring machine. April 10 and 24 will be a class on making a Judy Niemeyer table runner for \$20, taught by member Mabel Holiman.

May will have a collage quilt class for 1 1/2 days; \$65.

Featured Quilter, Donna Caldarise

January Featured Quilter was Sharon Tomore.

Library; Challenge, Vicki Zoller

The library will be open in February. Challenge theme for 2023 will be "recycled"; only rule for challenge is that total perimeter of quilt not exceed 180". The challenge reveal will be at the July guild meeting. There will be 3 winners and all will receive \$30 gift card.

Membership, Susan Sharpe

We have 94 members present, and 4 visitors. Visitors are Marti Wright, Susan Courtney, Kathi Midkiff, and Floy Westermeier. New members are Nancy Tomer, Dianna Shivertaker, Chrystal Del Guidice, Debra Huisinga, and Mary Clausi. Total membership is 153. Carol Gilliland won the December early bird raffle.

2023 Quilt Mother

Delia Bright will take over for 2023. Kathi Thompson is moving. 2024 Quilt Mother will be Sandra Kaye.

Publicity, Sondie Frus

Would like to collect pictures of how members display quilts in their homes.

Sit 'n Stitch, Trish Egbert and Mary Anne Dennis You were given a survey to complete at your table. Working on scrap quilts which alternate 16 patch and star blocks. Has lots of scraps for anyone interested in making crumb quilts. Fifth Monday of the month will be Community Service project days. January 30 will be

UFOs, Mary Anne Dennis

a session for making utility bags.

Will utilize a punch card for tracking UFOs for 2023. UFO project must be more than 1 year old. With 5 punches, you get a gift; with 10 punches, you get a Cinnamon's gift certificate. Competition starts today and all projects must be quilt projects.

Spring Retreat, Elaine Brett

Found a location for spring retreat, i.e Mandarin United Methodist Church on San Jose Blvd. (About 1/2 mile north of our normal meeting location.) It will be limited to 35 people and held May 18, 19 and 20. Sign up will be in February. Information packet will be provided in April.

Ways and Means Needs a new Chairman. Program: Vicki Zoller presentation of 12×12 group, which began in 2012. Tree theme from a photo by Doug Eng.

2023 Officers sworn in by Vicki Zoller: President Sherry Verell Vice President Raney Manning Recording Secretary Donna Caldarise Corresponding Secretary Terri Chamberlain Treasurer Sharon Tomore

Presentation by Vice President, Linda Wilson of beautiful bright-colored quilt to outgoing President Pat D'Elia as a thank you for her service.

Next board meeting is Feb.6; next guild meeting is February 20.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Marsh, Recording Secretary

A Note from Pat

Thank you, thank you for the beautiful quilt I was gifted with at the January meeting. I will remember my years as guild president every time I wrap up in it. I enjoyed the challenges of the position and my interactions with so many guild members. You are the best.

Pat



"Baskets of Whimsy" Our beautiful 2023 Raffle Quilt!

Please remember to let any Board member know what charity you would like us to support this year! We can't start ticket sales until we chose one! The Board will decide on 3 to present to the whole guild to vote on at NEXT MONTH"S MEETING!

If you care about an organization that could use a large donation, please give any Board member the name of the group, a contact person and a bit about what they do. Or come to the March 6th Board meeting yourself!

Notes from the Feb. 6 Board Meeting

- When your group is meeting at the church, you must be sure all the lights are off, the thermostat is returned to Summer or Winter setting (posted on the thermostat), and the door MUST BE LOCKED behind you. Please try the door to be sure...it may not be latched completely!
- Personal email addresses have been removed from the website to help avoid scamming & spamming. There is a webpage that shows who is in charge of various offices, committees and activities. Consult your directory for that person's contact info.
- There are several exciting fund-raiser projects on tap...but we need a Ways & Means chair to oversee them! Some already have a member willing to be in charge! One is a very generous donation of a valuable sewing machine!
- Name tag fines will be charged! Please wear yours...we cannot read it out in your car!

New Guild email !!!!

There is a new e-mail address that will be used for Guild Blasts and workshop information. It is allstarquiltersguild@gmail.com . Please look for this and add it to your safe addresses. At first it may go to your spam file. You will get two identical e-mails for a couple of months until everyone is comfortable with the change.

CHALLENGE

By Vicki Zoller 2023 Guild Challenge: Recycled

The theme of this year's challenge is Recycled. Think of how many different ways you can interpret it. It is always nice to start the new year with a new project and I hope you will be inspired by the Recycled theme to make a challenge quilt

The suggested size for Challenge quilts is a total on 180" of all sides. To give you an example, if you choose to make a square quilt, it would be 45" x 45". But course, you quilt can be any shape you choose.

Our reveal of the quilts will comprise the July program. We will vote on our favorites quilts, and the top three will receive a \$30 gift and from Cinnamon's. It is always so much fun to see all the entries and how everyone interprets the theme differently, but that can only happen if guild members take up the challenge. Hope to see your quilt in July.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Terri Chamberlain

APPLAUSE -

Food Bank Collection - The sweatshirt class in honor of Sue Abbey, collected donations of food and cash in the amount of \$80.00. Sue would have appreciated the knowledge that her jacket brought good for others. Thank you Sunnie for your creative and knowledgeable class.

APPEAL Community Service has a quilt top that is already pin-basted. Please volunteer to do any form of quilting. Straight-lines, Stitch-in-a-Ditch.....whatever is easiest

for you. We have charities that would love to wrap up a needy person in one of our quilts.

Community Service Team -

Please welcome Joann Davenport helping with the fabric table. Sharon Buquo - Fabric Table & Batting Vondy Hilbert - Food Bank Laura Rowe - Contact of donations. Linda Harper, Delivery of quilts Terri Chamberlain - Community Service Chairman

NEXT FOOD BANK: MARCH

Donations of food or checks are welcome!



A pattern for this quilt can be found on the website under "Service".

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:

Penny Hurley - Sympathy/Thinking of you Sherry Verell - Sympathy Shirley Jones - Get Well

ADDRESS CORRECTION!!! (SpellChekck decided Amanda lived on a different street)

Amanda Hodges RANDAHODGES@comcast.net 9046 Gallea St. NE OLYMPIA, WA. 98516 (904) 955-9358

EDUCATION

By Ellen Cannon

February 27 - **Linda Hahn** all day class - cost \$50.00 - if you have signed up for this class please remember you will need to purchase a kit from Linda for \$28.00. She will accept cash, check, & some credit cards. You should have your supply list, start gathering!

March 20 - Sue Hurley - Beginner free motion quilting- cost to be determined. April 10 - Mabel Holiman - Judy Niemeyer table runner PART 1 - Cost \$20.00

April 24 - Mabel Holiman - Judy Niemeyer table runner PART 2

May 22 & 23 - Joann Lamb - Collage quilt - cost to be determined when contract is signed. This will be a day & half class. You will be allowed to chose your own pattern & fabric. So start looking & thinking.

FEATURED QUILTER

By Linda Marsh

Jody Scuillo is our Featured Quilter for February. She is originally from New Jersey, but also lived in Mississippi for two years. She has been a Floridian since 1985.

Jody has been quilting for about four years, and learned how to quilt by watching YouTube videos. Her first quilt took three months to make and she cut each square block individually.

Jody has been a member of All Stars since 2021. She especially enjoys the friendliness and expertise of other All Star members, as well as the ability to learn more about quilting in a fun atmosphere. She is a member of a Prayer Quilt group where she met co-member Linda Marsh, who introduced her to All Stars.

One fact not many people know about Jody is that she home-schooled her four children for 19 years. They are



now an aqua cultural engineer, a doctor, an airman, and in four more months, her youngest son will become a priest.

Jody resides in Saint Johns with her husband, Mark. They have been married for 39 years.

In addition to Jody's 4 children, she has two grandchildren that live in Vero Beach. This past June Jody and Mark traveled to the Holy Lands on a pilgrimage and had the opportunity to be present at their son's ordination into the diaconate at the church in the Garden of Gethsemane. Jody's husband is a woodworker, and has just recently made two beautiful night stands and a wooden cutting board with a nod to Jody's enjoyment of quilting. Jody's other hobbies are gardening and going to estate sales.

HISTORIAN

By Sandy Onsanger No report this month

HOSPITALITY By Elfreide Echt

The refreshment lists for February and March are filled.



LIBRARY

By Vicki Zoller

Three New Books

Many of us start the new year with a resolution to eat fewer sweets. But you can still enjoy jelly rolls, layer cakes, and honey buns without wrecking your diet. Of course, I am referring to fabric pre-cuts that go by these names. The library has three books that offer quilt patterns made with these pre-cuts.

Super Simple Jelly Roll Quilts by Alex Anderson and Liz Aneloski and many tips for beginners and nine quilt options.

Layer Cake. Jelly Roll and Charm Quilts by Pam and Nicky Lintott has 18 designs and each design is shown in pastel as well as a darker color way. This is a nice feature for those of us who have trouble imagining a quilt design in colors other than those pictured in the book.

Kimberly Einmo's book, Jelly roll Quilts & More, lives up to its name. There are 14 quilt options and lots of good tips and tricks, plus some delicious recipes. If that isn't enough, Kimberly also includes a chapter on how to host a jelly roll retreat with a few friends. Wouldn't that be fun!

Stop by the library to find these books and many more to start the new year with a fun project.

MEMBERSHIP

By Susan Sharpe

Ninety-four members attended the General Meeting held on January 16, 2023, at First Christian Church. We had four guests, five new members and twenty-six renewals. There are now 154 members in All Star Quilters' Guild.

With so many new members (Welcome to all of you), it is imperative for everyone to **wear a name tag**. While new members get a two-month grace period to make and wear a name tag, others will be fined 50 cents.

The 2023 Guild directories and membership cards will be available at the February meeting, so please be sure to pick yours up. I was hoping to have everyone's picture in this issue. If there is a star with your information, I would like to get a picture of you to submit as a supplement, which I plan to do quarterly.

I have a proposal to introduce to the guild at this month's meeting regarding membership and I feel certain there are members who will want to be involved. It is the perfect volunteer opportunity inasmuch as it requires little to no preparation, no time spent outside of the meeting but the rewards could be life-changing. If I have piqued your interest, be sure to be at the February meeting (with your name tag on!).

Membership Susan Sharpe, Chair Sheron Walser Bobbie Redshaw

PROGRAMS

This month's program will be Georgina Lewis from PettingFabric.com. She will share quilts that use different lines of fabric. **MARCH:** Sue Hurley will discuss rulers **APRIL**: Deb Strain from Moda Fabrics will discuss design

PUBLICITY & QUILTFEST

By Pat Delia

BIG EVENT

QuiltFest, Inc, and Cinnamons Quilt Shop are sponsoring a big event on **April 15th** (Saturday) at the shop location, 4220 Hood Rd , Jacksonville, 32257, from 1:30-5:00pm. It is for all guild members of the six local guilds and is to promote communication and comraderie in preparation for the 2023 QuiltFest show. Other quilters will be invited as well.

Each guild will have a 4 ft. table to dress and encourage new member additions. There will be snacks and drinks, demos, and discussion of the plans for the upcoming show .

Put this on your calendar, come meet and greet quilters from all over Northeast Florida.

New time!

The QuiltFest board meeting time has been changed to 6:30 pm going forward. The location is the same, but the time was changed to be more convenient to the majority of members. Next meeting February 21, 2023 at Community Hospice, Sunbeam Rd., Nevasier building.

Quilters' Walk...part of our QF support!

Linda McClelland and Debra Pearce have volunteered to be in charge of our QF Quilters' Walk basket!

Sad News

One of the great ladies of the local quilting community and QuiltFest passed away recently.

Frances Case was 99 and a member of St. Augustine Piecemakers.

If you attended QuiltFest over the years you know her as a veritable Godmother of the show, providing leadership to the event and entertaining announcements over the PA system.

She will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her strength and humor.

QUILTS of VALOR

Linda Marsh has been receiving new training for Quilts of Valor presentations! Watch for new information soon.

CHARITY To Be Chosen in March!!! 2023 RAFFLE QUILT

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! The Board will select 3 charities to present to the guild for selection NEXT MONTH. **Please give any Board member your recommendation along with the contact and other info about the organization BEFORE the Board meets Monday, March 6!**

RETREATS SPRING:

Our seventh annual Spring Retreat will be held **May 17, 18, 19**, 2023 at the Mandarin United Methodist Church on San Jose Blvd. This is a new venue for us and directions will be provided in your packets. This year's fee is \$55.

SIGN UP will start at 9:15 at the February general meeting. The fee is due at the time of sign up. We have room for 35 quilters and sign up is first come, first served. Packets with detailed information will be given to paid attendees at the March general meeting.

Elaine Brett and Ellen Cannon

FALL: A committee meeting will be held after the April 3rd Board meeting.

ROAD TRIPS: BUS to AQS DAYTONA

By Pat Delia

We're going to the Daytona AQS show by bus on **February 24th**. The last opportunity to pay for your space on the bus is the February guild meeting (Feb 20th). Forty dollars (\$40) gets you your seat on the bus, show ticket and tip for the driver. All Stars is helping with the expense of this trip.

The bus will pull out of the First Christian Church parking lot at 8:00 am and head to Daytona. We will stop at a rest area for a bathroom break on the way down, and arrive at the Ocean Center at approximately 9:30 am. I will have your show tickets to disperse as you exit the bus. There is a food court at the show and local restaurants to walk to.

The bus will pick us up where we are dropped off at 3:00 pm. Please don't be late. There will be another bathroom stop on the way back to Jacksonville. Arrival at First Christian Church will be approximately 5:00 pm. Some of the Friendship Guild members will be traveling with us, please make them feel welcome.

SHOW & TELL see pics on website under "Sit & Stitch"

1. Raney Manning shared a blue and white kaleidoscope quilt.

2. Sharon Buquo showed a snowball 9-patch scrappy quilt, and her Watermelon Dream quilt.

3. Sue Blythe brought her green Christmas tree.

4. Mary Anne Dennis had two UFOs: Doc & Kitty Quilts (2020-2021), and placemats started in 2004.

- 5. Patty Wallace told us the story of how her jacket ended up with Lynn Turpin.
- 6. New member Mary Clausi showed her Hen quilt made with a Laura Heine pattern.
- 7. Guest Susann Courtney showed her pastel French Roses quilt.

Welcome to Susan Pinkston, our new Show & Tell chair! Be sure to sign in on the new form she is making for us.

SIT & STITCH

By Trish Egbert & Mary Anne Dennis

There will be one Sit 'n Stitch morning this month, **February 13**. We'll have the doors open by 9:30 a.m. Bring a project to work on and show off to the rest of us.

Of course, you may instead come to work on one of our ongoing community service activities. Mary Anne will have kits to make utility bags. Trish will have scraps and finished squares to sew into quilts to donate. Bring your machine and sewing supplies or your favorite cutting tools to help with these worthy projects. Or just bring your willingness to pitch in, and we'll set you up with a helpful job to do.

A pattern for the current scrap quilt we are working on, alternating star and 16-patch blocks, is available on the guild website. (Thanks to Sunnie Malesky for writing it up for us.) Click on "Service" to find the pattern. Mary Anne's instructions for making utility bags are also available there

The next demo will be Mary Anne's Four-Patch Posey quilt on March 13. Looking forward to seeing you on the second Monday of the month!

COMMUNITY STAR QUILT PATTERN!

See a pic on page 6 of the 16-Patch & Star pattern Trish has suggested for your Community Service sewing! Of course, you may make any pattern you like...this is just a fun & easy one if you can't decide! Trish would also like to share some of her vast collection of scraps to help you get started, or possibly make the entire thing!

The pattern is on our website under "Service".

Sit & Stitch will have special Community Service days on a 5th Monday in a month.

UFOs 2023

By Mary Anne Dennis

Get ready to pick up your NEW punch card for tracking UFOs for 2023. UFO projects must be more than 1 year old. With 5 punches, you get a gift; with 10 punches, you get a Cinnamon's gift certificate. Competition will start THIS MONTH and all projects must be quilt projects. Get 'em done and bring 'em in!

WAYS & MEANS

We all enjoy so many wonderful activities during the year...but what all that went away? Our membership dues & class fees cover only part of the All Stars' expenses, so we depend on some fund-raisers to help provide more...including much of our Community Service work!

You probably don't quite understand what the Ways & Means chair and committee do. The chair is really a coordinator...doesn't have to think up all the ideas, doesn't have to do all the work, just needs to keep track of what's going on and make sure it falls in a good place on our calendar.

Most projects can have their own committee member in charge, someone who is excited about the activity. This works well as one person does a temporary job and is not "tied down" for the whole year. The Ways & Means chair would provide support.

There are several major fund-raising ideas just waiting for a volunteer to get this committee started and scheduled! Two are wonderful raffle ideas, and some more have been suggested to the Board...

BUT we can't get started until we have a chair!

Please give this some consideration, and talk to Sherry about taking a role in the guild. Learning more will not commit you to the job...but we are waiting for someone to step forward!

FREEDIE TABLE RETURNS THIS MONTH!

By Linda Harper

Check out the Free Table for items you may be looking to complete a project or start one. The picture is a well worn quilt donated and needs a home.

There are also some vintage lace & lines, books, and art quilt magazines, too. No items will be carried over to the next month!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

FEBRUARY

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MARCH

LINDA WILSON
BETTY OLSON
KAREN PASIUK
SANDRA KAYE
BONNIE TAYLOR
GEORGIA MORRIS
KIM IRELAND



ODDS & ENDS

Please help support QuiltFest by hitting the "LIKE" and "SHARE" buttons when you read one of Sondie's interesting posts on Facebook! Haven't seen them? Search for Quiltfest Jax and "FOLLOW"!

You can see many pages on Facebook without signing up for it! Don't be afraid to look!

QUILT SHOW IN AMELIA ISLAND

Feb 17 & 18, 9am till 5pm Atlantic Recreational Center 2500 Atlantic Ave, Fernandina Beach 32034

A Haiku for Quilters A thread-covered shirt Suddenly appears in line Before the cashier.



Baby Lock Accomplish – Model BL 520B

MARKET-

FOR SALE

Purchased less than 1 year ago, original price \$1078, asking \$750, cash only Includes all the original parts with the manual, hands-free knee lifter, telescoping thread stand, extension table and pin feed system. It also has a general purpose foot, zipper foot, invisible zipper foot, ¼" foot, free motion foot, seam guide, walking foot and 20 bobbins.

This machine has a thread cutter and a needle threader and is a straight stitch machine.

Mary Jeanette Howle mjmhowle@gmail.com 904-868-6666

Are you looking to sell a top-end machine, long-arm system, sewing room furniture or other special items?

Besides listing it here, you may want to try the Florida Quilt Network, a monthly online publication that includes news from all around the state.

http://www.floridaquiltnetwork.com/newsletters/news288.html

Be sure to send the info exactly as it will appear, with a picture if available. You will want to add where it can be picked up (but save your address for the person who contacts you!) like "Jacksonville, FL".

Did You Sell Some Rail Fence Style Blocks????

I bought a bunch of finished blocks at one of our guild sale days and would love to know what the original sewist had in mind. They are 5 different values (in separate zip lock bags) of strips of blues, purples and greens, totaling at least 60 finished blocks and lots of scraps. They're too pretty to leave lying around while I spend time ruminating about how to put them together .. If they were yours, please contact me. Thanks...I'd love to make a cohesive masterpiece! Karen Weisman Kjwsew@yahoo.com. 904 302-4784

