

*The* **ALL STAR**

# GAZETTE

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**ISSUE 4**

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### APRIL

**3 BOARD MEETING 10 am**  
All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings.  
Gazette deadline is midnight tonight

**10 CLASS: Mabel Holiman - Judy Niemeyer table runner PART 1 -**  
Cost \$20.00

**15 QF SEWCIAL SATURDAY**  
at Cinnamon's 1:30— 5:00

**17 GENERAL MEETING 10 am**  
Deb Strain from MODA will discuss fabric design

**24 CLASS: Mabel Holiman - Judy Niemeyer table runner PART 2**

### MAY

**1 BOARD MEETING 10 am**  
All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings.  
Gazette deadline is midnight tonight

**8 SIT & STITCH Demo: QAYG**  
batting squares provided

**15 GENERAL MEETING 10 am**  
Linda Sill Creative Quilting  
"A Quilter's Journey"

**17-8-9 SPRING RETREAT**

**22 (full day) & 23 (1/2 day)**  
**CLASS: COLLAGE QUILT**

**29 Sit & Stitch: Comm. Service**  
day *new pattern!*  
day or your own project

**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 MARCH GENERAL MEETING

All Star Quilters' Guild General Meeting March 20th, 2023

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

Sherry thanked Sharon Tomore for getting the guild another "Square" and for updating the guild's brochure.

Sherry asked if there were any corrections to the February General Meeting Minutes.

There were none. Mary Anne Dennis made a motion to accept the minutes as published, Linda Marsh seconded the motion.

Sherry stated that we will vote on which charity will receive our raffle quilt proceeds. Samantha Howell (for Raney Manning) told the guild about Foster Closet. Pat D'Elia told the guild about Vision Education and Rehabilitation. And Linda McClelland told the guild about Isaiah 117. Ballots were circulated and results will be announced later in the meeting.

Sherry announced that she and Sunnie Malesky will be co-chairs for the Fall Retreat. The planning meeting is April 3rd, right after the board meeting.

Sherry announced that there are still openings for the Spring Retreat, sign up after the meeting.

Vice President/Programs Sherry Verell (for Raney Manning) announced that the April program will be Deb Strain from Moda. The May meeting will be Linda Sill from Creative Quilting.

Treasurer Sharon Tomore gave her treasurer's report. The 3/6/23 opening balance was \$10,006.03, income totaled \$1,407.32, expenses totaled \$241.20 and the ending balance was \$11,172.15.

Corresponding Secretary/Community Service Terri Chamberlain stated that she sent no cards out this month.

30 quilts were donated to Daniel Kids. 5 quilts went to Safe Harbor. 121 Utility bags were donated to three charities. Hartfelt would appreciate donations of lap size quilts, they service 200 new seniors each year.

Education Pris Roehm stated that Mable Holiman's table runner class will be April 10th and April 24th. The collage quilt class will be May 22nd and 23rd.

Website Pris Roehm reminded the guild of the new email address.

Featured Quilter Linda Marsh stated that Karen Pasiuk is the featured quilter.

Hospitality Elfriede Echt thanked the members who supplied today's snacks. She passed around the sign up sheet for April and May.

Library/Challenge Vicki Zoller encouraged the guild to take advantage of our library. Email Vicki if you are looking for something specific.

The theme for the Challenge is "Recycle". The reveal will be in July.

Newsletter Sunnie Malesky reminded the guild that the newsletter is available 24/7 on the website.

Food Bank Vondy Hilbert shared with the guild that she collected \$716 in cash and checks and another \$350 in food, for a total of \$1066. Sondie Frus went with Vondy to deliver the food and took pictures.

QuiltFest/Road Trips Pat D'Elia reminded the guild about the April 15th event at Cinnamons. There will be a QuiltFest meeting at the church on Tuesday at 6:30. (not the usual meeting place) The QuiltFest theme will be "Sew Full of Whimsey" and will take place September 14th - 16th. Quilts are needed for the Silent Auction.

Pedscare Hospice will be the recipient of the auction proceeds.

Pat stated that the guild spent \$300 on the Daytona trip and everyone had a good time. Please send Pat suggestions for future road trips.

Ways and Means QuiltFest Ellen Cannon explained that Quiltfest needs sponsors for the prizes. Companies or individuals can be sponsors and sponsorships range from \$100 to \$300. They also need companies or individuals to place ads which start at \$25. More information will follow to be a friend of QuiltFest.

Sit 'n Stitch Trish Egbert stated that on March 27th Mary Anne Dennis will demonstrate the 4 Patch Posie. There will be no Sit 'n Stitch in April. On May 8th Linda McClelland will give a quilt as you go demonstration. On May 29th Trish will introduce a new 16 patch quilt design. She is collecting blue stars until Spring Retreat. The pattern is on the website. Trish reminded the guild that it is National Quilting Month and encouraged members to celebrate it. Let her know what you do to celebrate.

Utility Bags/UFOs Mary Anne Dennis she is still sewing and collecting bags. She has precut bags available.

She reminded the guild to be sure to let her know when you Show 'n Tell a UFO.

Raffle Quilt The votes were tallied and Isaiah 117 will be the recipient of the proceeds.

Membership Susan Sharpe stated that we have one new member, 89 members present and we now have a total of 161 members. Susan thanked Karen Duffy and Laura Rowe for being greeters.

Sherry Verell and Sue Blythe were the winners of the door prizes.

Susan shared her idea of having a guild T shirt. We will be choosing a logo at the board meeting.

Program Sherry (for Raney Manning) introduced Sue Hurley, Quilting with Rulers.

Show 'n Tell Delia Bright (for Susan Kingston) 12 members shared their quilts.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM

Respectfully submitted

Donna Caldarise

Recording Secretary

## **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.

This is now the only address you receive official guild business emails from.

# CHALLENGE

By Vicki Zoller

## **2023 Guild Challenge: *Recycled***

I hope many of you have gathered together your recycled fabrics and maybe other materials are in the process of creating your Challenge quilt. There are only a few rules: 1. You must use some recycled materials on the front of your quilt. 2. You cannot re-enter a quilt that was a previous Challenge entry. 3. Your quilt should measure no more than 180" on total sides. That is it!

We will vote on our favorites at the July general meeting and the top three winners will receive \$30 gift cards from Cinnamon's.

I look forward to seeing all of your entries! Happy Quilting!

# COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Terri Chamberlain

## **APPLAUSE**

March Food Bank - cash/checks \$716 - Food \$350 = total \$1,066.00  
HartFelt - delivered 13 quilts

## **APPEAL**

Hartfelt - 80 new Seniors in the first quarter of this year. They love sharing a quilt with each new client. Any size quilt is appreciated.

\*\*\*Note - Community Service Batting

Batting is available for any quilt you are donating to one of our charities.

Please contact Sharon Buquo by text message ( 904-928-9300) with your request.

## **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

## **UTILITY BAGS**

By Mary Anne Dennis

This project continues! See Mary Anne if you would like a pre-cut bag to sew. Instructions are on our website at [www.allstarquilters.org](http://www.allstarquilters.org) under the SERVICE button near the top.

# CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

By Terri Chamberlain

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

Cards sent in April

Adriane Elwood - Thinking of you

Lisa Anderson - Recovering Surgery

Sheri Harnack - Recovering Surgery

## EDUCATION

By Ellen Cannon

You know when we were talking about and planning for Mabel Holiman's paper piecing class it seemed a long ways off. Wow! It is next Monday, the 10th. I hope you have all your homework done. This class is being held in two parts. That way you will have the opportunity to go home work on your piece. If questions arise you can get them answered on the 24th at part 2 of the class. I can not wait to see all the beautiful table runners.

May 24th brings the collage class. Have you signed up? This class is a day and a half. This way you will work on your piece on day one and on day two you will learn how to finish it. If you chose a small piece you could take home a close to finished wall hanging. The price for this class is \$65.00. Remember it is a full day and half class. **You choose your own pattern and fabric (samples below).** I have gotten mine, it is a bouquet of flowers.

July brings a HOW DO I TAKE CARE OF MY FEATHERWEIGHT class. This class is being taught by our own Vondy Hilbert. The cost is \$10.00 and the date is July 24th. We will begin signing up for this class at the next meeting.

August will bring a class taught by Georgina Lewis. Remember, she was the program in February and had all the beautiful quilts. Well she is planning something special for this guild. We are still working on all the details so stay tuned, more information to come.

I am already thinking about demo day. You know that is in November. Anyone have a suggestion for a theme? I am all ears!

Happy Easter everyone!!



**Choose your own Laura Heine pattern for the May collage class! There are many!!!!**

**FEATURED**



# QUILTER

By Linda Marsh

Samantha Howell is from northern Virginia, and being from a military family, she has lived in many places during her life, but says living in Germany for two years was her favorite location. She has lived in the Jacksonville area for 11 years, and has been quilting for 10 years.

Sam learned to quilt with a small group of ladies at a church that took her in when she knew no one in the group, and gave her a purpose. Her first quilt was a log cabin, which she still has today, and uses it for her TV quilt.

Sam has been in our All Stars Guild for 2 years and was invited by ladies in her Thursday sewing group. Sam most enjoys listening to the guild's guest speaker presentations and finds being inspired by others in the guild makes her want to learn more and try new things. Sam also belongs to a quilt group in Callahan.

After serving in the Vietnam War, life was never the same for Sam's uncle. Sam wanted to give him something to reflect the amount of love she has for him and all he has done for our country, and help alleviate the pain he continues to endure each day from his many decades-ago service. Sam designed the quilt in the photo for her uncle who served in Vietnam.

In addition to quilting, Sam enjoys cooking. She is married, and has 3 children and 5 grandchildren.

Most people don't know Sam's husband was in the film industry when they first moved to Jacksonville. Her brother-in-law owned a production company which needed a personal assistant for a short they were filming. Sam got to be an assistant and stand in for lighting for Paula Deen, and Sam says "yes, you all, she is as beautiful in person as on TV."



# HISTORIAN

By Sandy Onsager

April 1995: One of the guild members read a translated letter from the Scrappy Sewers from our Russian Sister City (wonder whatever happened to that letter).

The executive board decided that in the future, fees will be paid to our guild members who teach a class. A guild flea market took in \$364.

# HOSPITALITY

By Elfreide Echt

We will have refreshments at the April meeting, thanks to:

Healthy     Barbara Nichols  
Decadent Chocolate     Kathleen Voigt  
Savory     Patti Sanders  
Your Specialty Treat     Vicky Zoller  
Sweet or Salty     Pat D'Elia  
Drinks     Linda McClelland  
Drinks     Terri Chamberlain

## **LIBRARY**

**By Vicki Zoller**

### **Library News: A new DVD**

We have a great new video to add to the guild library. Artful Log Cabins with Katie Pasquini Masopust is an iquilt DVD. I have been watching it and I am excited to try to make an artful log cabin. If you can make a regular log cabin, you can easily step up to making this art quilt. You use the same basic techniques, but work from a photo, make a grid, and sew blocks. The whole process is less exacting than making a regular cabin, but the examples shown in the video are stunning.

Even if you don't think you actually want to make an artful log cabin, the video is a lot of fun to watch. It is kind of like watching a cooking show, but not actually making the dish. I bet all of us have done that! Stop by the library and give this video a look. Or maybe there is something else in the library that might spark your imagination. You never know until you look!.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

**By Susan Sharpe**

Eighty-nine members attended the General Meeting held on March 20, 2023, at First Christian Church. We had one guest and two new members: Randy Powers and Debbie Wallace. There are now 161 members in All Star Quilters' Guild.

Due to so many new members (Welcome to all of you), please bring and wear your name tag. Effective January 2023, failure to bring/wear your nametag will cost you 50 cents. Remember, new members get a two-month grace period so they can design/make their own name tag.

Thank you to everyone who signed up to be a greeter for those who come into our meeting without knowing anyone. We implemented this "operation" in March and it worked out beautifully. Laura Rowe and Karen Duffy were our first greeters and each greeted a guest. Understandably, there may not be enough time before the start of the meeting to impart all we want a person to know about our guild, but he/she won't have to spend time standing alone, wondering. 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 at or before 9:30 am, choose a seat and perhaps save an extra seat for the guest; then linger near the membership table so I can connect you to the guest. Lynne McCrork and Kathleen Voigt have vol-

unteered for April 2023; thank you both. I still have openings if there is a member who did not get a chance to sign up; please see me.

**T-Shirts:** The board has voted on the logo to go on each t-shirt (a picture will be shown at the General Meeting). While the color(s) of the logo may be pending at the time you read this, we can proceed to signing up and ordering. I intend to have the color(s) chosen before the General Meeting. This logo will be on the front of the t-shirt (on the back of the polo). If you want to buy a shirt, be prepared to choose: 1) t-shirt or polo; 2) color for the shirt; and 3) for the t-shirt, which neckline: crew or V-neck. At the last meeting, I told you it was \$20 for a t-shirt and \$40 for a polo. As you can understand, I need a commitment of a "promise to pay" for each shirt ordered, in return for my promise the price will not exceed the stated price. My hope is member participation will exceed all expectations and the price will go lower. The aim here was not necessarily to make money for the guild through the sale of the shirts, but to add a unifying

factor to the guild through the wearing of them.

Thank you,

Membership

Susan Sharpe, Chair

Sheron Walser

Bobbie Redshaw

## PROGRAMS

**APRIL 17:** Deb Strain from Moda Fabrics will discuss design.

**MAY 15:** Linda Sill from Creative Quilting with "A Quilter's Journey"

**JUNE 19:** TBA

**JULY 17:** RECYCLE Challenge

## QUILTFEST

QUILTFEST dates, September 14-16, 2023

**REGISTRATION is now OPEN**

QUILTFEST is picking up the parking fee (\$10)

TICKETS will be available in ADVANCE

### **Silent Auction for QuiltFest**

As in the past, there will be a Silent Auction of small quilts ( no larger than 24x24) at QuiltFest this year The proceeds from this auction go to the chosen charity, which is Community Hospice Pedscare. We are hoping to be able to make a larger than usual donation to this organization ( one our guild personally supports). Please assist by donating a quilt or placing a bid.

### **QuiltFest SEWcial Event at Cinnamon's**

Be sure to come to the QuiltFest/Cinnamons event **on April 15th**. All the guilds are invited, including ones that are not currently members of QuiltFest.

It's purpose is to provide time to mingle, promote guild memberships, explain QuiltFest's needs and goals, get information about Silent Auction, learn new things ( demos),and do some shopping!



The event runs from 1:30 to 5:00pm. Please bring a snack to share. Drinks will be provided.

Parking is in limited supply, but we are allowed to park in the dentist's lot and the day-care next to Cinnamons. Carpool if you can. This is an Open House type scenario, come when you can, stay as long as you like.

## QF QUILTERS WALK BASKETS

By Linda McClelland

We are planning to offer two raffle "baskets" at QuitFest again this year. The first is pictured here. We have the sewing caddy, now we need to fill it with new items to convince sewers they want to win it. We need new (or regifted) items such as: Scissors, rotary cutters and blades, rulers 18" or less, marking pens, pins, pincushion, a mug rug, fabric postcards, and perhaps some fat quarters (we think aqua/turquoise would complement the caddy). What else do you think would be nice.

Our second basket is designed to appeal to both quilters and non-quilters who also come to the show and would like to win something useful. It's called "Game On". Suggested items are:

Sudoku, Crosswords, other word games, card games, puzzles, a board game or two, snacks for the game table, novelty cocktail-size napkins. What do you think would be fun to add?



You may bring your contributions to the General Meeting and give them to Deborah Pearce or Linda McClelland. If you would prefer to contribute cash, we will use that to supplement what isn't provided. Thanks!



## QUILTS of VALOR

No report

## 2023 RAFFLE QUILT Our 2023 Charity

**ISAIAH HOUSE** <https://isaiah117house.com/purpose>

Providing a safe and comfortable place for children who have been removed from their homes and are waiting foster care.

# RETREATS

## SPRING:

We still have openings for Spring Retreat on May 17, 18, and 19. We will finish the sign ups for available slots at this month's General Meeting. Only \$55 for three days of fun with your friends! Packets will be given out at the April meeting.  
Elaine Brett and Ellen Cannon



Our 2023 Raffle Quilt!  
"Baskets of Whimsy"

## FALL:

We have our first planning meeting for the Fall Retreat. Thanks to our volunteer committee members! The next meeting (committee only) will be after the May 15th General Meeting

Retreat dates this year are October 23-27, 2023 when Scrappy Days Are Here Again!

## ROAD TRIPS: By Pat Delia

I'm working on something in the next month or so. I'm thinking about taking a group to Cut Up and Sew in Palm Coast, FL. Joshua, the owner, did a program for us last year. He is very enthusiastic and has made a lot of changes in that shop since he purchased it.

Let me know if you like this idea and we'll get on the ROAD!

## SHOW & TELL for FEBRUARY

By Susan Kingston.

March Show & Tell

1. Leahrae Newell 2 wall hangings in the shape of names (Haydin and Andy)
2. Lorraine Carter Necktie quilt with red border
3. Karen Weisman UFO table runner & 6 placemats in blue
4. Debra Huisinga Hawaiian Memory yellow border
5. Karen Duffy Valor Quilt Eagle with red-white-blue and Batik Quilt with pink & yellow border checks
6. Ellen Cannon Fruits and 4 Seasons (2 quilts)
7. Janice Martin 3 UFOs: Dining In (red & black) Kaleidoscope (kaleidoscope) and Diamond Rings (rainbow colors)
8. Laura Rowe UFO Dogwood Quilt from Gay Montgomery pink-blue-brown

- 9. Susan Sharpe UFO Curved Log Cabin (multicolor)
- 10. Deb Frain Mirror, Mirror (blue & indigo) Asymmetrical (same colors & blocks, different layout) Sweatshirt Jacket (blue & purple)
- 11. Pris Roehm a beautiful bag!
- 12. Sharon Buquo finished Gay Montgomery quilt (Fall colors)

## SIT & STITCH

By Trish Egbert & Mary Anne Dennis

After lots happening in March, nothing's happening in April! There is no Sit 'n Stitch morning next month. A class is scheduled on the second Monday in April, instead of Sit 'n Stitch.

Mary Anne's demo for cutting out a Four-Patch Posey quilt on March 27 was a big success. At least a dozen All Stars learned the secrets of creating this fun and beautiful pattern.

Our next demo is a nifty quilt-as-you-go technique presented by Linda McClelland on May 8. Be on the lookout for details next newsletter.

Trish is still working on the alternating star and 16-patch quilt pattern for Community Service. (The pattern for this quilt is available on the guild website. Click on "Service" to find it.) One with green stars is complete, and looks terrific! Trish is now accepting 16-patch blocks and blue star blocks for another one. Any blue on any white background is acceptable. The 16-patch blocks should be as scrappy as you like. This quilt will be put together at spring retreat. Afterwards, we'll start a new pattern with the 16-patch blocks (but no stars).

If you need/want fabric for these, contact Trish, or visit the community service fabric table at the monthly meeting. Plenty, and I mean plenty, of donated fabric is available.

## UFOs 2023

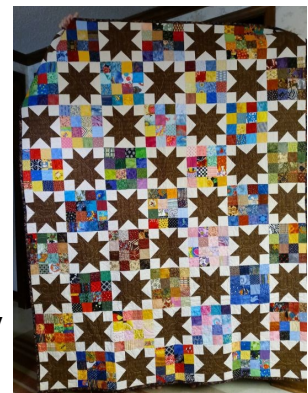
By Mary Anne Dennis

So popular, some people are already close to getting their gift card for completing 10 quilts! Remember to note on the Show & Tell sign-in list if you have a UFO, and get your card punched. No card? See Mary Anne Dennis!



## WAYS & MEANS

Several projects are being undertaken by individuals, but we could still use a person to be the chair of this committee. Let Sherry know!



# FREEBIE TABLE!

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.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### APRIL

1 MARY CLAUSI  
3 JANICE MARTIN  
4 CANDY SCHLADT  
6 SHARON BUQUO  
6 SAMANTHA HOWELL  
7 VALERIE BOUFFARD  
12 MARSHA BOOKSTAVER  
13 TRISH EGBERT  
15 MAUREEN ORR  
17 GAY MONTGOMERY  
20 PATTY WALLACE  
21 SHEILA SCHULER  
23 PAT D'ELIA  
23 MARY ANNE DENNIS  
24 SUSAN KINGSTON  
26 DEBORAH OLSON  
26 DEBORAH PEARCE

### MAY

6 KITTY BARRETT  
6 ELAINE BRETT  
6 ANDREA PELLEGRINO  
7 SHIRLEY SIMMONS  
13 FRANCES HALLETT  
15 LISA ANDERSON  
21 MABLE HOLIMAN  
22 DIANE FALCONER  
29 SUE PRICE

## 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"!

### Yard Sale at Cinnamon's

Cinnamon's 2nd Stash to Treasure Sale will take place Saturday, April 22 from 9am to

Noon!

# MARKETPLACE

## Need Preventative Maintenance performed on your Featherweight?

\$45 Includes:

- Clean
- Oil
- Lube motor and gears
- Check belt & adjust if necessary
- Test stitch quality & adjust tension as needed

Additional minor adjustments and repairs for additional cost

Contact Vondy Hilbert

lled@comcast.net

904-476-3776 (text or call)



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## ***FOR SALE***

### **FEATHERWERIGHT Accessories**

Vintage, in box with instructions

**Pinking attachment**—Simanco 121110—\$60

**Buttonholer attachment**—branded SINGER 121795— \$25

Contact Sherry Verell 662-8429 (handling sale for the guild)