

# The All Star Gazette

## August 2025 Meeting Dates

- Aug 4 **Board Meeting.** 10:00 am. All members are welcome to attend.
- Aug 11 **Sit and Stitch.** 10:00 am – noon. Setup 9:30. Everyone Welcome!
- Aug 18 **General Meeting.** 10:00 am. Social Time 9:30 am.  
Program – Nikki Hill: Trunk Show and Slide Presentation.
- Aug 25 **Painting Fabric.** Erica Dodge. Class is full. See page 5 for more information.

*Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at the First Christian Church, 11924 San Jose Blvd.*

## August 18, 2025 Meeting Notes

**50/50 Raffle** – Buy tickets for a chance to take home some extra cash.  
**Raffle Quilt Tickets Are On Sale!** All proceeds go to Volunteers in Medicine.  
**Class Sign Ups**  
**Library, Fabric Table and Treasure Table are open!**  
**QuiltFest Tickets early sale.** \$15-General; \$14-Senior/Military (*see page 6*)

## Education Classes 2025

- Aug 25 **Fabric Painting** (Erica Dodge) Beginners to Advanced.
- Sept 29 **Christmas Tree Skirt** (Mary Anne Dennis) Beginners to Advanced.
- Nov 10 **Demo Day!**

*See page 5 for more information on individual classes.*

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*Aug 25 National Park Service Day*

## Treasure Table

We LOVE the Treasure Table!

If you donate to the Treasure Table, don't forget to check after the meeting and collect any of your unclaimed donations. If you have any questions about the table, please contact Shirley Carpenter [scarpenter5552@gmail.com](mailto:scarpenter5552@gmail.com).

## QuiltFest Boutique

### URGENT NOTICE:

- August Guild meeting is your **Last Chance** to pick up forms to sell your Boutique items.
- See Deb Frain to pick up your forms and answer any questions you may have.
- Reminder: Drop off dates are Tuesday & Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at the prime Osborne (during Judging)

Due to the success of the QuiltFest Boutique last year we're excited for its return **Thanks to you all!** With that said we are looking forward to seeing even more of your creations this year.

As members of the 7 Sister QuiltFest Guilds we all have the opportunity to sell our unique creations at the QuiltFest Boutique; 15% goes to QuiltFest and you keep the rest.

**Note:** Many of the items last year were purchased for gifts and the colorful eye-catching ones sold very well.

Below is a list of "some" items that would be good for the Boutique. Whether its hand sewn or a sewing machine has been used to make it, then you are probably OK.

**Note:** we are not allowing crochet or knit items

### Boutique Items to consider:

Kitchen & Household: aprons, placemats, potholders, dish towels, dish cozies, mug rugs, napkins, decorator pillows, pillowcases, rope bowls, fabric bowls, tablet covers

Bags: purses, change purses, cosmetic bags, jewelry cases, tote bags, travel bags, Dopp kits, backpacks, curling iron bag, shoe bag, grocery bags, treat bag/holders

For Children: tooth fairy pillow, stuffed animals, dolls & clothes, bibs, hairbows/headbands

Sewing supplies: project bags, supplies bags, ruler bags, sewing machine/aprons, sewing Pin cushion/trash bags, thread bags, sewing machine covers

Quilted clothing: quilted jackets, quilted vest

Other gifts: gift card holders, covered notebooks/journals, post cards, note cards

Holiday: holiday decorations, ornaments, Christmas trees, tree skirts, Christmas stockings, Fall/Thanksgiving, Halloween, wall hangings-no larger than 24x24

**Looking forward to seeing your creations! Start your engines and Happy Sewing!**

*-Deb Frain*

## November Quilt Chat: Other Techniques!

Do you have a quilt made with "other techniques"? It could be a crazy quilt, embroidery, yo-yos, or unique fabrics. Cathedral Windows is another well-known style, or a "folded" Log Cabin! Maybe the quilt uses an unusual applique technique. Check out the Other Techniques category at Quilt Fest! We're looking for quilts that are not the type you see every day

If you'd like to be part of this year's Quilt Chat program, November 17, (or just learn more about it!) contact Sunnie Malesky at [sunsky@comcast.net](mailto:sunsky@comcast.net) or catch her at a meeting or Sit & Stitch! We always have a good time sharing some treasures we've made or collected.

*-Sunnie Malesky*

## Brown Bag Mystery Reveal in October

Our October 20th program will be a reveal of quilts made from the Brown Bag Mystery Project! If you took a bag, you still have plenty of time to finish your quilt...or show the top!

It's fun to see what each person did with the fabric provided, as each bag had totally different contents. And we love to hear the stories, trials, and tribulations of working with these odd-ball collections.

All quilts will go to Community Service to be distributed as needed.

*-Sunnie Malesky*




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## Library News: Wanted — One Librarian

After serving as the All Star librarian for many years, I am ready to hand over the books to a new person. In the almost 20 years that I have been a member of All Stars, there have only been two librarians— Marsha Bookstaver and me. I think the fact that both of us had such long tenures in the job indicate that it is an enjoyable position. We wouldn't have done it so long if it weren't fun! But relax, you don't have to take on the job for the rest of your life! However, I do have everything ready to go for you. I just completed the yearly inventory, sent out emails to members who need to return materials, and even have some books set aside for a possible book sale.

If you are interested in becoming Guild librarian, stop by the library at the next general meeting and I can give you further details. I find that getting involved in All Stars activities is a great way to give back to the Guild that has given so much to me.

You can also stop by the library this month just to browse. Maybe you will find a project to inspire you. Then with QuiltFest coming up, you can shop for fabric to make your quilt dream come true!

*-Vicki A. Zoller*

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## Raffle Tickets for Charity Quilt

**We have 70 packets of tickets that have been picked up and 50 have been returned. That is not even half of the number of members we have!!** Come by and pick up an envelope and take with you to book club or bunco!!! Be sure and show the picture of our beautiful quilt and let them know its for charity, Volunteers in Medicine!! Thanks!!!!

*-Deborah Pearce*

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## Ways and Means

We will continue to do our 50/50 raffle in August. Thank you to everyone who has been participating.

We also have a sewing machine raffle coming up in December. Tickets will be available starting in October.

*-Trisha Gros*

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## Featured Quilter – Deb Frain

*You may know Deb Frain as one of the winners of this years' All Star Challenge. Or maybe you took her very successful class on rope baskets. I got to know Deb better when we shared a table at the All Star fall retreat a few years ago. (By the way, retreats are a great way to make new friends.) Deb is also a member of the 12 x 12 group. We are all impressed her talent! We are fortunate to have Deb in the Guild.*

*I will let Deb tell you about her quilting journey in her own words.*

I'm originally from a farming community in south west Michigan then moved to Montana via St Louis, Missouri for nearly 20 years before retiring in Florida, 8 years ago.

My sewing journey began at 7 years old when my Aunt showed me a Singer hand crank sewing machine . . . I went from making doll clothes by hand to joining 4H and never looked back. My journey was clothing at the time and in high school I was lucky to get a job at "The Plaza Fabric Shoppe" to me this was like a kid in a candy store and I loved it!



I saved a piece of fabric from almost everything I made in my High school/collage days with the Idea I would make a crazy quilt when I retire. That all changed while living in Montana and a co-worker half my age made a photo quilt . . . I quickly called my sisters and asked each to send pictures of their families with the idea I would make our Mother a Birthday quilt.

I had no idea how much quilting would change my life . . . I took a beginning quilting class and many more quilt classes' as well, I wanted to try everything! My first quilting retreat was with the local Quilting in the Country quilt shop and it was amazing to say the least!!!!

It was there where I met so many Great Friends.

Little did I know that Quilting would take me on a life changing Journey . . . Great Friendships, Retreats, Quilting Groups, Travel, Quilt Guild, Quilt Shows and my cottage longarm business.

The times spent with my Quilt friends are some of my favorite times together . . . especially at retreats . . . not a lot of sleep but so much fun and stories that will last a lifetime.

Ironically I was diagnosed with breast cancer 2 months before my quilting journey began . . . needless to say is was quite scary at the time . . . but once I started quilting I couldn't stop, there was so much I wanted to learn and quilts to be made . . . talk about the best and worst time of your life!!! . . . Like I said earlier "little did I know that Quilting would take me on a life changing Journey". So lucky to be inspired by fellow Quilters . . .

Did I ever make that crazy quilt . . . Not Yet.

*-Vicki Zoller*

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## Historian

August 1998 a big pile of strawberry pin cushions were made for our Quiltfest booth giveaway. I seem to remember those being made again in the mid 2000's for our booth giveaway. A new service project was announced, quilted wall hangings for the expanded Ronald McDonald house.

*- Sandy Onsager*

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## Membership

Ninety-six members of All Star Quilters' Guild attended the General Meeting on July 21, 2025, at First Christian Church. We had five guests and two new members: Lynda Duncan and Connie McElmurray. All Star Quilters' Guild now has 159 recorded members.

It is fairly quiet in the Membership department so let me take this opportunity to thank Sheron and Bobbie for the great help they provide signing everyone in and all that entails. A special thank you to Ellen Cannon who helped while Sheron worked with Trisha distributing t-shirts at the July meeting. See you all at the next meeting. Thank you.

*-Susan Sharpe, Sheron Walser, Bobbie Redshaw*

## Education

September 29, 2025. There are still openings for Mary Ann's Christmas Tree Skirt with three patterns to choose from. Patterns are available at the sign-up desk.

October and December have the Fall Retreat and the Christmas party, but don't forget **Demo Day** on November 10th. We have eight fabulous instructors who will demonstrate simple tricks to enhance your quilting experience.

For those ten quilters who are taking Erica Dodge's **Fabric Painting** class on August 25, here is the supply list:

- Apron or old clothes that you don't mind getting paint on
- Hair dryer
- Different sized paint brushes
- Different types of fabric to experiment on.

**NOTE:** This class is six hours 9:00 – 3:00.

*-Jill Kelly*



*Classes begin at 10:00 am. unless otherwise noted.*

*Your Supply List is available when you sign up and is also on the Website.*

## Programs

**August** - Nikki Hill from St Augustine. She is an award winning quilter involved in our QuiltFest as well as AQS shows. She wins ribbons everywhere. A trunk show and slide presentation.

**September** - Getting your quilts ready for the long-armer. This will be presented by Ms. Delia Bright and Ms. Angie Moore.

**October 20.** The Brown Bag Challenge Reveal. Get those charity quilts ready and we'll show them off!

*-Pat D'Elia*

## Corresponding Secretary

If you know of a member that a card should be sent, please contact Linda Harper. Linda's email and phone number are in the directory

## QuiltFest Reminders:



1. Tickets will be sold at the August general meeting. Please bring cash or check made out to QuiltFest. \$15 regular, \$14 senior/military.
2. Over 400 quilts have been registered. It'll be a good show. Thanks to all who entered.
3. Remember to bring any Silent Auction items to the August meeting and continue working on your boutique and sale room items.
4. Sign up to volunteer if you have not already done so. It is fun and rewarding and means so much to the success of the show.

*-Pat D'Elia*

## 2025 All Star Challenge Winners and Next Year's Challenge Theme

What do a blue elephant, a tower of giraffes, and a quilt 20 years in the making have in common? They are all winners of this year's Challenge, One Size Quilts All. Congratulations to Sheron Walser, Pat Hemsley, and Deb Frain for their winning quilts. Enjoy your \$40 gift card to Cinnamon's and be sure to hang your winner's ribbon in your sewing room. Show off your bragging rights!

This year we had 18 wonderful entries. We marveled at appliqué, patchwork, stars, denim, silk, an optical illusion, paper piecing, embroidery, modern and traditional quilts, original designs, and more! Everyone stayed within the 36" square requirement, which proved to be a challenge indeed. We all loved looking at the quilts, as well as hearing the interesting stories behind the quilts. Great work, everyone!

Big thank yous go to Mary Anne Dennis, Karol Blomgren, Ellen Cannon, Pris Roehm, and Karen Duffy for their assistance with the program. You all made everything run smoothly.

Now on to next year's Challenge. This is something completely different. I am soliciting themes until next January. Email me or write down your idea on paper and give it to me at the board meeting or general meeting. I will put all entries into a jar and draw the winning one at the January meeting. In the past I have come up with a theme or guild members have suggested a theme to me. But I always knew the theme before I announced it. This time I will find out when you do. Just a few suggestions for themes: Try to choose something challenging but something that people will actually do. Also I don't think we want full size quilts. We all have other projects to work on and there is only so much time. Other than that, go for it. You may even suggest a theme that we had some years ago. I hope to have many suggestions to pick from. This is your chance to be heard. There might even be a small prize for the winning entry!

*-Vicki A. Zoller*

## In Memory . . .

Former All Star president Dot Butler passed away in early June. Her loving family gathered for a private interment at Oaklawn Cemetery. Dot made beautiful quilts. She often had an entry in QuiltFest and the blue and yellow Signature quilt made for her by our members when she stepped down as president is prominently displayed on a wall in her sewing room.



*-Carol Gilliland*



## A QUILTER'S ODYSSEY



Our annual Fall Retreat is happening October 27 – 31, 2025 at The Retreat Center in Silver Springs, FL. (That is right next door to Ocala 😊.) There is plenty of friendship, fellowship and food. We have a few fun activities planned too. And you can sew to your heart's content or not. This is your week to do as you wish. It is always a good time when you are surrounded with people who share your love of quilting. The cost for the week is \$375 per individual, which includes all your meals and a place to lay your head. Seems like something you would like to do? Contact Sharon Tomore or Sherry Verell, your Retreat co-chairs. We only have a few spots left so don't hesitate. You never know what is in store for you on our Odyssey.

*-Sharon Tomore*




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## Community Service

**SHOUT OUT & THANK YOU** – The Community Service wants to thank everyone who so generously donated fabric to the sale table. This guild fundraising effort, as well as community service activity, isn't possible without YOU!

**Mystery Bag Quilts** – Coming Soon as October's Program – So if you need batting for this project, just reach out to Sharon Buquo or Joann Davenport with the size batting you need, and we'll get it to you at the next Guild meeting. We have members who can quilt or bind your community service quilts if you need the assistance.

Community Service Team –

Sharon Buquo - Fabric Table & Batting  
 Johnnie Wollard – Fabric Table  
 Randy Powers – Quilt Delivery  
 Gloria Hart – Food Bank  
 Joann Davenport - Community Service Chairman

*-Joann Davenport*

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## Fill Our Hearts with Love (and Poly-Fil)

We have received over 150 hearts so far from our guild to be stuffed at QuiltFest. That is wonderful! I bet we get more at our August meeting. That presents another opportunity, POLY-FIL. **We need Poly-Fil** to stuff all these hearts. Do you have a partial bag or box of Poly-Fil that you would like to get rid of? Maybe you would be willing to buy a bag or box? If so, bring it to the August general meeting.



These hearts are used in recovery of open heart surgery patients and breast surgery patients!

Thanks so much for your support!

*-Ellen Cannon*

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## Hospitality

*Thanks to these members for providing refreshments for our August meeting –*

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| Healthy               | Teri Willems     |
| Decadent Chocolate    | CJ Clark         |
| Savory                | Lynne McCrork    |
| Your specialty treat  | Diana Oliver     |
| Sweet or salty        | Karen Duffy      |
| Fruit/Veggie tray     | Jill Kelly       |
| 2 2 liter diet drinks | Gloria Hart      |
| 2 2 liter drinks      | Barbara Lumpiesz |

*-Elfriede Echt*

## Donations Needed

Mary Anne Dennis has been asked to teach a few women to sew at Cenacolo St. Maria Goretti and Our Lady of Hope. These women are about 18-30 years of age with a problem of drugs, alcohol, etc., in their past. This faith based organization runs on provenance only. Mary Anne is looking for possible donations of:

|                               |                                                                |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Small, Sharp Scissors         | Heat-n-Bond Lite                                               |
| Rulers: 3" or 4" X 12" or 14" | Little Red Clips                                               |
| 3" or 4" X 24" or 18"         | Canvas for Making Bags                                         |
| Square 6" to 8/9"             | Batting for small and medium quilts<br>(large pieces are okay) |

If you would like to donate supplies, please bring to Mary Anne at the August 18<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. Any questions contact her at 904-705-5194.

*-Mary Anne Dennis*



### **Baby Lock Accomplish Heavy Duty Straight Stitch. \$550.00**

Like New!!! Currently selling new for \$1200. Bought in Oct 2023 at Calico Station. Probably less than 10 hours of run time before I realized I am a Juki person.

All accessories plus a \$50 ruler foot. Great for bags and heavy duty sewing. \$550.00 or a reasonable offer.

Contact Jane at [jbright414@gmail.com](mailto:jbright414@gmail.com).

You can find specs and a detailed description on the Baby Lock website:

<https://babylock.com/accomplish>.





**Small Weaving Loom.** \$20.00

Great way to use scraps!

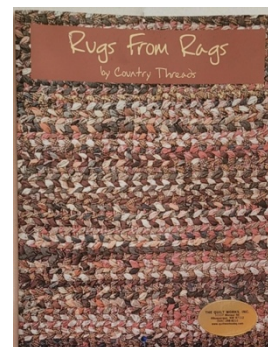
Placemat size handmade loom.

15" x 20" weaving loom with instruction book. Book includes instructions to make a 27" x 38" rug frame.

For \$20.00 it could be yours!

Text-928-606-4284 or email [zawlacki@yahoo.com](mailto:zawlacki@yahoo.com)

-Adriane Elwood

**Brother Serger 1034D -** \$50.00

Original Price \$299.99.

*Almost brand new – Only used to try out.*

Contact Pris Roehm – [pdrquilt@comcast.net](mailto:pdrquilt@comcast.net)

**Husqvarna Viking Longarm Quilting Frame and Machine.** \$800.00 OBO

Quilting frame and quilting machine with laser attachment, instruction book, several panto-graph patterns, and over 100 bobbins. Frame extends from lap/twin size to queen/king size.

Contact Margaret Stewart 904-403-0828 or [marg1761944@gmail.com](mailto:marg1761944@gmail.com).

**Humongous Fabric Sale**

August 14, 15, and 16

9:00 – 2:00

Shirley Simmons' House 904-598-4243

3105 Swooping Willow Ct W (Mandarin)

\$3 a yard. Cash or check only

**Brother NQ1700 E Embroidery Machine.** \$1800.00

Like new – less than a year old. Selling because I upgraded. Machine comes in original box, 120 spools of thread - only a few lightly used, the rest are still sealed (\$50), extra hoops (\$100), and thread holder (\$100). It's an awesome deal. My loss; your gain.

For more info contact LeighAnn McGuigan 904-993-2864 or [kennelqueen1@gmail.com](mailto:kennelqueen1@gmail.com).



**Pacesetter PS 500.** \$950.00 (w/o case). \$1000.00 (w/case).

Comes with thread holder (\$100), custom extension table (\$200), and Owner's Manual. Less than a year old. Bought at D & R - I upgraded.

For more info contact LeighAnn McGuigan 904-993-2864 or [kennelqueen1@gmail.com](mailto:kennelqueen1@gmail.com).

**Q'nique Longarm with Frame**

This Q'nique 19 by Grace is about 5 years old (which in longarm life it's young). It has a built-in bobbin winder (M size bobbins) with 19 inches of throat space. Adjustable handles have program buttons you can use straight from the handles.

It comes with a 10' Continium II metal frame and leader cloths with red snapper system; ruler foot and base; open toe foot; and a micro-stippling foot. A brand new still in the box, battery backup system; groovy boards used for Panto\*; quilt clips; needles; channel locks; manual for both machine and frame; and color screen with all tools that came with the machine.

Stitch count on the machine is 9704660. The machine is set up at my house just give me a call if you want to see it –

Barbara Lumpiesz - text or call 904-476-3903.

Asking \$8,000 or best offer.

*\*I do have the equipment to do Panto's from the front, but never figured out how to use it. I can show you where you can look and you might be able to figure it out.*

**Bernina Owners –**

I have 2 extension tables and seam guides for the BERNINA 440 and/or 640, as well as a cabinet insert. I have another BERNINA cabinet insert that is listed to fit several models.

If you are interested, we can figure it all out!! Please call Karen Weisman. 904-302-4784.

**Services****Binding**

Trish Egbert (904) 735-0294

**Quilting**

BQ Enterprises, LLC (Sharon Buquo 904-928-9300)

Edge-to-Edge only. Several patterns to choose from. **Budget friendly.**

**Quilting***Memories Stitched Together*

Longarm – Edge 2 Edge and Custom. I also make Memory Bears and T-Shirt Quilts. For more information text or call Barbara at 904-476-3903.




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## **General Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025 (Draft)**

**President Delia Bright** called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

**President Delia** asked if anyone had read the June General Meeting Minutes. Many hands were raised. Jill Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes and Donna Caldarise seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Registration for the Fall Retreat is open. The deposit is \$75. Sharon Tomore is working very hard on the Fall Retreat.

Quilts are on display for the big reveal today– there will be a vote later.

A new projector is needed as ours is very old and tired. Technology is much more advanced now. The Board approved the purchase amount between \$300 and \$400, to be drawn from the Education money since it will be used for classes and education presentations. It can also be used by the teachers that bring their slides. President Delia brought this to the guild members. Vice President Pat D’Elia made the motion to approve the purchase of a projector using education money. CJ Clark seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed. We are getting a new projector.

Challenge Quilt reveal is today.

T-Shirts are being delivered today. Trisha Gros has the t-shirts – check with her.

**President Delia** introduced Georgia Morris, who has been a member of the guild for 3 years. She and her family are going back to Maryland. She is leaving this coming Saturday, and she wanted to say goodbye and to say thank you to everyone whose always been so kind and helpful to her over the past 3 years.

**QuiltFest – VP Pat D’Elia** – is passing a sheet for a pre-sale to purchase QuiltFest Tickets.

Today is the last day to sign up for them. The tickets will be here at the next General Meeting. Bring your money. Pat has bookmarks. Take some to give away, drop off at a Dr’s or Dentists office, hairdressers, etc.

**QuiltFest Table** – Raffle tickets. Michael Martiss is handling sign up for volunteers for 2 hour time slots at the AllStar guild table. Sign up with Mchael, NOT sign-up-genius.

If you volunteer for the guild table, no free tickets. Volunteer for QuiltFest – a free ticket.

Pat told us that in about 5 years the Prime Osborn Convention Center will be closing eventually and will be taken over by University of Florida.

### **Programs for the next 3 months:**

**July 21, today** - Annual Guild Challenge – reveal is today

**August** – Nikki Hill from St Augustine has a slide show to show us and Pat wanted us to be able to see the slides clearly. So, she asked the Board about acquiring a new projector.

**September – “How to Make Your Long Armer Happy” by Delia Bright and Angela Moore**

**Treasurer Report – Martha Hann –**

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| Beginning Balance | 12,358.27 |
| Deposits          | 192.00    |
| Expenses          | 884.78    |
| New Balance       | 11,675.49 |

**Corresponding Secretary – Linda Harper** – Sent out a few cards to Phillis Billings, Sharon Tomore, Linda Marsh, and Sondie Frus.

**Committee Chairs –**

**Community Service - Joann Davenport** – Community Service needs fabric. Some fabric was brought in this morning. Bring more, it's needed. If you take fabric for community service, it is free. Once the top is finished for community service, we have batting and backing and people to bind it. If you take fabric for personal use, it isn't free.

**Education – Classes - Jill Kelly** – a couple of spaces are available for Gloria's class next Monday; the fee is \$15 / class. The materials list is on the fireplace hearth.

**Mary Anne Dennis – Christmas Tree Skirt** -There are a few spots left in the class.

Painting class - Erica Dodge - no spaces available. But she may be amenable to doing another class. No specific date yet.

**Stripology – Janet Wells**, an instructor at Cinnamon's wants to do a (3 hour) class in Stripology. She says this is the most versatile tool she's ever used. Cost of the class is \$80, but if you already have a Stripology ruler (bring it to class) the cost will probably be about \$10.

**Demo Day** – we need volunteers for Demo Day. We have 7, need at least 8, would really like 10.

**Fall Retreat –Sharon Tomore** – Fall Retreat Committee is meeting today. Registration opened this morning for Fall Retreat and we're already at 29 signed up. We can take only 36.

Delia added that it is a time to make long lasting friendships.... and eat. Sign up begins today.

**Featured Quilter – Vicki Zoller** – Our Featured Quilter is Linda Harper. She is one of the original All Stars. Linda is one of the original All Stars. She is from Kentucky and she has lived here for 50 years. Linda not only quilts but crochets as well. She has crocheted 400 hats for various charities.

We are looking for more Featured Quilters to be featured. Email Vicki if you or if you know of anyone else that would be interested in being a Featured Quilter.

**Hospitality – Elfriede Echt** – Elfriede thanked Linda Marsh and Vicki Zoller for providing the refreshments today. We need more.

**Library – Vicki Zoller** – is stepping down from the library and is asking for someone to step up and take over the library. She has the inventory up to date. It is all ready to go.

**Membership – Susan Sharpe** – we have 159 members and 92 of those members are present today. We have 6 visitors and 2 new members – Connie McElmurray a guest of CJ's, and Lynda Duncan. The winners of the membership raffle are Diana Oliver and Geri Williams. Susan introduced Bernadette Knox who has been a member for 1 ½ years but has not been able to come to a meeting until today.

**Passion Projects – CJ Clark** – asked for bags. Last month she explained that they like Publix prescription bags. She received some today.

**QuiltFest Tickets – Pat D’Elia** – Silent Auction donation – she is still taking donations. She is still passing the clipboard for purchase of QuiltFest tickets. She will have the tickets at the August General Meeting. Bring your money.

**Heart Pillows – Ellen Cannon** - has a bag full, ready to be stuffed and patterns we can borrow.

**QuiltFest – Pat D’Elia** - Quilt registrations have begun. At this point we have only 180 quilts registered. Normally we have 400 quilts. Entry doesn’t have to be a new quilt. Just one that has not been shown yet. Registration has to be done by Friday July 25. Your quilt does not need to be complete to register it. So, register now and complete the quilt by QuiltFest take in early September. If you are mailing the quilt registration, it must be posted by July 25. Volunteering is at only 50%. Last year we were at 93%

**QuiltFest Helpers – Jenny Chambless, Deb Frain and Michael Martiss** are involved with the QuiltFest process. Get with Jenny for help registering at Sign-up Genius. Go through AllStars’ website or you can find Sign-up Genius on All Stars’ Chatter, Click on the QuiltFest Volunteer button to get to Sign-up Genius.

**Friends of QuiltFest – Deb Frain** – Today is the last meeting if you’re going to put a line in the QuiltFest program. A \$5 donation gives you 52 characters including spaces. You can put in memory of someone, a quilt friend’s name or a dedication to someone. Whatever you want.

**Boutique – Deb Frain** - has the forms for the Boutique. 1 item or more. Turn in of items will be during the Judging week (Sept 9-10) at the Prime Osborn. Quilt take in is Wednesday, the day before the show; from 10 am – 3 pm. Baskets – Sold/Selling raffle tickets for, we need items for the baskets - ideas for this are for “Into the Garden” flower, vegetable, floral, or for “Quilters Fuel” - coffee, chocolate.

**Quilt Sale Room – Pat D’Elia** – Iris Hunton, Chair for Quilt Sale Table. LeighAnn McGuigan has the tags and forms, etc. Turn in begins the Wednesday before the show opens, 10am-12pm. Drop off of sale quilts.

**Quilt Mother – Mary Anne Dennis** – There’s the quilt!

**Quilts of Valor – Samantha Howell** – Thanked everyone that is donating Quilts of Valor this month. We gave out 12 this month. Some were given to Irreverent Warriors. A young lady showed up with a picture of her husband. He received his quilt and the next year he was killed in action. Samantha explained that these are not just for the person we give them to. They are generational.

A table will be set up with baskets every month. For quilts or tops that are done – Please add a piece of paper or the form provided who pieced and who quilted them.

Samantha is looking to do a 3 day retreat for Quilts of Valor. It will be in the Arlington area, on a Monday – Wednesday. We will have 3 days to work on the tops and sew. She will provide all the patterns and fabric. On the last day she will bring in batting and backing for the quilters and long armers. She doesn’t have a date yet. She’d like to know how many people would be interested in doing this. If so, she’ll approach the church and get permission for that.

**Raffle tickets – Debra Pearce** – Volunteers in Medicine, need supplies - bandages, thermometers, they need everything. Remember, when you’re selling tickets, just remind people that this is for a good charity. Come pick up a packet.

**Road Trip – Ellen Cannon** - This Thursday to Oceans of Thread. Let her know if you need a ride or are willing to drive, put your name on the clipboard. There are 3 other quilt shops, and at



least 10 small restaurants in Deland. Cut Up and Sew – is having a big sale. There is a Deli across the street. If you are riding with someone, help with the gas (\$5 or \$6 to the driver). If you're not coming to Target, she has info sheets. Drivers from Target will leave at 9 am. Oceans of Thread will do a talk about Thread, They have beautiful fabric in a beautiful shop. We leave at 9am, it is a 1 ½ hour drive, and the shop opens at 10 am. If we have 10 or more people, they will give us a 10% discount.

**Delia** – last chance for advance tickets to QuiltFest. She has the clipboard.

**Sit-N-Stitch – LeighAnn** – next will be on August 11, going to lunch after. She passed her CNA !!!

**Treasure Table – Shirley Carpenter** - If there is anything left, take it home.

**Ways and Means – Trisha Gros** – about ¾ of the shirts have been picked up. The 50/50 Raffle – we made a total of \$106.00. The winner of the raffle is Michael Martiss \$53.

**Program – Challenge Quilts – Vicki Zoller** – 16 quilts were shown by their creators who talked about them for a few minutes. Then the quilts were displayed so the membership could take a closer look and choose which 3 to vote. The winners won \$40 gift cards to Cinnamons Quilt Shop. The numbers of the winners were 15, 4, and 6. No names were given.

**Show and Tell** – we had 11 people show their quilts and tell us about them.

**President Delia Bright** –

Next Board Meeting will be August 4, 2025 Next General Meeting will be August 18, 2025

President Delia called the meeting adjourned at 11:58 am. Remember to turn phones back on.

Respectfully submitted

Angela Moore, Recording Secretary



## August

1 JUDY SHEFFIELD  
3 JANET GALLIA  
7 PAT HEMSLEY  
11 SUE BLYTHE  
11 KATHY NAY  
12 CYNDIE CAMPBELL  
15 ADRIANE ELWOOD  
16 BARBARA LUMPIESZ  
21 JOYCE DAUGHERTY  
22 BETTYE STILLEY  
25 ZINA WARNER  
26 ELLEN CANNON  
31 DILIA ANDERSON

## September

2 JULIE MAINOR  
4 BONNIE HELM  
6 PHYLLIS BILLINGS  
7 SHERRY VERELL  
10 LEIGH ANN MCGUIGAN  
10 VICKI ZOLLER  
16 CONNIE MCELMURRAY  
17 BOBBIE REDSHAW  
17 KATHERINE THOMPSON  
18 LESLIE MOELLER  
19 NANCY TOMER  
22 LINDA MARSH  
25 DEBBY BROCK  
29 SHIRLEY THOMPSON