

The Gazette

All Star Quilters' Guild

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We meet at: First Christian Church
11924 San Jose Blvd
Jacksonville, FL

Calendar

December 2020

- 7 Guild Board Meeting - 10:00 AM
- 9 Deadline for submitting articles for the December edition of the Gazette
- 14 Sit 'n Stitch
- 21 General Membership Meeting - 10:00 AM
- 28 Sit 'n Stitch

January 2021

- 4 Guild Board Meeting
- 4 Deadline for submitting articles for the January edition of the Gazette
- 11 Sit 'n Stitch
- 11 10:00 - 12:00 Zentangle group with Marita
- 18 General Membership Meeting - 10:00 AM
- 18 Immediately following the meeting: Hand stitching with Elaine Brett:
applique, embroidery, etc. Bring a lunch.
- 25 Class or Sit 'n Stitch

All Star Quilters Guild 2021

I have been doing research and trying to find a way to do in-person and Zoom meetings simultaneously in 2021. I think I've got a plan and we will be trying it out at the December guild meeting on the 21st.

Those participating on Zoom will join the meeting as usual per the invite. There will be a webcam attached to my laptop so that those joining can see and hear the meeting. You will not be able to interact or speak, but if you let me know you need something discussed, I will bring it up during the meeting. You can also contact anyone you need clarification from after the meeting, if questions come up.

It may take some time to work the "bugs" out of the process, so please be patient. All board and guild meetings will be done in this fashion, until the majority of members are ready to meet in person.

Pat D'Elia

Next year's line-up of helpful volunteers:

I have been busy since October filling the guild positions for 2021. Listed below are our representatives and their areas of service.

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| President | Pat D'Elia |
| Vice President/Programs | Linda Wilson |
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| Challenge 2021 | Vicki Zoller |
| Community Service | Mindy Ashby |
| Education | Kathi Thompson/ Pris Roehm |
| Equipment Manager | Kenny Mehl |
| Facebook | Stacy Wilson |
| Featured Quilter | Lynne McCork |
| Historian | Sandy Onsager |
| Hospitality | Candy Schladt |
| Library | Vicki Zoller |
| Membership | Susan Sharpe/ June Daniels |
| Newsletter Editor | Sunnie Malesky |
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| Quilt Mothers 2021 | Roberta Redshaw/ Raney Manning |
| QuiltFest Representatives | Linda Wilson (Chair) |
| | Susan Sharpe |
| | Ellen Ford |
| | Veronica Potter |
| QuiltFest Alternates | June Daniels |
| | Pat D'Elia |
| Quilts of Valor | Linda Marsh/ Barbara Nichols |
| Raffle Tickets | Karol Blomgren |
| Retreat- Fall | Linda Wilson/ Pat D'Elia/ Linda McClelland |
| Retreat-Spring | Elaine Brett/ Ellen Cannon |
| Road Trip Coordinator | Pat D'Elia |
| Sit n Stitch | Sherry Verell |
| Telephone | C J Clark |
| UFOs | Mary Anne Dennis |
| Ways and Means | Ellen Cannon |
| Webmaster | Pris Roehm |

Thanks everyone for your help in the year to come.

Pat D'Elia

Community Service

I want to thank everyone for supporting our community service program. I am so excited with the abundance of giving from our hearts this past year. I will provide specific numbers and amounts in the next few weeks.

Again, thank you all!!!

Mindy Ashby

Covid Quilt 2020

I just found the Covid Quilt 2020 website covidquilt2020.com. It's similar to the AIDS quilt project, except they are not making one huge quilt. They are making panels of 25 blocks each and displaying them wherever they can.

It started as a history class project by a 13-year-old girl in California whose mother worked on the AIDS quilt.

Some of you may wish to participate. I certainly will.

Trish Egbert

Historian

I need help filling in the gaps of guild newsletters since the first newsletter was created in January 1989. I've compiled a list of all newsletters, both hardcopy and electronic, that I have in my files. If any of you can provide me with copies of the missing newsletters it would be appreciated.

ASQG newsletter inventory

| Have | | Missing | |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Jan 1989 | thru Jan 1997 | Feb 1997 | thru May 2001 |
| June 2001 | thru Nov 2007 | Dec 2007 | thru May 2010 |
| June 2010 | thru Dec 2010 | | |
| Feb 2011 | thru Dec 2011 | Jan 2011 | |
| 2012 | thru 2016 | | |
| Jan 2017 | thru June 2017 | July 2017 | thru Dec 2017 |
| 2018 | thru 2020 | | |

Sandy Onsager

Kathi's Notes

Hello everyone, I'm almost ready for Christmas, are you? Do you have traditions that you do with family? Decorating cookies and making candy are favorites in my family.

I would like to tell you it has been my pleasure to serve All Stars as your president. COVID wreaked havoc on a lot of our activities. I hope you participate in our little Christmas exchange. Maybe you will meet a "new best friend". Bring a holiday bag with the following items in it, cookie recipe with a sample (could be candy), a small quilting item, and a phrase or saying and of course candy.

As many of you I'm looking forward to seeing my family for the holidays. Call me crazy but I'm spending January in Michigan. I will see all of you in February.

Kathi Thompson

Programs for December

The board discussed plans for the **December Guild Meeting**. We have to change it up a bit, but we will make the best of it and have fun. We cannot have a food table, but at all meetings you are encouraged to bring your own snack and drink. As part of the program, I have suggested the following activity:

Each attendee brings a **holiday gift bag**. In the gift bag please place the following items:

1. A favorite cookie recipe (on a card or paper)
2. A sampling of that cookie in a container or plastic bag
3. An inspirational poem or saying (non-religious)
4. A bit of candy
5. A small sewing related gift item (no more than a \$5-7 price tag)

At the designated time, two members will be paired, and they will sit (socially distanced), trade bags and discuss the contents. This should take 15 to 20 minutes. It provides us the **opportunity to meet someone we may not know, share our culinary talents, and take home a small gift**. Show and tell and the installation of officers will also be enjoyed at the December meeting.

** I gathered these ideas from a few guild members (can't take the credit)

Pat D'elia

SIT'N'STITCH

This month we will meet on the 14th and the 28th. These are great opportunities to work on last minute gifts or start new projects.

In January we will meet on the 11th and the 25th. We will be making name tag holders on the 25th. Watch for the pattern in the January newsletter. It would be great if you come and make a name tag holder if you are a new member and don't have one yet.

We begin gathering at 9:30 and Sit N Stitch runs from 10:00 till noon. Hope to see you there!

Sherry Verell

All Star Quilters' Guild General Meeting Minutes November 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Guild President Kathi Thompson at 10:00 AM. There were 33 members present at the in-person meeting held at the church. All Covid19 safety precautions were observed.

The minutes of the October 10, 2020 Guild meeting were approved as previously distributed.

Treasurer's Report

Ellen Cannon reported that as of October 31, 2020, the balance in the Guild's VyStar account was \$11,884.79. In November income from membership fees totaled \$1,154.00, and expenses totaled \$14.53. The bank balance as of November 15, 2020 is \$13,024.26.

Ellen also reported that the Guild Board had approved the "bare bones" budget for 2021. Because QuiltFest has been canceled for 2021, there will be no expense for QuiltFest, but the Guild also will not have any income from Quilters Walk.

It was moved by Mary Anne Dennis and seconded by Pat D'Elia that the budget for 2021 be approved. The motion carried, and the 2021 budget was approved.

President

- Kathi reported that a change will need to be made in the makeup of the Audit Committee. Pat D'Elia had volunteered to serve on the committee, but because she is the Guild president-elect for 2021, she cannot also serve on the Audit Committee. Elfriede Echt volunteered to replace Pat on the committee.

The Audit Committee will meet in January after the reconciliation of the December bank statement.

Membership

- To date, 33 people have renewed their memberships for 2021. Twelve people renewed at today's meeting.
- There are two new members - Bea and Ken Mehl.

Community Service - Mindy Ashby

- Mindy reported that she is going to deliver 60 quilts, one pillowcase, three large stockings and several smaller stockings, along with \$265.00 in cash donations. Of those quilts, 11 will go to PedsCare, and 11 quilts and two pillowcases will go to Daniel.
- The next driveby quilt collection is scheduled for Monday, December 7. Food bank donations will also be collected on that date and can be in food, paper goods, personal hygiene products or cash.

Equipment Manager - Delia Bright

- Delia will be stepping down as Equipment Manager in 2021. She introduced Ken Mehl, who is a new Guild member, and who has agreed to serve as Equipment Manager in 2021.

Quilts of Valor - Linda Marsh

- Linda reported that in the past few months, four quilts have been presented to veterans, and at today's meeting four more quilts were donated.

Sit 'n Stitch - Sherry Verell

- A successful in-person Sit 'n Stitch took place on Monday, November 9.
- Future Sit 'n Stitch sessions will be held November 23 and 30 and December 14 and 28.

President-Elect - Pat D'Elia

- Pat reported that she is assisting with a retreat at Silver Springs in Ocala from January 21 through lunch on January 24. The retreat is being hosted by Mary Beth Harper, Director of the Retreat at Silver Springs, where the Guild's fall retreat is held. The cost for lodging and meals for the four-day retreat is \$200. Pat has the registration forms.
- Pat outlined the plans for the program for the December 21 Guild meeting, which will be held at the church. Each person attending the meeting should bring:
 - One holiday gift bag containing
 - One cookie recipe
 - Samples of the cookie
 - A card with a non-religious inspirational saying or poem
 - Candy

- A small sewing or quilting-related item valued at \$5.00 to \$7.00. (This item can be handmade.)

Each member attending the meeting will be assigned a number. People will be paired together and will trade bags and discuss the contents of the bags. This will be a good way for members to become better acquainted.

Sew 'n Tell

Members showed their Christmas quilts/projects or quarantine quilt projects.

- Pat D'Elia
 - Two Christmas applique quilts - quilts in progress - not yet completed
 - Christmas table runner made with Kaffe Fassett fabrics
- Mary Anne Dennis
 - Two Christmas tree skirts
 - Christmas dress decorated with a Christmas tree
 - Christmas quilt
 - Two Christmas table toppers
 - Two fabric checker boards with bags of checkers
 - A Christmas stocking
- June Daniels
 - Two Christmas quilts made with blocks previously cut out by Gay Montgomery.
 - One blue and yellow quilt also made with blocks cut out by Gay Montgomery.
- Kathy Rutherford
 - Wonky log cabin quilt made from fabric purchased at the Guild garage sale.
- Linda Marsh
 - Two Christmas quilts. Linda's goal was to use up all her Christmas fabric.
 - One Quilt of Valor quilt
 - Star quilt made using a pattern from the 1800s.
- Ellen Cannon
 - Reindeer quilt
 - Wonky log cabin quilt done in red and white and quilted by Delia Bright
 - Christmas quilt made during a class at Cinnamon's.
- Bea Mehl
 - Moroccan star quilt
- Ken Mehl
 - Landscape quilt
- Karol Blomgren
 - Small Christmas stockings to hold seasonings
 - Prayer quilts
- Kathi Thompson
 - Christmas Block of the Month quilt
 - Christmas quilt

- Christmas fabric coverlet
- Christmas tree skirt or table runner
- Blue and white Christmas quilt with embroidery
- Angela Morore
 - Wonky log cabin quilt in shades of purple
 - Red, white and blue table runners
- Sherry Verell
 - A quilt titled “Isolation Blues” - a Covid19 quilt made during quarantine

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

The next Guild meeting will be held at the church on Monday, December 21. All Covid19 safety precautions will be observed.

Respectfully submitted

Linda Wilson

Acting Recording Secretary

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Please contact with question and specifics on pricing.

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Attention

Due to the breathing problems of some of our members, our guild has become a fragrance-free zone. Please be considerate of your fellow members and do not wear heavy fragrance to our meetings, classes, road trips, or retreats. If you are bringing a guest to a guild function, please ask them to be fragrance free also! Thank you in advance. We hope you will understand!

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Sewing Advice ~ Then & Now

Then: Prepare yourself mentally for sewing.

Now: Wake up.

Then: Think about what you are going to do.

Now: Always keep a good stash of fabrics, patterns and notions ready so you can sew whatever you want, whenever the mood strikes.

Then: Never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically.

Now: Save that attitude for housework.

Then: Good results are difficult when indifference predominates.

Now: Indifference is great when mending, repairing zippers or shortening pants.

If the results aren't good, people will stop asking you to do that for them.

Then: Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade.

Now: This is good advice only if you sew with your machine in the sink or on the bed.

Then: When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so your mind is free to enjoy your sewing.

Now: There are no urgent housekeeping chores. Ever. Just enjoy your sewing.

Then: When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible.

Now: Never buy a sewing machine with a mirror on it.

Then: Put on a clean dress.

Now: You may sew in your pajamas or stretchy pants but wear slippers so your feet don't get dusty. Or go barefoot.

Then: Keep a little bag full of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals.

Now: What?!?

Then: Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on with care.

Now: Brush your teeth if time permits and you remember.

Then: If you are constantly fearful that a visitor will drop in or your husband will come home, and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.

Now: Lock the door and don't answer the phone. If your husband comes home, you really can't refuse to let him in. But leave a number where he can order takeout for dinner.

