

## The ALL-STAR.

# GAZETTE

**AUGUST 2021** 

**ISSUE 8** 

## **CALENDAR of EVENTS**

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- 2 Board meeting & newsletter deadline
- 9 Sit & Stitch
- **16 General meeting 10 am:** "Speed Dating with 12 x 12s" **FOOD BANK COLLECTION!**
- 23 Sit & Stitch
- 30 Class: Purse with Ellen Cannon

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 6 Board meeting & newsletter deadline
- 13 Sit & Stitch
- 20 General meeting 10 am: AUCTION!!!

A combined Education/ Program/ Ways & Means event! Brief business only

27 Sit & Stitch

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 Board meeting & newsletter deadline
- 11 Sit & Stitch
- 18 General meeting 10 am:

Shop For & Build Your Stash with Susan Ache

25 Sit & Stitch

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 1 Board meeting & newsletter deadline
- 8 DEMO DAY! and Food Bank collection
- 15 General meeting 10 am: "What's New?"
- 22 Sit & Stitch
- 29 Sit & Stitch

Board Meeting 10 AM first Monday each month.

General meeting 10 AM third Monday each month

**Classes** set up at 9:30 and start at 10 AM unless stated otherwise, and go for various lengths of time.

Sit & Stitch gather at 9:30, meets 10 to noon

**Hand stitching** follows General meeting, bring a lunch.

Zentangles now on Zoom. Contact Marita Eng

See articles for more information

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## **CONTACT ALL STARS**

The All Star Quilters' Guild meets every Monday at:

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: <a href="https://www.allstarquilters.org/">https://www.allstarquilters.org/</a>

Facebook page: <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Officers & Committee Chairs: CLICK HERE

# Minutes of the July Meeting

July 19, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Linda Wilson at 10:00 a.m. Linda asked all those present to turn off their cell phones.

Thought for the day: Anyone who works on a quilt, who devotes her time, energy, creativity and passion to that art learns to value the work of her hands. And as any quilter will tell you, a quilter's quilting friends are some of the dearest, most generous and most supportive people she knows. Jennifer Chiaverini

Jill Kelly moved and Leslie Moeller seconded the approval of the Minutes from the June meeting. Approved as published.

Vice President Linda Wilson The Fall Retreat has 7 spots available.

August program will be "speed dating with 12 x 12".

September will be an auction.

October - Susan Ache.

November will be "What's New?"

In December, we will hold a Holiday Extravaganza.

Quilts of Valor Linda Marsh - 2 Quilts of Valor were awarded in the last couple of weeks and Barbara Nichols has 2 more presentations scheduled during July.

Treasurer Ellen Ford

Treasury balance is \$14,033.07.

An increase of \$600 to the program budget was voted and approved.

2021 Challenge/Library Vicki Zoller.

The library will be open during the August meeting.

The 2021 Challenge is happening today and you will be given an opportunity to vote for your favorite quilt.

**Education Kathi Thompson** 

The purse class scheduled for August is full. For the September auction, these positions are needed:

Scribe - Linda Wilson and one more.

Registration - Ellen Ford

Runners - Needs 6.

Bid Finders - Needs several.

Set up - Needs 4.

Clean up.

Featured Quilter Donna Caldarise
This month's Featured Quilter is Betty Myers

Membership June Daniels

2 visitors this month: Karen Pasiuk and Deena Giles.

One new member: Jody Sciullo.

7 members on Zoom; 67 members present.

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July Minutes, continued...

Valerie Bouffard presented door prizes to winners Mary Ann Mascellino and Jody Scuillo.

Newsletter Sunnie Malesky

The newsletter deadline for August will be a little earlier than normal. It will be at noon on the first Monday of the month.

Program was the Quilt Challenge hosted by Vicki Zoller. Members voted on the quilt they liked best, and the winners were:

First Place: Marita Eng

Second Place: Tied between Joanne Herman and

Vicki Zoller

Show & Tell

Members showed many lovely quilts.

Lanai Quilt Drawing - Was won by Patsy Kern.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:20.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Marsh Recording Secretary

## PAT'S POST



**HAPPY AUGUST!** 



I had a great vacation, but am saddened to say the Covid surge has me distraught. Both my son and his girlfriend are infected. They are among the group that think the vaccines are not necessary. They are rethinking that decision now.

We will go back to mask wearing now at all meetings. Do not complain, the ignorant and foolish have caused this backward slide.

Zoom is still an option, at least for now, for those who prefer that or do not want to wear a mask.

Remember, your mask must cover your nose and mouth at all times, unless you are speaking to the group.

Thanks for understanding, we have to stay healthy.



## **PROGRAMS**

#### By Linda Wilson

Weren't the quilts shown in the challenge reveal at the July 19 guild meeting wonderful?! Our guild is filled with creative and clever quilters.

Marita Eng's beautiful quilt was voted the winner. Second place was a tie between Joanne Herman and Vicki Zoller.

"What's New?" is the subject of the November 15 program. If you have found a new quilting product that makes your quilting life easier or more efficient (or if you have found another purpose for an already-existing product), I would like to include that product in the program.

In addition, since most of us are cooks, I am looking for new (or repurposed) kitchen tools that arehelpful when you cook.

Please contact me via email (kandsmom1959@gmail.com) or by phone (904-905-0950).

#### Upcoming programs:

**August 16** "Speed Dating with 12 x 12s" - the two 12 x 12 groups will share the small quilts they have been working on over the past year.

**September 20** Auction with Bruce from Scrappy Rooster as auctioneer

**October 18** Shopping for and building your stash presented by Susan Ache

**November 15** "What's New?"

**December 13** Holiday Extravaganza

Note date change for the Dec. meeting!

I have received several suggestions from Guild members for programs, and I am always looking for ideas.

## Guild Challenge 2021:

### **PICK A CARD**

#### By Vicki Zoller

The 2021 Challenge is finally history! Thank you so much to everyone who entered. We all loved seeing your quilts and hearing your stories. In fact, the stories were just as compelling as the quilts. We all had a few laughs following Trish Egbert on her journey to her final quilt-- although it would certainly have been a sight to see if she had gone with her first idea and included a dead kangaroo! You had to be there-- there is no way I can explain that one!

It was a joy, as always, to see the various techniques and the way all of you creative quilters interpreted the theme. I hope to see some of the entries in QuiltFest. They are definitely worthy of a wider audience and could certainly be in contention for a ribbon.

Congratulations to the Challenge winners:

Red Diamonds in the Sky by Marita Eng

Six Clubs by Joanne Herman

The Unexpected Two of Clubs by Vicki Zoller

Each winner took a different approach to her card. Maria was inspired by the Beatles' Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds and produced a stunning night sky with red diamonds. Her reverse appliqué and embroidery are impeccable.

For Joanne, clubs meant the various clubs she has joined over the years-- from 4H to AllI Stars. She stayed in the black and white color palette of her card's suit and each small appliqué is a gem.

I knew I wanted to piece a background of gradated black and white prints for my card quilt, and a red card would have been perfect for that design. But when I chose the 2 of Clubs, I had a "make it work " moment. I just followed my original plan and made for 2 of Clubs red. Why not? I also faced my quilt instead of binding it to give it the shape of a playing card and matchstick quilted it by hand.

Each winner received a \$30 gift card to Cinnamon's and ribbon to proudly display in her sewing room.

The theme for the 2022 Challenge will be announced in January. If you have any ideas for a theme for the Challenge, please email me. Many of the themes for past Challenges have come from the Guild members. I look forward to seeing more great Challenge quilts next July.

## **AUGUST PROGRAM:**

## Speed dating with the 12 x 12s

#### By Vicki Zoller

In 2013 the Guild 12 x 12 group did a speed dating program. We traveled from table to table showing you our small quilts up close. Now we are back and we have more quilts and more quilters. There are now two 12 x 12 groups to share quilts with you.

What are 12 x 12 groups, you may ask? In theory, a 12 x 12 group consists of 12 quilters who make twelve 12" x 12" quilts on specific themes over a specific period of time, such as every other month. In practice, those guidelines may vary. There may be fewer than 12 participants, and quilt sizes may vary. But there will be quilts to share with all of you.

All you have to do is sit back and prepare to fall in love with these wonderful little quilts and listen to their quilt makers tell their stories.

### **EDUCATION**

**August 30**: Sew a beautiful purse with Ellen Cannon. FULL

**September 20** is an Education/ Program/ Ways & Means combo event: Our Big Auction with Bruce from Scrappy Rooster as auctioneer. Invite all your quilting friends...this is not a yard sale!!! More details to come!

November 8: DEMO DAY! Rulers Rule!

Contact Kathi Thompson with any questions.

## LIBRARY NEWS

#### By Vicki Zoller

The library returns in August. If you have any books that have been hanging around your house for a while, please return them so that other Guild members can enjoy them.

We have a very special pop-up sale this month. Kathi Thompson has donated lots of Quiltfolk magazines. If you have never heard of this magazine, you are in for a treat. Quiltfolk is part travelogue, quilt biographies, and gorgeous landscape and quilt photography. This is not a typical magazine with quilt patterns. You will be inspired by the various quilt makers featured, historical quilt features, and beautiful pictures of our great country.

Each issues is devoted to a state. So you might enjoy visiting one of your favorite vacation spots, revisiting your native state, or learning about a state you hope to visit one day. Quiltfolk has no advertising and originally sells for \$22 an issue but you can pick up an issue at eh Guild library for only \$1! I wish I could keep all the issues for the library to circulate, but I don't have the space. So stop by and find an issue with a state that "speaks to you". Be sure to bring your dollar bills. All proceeds go back to the Guild.

See you at the library!

## RAFFLE QUILT

#### By Karol Blomgren

The beautiful Christmas theme raffle quilt is almost complete...tickets coming soon, drawing at the December 13 meeting!



"LANAI" is our beautiful 2021 Raffle Quilt! It was won by Patsy Kern.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

## By Susan Sharpe co-chair June Daniels

Effective July 19, 2021, we have 143 members who have renewed their membership or joined for the new year. High priority is placed on accuracy of our membership list for 2021. Please use the following address to send in the paperwork/dues: All Star Quilters' Guild, PO Box 23772, Jacksonville, FL 32241-3772, Attn: Membership. Hope to hear from you soon. The form may be found on the Guild's website or by contacting myself or June.

There were 73 members present at the July meeting, with an additional seven on Zoom. A total of 82 people attended the meeting (present and Zoom) and included one new member and two visitors.

We will update the directory with additions/ deletions/corrections on a quarterly basis, if necessary. You will receive the updates via guild "Blasts" so you can easily print the page (s) and add them to your directory. Please check your own information to ensure accuracy and notify Membership Chairs of corrections. Thank you.

## **FEATURED QUILTER**

#### By Donna Caldarise

Our Featured Quilter this month is Deborah Olson. She is originally from Rockford, Illinois. She has lived in several places in Minnesota, including two small farming communities and the Minneapolis area. She has also lived in La Crosse, Wisconsin; Clarksville, Tennes-



see; Orlando, Florida; Bainbridge, Maryland;

Newport, Rhode Island; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and a British military installation in Wales! Wow!

She met her husband in California where they both worked for the same company. Their jobs required moving a lot so they were able to experience a lot of beautiful places in California. They left California six years ago and move to Ponte Vedra.

Deborah has been quilting on and off for 7 years. She learned to quilt at a great quilt shop in Turlock, California. She hardly knew how to use her sewing machine. but

loved the fabrics and projects. The group of quilters there were a lot of fun and someone was always ready to help newcomers. Her first quilt was made at a class at the Turlock quilt shop, she was amazed how well it turned out, of course she had quite a bit of friendly help!

Deborah has been a member of All Stars for about three years – she found us online! She volunteered at the last Jacksonville QuiltFest. She loves to see everyone's beautiful quilts at All Stars, they are so motivating. Our meetings are really informative and the goodies are wonderful. She really likes the fabric sales. She still considers herself a beginner and would like to get to know some other beginner quilters in our group. Her son is a teacher in Japan, it gets really cold there in the winter and warm blankets are a must. They do not have the kind of heaters that we have here. To help keep her son warm,

she bought a lot of different flannel fabrics and quilted a big warm flannel quilt. Her husband even helped to get it done! It cost \$200 to mail the

quilt to Japan but it was worth every penny. She thinks that quilting with flannel is harder than cotton fabric, but she really loves flannels. Deborah hopes to enter a quilt in QuiltFest in the future.

She loves to walk and has been walking with the First Coast Trail Forgers group for a number of years – the walks and the walkers are terrific! She has seen so many wonderful places in this area that she never would have found without this group.

Deborah has taught Human Resources classes part-time at a number of colleges in California. Her favorite was Santa Barbara City College; she could see the ocean outside her class window. She was actually a Human Resources professional for most of her professional life.

She has taught ESL classes two nights a week in Jacksonville for the last two years. She enjoyed it a lot, but now she has a beautiful 13 month old grandson in Japan that she hasn't been able to see due to Covid. Needless to say she will be heading to Japan to visit as soon as she is allowed into the country and she will be staying for a while!!

## **JULY SHOW & TELL**

Nancy Moran....twister class project

Mabel Halemon...Judy Nemire COVID project

JoanneHerman....flower basket quilt

Cindy Brown... Flower quilt from free table

Valerie Latham 2 BOM one reproduction the other scrappy

Linda Marsh...Christmas quilt and cross of many squares

Shirley Simmons...Rose garden, batik and black, Cascade and scrappy string with star center

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

#### By Mindy Ashby

Hello ladies, we had another great month of beautiful quits and pillow cases donated to community service. I will be delivering 64 quilts and 17 pillow cases this week!!!! When do you have time to clean?

I do have an important announcement. I made a mistake on the date for the next Mandarin Food bank donation. The correct date is **August 16th**, followed by November 15th, and that will close out the year 2021.

Thank you for making our community service so successful.

## **Our Charity Quilt Sizes**

Quilts should be completed and have a label. Batting is available. Community Service has lots of fabric available, too, including yardage for backs.

**Community Hospice of NE Florida PedsCare**: from baby size (36" x 45") up to twin (65" x 86")

daniel: lap (48" x 60") to twin (65" x 86) for children

& teens

Safe Harbor: Twin (65" x 86") for teenage boys

HartFelt Ministries: Wheelchair/ lap size (36" x

45") for seniors

Quilts of Valor: 60" x 72" for veteran

## **FREEBIE Table Returns**

The popular Freebie Table is back in action!

If you have treasures that need new homes:

- Items must be quilting/ sewing related
- Please remember to take any unclaimed items back home with you
- More valuable items can be listed in the MarketPlace (p. 10) if you don't want to give something away, but it still has to go!

## QUILTFEST

By Linda Wilson

The QuiltFest board has formed an Outreach Committee for the purpose of

- Increasing the visibility of QuiltFest in the community
- Encouraging other fiber arts disciplines (e.g., weaving, dollmaking, embroidery) to participate in the show
- Enhancing vendor offerings (through inclusion of other fiber arts) to show attendees

Board members are developing a presentation to the guilds that will explain the origins of

QuiltFest and its relationship to the community.

The next QuiltFest board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM, Tuesday, August 17.



## **HISTORIAN**

#### By Sandy Onsager

October 1994 newsletter.

Reasons to Buy Fabric (all true)

- 1. I need the selvages for tying herbs for drying and to tie vegetables to the stakes in the garden. (They obviously hadn't met Vicki).
- 2. This will be exactly the perfect print I will need 15 years from now.
- 3. I am adding to my late 20th Century Fabric Collection.
- 4. Although because of storage space you can have too much fabric, you can never have enough!!



### **SEPTEMBER 20**

#### **General Meeting Fundraiser**

Get ready for a Big Time at the Big Auction
Bring your cash, checkbook, or credit card!
Take home some treasures and fun!

#### Something for everyone....

- Viking Sapphire 850 sewing machine: 137 stitches and 4 alphabets
- Husky lock 910 Serger
- Pfaff 332 sewing machine made in 1957 in Germany. Zig zag, reverse, deco stitches and front load bobbin
- 3 quilt tops...1 log cabin...1 string... and 1 Amish style
- Box of Kaffe 5" charms w/ Kaffe book included
- Large tote filled with assorted size flannels
- 2 tool boxes w/ fabric
- 2 totes of batiks
- 1 box of civil war/ Thimbleberry fabrics
- Several civil war quilt kits
- 1 large canvas tote w/ solid fabrics all sizes
- 1 box kids fabrics
- 1 small box Halloween fabrics
- 1 plastic box of Christmas fabrics including Christmas book
- Container of fun material FQ or larger: prints of fish, bugs, flowers

# COMMUNITY SERVICE QUILTERS LIST

To be sure your quilt is finished and ready to be donated before turning it in, here is a list of members that have volunteered to help our guild complete their quilts for Community Service.

Please make any arrangements necessary between you and the quilter.

- 1. Susan Sharpe (less than 72" on any side) cell (703) 405-3937
- 2. Delia Bright home (904) 305-0406
- 3. Pat D 'Elia cell (904) 742-8359.
- 4. Mindy Ashby (less than 72" on any side) cell (904) 699-9925
- 5. Sharon Buquo cell (904) 928-9300
- 6. Bea Mehl cell (904) 424-7982
- 7. Sharon Tomore (904) 635-9210

We also have a list of members for hire to do personal quilting listed in the newsletter and website.

Twinkle, twinkle little pin

Sometimes out and sometimes in...

When I sit down in my chair

Part of me is soon aware!

Twinkle, twinkle so-sharp pin...

Now I know where you have been!





# Fall Retreat – "Sew Spooky"

#### By Linda Wilson

Registration for the Fall Retreat ("Sew Spooky") is going well. So far, 29 members have signed

up to attend. There still are seven spaces remaining. If you would like to attend Retreat but have

not yet registered, there is still time. The registration form has been added to the guild website

( www.allstarquilters.org). You can print the form and bring it to the August 16 guild meeting along with your deposit or payment in full. Registration forms also will be available at the guild meeting.

- Dates for Retreat: Monday, October 25 (10 AM) to Friday, October 29 (by 10 AM)
- Cost: \$270 with a \$50 nonrefundable deposit (unless Retreat is canceled by the Retreat
- at Silver Springs or by the Guild). The deadline for the final payment is October 4, 2021.
- There are seven available spaces remaining.
   Once all spaces are filled, a waiting list will be started.

More details about Retreat will be available in a few weeks.

## **WAYS & MEANS**

#### By Ellen Cannon

Congratulations to our raffle quilt winner, Patsy Kerns. That certainly was a beautiful quilt!

The ticket sales were \$1,393.00. Ladies, you did a great job selling tickets. Renewing Dignity was the charity chosen to receive funds from this raffle. Individual donations of \$116.00 was also given for Renewing Dignity.

Next month is our auction. That will be fun and a new adventure for our guild. Be sure to bring all your quilting sisters. Everyone will want a piece of this action.

Thanks again to all of our members for your continued support of our money making projects.

September we begin selling tickets for that FABU-

LOUS Christmas quilt. The winning ticket will be drawn at the December meeting.



## LATE BREAKING NEWS

- FOOD BANK collection this month! Last one for the year will be in NOVEMBER. Paper items always needed, checks are welcome, too.
- Please WEAR A MASK until the CDC says differently. Even if you are vaccinated, please help keep all our members and their families safe...and allow us to keep meeting in person!
- Many opportunities are available in the guild next year. No experience needed, training provided. Let President Pat or a committee chair know that you'd like to help with something you are particularly interested in!
- QuiltFest is now part of Amazon Smiles, an easy way to make a donation of 5% every time you order something! More info available will be available if you don't already know how this works.
- ZOOM is back for General and Board meetings. Your invitation will come by e-Blast before the meetings, as usual. Don't miss the fun!

## The MARKETPLACE

All Stars may list 1—3 items For Sale, Trade, Free or Looking For. A guild member may list an item for a friend but the member must be the contact person. Please be sure to state a price, even OBO (Or Best Offer), description of the items, and how to contact you. All arrangements will be made between the buyer/seller. The Guild and Gazette have no responsibility for any transaction.

Please submit your classified-style ad in a regular email.

### Huskylock 936 ...price reduced!

\$175 Purchased in 2006 Used 3-4 times

Padded carrying pull case extra serger book serger thread

Sharon Potfay spotfay@comcast.net 904-495-4331

#### YOUR FREE AD HERE!

You know you have stuff...and maybe it is too much for the Freebie Table...but you can list it here! For free (All Stars only)!

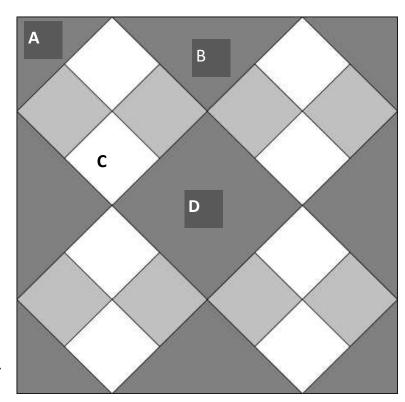


#### **AUGUST BOM**

Four Times Four 12" finished

Remember your <u>scant</u> 1/4" seam Allowance and press carefully!

A) Corner triangles: Cut 2—4" squares, then cut once on the diagonal to make 4 triangles



- B) Side triangles: Cut 1—7 1/4 " square, then cut in an X to make 4 triangles
- C) Squares for 4-Patches: 8—2 5/8" squares of one fabric and

8—2 5/8" of another

OR use as many fabrics as you like!

OR you could make strip sets from 2—24" long strips.

D) Center square: Cut 1—4 3/4" square

Sew 2 different C squares together to make 8 pairs.

Then sew the pairs together to make 4-Patch units.

Sew an A triangle to one side of each 4-Patch.

Sew a 4-Patch/A to two opposite sides of the D center square.

Sew a B triangle to opposite sides of the remaining 4-Patches, matching at the right angle/ corner.

Complete the block.