

The Gazette

All Star Quilters' Guild

January 2020 Newsletter
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We meet at: First Christian Church
11924 San Jose Blvd
Jacksonville, FL

Calendar of Events

January 2020

- 6 Guild Board Meeting 10:00 AM
- 6 Deadline for submitting articles for the January edition of the Gazette
- 13 Sit 'n Stitch 9:30 – 12:00, Orphan Block with Sunnie Malesky
- 13 10:00 - 12:00 Zentangle Group with Marita
- 20 General Guild Meeting 10:00 AM – “It’s Your Birthday”
- 20 Immediately following the Meeting: Hand stitching with Elaine: applique, embroidery, etc. Bring a lunch.
- 27 Class – “Twisted Log Cabin” with Bruce from Scrappy Rooster.

February 2020

- 3 Guild Board Meeting 10:00 AM
- 3 Deadline for submitting articles for the February edition of the Gazette
- 10 Sit 'n Stitch 10:00 – 12:00
- 10 10:00 - 12:00 Zentangle Group with Marita
- 17 General Guild Meeting 10:00 AM –
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- 24 Four Patch Posy class with Mary Anne Dennis
- 28 Road Trip – Bus Trip to Daytona AQS Quilt Show

March 2020

- 2 Guild Board Meeting 10:00 AM
- 2 Deadline for submitting articles for the March edition of the Gazette
- 9 Sit 'n Stitch 10:00 – 12:00
- 9 10:00 - 12:00 Zentangle Group with Marita
- 16 General Guild Meeting 10:00 AM – Food Bank Drive – Sewing Room Sale
- 16 Immediately following the Meeting: Hand stitching with Elaine: applique, embroidery, etc. Bring a lunch.
- 23 Class – Stencils with Ink and Colored Pencils with Margie Engel
- 30 Sit 'n Stitch 10:00 – 12:00

2020 All Star Challenge: Pick a Card

Guild members seem to like a challenge that contain an element of chance. In the past we have picked Scrabble tiles and colored pencils. This time it is a playing card. You do have a bit of control, however. You can choose between a face card or number card. Then pick a card. That card is your inspiration. You can be inspired by the colors, shape, number or face card design, or anything else you can think of. No second chance, though. The card you choose is what you have to work with. Size is 45 " x 45" or smaller.

I think we will have some interesting interpretations of playing cards. I do have one question for you" is the ace a face card or number card? Also, jokers in or out? Email me at zcats1818@comcast.net and give me your opinion.

See me at the general meeting to pick up your card. Hang onto your card and display it with your quilt at the June general meeting. We will vote on our favorites, and the top three will receive a gift card from Cinnamon's. Good luck!

Vicki Zoller

Attention

There will be NO free table in January. We need all of the tables for the luncheon. Just save your goodies for February.

Jean Newton

Birthday Luncheon

Our birthday luncheon is at the NEXT GUILD MEETING, January 20th. My sign-up list was filled out nicely and it should be a great success. Please remember to bring your dish or item or talent, whatever you signed up for. Lunch will follow the meeting, starting at approximately 11am. When you arrive, there will be door greeters to direct you with your goodies (either to the kitchen for hot or cold, or directly to the tables for room temperature items).

Please bring serving utensils, marked with your name and label your dishes, if you want them back.

If you signed up to help me set-up, please be at the church at 8:30am. We have to assemble tables, since there are not enough at the church.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALL STARS!

Pat D'Elia

Community Service

I want to thank Donna Caldarise, Sharon Buquo and Sue Blythe for volunteering to assist community service. Trish Egbert and Mary Anne Dennise have agreed to continue the delivery of quilts to Daniel' and Safe Harbor.

We have a new charity to support this year. It is the Hart Felt Ministries. I met with them and learned about their mission before the holidays and am very anxious to have them come and share

their story with us. They provide support, volunteers, transportation and much more to our seniors 70 and older. Their goal is to help assist aging in place as long as possible. We will provide 4-5 lap size adult quilts to them quarterly.

During our last donation to Safe Harbor, the director was telling us that just the other day a boy wanted to know if she had a blanket that was softer than the wool blankets they were given to use? We need more quilts for them...approximately 5/5 1/2' x 6/6 1/2'. Please consider showing these young men that you care by making them more comfortable.

It is time for us to submit nominations for our raffle quilt charity recipient. Please submit your suggestions with their information or brochure and why you are nomination this charity by March. In April, 3 nominations will be presented at the guild meeting to be voted on.

Have you thought about being the 2021 Quilt mother for the guild? It will soon be time that we will need that special person to say yes to the request!

Community Service received a nice donation of fabric that we will sit out at the February meeting. We will continue to offer free of charge material when used in a charity quilt, otherwise we will sell at a small charge and all proceeds go to Ways and Means.

Mindy Ashby

Education

Bruce from the Scrappy Rooster will be teaching a Twisted Log Cabin Class Jan. 27. If you want to take this class, please check with Pris Roehm(pdrquilt@comcast.net) to see if there is still room.

Mary Ann Dennis is teaching a Four Patch Posey class on Feb. 24. There is still room so you can sign up at the Guild meeting.

Looking ahead to March 23, Margie Engel is teaching a class called Bodacious Applique: Gecko in Paradise. According to Margie, "There is simple magic in using colored pencils and thread embellishments to add depth and shadows to applique motifs. In this technique class you will produce single-fabric appliques and learn to use interfacing and stabilizers to your advantage. The project will be a tropical paradise scene."

Supply lists are on the website under Education.

Make sure you read the Refund Policy on the website.

(www.allstarquilters.org)

Pris Roehm

Historian

Photos, articles and other documents Photos from the December meeting will be posted to our website. <http://www.allstarquilters.org/> We will only have one website for all things related to the guild plus FB.

Our guild started 1993 with approximately 90 members and new President, Sunnie Malesky.

Sandy Onsager

Library

This month the library will be taking a vacation, as all the tables will be needed for our delicious birthday party buffet. This would be a good time to go to the Guild website and click on the library inventory. You may see a title there that will spark your creativity. The new year is a good time to start a new project or try a new technique. this also a good time to dig out any library books you have taken out so the you can return them at the February meeting. Happy Quilting!

Vicki Zoller

Membership

Happy New Year! We are off to a great start for the 2020 year. We have 120 members from early bird registration. If you would like to be included in our 2020 membership book, please note you will need to pay your dues by the January 20 meeting.

The Membership book deadline is January 20th, 2020 - I need all articles by then. I'm sorry, but there are no exceptions. We have a lot to do to prepare the book. I would like to have it ready for the February meeting.

Please remember, Membership is the owner of the emails. If you have issues or changes - members need to contact me. Betty Ann gets my data base of the members - so she cannot help you out. Please remember also, if I don't know, I can't help you out. This applies to Newsletters, Blasts and anything else you receive by email.

Thank you! Happy New Year!

Lisa Anderson

Notes from our President

Happy New Year everyone. A new roaring twenties is here.

A huge big shout out to Sue Abbey and her crew. 49 quilts to Peds care and 17 pillowcases. 47 quilts and 25 pillowcases to Daniels Kids. 3 quilts to Safe Harbor. \$1325.00 in cash and \$1150.00 in goods to Mandarin food bank. \$400.00 value of new books to Ronald McDonald House. Along with 60+ Fidget quilts for the nursing homes. 30 members made the quilts and 28 different Quilters quilted the quilts. Let's see if we can make more in 2020. Great Job Sue.

On a more serious note. WE ONLY HAVE CLASSES UNTIL MARCH!!! SOMEONE NEEDS TO VOLUNTEER TO BECOME EDUCATION CHAIR? Please say you will do this important job for All Stars. You could co-chair also. Pris will still help but does not want to look for teachers.

Our next meeting is our birthday party. Come and bring a guest. So that means it will be a busy meeting, Sooo **NO Sew and Tell**. The meeting agenda will be as follows:

Secretary report accepted as presented, treasury report, Education Report, Membership report, Correspondence/Spring Retreat followed by the bus trip. I'm hoping we can get this done in 20 minutes. We have a program, then lunch. We are shooting for lunch to be at 11.

Again, we will not have time for Sew and Tell. please think about becoming Program chair. Looking forward to seeing you at our Birthday Party.

We are also looking for a Quilt Mother for our 2021 Raffle quilt. Also be thinking of a charity to give our raffle proceeds to. We need these ASAP. Bring some kind of literature to tell us about the charity to any board member or even bring it to our February board meeting. The board is hoping to have around 10 to choose from by our March board meeting.

Kathi Thompson

Orphan Blocks 2020

9:30 this Monday!

We will start at 9:30 sharp because there are so many things happening that day (Mon. Jan. 13)! This is a demo-lecture for how to get started sorting and using up your Orphan (leftover) Blocks for our UFO Project this year.

You do NOT need to bring your blocks (unless you want help going through them at Sit & Stitch). There will be a handout to take home.

While this is not intended as a group project (all the items you make are your own), you are certainly welcome to combine blocks with friends for community service or anything else you want to do. That's what this session is about: Getting Started!

There will be a couple more lecture/demo/workshops as the year goes along and we discover what we need to learn...please feel free to suggest what you want! One session will be about making craft items from just one or two blocks.

Do plan to Show & Tell anything you make each month! At the end of the year we will each bring ONE item in to display for a Viewers' Choice Award (we trust the All Stars to vote fairly even if they know who made something). Let's whittle down those "boxes of stuff" and have some fun!

Questions? Contact Sunnie at sunsky@comcast.net

Sunnie Malesky

Programs

December Program

If you missed Mrs. Clause at the Christmas Party – well – I'm sorry – CAUSE, she was wonderful. We sang, played a build a snowman game, experienced magic, a story and everything! That was the best Christmas Party I ever did see.

I'm already working on next year's party. If you have ideas or want to help plan, give me a buzz or an email.

January Program

The program for January is – "It's your Birthday". That's all I'm going to say. Come and be part of the fun.

Betty Ann Agnew

QUILTFEST 2020

September 17-19, 2020
"2020 Is Sew Perfect"

At the December 17, 2019, QuiltFest board meeting there was continued discussion on initiatives underway to improve and update QuiltFest.

- Web Redesign
 - The website is being completely reworked to update its appearance and make it more user friendly.
 - SignUp Genius will be used to assist in volunteer signups. Volunteer jobs will be listed along with available spaces for each two-hour volunteer period. This will help alleviate the problem encountered in past years when there were too many volunteers for some jobs and shortages of volunteers for other jobs. We also will continue to use the paper volunteer form, but guild members will be encouraged to go on line to sign up for volunteer jobs.

- Board Presentations to Guilds
 - The Board is going to go to each guild belonging to the Seven Sisters Guilds to update the guilds on the status of the QuiltFest. A draft of the presentation was presented to the Board. No dates have been determined for these presentations.
- Expansion Review
 - The Board continues to explore the addition of categories such as needle arts, fiber arts, doll-making and other non-quilt crafts. It is believed this will help attract artists who are not quilters to the show.
- QuiltFest Board members continue to meet with the management at the Prime Osborn Convention Center to explore possible changes to the floor plan. Some possible changes would include widening of the aisles to reduce congestion (especially in the vendor spaces) and enlarging the space for the Silent Auction.
- A check for \$960.10 was presented to the Guild. This is the Guild's share of the proceeds from Quilters Walk.

This next year will be a busy one for the QuiltFest Board as we work to streamline, modernize and improve QuiltFest. The next QuiltFest Board meeting is on Tuesday, January 21, at 7:00 PM at the Lexington Hotel on the Southbank. Guild members are always welcome to attend QuiltFest Board meetings. If you have questions or suggestions about QuiltFest, please contact one of the Guild QuiltFest representatives: June Daniels, Mary Jeanette Howle, Susan Sharpe, Linda Wilson, Ellen Ford or Ronni Potter.

Linda Wilson

Raffle

The Bernina sewing machine raffle starts at the January meeting and a winner will be drawn on March 16th at the end of the meeting. The tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. This raffle is open to anyone; you can involve your friends and family, etc. The more tickets we sell, the bigger the Ways and Means pot gets.

The donated machine is brand new; in the box. It is valued at \$1300. The model is B325, it is a smaller machine, great for taking to classes and retreats.

Jill Kelly and Jean McCormick and I are selling tickets. Come see one of us and take your chance at a great deal.

GOOD LUCK!

Pat D'Elia

Road Trip

Daytona bound, on the bus, on February 28th. If you haven't signed up or paid, the January meeting is the deadline, then I will open it up to non-members. We have to fill the bus. So far, we have 30 on the list.

We are leaving from the church at 8am (promptly-I recommend being there at 7:30). We will travel to the Ocean Center in Daytona for the AQS show. There will be a bathroom break going and coming as well as a restroom on the bus. You will be allowed drinks and snacks but be neat. We will leave Daytona at 3pm (promptly) to return to Jacksonville. Traffic is usually an issue, so arrival back is somewhere between 4:30 and 5pm.

Cost is \$30 per person, cash or check made out to All Stars. This covers your bus ride and show ticket.

The guild picks up the difference in expenses.

DONT MISS IT!

Pat D'Elia

Sew and Tell

December 16, 2019

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| 1. Sheron Walser | Holiday Hounds & Tree Farm |
| 2. Mary Ann Dennis | 3 car quilts |
| 3. Kathe | 3 quilts |
| 4. Gloria Hart | Log Cabin Heart – baby quilt |
| 5. Mary Jeanette Howle | Beach colors |
| 6. Stacy Wilson | 3 quilts |
| 7. Marsha Bookstaver | Noah's Ark baby quilt |
| 8. Sandra Kaye | Teal Kitties |
| 9. Cindy Brown | Sunbonnet Sue |
| 10. Jill Kelly | Garden Paths |
| 11. Angela Moeller | Dashing through the Snow |
| 12. Patty Wallace, Nancy Moran and Delia Bright | Blue & White Stars for Father Alan |
| 13. Delia Bright | Sailboat quilt/ strip pattern |

Sheri Harnack

Sit and Stitch

You won't want to miss this month's meeting on January 13th. Please note that just this once we will start at 9:30. Sunnie Malesky will give an informative presentation on Orphan Blocks and what to do with them. You are welcome to bring your own orphan blocks to get suggestions for how to make them into something useful.

We begin gathering at 9:15 and Sit N Stitch will run from 9:30 til noon. Hope to see you there

Sherry Verell

Spring Retreat

Tickets for the Spring Retreat will go on sale at the February meeting. As always it's a first come first serve basis. You must have your money in order to sign up. The dates are May 14, 15, and 16.

The price is \$40 this year which includes the special lunch that the church chef will prepare and also all the usual door prizes and demos and other fun stuff we can come up with.

Elaine Brett and Ellen Cannon

Ways and Means

Starting in February, there will be a new Ways and Means project that will take us through the rest of the year. Ellen Cannon and I came up with an idea for another "One" quilt, like we did a couple of years back. We are using a published pattern from a book. This will be a Christmas "One" quilt. There are 42 blocks involved, with sashing and borders, etc. Some of the blocks are simple and some are a little challenging. All are pieced, no applique, some embroidery. I will check out block kits to members. We will have at least one sit n stitch to work on these. After they are completed, the quilt top will be assembled, quilted and entered in QuiltFest in September as a collaborative quilt. Then we will raffle the quilt off in the guild with a December drawing date.

SOUND LIKE FUN? I HOPE SO. I'LL NEED YOUR HELP.

Pat D'Elia

All Star Quilters' Guild General Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2019 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President, Kathi Thompson at 10:00 AM.

June Daniels made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 18, 2019 General Meeting, Sharon Buquo seconded the motion. The minutes of the November 18th, 2019 guild general meeting were approved as published.

Ellen Cannon

- Treasurer –Ellen Cannon read the Treasurer's report. She also stated that a check in the amount of \$1,250.00 was sent to "In the Pink", our 2019 Raffle Quilt Charity.

June Daniels

- June announced that the Auditing Committee comprised of herself, Linda Wilson and Susan Sharpe will meet with our Treasurer, Ellen Cannon, in January.

Lisa Anderson

- Membership –Lisa announced that 106 members were present. The winners of the monthly drawing were Patsy Beach, Carole Johns and Mable Holiman. Donna Caldarise was the winner of the early membership sign up drawing. Any changes to the membership book are needed by January. Please see Lisa if you need your picture taken for the membership book. Don't forget to wear your nametag.

Pat D'Elia

- January Birthday Party – Pat passed around the birthday luncheon signup sheet.
- Road Trips – Pat has 25 members signed up for the February 28th AQS Daytona quilt show bus trip. The cost is \$30 which includes a show ticket and bus ride.
- Ways and Means – Pat still has cookbooks for sale at a bargain price of \$12.50. The raffle for the Bernina model B325 will begin in January. The tickets will be 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. The centerpieces on the table are on sale for \$10, proceeds will go to ways and means.

Sue Abbey

- Community Service – Sue announced that the guild has donated 96 quilts this year. 47 went to PedsCare and 44 to daniel's kids. This year we have donated \$1270.00 and carloads of food to Mandarin Food Bank. Two quilts were donated to Safe Harbor. Sue thanked the guild for all they do!

Mindy Ashby

- Corresponding Secretary – Mindy sent out three thinking of you and one sympathy cards last month. She sent out 14 emails to members who have not been to our general meetings. Heartfelt Ministries will be added to our community service recipients. They service senior citizens in Jacksonville.

Pris Roehm/Judy Cwalina

- Education – Pris announced that 21 members have signed up and paid for the Twisted Log Cabin Class in January. Mary Anne Dennis' Four Patch Posy class will be in February. See Mary Anne with any questions. Margie Engel's Gecko in Paradise class will be in March.
- Website – Pris asked members to please look at the Website, let her know if you would like to see anything added to the Website.

June Rittscher

- Quilter of the Month – June announced that there was no quilter of the month this month. There will be one in January. If June emails you, please answer her email.

Sandy Onsager

- Historian – Sandy requested that you stand near your quilt during Sew 'n Tell.

Delia Bright

- Equipment Manager – Delia showed the extension towers that she ordered.

Patsy Barr

- Quilts of Valor – Patsy announced that Linda Marsh and Barbara Nichols will be taking over Quilts of Valor. Please pin your name to the quilt when you turn them in to Quilts of Valor. Patsy has quilts for Bonita Bates and Alice Fletcher. Patsy presented Alice with a Quilt of Valor and a Certificate. Bonita was not present. Patsy had Certificates for Anna Varner and Deborah Olson.

Vicki Zoller

- Library – Vicki announced that the Library will be closed today and at the January General Meeting due to lack of tables. The Library will reopen in February.
- Challenge 2020 – The 2020 Challenge will be announced in January.

Sherry Verrell

- Sit ‘n Stitch – Sherry announced there will be a Sit ‘n Stitch on December 23rd and 30th. January 13th Sit ‘n Stitch will be Orphan Blocks with Sunnie Malesky.

Betty Ann Agnew

- Programs – Betty Ann introduced Mrs. Claus who gave an entertaining program including a sing-along.

Sunnie Malesky

- Installations of Officers – Sunnie Installed the Officers for 2020. Kathi Thompson, President; Betty Ann Agnew, Vice President; Ellen Cannon Treasurer; Trish Egbert, Recording Secretary and Elaine Brett, Corresponding Secretary.

Mary Anne Dennis

- UFOs – Mary Anne asked all UFO participants to stand. Together, this year, they finished 100 UFOs Bonnie Helm was the winner of the drawing. Sheri Harnack was the winner of the most completed UFOs prize. Mary Ann thanked everyone for participating.

Sew ‘n Tell

- Fifteen members shared their projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Donna Calderise

Recording Secretary

Quilters for Hire

The following members are quilters (in alphabetic order) willing to quilt your quilts. Please contact with question and specifics on pricing.

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Belinda (Bea) Mehl 904-424-7982 bigcatjaguars@bellsouth.net

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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