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The All Star

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March 2026 Meeting Dates

- March 2 **Board Meeting.** 10:00 am. All members are welcome to attend.
- March 9 **Sit and Stitch.** 10:00 am – 2 pm. Setup 9:30. Everyone Welcome!
- March 16 **General Meeting.** 10:00 am. Social Time 9:30 am
Program – *When Irish Eyes are Smiling*
- March 23 **Salvage Placemats Class** 10:00 am – 1 pm
- April 6 **Board Meeting.** 10:00 am. All members are welcome to attend.

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

March 16, 2026 Meeting Notes

Food Bank Collections

Class Signups

Brown Bag Challenges are ready for your selection

Library Book Sale – \$2.00 Each!!!

Upcoming Classes & Events

- March 23 **Salvage Placemats;** Vicki Zoller, Instructor
- April 27 **Twisted Pole Table Runner**
- May 13-15 **Spring Retreat at Mandarin Methodist Church**

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National Pi Day March 14

Food Bank

Our first collection of 2026 will be at the general meeting March 16. Maria Tarjonji will be at the entrance to collect your donations and deliver to the Mandarin Food Bank. Let's make 2026 an even bigger year than 2025.

Book Sale!!

Support the All Stars AND get some quilting books at a great price. Over 60 books available – each book only \$2.00 or three books for \$5.00.
See page 10 for a list of books for sale.

2026 All Star Challenge: Famous Women

There are scads of famous women, actual or fictional just waiting to be honored in cloth. Well, maybe they are aren't waiting, but the members of All Stars are waiting to see what amazing Famous Women quilts will be on display at the May general meeting.

Your Challenge quilt can be any size and may honor your chosen woman in any way you want. Revenue we have a shorter turnaround this year, so now is the time to get going on your entry. As always, we will vote on our favorites and each of the top three will receive a \$40 gift card to Cinnamon's.

Good luck and Happy Quilting!

-Vicki A. Zoller

Sit and Stitch

Last month's mystery quilt block was a success!! Thank you to everyone that came.

We have two Sit and Stitch this month - the 9th and 30th. Mark those dates in your calendar. This means there will be 2 blocks this month! If you missed last month's block no problem we can catch you up. We love having everyone!



If you don't want to do block of the month, no problem. You can still bring your project (UFO maybe) to work on. Come and join us and don't forget if you are wanting to get rid of some fat quarters or maybe want some, we will have a fabric exchange table as well as the free table.

Hours are from 10-2. Any questions contact me or Nancy Tomer.

-LeighAnn McGuigan

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If you know an All Star who needs a card, please contact the Corresponding Secretary, Barbara Lumpiesz, at info@allstarquilters.com with the member's name. Barbara will send a card from the Guild for occasions such as: Illness/Recovery; Sympathy/Loss; or Get Well Wishes.

UFO Challenge 2026

The challenge is off to a good start. Keep up the good work! And consider joining in if you haven't already. You know you want to finish those UFOs! Participants receive cute little tokens for each completed quilt turned in, as well as a chance at a quilt shop gift card. Come by and see the tokens, or ask someone who is participating to see theirs. We'd love to have more finished quilts!



-Sherry Verell

Financial Report February 1 – February 28, 2026

Beginning Balance	\$13,317.74
Income	3,852.50
Expenses	(6,471.11)
Ending Balance	\$10,699.13

-Gloria Hart, Treasurer

All Star History: Looking Back to 1998

Maybe 1998 doesn't seem like such a long time ago, but can you guess how many people attended the January 1998 general meeting? A whopping 30 members and 8 guests! Our current attendance regularly pushes 100! We have come a long way. But even with a small number of quilters in 1998, the All Stars were busy with classes, preparing for the annual Challenge, and planning to attend a quilt show.

Just think of all the activities of All Stars with our current membership. We have 3 yearly retreats, regular classes, interesting programs, wonderful road trips, involvement in QuiltFest, and cozy Sit and Stitches. We also share our quilting skills with the wider community through our many community service projects. All Stars Guild continues to be a place where quilters get together to share our love of quilting and fellowship and as our motto says, "Where everyone can shine". Go All Stars!

-Vicki Zoller

Library News

I am very happy to announce that I will sponsor MY very first Library Book Sale at our March General Meeting. There is quite a variety of books available for sale. All proceeds will go toward our general fund for the benefit of the entire Guild. There are a few patterns that will sell for just 25 cents each. Books will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Both checks and cash will be accepted but if you intend to purchase books using cash, please try and bring smaller bills so I don't run out of change quickly. The borrowing Library will still be available at the same time. If you would like to review the books we will have available, please take a look at **the list on page 10**. I will also have a copy placed in our March 16th Guild calendar. Can't wait to see everyone!

-Patty Campioni

Programs

In March, "**Irish Eyes Are Smiling**", remember that song?? Let's wow each other with our St. Patrick's Day attire (might even be a parade). Also bring any predominantly GREEN quilts you may have, and any St Patrick's themed, or Irish chain quilts as well. We will show these off, but have regular Show and Tell as well.

April in Florida is already Spring. Let's see your **Floral quilts**. Any quilts with flowers. They can be modern, antique, applique, pieced...grow a new one if you want. Regular Show and Tell will also happen.

May is the guild Challenge reveal. **FAMOUS WOMEN** is the theme. See more on that elsewhere in this newsletter.

Two "Special Programs" are slotted for June and July.

In September, we will have a program highlighting **members' sewing rooms**. Karen Duffy and Delia Bright are putting together a presentation. I passed a sign up at the last meeting asking for volunteers to show off their spaces. Many of you responded and I will contact you with further information as we get closer. Thank you.

-Pat D'Elia

Community Service

2026 Mystery Bag Challenge – Pick up a brown paper Mystery Bag at the March General Meeting and make a quilt for Community Service with the contents! Add more fabric, omit some...it's your choice! Each bag has at least enough fabric for a small quilt, maybe even the back. Batting provided by request from Community Service. You have until October to complete the quilt and then we'll do a BIG Show & Tell with prizes for the winners! Grab a brown bag as you come in the door and let's see your creativity in action.



Food Bank – March is Food Bank Month. Spring Break is here. Snack foods individually wrapped are always a treat. Paper products, i.e. toilet paper, paper towels, and children's diapers are always needed. Cash or checks, made out to Mandarin Food Bank, are also welcome. Maria and Joann will be in front of the church to collect your donations.

Fabric Table will be restocked with new fabrics soon and as a reminder, fabric taken for community service quilts is free to guild members. And we provide batting for community service quilts to members as well. Just reach out via TEXT or Phone to Joann Davenport or Sharon Buquo with the size batting needed and we'll get it to you at the next Guild meeting.

Community Service Team –

Sharon Buquo - Fabric Table & Batting

Johnnie Wollard – Fabric Table

Randy Powers – Quilt Delivery

Maria Tarjonji – Food Bank

Joann Davenport - Community Service Chairman

-Joann Davenport

Communications

Did you know that the website has a few new pages? Each item of interest now has its own tab on the front page (at the top). You can find our Calendar, Committee Job Descriptions, Bylaws, Patterns, Community Service projects, Newsletters, Sew and Tell, General Meeting Minutes, Quilts of Valor, and our new Quilters Corner.

Take a few minutes to get to know your brand-new website – if you have a question, the answer is probably there!

PS. The Members Only password will be mailed out to the membership, along with the newsletter – just in case you have misplaced an earlier email.

-Jenny Chambless

Featured Quilter – Jane Flesher

March Featured Quilter is Jane Flesher and her quilting story is submitted in her own words . . .

My grandmothers first introduced me to fabric art. My paternal grandmother taught me to embroider when I was five. My maternal grandmother was a farmer and during the winter, her dining room had saw horses set up with flour sack quilts rolled around 2x4s for hand quilting.

As an adult I enjoyed garment sewing, particularly making clothes for my daughter. I was self-taught through printed pattern instructions and library books - no YouTube then. One day for some reason, I decided I should make a quilt. Thirty years later (and many, many attempts), I'm still trying to make a quilt that meets my expectations.

We moved to Florida in 2005 and my attention turned from quilting to my grandson. Not long after Covid, by chance I met some ladies who also quilt and share my love for the art. We joined All Stars and some of us also joined the Modern Quilt guild. The guild members and their beautiful creations keep me inspired, and having talented friends is an added bonus.

My husband and I love to visit our National Parks and we always plan some quilt shop stops along the way. (Buying fabric is probably my favorite part of quilting.) "Vacation" fabrics are the best part of my stash which includes many Southwest colors and designs to remind me of the western parks that I love so much.

In my sewing room there is always music. My playlist is determined by what I'm sewing that day. One thing **not** in my sewing room is a UFO. If I didn't like it enough to finish it first time, I'm never going to like it, so out it goes. And a new project will give me a reason to buy more fabric!

-Linda Marsh



Hospitality

Thanks to these members for providing refreshments at the March meeting –

Healthy	Margaret Stewart	Fruit/Veggie tray	Laura Rowe
Decadent Chocolate	Loraine Carter	Sweet or salty	LeighAnn McGuigan
Savory	Betty Smith	2 2 liter diet drinks	Joann Davenport
Your specialty treat	Maureen Orr	2 2 liter drinks	Ellen Ford

-Elfriede Echt

Road Trips

I am planning the next trip in April. We are headed to Sew Mini Things in Mount Dora. This is a beautiful shop with loads of fabric. We have visited in years past and everyone finds lots of good stuff. I must confirm the date with the shop and will announce it at the March meeting. Start talking to your friends, figure out who wants to drive and who wants to ride. We will pass around signup sheets at the April general meeting.

Spring Retreat

It is time to start planning our Spring Retreat. The dates will be May 13th through the 15th. Spring retreat will be held at Mandarin Methodist Church.

The times will be 8:00 AM till 6:00 PM Wednesday and Thursday. On Friday we will finish up at 3:00 PM. The cost will be \$50.00. Lunch on Wednesday & Thursday will be your choice of bring from home or visiting the many restaurants in the area. Friday we will have an catered lunch.

Sign up for Spring Retreat will begin at the March general meeting. The number of members will be limited to 30 due to the size of the room.

This retreat is sure to be a buzzing good time.

-Ellen Cannon

Membership

Ninety-one members of All Star Quilters' Guild attended the General Meeting on February 16, 2026, at First Christian Church. We had four guests, two new members: Susan (Sue) Boisvert and Jannys Delgado; and two renewals: Diana Oliver and Connie McElmurray. The number of recorded members in All Star Quilters' Guild is now 148.

The 2026 Directories have arrived (I was notified on February 16th at 2:10pm!) That is how close it was to your getting them at February's meeting. Regardless, please be sure to pick your directory up at the March 16th General meeting. We will have them at the Membership table.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Sheron or Bobbie. Thank you.

-Susan Sharpe, Sheron Walser, Bobbie Redshaw

In Search Of . . .

One of our members is looking for the book that contains this pattern. The soft cover book (2003-2005) was a collection of multiple designers. If anyone has this book, could you please contact Carol Burd at 904-230-1255 or 904-476-9681.



Education.

March 23, 2026

Salvage Placemats Presented by Vicki Zoller. 10:00 to 1:00. Cost \$10.00.

April 27, 2026

Twisted Pole Table Runner Presented by Karen Duffy. 9:00 - 10:00. Cost: \$15.00

May - Spring Retreat. (10-13). Held at Manderin Baptist Church, San Jose Blvd

June 16, 2026 (this is the Tuesday after the general meeting).

Think Creatively presented by Kestrel Michaud. Number of students: 20
9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Cost \$45 (includes kit)

(Actual project not yet decided) Kestrel is the 2025 **Best In Show** at the 2025 Quilt Fest and will present the program at the general meeting on June 15.

July 21, 2026 (This is also the day after the general meeting)

"The Doctor will see you now" by Kathryn D'Elia. Cost: \$20.00. Max. students: 24
Bring your own project to make it stunning. 9:00 – noon.

August 24, 2026

Twister presented by Ranie Manning. Number of students: 12. Cost \$10.00

September 28, 2026

Christmas Tree Wall Hanging and/or Jumper presented by Mary Anne Dennis.

October 26 – 30, 2026 - Fall Retreat

November 9, 2026 – Demo Day; December – Christmas Party

-Jill Kelly

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

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

Education News Alert



Kestrel Michaud , who won the “Best of Show” award at QuiltFest 2025 will be here at All Stars to teach us a workshop! Date: June 16, 2026
Time: 9:00 am– 4:00pm Price: \$10 + \$35 (kit) = \$45

Kestrel Michaud Workshop: Brain – Boot Camp

This full-day workshop focuses on teaching students how to think creatively, demonstrates the importance of design elements. Kestrel will guide students through a series of hands-on exercises:

Lesson 1: Idea Generation Students will go through series of exercises that will help students think of subjects and settings from nothing.

Lesson 2: Learn to Draw Like an Artist Kestrel will guide students through a series of drawing exercises to develop drawing ability.

Lesson 3: Color Combinations Students will learn about color harmonies and practice applying that knowledge to a design. Kestrel will share examples of color arrangements as they appear in her own art.

Lesson 4: Highlight, Midtone, and Shadow Students will learn the first rule of Kestrel's personal quilt design formula. Students will practice applying this rule to provided images.

Lesson 5: Picking Fabric Students will participate in an exercise in choosing fabric based on Kestrel's design formula. This final lesson is intended to prepare students to turn their design into a finished quilt at home.

--Delia Bright

Teacher Profile - Kathryn D'Elia

In July, Kathryn D'Elia (Pat's daughter) will be visiting to do a program and class for us.

She is an award winning artist and educator from Minnesota. Her favorite medium is oil paint, but she is an accomplished sewest as well. Fabric is another of her passions. She makes 80% of her own clothing.

She will be focusing on COLOR in her presentation and class. Each student will receive a color wheel with instructions on its use. She will allow each student to bring in a project (any kind) and she will make color recommendations and suggestions to improve the outcome. Color swatches will be provided to aid in helping the student remember what was discussed.

This is a different type of class. No sewing, cutting, prep work...just information and personal assistance.

Date: July 21, Tuesday ,after our regular meeting, 9-12noon, 24 students, \$20

--Pat D'Elia



All Star members can advertise in the Gazette free of charge. "For Sale" items will run for two consecutive issues and "Services" will run every issue. If you would like to advertise here, please send your listing to jbright414@gmail.com.

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.**

For Sale

Brother 920D Compact Homelock Serger. Asking price \$50.00 or best reasonable offer. Missing instruction manual and tools. Manual can be found online at:

"brother 920d serger manual pdf free download"

For more information, contact Carol Burd at 904-230-1255 or email clb8408@comcast.net.



FREE!!



Kenmore 385-1923. It has foot pedal, instruction book but no power cord. Contact Gloria Hart at gloriashart@gmail.com.



FOR SALE Like brand new. Martelli sewing chair. Originally \$395. \$175 or best offer. Contact Gloria Hart 904-710-1491

For more information:

<https://www.martellinotions.com/martelli-chairs.html>

Library Sale Books

24 Blocks for Kids Quilts
 101 Crazy Quilt Blocks
 Asian Elegance
 Attic Windows-Contemporary View
 Attic Windows-Quilts With a View
 Bargello Quilts
 Basic Seminole Patchwork
 Black & White Garden
 Buttonhole Stitch Applique
 Cathedral Windows
 Christmas at Home
 Christmas Cottage
 Christmas Trims
 Country Stenciling
 Curves in Motion
 Cutting Curves
 Dear Jane
 Earthly Delights-The Perfect Finish
 Easy Does it For Christmas
 Easy Does it For Spring
 Easy Machine Paper Piecing (copy 1)
 Easy Machine Paper Piecing (copy 2)
 Elm Creek Quilts
 Embroidery Machine Essentials-Basic
 Embroidery Machine Essentials-Quilting
 Everyday Embellishments
 Family Favorite Quilts
 Fat Quarter Friendly
 Flying Geese
 Focus on Florals
 Friends Forever
 Fusing Fun
 Glorious Patchwork
 Hand Quilting
 Lickety-Split Quilts
 Log Cabin Borders and Corners
 Log Cabin Quilts
 Magic Pillows, Hidden Quilts
 Magic Stack-n-Whack Quilts
 Measure the Possibilities
 More Fat Quarter Quilts
 More Quick Country Quilting
 More Simple Quilts
 One-Patch Triangle Quilts
 Paper Piecing
 Patches of Scraps
 Peeled Back Patchwork
 Pineapple Stars
 Positively Postcards
 PS I Love You Baby Collections
 Quick Country Quilts
 Quilt Designs for Postcards
 Quilted Memories
 Quilting for the Men in Your Life
 Quilting With My Sister
 Quilting Matchup, Stash vs. Cash
 Quilts for Baby
 Quilting Made Easy (copy 1)
 Quilting Made Easy (copy 2)
 Quilts of Thimble Creek
 Quilts! Quilts !! Quilts !!!
 Raw Edge Applique
 Rich Traditions
 Scraps to You, Too
 Sew Pretty T-Shirt Dresses
 Show Me How to Machine Quilt
 Small Wall Quilts
 Stack a New Deck
 Stack the Deck
 Step Back in Time
 Strip Piecing
 Strips That Sizzle
 Traditional Candlewicking
 Trip Around the World Quilt
 Two-Color Quilts
 Zentangle



March

3 BETTY OLSON
 6 MARIA TARONJI
 10 MICHAEL MARTISS
 14 BONNIE TAYLOR
 15 GEORGIA MORRIS
 18 VALERIE BENNETT
 23 NANCY SMITH
 25 RUTH ANN EADS
 25 BEVERLY ROUX
 26 DONNA CALDARISE

April

3 JANICE MARTIN
 6 SHARON BUQUO
 6 SAMANTHA HOWELL
 7 VALERIE BOUFFARD
 12 MARSHA BOOKSTAVAR
 12 PATTY CAMPIONI
 13 TRISH EGBERT
 14 JANE FLESHER
 15 MAUREEN ORR
 20 PATTY WALLACE
 21 SHEILA SCHULER

General Meeting Minutes February 16, 2026 (Draft)

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

Delia asked if anyone had read the January 2026 General Meeting Minutes. Hands were raised. Jill Kelly made the motion to accept. LeighAnn McGuigan seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

We need at least 3 charities: Delia suggested Safe Harbor Boys Academy. They are for children at risk of failing High School. They provide homes and an environment in which they can learn away from the school system. Also, they live on boats that they are repairing. At next month's meeting, we will have a small explanation of the projected charities. Then the members will vote and select one. Delia asked the members for suggestions on charities that they would like to donate the Raffle Quilt proceeds to.

Jill Kelly suggested Mercy House. She told us that Mercy House takes in unwed mothers who do not want to have an abortion but can't afford to raise the child. They are allowed to live there for up to 3 years. They get training in a profession. For example - Nursing Assistant. There are other fields available as well. Then, they are sent on their way once they can afford an apartment.

Quilt Mother - for 2027 – All-Star is in charge of the theme for QuiltFest 2027. The Quilt Mother will be responsible for designing and sewing the Raffle Quilt for QuiltFest 2027, with the help of a committee if she wants. Adriane Elwood volunteered to be Quilt Mother. The Raffle Quilt needs to be finished by December 2026 so a picture of it can be put on the cover of the Guilds membership books for 2027. The proceeds from the raffle will go to the chosen charity. In 2026, with the raffle proceeds, All-Star wrote a check to Volunteers in Medicine.

Ways and Means – Delia told us that Trisha Gros is stepping down, so we need a person to come up with ideas for help in raising funds for the Guild. You can have a committee. In the past we have had an auction, sewing room sale, tea party, quilt book and a pancake breakfast. Even just one would be appreciated and we'd get behind you and help to achieve it.

Vice President – Pat D'Elia – Programs – Pat acknowledged and thanked everyone that helped with last month's Birthday Party. For today, we'll have **Community Service** first and then we'll have **February's** program "**Share the Love**" - family member treasures. Then we'll have general comments. She asked that we be nice and/or constructive.

March – celebrating St. Patrick's Day. She asked that we please pull out all the stops. Wear all your green, all your garb. Bring St. Patrick's Day quilts, any green quilts, and any Irish Chains that you may have. The description was included in last month's minutes. **April is "Flower Power"** so bring in flower themed quilts of any kind. **May is the Challenge Reveal** with Vicki Zoller. Pat told us that she has kept program expenses down through May, because she will be spending money on June and July's programs. **June - Kestrel Michaud** – She won Best in Show in Daytona QuiltFest 2026. She has won many National and International contests. Her quilt was on the cover of the AQS Magazine a few months ago. She is coming to talk to us. Keep this to members only due to the limited space.

She will be here for the June General Meeting to talk to us. Then on Tuesday, the next day, she is going to teach a class on color. You can sign up.

Monday, July 20th, Pat D'Elia's daughter, Katherine, is coming from Minneapolis. She is an artist and will present a color class. Then the next day, on Tuesday, July 21st she's going to teach a class. She did a color class for us 4 or 5 years ago.

September – All-Star Sewing Rooms - If you want to have your sewing room photographed and shown for all to see, you may sign up on the clip board.

Treasurer – Gloria Hart – January Beginning Balance \$19,598.73, Income 3200.00, Expenses \$9480.99, Ending Balance \$13,317.74.

Corresponding Secretary – Barbara Lumpiesz - 1 card was sent out.

Charity Raffle Quilt – The recipient was Volunteers in Medicine. We heard from - Jennifer Ryan, CEO for Volunteers in Medicine which was founded 22 years ago by Dottie Dorion, RN and James Burt, MD. People were using the emergency Room for things that they really needed a Primary Care Doctor for. So, they started Volunteers in Medicine, a free clinic for the working uninsured. They utilize 300 Nurses and Doctors as well as retired individuals in our community. They provide Primary care and eighteen specialties. Their patients are people that work at least 20 hours per week and they make \$14,000 to \$50,000 per year for one individual. These are the people that are falling through the cracks of Medicaid & Medicare. People that work part time so don't qualify for insurance through their employer. These are people that own their own businesses, bus drivers, day care workers, musicians, people that work in salons. They are hardworking people living paycheck to paycheck, who do not think they are living in poverty. They have a home, they have a car, they are paying their bills but \$600 more per month, they just can't do it. She thanked us for our donations and went on to say that, for every dollar that they receive, they are able to provide \$3.00 worth of care because of all the volunteer Doctors and Nurses that they have. They also have mental health professionals on staff. Everything the patient needs is free.

Randy Powell - read a letter dated January 28th from Community Hospice and Palliative Care, thanking us for our gift. He told us that they do amazing things for the community. That they provide Chemo, Radiation and Hospice for children. Comfort and care for patients and essential support to the families through grief and bereavement services. They have served the community for over 45 years. Randy is friends with the CEO of First Coast Women's Resource and she sent Katie and Karen, Representatives to share information about the organization. First Coast Women's Resource started in 1994. They are a pregnancy resource center for women and men facing unplanned pregnancies. It was begun with a family whose daughter was pregnant and there were no resources available in Jacksonville. About 15,000 babies have been saved through First Coast Women's Resource. All services are free and they have call centers in Jacksonville. 78% of women when asked if they had one person to stand by them, would they choose life for their child said yes. First Coast Women's Resource strives to be that person to stand by these women. When the quilts come in and these women are presented with a beautiful handmade quilt, it makes them feel valued and loved.

Food Bank – Gloria Hart – March we will be collecting Food Bank Donations – food in general, non-perishable items, and paper products.

Education – Jill Kelly - Monday, **February 23** from 10am – 1 pm is the **Stripology class**. \$10 plus you need the Stripology Ruler, rotary cutter, cutting mat and 3 – 1 yard pieces of fabric. **March class** is Selvage Placemats with Vicki Zoller - Kits are being provided. You will need a sewing machine, Elmers disappearing, washable, purple school glue, 14" x 19" fabric foundation pieces. Foundation piece needs to be marked at 45 degree diagonal lines using a pencil. **April 27 – Twisted Table Runner** – the cost is \$15 and the kit is included. Bring the regular sewing stuff - machine, thread etc.

May - Spring Retreat so there are no classes in May. **June 15 - 16**, General Meeting - **Kestrel Michaud – “Think Creatively”**. There currently is no particular class planned. **June 15**, General Meeting - Kestrel will present some options and then there will be a vote during the meeting to decide which class we will have on **Tuesday, June. 16. July 20 - 21** – at the General Meeting – **Monday, July 20, Katherine** will present the program. Then on **Tuesday, July 21**, she will hold a class **“The Doctor Will See You Now “** \$20. Bring your own project that you’re working on and she can take you from a pretty quilt to a stunning quilt. **August – Twister. September 28 – Christmas Wall Hanging or Christmas Jumper. October – Fall retreat. November – Demo Day** – Need 8 or 9 demonstrators. If you have tricks to do things, please sign up.

Stripology – February 23 - you do not need your machine – class is for cutting and putting together. You will need a Cutting mat and Rotary Cutter (new blade), Stripology ruler and 3 – 1 yard pieces of fabric. She will give you examples of things you can make with the ruler.

Featured Quilter for February - Linda Marsh - Trisha Gros is from Seymoure, Indiana. In 2014 she moved to Jacksonville. She has 2 daughters, a cat and a Golden Retriever. She is a self-taught quilter and has been quilting for 25 years. She joined All-Star in 2022.

Hospitality – Elfriede Echt - Thanked those that provided refreshments last month.

Library – Patty Campioni – Library/Book Sale - The donations of books to the Library were outstanding. **March – Book Sale** they will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. The books are filed by topic. There will be a spreadsheet of the books available on the Calendar and the Newsletter. Books are not being returned. Going forward, books can only be checked out for 2 months. There will be a \$1 late fee for each month you keep the book past the due date. After 6 months, the charge will be the full dollar amount of the book. These changes will start in March. From February forward.

Media – Jenny Chambless – If you have a question, go to the website. The answers are there.

Membership – Susan Sharpe – Total number of members present is 90. Total number of members is 146. There is one form out and if they fill it out today, we'll have 147. We have two new members, Jannnys Delgado and Sue Boivert. We have 2 renewals – Diana Oliver and Connie McElmurray and 1 guest Anna Varner, she was a former member.

Susan is looking for someone to make a T-Shirt Quilt for a former member whom asked Susan to check for her. She had one person that said she was willing to do it.

Membership drawing – Susan Sharpe - Sad News – NO Fat Quarter in the bag anymore. New thing – someone came to her and asked if we could do something different. Susan said that she is willing. So, We now have a Basket – all new items. If you win the drawing, you get to choose 1 item. Anyone can contribute items for the basket but they have to be new. The items can however be homemade but they can't be ugly. She will always be sure to put a fat quarter in the basket. Today's drawing winners were Raney Manning and Cyndie Campbell.

Road Trips – Ellen Cannon - Everyone had a good time last week. Next year Winter Retreat will be on February 8 - 12 and is limited to 16 people. Spring Retreat is May 13 – 15 at Mandarin United Methodist. Limit of 30 people. We will have a Planning Committee meeting after the March 2 Board Meeting. Sign up will begin at the March General meeting. She will put the cost in of Spring Retreat and other information in the March Newsletter. **Road Trip in April** to Mt Dora to Sew Many Things. We're looking at the 28th. She is hoping for some good discounts.

Sit-n-Stitch – LeighAnn McGuigan – We had our first Block of the month at the last Sit-n-Stitch and it went very well. The next two will be March 9th and 30th. We will be doing a different block each Sit-n-Stitch. Bring your prior blocks.

Treasure Table – If anything is left on the free Treasure table, please take it home with you. You can bring it back next month.

UFO's – Mary Anne Dennis – They are almost finished with the Round-2-It's. You get one for each completed UFO. Continue to use the punch cards so that at the end of the year and it's time to figure out who completed the most, you'll have your punch card to show for the count. Mary Anne gave a special thanks to Adriane Elwood and Deb Frain for painting the Tokens. They've done a beautiful job. You can save them for later. UFOs are projects begun prior to Dec 2024.

Quilts of Valor - Sharon Buquo and Samantha Howell – Honor Flight is a free trip to DC to see the Memorial for Veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam. They are flown up there with a grand send off at the airport. They are given a greeting in DC and a greeting when they come home. When they take off from our airport they are sent off under 2 fire trucks spraying an arch of water over the plane. They get a mail call from school kids. They are wheeled all around DC by Guardians. The Guardians pay their own fare or donations that cover their fare. She tries to make sure that they each get a quilt at their Reunion meeting. There are 22 Veterans per flight and there are 2 flights per year, in the spring and the fall. The Honor Flight should be 36” x 45” for lap quilts. For Quilts of Valor there have been 11,028 requested across the United States. The South East Region has given out 2465 quilts. The total for Florida last year was 450. 69 of them came from our guild. She currently has 3 that need long arming. Samantha and Randy will be presenting 4 of them this Saturday.

Program – “Share the Love” -

Twelve people showed their “Show the Love” items.

Show and Tell – 7 people showed their items.

The next Board Meeting is March 2, 2026

The next General Meeting is March 16, 2026

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am

Please remember to turn on your cell phones.

Respectfully Submitted

Angela Moore

Recording Secretary