



Tree City Quilters Guild

Branching Out

Tree City Quilters Guild is for anyone interested in quilting. We foster friendship, learning, and fun.

2020-2021 Officers

President:

Helen Gyllstom

Vice President:

Amanda Hewes

Treasurer:

Linda McSwain

Secretary:

Trish Everitt



President's Message

There have certainly been moments this past month to get discouraged. I often am thankful that in spite of efforts at social distancing, limited travel, and less socializing there are still many things to do and many of them are related to quilting. Sometimes I wonder how quilters who lived on farms, settled in unknown territories, and left families in the city were able to adapt to miles and miles of beautiful landscape with little social interaction – and no quilt stores or online cruising. We have a special heritage and maybe in a small way this year we can appreciate it more.

Many thanks to Marsha Tucker, Gwen Lombard and Linda McSwain for sorting bags and piles of charity material to help get that part of our guild functioning easier. At one point I thought we had at least enough material to last for 10 years – on second thought it is probably only enough for 5. We can get our machines busy. A CHARITY PICK UP-DROP OFF DAY will be scheduled in August – details to follow. We are planning on a day when you can bring whatever charity items you have finished and pick up more kits if you would like. I fear our annual NICU holiday quilts will be needed before we know it, and without a meeting to help distribute the kits we need another option.

There will be an exec/committee chairman meeting on August 3rd at 7:00. All members are invited too. We have a few items on the agenda: programs, potential exhibits, use of our web page and Facebook, and charity discussion. And, of course, anything else we need to discuss. A Zoom link will be sent soon.

Our regular meeting is August 10th at 7pm, again on Zoom. Many cheers to those who joined us last month, and we are hoping to improve our attendance. If you have a friend with problems getting to 'zoom', please offer to help OR have them contact me. It was so good to see everyone! Again, a zoom link will be sent to you. Please remember, these Zoom links should not be published on any social media to avoid any 'zoom crashers.

See you on 'Zoom'. Helen.



Monday, August 10 7:00 PM
Tree City Quilters Guild Meeting
and Virtual Show and Tell

Please send show-n-tell photos to Amanda:
amanda.hewes7684@gmail.com

From Amanda Hewes:

I am looking for volunteers to teach programs – if anyone has something they would like to share please contact me.

GIVE AWAY -

We will be cleaning out the TCQG 's storage shed on Saturday, August 8. We have 2 huge bins full of muslin which was used as backdrops/drapery for our past quilt shows. Each piece has a few holes, but it would be great to cover your plants in the winter, use as a paint drop cloth; etc. It is free to anyone willing to come by early on Saturday – between 8:30 and 10:00. No other fabric will be given away or sold that day.
Springhill Self Storage
3500 NW 97 Blvd Ste A Unit 1086

Sandy sez -

Want more information on the wool pressing mats? There are lots of reviews on YouTube. Go to the YouTube site and click the magnifying glass symbol at the top right to do a search for wool pressing mats. Check them out. You will enjoy using one as much as I do!!



Happy Birthday
to
Ellen Kostewicz
August 3rd

Mission Statement

The purpose shall be to preserve the heritage of quilting by being a source of information, education, and inspiration, by perpetuating a high quality of excellence in quilting and related arts, and providing a gathering of people with this common interest.

It's time to renew your membership and pay your dues.

Due to our current circumstances, we are asking you to mail a check for \$30.00 to:

Marsha Tucker
1515 NW 51st Terr
Gainesville, FL 32605



Please let Marsha know of any changes to your street address, email address, or phone number so we can keep our membership list current and correct.

Links to Block of the Month patterns:

quiltingdaily.com/quilt/nine-patch-heart-free-quilt-block ; Feb

quiltingdaily.com/quilt/garden-path-free-quilt-block ; March

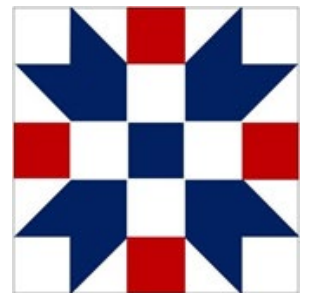
quiltingdaily.com/pattern-broken-dishes ; May

fatquartershop.com/jacobs-ladder-quilt-block-free-pattern ; April

aqsblog.com/heart-home-block-swap-quilting-on-together ; June

quiltingdaily.com/quilt/pinwheel-block-free-patchwork-block-pattern-2/ ; July

quiltingdaily.com/quilt/pattern-moonlight-star/ ; Aug



Helpful Information for making Charity quilts and pillowcases

SUGGESTED SIZES FOR CHARITY QUILTS	
NICU @ SHANDS (infant fabric)	Minimum 25 in. square
PEACEFUL PATHS (children's fabric)	Minimum width of fabric x 36 in.
PEACEFUL PATHS (adult women)	Min. width of fabric x 54 in.
PEACEFUL PATHS (pillow cases)	All fabric
Hospice	Width of fabric x 54 in.
Wounded Warriors (any fabric)	Min. Width of fabric x 54 in.
PILLOW CASES IN GENERAL are welcome for many agencies	

Old Country Store Fabrics

<https://oldcountrystorefabrics.com/>

I know most of you can figure this pattern from the picture. Or you can order the pattern.... i love this store. True Amish. Very nice quality fabric. love living in fl, but miss the proximity to the Amish communities in both Ohio and Pa.... i wonder how they are surviving during this craziness and they have a strong dependency on the tourist trade 😞
Have a lovely day.

Chris Glazer



Need a label for a charity quilt?

Contact Gwen at

lombard.gwen@gmail.com



Announcements:

Have you been cleaning closets, finding treasures?

Last Year Jackie Reichert provided almost all of our raffle prizes at the guild meetings. She also had donations from other members too! If you have something, or a group of 'somethings' that would be appreciated in our monthly raffle prizes, Jackie has invited you to drop them off at Bally Hoo restaurant, or her home. Please label who they are from so we can thank you when they are won!



We will be adding a page of ads to our monthly newsletter and directory this year. For \$25 for the year you can submit your business card, or whatever ad you can put together that measures 2 X 3.5 inches. We have so many talents in our group – let yours shine. Please contact Linda uss64@aol.com.



Ken Crenshaw, Ft. White Community Thrift Store will pick up large items or donations in Gainesville. He works full time in the Gainesville area. He is a volunteer for the Thrift shop. His cell is 352-317-7839. Call if you have a donation that you would like picked up.



Tree City Quilters Guild – July 14, 2020 – Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Helen Gyllstrom. There were 27 members in attendance via ZOOM online.

Review of new officer installation and executive board meeting minutes from June by Trish Everitt. Minutes motion to approve by Marge Polkowski and 2nd by Linda McSwain. Minutes were approved.

Membership – Marsha Tucker advised there are currently 37 paid memberships. Dues were and are to be sent directly to Marsha Tucker.

Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Proposed budget was presented and reviewed on the ZOOM monitor screen for all to see. Motion made to approve by Gwen Lombard and 2nd by Cherie Schneider. Budget for 2020-2021 approved.

Charity – Gwen Lombard

Helen reviewed assignments to the Charity Committee as follows:

- Linda Dontje – flannel hearts for NICU
- Yoka Aarnoudse and Mary Bigham – NICU quilts
- Mike and Cindy Brannon – coordinate various charity organization needs
- Quilts of Valor will be in the budget

Marsha Tucker and Sharon Fuentes will chair/co-chair the Charity Committee.

New tool by Sandy Pozzetta is a wool pressing mat – tack and saddle shops will have wools mats also used for horses

Block Challenge – Anne Mullis

Anne will provide the February block that may have been missed as well as for August and September.

Other business:

- Linda Clary shared that her cat Sheldon brought the license plate fabric put of the closet and created a new idea for masks
- Helen relayed that Chris Glaser is looking for ideas for secret sister during these virtual times
- Jean Genton shared her next class at Miss D's in Palatka – Take a Stand Bag on August 8th at 2pm
- Send show and tell pictures to Amanda Hewes for next meeting – amanda.hewes7684@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm. Executive board meeting is Monday, August 3 at 7pm and the general meeting will be Monday, August 10 at 7pm. Both meetings will be virtual via ZOOM.

--- Respectfully submitted – Trish Everitt – TCQG Secretary ---