



Tree City Quilters Guild

Branching Out

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

2021-2022 Officers

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Charity: Sharon Fuentes
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Programs: Tammy Clark
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Presidents Message

2021 is certainly moving quickly to a close. How are your holiday sewing projects coming along? I found out this weekend that I need to make yet another stocking, this time for our dear grand-pup Bella. I'm sure you have other fun requests in your sewing basket!



We will have our December 11th meeting on the patio at Ballyhoo Grille from 9:30-11 AM – many thanks again to Jackie for having us! You should have received an invitation by now, we have a whole bucket of RSVP's coming, so if you haven't committed, you want to do it now or miss out! Bring your own beverage, Jackie is bringing some donuts. Also, you will want to bring:

- NEW SOCKS (package or individual) any size for St. Francis House and/or
- Usable canned goods for Bread or \$ for Bread of the Mighty Food Bank
- Quilt(s) to be photographed for the on-line quilt show
- Any NICU quilts you have finished, and
- Registration form for the retreat

We are crossing fingers and hoping to have a 'real' meeting come January. We will also schedule a time to see the quilt exhibit at Trinity Methodist after the first of the year.

See you the 11th.

Helen





Tree City Quilters December Meeting

Saturday, December 11th

9:30 to 11:00 AM

Ballyhoo Grill – Outside Patio Area



**Bring
your own
Beverage**

***Don't forget your
registration form
for the retreat.***

***Bring your quilt to
be photographed
for our on-line
quilt show.***

***We will be collecting
canned goods and/or money
for the
Bread of the Mighty Food
Bank***

***Let's help
St Francis house.
Each pair of socks we
donate help someone
experiencing
homelessness.***



Calling all NICU Quilts

***The season is here!
These little quilts are going to be wonderful gifts
to these special babies.***

Committee Reports

Charity Chair:

Sharon Fuentes



There will be no Charity work day on December 20th at the Senior Center.

If you have any finished projects you want to turn in, please bring them to our Holiday get together at Ballyhoo's on Saturday December 11th. Anyone not able to get their finished projects to Ballyhoo's, email Sharon for arrangements, sfuentes10204@aol.com. I will have labels and charity kits available Dec 11th, let me know if you have other requests for help.

Charity Donation Intake for 2021:

168 NICU, 56 Small, 866 Hearts, 9 Pillowcases, for In Kind value of **\$10,591.00**.

The majority of our donations are delivered to Ronald McDonald House, Catholic Charities, Peaceful Paths and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at UF Shands, all are grateful for our interest and support of their agencies. Thank you to Fort White Community Thrift Shop, 163 SW Coulter Ave, who continues to contribute financial support for our charity expenses.

Thank you, members, for this successful 2021. Sharon Fuentes

The [March of Dimes](#) NICU Family Support Program sends many thanks to the [Tree City Quilters Guild, Inc.](#) for its donation of purple handmade quilts and hearts for all of the tiny patients in the UF Health NICU in honor of Prematurity Awareness Month. ❤️





We're having a Retreat!

Friday, January 15, and Saturday, January 16, 2022

Grace Baptist Church

7100 NW 39th Ave.

Gainesville, FL

Lunch and Dinner for both days will be included in the cost.

A registration form included in this newsletter. One will also be sent out via email.

For both Friday and Saturday \$45.00

For One Day \$25.00

Must receive registration and payment no later than January 4

Important Retreat Information

We will be setting up on Wednesday the 12th, at 6:00. We would love for you to come help out if you can.

Betty Sue Vincent will open the doors at Grace Baptist at 9:00 on Friday. Come any time after that to find your spot to set up your machine. We will have ironing stations around the room. If you have one you don't mind bringing, please let me know. Please bring a heavy-duty extension cord – most everyone will need one.

We will close the doors at 9:00 on Friday. Saturday we will open doors at 9:00 and close them at 7:30 – giving those who stay behind to clean up time to get home before it gets late.

As of now, masks will be optional. But we all have to understand that we are at the mercy of the variant and what the church/county require.

If you would like to have a table to sell items at the retreat. Please let me know ahead of time. Linda at uss64@aol.com. There will be a \$10 fee and you are responsible for selling your own items.

If you need directions or have any questions about the church you can contact Betty Sue Vincent.

We will serve lunch and dinner both days. Please check the list by the kitchen to see what meal you have volunteered to help with – set up, serve, and clean up after.

You are more than welcome to bring snacks or sweets. **But please no fresh Oranges.**

We will also need 6-8 volunteers to stay behind on Saturday evening to help with clean-up.

Looking forward to seeing you at the retreat! Two days of fun!

Linda McSwain

Projects / Challenges
Anne Mullis

Current Sew Along Projects of Interest

- Pat Sloan: ilovetomakequilts.com "Happy Everything", 9/13/21 thru 1/24/22, using her newest book, "Holiday Celebrations" - sampler quilt; "Charming Trees" (Christmas), 10/26 thru 11/9 - free pattern download, see website for fabric requirements
- The 2022 Cherrywood Challenge has been announced! The entry cost, including the fat quarter bundle and all instructions for this challenge will be \$65, and entries are due by May 1, 2022. The included colors are black, electric blue, intense green, neon yellow, heatwave (light orange), octane orange (bright orange), & 2 shades of grey. As usual, the quilt is to be 20" by 20", and the quilter may use any technique and/or embellishments, but NO other colors or fabrics. Lastly, the 2022 Challenge is entitled, "Graffiti". To orders the fabrics, & register for the challenge, go to <https://cherrywoodfabrics.com/products/graffiti-challenge-2022>

APQ (American Patchwork & Quilting) just announced Project: Positive Effect, which will be open until Dec 31, 2031. All instructions, fabric requirements for your choice from 4 sizes, etc, can be found at [Positive Effect](#)

Once you have your quilt completed, submit a photo to APQ, or post it on Instagram, including **both** of the following hashtags - #APQstitchingtogether and #sweepstakes, for your entry to be eligible. The blocks are pretty easy, particularly for an experienced quilter, and if your quilt is chosen, there is a bundle of prizes to be awarded, with a total value of \$420.



Betty Corwine	26 th
Sharon Fuentes	28 th
Jean Paty	11 th
Sandy Pozzetta	16 th
Cathy Silloway	2 nd
Betty Sue Vincent	17 th



Tree City Quilters Guild – November 8, 2021 – Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Helen Gyllstrom. There were 27 members in attendance via ZOOM online. Welcome to all! Happy birthday to all November members!

There will be no services for Dotty Vickery. Any remembrances or photos you have please send to Sandy or Sharon.

Program – How to Deal with Scraps by Tammy Clark - a video presentation hosted by Karen Brown of Just Get it Done Quilts.

Approval of October Minutes – Gwen Lombard moved to approve as presented for both regular and executive board meetings; 2nd by Donna York. Motion carried.

Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Budget update was presented and reviewed - Savings \$3,947.35; Checking \$4,850.12; Charity \$1645.66.

Membership – Member directory is complete and will be available at charity day, and December and January meetings.

Charity – Sharon Fuentes

World Prematurity Day is November 17th There is also a charity workshop on Monday, 11/15/21, 10-2 at Senior Center. Bring your lunch.

TUMC Exhibit – November 16 – January 22, 10-40 quilts, name/title/contact, drop off or will be picked up please arrange with Sandy and Helen

Quarantine Pretties Online Quilt Show – Deadline is extended to 12/12/21, max entry per person is three. With each quilt, provide title, member, statement, pattern, quilted by and size. Send to Gwen Lombard via email. The show will be posted and shared through various media sites and webpage.

2022 Retreat– is scheduled for January 14th and 15th, 9am – 9 pm at Grace Baptist Church. Set up will be Wed eve from 6-7:30 or the first morning of. Food committee is planning and will provide cost and registration soon.

December Holiday meeting will be on Saturday December 11, 2021 from 9:30 – 11:00 am at Ballyhoos. Bring your drink (coffee, tea, water, etc.) and cookies to share. Socks and non-perishable foods donations for Bread of the Mighty Food Bank.

Meeting adjourned. The next general meeting will be at Ballyhoo on December 11th from 9:30 – 11:00 am.

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

JANUARY 14TH & 15TH 2022

TCQ QUILT RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Contact:

_____ Phone# _____

Must receive no later than January 4th.

1 day - \$25.00

2 days - \$45.00

Make check payable to: Tree City Quilters Guild and bring to December meeting or mail to:

Linda McSwain
24803 NW 155th Ave
High Springs, FL 32643

Any questions: Call or email Linda @ 386 984 5877 or uss64@aol.com

If you have to cancel, please let us know no later than January 7, as food is ordered based on number of attendees.

Food will be ordered, delivered, and ready to serve.

Please sign up for one of the following meals in which you will help set up, serve and clean up after.

Friday Lunch _____ Friday Dinner _____

Saturday Lunch _____ Saturday Dinner _____

We will also need several volunteers to stay behind on Saturday evening to help with clean up. We want to leave the church as tidy as we found it.

Come join the fun!