



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

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Helen Gyllstrom

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Block Lotto:	Anne Mullis
Charity:	Sharon Fuentes
Social Media:	Amanda Hewes Trish Everitt
Newsletter:	Linda McSwain Helen Gyllstrom
Programs:	Amanda Hewes
Publicity:	As needed

President's Message:

Dare we hope, it certainly looks like spring is here, and activities are blooming! While many things will probably be the same after this past COVID year, the promise of spring is like a good friend returning.

We have a lot planned for April – the fabric sale preparations, the fabric sale itself on the 10th, and our speaker at our regular meeting on the 12th. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at one or all the events.

A special thanks to Trish for offering her garage and home to the fabric sale. We hope the effort at fundraising is successful. Please tell your friends to come. The nominating committee is hard at work, and I encourage each of you to consider what you can do to help the guild in the coming year. We all have great hopes of in-person meetings and retreats, and that will require more help in many of our traditional officer and committee roles. You are needed!



Helen



April Guild Meeting

Monday, the 12th 7:00 PM Sharp!

Program will be presented by [Cyndi McChesney](#)

Adding more Color to Your Quilts/Color Exercises for Quilters”

Dive into the basics of color psychology and color therapy to increase the colors in your stash. Discover how to become a color detective and learn how to utilize your color wheel to its fullest. Take inventory of your stash and work through a series of exercises beyond basic color theory to learn what and how to add more color to your quilts!

<https://thequiltshow.com/quiltipedia/who-is-cyndi-mcchesney>,

and <http://www.cedarridgequilting.com>



Please send your Show-And-Tell Photos to:

Rhonda Sailors @ Rhonda_sailors@yahoo.com

Fabric Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, April 10th, starting at 9am ending at noon

5405 SW 78th Ter Gainesville FL 32608 – Valwood Subdivision –

SW 53rd Pl off Tower Rd near Archer Rd.

You may drop off and pickup charity items/fabric on this date.

Please do not bring items you wish to sale on this date.

Bring your own bags, chairs (to visit), checkbook or cash and please wear a mask.

Charity Quilt Kits will be available.



Lots and Lots of Beautiful Fabric for Sale.

Charity

Quilt kits will be available FREE, at the April 10th Garage Sale, to members that want a small project. We will also collect any finished work ready to be distributed. The work of Ronald McDonald House, Peaceful Paths, Catholic Charities, NICU never ends, they are always appreciative of the donations our guild brings. Please email or call me with questions or concerns. Thank You All, Sharon Fuentes, sfuentes10204@aol.com



A note to our Guild from the Ronald McDonald House:



Dear Sharon,
Thank you for
providing quilts for
our children here at
The Ronald McDonald
House!
I appreciate the

efforts of you and
your group!
Warm regards,
Theresa Alfieri
Manager on Duty

RMHCNCF
1600 SW 14th Street
Gainesville, FL 32608
www.rmhcncf.org

Great News!

Ft White Community Thrift Shop has contributed another \$600 toward our Charity Endeavors.

What a wonderful group of people who volunteer their time and efforts at the Thrift Store so the money they make can help those in our community.

Challenge to All Interested Tree City Quilters

Guild members:

Create a self-portrait, as a 20-inch square quilt (finished size, including any borders, binding, etc.). Any technique, fabric/s, embellishments are welcome. Please be sure to put a label on the back, so everyone gets their own masterpiece returned at the end of the evening. We are hoping to be able to get together, in person, in June, and have a private showing of our self-portraits (private, as in, only those in attendance will be permitted to view these classics). Hope to see "both" of you there, in June!



Mary Bigham	12 th
Elayne Cassisi	17 th
Cheryl Schneider	19 th
Jackie Reichardt	29 th
Wenhsing Wu	6 th

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Tree City Quilters Guild Inc.



Please enjoy the Alachua County Library [2021 Virtual Quilt Show](#)! Thank you to everyone who submitted their quilt photos. Twenty-one quilters participated, and thirty-six quilts were submitted. So much beautiful talent was shared. Thank you!

Quilting was such an important activity last year for many people. Quilting is a creative outlet that also helps relieve stress, which is especially important during these trying times. Quilting and other creative outlets can help those who suffer from anxiety, depression, or chronic pain. Not only does it help ease stress, but it can increase happiness through the release of dopamine and serotonin which are natural feel-good hormones. Because it involves memory, attention span, visuospatial processing, creativity, and problem-solving, quilting is also good for the brain.

Go to WWW.aclib.us/events/blog/virtual-quiltshow



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

Meeting was called to order by President Helen Gyllstrom. There were 22 members in attendance via ZOOM online. Welcome to all!

Happy Birthday all March members!

Program – Video “The Best Machine Binding Method” by Melanie Ham, Part 1 and 2

Approval of February 8th Minutes – Linda McSwain motioned to approve, Amanda Hewes 2nd. Minutes approved.

Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Budget update was presented and reviewed - Savings \$3,946.02; Checking \$3,476.03; Charity \$1,362.78. Motion made to approve by Gwen Lombard and 2nd by Anne Mullis. Report approved.

Charity/Fabric Sale Fundraiser

Sharon will provide new dates for drop off/pick up. The guild will conduct a fabric yard sale at Trish Everitt's home on April 10th from 9-12. This is the next date for charity drop off/pick up. A work day to price fabric is April 3rd, 9-12. Email will be sent for further info and volunteers needed.

Block Lotto – Heart quilt

Linda McSwain advised that many blocks have been received for the Ronald McDonald Heart quilt and she is looking for someone to chair this effort. Jackie Reichardt volunteered.

Self - portrait challenge

Anne Mullis described the next guild challenge to create a self portrait, 20 inch square, any technique, fabric, embellishment etc. Put a label on the back and have ready for June meeting.

Nominating Committee

Nominated for the committee are Sandy Pozzetta, Jackie Reichardt and Sharon Fuentes. Anne Mullis motioned and Gwen Lombard 2nd. Committee established.

Show and Tell– please share your quilts – send to Rhonda Sailors at rhonda-sailors@yahoo.com

If you are on Facebook, please like our business page - **Tree City Quilters Guild, Inc.**

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting via ZOOM on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7pm.

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