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## **President's Message**

November! Did we hope it would come or dread it? The beginning of all the special holiday events that end the year, family, good food, and some extra effort finishing some special gifts. Fortunately, some days the weather seems to encourage us to move a little faster. So many NICU quilts done and some still getting done! Many thanks once again for our perpetual imposition on Mary Short for our Saturday charity drop off. Many quilts, flannel hearts and finished charity items were turned in, and then some serious shopping began! Kay Hurst and Dottie Vickery are keeping quilter's fingers busy using some of their 'gifted' material. And our treasury is benefitting. Alas, there will be a hiatus of sales until after the first of the year, but we will soon pick up where we left off.

There will be a 'FACEBOOK auction' of at least one of Melanie's donated quilts this month. Stay tuned for details. We aren't selling raffle tickets so this is another sale method. You will also be able to share the ad on your Facebook page -- more people will see and appreciate some quilting art, and maybe purchase a gift too.

Linda Donje's sewing guilt at St. Madeline's church in High Springs made over 2500 flannel hearts for the NICU. Trish Everitt and I took them some thank you goodies this week. We appreciate all efforts to keep those special babies close to their families — maybe it will be a new year project for some of us too!

UFO's are getting done, and I'm hearing whispers of a challenge coming. If you have any other ideas of what we can add to our guild activities, please let me know. 'See you on Zoom' on the  $9^{th}$ .

Helen







Monday, November 9, 2020 7:00 PM
Tree City Quilters Guild Meeting
Program Speakers:
Gwen Lombard and Helen Gyllstrom
"Collage Quilting with Laura Heine"

\*Reminder: Please send pictures of your finished (or unfinished) **UFO's to Amanda Hewes** at:

Amanda.hewes7684@gmail.com

She will make them available to share at the meeting.

Send your Show and Tell photos to

Rhonda Sailors: Rhonda\_sailors@yahoo.com



# DECEMBER GUILD MEETING will be held Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 9-11AM At Bally Hoo Restaurant, outside on the covered patio.

Let's just have some holiday fun!

BYO beverage, we'll have some snacks

Secret Sister Reveal

We will socially distance and wear masks

A new time and place – a new way to end 2020!

Mug Rug Exchange

**Silent Auction** 











Thank you members who dropped off Charity items on 10/24/20 at Mary Shorts. We received 30 NICU Christmas quilts, and 5 small Christmas quilts. We received 353 flannel hearts! 10 Small quilts, 2 Crib quilts, and 1 medium quilt rounded out our total.

Sharon Fuentes - Charity Chair





Many thanks to Mary Short, Linda
McSwain, Marsha Tucker, Sandy
Pozzetta and Sharon Fuentes for their
time and efforts to get material, kits, and
notions ready for sale. Kay and Dottie's
donations have been a bonus to our
club.





Nancy Gibbs	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Helen Gyllstrom	7 <sup>th</sup>
Sandra Kay Haile	28 <sup>th</sup>
Valerie Malkemes 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Deena Sanders	18 <sup>th</sup>
Mary Short	2nd



A big thank you goes out to
Mike and Cindy Brannon for their donation of yards
and yards of batting to go into our very special charity
quilts.



These beautiful quilts were made and donated to our guild by Melanie Jensen. Each quilt will be either raffled off or offered at a silent auction.

Since our monthly meetings have been canceled, we are going to have to use other methods to do this, i.e. Facebook and/or our website.

We will let you all know as soon as we have the auction up and functioning at treecityquilt.com.

Remember Christmas is right around the corner.

Thank you so much Melanie! You are the best!

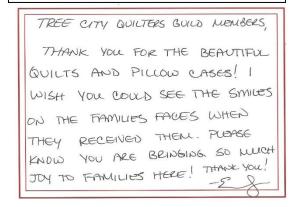


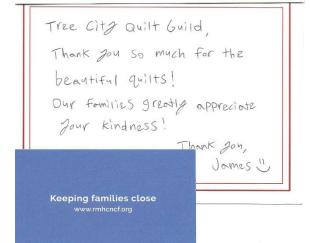


### **Tree City Quilters Guild Mission Statement**

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.

# From the Ronald McDonald House:







# News from The Jacksonville Quilt Show

#### Hello QuiltFest Quilters,

I hope you are all staying safe and busy making more beautiful quilts.

We here at QuiltFest in Jacksonville have been trying to look into the future to gauge the safety of putting on our show in May 2021. As we think about safety measures, social distancing, work arounds for the show, we have come to the conclusion that we cannot safely put on our show in May 2021. It was a difficult decision and we will certainly miss seeing all of you at the show.

Our next show is scheduled for March 2022 and we're hoping for smoother sailing than we have had this year and possibly next. So keep making those beautiful quilts for our next show.

You will be hearing from me or our new registration chair, Dawn Kelly, in the future. For now, stay safe, stay well. We'll see you again in March 2022.

Thanks for all of your well wishes and support for our show.

Kathryn Metzger QuiltFest Registration

## **Suggested Sizes for Charity Quilts**

NICU @ Shands (infant fabric) Minimum 25 inches square

Peaceful Paths (children's fabric) Minimum width of fabric x 36 in.

Peaceful Paths (adult women) Minimum width of fabric x 54 in.

Peaceful Paths (pillowcases) All fabric

Hospice Width of fabric x 54

Wounded Warriors (any fabric) Min. Width of fabric x 54

Pillowcases in general are welcome for many agencies



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September 29, 2020

Dear Tree City Quilt Guild,

On behalf of Catholic Charities, I would like to thank you for your recent donation of homemade pillowcases and quilts valued at \$290.00 which we received on 9/29/2020. Because of your contribution, we will be able to provide help to a local family or individual in need.

We are intensely focused on providing our clients with food and other resources they need to navigate this unsettling time. We have implemented safeguards to protect the health of our staff and the public. We are following public health guidelines such as keeping a distance of six feet or more from people whenever possible. We are utilizing hand washing, hand sanitizer, mask and disinfectant wipes throughout our client service center. We are staying informed on the changing needs of our community and adapting our programs to provide optimum services.

We are extremely appreciative of the support you and others have shown us. The thoughtful donations, kind notes and social media messages we are receiving continue to inspire us. We know the days ahead will be difficult as more families struggle to put food on the table and make ends meet. Thanks to your help, we will be a ray of hope in these uncertain times. We believe that working together we will be able to provide essential services to the most vulnerable in our community and secure a better tomorrow for everyone!

Catholic Charities is a 501C (3) non-profit organization. Your donation is tax deductible as allowed by law. This letter serves as your receipt for your donation. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your donation. Or Tax id number is 59-1785681

Again, we thank you for your generosity.

Gratefully,

John Barlú Regional Director











## Tree City Quilters Guild – October 12, 2020 – 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 Bronna Godwin, Marge Polkowski, Maureen Cales, Jennifer Lu, Linda, David Miller and Sharon Carter.

**Program** – Pamela Howell presented her scrap using system to make varying blocks to use in quilts.

Approval of September Minutes – Gwen Lombard moved to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda McSwain. Motion carried.

**Membership** – Helen advised that we have 50 paid members.

### Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Budget update was presented and reviewed - Savings \$3,945.20; Checking \$3,684.52; Charity \$1645.15, Dues collected \$1,290 Motion made to approve by Amala Miller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anne Mullis. Report approved.

### **Charity** – Sharon Fuentes

2020 to date completed and all dispersed to charities:

47 NICU quilts, 23 crib quilts, 13 small quilts, 8 medium, 8 twin, 35 pillowcases, 218 hearts to value total \$9810. There are 2500 more hearts coming.

Saturday, October 24 from 9 - 12, there will be a charity drop off and pick up and shop Kay;s and Dottie's fabric at Mary Shorts home. All precautions are in place and masks requested.

**New tool/hints** by Sandy Pozzetta – be nice to your sewing machine – clean your machine, change the needle as needed and happy sewing for Christmas.

**Show and Tell** – Rhonda Sailors provided a slide show.

### Other business:

- Discussion of secret sisters do we continue?, how?, wait? Etc.
- Discussion of ideas for Christmas meeting consensus to have a meeting with food goodies, silent auction, everyone exchange a mug rug (sock exchange?), secret sister reveal. Looking at Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 9-12, venue TBD. It was agreed that the meetings at Mary's have worked well with all precautions so looking for a venue that is outdoors would work best.
- Send UFO projects (deadlines and pictures to Amanda Hewes for next meeting amanda.hewes7684@gmail.com
- Facebook/Website Helen is working on a Facebook business page for the guild and Trish provided updates on website

Meeting adjourned. The next general meeting will be Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm via ZOOM.

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