



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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Helen Gyllstrom

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Treasurer:

Linda McSwain

Secretary:

Trish Everitt



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Membership:	Marsha Tucker
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Projects:	Anne Mullis
Challenges:	Anne Mullis
Charity:	Sharon Fuentes
Newsletter:	Linda McSwain Helen Gyllstrom
Programs:	Tammy Clark
Publicity:	As needed

Presidents Message

Welcome Fall let the holidays begin! Hopefully everything will be easier than last year.

At the quarterly board meeting we planned many events – make note for your calendar:

- November meeting 11/8 is on Zoom – hopefully our last.
- November and December Charity Quilting at the Senior Center on 11/15 and 12/20
- December meeting is December 11th at BallyHoo Restaurant from 9:30-11 AM – thank you Jackie for hosting us!
- We will begin ‘real’ meetings in January, hopefully at Oak Hammock. Details to follow.
- Retreat is January 14-15 at Grace Baptist Church. We will have ‘quick’ demonstrations, no guided projects, bring your new year projects to sew and share.

At all of the events above, we will be honoring use of masks as needed and requested by the facility. At all times if you wish to wear a mask, please do so. I know others will join you. If you have a request or concern, please voice it.

Gwen is still taking contributions to the online quilt show. Here’s how I see it – if you suggested on the surveys, we did that we needed a better presence on social media, then I expect you have entered a quilt to Gwen. If not, well It’s not hard. Just send a picture and give her some information. If you want to expand our membership, then this is something YOU can do – contribute a quilt picture! If you said on the surveys you wanted to help the guild in a quilt show, then I hope you have submitted your quilt(s) to Gwen ...

Marsha has completed the directory – what an undertaking and we appreciate her efforts! She will hand them out at Charity Quilting and the December meeting.

Huddle up with a quilt on these cooler nights -- Helen

November 8th Meeting will be on ZOOM

7:00 PM


Instructions on how to join meeting via zoom will be emailed to you.

Send any show and tell pictures to
Rhonda Sailors @
Rhonda_sailors@yahoo.com



November



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Country Roads Quilters Quilt Show Ocala	6
7	8 th Zoom Meeting 7:00	9 World Freedom Day	10	11 VETERANS DAY	12 Lake County Quilters Guild Quilt Show Mt. Dora	13
14	15 th Charity Workshop 10-2	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 	26 Native American Heritage Day	27
28	29	30				

Upcoming Events

December Meeting will be on Saturday the 11th

9:30 to 11:00 AM

Ballyhoo Grill Restaurant

Outdoor Patio Area

*Details to Follow



We're having a Retreat!

Friday, January 14, and Saturday, January 15 , 2022

Grace Baptist Church

Gainesville, FL

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

Registration forms and information will be made available at the December meeting and by e-mail.



Committee Reports

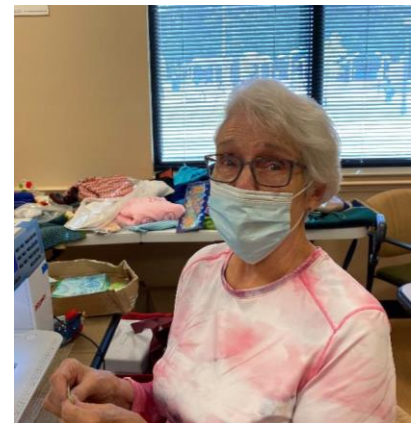
Charity Chair:

Sharon Fuentes

Our membership has worked diligently to keep our quilt offerings strong for our community, Thanks! **October 16th**, Saturday, at Mary Shorts we took in 34 Purple NICU quilts, bringing the total of Shands special project for Prematurity Day to 78 Purple quilts to help families celebrate. Also at Mary's, 7 completed Christmas NICU quilts, 2 all occasion NICU quilts, 22 flannel hearts, 1 crib quilt, plus 1 small quilt.



Then the following Monday **October 18th**, at the Senior Center we received 13 more finished Christmas NICU quilts, 1 crib quilt and 13 crib quilts. What a month for our Charity group, the in-kind equivalent of \$2322.00 What **an excellent month**.





**Ronald McDonald
House Charities®**
North Central Florida

Dear Tree City Quilters Guild Inc.,
On behalf of the families we
serve at the Ronald McDonald
House, we want to thank you
for the continued comfort you provide
for our families! As you know, gifts
like these are priceless to our
families. We could not do what
we do without your support and
generosity!

Thank you, *Melville*

Virtual Quilt Show

Gwen Lombard
Cherie Schneider

Please consider submitting a quilt in our Virtual Quilt Show. For many quilters, quilting has been a way to survive the pandemic by keeping our brains and fingers busy while we isolate and quarantine. This will be a great way to safely share our efforts such as quilts, wall hangings, table runners, placemats, etc. The quilt show will be distributed thru our website and Facebook. There will be no judging just sharing.

Submissions should be emailed to Gwen Lombard at Lombard.gwen@gmail.com.

1. Send a picture of your submission in jpeg format in high quality. Please do not crop or edit picture.
2. Send the following information:
 - Quilt title
 - Your name
 - Artist statement
 - Who designed the pattern?
 - Who quilted the item?
 - Size of item

Deadline for submitting items for the Virtual Quilt Show is **December 12**. Please email picture of your item to Gwen Lombard (lombard.gwen@gmail.com).



Projects and Challenges

Anne Mullis

Country Road Quilters/Ocala - November 5 & 6, 2021, 9 AM to 4 PM; to be held at Circle Square Cultural Center. Admission will be \$8, at the door, group rates are available, but must be arranged in advance.

Tickets for the Opportunity quilt can be purchased in advance, 6 tickets for \$5, 12 for \$10 or 18 for \$15 through PayPal or the website, www.crqocala.org



Lake County Quilters Guild Fantastic Quilt Show, Nov 12, 9-5 and Nov 13, 9-4.

The show this year has a new venue! It is being held at the Venetian Center, 1 Dozier Circle, Leesburg, FL. The center is a lovely facility right on Lake Harris in the Venetian Gardens. It is easily accessible from Dixie Ave. As usual, we will have our boutique, door prizes, opportunity quilt, demos and lots of vendors. Lunches will be available for purchase as well as snacks. Entry is \$10. For more details at lakequiltguild.com.

“Rock Around the Block” presented by Quilters’ Workshop Tampa Bay. Join the members of Quilters’ Workshop Tampa Bay, November 12-13, 2021! We will be hosting our show at the Salvation Army Center, 1100 W. Sligh Ave, Tampa, 33604. The show will be open 9-5 on Friday and 9-4 on Saturday. Admission is \$10 and parking is free.

Current Sew Alongs

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

[Graffiti Challenge 2022](http://www.cherrywoodfabrics.com)





Happy Birthday!

- Peg Forgnone** **22nd**
- Nancy Gibbs** **22nd**
- Helen Gyllstrom** **7th**
- Valerie Malkemes** **22nd**
- Deena Sanders** **18th**

Mary Short
2nd

In Memoriam 2021 **Dotty Vickery**



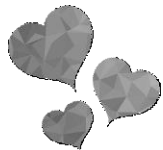
Dotty Vickery joined Tree City Quilters in 1995. She was a very active member of the guild holding the position of Treasurer several times as well as Membership Chair. She also did a wonderful job as Chair of the Sunshine Committee,

sending many caring cards and notes to members on behalf of the guild.

Dotty was a willing and able participant in TCQ quilt shows, retreats, workshops, and charity projects. She made beautiful quilts, and shared her quilt-making skills through her occasional workshops and many charity donations.

During the last few years, Dotty's failing eyesight and health kept her from joining many of the guild's activities, but she continued to enjoy hearing from the members and occasionally attending a meeting.

Dotty was a true asset to Tree City Quilters. She was very friendly and outgoing, and loved by all of us who knew her. We miss her ready smile and generous, cheerful nature.



Bread of the Mighty Food Bank, celebrating 35 years of serving the community, is a private non-profit organization. We collect, sort, store and distribute donated food and basic essentials to 170+ non-profit agency partners such as food pantries, churches, homeless shelters and other organizations who then distribute food in their communities to directly feed the hungry.

We have a five county service area - Alachua, Dixie, Gilchrist, Lafayette and Levy. We're a Partner Distribution Organization under Feeding America and part of the 12 food bank network of Feeding Florida.

Our 25,000 square foot warehouse has 2,600 square feet of cooler and freezer capacity. Thanks to our generous donors, we now have a fleet of 10 trucks and vans and 5 drivers. We're on the road five days a week picking up donated food from generous retailers and wholesalers that in turn gets distributed back to the community.

In an effort to keep perishable and fresh items from sitting in our warehouse, our "Food on the Move" program was established. This ensures fresh and perishable items don't sit in the warehouse and quickly gets into the hands of those in need.

For every \$1 donated, Bread of the Mighty Food Bank can provide up to 10 meals.

Mail donation checks to:

Bread of the Mighty Food Bank

P. O. Box 5086, Gainesville, FL 32627.

, Phone: 352 - 336 - 0839.

**Location: 325 NW 10th Ave.,
Gainesville.**

Website: breadofthemighty.org.



Tree City Quilters Guild – October 11, 2021 – Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Helen Gyllstrom. There were 26 members and one guest in attendance via ZOOM online. Welcome to all! Happy birthday to all October members!

Condolences for the passing of Dotty Vickery. More information regarding a service/memorial will be forwarded if one is scheduled.

Program – Thread Matters by Tammy Clark - a video presentation hosted by Dr. Bob of Superior Threads

Approval of September Minutes – Linda McSwain moved to approve, 2nd by Catherine McVay. Motion carried.

Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Budget update was presented and reviewed - Savings \$3,947.18; Checking \$4,969.56; Charity \$1694.37. Motion made to approve by Peggy Bessinger and 2nd by Anne Mullis. Report approved.

Membership – Marsha Tucker is working on the new and updated member directory to go to the printer.

Charity – Sharon Fuentes

November is NICU month and the color is purple. There are 44 quilts (goal is 65) and over a 100 hearts – all in purple. The next drop off/pick up is Saturday, 10/16/21, 9-12 at Mary's house. There is also a charity workshop on Monday, 10/18/21, 10-2 at Senior Center.

Quarantine Pretties Online Quilt Show – Deadline is 10/16/21, 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.

New tool/hints by Sandy Pozzetta – provided photo of the Dear Jane quilt at the Bennington VT museum where she and Sharon Fuentes visited. The quilt is from 1860 and has over 169 blocks and triangles on the border.

2022 Retreat Dates – looking at one of the weekends in January. Betty Sue Vincent will check dates for the church availability.

Anne Mullis provided various QAL and quilt shows in the area coming up this fall. Rhonda Sailors provided a slide show for show and tell.

Meeting adjourned. The next general meeting will be Monday, November 8th at 7pm via ZOOM.

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



Tree City Quilters Guild – October 25, 2021 – Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendance – Helen Gyllstrom, Trish Everitt, Linda McSwain, Anne Mullis, Cathy Silloway, Betty Sue Vincent, Sharon Fuentes, Cheryl Schneider, Sandy Pozzetta, Gwen Lombard, Marsha Tucker
Meeting called to order Via ZOOM.

Membership – 51 paid, 6 honorary = 57 total members; Marsha advised that the new directory is updated and completed and has been sent to the printer.

Meetings – working towards meeting at Oak Hammock in 2022 (they are optimistic about reopening) or Grace Baptist as a 2nd choice; December meeting will be held at Ballyhoos (with an indoor option if too cold) on Saturday, 12/11/21, 9:30 – 11 am. Discussion was for charity drop off and pickup, socks and underwear and nonperishable foods for donations. Bring your drink of choice and cookies to share for holiday gathering.

Retreat - Scheduled for Friday and Saturday, January 14 and 15th, 2022 at Grace Baptist Church. Linda, Marsha and Cathy will lead food committee and signups required. Setup assistance can be The Wednesday evening AND/OR the morning of the retreat. Short demos will be presented. More to come!!

Quilt Show (Online) – Gwen has put together a PowerPoint that can be shared across social media. More to come!

Guild Quilt Show – will have a discussion with members at the retreat if we want to move forward with a quilt show in the future and if so, the nominating committee will select nominations for an interested chair. There must be enough membership interested to participate to put the show on.

Topics for further discussion:

- How do we grow our guild and membership? What can we offer the public?
- Expo – car show of quilts – discuss further in January