



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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Presidents Message:

How can we not be enticed by the azaleas and other spring bloomers to make something with flowers? I hope you are enjoying the spring as much as I am.

The March meeting will be at Grace Baptist Church, 7100 NW 39th Ave, Gainesville at our regular time – doors open at 6:30PM (you will find us setting up), meeting starts at 7:00PM. You may also attend on zoom, and the notice will be sent to you via email. We are not planning on ‘hospitality’ – birthday girls are off the hook for this month. BYO beverage. Bring those beautiful quilts that you didn’t send in for ‘show and tell’, so we can see them in all their splendor!

NAMETAGS! Wouldn’t it be nice if we all remembered to wear one this time? Please be considerate of our new members (and some of us with slow memories) and wear your nametag. It’s kinda like NOT closing your rotary cutter, once you get in the habit, it’s there.

The quilts from the Trinity show will be at the meeting for pick-up by their owners.



See you at the meeting! Helen

March Meeting

Monday, March 14, 2022

Grace Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall
7100 NW 39th Ave
Gainesville, FL

7:00 PM

Doors Open at 6:30 PM

You can also attend on



Don't forget to bring:

Beverage

Nametag

Charity Quilts

And.....

SHOW AND TELL

March Dates to Remember:

Monday, March 14 – Meeting at Grace Baptist Church

Monday, March 21 – Charity Sewing at the Senior Center

Saturday, March 29 – Charity Quilt Pick-up and Drop Off / Social Time
at Mary Short's House



Committee Reports

Charity Chair:

Sharon Fuentes

Charity work at the Senior Center 2/21, went well, we ended with 6 NICU size quilts, and 4 small quilts to distribute. March's workday will be March 21st, 10 AM till 2 PM To assist those of you who cannot come on the third Monday of each month, Mary Short is opening her back deck for us to congregate and chat while we drop off finished charity quilts or pick up needed supplies. **Mark your calendars Saturday March 26th, 9AM till noon** you can join us, Mary's address is 3935 SW 3rd Ave GNV. From University Ave turn south at the light on SW 38th St. Okay to park on her grass, walk around the east side of her house to find the group. If you have questions, need quilt kits, or supplies, please email sfuentes10204@aol.com and I will help! Thank you everyone who contributes to our group outreach, spreading joy to those in need in the Gainesville Community. Sharon



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Thank you to the [Tree City Quilter's Guild, Gainesville, FL](#) for this beautiful donation of handmade quilts for our NICU babies! The Guild also makes thousands of flannel hearts each year for our families to use as a scent cloths. Babies have a very strong sense of smell, and the scent cloths are a wonderful bridge to connect babies and parents. The countless hours of so many dedicated people in our community is truly inspiring.

[#ThankfulThursday](#)



Projects &
Challenges Chair

Anne Mullis

Tree City Quilters Guild-wide Challenge

For 2022, the challenge is to make a small quilt (20 X 20" minimum finished size, up to a maximum of 32 X 32"), using ONLY black, white and one other color. These will be displayed at our June meeting, for a viewer's choice award, only.

Any style of quilting is acceptable, and your finished quilt may include embellishments, as appropriate to the design. Please be sure to

include a label, on the back of your quilt, including your name, so we are able to return it to you without any hassle!



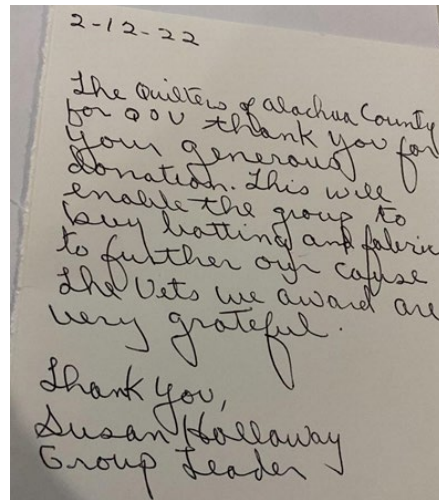
For details, please go to cherrywoodfabrics.com/products/graffiti-challenge-2022

Free Spirit Coat Story - all entries submitted must include #FreeSpiritCoatStory & Tag your favorite quilt shop (@nameoffavoritequiltshop). Please go to freespiritfabrics.com, quiltsmart.com, and/or grainlinestudio.com for additional information. Deadline for submitting photo of your finished jacket is April 30, 2022

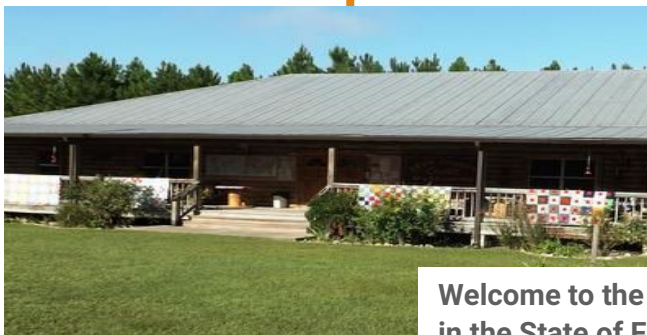
Lisa Bongean has started a red & white quilt challenge, for 2022. Please go to lisabongean.com for details

Club News

Other things of interest



**Trenton Quilt & Artisan Festival at the Trenton Train Depot
March 19-20, 2022**



Welcome to the Levy County Quilt Museum. We are the first Quilt Museum in the State of Florida. We may be off the beaten path (between Chiefland and Bronson about a mile off Highway Alt 27 on CR134) but we're worth the effort. Our museum has things from the past as well as some interesting old quilts. We have many quilts for sale - some were hand quilted, some machine quilted and some hand tied. All of our craft items were made by local residents. Cash or check only

Please take some time to browse our web site which will tell our history and show off our museum. Many of the items in the Museum were donated by friends of the Museum over the years. We are a not-for-profit organization. We do not charge any admission fees and we have plenty of free parking.

"At the Levy County Quilt Museum, you will find a 2006 Best of show from Houston!! This Children of the Earth quilt had been featured in quilt magazines after it was shown in Houston.

This article was written for her website by Phyliss Dobbs from Phyliss Dobb s Art and Design in April 2008:

"But onto the story of this quilt and the woman who created it – Sieglinde Schoen Smith. I had attended the [International Quilt Market](#) trade show in October 2006. After the show, I was sitting in the lobby of my hotel waiting on the airport shuttle bus and had dozed off. I was awakened by a woman, Sieglinde, who had started talking to me. She had just arrived for the [International Quilt Festival](#), this huge consumer show that follows Quilt Market. She was so excited – she had entered a quilt and hoped that she would win a prize. Sieglinde showed me a picture of her quilt, and my mouth dropped open – it was the most fantastic quilt. I thought to myself that if she didn't win, the judges were blind.

Sieglinde grew up in Germany during the war and had the children's book *Mother Earth and her Children* read to her. She had remained fascinated by this book and created her quilt based on this story. The quilt is really "mind boggling", a work of art that is so detailed with both the quilting and embroidery.

As we sat and talked, Sieglinde told me of her childhood and family and the horrors of growing up during the war. She was completely fascinating and had me thoroughly captivated. Unfortunately, the shuttle bus came too soon and ended our conversation. I could have sat hours listening to her.

Although I had her card, I was busy working and did not follow up with her, but often wondered how her quilt placed at the show.

The next spring, I attended the Spring Quilt Market. As I walked the show, I saw a quilt hanging in a prominent spot and immediately recognized it. The booth was a publisher, [Breckling Press](#). I asked about the quilt and learned that it had been awarded "Best in Show". I also learned that the quilt was being used to illustrate *Mother Earth and Her Children* in a new children's book.

When the Fall Quilt Market arrived in October 2007, Seiglinde was in Breckling Press' booth, busily autographing copies of the book. She has another book coming soon, *Mother Earth's ABC*, using the alphabet on the quilt. Congratulations to Sieglinde, who is living a true fairy tale, and a huge thanks for sharing her talent!





Tammy Clark	4 th
Sally Glaze	6 th
Theresa Morales	7 th
Vanda O'Neil	4 th
Rhonda Sailors	22 nd

If you have any quilt club related news that you would like to add to the newsletter, please send to Linda McSwain uss64@aol.com



Tree City Quilters

Tree City Quilters Guild – February 14, 2022 – Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Helen Gyllstrom. There were 17 members in attendance via ZOOM online. Welcome to all!

Happy Birthday all February members!

Program – Free Motion Ruler Work for Domestic Machine by Cathy McVay

Approval of January Minutes – Donna York motioned to approve, Sharon Fuentes 2nd. Minutes approved.

Treasurer/Budget Review - Linda McSwain

Budget update was presented and reviewed - Savings \$3,947.85; Checking \$4,617.89; Charity \$1,704.42. Motion made to approve by Cathy McVay and 2nd by Trish Everitt. Report approved.

Retreat (January 14th and 15th) Feedback - Restaurants prices have gone up but the meals were perfect and enjoyed by all; everyone really enjoyed the two days with lots of laughter and chatter; guild profit \$72

Charity

Sewing day next Monday February 21 at Senior Center; Julies Pins and Needles donated thread holders and one bolt of fabric (holders could be sold as a fundraiser)

Meetings at Grace Baptist – will commence for the next meeting on March 14th along with ZOOM so no members miss a meeting. Equipment was identified to set up a zoom meeting at the church. Someone will need to operate it.

To start, the following responsibilities were filled by volunteers to get back into our in-person meetings:

- Raffle – Jackie and Elaine
- Check in table/attendance – Trish
- Hospitality (no volunteers) so bring your own
- Setup and Cleanup – Cathy M and Cathy S

Quilt Happenings – Anne Mullis

Anne provided quilt BOMs, sew alongs, gatherings, retreats etc.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting via ZOOM on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7pm.

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