# October 2020



### Mark Your Calendars

October 1—-Board Meeting / Sit-n-Sew

October 8—General Meeting

October 9—Woolies Jeannie Donnelly's home

October 22—Workshop

# **Needle Notes**



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### **October Program**

Our speaker this month will be LuAnn Joswick. She started a program teaching women to sew and is excited to share it with us.

## **October Workshop:**

The October 22 Workshop will be the folded 3D Christmas tree. You will receive a template for two tree sizes, and the pattern for \$3.00. It is \$5 for the workshop. Members can sign up through the October meeting.

October 2020				
Door Prizes	Hostess			
Martha Rose	Martha Rose			
Jane Chiles	Marisol Kingsbury			
	Pam Cortner			

# **Needle Notes**

September attendance

47 members 1 guest: Margaret Jacobs

#### Quilts of Valor By Ginger Maddox

The Flying Needles Quilt Guild will have a display of Quilts of Valor at the Niceville Library in recognition of Veteran's Day. The display of a dozen quilts will run from 1 Oct to 13 Nov, 2020, featuring quilts made in red. white and blue by guild members.

#### **UFO by Sharon Jacobs**

May's UFO is #3

# **Strip Club**October's strips will be purple.



#### October Note from President

I write this on the day after Hurricane Sally. No electricity and LOTS of rain but no damages that cannot be repaired. I hope everyone came out as fortunate as I.

We will resume our usual activities at the October general meeting. Yah! Door prizes, snacks and fabric exchange (purple) in addition to our usual agenda!!

Ruthie's in Baker has offered us a guild appreciation day on Saturday, October 3. This is for FNQG exclusively. She will be demonstrating the many ways to quilt on several types of machines. There will be drawings and specials plus our guild will receive another Joy sewing machine, which is nice to have for our minimesters. Lunch will be catered BBQ and is free to attendees.

We have the 3D Christmas Tree Workshop taught by Kaye Joachim on October 22. Get in touch with Kaye to sign up so you can make either or both of these two sizes to add to your Christmas decorations.

On October 29 we will be having workshops for both Community Service AND Fundraising. Linda will have projects for us to work on so she can wrap up what she needs to donate to her charity choices this year and Hannah will be working on items to sell in the Boutique booth at our Quilt Show in February.

We have an overlap in the board at this time. Please check with any of the members if you have suggestions for improvements or have any concerns we need to address. They are: Jo Peppey/Deborah Moen, Jeanie Donnelly/Liz Barnes, Konnie Glaze/Theresa Atkinson and Marisol Kingsbury/Anne Johnson.

Thank you for your continued support.



Hello Guild Members! As of next month, I will resume having coffee and water available at our meetings. I have a hot water kettle and a variety of teas, also, if anyone would like to have tea instead of coffee. We will also resume having Hostess volunteers bring in some goodies/snacks for us to enjoy!

# **Needle Notes**

### **October Birthdays:**

Joyce Bean	15
Tish Cannon	14
Virginia Flournoy	<b>30</b>
Nancy Kramer	2
<b>Bunny Orr</b>	5
Martha Rose	5
Mary Ann Sharp	<b>22</b>
<b>Polly Shields</b>	14





Round Robin just a reminder, if you participated in the
Round Robin and want to bring in your quilt
for Show n Tell, please bring it for the October
General Meeting.



Since we had no potluck in May, our December potluck will be open for All members to bring a dish.

# \*\*\*QUILTERS\*\*\*

Just a reminder that Membership Dues are payable NOW!

Categories of membership consist of individual (\$25.00) and family (\$35.00). Members eligible for the family category must be residents of the same household.

Payment may be made at any of the Guild functions <u>OR</u> you may mail your dues to

FNQG—MEMBERSHIP P.O. Box 1652 Niceville, Florida, 32588

Remember... if your membership renewal is not received by the December 10<sup>th</sup> General Meeting, you will not be included in next year's directory.

#### **FINANCE REPORT 2020**

	Budgeted	Sep	TOTAL	
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BOM Fabric	\$3,000.00	\$120.00	\$2,660.00	
Community Service	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	
Door Prizes	\$1,100.00	\$60.00	\$678.51	
Membership	\$2.500.00	\$60.00	\$2,281.40	
Opportunity Quilt	\$750.00	Ψ00.00	\$652.00	
Admininistration	\$2,000.00		\$0.00	
Boutique/fundraising	Ψ <u>2</u> ,000.00		\$1,404.00	
QOV Donations	\$845.00	\$0.00	\$440.00	
QOV Ticket Sales	\$850.00	Ψ0.00	\$1,707.00	
QOV Tickets 2021	4000.00	\$175.00	\$475.00	
2021 Quilt Show		\$737.50	\$2,775.00	
2020 Retreat	\$5,000.00	Ψ101.00	\$17,949.00	
Other/Misc/Donations	30,000.00		\$405.00	
Workshops	\$500.00		\$744.00	
Interest	\$10.00	\$0.41	\$8.36	
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TOTAL INCOME	\$16,605.00	\$1,152.91	\$32,199.27	
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Lap Top & programs	\$1,500.00		\$940.90	
Administration	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,085.00	
Publicity	\$200.00	Ψ0.00	\$200.00	
BOM Fabric	\$1,000.00	\$195.46	\$2,806.77	
Community Service	\$1,000.00	\$64.48	\$432.03	
Door Prizes	\$10.00	•	\$0.00	
Historian	\$75.00		\$60.98	
Hospitality	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$152.41	
Boutique/fundraising	\$150.00	***************************************	\$103.50	
Meeting Place Rent	\$2,400.00		\$2,400.00	
Membership	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$270.22	
Newsletter	\$200.00	\$6.20	\$66.09	
Opportunity Quilt	\$500.00		\$0.00	
Programs	\$300.00		\$150.00	
Quilts of Valor	\$2,500,00	\$364.10	\$841.30	
2020 Retreat	\$5,000.00		\$15,803.62	
2021 QOV tickets			\$0.00	
2021 Quilt Show		\$27.50	\$27.50	
Sunshine & Shadows	\$125.00		\$55.64	
Web Site Paid till 5/2021	\$150.00		\$0.00	
Workshops	\$600.00	\$45.00	\$505.00	
Other/Misc/Donations	\$1,070.00		\$0.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$18,455.00	\$702.74	\$26,001.46	
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BALANCE AS OF AUGUST 31 \$24,051.28				
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#### September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 Board Meeting

<u>In Attendance</u> – Pam Cortner, Polly Shields, Kaye Joachim, Deborah Moen, Marisol Kingsbury, Penny Maus, Anne Johnson, Theresa Atkinson, Sharon Jacobs, Konnie Glaze, Jo Peppey

Pam called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

Members present that are running for the next board: Theresa, Anne, Deborah.

#### **Proposed Budget Review**

The budget will be voted on at the September Annual Meeting.

<u>Admin/Other/Misc/Donations</u> – Most donations usually go in community service or QOV. Change income from \$2000 to \$500, and administration expenses from \$1200 to \$1000.

<u>BOM income</u> – There are about 20 participating each month - \$2400 for kits total. Some kits had to be mailed this year, but Sharon doesn't foresee doing this in the future. Fees are still owed for 4 months. Budget is set appropriately.

Boutique – Budget is usually an unknown. Adding \$1000 to proposed income, and expenses remain the same.

Community Service – No change recommended.

Door Prize Ticket Sales – Income changed from \$1100 to \$1000, expenses remain the same.

Interest – No change recommended.

<u>Membership</u> - Income and expenses to remain the same. Business cards moved to publicity.

Opportunity Quilt - No change recommended.

QOV Donations – No change recommended.

<u>Quilt Show/ Retreat</u> – No change recommended. A note will be added to the bottom of the budget in include the information from the 2020 Quilt Retreat.

Workshops – Expenses changed from \$600 to \$500, income remains the same.

Other/Misc/Donations – Expenses change from \$1070 to \$50 as a cap was added to the SOPPs.

<u>Publicity</u> – New line item. In the past, Sandra has always donated her services and supplies for tickets, posters, advertising cards and so on. Starting at \$500 as an estimate.

Historian – No recommended change.

Hospitality - No recommended change.

Meeting Place - No recommended change.

Newsletter - No recommended change.

Programs – Expenses change to \$400 in order to be able to have non-members give programs.

<u>Sunshine and Shadows</u> – No recommended change. Nancy Kramer is the new S&S person.

<u>Website</u> - Paid through May of 2021. Increase expenses to \$250. The renewal is every two years. The domain is set to renew in November of 2021 at \$421.96: \$360 for 2 years on website, \$19.98 for private domain renewal, \$41.98 specific domain renewal.

<u>Membership Appreciation Event</u> – New expense line item. The idea was introduced to the membership at a prior meeting. The thought is to use the profit from the Quilt Retreat for a guild only, catered event, with a guest teacher. These funds (\$2200) were deposited in the general fund. Sharon Theil has been recommended, but had not been contracted.

<u>Packmail</u> – Currently, the treasurer prepays and we have an account. Members go in and make copies related to the guild. The employee records the copies in our account binder, and the member signs their name. Members should notify the treasurer when they make copies; how many, and how many are left on the account, but this is not happening consistently. Marisol will check with Pakmail to see if we can still have our discount if members pay for copies upfront and turn in receipts to the treasurer for reimbursement. Copies will be paid for out of individual budgets.

Pam will send out the proposed budget in her reminder email on Monday. Sharon asked for a reminder on the SOPPs and By-Law changes as well. Members need to bring their own copies to the meeting as copies will not be handed out at the meeting for the review and the vote.

Pam praised Marisol for making the budget make sense. Marisol has made a file box and can answer questions quickly.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 am Submitted by Konnie Glaze

#### September 10, 2020 - FNQG Annual Meeting

Pam Cortner called the meeting to order 10:00 am.

Liz Barnes led the prayer, and the Guild said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance – 45 members, 1 guest; Margaret Jacobs.

#### **Budget Proposal**

- -Pam introduced the proposed budget and asked for questions.
- -Ginger Maddox shared that there will be no QOV fundraiser quilt in 2021. Current ticket sales will go on until February, and then there will be no quilt for the rest of the year. Income of \$850 is an estimate and is fine to leave as is.
- -Membership Appreciation Event The 2020 Quilt Retreat came out \$2200.38 ahead. Kaye Joachim brought up having a MA day with lunch provided and a guest teacher for Guild members only. Due to Covid-19, there is no conclusion of when we will have it. The monies are included in the budget proposal because we have the money to host an event.
- -Motion to accept the proposed budget was made by Penny Maus, a second to the motion was made by Kaye Joachim. The proposed budget was passed unanimously.

#### **By-Laws/SOPP Review**

-Sharon Jacobs and Deborah Moen presented and answered questions regarding the proposed changes to the By-Laws and SOPPs.

#### By-Laws

- There was discussion about the change to Article V, Officers. Section 1 allows for an overlap of the existing board and the new board elected in September. The existing board will step down on December 31, and the new board takes office on January 1. This overlap is most important for the treasurer's position, but can benefit all incoming officers by allowing time to learn their positions.
- -There was discussion about the inclusion of 'an officer serving in their position until a successor is elected." This verbiage is straight from Roberts Rules of Order. A special election would have to be held if there was not a candidate on the ballot, for any of the board positions, when the Guild votes at the Annual September Meeting. If we do not have officers, the organization would be dissolved.
- -There was discussion of Section 1, a, b, and c. It was voted to strike the words, "for two (2) years" from Section 1c.
- -Motion to accept the proposed By-Law changes was made by Penny Maus, a second to the motion was made by Pam Cortner. The proposed changes to the By-Laws were passed unanimously.

#### **SOPPs**

- -Sharon Jacobs read through the proposed changes to the SOPPs and there were no questions.
- -Motion to approve the revisions to the SOPPs was made by Kerry Kastl, a second to the motion was made by Janet Kinner. The proposed changes to the SOPPs were passed unanimously.

Sandra Congleton recognized the revision committee: Sharon Jacobs, Deborah Moen, Penny Maus, Jo Peppey, and Konnie Glaze.

Pam brough a cake for the guild in appreciation for giving her our trust and support. She hopes to see more participation at the workshops, sit and sews, and meetings for the upcoming year. Pam shared that we sanitize, social distance and wear masks. Pam extended a thank you to everyone who volunteers because that is what makes this guild.

#### Election

-Kaye Joachim thanked the Nominating Committee: Barbi Ouellette and Kathy Crews.

Kaye had the candidates stand: Pam Cortner, Deborah Moen, Liz Barnes, Anne Johnson, and Theresa Atkinson had to leave early.

- -Kaye explained the voting procedures, ballots were filled out and collected
- -Election Results: 45 members voted in person, 17 ballots were absentee for a total of 56 ballots. 32 votes are necessary for this election.

Pam Cortner – 54 votes
Deborah Moen – 54 votes
Liz Barnes – 56 votes
Anne Johnson – 55 votes
Theresa Atkinson – 55 votes
There were no invalid ballots.

Jo Peppey drew the FROG Hop winners while the ballots were counted.

Pam adjourned the meeting at 11:31 am.

Submitted by Konnie Glaze

Pam Cortner called the meeting to order at 11:31 am.

<u>Attendance</u> - 45 members, one guest; Margaret Jacobs

Pam asked if anyone had not received the Needle Notes and if all had read the Needle Notes. Penny Maus made a motion to accept the August meeting minutes as written, Linda Weiss made a second to the motion. The August minutes were passed unanimously.

#### <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

Marisol Kingsbury indicated that \$145.00 QOV monies were turned in during the month of August and will show on the treasurer's report next month. The Guild bank account had a \$24,122.44 balance as of July 31 statement.

#### Jo Peppey

October's Program features Lu Ann Joswick who started a program to teach women how to sew.

#### Linda Weiss

**Quilt Show** – The entry packet is posted on Facebook and will soon be on the website. Fliers are available as well. The announcement was sent out so members can send it to friends.

Bobbi Willoughby needs baskets or containers donated to use for the Quilter's Walk.

**Community Service** – Members have been turning in project like crazy Thank you.

**Yard Sale** – In lieu of the Mystery Trip, the Guild will host a yard sale on September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the parking lot. Sellers are to back their car up to side walk so people can shop from the sidewalk. Sign up with Linda to sell. Come at least a half hour early. The church will be open for a potluck. Sign up if you plan to bring food. If it rains, the sale will move inside. Other guilds have been invited to participate in selling.

#### **Ginger Maddox**

**QOV Update** – The QOV display at the Niceville Library will be October 1 through November 13 this year. In the past, we have sold tickets for the QOV fundraiser quilt, but we won't this year due to Covid-19.

The fundraiser tickets are available from Sandra Congleton. Please pick up packets and sell vigorously as the time frame to sell is short this year.

-People are needed to help quilt the QOVs as the foundation has not been able to quilt for us. There are no presentations at this time due to Covid-19. Ginger is still accepting quilts from members.

The Guild's new banner will be at the library. The remaining parts of the old banner were made into a carry bag. Kathy Everett made the banner and bag.

#### Kaye Joachim

The October 22 Workshop will be the folded 3D Christmas tree. You will receive a template for two tree sizes, and the pattern for \$3.00. It is \$5 for the workshop. Members can sign up through the October meeting.

#### **Grace Grimsley**

The Fabric Exchange will continue in October, and the color will be purple since that is where we left off.

We will continue to turn in Friendship Blocks; however, we will not draw for the blocks. Bring one or two in the color of purple for October. They will go in our stash for when we need to make a quilt for a departing member. The pattern is on our website.

Pam is collecting December Blocks for Diane.

#### **Sharon Jacobs**

**BOM** – The new blocks were introduced.

**UFO** – There were no UFO's to show. Complete number three for next month.

<u>Birthdays</u> - Penny Maus passed out fat quarters and we sang. Paulina Melvin won the birthday fat quarters from Costal Stitches.

#### **Door Prizes**

We will resume Door Prizes in October. Please bring the correct change. If you only want one ticket, bring \$1.00. If you want 3 tickets, bring \$3.00 and so forth.

#### Mary Ann Sharp

- -Door Prizes for October Martha Rose and Jane Chiles. No one is signed up for November at this time.
- -Food for October Martha Rose and Pam Cortner. It was recommended to have a couple people to serve the food rather than all members touching serving utensils.
- -December Potluck Mary Ann will need extra help to serve food. Everyone to bring food, it is not limited to half of the alphabet. Servers will be on one side of the table, members on the other. Pre-slice or portion at home if at all possible. Use common sense and make your own decision about participation.

Pam was presented with a bag full of orange fat quarters to thank her for serving as president. She already has a pattern picked out to make with her fat quarters.

#### Show & Tell

See the pictures on Facebook and the website.

#### **Announcements:**

- Deadline for the Needle Notes is one week from today, September 17.
- Saturday, September 19 is National Jelly Roll Day. Come to the church with a jelly roll and a pattern of your choice. Pam is doing a Jelly Roll Jam quilt which is a free pattern from Fat Quarter Shop. jordanfabrics.com also has free jelly roll patterns. Bring your lunch and beverages.
- -Please pick up QOV tickets from Sandra.
- -Woolies are not meeting right now and it will be removed from Needle Notes.
- -Round Robin Bring your completed RR for the October show and tell. Next year the project will be a row by row.
- -Linda has Quilt Show entry packets.

Pam adjourned the meeting at 12:13 pm.

Submitted by Konnie Glaze

### The History of the Flying Needles Quilt Guild, from 2014-2020

It's been over a year since I last gave you a history lesson, and now that I am trying to finish up projects around the house during this Pandemic, it's a perfect time to review the last of the history books and share with you interesting information about the guild that I have found, as I have done for you with all the previous years to date. The last time I briefed you was in June 2019, so we have some catching up to do! Up until now, our year goes from October through September, so that's how I will break it down. Since these are recent years, some of you current members may have other stories to tell, but I gathered information from our newsletters, emails, and other correspondence to piece together the information that I will share at this time. Hang on! This may take awhile to read!...... Deb Chilcote, FNQG Historian

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Our **2014** began with a new Board in October. We had elected <u>LaLani James</u> as President (for the second year in a row), <u>Betty Davis</u> was the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres., <u>Grace Grimsley</u> was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres., <u>Marilyn Canon</u> was the Secretary for the second year, and <u>Jean Lewis</u> was the Treasurer for the second year.

- -- We still had long-lasting <u>Friendship Groups</u> like the Charmers, Loose Threads, and Woolies, and by April 2015 there was a Round Robin group that had started.
- -- Our membership grew to 91 members, with an average of 56 attending the general meetings.
- -- We kept the same dues of \$25/individual, \$35/family per year.
- -- Our <u>Treasury</u> balance hovers below \$20,000.
- -- Our Library had grown to 350 books, so it was decided that they would be offered to members for sale.
- -- We continue to get good **publicity** with our <u>Quilts of Valor</u> presentations, our donations of quilts, pillowcases and Christmas stockings to the local <u>charities</u>, as well as the February **2015** <u>Quilt Show & Retreat</u>, which occurred simultaneously (at the Northwest Florida State College Student Services Center). <u>Note:</u> It didn't take long for the guild to vote to separate retreats and quilt shows in the future!
- -- The biggest change in our Flying Needles guild came in July when we had to scramble for a new meeting place. The Niceville Church of Christ, where we had held our meetings for the last 6 years, was not able to let us keep the same amount of storage space that we had been using, and we had to look for a new place to meet after our contract expired the end of July 2015. After several unsuccessful attempts, we finally made arrangements with our current spot at the New Hope Baptist Church in Valparaiso we could use their facilities for all our meetings and workshops, and have use of a 12'x 18' storage room. We had to buy shelving, carts, and cabinets to organize all of our supplies in that room, but we made it work.
- -- <u>But July was also a sad time because our Treasurer Jean Lewis died</u> on the 31<sup>st</sup>, from heart complications. Many of our members had gone through health issues this year, and this one hit close to home because Jean was an active member and dearly loved. Later, LaLani acquired Jean's sewing supplies and offered them to the members of the guild. <u>Another active member died in July Sam McAlister</u>, who had been the Parliamentarian, Sunshine & Shadows as well as the Hospitality Chair in previous years.

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#### The slate of officers for the year including **October 2015 to September 2016** were as follows:

<u>President</u> – Kerry Kastl <u>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres</u>. –

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. – Bobbi Willoughby & Emily Jacobs

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. – Deanne Vaughn

Secretary – Gail Menard

<u>Treasurer</u> – Ruthie Reynoso (who had already been the acting

Treasurer for 2 months after Jean Lewis' passing)



-- The **2015 Opportunity Quilt "Circle of Life"** was headed by <u>Pat Walker</u>, and many members worked on it. The drawing was in Dec 2015, and our own Billie Maddox won!

(I am also making a notebook to chronicle all the Opportunity Quilts that the guild has made over the years, and will share it with the guild at a future meeting – it is full of detailed information, and also includes the **Quilt of Valor Opportunity Quilts** we have also made).

The <u>18<sup>th</sup> Annual 2016 Retreat "Color Your Garden"</u> was the last weekend in February at the Northwest Florida State College Student Services Center, <u>chaired by Bobbi Willoughby</u>. Visiting teacher was Pat Sloan, 8 other classes offered by more local quilters, mostly members of our guild.

-- <u>"Mini-Mester"</u> continues to be a popular program with NWFSC students, where we volunteer to teach them how to quilt. Usually 8-10 students over a 3-5 day span of time in May, and the quilts are finished and donated to charities.

#### The **2016-2017** Board was the same as last year, except that Jean Towery is now the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

- -- The guild shared a small exhibit at the Crestview Library with "sister city" guilters from Noirmoutier, France.
- -- Every November, the Niceville Library displays some of our Quilts of Valor all month, and also gives us a chance to showcase our Opportunity Quilts.
- -- In **2016**, we donated 606 Christmas stockings, 40 quilts, 20 pillowcases, and 8 pouches to local charities, as part of our **Community Service** under <u>Kaye Joachim</u>. (Children in Crisis, Children's Advocacy Group, Catholic Charities, etc.) We also received a donation of 3 truckloads of fabric from the son of a local woman who went to Assisted Living. Some fabric was used for Community Service, and the rest was sold to the guild members at \$2/yd. The guild made \$648! A quilt top was found in this woman's things, and <u>Janet Kinner</u> finished it, and gave it back to the son's family as a thank-you for the donation.
- -- The **2017 Retreat** (originally referred to as a Sit 'n' Sew) was organized by <u>Jean Towery</u> and <u>Grace Grimsley</u> in mid-February at the Niceville Holiday Inn – 25 people attended, and had fun.
- -- It was decided that the founding members of the Flying Needles were granted <u>honorary memberships</u>, and do not have to pay anymore dues to the guild <u>Betty Davey</u>, <u>Gloria Thomas</u>, <u>Pat Farrell</u>, <u>Doris Olig</u>, <u>and Harriet Standifer</u>.



The **2017 Opportunity Quilt "Lakeshore Hosta"**, appraised for \$2,700 was chaired by <u>Gail Menard</u>. It was a paper-pieced pattern by Judy Niemeyer, and worked on by many members. The December winner of the quilt lived in the local area, and had bought her ticket a couple months earlier at our Oktoberfest booth where the quilt had been displayed.

-- the guild picked up a \$3M Liability insurance policy, and added safety strips to the entrance steps to the church, with the church's blessing.

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#### The October 2017 through September 2018 Board was elected:

<u>President</u> – Kathy Everett <u>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres</u>. – Linda Weiss <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres</u>. – Kaye Joachim <u>Secretary</u> – Danna Rodriguez <u>Treasurer</u> – Janet Kinner

-- Longtime member Ruth Christensen died in January 2018.

The very successful **2019 Quilt Show** "Surfing the Beach" is in February at The Palms in Destin, and is chaired by <u>Deanne Vaughn</u> before she moves to Tampa. <u>Bobbi Willoughby</u> is in charge of the Boutique, where we sold hand-made items.

- -- Kerry Kastl organized a cookbook with members' recipes called "Flying Needles Quilt Guild Cook With Us" (for \$10)
- -- In July 2018, <u>Deb Chilcote</u> takes over duties as Historian from <u>Gloria Thomas</u>, who has done this for many years! A wooden box made by <u>Earnest Nettles</u> with the FNQG logo on it was presented to Gloria for her dedicated work. Deb has put summaries of all the years into a separate small notebook for easy access to any information we need quickly.

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#### The October 2018 through September 2019 Board was elected:

<u>President</u> – Kathy Everett <u>1st Vice Pres.</u> – Kaye Joachim <u>2nd Vice Pres.</u> – Theresa Atkinson <u>Secretary</u> – Peggy Murrell <u>Treasurer</u> – Kathy Crews

-- Cat. 5 Hurricane Michael devastates Mexico Beach, FL and also Panama City in October 2018. The guild donated money and items.

The **2018 Retreat** "Camp Style Quilting" at Camp Timpoochee, Feb. 21-23. A successful year, 75 attending, and Nancy Mahoney is our guest teacher, despite her late arrival due to fog.

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<u>President</u> – Pam Cortner <u>1st Vice Pres.</u> – Jo Peppey <u>2nd Vice Pres.</u> – Jeanie Donnelly Secretary – Konnie Glaze Treasurer – Marisol Kingsbury

- -- We are joining the Niceville Chamber of Commerce, and we are looking into taking credit cards through Square.com
- -- The guild Library has been dismantled (too many books and not enough demand for them, so they were used to help fill the Retreat Goodie Bags).
- -- <u>Community Service even topped their number of contributions this year!</u> 726 stockings, 85 quilts, 76 pillowcases, 3 fleece blankets, 10 fabric bags, and 2 skirts. Way to go, <u>Linda Weiss!</u>



- -- The **2019 Opportunity Quilt "Royal Country Manor"** was won by a local woman in Bluewater Bay.
- -- A Round Robin group was formed, with 12 eager participants
- -- Member Chris Maher passed away in Jan 2020 from an aggressive cancer.

**2020 Retreat** "Piecing on the Island" at the Hilton Garden Inn hotel on Okaloosa Island in late February, chaired by Kaye Joachim. Guest teacher Karen Combs. A successful retreat with high

attendance.

# <u>Happy 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Flying Needles Quilt Guild!</u> 1990-2020

This was to be the year of celebration, but it wasn't meant to be. We no sooner finished our fabulous Retreat when a pandemic was coming around the corner.

# The Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Our March 2020 meeting went as planned, but by that time the scientists were saying not to gather in crowds, that this was a deadly and very contagious virus. Attendance was down that month, and then we ended up cancelling all of April and May activities, as virus cases were increasing, businesses were shutting down, and people were highly encouraged to self-quarantine at home. People were also encouraged to wear masks to prevent the spread of the virus, and many members joined thousands of women across the nation in making lots of cloth masks, and donating them to hospitals, friends, and neighbors. Unemployment skyrocketed, and some businesses went bankrupt, some that had been in business for over 100 years.

By June, the New Hope church agreed that if we sanitize our meeting space before and after, and wear masks, we could hold our meetings there, which we did. Many members decided it was too risky to gather, so attendance was lower than usual. By July, we were starting to come to Sit 'n' Sew on Thursdays. Workshops were postponed until August.

As of this writing in mid-September, Covid-19 cases are still on the rise in the U.S. after 6 months, and there are 195,000 people who have died, at a rate of 1,000/month. We are hoping for a vaccine by the end of the year, or in early 2021.

## September 2020 Show 'n' Tell

#### Ginger Maddox's Quilt of Valor



Angel Schauer's Table Runner



Hannah Schott's colorful quilt





Linda Weiss made this Reverse Applique (taught by Kaye Joachim)



**Deb Chilcote's** doll quilt with 1/2" hexies (EPP)





Kaye Joachim and her granddaughter Emma made this quilt!

Carolyn Tilburg's



Boho wedding quilt for Liz Barnes' granddaughter









Pam Cortner's Tote, small bag, & CAKE!



