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Around the Block

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President's Message

A Quilter's Hands

I am a hand person. When I meet someone, the first thing I look at are the hands. Hands tell a lot about the person. Everything we do needs the use of our hands. A quilter's hands are very important. We need to be very careful when we use the rotary cutter and be sure it is properly closed after each use. We need to be careful of fingers while using the sewing machine. We are to stitch material and not fingers. Hand quilters often gain a callous when they quilt. Take care of your hands and they will last you a lifetime.



Dorothy Barr

*Life is not measured by the breaths we take,
But by the moments that take our breath away.*

QU Guild Officer and Committee Chair Descriptions

This is the second article providing descriptions of some of the committee chair roles in QU

Level of fun/simplicity rating scale: 5 = Fun/simple 3 = Moderate Difficulty 1 = Challenging

Newsletter Editor – Rating: 3-

This is not a defined 'committee', but is a vital and critical role for QU. The Newsletter publisher is responsible for receiving articles submitted by members and organizing them into a document that can be posted to the QU and also printed and mailed. Computer skills are required, but software is provided. Works with the website coordinator and membership VP (for mailing). Timeliness and dependability are required and someone with artistic and creative skills could have some fun with this job.

Programs – Rating 5-

Plans, coordinates, and executes programs for the 12 monthly meetings during the guild year from November to October, including coordination with the workshop chair during workshops events. Actually, with the meeting programs/special events that occur every year, there are only 6 or 7 others that need to be found.

Workshops – Rating: 3

Schedules and arranges workshops and symposiums of interest to the membership—usually one to three guest lecturers and workshops a year. Needs to plan way ahead as national teachers tend to book out years in advance.

Hospitality – Rating: 5

Serves as a coordinator of Hospitality Volunteers to provide snack set-up and clean-up in the kitchen during each regularly scheduled Guild meeting. The chairperson will also make arrangements for Pot luck dinner set-up and clean-up.

Library – Rating: 5

Maintains the catalogue of books, magazines and videos and makes them available for check-out/loan to the general membership at each meeting. Purchases new books and retires or sells off old books or duplicates.

Block of the Month Raffle – Rating: 5

Designs and coordinates a calendar year of blocks with written instructions for assembly. Plans the blocks and constructs a quilt top that will be displayed at each meeting. Have a separate sample block to show at each meeting.

If you are interested in volunteering for any officer or committee role, please contact me!

Michele Hackmeyer, President-elect

Workshops

October 10, 11, 12, 2013 Mark your calendar now!!

Jane Hardy Miller Author of **French Braid Quilts**, will be our guest in October.

Thursday evening's lecture and trunk show is titled,

"What French Braid Quilts Have Taught Me"

Friday October 11: **French Braid Tree Skirt**. Approx 50" diameter

Saturday, October 12: **Baby Braid** small quilt 37" x 44"

Please see Kris to get on the list. This teacher is well known and I expect to fill both workshops early.

Costs and supply lists will be available soon. Books will be required for each day. Details to come, or visit the website... <http://www.frenchbraidquilts.com/workshops/>

Workshop will need to be paid in full by the September meeting, so we can open it up to non-guild members if there is still room. Only 20 seats available each day.

Workshops: 9am to 4pm Timberlane Church of Christ, bring your lunch or cash for ordering in from Newks or Jimmy Johns.

Kris T Califano Hebert 850-508-7293 krist29@comcast.net

Treat yourself to a workshop! They are a great mini-retreat and a wonderful way to expand your quilting skills!



Upcoming Programs

May- Trash to Treasure

It is spring cleaning season and time for our indoor garage sale. Sign up for a table and bring your sewing related goods priced to sell or stuff your pockets with cash and change to find some bargains. See what treasures you can find. You must register and pay for your table(s) in advance. Each table costs \$5.00. Contact Wendy Stone to reserve your table now!

June- Movie Night

We have celebrities among us. Seven of our guild members can be seen in the documentary, *Florida Crossroads-The Fabric of Florida History*. Come enjoy some popcorn and other movie treats as we watch this wonderful video and celebrate our stars.

As a bonus, one lucky member will go home with a bagful of fat quarters. Bring one fat quarter and enter for a chance to take home the whole lot. One winner takes all whether 20 or 200!

July- Ice Cream Social and Summertime Fun Quilts

We all scream for ice cream! Come enjoy our annual ice cream social as we celebrate all things summertime and beachy! Wear your flip flops, sunglasses and summer hats and bring your sampling of quilts and blocks featuring the sand, surf and all that goes with summer time fun. Special awards will be given to the best summer attire. What are you brave enough to wear? We will also follow tradition of showing our Quilts of Valor during this meeting.

October 10, 11, 12 2013 Jane Hardy Miller: French Braid Quilts

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Silent Auction Reminder

Please be thinking about any projects you can make for the Silent Auction in this year's Museum Quilt Show. Thank you to those who have already started theirs!

Sue Skornia

Quilt Show Themes

We have one remaining theme for future quilt shows, that being Starry Starry Nights in 2014. So it is time to get creative and plan themes for the next 5 years. Please submit any vision or ideas to Marsha Walper, or Wendy Stone no later than the April QU meeting

ROAD TO FLORIDA CHALLENGE

It's just a few more months until our ROAD to FLORIDA Challenge voting at our August meeting. Between now and then we need to finish quilts, take photos, fill out Museum show applications (no charge), and write instructions for a 12 inch block. It isn't too late to sign up and start your challenge quilt!

The challenge instructions are on the website at www.quilttallahassee.com I have show applications as does our show chair, Jennifer Moore. Turn in application and 2 photos of your quilt by the June meeting (it's O.K. if it's not quite finished for photos). Speaking of photos, QU member, Kathleen Turner, who inspired us to "think creatively" at our January meeting, has a great "blog". Her Dec. 5, 2012 entry shared info on her efforts to obtain good photos of quilts without spending a fortune on equipment or professional photographers. In the blog she mentions a site called "Shoot That Quilt". Links to both are below. Professional quality photos aren't necessary for our quilt show, but it could be of interest in entering the QU LeMoyné show in 2014 or any other juried quilt show.

Any questions? Call me at 386-8930 or email gator1984@comcast.net Martha Tilden, Challenge Chairperson

Kathleen Turner's blog. Go to Dec. 5, 2012 for a blog on photographing quilts

<http://mywordquilt.blogspot.com/search?updated-min=2012-01-01T00:00:00-05:00&updated-max=2013-01-01T00:00:00-05:00&max-results=5012>

Kathleen's 12/5/12 blog has a link called "Shoot That Quilt" with all the info for creating your own low cost "photography studio" : <http://www.hollyknott.com/stq/index.htm>

Sit-N-Stitch Groups

A "Sit-n-Stitch" is a group of members who meet weekly, biweekly or sometimes once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual project. Some groups meet at a specified location and work on a service project. We have several of both of these types of groups in our guild.

If you are interested, please call Marsha Walper .

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Big Bend Hospice 1-3 pm Virginia Lewis</p> <p>The Quilting Bees Senior Center 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Sew for Hope 2nd Tuesday 1-4:30 pm Cynthia Seyler</p> <p>McQuilters Ronald McDonald 1-3 pm Carol Harrison</p>	<p>Crazy Quilters Monticello Library 1-4 pm Barbara Sheats</p> <p>Pin Pals * 1st & 3rd Wednesday 1-3 pm Linda Steans</p>	<p>Sew Arty 3rd Thursday 11:30 am-1:30 pm Kathleen Turner</p> <p>Patchwork & Prayer 1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursdays 6:30-8:30 pm Janice Parker</p> <p>Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety * 1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursdays 7-9 pm Esther Weiner</p>	<p>Thimble Buddies * 2nd Friday 9:30-11:30am Wendy Stone</p>	<p>Sew for Hope 1st Saturday 9:30am-1pm Cynthia Seyler</p> <p>Second Saturday 9 am-4 pm Connie Beane</p> <p>Havana Sit 'n Stitch 4th Saturday 1 pm Martha Mitchell</p>
<p>* Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity</p>					

Dates to Remember

5/9 QU May Meeting, Program: Trash to Treasure

5/23 QU Steering Committee Meeting, 7 PM

5/25 Newsletter Submission Deadline for June Issue

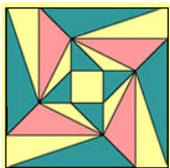
6/13 QU June Meeting and Museum Show Quilt Application Deadline

New Sit-n-Stitch Groups

There are currently three opportunities for starting new Sit-n-Stitch groups. Please contact **Marsha Walper** for more information.

1. One group will meet twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Monday in the Southwood Community Center. The meetings will alternate between daytime and evening.
2. The second group of quilters would like to start a new Sit-n-Stitch that will meet during the day. The details of when and how often to meet can be discussed by those interested in joining this group.
3. There is also a third group that would like to combine stitching with reading books about quilting, either fiction or nonfiction. Those interested in starting this group will decide the details of choosing books and naming this new type of group. Some meetings may be for mainly stitching with designated meetings for both discussing a book and stitching.

The Last Saturday group will no longer be meeting at the Lafayette Community Center. If quilters have an event they would like to have at the Center, it can be scheduled through their office.



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Submit Info for Newsletter!

**The deadline for newsletter
submissions is**

May 25,2013

**Please submit materials via
email at
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