



Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee

Around The Block

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October 2016

Next Meeting: October 13th Social Hall at Temple Israel, 2215 Mahan Drive,
Tallahassee Florida The social half-hour starts at 6:30 p.m. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

2016 Officers:

President: Pam Doffek
President-Elect: Peggy Allen
Membership Vice-President:
Susan Dickerson
Secretary: Judy Stricklin
Treasurer: Heather Strickland

2016 Chairpersons

Awards: Marsha Walper
Audiovisual: Betty Rinkel
Block Of Month: Wanda Crowe
Challenge: Stephanie Guttman,
Laura Keller
City Hall Show: Jennifer Colley,
Elizabeth Hawker
Directory: Michele & Drew
Hackmeyer
Door Prizes: Lucy Patrick
Helping Hands: Stephanie
Guttman
Library: Jeanne Brenner
Museum Show: Hattie Penne,
Betty Rinkel
Newsletter: Karen Skinner
Opportunity 2016: Geni Rains
Opportunity 2017: Karen Kunz
Philanthropic: Michele Hackmeyer,
Judy Rainbrook
Programs: Roberta Granville
Publicity: Kerry Cohen
Quilters Treasure: Marsha Walper
Show & Tell: Linda Davis
Silent Auction: Karen Kunz
Sit&Stitch: Marsha Walper
Special Events: none
Sunshine: Jeanne Billings
Trip Coord: Peggy Clark
Web Coord: Jessica Duke
Welcoming: Sue Skornia
Workshops: Jeanne Brenner

President's Message

AT LAST, cooler weather for even a few days!

The Capital City Quilt Show was a success because of all of you who participated by contributing quilts, making silent auction items, selling Opportunity tickets (and making the quilt, too) and sitting at the show informing visitors and basking in the glow that was a great quilt show. The Museum put on a great exhibit and we are back on track with the yearly collaboration.

As we approach the 4th quarter of our quilting year keep up the great work. Our programs have been great. The DAR was OVERWHELMED by your outpouring of quilts for the Veterans Hospitals. Our philanthropic outreach is reaching new heights and will be augmented by our End-of-Year Celebration. More details in the Committee article deeper in the newsletter, but think about how we contribute to our community in the not-so-fabric ways.

I'm proud of everyone and their support. VP Elect Peggy Allen needs your new and continuing support. See her list inside of officers and chairs she still needs your help with. Take an interest in the working of your guild, we are only as good as everyone in it.

As a parting, sad note: Our hearts go out to Treasurer Heather Strickland and family, on the very recent death of her father. We've send sympathies, but feel free to send your own individual thoughts.

Until we see each other....Quilt On and Quilt On. Pam Doffek

Sewing Party-- Note that this occurs the weekend before the next Guild Meeting.

The Guild will be sponsoring another Sewing Party on **October 8th**, at the Woodville Community Center, at 8000 Old Woodville Road. It is adjacent to the Woodville library building. Doors will open up for general sewing at 10:30, but we'll need a few helpers for set-up at 10:00 a.m.

It would be helpful if someone (or two) could bring another ironing board and iron. (I am bringing one of each, plus a cutting mat, and some table-leg extenders/boosters.)

No demonstrations have been planned for this time, but if you are interested in a simple technique, let us know, so we can see if we can arrange something.

I suggest you bring a brown-bag lunch, to maximize your sewing time, but I understand that there are eateries in the area.

We also would like to have a rough head-count of how many members may attend.

Please contact me (Karen Skinner) at my newsletter@quilttallahassee.com email address to let me know.

Karen Skinner

October 2016 Program - Celtic Quilts, presented by Linda O'Sullivan

Linda O'Sullivan will present Celtic Quilts. Please bring any examples you may have to the meeting.

September Thank You

Many thanks to all our program presenters in September: Susan Wallace, Karen Skinner, and Julie Love and her daughter from Stitches of Love . Their projects and suggestions should help us all put our precuts to use. Much appreciation also to "Cutting Party" members, Michele Hackmeyer, Susan Wallace, Sharon Pollock, and Mae McLaren whose work provided the "brown bag" take home blocks.

Additional 2016 Guild Programs for 2016 --- from Roberta Granville

November- How to Successfully Use and Combine Blocks of varying sizes. Wanda Crowe and Pam Doffek will enlighten us as to how to turn unlike blocks into workable, interesting quilts.

December- "Celebration Time". The end of a year and time to celebrate our successes. Party Time!



QU Nominating Committee Presents the 2017 Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of Officers for the October election. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

As you can see, there are still wonderful opportunities to serve the Guild in the coming year. Please let President-Elect Peggy Allen know if you would like to serve or if you have questions about the positions. Email me at margaretallen97@gmail.com.

QU Officer Positions	2017 Proposed Officer
President	Peggy Allen
President-Elect	Needed
Membership Vice President	Needed
Secretary	Kerry Cohen
Treasurer	Heather Strickland

QU Chairpersons for 2017

As you can see by the empty spaces, there are still wonderful opportunities to serve the Guild in the coming year. Please let President-Elect Peggy Allen know if you would like to serve or if you have questions about the positions. Email me at margaretallen97@gmail.com.

QU Position	Proposed 2017 Chairperson	Proposed 2018 Chairperson
Awards:	Marsha Walper	
Audiovisual:	Betty Rinkel	
Block Of Month:	Wendy Stone	
Challenge:	Linda Stright	
Directory:	Michele & Drew Hackmeyer	
Door Prizes:	Needed	
Helping Hands:	Stephanie Guttman	
Library:	Jeanne Brenner	
Museum Show:	Betty Rinkel	Need 2018 Chair
Newsletter:	Karen Skinner	
Opportunity 2017:	Karen Kunz	Need 2018 Chair
Philanthropic:	Judy Rainbrook, Stephanie Rubanowice	
Programs:	Barbara Wiggins	
Publicity:	Kerry Cohen	
Quilter's Treasure	Linda Brooks	
Show & Tell:	Roberta Granville	
Silent Auction:	Cheryl Willis	
Sit & Stitch:	Marsha Walper	
Special Events:	As needed	
Sunshine:	Sue Skornia	
Trip Coordinator:	Peggy Clark	
Web Coordinator:	Needed	
Welcoming:	Sue Skornia	
Workshop/Classes:	Jeanne Brenner	

Everybody Loves Door Prizes

Congratulations to our September door prize winners: Gloria Boisvert, Margaret Boeth, Kim Crum, Jane Kazmer, Karen Kunz, Linda O'Sullivan, and Cynthia Seyler.

We have some great new prizes, including some complete kits, so don't forget to wear your name tag to be eligible to win. Guests and new members with temporary name tags are also eligible to enter. Please enter your name before the meeting begins because we draw the winning names just after the meeting begins.

We welcome donations for door prizes.

Your Door Prize Team: Lucy Patrick, Stephanie Rubanowice, and Gail Chase

Museum Show

Our happy Opportunity Quilt winner is Brittany Fountain from Tallahassee.



What's New for the Quilter's Treasure

Come to the Quilter's Treasure table during the social time (6:30 - 7:00) to buy tickets for this wonderful "basket" of new treasures (in original packaging), hand-made items, and fabrics.

Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for ten tickets.

What's new? The "basket" this time is actually made of glass!

In the Quilter's Treasure you will find a Calculator for Design and Fabric Estimating (Quilter's FabriCalc); a package of batting; Jelly Rolls of twenty-plus Christmas fabrics, twenty >>>> Violet Fields Collection, and twenty Spring Fields Collection; and twelve ¼-yard pieces of Lavender Fields Collection. There are also rulers, a reducing glass, thirteen spools of thread, books, and a lot more. All the treasures are on a list in front of the basket!

Congratulations to Sue Skornia, winner of the September Quilter's Treasure!

Check with Marsha Walper if you have questions.



Classes by Guild Teachers – **Please contact Jeanne Brenner to register.**



Saturday, November 12.

Tree Quilt, by **Linda O'Sullivan** at the Chaires Community Center

Create a beautiful wall hanging using your favorite colors, from 10:30 to 3:00. Learn a new technique from our own master quilter. Class fee: \$30

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Saturday, February 4th, 2017

Art Quilts, by **Deon Lewis** at the Woodville Community Center.

Two different sessions will be held on the same day.

In the morning, 10:30 to Noon, Deon will discuss her process to create unique art quilts.

The afternoon session from 1:30 to 4:00, will be a hands-on work shop to create your own blue jay wall hanging.

You may register for either session or both.

Morning lecture \$15. Afternoon Workshop \$20.

Workshop limited to 20 students.



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Monday, February 27th

Smashing Sets, by **Sharon Pollock**, in her home.

Learn how to design a quilt using your orphan blocks.

Organize your UFO s to best advantage and make room for more.

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cost is \$20, with proceeds to benefit the guild

Class size is limited to 12.

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Saturday morning, March 25th, 2017

Hand Applique', by **Shelley Bertels**, at the Chaires Community Center

If you have been afraid to jump into a hand applique project, let's change that!

Come learn the basic techniques of hand applique.

Fee: \$20 for this 3 hour class.

All proceeds benefit the guild.

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Saturday afternoon, March 25th, 2017

Bargello, by **Jeanne Brenner**, at the Chaires Community Center

Is there a Bargello quilt in your future?

Come learn the basics of strip quilting to make a fast and easy quilt top.

Fee: \$20. All proceeds will benefit the guild.

Workshops

May 12 and May 13, 2017

Sharon Chambers

Mark your calendar for our next nationally renowned guest speaker/teacher.

Sharon Chambers will give a lecture at our May 11, 2017 guild meeting, followed by workshops on May 12 and May 13.

Her work is incredible!! You won't want to miss this event.

Visit Sharon's web site to see some of her award winning work at sharonchambers.com

There are several free videos to view at the site.

Specific classes have not been selected yet. Your input would be welcomed.

Class cost will be approximately \$80 per person, including a \$15 kit fee.

Registration will be limited to one class per member until February 1, 2017.

If you are interested, please let Jeanne Brenner know.

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May 10, 2018

Suzanne Marshall is coming to Tallahassee!

From an article on the internet*, Suzanne is an "international-award winning quilter. As a self-taught quilter who has never taken a lesson, Suzanne has evolved novel ways to construct quilts, such as Take-Away Applique, which she shares with her classes. She is an effective teacher has taught in most states and at both AQS and IQS shows, and around the world (Austria, Australia, Singapore, and South Africa). Her quilts have won numerous prizes, including multiple awards for Best Hand Workmanship at the American Quilter's Society shows in Paducah and Lancaster. Her quilt *Toujour Nouveau* was named as one of the Twentieth Century's 100 Best American Quilts." [*<http://www.manyhandsfiberartsfestival.org/2016-festival-events/>]

Philanthropic Activities

Jail Project - Ladies in Stitches

Since the beginning of 2015, QU/Sew for Hope Kids has received and donated 15 sewing machines to the Ladies in Stitches women coming out of the Leon County Jail. These women worked with Officer Guy making quilts while they were in the jail. Four of these donated machines came from the Ladies in Stitches program itself. As older machines have been replaced, they are reconditioned and then given to Sew for Hope Kids for the jail women. We have more Ladies in Stitches graduates coming out in the next few weeks, so we continue to need used sewing machines in good working condition. We would like to have the manual for the machine if possible.

In addition, the Jail Project needs:

- Quilt backing - Christmas
- Quilt backing - non Christmas
- Thread: off-white, cream and navy are in big demand right now
- Lint brushes (for string removal when finishing quilts) - available at the Dollar Store

I am interested in getting the jail some working ¼" quilting feet for their Bernina 1008 machines. Right now, the women are hand-drawing a ¼" line so they know where to sew. If you have a spare quarter-inch quilting foot stashed away or you are willing to help acquire some of these feet for the jail, let me know at the QU meeting.

By Judy Rainbrook

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4H Sewing Club

Evelyn Gonzalez is looking for volunteers to help teach a new 4H Sewing Club starting in January 2017. The club will meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the 4H office on 615 Paul Russell Rd. The club won't meet during the summer.

This new Sewing Club is already full -- there's that much interest from young sewers in our community!

No need to make a yearlong commitment -- just sign on for a month of meetings and then rotate out. Or, join us for the entire time - it's up to you.

Please contact Evelyn if you're interested in passing your skills & love of sewing to the next generation!

2017 Opportunity Quilt -- By Karen Kunz

REMINDER: If you signed out nine patch or hour glass blocks for the 2017 opportunity quilt, please return them at the October guild meeting. We are going to start piecing the quilt, and need your blocks.

Thank you for your help.



Moultrie Fall Quilt Exhibition
October 6th – November 4th, 2016

Colquitt County Arts Center
401 7th Avenue S.W.
Moultrie, GA 31768
229-985-1922

Cash prizes of \$100 will be awarded for overall “Best of Show” and “Viewer’s Choice.”

Contact Marsha Walper for more information.

Gadsden Arts Center & Museum

CALENDAR

- Art in Gadsden 28th Annual Exhibition: Opening Reception and Awards October 14 @ 6PM
- Art in Gadsden, Artists Guild, Children's Posters, and Out of Pocket Exhibitions on view October 14–December 23
- Art and Garden Fall Family Festival October 1, 9am-2pm
- Family Art Workshop: October 22, 12-2PM
- Porchfest: Saturday, October 22, 12pm-5pm
- Master Artist Workshops: 2017 Calendar coming soon!
- Community Connection Project: Renovations happening now!

28th Annual Stephen Foster Quilt Show and Sale October 14-16, 2016

October 14-16, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park
11016 Lillian Saunders Dr. / HWY 41 in White Springs, Florida
(Located on US 41, three miles from I-75 and nine miles from I-10)

We would like to invite you to join for the 28th Annual Stephen Foster Quilt Show and Sale October 14-16, 2016 at Stephen Foster State Park in White Springs, FL. Quilts of all shapes and sizes will be on display! The tranquil setting along the historic and famous Suwannee River is the perfect place to shop, display, or sell your wares.

We are looking for quilts to display and would love to have yours! Quilts can be mailed to the park or dropped off at the park until 4 p.m. on October 7, 2016. If you are interested in teaching workshops or providing demonstrations, please contact the park to make arrangements.

On Friday October 14th at 11 a.m. Mrs. Merri McKenzie will be speaking about the National Quilt Trail and the local community’s involvement with a highlight on Mrs. Queenie Udell. On Saturday October 15th at 2 p.m. we have another special guest speaker, Mrs. Mary Fears, who will cover topics relating to the lives of African American and their traditional quilting techniques

and usage during the Civil War. The program will include the display of the Underground Railroad Quilt, a pictorial display of slave-made quilts, quilts made from Civil War-era replicated fabric, an 1800's-style infant cradle, and an authentic cradle from that era. Plus, more additions in the works!

For more information on the event please call (386) 397-7009 or visit www.FloridaStateParks.org/stephen-foster

Newsletter Mail-outs

Last year, the membership voted on a new requirement regarding mailed newsletters. You must provide the Newsletter Editor with a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) for every Newsletter you wish mailed to you.

The Newsletter editor requests that you provide enough envelopes to match the remainder of the Guild year (which ends in December). In January, assuming you are still a member, you would provide a new cycle of SASEs. Please do not expect the Newsletter Editor to remind you when you are running out of submitted envelopes.

Are You Missing E-mail Blasts from the Guild?

We've learned that when some of the members have not received their "Blasts", their e-mail host frequently thinks the article is SPAM. Here are two possible fixes for the members:

1. Check your SPAM filter and mark the email as "not SPAM";
2. (BEST) Enter the name of the sender into your contacts list -- for the blasts, the sender almost is webmaster@quilttallahassee.com.

If you still are not getting notifications, e-mail the Newsletter Editor, who helps the Webmaster keep an eye on the Mailchimp-based Blast system. Sometimes, we may have typed something in incorrectly into the system.

And always remember to let us know if your email address has changed.

Newsletter Info

The **deadline** for newsletter submissions for the next issue is:

November 1st, 2016

Please submit materials to Karen Skinner via email at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com



<i>Sit-n-Stitch Groups</i>				
<p>“Sit-n-Stitch” groups meet weekly, biweekly or once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual projects. Other groups meet at a specified location and work on service projects. There are several types of groups in the guild. If you are interested in joining a group or starting a new group, contact Marsha Walper.</p>				
Monday	Big Bend Hospice	1-3 pm	Virginia Lewis	
	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence	
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Nancy O'Rourke	
Tuesday	McQuilters @ Ronald McDonald	1-3 pm	Carol Harrison	
Wednesday	Crazy Quilters @ Monticello Library	1-4 pm	Georgianna Joseph	
	Pin Pals#	1 st & 3 rd Wed. 1-3 pm	Linda Steans	# at full capacity
	Piecers of the Past	2 nd & 4 th Weds 1-3 pm	Mary Catherine Scott	
Thursday	Sew Arty	3 rd Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Linda Stright	
	Patchwork & Prayer	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th Th 6:30-8:30 pm	Lascella Ingram	
	Southern Comfort “Sew”ciety	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th Th 7-9 pm	Esther Weiner	
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3 rd Thur 6:00-7:45 pm	Mary Catherine Scott	
	Bits and Pieces* @ Temple Israel	2 nd Thursday 1:00 – 4:30 pm	Jeanne Brenner	* Brand New
	Sew Darn Happy* (hand sewing)	3 rd Thursday, 9:30- 11:30 am	Dawn Griffin	* Brand New
Friday	Thimble Buddies#	2 nd Friday 9:30-11:30am	Wendy Stone	# at full capacity
	Frayed Edges#	9:30am-12pm	Sharon Pollock	# at full capacity
	Quilts 'n Books @ NE Library	4 th Fri. 10 am-12 pm	Joy Vo	
Saturday	Sew for Hope	1 st & 3 rd Saturday 9 am - 3 pm	Cynthia Seyler Judy Rainbrook	
	Second Saturday	2 nd Sat 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane	
	Havana Sit 'n Stitch	4 th Sat.; 1-4 pm	Martha Mitchell	
Varying	Midtown Sit 'n Stitch	Saturdays or Sundays; time and location vary	Karen Skinner	

<i>2016 Guild Calendar</i> (subject to change)		
Oct. 8th	Sewing Party	Woodville Community Center
Oct. 13th	Guild Meeting - Celtic Quilts	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 1st	Deadline for November Newsletter articles	
Nov. 10th	Guild Meeting - How to Successfully Use and Combine Blocks of varying sizes.	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 12th	Class: Tree Quilt	Chaires Community Center
Nov. 15th	Steering Committee Meeting	
Dec. 8th	Guild Meeting - "Celebration Time"	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
2017		
Jan 12th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Feb 4 th	Class: Art Quilts - two classes	Woodville Community Center
Feb 9th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Feb. 27th	Class:Smashing Sets Class, by Sharon Pollock	Pollock home
Mar 9th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 25 th	Class: Hand Applique by Shelley Bertels, (morning); Bargello, by Jeanne Brenner (afternoon)	Chaires Community Center
Apr 13th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 11th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 12 & 13	Workshops by Sharon Chambers	
June 8th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 13th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
August 10th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept.14th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Oct. 12th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 9th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Dec. 7th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
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May 10th	Guild Meeting with Lecture by Suzanne Marshall	

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Classified Ads -- Instructions -- "Have I got Something for You"

This is a new part of the Newsletter, where **Guild Members** (only) can list items for sale or free-to-a-good-home --- basically a Classified Ads section. Eventually, such Ads and Notices will be posted to the website, but the details are still being worked out.

Email your ad/notices (for now) to the Newsletter Editor. Include your phone number in the email, but this will not be posted -- it is only if the Newsletter Editor needs to call you with question.

Briefly describe the item and asking price. If desired, attach a small picture in JPEG format -- it may or

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may not be included in the listing, depending on whether there are technical difficulties with “capturing and inserting”. Include your name (and city if the item is bulky/large, and there may be special considerations for pick-up), but not an address. Only your name will be posted, with people advised to look in the Directory to get your complete contact information.

Deadlines for submittal for a particular month’s issue are the same as for all other Newsletter articles. Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission. If you need to list it again, send another email to the Newsletter Editor.

ALL NEGOTIATIONS AND PROBLEMS WITH A SALE ARE BETWEEN THE BUYER AND SELLER. WE CANNOT HELP YOU.

Classified Ads -- “Have I got Something for You”

Items for Sale or Free, by Guild Members. See Directory for Specific Contact Information

Handi-Quilter Avante. Well maintained Avante long-arm sewing machine by Handi-Quilter, with Pro-Stitcher. PRISTINE with lots of extras. 18" throat depth, Stitch Regulator, 12 foot studio table (larger than picture). Recently cleaned and serviced by HQ Dealer. Machine and Pro-Stitcher (computer) retails for \$22,000. Approx. 3.5 years old...so lots of warranty left! (10 yr on casting; 5 on mechanical and 5 on electrical). Extras like micro handles and led lights. Contact Cheryl Gratt with questions.



New Joy Gold Standard Machine Quilting Frame. Asking \$450 Has parts for the crib size setup (5 foot), full size (10 foot), and an extension for the crib-size to make a mid-size frame of 7-1/2 foot. This frame works well in narrow spaces, as is only 36" deep, with a pantograph shelf above the frame. Works with most domestic sewing machines with a throat space of 8" or more, but sewing machine not included. Carriage of frame has speed controller controls {does not come with a stitch regulator!!}. The wiring for these controls is for a Janome 1600 sewing machine. Contact Karen Skinner, pickup in Tallahassee



Make a Quilt?

From an inquiry on the President’s QU webmail: My boss is retiring in December, is there anyone in your group that would be willing to do this for a fair price? We would supply the fabric. Each person is bringing their own square for her.

If any QU member(s) or Sit-N-Stitch’s are interested, contact Erin.Easterling@tmh.org