

AROUND THE BLOCK

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Next Meeting: May 9th 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.

President's Message

So you've spent hours selecting just the right pattern and fabrics for your quilt, days and days at the sewing machine putting it all together, and more hours and days wrestling yards of fabric under the needle of your machine to beautifully quilt those intricate designs. A few more hours and the binding is attached, the perfectly mitered corners announcing to the world that here is a quiltmaker who really knows her stuff. Hooray, your beautiful quilt is finished!

Nope, wrong, sorry! It isn't complete until your label is attached.

I was browsing through websites the other day, looking at quilting-related organizations I'd bookmarked over the past year, when I came across the Quilt Alliance's "Labeling Pledge".

"I pledge to label my quilts, both quilts that I make and quilts that I own. I understand that quilts are historical documents, containing important information about the life and times of the maker, their family and their world."

The nonprofit Quilt Alliance, dedicated to the vision of *No Anonymous Quiltmakers*, reports that only 58% of the 24,185 quiltmakers surveyed in 2016 said they regularly label their quilts. And I think that's a real shame. What if 42% of the books published each year didn't carry the author's name? I read about 80 books a year, and one hundred percent of them not only display the name of the author, but information about where they live, plus something about their family, background, interests, and even their pets.

Just imagine a day in the future when a great, great niece inherits your work of art and when she asks a relative about the history of her prize, she's told that no one remembers the name of the maker. Then imagine that she's treated to anecdotes about the grand dame whose name graces the label on the back. Which future would you prefer?

Be proud of your creation. And when many years from now that quilt is valued on *Antiques Roadshow* for thousands of dollars, make sure that it's properly attributed to you!

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Silent Auction: Sue Skornia

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May Program:

“What is your favorite color combination in a quilt?”

The program in May is all about color. As part of the program, we will discuss the color wheel and quilt colors for the seasons – autumn, winter, spring, and summer. You might even get an inspiration for the colors to use when you make an “Autumn Reverie” Challenge Quilt. Rules for the Challenge (\$5.00) will be available at the meeting.

Debbie will bring fabric from the Bernina Connection and show us how she works her magic in selecting colors for a quilt. She will focus on colors that could fit the theme of the “Autumn Reverie” Challenge.

Just for fun, you can go online now and take an [interactive test](#) of your ability to distinguish gradations of color, created by Pantone.

Be a part of the program and bring your quilts in your favorite color combinations to share with us. Let Marsha Walper know if you will bring a quilt.

*Value does the work,
Color gets the glory!*

Library Sale

Need inspiration for your next project? Or a new technique to conquer?

Check out the bargain books and patterns for sale at the May guild meeting.

Help Wanted

Treasurer – Issue checks, maintain records of payments and deposits, reconcile monthly bank statements, prepare actual-to-budget reports for the Steering Committee, and other financial duties.

Special Event Coordinator – Plan, coordinate, and host the annual end-of-year party at the guild's December meeting.

2020 Museum Show Coordinator – In 2019, “shadow” the current coordinator to learn the ropes. Take on Museum Show coordination for 2020.

2020 Workshops and Classes Coordinator – In 2019 serve as the “understudy” to the current coordinator to begin planning for 2020. Take on responsibility for workshops and classes in 2020.



May Block of the Month

At May's meeting, please turn in your finished **A Dandy Blocks** and don't forget to drop your name in the bag for a chance to win a quilt-y surprise.

May's Block - A Dandy. We will create a charity quilt for a veteran with these patriotic blocks.



QU will be using the following colors for this block (Americana - like represented on the Quilter's Cache pattern):
Color 1 = Dark Red fabric – solid or tone on tone
Color 2 = Dark Blue/Navy fabric – solid, tone on tone or print
Color 3 = Cream/Beige fabric - solid, tone on tone or print

Pattern is from Quilter's Cache –

<http://www.quilterscache.com/A/ADandyBlock.html>

Please follow the directions to create your 12.5" unfinished block in the QU colors.

June's Block is Mini Bow Tie. We will use these blocks for a TMH NICU quilt.



QU will be using the following colors for this block (Baby/Pastels- like represented on the Quilter's Cache pattern):

Color 1 = Soft Blue – solid or tone on tone
Color 2 = Soft Green – solid, tone on tone or print
Color 3 = Soft Yellow - solid, tone on tone or print
Color 4 = Soft Pink – solid, tone on tone or print
Color 5 = White - solid, tone on tone or print

Pattern is from Quilter's Cache –

<http://www.quilterscache.com/M/MiniBowTieBlock.html>

Please follow the directions to create your 12.5" unfinished block.

We will have a few printed copies of the pattern at the Block of the Month table for those without internet access.

Thank you to all our April block makers. We had 8 wonderful Card Trick blocks...great job ladies!

Kerry Cohen

“Autumn Reverie” 2019 Guild Challenge

The Challenge Quilt Rule sales are doing okay, but it would be great to sell some more at the next few meetings. It would be even greater if I heard more folks say they will be producing a challenge quilt for us to “ooh!” and “aah!” over at this year's September meeting.

Translate your daydreams of autumn into this year's challenge quilt using your favorite quilting style, or let your thoughts wander and your skills expand into new quilting techniques.

This year's rules should suit any style. We hope it gives you food for thought, sparks your imagination, and results in a quilt that is uniquely yours as you incorporate the required elements contained in the 2019 rules. As you know, I have done a few of these over the years, and in my experience, some of the rule “requirements” that I first frowned over have later become that twist that have given my finished quilt that little feature that elevated it into one of my favorite quilts.

The challenge is open to traditional quilters and art quilters—new quilters and experienced quilters. Entry must be an original design and made by a single individual. As always, keep your challenge a secret.

Happy to say that we have quite a committee of folks helping with the challenge this year. Marsha Walper will be selling the rules at the guild meetings when I am unavailable. And I want to thank Jeanne Brenner and Ruth Cuzzort for agreeing to handle the voting portion of the challenge.

At this time our challenge quilt reveal and voting is scheduled for the September 2019 guild meeting.

Buy those rules and get busy creating!

Barbara Hoagland, Chair of the Challenge Quilt Committee

Jacksonville Quiltfest

It's that time of year again to mark your calendar for the Jacksonville Quiltfest. This year's event is Saturday, September 21, 2019. The cost is \$35.00 that includes admission to the show. The bus will meet us at the Walmart on Mahan by Costco. Boarding time is 7:00 am with a departure of 7:30 am. We will leave Jacksonville approximately 3:30 pm to arrive back in Tally 6:00. Fun activities in the morning along with door prizes. Popcorn and a movie on the trip home. Hope to see you there. See Christine Walsh for details.

50 Dresses for Haiti – May 31 Deadline

Just a quick reminder about the philanthropy project. Patterns for pillowcase dresses are on our website under Philanthropy.

“Autumn Reverie” 2019 Opportunity Quilt

The reds and golds in the beautiful, queen-sized quilt “Autumn Reverie” will be popular colors at the 37th Annual Capital City Quilt Show in the fall.

Before the quilt show opens, Mary Whelan will sell tickets during the social time at guild meetings from 6:30 to 7:00. The donation is \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.

At the beginning of each meeting, there will be a drawing from the names of those who purchased 3 tickets for \$5.00. The winning name will receive 3 free tickets.

“The pattern is “Lakeshore Hosta” by Judy and Brad Niemeyer.

Please see Marsha Walper for more information.



Love to Hand Quilt?

Busy fingers are needed to help finish the 2020 opportunity quilt.

The floral appliquéd quilt will be passed from quilter to quilter with the goal of finishing it by the first of next year.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Jeanne Brenner.

Silent Auction

The Silent Auction occurs in conjunction with the Annual Capital City Quilt Show held at the Museum of Florida History in the R.A. Gray building. Items to be auctioned are donated by guild members. No quilt show application form is needed for these items. Any sewed or quilted item is acceptable; i.e., quilts, wall hangings, clothing, bags, purses, pillows, potholders, place mats, table runners, notebook covers, necklaces, ragdolls.

Donated items should be brought to a regular monthly guild meeting. The deadline is the last meeting before the scheduled turn-in day at the Museum. This year it is the August meeting.

Quilts and wall hangings must have a four-inch hanging sleeve and may have a label on the back with a title, quilter or guild name, and date of completion. If you do not attach a label, please give me a paper with your name and a title or description along with the quilt. I will be accepting items at each meeting beginning this month.

Thank you for your participation!

Sue Skornia, Silent Auction Chairperson

Upcoming Classes/Workshops

Sign up at guild meeting or contact Ruth Cuzzort

It's not too early to mark your calendars for Susan Cleveland's visit May 15 & 16, 2020. Check out her website: PiecesBeWithYou and let Ruth know which of her classes interest you.

June 15: Old Glory Quilt class. Fee = \$30, All proceeds to QU

Instructor: Jeanne Brenner

Location: Chaires Community Center

Time: 10 am – 4 pm

In this 6-hour class, make a striking patriotic quilt for yourself or for others. Cutting instructions are provided for 3 different sizes from wall hanging to twin size quilt.

Using strip cutting and chain piecing this top goes together in a snap. Pattern is a free download from AQS. Faster and easier sewing instructions will be provided in class.



July 13: Serendipity block. \$30.00

Instructor: Pam Doffek

Time: 10 am – 4 pm

Location: Woodville Community Center, 10 am to 3 pm

Bring only scraps and learn how to make this wonky Log Cabin Block.

If you have a class suggestion, please let Ruth know.

Distinguished Quilter Award

It is time to think about nominating an active member of the guild for the Distinguished Quilter Award.

The entry form has three sections to describe the nominee, in addition to basic contact information.

1. Outstanding quilting expertise and talent
2. Quilting demonstrations, teaching and/or writing by quilter
3. Local, regional, and/or national quilt shows entered; awards received

Nomination forms for Distinguished Quilter are online. Click [here](#).

The nomination form can be completed on your computer or on paper and must have both a nominator and co-nominator.

Nominations for Distinguished Quilter are due by June 1.

Contact Marsha Walper with questions about submitting nominations.

It's Almost City Hall Quilt Show Time!!

The May meeting will be the turn in for quilts entered in the QU/COCA City Hall Show.

We will have a table set up for dropping off your quilts.

Please remember, you must have a hanging sleeve and label securely sewn on the back of your entry, and a round hanging rod (not flat) with a screw eye at each end that fits your quilt's width and can support the weight.

To better protect your quilts, please have your quilts in a pillowcase with your name and phone number on it. If your hanging rod will not fit inside your pillow case with your quilt, please attach tape with your name to the hanging rod.

Any questions, please reach out.

Kerry Cohen

Quilts for Veterans

Looking for a great way to say "thank you" to our veterans? Why not a make a lap quilt (or two or more...)? Patriotic themes are especially appreciated. While we have not set a target this year for how many we hope to produce, we'd still love to see lots of them at our July guild meeting.

Check out the details on our web page [here](#). And while you're there, don't forget to review the info for a "Quilt of Valor" – maybe you could find time to make one to turn in at the *June* meeting for presentation to one of our honorees at the July meeting.



Please Help a Child Learn to Sew

Leon County 4-H is addressing the "wait list" of students trying to get into the 4-H Sewing Club (the club is full and there are 15 on the wait list).

4-H will be offering a 4-part "Sewing Workshop" series in the fall and needs a few good volunteers to help out. You need not commit to the entire series – just stop by when you can! There will be 10-12 children aged 8-18.

Time: 6-8 pm

Location: 4-H Extension Office, 615 Paul Russell Rd. (behind the fairgrounds)

The dates are:

- Thursday September 26
- Thursday October 10
- Thursday October 24
- Thursday November 14

If you can help, please contact Evelyn Gonzalez (in directory). Thanks!



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Show and Tell had a quilter who brought her beautiful handiwork a few months back and that had musical instruments in the some of the blocks? Was it you? Do you have any of the fabric leftover or remember where you purchased it? Inquiring minds want to know (at least one)! Please contact Peggy Clark. Her information is in the directory.

Calling all Veterans!

Are you a veteran? We would like to know if our own members are vets! Last July in our Salute to Veterans Program we acknowledged several of our past officers who are veterans. We do not want to leave anyone out who deserves recognition for the service of keeping us free in this great country. Please contact Peggy Clark. Information is in the directory.

Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is: **May 31, 2019**

Please submit materials to Tara Goodman via email at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com.
To receive a mailed newsletter, contact the editor for details.

Missing Email Blasts?

Check your email span filter, check for blocked addresses, and/or add webmaster@quilttallahassee.com to your contact list. Still have problems, email Betty Rinkel, Membership Chair, at membership@quilttallahassee.com. If your email address changes, let us know at the next meeting.

Help Send a Little Sunshine



If members need sunshine from the guild, don't forget to let me know!

Shelley Woodyard

Sit-n-Stitch Groups

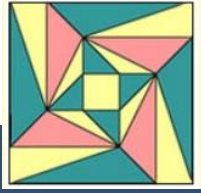
“Sit-n-Stitch” groups meet weekly, biweekly or once a month. Some groups meet in a member’s home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual projects. Other groups meet at a specified location and work on service projects. There are several types of groups in the guild. **If you are interested in joining a group or starting a new group, contact Marsha Walper.**

Sunday	Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch	2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm	Marsha Walper
Monday	Big Bend Hospice	2 nd Monday, 1-3 pm	Virginia Lewis
	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Gail Whitis
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
	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
Saturday	Sew for HOPE	1 st & 3 rd Saturday 10 am - 3 pm Lunch break 11:30-12:30	Cynthia Seyler Judy Rainbrook
	Second Saturday	Saturday after guild meeting, 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane
	Havana Sit 'n Stitch	4 th Sat.; 1-4 pm	Martha Mitchell

The following Sit-n-Stitch groups are listed at full capacity: *Pin Pals, Sew Darn Happy, Thimble Buddies, Frayed Edges*. This is due to physical limitations -- no more room in members’ home or no more parking space available.

2019 Guild Calendar

May 9	Guild Meeting; “Value does All the Work, but Color is Fun”	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 24	Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 31	<i>June Newsletter Deadline</i>	
June 5	City Hall Show Opens	City Hall
June 13	Guild Meeting; “Fun Quilts to Make & Quilt on Regular Machines” - Patterns Available – Sue Skornia	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
June 15	Class: Jeanne Brenner, Old Glory Quilt	Chaires Community Center
July 11	Guild Meeting; “Quilts of Valor”	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 13	Class: Pam Doffek, Serendipity block	Woodville Community Center
July 16	Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 29	City Hall Quilt Show closes	City Hall
August 8	Guild Meeting: “Too Pretty to Cut”	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 12	Guild Meeting; “QU Challenge – Autumn Reverie” and “Quilters and their UFO Completion Challenges”	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 17	Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 21	Bus Trip to Jacksonville Quilt Show, Quiltfest	Jacksonville
October 10	Guild Meeting; “Avoiding Wavy Borders & Binding Tips” – Marianne Clower	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 14	Guild Meeting; “Quilters’ Tricks” – Pam Doffek	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 19	Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
December 12	Guild Meeting; “QU Dinner Party”	Social Hall @ Temple Israel



CLASSIFIED ADS

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

Items for Sale

Do you LOVE Batik? How about \$5 per yard Batik? Come shop from Barb Linares' studio - 2 days ONLY!!! Friday May 17th and Saturday May 18th from 10-5

I will also have Quiltworx patterns and kits at SALE prices, some notions, WOOL and wool kits, and some fabric from my personal stash. You just never know what treasure you will find! Type "CraftyThreads" in google maps for the address. See you then!!

Any questions, please email me at the address in the directory. Thank you!

Barb Linares

Classified Ads -- Instructions

Only Guild Members can list items for sale, for services, or "free-to-a-good-home". How to request an ad? Email your ad/notices to the Newsletter Editor (Tara Goodman) at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. Briefly describe the item and asking price.

Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission.

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