

# AROUND THE BLOCK

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January 2020

**Next Meeting:** January 9 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*

Ah, a new year! New opportunities, new projects, new UFO's. First, my thanks to all of you who are first time volunteers to chair a committee or be a committee member....thanks for stepping up. Second, thank-you to those who are continuing in a same or new position. Your commitment to Quilters Unlimited is not lost on me and many members of the Guild. THIRD: a challenge/nudge to all members to fill positions that need an Alternate/Co-Position or to help a long time Committee Chair who wants to let their burden down for a bit.

The following committee chairs are looking for someone to mentor and rise next year:

-Opportunity Quilt. Jeanne Brenner has it for the quilt that will be displayed at the 2021 show, but the 2022 quilt planning should start in 2020. Jeanne will make it easy for you to step up.

-Library. Jeanne Brenner has been our "Librarian" for many, many years and is looking for a vice chair in 2020 to take over in 2021. Talk to her about what it takes, and help her this year

-Show and Tell. Roberta Granville has "anchored" one end of the quilts for years. She is looking for a vice to help this year and take over in 2021

-Ad Hoc Committees that will need chair/filling in the coming year: Fiscal Planning Committee (need one member at large, usually in July/August); Nominating Committee (need one member at large, June); and Travel (one or more people to plan a trip to a quilt show? Usually the Jacksonville Show in September.).

I'm looking forward to all the great programs Wendy Stone is planning this year.....and it all starts THIS MONTH !!!!

Thanks for your continuing support,  
Pam Doffek

### • 2020 Officers

**President:** Pam Doffek

**President-Elect:** Lyn Geariety

**Membership:** Michele Hackmeyer

**Secretary:** Kerry Cohen

**Treasurer:** Deborah Kelly

**Immediate Past President:** Carol Eskola

### • 2020 Chairs, Standing Committees

**Annual Show 2020:** Karen Kunz

**Annual Show 2021:** Ruth Cuzzort

#### **Internet:**

Website: Jessica Duke

Email: Carol Eskola

Social Media: Dawn Griffin

**Newsletter:** Carol Eskola

**Opportunity 2020:** Jeanne Brenner

**Opportunity 2021:** Jeanne Brenner

**Philanthropy:** Jeanne Brenner;

Anne Gaber

**Programs:** Wendy Stone

**Publicity:** Dawn Griffin

**Workshops:** Lyn Geariety;

Christine Walsh

### • 2020 Chairs, Support Committees

**Audiovisual:** Michele Hackmeyer

**Block of the Month:** Peggy Clark

**Challenge Quilt:** Kerry Cohen

**Door Prizes:** Roberta Granville

**Library:** Jeanne Brenner

**Show & Tell:** Roberta Granville

**Silent Auction:** Linda Stright

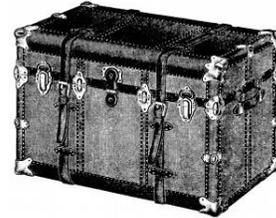
**Sit & Stitch:** Terri Smith

**Sunshine:** Wendy Stone

**Welcoming:** Evelyn Gonzalez

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January 2020 Program:  
A Trunk Show  
by  
Karen Kunz



Karen Kunz has amassed a large collection of quilts created from vintage quilt kits. She will share some of those finished projects along with information about kits from the 40's, 50's, 60's, and 70's.

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## Upcoming Programs

### February – Modern Traditionalism with Erica Thaler

There are traditional quilts. There are art quilts. There are modern quilts and now "modern traditionalism". Erica Thaler is one such quilter and will show us her modern interpretation of traditional quilting. We also want to see your quilts that fit this emerging trend.

### March – Wooden Quilts by Jim Sherraden

Tennessee artisan Jim Sherraden will present Wooden Quilts, his multi-dimensional compositions that are sure to appeal to quilt lovers.

### April – Trash to Treasure Sale

Time to round up your surplus quilting and sewing goods. Reserve your table now to sell your stuff or come with cash to shop for a bargain. Something new this year: non-profit groups will also be a part of the sale.

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## 2020 Membership Dues Are Due!

Deadline for renewing: **January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020** (the Guild meeting date). Cash or check, payable to Quilters Unlimited or QU, at the meeting; or pay online at the Guild website under 'Membership' using the PayPal function.

The directory will be printed and ready for distribution at the February meeting.

Michele Hackmeyer, Membership.

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## Door Prizes

Winners of door prizes for December were Miriam Baldwin, Michelle Hackmeyer, Judy Stricklin, and Marsha Walper. Grand Prize winner was Jennifer Moore.

Many thanks to all who donate items for use as door prizes. Remember to wear your name tags and be sure to sign in for a prize prior to the start of the meeting.

Roberta Granville

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## February Block of the Month

Below are the instructions for the star block for February and a pic of the block. If yours turns out to be just a little less than 12 ½ inches, please bring it. We can adapt.

I will bring written instructions to the meeting in January for those who need a copy.

Peggy Clark

### CUTTING:

Color 1 – Background (red or blue solid or a patriotic print)

8 - 4 ½" squares

Color 2 – Main Color (white solid or white-on-white)

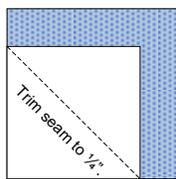
1 - 4 ½" square

8 - 3 ½" squares

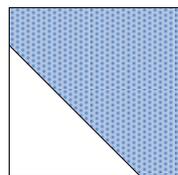


**Step 1:** Take your eight 3 ½" small squares and mark 4 of them corner to corner. Next, place each on the bottom left edge of a background square. (See picture 1a.) Sew them together along the marked diagonal line. Trim the seam to ¼" and press the seam towards the background fabric. (See picture 1b.)

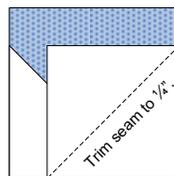
**Step 2:** Repeat step one using the remaining four 3 ½" small squares. (See pictures 2a and 2b.) You will now have 4 squares with star points.



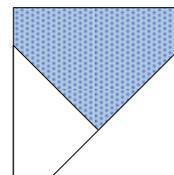
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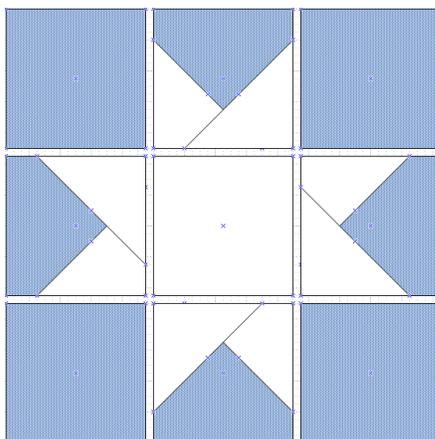
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2a



2b



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**Step 3:** Layout the four squares made in steps 1 and 2 with the remaining 4 ½" squares of the background fabric and the 4 ½" square of the main color, as shown in picture 3, like a nine-patch block. Sew the rows and columns together in your preferred way, using ¼" seams. Your finished block should measure 12 ½".



## DRUM ROLL .....

### 2020 QU Challenge Quilt Rules on Sale Now!

At the January guild meeting, the 2020 QU Challenge Quilt rules will be on sale.

The theme is Jazz It Up. Cost is \$5. This will provide you the rules and "secret" details of this year's challenge.

Please remember to keep the secret details of the challenge to yourself, but I will assure everyone that the possibilities are limitless. Novice to Expert, Traditional to Art Quilters...if you quilt, you can participate!

The challenge is open to all QU members who purchase the rules. Quilts must be completed by the late-summer timeframe (exact meeting date determined after show dates announced).

This year, two-person team quilts will be allowed (both members must purchase rules.)

As always, all monies from the sale of the rules go to the cash prizes for our winners.

So "challenge" yourself this year and purchase your Jazz It Up Challenge Rules!

If you have any questions, just email, call, or see me at the meeting.

Kerry Cohen



## Upcoming Classes/Workshops

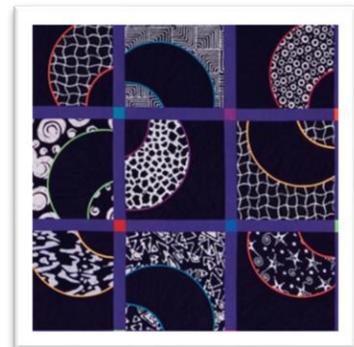
May 2020

It's not too early to mark your calendars for Susan Cleveland's visit, May 15 & 16, 2020.

Cost: \$75.00 per class

Location: Woodville Community Center

Time: 10 am – 4:30 pm



Classes: May 15 – Bodacious Big Thread Applique & More (picture, upper left)

May 16 – Piping Hot Curves – Macaroni (picture, upper right)

If you have a class suggestion, please let Lyn Gearity know.



## Help Send a Little Sunshine

If a member needs some cheering up, don't forget to let me know. I'll send some sunshine their way on behalf of the guild!

Wendy Stone

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## If you have the time, QU has the fabric.

QU guild members have always been generous with their time and stash...right now the guild is flush with fabric dedicated to being used for charity.

Most projects can be completed any time of the year.

A few have special dates.

- March/April - Dresses and shorts for children in need
- June - Tote bags and pillowcases for Grace Mission campers
- July - Quilts of Valor and lap quilts for veterans
- November - Tallahassee Museum - opportunity quilt
- December - Hang Tough Foundation: holiday or child themed pillowcases

Year-round quilting projects include:

Big Bend Hospice, Sew 4 Hope, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, neonatal quilts, bibs for Gretchen Everhart School, Rags2Bags and dog or cat quilts for the kennels.

More information including sizes, patterns, materials and contact names are available at <https://quilttallahassee.com>. Click on the Activities/Projects heading, then QU Philanthropy.

Kits for various projects will be available for you to check out at future guild meetings.

If you have any questions or would like to request a kit or fabrics, please contact Jeanne Brenner, philanthropy chairman.



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## Volunteer Teacher for LCSO Needed

Anyone in QU, or if you know someone else (outside QU) who may be interested, please contact SUSAN directly. QU will not be supporting this as part of our Philanthropic efforts this year.

Pam Doffek, President

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My name is Susan Bradley and I am a victim advocate at the Leon County Sheriff's Office. Every year we have a Teddy Bear Event where we go to the pediatric units of the hospitals and give the children and their family a gift of a sweet teddy bear and a beautiful quilt that is made by the women in one of the life skills programs and the detention center. Our volunteer teacher has retired, and we are looking for someone to replace her. Do you know of anyone or a group of people that would be interested in sharing their beautiful skill with the community like that? My contact number is 850-606-3478 Or email [bradleys@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:bradleys@leoncountyfl.gov).

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## Need a Ride to Guild Meetings?

If you need a ride to and from Temple Israel each month, we want to know about it and help you find a solution. Just pick up your phone and call, text or email Jeanne Brenner to let her know you'd like to find a ride to our meetings. She will get your information and try to match you up with someone happy to have company with them in their car, van, bus, truck, or quilt-mobile!



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## Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is **January 30, 2020**.

Please submit materials to Carol Eskola via email at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com). To receive a mailed newsletter, contact her for details.

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## Missing Email Blasts?

Check your email spam filter, check for blocked addresses, and/or add [webmaster@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:webmaster@quilttallahassee.com) to your contact list. Still have problems, email our Membership VP at [membership@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:membership@quilttallahassee.com). If your email address changes, let us know at the next meeting.

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## Sit-n-Stitch Groups

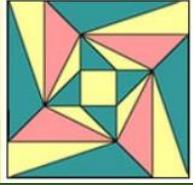
“Sit-n-Stitch” groups meet weekly, biweekly or once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual projects. Other groups meet at a specified location and work on service projects. There are several types of groups in the guild. **If you are interested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

<b>Sunday</b>	Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch	2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm	Marsha Walper
<b>Monday</b>	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Gail Whitis
<b>Thursday</b>	Sew Arty	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Stephanie Rubanowice
	Patchwork & Prayer	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Th 6:30-8:30 pm	Lascella Ingram
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thur 6:00-7:45 pm	Mary Catherine Scott
	Bits and Pieces @ Temple Israel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday 1:00 – 4:30 pm	Jeanne Brenner
<b>Saturday</b>	Sew for HOPE <i>New Location - Timberlane Church of Christ, 3569 Timberlane School Road.</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 10 am - 3 pm Lunch break 11:30-12:30 <i>Will only meet the first Saturday in November and December.</i>	Cynthia Seyler Judy Rainbrook
	Second Saturday	Saturday after guild meeting, 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane
	Havana Sit 'n Stitch	4 <sup>th</sup> 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.

## 2020 Guild Calendar

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
January 9	Guild Meeting: A Trunk Show by Karen Kunz – Quilts from Vintage Quilt Kits	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
January 13	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room <i>(Place to be confirmed.)</i>
February 13	Guild Meeting: Modern Traditionalism with Erica Thaler	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 12	Guild Meeting: Wooden Quilts by Tennessee artisan Jim Sherraden	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 24	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
April 2	Guild Meeting: Trash to Treasure Sale <i>(Date to be confirmed.)</i>	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 14	Guild Meeting: Susan Cleveland , Guest Speaker	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 15	Susan Cleveland: Bodacious Big Thread Applique	Woodville Community Center 10 am – 4:30 pm
May 16	Susan Cleveland: Piping Hot Curves - Macaroni	Woodville Community Center 10 am – 4:30 pm
May 26	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
June 11	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 9	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 28	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
August 13	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 1	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
September 10	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
October 8	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 12	Guild Meeting: Program TBA	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 24	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
December 3	Guild Meeting: Program TBA <i>(Date to be confirmed.)</i>	Social Hall @ Temple Israel



# CLASSIFIED ADS

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

## Items for Sale or Free to a Good Home

### Quilt Frame & Extension Kit

*Free to a good home, F.A. Edmunds American Legacy Quilt Frame and Extension Kit, stock number 48176. I have a box with the main parts and a separate box of the extension kit. Also a jar with bolts and parts. See picture of frame parts and separate graphic of extension kit instructions.*



### Quilt Frame



*Free to a good home, adjustable embroidery/quilt frame. Adjusts from 4" to 18". Sturdy Canvas attaching strips. Call or email Pam Doffek (I'm in the directory).*

### Classified Ads -- Instructions

**Only Guild Members can list items for sale or "free-to-a-good-home", or services.** How to request an ad? Email your ad/notices to the Newsletter Editor at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com). Briefly describe the item and include the asking price. Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission.

*All negotiations and problems with a sale or a service are between the buyer and seller.*