## Quitters Untimited of Tallahassee

# **Around the Block**

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beautiful quilts.  $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ 

So make a little of your own March Madness with needles, thread and fabric to celebrate National Quilting Month. Enjoy the nice spring weather and stitch up some happíness!

March is National Quilting Month!

Díd you know March is National Quilting

Month? I searched the internet to find ac-

tivities related to National Quilting Month.

Líncoln, Nebraska has quite a list of activi-

ties to celebrate the art of quilting in Amer-

ica. Don't want to travel that far? How

about attending the March Guild meeting?

Quilters Unlimited will celebrate National

Quilting Month by hosting Sue Spargo

this month. Sue will give us a taste of her

quilting style at the monthly meeting on

March 8th and she will also teach a work-

shop the following Friday and Saturday. 1

hope everyone attends this guild meeting to

take the opportunity to meet Sue and her

In Stitches,

Edie Frasier QU President

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### 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 at 562-0681.

Meeting Time	Contact Person
Second Saturday 9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	Connie Beane
Lafayette Community Last Saturdays 2:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Gertrude Shirley
McQuilters Tuesdays 1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m. Ronald McDonald House	Carol Harrison
Big Bend Hospice Quilters Monday 1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Virginia Lewis
The Quilting Bees, Senior Center Monday 1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.	Katrina Jenkins
Havana Sit-n-Stitch 4th Saturday 1:00 p.m.	Martha Mitchell
Ladies of Leisure Every other Thursday 10:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Topi Henderson
Crazy Quilters Wednesdays, 1:00pm - 4:00 p.m. Monticello Library	Barbara Sheats
Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety Thursdays 7:00p.m 9:00 p.m.	Esther Weiner
Thimble Buddies 2nd Fridays, 9:30a.m 11:30a.m.	Wendy Stone
Patchwork & Prayer 1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays 6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	Janice Parker
Sew for HOPE 1st Saturdays 9:30a.m 1:00p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 2nd Tuesdays 1:00p.m 4:30p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 3rd Mondays 9:30a.m 1:00p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 4th Wednesdays 1:00p.m 4:30p.m.	Cynthia Seyler

## **Upcoming Programs ...**

#### March 8th—Lecture by Sue Spargo!

#### April 12th—

Jimmy Gainey will present a program about how to determine your quilting pattern and design. Think of this as making some sense of those directions to "Quilt as Desired". Jimmy is a long arm quilter who has quite a background with sewing and designing. He has been a costume designer and will provide an interesting program.

May 10th—Chloe and Coleen, from Toad U Sew, will present their program. They are a talented duo who design quilt patterns. For a preview, check out their website www.ToadUSew.com. Don't miss this opportunity!

In future months we will have a program from our own Maureen O'Doogan, a presentation of tips, tricks and hints from guild members and beyond, our annual Ice Cream Social, Quilts of Valor Show-n-Tell, perhaps Trash & Treasures and other exciting presentations.

Stay Tuned!

Barbara Wiggins

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

In a world that is constantly changing, it is good when some things remain steadfast. This report is to acknowledge that Quilters Unlimited is still solvent and able to pay its bills!

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The Steering Committee has approved the 2012 Budget. If you ever want to know how your guild works, by all means plan to attend a steering committee meeting. They are always announced in advance and any quilt member may attend. Voting is done by the committee chairs and officers, but if you want to be a part of the process, attend...and if you REALLY was to be a part of the process become a Committee Chair or Officer! A copy of the budget will be available for you in the next meeting or you may write me at cgratt@officeprotallahassee.com for an advanced copy. I am most happy to answer any and all questions you may have.

When I joined the guild back in the seventies, there were 12 members. Suffice it say, we had very little in the bank. As we have grown, it was necessary to build a cushion as with any entity so that we could pay our bills in the event we had a bad year. We have a CD for that purpose. Our operating account has a nice balance, which means we are able to pay for national teachers/speakers to come and to fund activities such as paying for advertising, programs, rent and expenses in advance. Back in the 12-member days, we had to pay dues three years in advance to get enough money to have the first quilt show! For 2012, we have a \$20,000 income projected with \$18,000 in expenses projected. A far cry from our \$200 budget in the '70's!

The By-Laws will also provide you with an idea of how the guild runs and what expenses are paid for out of budget monies.

Just remember, if you have ANY concerns, please send Edie or me a note or call us. We are more than happy to explain, discuss or take your concerns to the steering committee should you have a request (or better yet, come to the next steering committee meeting)!

Cheryl Gratt

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 $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$ 2012 City Hall Quilt Show  $\frac{1}{2}$  $\frac{1}{2}$ The 2012 Tallahassee City Hall Quilt Show is  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  scheduled for July 10 - September 25. We  $\bigstar$  need participation from the entire guild to  $\bigstar$ make this show a success! Remember that  $\bigstar$ this is a public building, which has a lot of vis-itors! The City Hall show is an opportunity  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  $\checkmark$  for us to share our talents with many people  $\bigstar$  who would not otherwise go out of their way  $\bigstar$  $\checkmark$  to see an exhibit.  $\bigstar$ 

 $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$ Entry forms will be due in early June, with  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  quilt delivery no later than the June QU meet- $\bigstar$  ing. Forms will be available at the QU website  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  $\checkmark$  along with easy instructions for paperless entry. We are again encouraging members to uti- $\bigstar$ lize paperless entry and digital photographs, but paper entry forms and printed photos will  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  always be accepted. The exact schedule,  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$  (including the reception date) is still being fi-A nalized and will be available at upcoming  $\bigstar$ meetings and posted on the QU website.  $\bigstar$  $\bigstar$ 

☆ If you have any questions, please contact Jen ☆ nifer Moore by
☆ email : jennfsulaw@comcast.net .





## 2012 CHALLENGE QUILTS

TOMORROW'S QUILTS TODAY

Challenge Rules on sale at the QU Meeting-Only \$5.00!

Contact Dawn Gríffin emaíl: <u>Gríffindd@aol.com</u>

If you would like yours mailed; please send a self addressed stamped envelope to

Dawn Gríffin, 1132 Blackhawk Way,

Tallahassee 32312

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IMPORTANT DATES: Museum Application Forms and Photos of your Challenge Quilt

must be turned in by May 10 QU Meeting. Challenge Quilts (only) will be turned over to Museum

Show Coordinator at the August 9 QU Meeting after VOTING.

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# WORKSHOP NEWS: SUE SPARGO!

A celebrity will be in our midst this month when world traveling Sue Spargo presents this month's program. Be on hand to see her stunning lavishly embellished folk art quilts. There a just a few spots available in her workshop on Friday and Saturday. The workshop will be held at the church from 9am to 4pm Friday and Saturday, cost is \$120 for both days. An optional kit is available for \$34. Details at http:// quilttallahassee.com/09b-Workshops&Lessons/workshops.htm. To register, e-mail MaureenODoogan@yahoo.com See more of her work at www.SueSpargo.com





# March 8 QU Meeting

Don't Forget Your:

- ☑ Library Books
- $\square$  Block of the Month Blocks
- ☑ Hand made Name Badge
- $\square$  \$\$\$ for Challenge Rules

# Mørch BIRTHDAY! Bring your favorite snack!

# Dates to Remember

March 8 March 24 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Meetings are held at Timberlane Church of Christ, 3569 Timberlane School Road. The social half-hour starts at 6:30 p.m. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

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