

Around the Block

2014-2015 Officers

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Door Prizes: Miriam Baldwin & Kris Klob

Helping Hands: Stephanie Guttman

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Museum Quilt Show: Hattie Pennie

Museum Quilt Show Co-Chairs:
Open

Newsletter: Selena Foo

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Opportunity Quilt 2016: Geni Rains

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Programs: Roberta Granville

Show 'n' Tell: Linda Davis

Silent Auction: Nancy O'Rourke

Sit 'n' Stitch Coordinator: Marsha Walper

Sunshine: Jeanne Billings

Travel/Trip Coordinator: Joy Vo

Website Coordinator: Jessica Duke

Welcoming: Susan Skornia

Workshops: Jeanne Brenner

President's Message

The Guild is such a wonderful fountain of creativity. The programs, the show-and-tell, the Shows – how beautiful is the handiwork displayed. And how wonderful all the giving that we do – all the philanthropic efforts, the teaching of each other, oh my!! And the camaraderie – our quilting family. What would so many of us do without our friends-in-fabric?

So much of this "works" from the efforts of our many volunteers who organize and labor on the Guild's behalf. So I thought it was time to call attention to our most "volunteeristic" people, and tell them how much they are appreciated. The Guild keeps a spreadsheet listing who filled our various Officer, Chairperson, or Co-chair positions. It runs from 2003 through 2015. With some sorting and shuffling of the spreadsheet, I've pulled out the following information. The count may not be 100% accurate, but gives a good idea (and I apologize to those who worked hard for us before 2003, but I don't have that data).

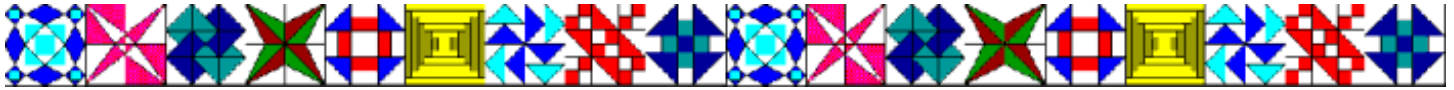
THANK YOU!!!!

# times	Was Chair, Co-Chair, or Officer
12	Michele Hackmeyer (includes being President)
10	Esther Weiner (includes being President), Ardell McGavin, Marilyn Kelley, Roberta Granville
9	Wendy Stone (includes being President), Betty Rinkel
8	Marsha Walper, Selena Foo
7	Shelley Bertels (includes being President), Topi Henderson
6	Jeanne Brenner, Martha Mitchell, Peggy Smyly
5	Dorothy Barr (includes being President), Karen Skinner (includes being President), Caroline Collins, Dawn Griffin, Ella Hinson, Geni Raines, Linda Dozier, Martha Tilden
4	14 people, 2 of which were Presidents
3	15 people, 2 of which were Presidents
2	38 people, 2 of which were Presidents
1	40 people

There is another person that I'd like to acknowledge – one of our "unsung heros" -- Drew Hackmeyer. Michelle's husband is the computer geek that makes it possible each year for our Directory to show combined photo's and information for each member. He has also done some software magic in a few other cases, as well. Hooray for Drew!!

~ Karen Skinner
2015 QU President





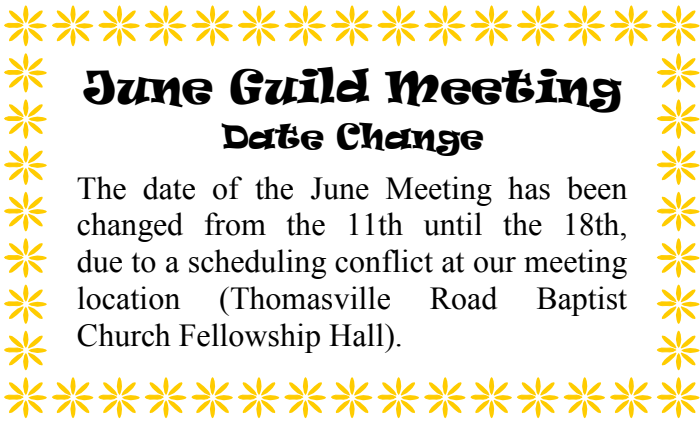
Sit-n-Stitch Groups

A “Sit-n-Stitch” is a group of members who meet weekly, bi-weekly 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.

*** Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity, not accepting new members at this time**

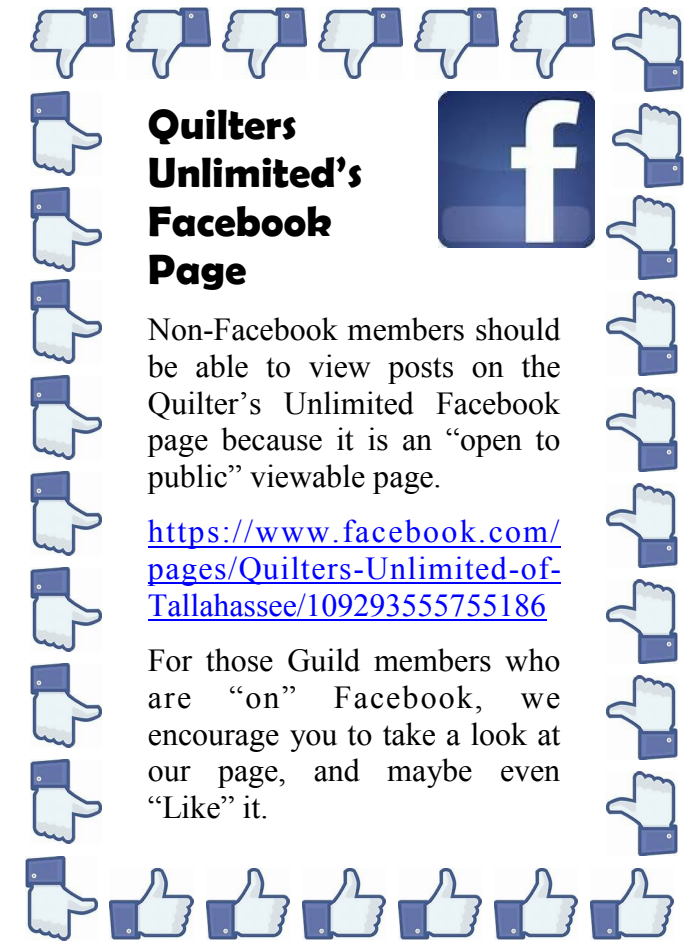
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Big Bend Hospice	McQuilters	Crazy Quilters	Sew Arty	Thimble Buddies *	Sew for Hope
1:00pm - 3:00pm Virginia Lewis	Ronald McDonald House 1:00pm - 3:00pm Carol Harrison	Monticello Library 1:00pm - 4:00pm Barbara Sheats	3rd Thursday 11:30am - 1:30pm Kathleen Turner	2nd Friday 9:30am - 1:30pm Wendy Stone	1st & 3rd Saturdays 9:30am - 1:00pm Cynthia Seyler
The Quilting Bees		Pin Pals *	Patchwork & Prayer	Frayed Edges *	2nd Saturday
Senior Center 1:00pm - 4:00pm		1st & 3rd Wed. 1:00pm - 3:00pm Linda Steans	1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursday 6:30pm - 8:30pm Janice Parker	9:30am - 12:00pm Selena Foo	9:00am - 4:00pm Connie Beane
Southwood Stitchers			Southern Comfort	Quilts ‘n Books	Havana Sit ‘n Stitch
Southwood Comm. Room 10:00am - 3:00pm Nancy O’Rourke			1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursday 7:00pm - 9:00pm Esther Weiner	4th Friday 10:00am - 12:00pm NE Library on Thomasville Rd. Joy Vo	4th Saturday 1:00pm - ? Martha Mitchell
			Appliqué Addicts		Midtown Sit ‘n Stitch
			3rd Thursday NE Library, Thomasville Rd 5:30 - 7:45 pm Mary C. Scott		Sunday Karen Skinner’s house 1:00pm—4:00pm Karen Skinner





June Guild Meeting Date Change

The date of the June Meeting has been changed from the 11th until the 18th, due to a scheduling conflict at our meeting location (Thomasville Road Baptist Church Fellowship Hall).



Quilters Unlimited's Facebook Page



Non-Facebook members should be able to view posts on the Quilter's Unlimited Facebook page because it is an "open to public" viewable page.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Quilters-Unlimited-of-Tallahassee/109293555755186>

For those Guild members who are "on" Facebook, we encourage you to take a look at our page, and maybe even "Like" it.



Upcoming Programs ...

May 14th – Spring Fling – Baskets, Birds & Blossoms

Everything that spring brings is colorful and / or cute. Bring all your quilts that fit the description and suit the season.

June 18th – Ships & Seas – Crossed Canoes, Storm at Sea, Appliquéd or Pieced Boats, etc.

Let us see what you've done to represent the ocean and naval themes. Is there a boat in your closet?



Reminder: Vote on Membership Dues

At the May meeting, the Members present will be asked to vote on increasing the annual dues to \$30; increase to start with the 2016 dues renewals and 2016 new memberships.

This is the amount proposed from the floor of the March meeting, and the Steering Committee agreed with it. The amount is based on trying to cover the core expenses of operating the Guild, e.g., rent, licenses, directory, website hosting and support, fiscal fees. This "core" amount does not include programs, guest lecturers, door prizes, etc. Unfortunately, since we have to move to a new meeting location in 2016, we have no idea on how that will affect the rent amount needed versus core costs.



Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is:

May 25th

Please submit materials to Selena Foo via email at qutlhnews@gmail.com



DOOR PRIZES

April Door Prize Winners

Patti Penick Kerry Cohen
Lyn Geariety Sue Isaac

Congratulations and thanks for wearing your name badge!

~ *Miriam Baldwin and Kris Klob*
Door Prize Chairpersons



Silent Auction Replacement

Yes Virginia, there will be Santa Clause this year – or a variation on the Silent Auction.

The Silent Auction Committee met to discuss in more depth what will happen to this year's Silent Auction without the Museum Show. There has been some concern whether we would do any fund-raising of this type. The answer is **yes**, but not an Auction.

Some suggestions were received about selling items on E-Bay and/or Etsy. The Committee had some deep reservations about dealing with the logistics of an on-line store volunteers dealing with labor involved in packing, shipping, and monitoring the Store, over a several month period that the items would need to be up for sale – plus handling sales tax this way.

The Committee felt a sale event something "closer-to-home" and short-term would work better with volunteers – pretty much like many other groups do. A location is unknown right this moment, but places we talked about were something at Southwood, maybe in conjunction with their Harvest Festival or a table at one of the many other fall craft-type events but shooting for October 24th or November 7th (non-football weekends). Volunteers would sign-up to baby-sit sales much like the Silent Auction at the Museum.

So we'll be encouraging all Guild members to make something for the event -- not necessarily just quilts, but placemats, pet beds, pot holders, wall hangings, related craft items. Seasonal-themed items are typically a hit during the fall as people begin their shopping for the holidays. The Sit-n-Stitch groups would be encouraged to make bigger items. And we'll be working out some "make-it" days for those that like to work in a group or want guidance.

Now to come up with a catchy name other than "Silent Auction"... "Fabric Fiesta??"

Please contact Nancy O'Rouke, Karen Kunz, or Karen Skinner if you have questions, information on venues you can help us get into inexpensively (or a catchy name).



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LIBRARY NEWS

Updated title and author lists are available again on our QU website. Check to see if anything interests you, drop me a line and I will bring it to the next meeting. Thank you to those that donated books last month. It is wonderful to see the books come in and go out!

~ *Jeanne Brenner*
QU Librarian



Workshop News

Both of the Becky Goldsmith workshops are full, but we will all get to enjoy her presentation, "A Practical Approach to Color", at the September 10 meeting.

Linda O'Sullivan will be teaching the Spiky Leaves pattern in a full day workshop in October. Date, time, and place will be announced soon. Cost will be \$30, with all proceeds going to help the guild.

Pam Doffek will bring samples of class projects to the May meeting, so we can vote on which one she should teach this summer.

Janice French has graciously offered her north Tallahassee home for the beginning paper piecing class that I will be teaching. Class size will be limited to ten people, but two classes will be offered, if needed. Cost is \$20 for a 3 hour class. Again, all fees will go to support the guild. Please contact me, if you are interested. We will set up a time(s) in July to accommodate the most people.

Marsha Walper has volunteered to teach the house block from our March meeting. This will be a great opportunity to learn from a very precise piecer, teacher and chocolate lover.

Lucy Patrick will also share some of her creative talent with us in the future.

Suggestions are welcome and teachers sought for more techniques and projects. Let's have fun and support the guild by taking and teaching classes.

~ *Jeanne Brenner*
Workshop Chair

Guild "Sewing Party"

June 13th, 2015 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. @ Chaires Community Center

We are working on a schedule for demonstrations that some of our Guild members have offered to provide. We will also have "Open Sew" for you to work on what you like, and a group doing philanthropic efforts. The latter will probably work on Neonatal quilts and Sew for Hope twin-sized quilts.

The demonstrations will go on concurrently with the other activities, with the idea that you can take a break to attend a Demo, or you can just attend the Demos. So far the Demos will be:

- * EQ software program, by Sharon Christianson
- * New Member Nametag Creation, by Michelle Hackmeyer
- * Making a hanging sleeve for a quilt, by Marsha Walper
- * Techniques for making an Ohio Star quilt and quilting it yourself, by Sue Skornia

Plan on bringing a lunch, your sewing equipment, and some heavy duty extension cords. Please limit irons to the very small ones, or bring seam rollers. We will have a few ironing boards and full size irons, but don't want to blow a fuse. The schedule will be made available once we get it finalized. For more information, contact Karen Skinner or Michelle Hackmeyer.



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May 14th QU Meeting

Don't Forget Your

- Library Books
- Handmade Name Badge
- Show 'n Tell



Dates to Remember

- May 14 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm @
Thomasville Road Baptist Church
- May 25 Newsletter Deadline
- June 18 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm @
Thomasville Road Baptist Church
- June 25 Newsletter Deadline

Meetings are held at
 Thomasville Road Baptist Church,
 3131 Thomasville Road
 The social half-hour starts at 6:30 p.m.
 The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Location

