



## Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee

# Around The Block

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*Next Meeting: March 10th* 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:***

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***Philanthropic:*** Michele Hackmeyer,  
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***Programs:*** Roberta Granville  
***Publicity:*** Kerry Cohen  
***Quilter's Treasure:*** Marsha Walper  
***Show & Tell:*** Linda Davis  
***Silent Auction:*** Karen Kunz  
***Sit&Stitch:*** Marsha Walper  
***Special Events:*** none  
***Sunshine:*** Jeanne Billings  
***Trip Coord:*** *open*  
***Web Coord:*** Jessica Duke  
***Welcoming:*** Sue Skornia  
***Workshops:*** Jeanne Benner

### ***President's Message***

Spring is just around the corner, but don't be fooled. I've lived here long enough to know there WILL BE one more hard frost before April 1st. The good news is quilters don't worry about frost, we can quilt all year!!

Talk about fun... Lucy Patrick and I drove to and attended ALL the fun for the first AQS show in Daytona Beach. We saw a few of you and heard others attended, but we didn't find you. Marsha Walper's quilt was very nicely displayed! Details at the meeting. But I had a chance to talk to Bonnie Browning who organizes ALL the AQS shows. She says AQS is coming back to Daytona Beach for the next 2 years. Next year save the dates for March 1-4.

I need help on three fronts and hope someone(s) can help me and the guild.

1. If anyone wants to have the guild do a bus trip to the Jacksonville Quilt show in September, I need a trip coordinator. If there is no one coming forth by the end of April, there won't be a guild bus trip. Everyone will be carpooling on their own. The show is September 15-17, 2016.

2. Wanda Crowe and I need someone with computer competency to help her with Block of the Month instructions (and maybe some pictures...EQ7 anyone) to post to the Guild website (through Jessica Duke our web coordinator) each month. I thought I could help Wanda, but am failing her miserably and everyone deserves to have the instructions posted on or before the guild meeting each month. Contact me or Wanda.

3. I'm still looking for a chair or committee to organize

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an end of year celebration during our December meeting. Contact me in person or via the Prez email: [president@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:president@quilttallahassee.com)

So until we meet again, keep being amazing. *Pam Doffek*

### *Program Schedule for 2016 — from Roberta Granville*

March- Missouri Star Quilt Company Patterns

April- Red Work and Other Embroidery

May- Karen Stone, guest lecturer & Trunk Show

June- Philanthropic- This is a change so that the challenge quilts can be presented in July

### *March 2016 Program — from Roberta Granville*

In March we will learn about the Missouri Star Quilt Company and see some examples of quilts made using their patterns. Marilyn Kelly will be our presenter and she will also provide us with several day-trip possibilities to quilt shops she has enjoyed that are not too far away.

Of course, if you have a quilt using Missouri Star Company, please bring it to show.  
Thanks

Many thanks to Linda O'Sullivan for her very well prepared and presented program on applique hearts. We are indeed fortunate to have so many talented quilters and teachers in the guild.

*Roberta Granville*

### *Who Will Win the First Quilter's Treasure?*

Come to the Quilter's Treasure table during the social time (6:30 - 7:00) at the meeting to buy tickets for this wonderful basket of quilt-related items. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for ten. Use address labels to quickly put your name on tickets.

A list on the table in front of the basket tells you the treasures it contains.

There is still time to get your name on a ticket. A drawing at the beginning of the guild meeting will pick the winner.

Look for a **new Quilter's Treasure** at the April guild meeting!

### *Everybody Loves Door Prizes*

Congratulations to our February door prize winners: Jean Brenner, Peggy Clark, Teri Crawford, Sue Isaac, Mickie Johnson, and Marge Norman.

Thanks so much to all those who have donated door prizes. Donating fabric, tools, patterns, etc., you no longer need or want is a great way to make room in your space for something new. Plus, your item may be just the thing for which the next door prize winner is yearning.

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

### *2016 QU Quilt Challenge "At the Water's Edge"*

Rules continued to be available for \$5.00. Please come to the table during the meeting and see Stephanie Guttman and Laura Keller. If you are unable to do so, please email or call us.

During the meeting, please come see us if you plan on completing a Challenge Quilt. This will be our first call for a count.

Important Dates:

- Applications are due May 31, 2016
- Final update on quilt measurement revisions is June 9, 2016
- Challenge quilt judging is at the July 14, 2016 meeting
- Drop off date is July 16th at the Museum of Florida History

### *Classes - Part I*

#### *"Tips on Quilt Assembly -- Big Quilt, Small Sewing Machine"*

Karen Skinner will teach ways to control or limit the bulk of the batting and backing when trying to quilt a quilt on a small-throat (domestic) sewing machine. This is not a class on doing fancy quilt patterns. Pupils would need to bring sewing machines, and at least enough front, batting, and backing fabric, to work on a sample about the size of a place-mat. Larger sizes would be fine, as well.

Class fee is \$20. All fees support the guild.

Date: April 9th

Time: 1 PM to 4 PM

Location: Still being determined.

Contact Jeanne Brenner to register for classes or with any questions. [jbqlts@aol.com](mailto:jbqlts@aol.com)

## *Classes - Part II*

### *Trapunto*

Pam Doffek will be teach a Trapunto class at Chaires Community Center on July 30 from 10:15 to 4PM.

Both hand and machine sewing techniques will be included.

Class Fee is \$30

Please contact Jeanne Brenner to register.

## *Workshops*

Karen K Stone is returning to Tallahassee this May.

Don't miss the lecture at the Temple at the regular QU meeting.

Karen K Stone workshops **are at capacity**. If you would like to be on the waiting list for either workshops, Little Things That Count or Loquat, please contact Jeanne Brenner.  
jbqlts@aol.com

The workshops' **location has been changed** to Woodville Community Center, with a new start time of 10:15 a.m., at 8000 Old Woodville Road. It adjacent to the Woodville library building. [Previously, the classes were planned to be held at the Timberlane Church of Christ].

Photos and more information are on our QU web site.

## *EQ Sit-n-Stitch Meeting Moves to **Sunday** Afternoon*

The next EQ Sit-n-Stitch meeting will be on Sunday, April 3 from 2:00-4:00 pm at Marsha Walper's house (check Membership Directory for address and phone). Note the change from Saturday to Sunday afternoon, which seems to present fewer conflicts for members.

Gail Renna will share how to create your own quilts on your computer or laptop with EQ7 software. She will cover the basics from choosing your quilt layout, choosing a block or designing your own, adding borders, and fabric/color to your quilt. Bring your EQ projects or other quilt-related "show and tell" to share.



## *Library news*

Come check out the new books in our library!  
Donations and AQS book sales are helping us grow.

- *Fast fun and easy fabric boxes* by Linda Johansen
- *Landscape Quilts* by Nancy Zieman and Natalie Sewell
- *Scrappy Firework Quilts* by Edyta Sitar
- *Friendship Strips and Scraps* by Edyta Sitar
- *Snippet Sensations* by Cindy Walter
- *Fiesta!* By Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith
- *Christmas Pickle* by Nancy Smith and Lynda Milligan
- *Sizzlin' Sixties* by Heather Mulder Peterson
- *On A Roll Again* by Heather Mulder Peterson
- *Mandala* by Katie Pasquini
- *Scrap Quilt Strips and Spider Webs* by :Marcia Lasher
- *Applique Takes Wing* by Jane Townswick
- *Sizzle n' Pop* by Trish Stuart
- *Picture This! Applique Pictorial- From Photo to Fabric* by Marcia Stein
- *Bittersweet Art to Heart* by Halvorsen
- *Showstopping Quilts to Foundation Piece* by Tricia Lund and Judy Pollard
- *Quick Trip Quilts* by Elanor Burns
- *Positively Postcards* by Bonnie Sabel and Louis-Phillippe O'Donnell
- *Bodacious Applique A La Carte* by Margie Engel
- *Lively Little Folk-Art Quilts* by Gwen Marston
- *Applique with Attitude* by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins
- *Fresh Picked Posies* by Becky Smith and Linda Jenkins
- *Appli-Curves: Traditional Quilts with Easy No-Sew Curves* by Elaine Waldschmitt
- *More Favorite Tradional Quilts Made Easy* by Jo Parrott
- *250 New Continuous Line Quilting Designs* by Laura Lee Fritz
- *Two Patch Scrap Quilts* by Pat Yamin
- *Flowers, Hearts and Garlands Quilt* by Liz Jones
- *Ladybug and Friends Quilts* by Carla Scott and Leanne Smith
- *Waterside Quilting* by Cheryl Haynes
- *Beading Basics* by Mary Stori
- *Quilts for Babies & Kids* by Leisure Arts



*\*Opportunities Abound\**

“Home And Heart” Quilt Exhibit at City Hall, by Quilters Unlimited  
April 27 – June 20, 2016

Submit a quilt (traditional, art, scrappy, patchwork, applique, Sashiko, Trapunto, crazy, pieced, or ?) for the City Hall Show and listen to the accolades to roll in. How many times have you had an audience to impress, dazzle, (and possibly influence) with your creative endeavors? Submit a quilt and discover for yourself...

To be a part of it all:

1. Fill out an application
2. Submit the completed application with 2 photos of your work to the Show Chair or Co-chair by March 15th
3. Work on your masterpiece
4. Deliver your completed quilt to the City Hall Quilt Show Chair or Co-chair by the April Guild Meeting

The City Hall Show application can be found on the Q.U. website at

<http://quilttallahassee.com/guild-quilt-exhibits-other-shows-and-travel/city-hall-show/>

Alternatively, for paper entry forms call Jennifer Colley @ 850-661-6736, or Elizabeth Hawker call @ 352-359-1017 or email her at: wildduck@bellsouth.net).

Are you ready to impress?

2016 CITY HALL SCHEDULE:

March 15      Deadline -- Last chance to turn in Entry forms to Jennifer Colley or Elizabeth Hawker.  
April 14      Deadline - Quilts with label and sleeve turn-in  
April 26      Entries hung and City Hall Show opens – volunteers needed 10:00 - 11:00 am.  
April 27 - June 20<sup>th</sup>      Exhibit open  
June 21      9:00-10:00 am, Exhibitors must pick up their entries at City Hall.

There will NOT be an evening Reception as has sometimes occurred in the past.



*“Capital City Quilt Show”, at the Museum of Florida History  
July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016*

----- *From Hattie Pennie*

Entry Application DUE:	Fri. 5/27/2016 - Midnight
Final date to update and resubmit revised measurement of your Quilt	Thurs. 6/9/2016 - Midnight
Challenge Quilt Contest	Thurs. 7/14/2016 (Guild Meeting)
Quilt Drop Off (Museum)	Sat. 7/16/2016 10:00a.m.
Opening Night Reception (Museum)	Thurs. 7/28/2016 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Museum Show	Fri. 07/29/2016--Sun. 9/18/16
Silent Auction Ends & Opportunity Quilt Drawing	Sun 9/18/16
Quilt Pick Up (Museum)	Sat. 9/24/2016 10:00a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Opening Night Reception** begins at 5:30 P.M. All QU members are expected to please bring finger foods. Make sure your serving dish has your name on it and remember to pick up the dish after the reception. At this time I am in need of someone to organize the members for the event.

**IMPORTANT REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR QUILT DROP-OFF**

- **Hanging Sleeve:** A four inch (4”) hanging sleeve must be sewn (not pinned) on the back of the quilt. Make the sleeve 1” shorter on each side of the quilt. This is required by the museum to enable your quilt to hang evenly. (Michele Hackmeyer is an excellent source of information on making these if you are having trouble with your sleeve for you quilt).
- **Quilt Label:** Each entry’s title and quilter’s name must be sewn on (not pinned) on the back of the quilt or on the inside of the clothing item.
- **Pillow cases:** Quilts are to be placed inside a pillow case. The pillow cases will be returned to you with the quilt inside for pickup. Make sure your name is on the pillow case.
- Everyone who has a quilt hanging in the show is asked to volunteer two (2) hours for each quilt hanging in the show. Sign-up sheets for volunteers will be sent around the room at the next few QU meetings, or you can contact Betty Rinkel.

**\*\*RECEPTION – IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR QUILTERS WHO HAVE A QUILT IN THE SHOW (does not apply to show and tell items):**

- **During Opening Night Reception:** Please plan to wear your Quilted/Handmade Name Tag and arrive before 5:30PM. We would like for you to be recognized as a participant in this year’s show. If you are attending the reception and after the ribbon cutting ceremony, you will be asked to stand by your quilt for about 20-30 minutes so you can share your masterpiece with the public and answer any questions. If you have more than one item in the show, please select the one you want to share the most!



### *Museum Show volunteering*

Ladies, our Museum Quilt Show will be starting in July, and one of the fun duties we have is to sit or walk around the show, and be available to sell tickets for our **Opportunity Quilt**. We must be there, or tickets are not sold, for the museum staff cannot do that for us. Each time frame is only two and one half hours, starting at 9:00 am weekdays, 10:00 Saturdays, and 12 noon (two time frames) on Sunday. You can take a project you are working on, a book or magazine, and be ready to interact with our guests. So, bring your calendar, choose your date(s) and time(s), and be ready to sign up to enjoy yourself.



The 2016 Opportunity Quilt

### *Sew for Hope Kids Update*

Sew for Hope has changed its name to Sew for Hope Kids to reflect that we're working on more than quilts for HOPE Community, though this is still our prime effort. Every summer, we create and donate 45 pre-k, nap-time blankets and 16 infant crib quilts to the PAEC (Panhandle Area Educational Consortium) summer day care program. We also donate receiving blankets to Brehon Family Services, a program for homeless pregnant women and their infants. And lastly we've started producing weighted therapy blankets for autistic children.



Currently, Sew for Hope Kids is not in its space at ARTS After School. ARTS moved to a new building and construction issues have prevented us from moving in yet. We hope this issue will be resolved soon. In the meantime, Sew for Hope Kids has been meeting in people's homes or at Play Big Therapy Center, where we are working on weighted therapy blankets for children with autism. Our work sites are posted on both our Facebook page (Sew for Hope Kids) and our web site (<http://sewforhopenow.com>). In addition, our quilt storage area at HOPE Community had to be moved to the administration building. The building we were using has been converted to overflow housing. This required building new storage and moving all the quilts! All these moving issues have put quite a strain on our volunteers.



## *E-mail Addresses*

Please make sure your e-mail addresses stay up to date with us. If you get a new provider (e.g., shift from Comcast to Embarq), we have no way of knowing unless you tell us what the correct address is. And if we have an old/incorrect one, you won't get the "e-mail" blasts -- including the Newsletter notification.

If you are sure you have given us the correct one and are not getting notifications, e-mail both the Membership Chair and the Newsletter Editor. We may have typed something in incorrectly into the system. And sometimes our system thinks you have Unsubscribed from the master list, when you haven't. Silly System, Trix are for kids.

## *About the Guild's Website >>>>> [www.quilttallahassee.com](http://www.quilttallahassee.com)*

You will frequently hear the statement, "It's on the website", about a wide variety of Guild topics. But....Where? And maybe you have other questions about our website. So, over the next few months, we'll be having a series of articles about the what, when, who, etc., of the website.

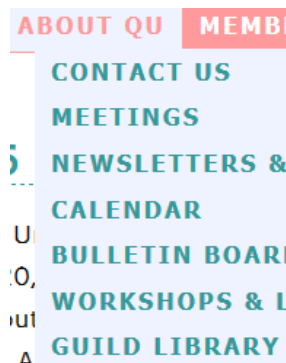
Jessica Duke is our current website content coordinator. She is a Guild member, and is a volunteer. She also has a regular 40-hour/week job, so may not be able to respond immediately to your requests -- but she tries darned hard. Creation of complex forms, troubleshooting, and management/hosting of the computer server functions of our website is done by a professional Webmaster, whom we pay. Jessica works with that person on matters beyond Jessica's expertise.

To find things on the website, there are several ways to "Navigate". The pink bar on below the Logo and Title is known as the "Navigation Bar".



These are the equivalent of Chapter Headings. If you run your mouse over them (with the exception of the "Home" one), items show up below them in a "drop down menu".

Of these pink/white headings, the "Home" and "Activities/Projects" ones are the only two that link to a major informational page



In the Dropdown headings, selections like "Contact Us" and "Meetings" are the equivalent of Section Headings, and are links that will take you to pages with pertinent details.

"Contact Us" is useful in quickly opening up an email service (e.g., Outlook) with the e-mail addresses filled in for the Guild President, Newsletter Editor, Website Coordinator, Treasurer, Membership Chairperson, Workshop Chairperson and Librarian. There is also a link to the Webmaster but that is only to be used for technical problems like webpages missing, links not working, and so forth.

We'll explore more parts of the website in future articles.

[www.quilttallahassee.com](http://www.quilttallahassee.com)

### *Newsletter Info*

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

**April 1st, 2016**

Please submit materials to Karen Skinner via email at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com)

When submitting the information via e-mail, please place in the subject line "QU – For Month Newsletter" – "Subject of Article" (what the month your article refers to, and what is the subject of the article). All articles submitted for the newsletter must be written/worded as they should appear in the newsletter. If deemed necessary, the Editor may correct typographical errors, and may divide articles to meet spacing and formatting needs. Submittal as a WORD document or text file is preferred.



### *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, please contact Marsha Walper.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Big Bend Hospice</b>	<b>Sew for Hope</b>	<b>Crazy Quilters</b>	<b>Sew Arty</b>	<b>Thimble Buddies#</b>	<b>Sew for Hope</b>	<b>EQ Software</b>
1-3 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 1-4:30 pm	Monticello Library 1-4 pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday 9:30-11:30am	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 9 am - 3 pm	Apr/Jun/ Sept/Nov
Virginia Lewis	Cynthia Seyler	Barbara Sheats	Kathleen Turner	Wendy Stone	Cynthia Seyler	Margaret Boethe
<b>Quilting Bees at Senior Center</b>	<b>McQuilters at Ronald McDonald</b>	<b>Pin Pals</b>	<b>Patchwork &amp; Prayer</b>	<b>Frayed Edges#</b>	<b>Second Saturday</b>	<b>Midtown Sit 'n Stitch</b>
1-4 pm	1-3 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed. 1-3 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Th 6:30-8:30 pm	9:30am-12pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat 9 am - 4 pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 1:00pm - 4pm
Judy Lawrence	Carol Harrison	Linda Steans	Janice Parker	Selena Foo	Connie Beane	Karen Skinner
<b>Southwood Stickers</b>			<b>Southern Comfort 'Sew'ciety</b>	<b>Quilts 'n Books NE Library</b>	<b>Havana Sit 'n Stitch</b>	
10 am - 3 pm			1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Th 7-9 pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Fri. 10 am-12 pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Sat. 1-4 pm	
Nancy O'Rourke			Esther Weiner	Joy Vo	Martha Mitchell	
<b>Piecers of the Past</b>			<b>Appliqué Addicts NE Library</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon 5:30-7:30 pm			3 <sup>rd</sup> Thur 5:30-7:45 pm			
Chary Root			Mary Catherine Scott			
<b># Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity</b>						

<i>2016 Guild Calendar</i> (subject to change)		
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Guild Meeting; "Missouri Star Quilt Company Patterns"	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Steering Committee Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Entry form turn-in deadline for City Hall Exhibit	
April 1st	April Newsletter Deadline	
April 14th	Guild Meeting; "Red Work and Other Embroidery"; Deadline - City Hall Exhibit Quilts with label and sleeve turn-in	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	City Hall entries hung and Show opens – volunteers needed 10:00 - 11:00 am.	City Hall
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	City Hall Show (through June 20 <sup>th</sup> )	City Hall
May 12th	Guild Meeting; Karen Stone, guest lecturer & Trunk Show	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop: Karen K Stone	Woodville Community Center
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop: Karen K Stone	Woodville Community Center
May 17th	Steering Committee Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 27th	Museum Show Entry Application due	
May 31st	Application Deadline for QU Challenge	
June 9th	Final update on quilt measurement revisions for QU Challenge	
June 9th	Final update on quilt measurement revisions for Museum Show quilt	
June 16th	Guild Meeting; "Philanthropic"	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of City Hall Show	City Hall
July 14th	Guild Meeting; judging of "Challenge Quilts"	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Drop off date for QU Challenge quilts and other quilts	Museum of Florida History
July 19th	Steering Committee Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Quilt Drop-off for Museum Show	Museum of Florida History
July 28th	Museum Show Reception	Museum of Florida History
August 11th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept. 8th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept. 18 <sup>th</sup>	End Museum Show; Silent Auction ends, and Opportunity Quilt drawing	Museum of Florida History
Sept. 20th	Steering Committee Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept 24 <sup>th</sup>	Quilt pick-up for Museum Show	Museum of Florida History
Oct. 13th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 10th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 15th	Steering Committee Meeting	
Dec. 8th	Guild Meeting	Social Hall @ Temple Israel