Around the Block.

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Reminder Reminder: June Guild Meeting Date has Changed

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).

President's Message

This, to me, is the "season" of red, white & blue, because of Memorial Day, Flag Day, and Fourth of July. Have you made any "quilty" items for these holidays for yourself and family? Or for armed forces members, active or retired? Quilting can be hard work sometimes — precise seams, precise cutting, precise stitching, not to mention wrestling with getting batting and backing aligned with a top. So cheers to you, and red, white & blue, too!

This also is the season of humidity, and for you new Humidity affects your fabric in quilters, here's a tip. irregular ways. I went to a Retreat once, and worked hard the first night to make sure all my blocks were precisely squared-up at 12-1/2 inches. Overnight, the air-conditioning system automatically shut down, and the automatic start-up did not work. By 10:00 a.m., the room was over 85 degrees, so they opened up all the doors and the When I went to sew my blocks humidity rolled in. together, none of them were the same outer size, and none were 12-1/2 inches – all had shrunk. Once the air conditioning started, and with carefully pressing, I was able to get the blocks back to "close", but not precise. So, if you plan on taking your blocks in and out of doors for traveling or the like, a sealed box or zip-loc bag can be handy. However, once the quilt is all done, don't store it in a closed plastic bag. Cotton needs to "breathe" – but is also why it can erratically shrink, too.

On a last note, don't forget that the June meeting has been moved from June 11th until June 18th. Same time, same place, though.

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~ *Karen Skinner* 2015 OU 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
	Ronald McDonald House	Monticello Library	3rd Thursday	2nd Friday	1st & 3rd Saturdays
1:00pm - 3:00pm	1:00pm - 3:00pm	1:00pm - 4:00pm	11:30am - 1:30pm	9:30am - 1:30pm	9:30am - 1:00pm
Virginia Lewis	Carol Harrison	Barbara Sheats	Kathleen Turner	Wendy Stone	Cynthia Seyler
The Quilting Bees		Pin Pals *	Patchwork & Prayer	Frayed Edges *	2nd Saturday
Senior Center		1st & 3rd Wed.	1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursday		
1:00pm - 4:00pm		1:00pm - 3:00pm	6:30pm - 8:30pm	9:30am - 12:00pm	9:00am - 4:00pm
		Linda Steans	Janice Parker	Selena Foo	Connie Beane
Southwood Stitchers			Southern Comfort	Quilts 'n Books	Havana Sit 'n Stitch
Southwood Comm. Room			1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursday	4th Friday	4th Saturday
10:00am - 3:00pm			7:00pm - 9:00pm	10:00am - 12:00pm	1:00pm - ?
Nancy O'Rourke			Esther Weiner	NE Library on Thomasville Rd.	Martha Mitchell
				Joy Vo	
Midtown Sit 'n Stitch			Appliqué Addicts		EQ Software
Sunday			3rd Thursday		2nd Saturday
Karen Skinner's house			NE Library, Thomasville Rd		
1:00pm—4:00pm			5:30 - 7:45 pm		1:00pm - 3:00pm
Karen Skinner			Mary C. Scott		Margaret Boeth





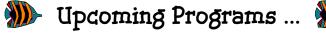
May Door Prize Winners

Darlene Pricher Shirley Holder
Barb Ward Crystal McGarrah
Susan Mandell

Congratulations and thanks for wearing your name badge!

~ Miriam Baldwin and Kris Klob Door Prize Chairpersons





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?

July 9th — Quilts of Valor & other Philanthropic Causes

As there is no end of need in this community and beyond, we have many opportunities to involve ourselves in multiple projects to help. From veterans to the ill, the young and even those from the animal kingdom who need our help, we

try to respond. This month bring in your projects that will assist and honor others.



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.

facebook.com/quiltTallahassee

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

Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is:

June 25th

Please submit materials to Selena Foo via email at

qutlhnews@gmail.com

Paper Piecing Classes in July

Have you ever had points that are squiggly or don't match up with the block next to them? Learn how to get sharp points and make complicated patterns without using templates by sewing through a paper pattern. Jeanne Brenner will be teaching two beginners three hour classes at Janice France's home.

Dates are July 17, 12:00pm to 3:00pm -or- July 18, 10:00am to 1:00pm

There are still a few openings in each class. Cost is \$20, all proceeds benefit the guild.

Contact Jeanne Brenner for more information at jbqlts@aol.com for 997-3109

Quilter's Unlimited Boutique

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Since we will not be able to have the Silent Auction this vear. we going to sell our donated handmade items at several craft venues in and around Tallahassee. Usually the Silent Auction has about 40 to 45 items up for bid. I feel we need more items than this to sell in a craft fair setting especially if we have a booth at more than one venue. We are in need of smaller less expensive items to offer for sale such as quilted potholders, placemats, mug rugs, baby bibs or aprons, table runners, etc., as well as the larger higher priced items. Christmas themed items would be great at a fall craft fair. Patriotic themed items also do well. I hope each Sit 'n Stitch group could set aside a time to make items for us to sell. At the June meeting, I will have patterns for potholders and table runners available for anyone needing ideas for what to make. The money we earn will go to help support our workshops, philanthropic endeavors, other and guild activities.

~ Nancy O'Rourke



To Stash or not to Stash.... is that the question?

Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer
The slings and arrows of outrageous mis-organization
Or to take arms against a sea of clutter
And by opposing end it? To organize?
To give away? To sew not more?

Nay...To sew I must..perchance a new patchwork
Or try a new paper piece pattern
For who can bear the whips and scorns of
The ever present 1/2 price sale ads
That makes a calamity of our credit cards.

To file or not to file my patterns
To group by pastels and darks
And by organization to say we end
The heartache of rummaging around
For just that right piece of fabric

That our sewing is heir to, 'tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wish'd..to organize,
To conceal in boxes...and boxes galore
In plastic containers that overflow on the floor
To organize, perchance to achieve it....
ay, there's the rub;

For in that great organization of fabric what dreams may come
When we have shuffled off this mortal unorganization
Must give us pause there's the respect
That makes calamity of so organized a sewing room;
For who can bear to whittle down her Stash...

The pangs of that separation of fabric
To grunt and sweat under the strain
Of not seeing forever the beloved Stash...
But that the dread of something after death,
The undiscover'd boxes...from who boundary

No traveler returns, puzzles the will
And make us rather think we have
To give to others that we know not of?
Thus conscience does make swappers of us all;
And thus the native hue of resolution

Gives way to the pale thought and enterprises
Of that great moment with this regard
To our current Stash...Organize...give away!!!!
And lose the name of clutter... Soft you now!
Oh, fair quilters... in they orisons
Be all my Stash remember'd.....

June 18th QU Meeting

Pon't Forget Your

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



Dates to Remember

June 18 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm @

Thomasville Road Baptist Church

June 25 Newsletter Deadline

July 9 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm @

Thomasville Road Baptist Church

July 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

