

# Around the Block

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**Library:** Shirley Shields

**Museum Quilt Show:**

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**Sunshine:** Kathleen Turner

**Trip Coordinator:** Joy Vo

**Web Master:** Jennifer Moore

**Workshops:** Barbara Wiggins

**City Hall Show:** Vacant til

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## President's Message

### Sit and Stitch - not just about stitching

Do you attend a Sit and Stitch group? Sit and stitch groups are not just about stitching. Sure, you can get tips, advice, second opinions about your quilting projects. But you can also get to know others who share a common interest or passion. You get to know a few women on a more individual, personal basis. They can provide you with a few hours where you can just relax and do something you enjoy. If you're already in one, you know what I'm talking about. QU has 17 different groups; some have a specific interest or function and others are very general. The meeting locations are all over the place and at various times during the day and evening. Look through the list posted on the QU website. If you can't find one at a time and place that is convenient to you, consider starting one of your own. I think you'll enjoy it.

*Michele Hackmeyer, President*



*Sew many quilts, sew little time!*



## *Dates To Remember*

*July 10, 2014 -- Guild Meeting; Program> Philanthropy Quilts*

*August 1, 2014 – Lemoyne Show Opening Reception*

*August 14, 2014 -- Guild Meeting; Program> Challenge Quilts*

*August 30, 2014 – End of LeMoyne Show*

*September 11, 2014 – Museum Show Opening Reception (substitute for Guild Meeting)*

*October 9, 2014 -- Guild Meeting; Program*

*October 19, 2014 – End of Museum show*

*Newsletter Updates: 25th of each month*

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## *QU By-Laws Proposed Changes*

The QU By-Laws Review team has completed their task and has prepared their recommended changes. The team, consisting of Karen Skinner, Marsha Walper, and Michele Hackmeyer, for the most part made a lot of housekeeping changes. There are a number of roles and activities in the By-Laws that we no longer need and also roles that we use that were not included. The team updated and reorganized these standing committee roles. The one significant change being proposed is to move our guilds membership and business year to a standard calendar year, January through December. If this change is approved, we would extend this current membership year through December to get us on track.

Because the proposed changes are throughout the document, we are not including it in this newsletter. We have posted the document to our website (check the 'Bulletin Board' for a link) and we will also provide a few printed copies at the July meeting for those who do not have internet access. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact one of the team members. We will not discuss these proposals during the July meeting as not all members will have had a chance to review them. We will discuss the changes during the August meeting and vote at that time.

By-Laws Review Team (Karen, Marsha, and Michele)

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## *QU Museum Show “Starry, Starry Night” 2014 Update!*

Thank you all for your record setting submittals of quilts. The last minute appeal and dedication by Marsha Walper and Jeanne Brenner resulted in 137 submittals! Unfortunately, I had to whittle down the entries to 110 – due to the number of larger quilts. However, to allow more individuals the opportunity to have a least one item in the show and meet the museum staff space needs; many quilters with multiple entries were asked to withdraw some of their quilts from this year’s show. You don’t know how much I appreciate all your help and understanding. – Dawn Griffin.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Challenge Quilt Contest:	Thurs 8/14/14 (Guild meeting)
Quilt Drop-off (Museum):	Sat 8/23/14 10:00 am til noon
Opening Night Reception (Museum):	Thurs 9/11/14 5:30-7:30 pm (Guild meeting)
Museum Show:	Friday 9/12/14—Sunday 10/19/14
Silent Auction ends & Opportunity Quilt Drawing	Sun 10/19/14
Quilt Pick Up (Museum):	Sat 10/25/14 10:00 am til noon

## *SILENT AUCTION*

The Museum Quilt Show is getting close and I have not received many Silent Auction items or notice that people are planning on donating items. If you are planning on donating an item, please call me at 893-5672 or email me at [penlental@Comcast.net](mailto:penlental@Comcast.net) so that I can begin to catalog them for the museum. I can take the items at the July or August meeting or at Turn-In-day at the museum, Saturday August 23rd. If you plan on waiting till August 23rd, please let me know what the item is and the dimensions ASAP. Any handmade article is OK, it does not have to be a quilted item. Remember, proceeds from the sale of these items is used for education, so, you do receive something in return. Let's make this the best sale ever!! Penny Blaszczyk, Silent Auction Chair

## *CHALLENGE QUILT FOR 2014*

I hope everyone is finishing up their Challenge Quilts. They will be voted on at the August meeting. If you are one of entrants – please come to the **August** Guild Meeting between 6:00 pm and 6:15 pm with your entry in a pillowcase.

Have a **quilt label** clearly indicating the quilter, quilt name and date completed **attached to the back of the quilt**.

**We want you to remain completely anonymous.** Write up (typed and double spaced please) a brief description of your inspiration on a card or paper with the quilt title and information you want voters to know.

If you are unable to attend the August meeting, please bring your item to the July QU meeting or make other arrangements to get it to me before the August meeting

**Questions?** Contact Deon Lewis (850) 294-3055 or email: [cdlewis@velocityonline.net](mailto:cdlewis@velocityonline.net).

## *Upcoming Programs*

July program - Quilts of Valor and other charitable quilting projects. Bring your show and tells!

August program - Challenge quilt voting!

### *\*\*\*Mark your Calendars\*\*\**

Saturday September 27 ~ JAX QuiltFest Bus Trip

"It's Not All Black and White"

Cost per person is \$30.00

(Bus Transportation \$20 + \$10 Show admission)

Sit Back & Enjoy the Ride!

To reserve your spot - Purchase tickets from Joy Vo at the meeting.

Or send a check to her by mail (See the QU directory).



## *JULY BLOCK OF THE MONTH SHADES OF SUMMER*

Era Singer took home the "Florida Crossties" blocks designed by Janet Pearce. Stephanie Guttman showed her "Shades of Summer" quilt and explained how to make the sunglasses (or bikini) block. Embellish your block as you like. Directions and photos can be found at [www.quiltallahassee.com](http://www.quiltallahassee.com) under the Activities and Projects tab. Bring your completed block to the July meeting and enter to win! Feel free to call us if you need help. (see directory for contact info)

Wendy Stone & Martha Tilden

## *The Lemoyne Quilt Show*

### **Opens on August 1.**

Come join the fun in downtown Tallahassee where almost 50 beautiful quilts from our members will be on display.

**The opening night reception is on Friday, August 1 from 6PM to 9PM.**

Please bring a goodie to share and invite a friend for an evening of visual pleasure.

Five different, talented members of our guild will share some of their insights into quilt making and the techniques they use.

**Lectures are in the gallery Saturday afternoons from 1- 3 PM.**

August 2: Perspectives in Quilts with Marsha Walper

August 9: An Adventure in Quilting with Pam Doffek

August 16: The Birth of an Art Quilt with Maureen O'Doogan

August 23: Painting on Fabric with Lucy Patrick

August 30: From Collage to Quilt with Charlotte Williams

**A quilt frame will be set up with a Sew For Hope project in one of the front rooms.** Please feel free to stop by and help put some stitches in the quilt for this worthy cause. Quilting thread and a few thimbles will be available at the reception desk. If you haven't quilted on a big frame before, this is a great chance for a trial run.

**A workshop on making incredible, quilted necklaces or bracelets** is being planned. An e-mail blast will keep you in the loop once details are worked out.

**Quilt Show ends Saturday, August 30**

Lemoyne is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 5 PM.

**Closed Sundays and Mondays.**

**Lemoyne Center for the visual arts is located at 125 N. Gadsden Street.**

Congratulations to all members with quilts in the show!

And a big THANK YOU to all who helped with the opportunity quilt.

It is amazing what we can accomplish, when we work together.

Quick reminder list:

Quilt turn is at Lemoyne on Saturday July 26 from 10 am - noon.

Please have sleeve sewn onto your quilt with your wooden slat and the \$5 hanging fee when you drop off your entry.

Quilt pick up is Monday, September 1 from 10 am - noon.

# 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 .**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<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>
1-3 pm Virginia Lewis	2nd Tuesday 1-4:30 pm Cynthia Seyler	Monticello Library 1-4 pm Barbara Sheats	3rd Thursday 11:30 am-1:30 pm Kathleen Turner	2nd Friday 9:30 -1:30am Wendy Stone	1st Saturday 9:30am-1pm Cynthia Seyler
<b>The Quilting Bees</b>	<b>McQuilters</b>	<b>Pin Pals *</b>	<b>Patchwork &amp; Prayer</b>	<b>Quilts 'n Books</b>	<b>2nd Saturday</b>
Senior Center 1-4 pm	Ronald McDonald 1-3 pm Carol Harrison	1st & 3rd Wed. 1-3 pm Linda Steans	1st, 3rd, & 4th Thurs. 6:30-8:30 pm Janice Parker	Panera, T'ville rd. 4th Friday 10 am	9 am-4 pm Connie Beane
<b>Southwood Stitchers</b>			<b>Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety *</b>		<b>Havana Sit'n Stitch</b>
Southwood Comm. Room 10:00-3:00 pm Nancy O'Rouke			1st, 3rd, & 4th Thurs. 7-9 pm Esther Weiner		4th Sat. 1 pm Martha Mitchell

\* Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity

## *Small/Medium/Long-arm Machine Quilter's group*

Contact: Karen Skinner (see directory for contact details)

The group is open to both (1) machine and/or frame owners; and (2) those who are interested in acquiring the machines/frames. New members are welcome!

**Next Meeting:** This group is on hiatus until Fall. Please refer to the Bulletin on the Guild's website, or the Newsletter for updates. In the meantime, feel free to contact us if you have questions or wish to be put on the group's e-mail distribution list.

## WORKSHOPS

Lynne Hagmeier will be here in November!

One of the great benefits of membership in QU is access to great quilters, fabric designers and teachers. Lynne is all three and she'll be here with us for the November meeting and for workshops the next two days. Lynne is Kansas Troubles Quilts. She has designed many fabric collections as well as lots quilt patterns, along with a technique called layered piecing which she will be teaching us in these workshops.

Thursday, November 13, 2014 at the Guild meeting, Lynne will share 50 or so quilts and stories from Kansas Trouble first fabric line to her most current. I'll have workshop samples a bit later in the summer. Both of the workshops are from her new projects/book entitled "Layers of Love".

Friday, November 14, 2014 – A half hexagon project called "Kiera's Kickin' It"

Saturday, November 15, 2014 – A collection of star blocks called "30-Something"

Workshops are \$60 each, payable with PayPal on the QU website or by cash or check at the Guild meetings.

I have supply lists available for the workshops. Lynne also has fabric kits available for both days. If you want a fabric kit, let me know by the October meeting. You will pay Lynne for the fabric kits at each workshop.

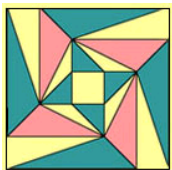
Workshops are held at Timberlane Church of Christ (where we have our Guild meetings) from 9 AM to 3 PM. Since the class begins at 9, please arrive with your sewing gear around 8:30 so you can be set up and ready to begin at 9 AM. It is suggested you brown bag lunch as lunch time can be brief. If you would like to bring a treat or good thing to eat and share with the group, these are always enjoyed, and appreciated. The Guild provides coffee in the morning. Water and ice are available at the Church.

Barbara Wiggins

## *Possible New Brother/Babylock Sit-n-Stitch??*

For those owning Brother and Babylock sewing-embroidery machines of any of the model-levels, if anyone is interested in forming a group to focus on what these machines can do, please contact Karen Skinner (see directory for contact info). I am thinking we would discuss primarily the embroidery aspects of the machines, including how to program them, embroidery software and possibly how to use the various types, and whatever comes to mind. We might have sew-ins, and go on visits to Brother dealers, and perhaps arrange for special classes from the local Babylock dealer.

Think about when would be a good day of the month, and time to meet, and whether you might be able to host the group on occasion so we can do hands-on show&tell.



## **Quilter's Unlimited**

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# **Submit Info for Newsletter!**

**The deadline for newsletter  
submissions is**

**25th of the Month**

**Please submit materials via  
email at  
qutlhnews@gmail.com**