



Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee

Around The Block

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August 2017

Next Meeting: August 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.

2017 Officers:

President: Peggy Allen
President-Elect: Kerry Cohen
Membership: Laura Keller
Secretary: Kerri Cohen
Treasurer: Heather Strickland

2017 Chairpersons

Awards: Marsha Walper
Audiovisual: Betty Rinkel
Block Of Month: Wendy Stone
Challenge: Linda Stright
Door Prizes: Roberta Granville
Helping Hands: Stephanie Guttman
Internet: Web Coord: Sue Isaac;
Email: Karen Skinner;
Facebook: JessicaDuke
Library: Jeanne Brenner
Capital City Quilt Show: Betty Rinkel, Barbara Wiggins
Newsletter: Karen Skinner
Opportunity 2017: Karen Kunz
Opportunity 2018: Marsha Walper
Philanthropic: Judy Rainbrook, Stephanie Rubanowice
Programs: Barbara Wiggins
Publicity: Kerry Cohen
Quilters Treasure: Linda Brooks
Show & Tell: Roberta Granville
Silent Auction: Cheryl Willis
Sit&Stitch: Marsha Walper
Special Events: As needed
Sunshine: Sue Skornia
Trip Coord: Peggy Clark
Welcoming: Sue Skornia
Workshops: Jeanne Brenner

President's Message

The Capital City Quilt Show is opening this Thursday, August 3rd. The amount of preparation and coordination to get to opening night is a huge undertaking of time and skills. I want to thank Betty Rinkel and Barbara Wiggins for the work they did as Chair and Co-Chair to bring this year's show together. Cheryl Willis and committee did a great job in securing items for the Silent Auction. The Silent Auction items are very popular with visitors and raise a good sum of money for the Guild.

On Sunday, July 23, the Guild had a New Member Social. We had 12 new members attend along with 12 Steering Committee members. We met for two hours and conversations continued throughout. We heard many funny stories told during the introductions. New members expressed a desire to get involved the Guild's activities.

Personally, I want to thank Linda Brooks and Pam Doffek for making the charming name tags for the new members. I really couldn't have done name tags without them so generously willing to help a friend.

I'm sure as I recognize individuals, I will miss people. I will try to get around before and after the meetings to thank you individually for your dedicated work.

Your President.....Peggy Allen

Steering Committee Meetings for 2017

September 12, 2017

November 21, 2017

Notice of Proposed Change to the Guild By-Laws

Article IV – Officers

Section 2. The officers shall be elected to serve for one year. No officer may hold the same office for more than three consecutive years.

Rationale: The addition of the words “more than” reflects the original intent of the drafters of this section of the By-Laws, and conforms them to existing understanding of the Steering Committee.

This change must be voted on by the members, and may be passed if two-thirds of the members present at the meeting approve the change. **Voting will take place at the August meeting.**

Replacement President-Elect

Kerry Cohen has volunteered to fill the position vacated by Denise Vinson. Kerry has served as an Officer and Chairperson in our Guild for several years, and previously was President of another Guild. Thank you so much, Kerry, for bringing your expertise to Quilters Unlimited.

Upcoming Programs -- by Barbara Wiggins

August's theme is Patriotic and Historic Quilts. We will be presenting at least one Quilt of Valor quilt, possibly more. For show and tell, let's feature your patriotic or historically themed quilts. Time permitting; I will talk a little bit about threads, what makes them different, why we use different threads, etc.

September we will be hosting a guest from Gainesville and hear about Seminole patchwork.

In October, Marsha Walper will tell us about perspective and dimension.

November brings us a real treat with a trunk show and talk by Mary Catherine Scott.

December is the time when we celebrate us. Details to follow.

Nominating Committee

The Committee is still seeking members interested in filling some 2018 Committee Chair positions. If you find yourself drawn to one of these positions, please contact either Shelley Bertels, Sue Skornia, Wendy Stone or Karen Skinner. The list of open positions starts on page 10. Do let us know if you would like to volunteer for one of the Chairpersons.

The Committee will introduce the proposed slate of Officers at the September meeting, and nominations from the floor may be made at this time. Final voting for the Officers (only) will occur at the October meeting. No voting on general Committee members is required.

Door Prizes – by Roberta Granville

Congratulations to July's Door Prize winners: Wanda Crown, Lynn Geariety, Dawn Griffin, Barbara Hoagland, Laura Keller, Jennifer Moore, Era singer, Sue Skornia, and Shelly Woodyard. Grand Prize winner was Hazel Walker.

Quilter's Treasure - by Linda Brooks

Continue to support the Guild by purchasing tickets for the new Quilter's Treasure. The next drawing will be during the September meeting. I will be collecting any contributions for future treasure baskets at the Guild Meeting. Thank you for your support and excitement.

The Quilter's Treasure will be on display during the social time (6:30-7:00) during each guild meeting. Come visit to see all the great treasures that could be yours. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for ten. What a bargain for such a wonderful basket of treasures. There will be a new basket of treasures each quarter. For the rest of this year drawings will be held during the guild meetings in the months of September and December. You do not need to be present to win, you just need to buy your tickets.

Tip: Use address labels to get your name on your tickets quickly. Please come by to see me and buy your tickets.

Capital City Quilt Show

Museum of Florida History, 500 S Bronough St, Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dates for the 35th Annual Capital City Quilt Show

- Closing date September 24
- Quilt pick up at museum September 30 (10:00 to noon)

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Be sure to bring your calendars to our next meeting. There are dates and times needing to be filled in with workers at the Show. Everyone is encouraged to sign up for at least one time frame of two and a half hours. Is there a friend who wants to work with you? Double up with your friend, or maybe someone in the guild you might like to know better. There are lots of Saturday and Sunday times, and if you are not traveling Labor Day weekend, that weekend is wide open. So, be ready to sign up for at least one time frame.

Sentimental Journey Quilt Challenge 2017 -- by Linda Stright

A big thank you to *all* the quilters who participated in the Sentimental Journey Challenge! The theme, Sentimental Journey struck a chord with many of our quilters and got them thinking. It was so wonderful to read their stories and study their quilts. Some memories were of family history, visiting their grandparents when they were a child, memories of their childhood, tributes

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to parents and children, special places they have visited. We had first time entrants in the challenge and winners too. We had mother and daughter entrants too! There were 16 quilts entered in the Challenge this year and everyone did a fantastic job!

Viewer's Choice: When We Were Kids, by Hattie Pennie

Sentimental Favorite: What Was She Thinking?, by Shelley Woodyard*

Theme:

1st place Traditional: My Grandmother's Garden, by Karen Kunz*

2nd place Traditional: Reminisce, by Darlene Pricher*

1st place Art: Night-Blooming Cereus Connection, by Marsha Walper

2nd place Art: Forever Young, by Terri Smith

Embellishments:

1st place: Bell Bottoms Blues, by Leslie Cohen

2nd place: Precious Memories, by Martha Tilden

Color & Design:

1st place: An Engaging Bridge, by Barbara Ward

2nd place: Tropical Travels, by Barbara Hoagland

*- first time Challenge entrants

Again, a great big thank you to all who participated and also a thank you to all those who purchased the rules. The more rules purchased, the bigger the monetary prizes.

Many thanks to my co-chair Hazel Walker for all her help and for making the beautiful prize ribbons. Thank you to Stephanie Guttman and Laura Keller for helping to count the votes. Be sure to visit the Museum of Florida History to see the QU quilt show and check out the Sentimental Journey Challenge quilts. The show runs from August 3rd to September 24th.

Museum of Florida History's 2nd Saturday Family Program

August 12, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

"Make a New Stitch"

Everyone is invited to join in!

Join the Museum of Florida History's Education team as they create a new quilt for Grandma's Attic. The activity will be located in the museum lobby. Children and families can create their own quilt block with markers and fabric blocks. Afterwards, they can assist with stitching the quilt blocks together. Everyone can experience how to create a simple quilt by hand through this activity.

Daily 'Quilt Quest' – Quilting Scavenger Hunt

'Quilt Quest' will be a daily activity at the quilt show. Museum guests can tour the show as they try to find the answers and clues to questions about techniques and patterns related to the theme *Sentimental Journey*. Can you find all the answers?

Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – Quilt Show Spotlight Tours Spotlight Tours

Twice a day on Wednesdays, the Museum of Florida History will provide free Spotlight Tours of this year's Quilt Show and the history of quilting in Florida.

2017 *Block of the Month* -- by Wendy Stone and Dawn Griffin

The patriotic spirit seems to come alive in quilters every July. We collected 30 vibrant red, white and blue Sawtooth Star blocks. You will see the quilt top at the August meeting.

August – Polka Dot Bricks & Cobblestones

Will we have enough bricks & cobblestones to build a twin size quilt top? You still have time to make these quick and easy blocks and bring to the August meeting. Remember, polka dots only. Cut your 2 ½ inch strips to make this easy 6 ½ inch x 12 ½ inch brick block. This one is so quick that we ask you to make two of the 6 ½ inch x 6 ½ inch cobblestone blocks as well. Surely you have other polka dot scraps that could be used.



September – Garnet & Gold - FSU

September is just around the corner and FSU fans will be sporting their garnet and gold. Show your spirit with any 6 ½ inch or 12 ½ inch block using any combination of garnet, gold, black, white or an FSU novelty print. The technique is up to you. Perhaps an applique block featuring a football or spear? Maybe you can piece your favorite block. Visit our table for ideas!



Check the website for patterns/color instructions. If you do have internet access and need paper printed instructions, please contact Dawn or Wendy.

<http://quilttallahassee.com/activities-and-projects/2014-block-of-the-month/>

Bus Trip to Jacksonville Quilt Fest -- By Peggy Clark

Saturday, September 23rd

We will be going to Jacksonville to see the beautiful and one of a kind quilts. There is a great number of items to bid on at the silent auction and tickets to buy a chance on for a number of quilts and other treasures. You can eat your lunch in the show if you so desire. I can tell you from experience the coffee and desserts were excellent. You will not want to miss out. We need a certain number of people to ride the bus to warrant us to leave the driving to someone else. Bring a daughter, granddaughter, or best friend that is interested in quilting and \$35 each to ride along. Treats and water will be provided on the journey along with "bus-door prizes". **I really need the \$\$ before September 1st to be sure we have enough seats purchased.**



Nominate a Guild Member for Volunteer of the Year Award!

It is time to recognize that outstanding quilter, who can always be counted on to help with the routine jobs in the guild as well as filling in when unexpected needs arise.

The Volunteer of the Year Award gives us a chance to say "Thank You" to a member for generously contributing time and expertise to Quilters Unlimited.

The brief nomination form needs a nominator and a co-nominator, so find a friend and complete one soon!

For a description of the award and a link to the nomination form, go to the guild web site and click on "Activities and Projects" at top of page, then click on "Awards" in drop-down menu.

<http://quilttallahassee.com/activities-and-projects/awards/>

The nomination form can be completed online or printed out and mailed to the committee chairperson. Nominators using online forms will receive an automatic confirmation in their email. Forms mailed in will receive a phone call or an email confirmation.

Nomination Forms Due by October 1

Contact Marsha Walper with questions about submitting nominations.

Classes by Guild Teachers – **Please contact Jeanne Brenner to register.**

Saturday, October 14th

Welsh/Celtic hand quilting

Chaires Community Center 10 am to 3 PM

Linda O'Sullivan will help you learn the basics of Welsh/Celtic hand quilting...how to stitch, mark fabric, and use templates while using a quilt hoop.

Class Fee: \$30

Workshops -- Please contact Jeanne Brenner to register.

Kay Smith - Seminole Style Patchwork

Friday, September 15th and Saturday, September 16th; six-hour workshops, 10 am to 4 PM
Woodville Community Center

Cost: \$35

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to learn new techniques, hone your strip-piecing skills and be with fellow guild members at one of the Seminole Style Patchwork classes offered on September 15 and 16 by Kay Smith from Ocala, Florida.

Here is how Kay explains her quilting adventure:

"I grew up in Miami in the northern part of Miami-Dade County. We visited the Seminole Indian village in Dania, FL and I was fascinated with the ladies that were making the patchwork. I would see the Seminole ladies at the grocery store dressed in their beautiful skirts.

I learned to sew at an early age and by Jr. High I made almost all of my clothes. I found a Seminole Patchwork book in the early 80's and tried it, but I was not too successful at that point. When I started quilting in 2002, I wanted to make wearable art but most patchwork was too large for my petite frame. That's when I got my Seminole Patchwork book out and tried it. A rotary ruler and cutter made a huge difference.

I have a number of tips and tricks to improve the accuracy of intricate piecing. These tips and tricks can be used for all types of piecing. I use Seminole Style Patchwork for wearable art, as trims on towels, tote bags, and clothing, and borders on quilts.

I call it Seminole Style Patchwork because the Seminoles only consider it Seminole Patchwork if it is made by a Seminole.

I have been teaching Seminole Style Piecing for over 8 years. It is techniques class. In a 6 hour class we can make 4 to 5 designs. The look of the designs will vary depending on the choice of fabric. The strips of patchwork completed in class will be about 12 inches. The quilter can add to the length at home. I provide a detailed handout."

Come learn about her experiences and see examples of her exquisite work at the guild meeting on Thursday, September 14.

To maximize the opportunity for member participation, the same workshop is being taught on both Friday and Saturday. Four or five 5 different beginning patterns will be taught.

Class fee is \$35.



2017 Opportunity Quilt - by
Karen Kunz

The 2017 Opportunity Quilt is an oversized queen quilt, measuring 84" x 104". You have the opportunity to place this lovely quilt on your bed by getting a ticket at the suggested donation amount of \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.



Back to School Supplies Needed

Grace Mission is a local organization which serves and poor and underemployed with its facility located adjacent to the Frenchtown community. Several QU members are volunteers.

School Supplies are needed to prepare the kids for school. Donations of the listed items are appreciated.

Primary composition books (with space at top for pictures); enclosed pencil sharpeners; handheld erasers; markers; dry erase markers; colored pencils; headphones/ear plugs for computer lab; notebook dividers; small and large Post-it-Notes; pencil boxes and pouches; boys and girls backpacks

If you would like to make a donation, please bring items to the August QU meeting or email griffindd@aol.com for pickup. Perhaps you may come across some of these items while clearing out closets to escape this summer heat!

Thank you! Dawn Griffin, Grace Mission volunteer.

Tidbits from Other Guilds

Flying Needles Quilt Guild

What: Surfing The Beach Quilt Show

Where: The Palms at Destin Resort and Conference Center, Destin Florida

When: February 23 & 24, 2018

Entries accepted: Sept 2 – Jan 11

Applications and information: <http://www.flyingneedlesquiltguild.org/fnqg-2018-retreat-.html>

Our web site has the full information about the quilt show. But if you have additional questions, you may contact Deanne at (716) 269-9705.

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Ocala Quilt Guild

- Featherweight Maintenance Class; Hands-on Class, bring machine
- Open to those outside of the Ocala Guild
- Friday Oct. 27th
- Taught by "The Old Sewing Machine Man"
- Ocala Police Dept. Community Service Room
- 402 S. Pine Ave (State Rd. 441) Ocala, FL 34471
- COST \$45. Per person
- TIMES 10:00am to 12:00pm; break for lunch; 1:00 pm -3:00pm Estimated
- Contact for more information> "johnny" johnston2654@embarqmail.com; 352-867-8035

Guild Officer and Chairperson positions --

The following are **the remaining** positions for 2018 that the Guild needs filling (see initial article on page 2). The descriptions are from the Bylaws, and the Policies & Procedures. Also, detailed information about many of the positions is spelled out in "Notebooks (basically a set of Operating Guidelines), which are available on the Guild website at the following URL (some of the Notebooks are still being updated or created). >

<http://quilttallahassee.com/membership/officers-chairpersons-notebooks/>

"OFFICERS" -- we now have volunteers for all Officer positions

"STANDING COMMITTEES" (only function if the President-Elect determines that, in the President-Elect's year as President, it would be appropriate for a particular committee to function).

- The **Audio-Visual Committee** shall be responsible for preparing media equipment necessary at each guild meeting.
- The **Newsletter Committee** shall oversee the publication of the monthly newsletter, comprised of articles, calendar dates, notices, etc., as submitted by the membership. The chairperson/editor shall work with the Web Coordinator to publish the newsletter on the website, and with the Membership Chairperson for any Newsletter mailings.
- The **Publicity Committee** shall promote and advertise guild activities and events, using any suitable media (print, electronic, social). It will coordinate with other affiliated organizations, the Newsletter Committee and the Website committee.
- The **Quilter's Treasure Committee** raises funds for the guild general fund with four Quilter's Treasures for the year; selling tickets and using a percentage of funds to seed subsequent year "treasures" purchases. The Show and Tell Committee shall assist in displaying quilts during monthly meetings Show and Tell segments, programs, and trunk shows at guild meetings.
- The **Special Events Committee** shall make all arrangements for the events such as the COCA City Hall Show, Boutiques, Sewing Parties, end of year party, etc.
- The **Travel Committee** shall plan and execute trips for guild members.

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, contact Marsha Walper.**

Monday	Big Bend Hospice	1-3 pm	Virginia Lewis
	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Gail Whitis
Tuesday	McQuilters @ Ronald McDonald House	1-3 pm	Carol Harrison
Wednesday	Crazy Quilters @ Monticello Library	1-4 pm	Georgianna Joseph
	Piecers of the Past	2nd & 4th Weds 1-3 pm	Mary Catherine Scott
Thursday	Sew Arty	3 rd Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Linda Stright
	Patchwork & Prayer	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th Th 6:30-8:30 pm	Lascella Ingram
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3 rd Thur 6:00-7:45 pm	Mary Catherine Scott
	Bits and Pieces @ Temple Israel	2 nd Thursday 1:00 – 4:30 pm	Jeanne Brenner
Friday	Quilts 'n Books	4 th Fri. 10 am-12 pm	Joy Vo Kris Klob
Saturday	Sew for HOPE	1 st & 3 rd Saturday 10 am - 4 pm Lunch break 11:30-12:30	Cynthia Seyler Judy Rainbrook
	Second Saturday	2 nd Sat 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane
	Havana Sit 'n Stitch	4 th Sat.; 1-4 pm	Martha Mitchell
	Midtown Sit 'n Stitch (may meet on Sundays)	Varies	Karen Skinner

The following Sit-n-Stitch groups are listed at full capacity: *Pin Pals, Sew Darn Happy, Thimble Buddies, Frayed Edges*. This is due to physical limitations -- no more room in members' home or no more parking space available.

<i>Guild Calendar</i> (subject to change)		
2017		
August 10th	Guild Meeting; Program: Quilts of Valor	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept. 4th	Newsletter article deadline	
Sept. 12th	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel
Sept. 14th	Guild Meeting - Seminole Style Patchwork	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Sept. 15th & 16th	Workshops by Kay Smith	
Sept 24th	Closing Date: Capital City Quilt Show	Museum of Florida History
Sept. 30th	Pick-up, Quilts from Capital City Quilt Show	Museum of Florida History
Oct. 12th	Guild Meeting; Program: Perspective and Dimension	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Oct. 14th	Class: Welsh hand quilting, by Linda O'Sullivan	Chaires Community Center
Nov. 9th	Guild Meeting; Program: Trunk Show by Mary Catherine Scott	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
Nov. 21st	Steering Committee Meeting	
Dec. 7th	Guild Meeting; Program: End of year - A celebration of Us!	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
2018		
Jan. 11th	Guild Meeting;	
Feb. 8th	Guild Meeting;	
March 8th	Guild Meeting;	
April 12th	Guild Meeting;	
May 10th	Guild Meeting with Lecture by Suzanne Marshall	
May 11th & 12th	Workshops by Suzanne Marshall	Chaires Community Center



Newsletter Info

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

September 4th, 2017

Please submit materials to Karen Skinner via email at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com

Here are some Guidelines for articles:

- We prefer not to publish personal email addresses or phone number. We refer members to the Directory, instead.
- When submitting the information via e-mail, please place in the subject line "Month Newsletter" – "Subject of Article" (what the month your article refers to, and what is the subject of the article).
- Submit photos as an attachment, not embedded in the text (although you should have a note within the article where the photo should go -- I'll edit out the note and insert the photo). Regarding image files, please make these jpgs, and if possible, limit the file size to 500 kb or so.
- Articles must be submitted as a word-processing type document (e.g., Microsoft Word, or a TXT file, not PDF or Excel) or as text in an email.
- There is only one version of the Newsletter prepared, not one for Web-blasts and one for the Website.
- If you want the article/information in the website, it must be sent separately to Sue Isaac the Website Coordinator, at >> webcoord@quilttallahassee.com
- Regarding Classified Ads, see the additional information in that section. Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission. If you need to list it again, send another email to the Newsletter Editor.

Newsletter Mail-outs

To receive a mailed newsletter, you must provide the Newsletter Editor with a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) for every Newsletter you wish mailed to you.

The Newsletter editor requests that you provide enough envelopes to match the remainder of the Guild year (which ends in December). In January, assuming you are still a member, you would provide a new cycle of SASEs

. Please do not expect the Newsletter Editor to remind you when you are running out of submitted envelopes.

Are You Missing E-mail Blasts from the Guild?

We've learned that when some of the members have not received their "Blasts", their e-mail host frequently thinks the article is SPAM. Here are two possible fixes for the members:

1. Check your SPAM filter and mark the email as "not SPAM";
2. (BEST) Enter the name of the sender into your contacts list -- for the blasts, the

sender is webmaster@quilttallahassee.com.

If you still are not getting notifications, e-mail the Email Coordinator, in care of the Newsletter Editor, at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. The Email Coordinator helps the Webmaster keep an eye on the Mailchimp-based Blast system. Sometimes, we may have typed something in incorrectly into the system.

And always remember to let us know if your email address has changed.



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Classified Ads

*Items for Sale or Free, by Guild Members.
See Directory for Specific Contact Information*

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Classified Ads -- Instructions

Only **Guild Members** can list items for sale or free-to-a-good-home.

Email your ad/notices to the Newsletter Editor (Karen Skinner) at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. Briefly describe the item and asking price. If desired, attach one small picture in JPEG format -- it may or may not be included in the listing, depending on whether there are technical difficulties with "capturing and inserting". If possible, limit the file size of the jpegs to 500 kb or so. Include your name (and city if the item is bulky/large, and there may be special considerations for pick-up), but not an address.

Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission. If you need to list it again, send another email to the Newsletter Editor.

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ALL NEGOTIATIONS AND PROBLEMS WITH A SALE ARE BETWEEN THE BUYER AND SELLER.

For Sale: Janome Gem Sewing Machine. Barely used, still in box. Very lightweight. Perfect for beginner or seasoned sewer, great to take to workshops. Check on Amazon for retail value. This one \$125.00
Mona Snowden
850-386-8161

Request for help: Looking to have a quilt repaired and quilting done
Steve Stenberg
pianosteves@gmail.com

