

# AROUND THE BLOCK

QUILTERS UNLIMITED OF TALLAHASSEE

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**Next Meeting:** November 8th 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.

## *President's Message*

Hopefully everyone weathered the hurricane and has been able to get back in the "normal" groove of life and quilting. We canceled our October meeting due to the storm and that seems to be a historic happening. Whether it was a first, I am not sure, but still a very rare occurrence. It will be a wonderful time at the November meeting getting reconnected with all our quilting friends we haven't seen in a couple months.

Boy, does time fly! I can't believe it has been a month since I wrote the last message...I haven't done much quilting since then, unfortunately. The storm, work, and travel have all nibbled away at my quilting time. I haven't even had time to carry my hand work projects around with me, let alone work on anything. Hopefully, you have had more time to relax and stitch a bit. Maybe I should fix a relaxing cup of coffee or tea with pumpkin bread?

And, speaking of pumpkin bread, it is hard to believe the "holiday" season is upon us. With Thanksgiving just a few weeks away, I want to take a moment and say how thankful I am to be a member of such a wonderful quilt guild. The members of Quilters Unlimited are truly the best and I hope everyone is as excited to come to every meeting, class, workshop, sit-n-stitch or guild event as I feel. I mark my calendar and try to plan all other activities around that date so I never miss my "QU fix." And in case you need another fix in November, don't forget our Sewing Party on November 17th!

Happy Quilting,  
Kerry

### **2018 Officers**

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**Challenge:** Hattie Pennie

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**Museum Show 2018:** Barbara Wiggins

**Museum Show 2019:** Karen Kunz

**Newsletter:** Tara Goodman

**Opportunity 2018:** Marsha Walper

**Opportunity 2019:** Marianne Clower

**Philanthropic:** Dawn Griffin

**Programs:** Wendy Stone & Dawn  
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**Sit & Stitch:** Marsha Walper

**Sunshine:** Shelley Woodyard

**Trip Coordinator:** Christine Walsh

**Welcoming:** Elizabeth Hawker

**Workshops:** Ruth Cuzzort

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## November Program: "Don't Dread the Dresden"



Since the guild was unable to meet in October (gee thanks, Michael), we will present the October program, "Don't Dread the Dresden", at the November meeting. The previously planned November program, "Strut Your Stuff" has been dropped.

If you had a special item that you were planning to show at the "Strut Your Stuff" program that was originally planned for the November, feel free to go ahead and bring it and share during the show and tell portion of our meeting.

Now, back to our program...

The Dresden Plate quilt block has been around for many years and although considered a very classic and traditional block, it has made a comeback in recent years with bold colors and imaginative settings. While not considered an easy beginner block, some quilters have conquered it and others have cast it aside as too difficult. Wendy Stone will demonstrate an easy way to make the Dresden plate and share a variety of projects, both traditional and modern, that utilize this block and method. We all want to see your creations so please bring your Dresden Plate quilts to share at the end of the program.

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### Quilt Show Winners

Congratulations for a great quilt show!! A big thank you to Leslie Cohen for making the ribbons for this year's quilt show. The following Quilter's won ribbons at the show:

#### **Best of Show:**

**Linda O'Sullivan "Nile Delta Blues"**



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## Quilt Show Winners Continued

- Art Quilts:            1<sup>st</sup> Place: Janet Hughes "The Great Hemlock Epiphany"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Marsha Walper "From A Distance"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Ellen Fournier "Little Stabs"
- Bed Quilts:            1<sup>st</sup> Place: Linda O'Sullivan "Nile Delta Blues"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Betty Ford-Smith "Betty & Butler Cuckleburr Quilt"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Linda Stright "Looking Out The Window"
- Challenge Quilts:    1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cynthia Seyler "Greetings"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ruth Cuzzort "Spring Surprise"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Marsha Walper "Inspiration Out Of The Blue"
- Child Quilts:        1<sup>st</sup> Place: Linda Dozier "A Pod Of Whales For Clay"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Linda Dozier "Butterflies For Blair"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Jada Bedford "For Baby With Love"
- Lap Quilts:            1<sup>st</sup> Place: Christy Gregg "Penguins In Paradise"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Karen Kunz "Little House on The Prairie, Prairie Flowers"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Shirley Holder "Endless Hexagons"
- Wall Quilts:         1<sup>st</sup> Place: Linda O'Sullivan "Celtic Tree Of Life"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Lucy Patrick "Fresh Flowers"  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tara Goodman "Blue Willow Blossoms"
- Miniature Quilt:     1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cheryl Willis: "Who's The Leader Here"  
                             2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Shelley Bertels: "Flower Power"

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*Congratulations to Heather Shields, winner of the 2018  
Opportunity Quilt, "Out of the Blue"!*

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## Membership Renewal Reminder

Boy this year flew by fast!?!

Starting in November, you can re-up your QU membership for the 2019 calendar year. But they MUST be paid no later than the January 2019 Guild Meeting.

Dues for the full year are \$30.00 if you pick up your member card and Directory at a meeting, or \$32.00 if you want the card and Directory mailed to you (remember that the card and Directory won't be printed until sometime in February).

Dues are payable by cash, check, or Paypal. To use Paypal (convenient, and you don't have to have a Paypal account to use it), on the Guild Website, go to

<http://quilttallahassee.com/membership/forms/dues-payments/>

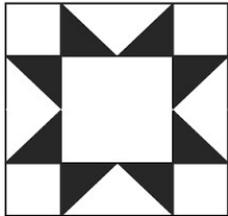
I will not be in town for the November meeting, so Membership VP-elect Betty Rinkel, and former Membership VP Michele Hackmeyer, will be managing the Membership Tables. Please be patient with them, since Betty is new to the job and it has been awhile for Michele. As a matter of fact, you just might want to make it easy on yourself and them by using the Paypal payment mode.

We're so glad you want to be a member!

Karen Skinner

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## “Friends are threads of the quilt of life.”



All of our members can count on their guild friends for help when they need advice on how to make the perfect quilt, but we also want to reach out when they need a little cheer or sympathy. If you become aware that someone needs a little sunshine, please contact me. I'll make sure they receive some sunbeams by way of a card from the guild.

Shelley Woodyard, Sunshine Coordinator

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## Wanted: A Party Hostess for the QU End of Year Bash

QU will celebrate another wonderful year of quilting and camaraderie at our December guild meeting. We are looking for a volunteer or two to be the hostess(es) for the pot luck party. Tasks include reminding everyone to bring food/requirements, organizing the room before the party, simple decorations, etc.

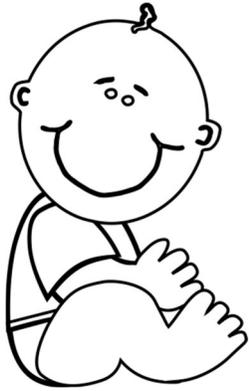
If you are interested, please contact Kerry Cohen.

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## Philanthropic Challenge

### Are you up for our next Philanthropic Challenge? **Fifty (yes 50) TMH Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Quilts!**



The size range is anywhere from 15" x 22" to 17" x 25". Soothing colors are preferred, as stimulation needs to be kept at a minimum. The quilt fits on top of the sheet, with the baby placed on top of the quilt which explains why the size can vary. Quilt tops should be made of all cotton fabrics, including cotton flannels. Batting can be polyester or cotton; backing can also be polyester, like "Minky", or cotton fabrics. please use soft, soothing colors in our fabric choices.

Please machine quilt and bind them, keeping them free of other embellishment. Also, please put your name on a piece of paper and pin it to the quilt. We'd love to recognize each of you!

Under philanthropic projects on our website is a pattern for NICU Isolette covers. These needs have changed, requiring a more difficult pattern for the new isolettes; therefore, we are no longer making these as a group project. Thank you for your help in the past.

Contact: Shelley Woodyard.

### **\*Hang Tough Foundation Needs Christmas/Winter Themed Lap Quilts, Pillow Cases and Books!**

QU has been asked to donate at least 10 lap (60" x 72") size quilts, books, and pillowcase for the TMH Santa Day. Hang Tough Foundation will be visiting the TMH Pediatric floor to deliver these items to the kids (generally range in age from elementary school to high school) who are in the hospital over the holidays. Advised that last year's quilts made from fabric with snowflakes, Rudolph, and Frosty were big hits! Nothing larger than a lap size and general Christmas/Winter theme fabrics (does not need to be gender specific). Books do not need to be Christmas/winter theme.



**Please bring items to the November QU meeting or contact Dawn Griffin to arrange for pickup. Items needed for delivery to children by no later than December 5<sup>th</sup>.**



*Don't forget to save the UPC labels from packages of Hobbs batting. These will help with us obtaining discounted batting for guild philanthropic projects.*

Your Philanthropy Chair – Dawn Griffin

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## Restore and Recharge!



*If you're interested from 6:00 – 6:25 before the November QU meeting, bring a yoga or exercise mat, wear comfortable loose clothing and meet me at the rear of the meeting room for a free gentle yoga session! From there we will attempt to locate a quiet area away from noise. Contact Dawn Griffin*

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## Block of the Month

**CALLING ALL BLOCKS, CALLING ALL BLOCKS!!!** Yes, it's the end of our Block of the Month Year. Because of that horrendous visitor Michael, we were all prevented from showing completed Teddy Bear Blocks AND seeing samples of the block due at our November meeting—Pizza. HOWEVER, we are quilters and we are undeterred.

Bring ALL your blocks to the November meeting....Teddy Bears and Pizza. And bring any other block(s) you've completed (or can complete before the November 8 meeting). This will be your last chance to contribute blocks of the month from all year. All patterns and all instructions are on the QU website under "Activates/Projects":  
<http://quilttallahassee.com/activities-and-projects/block-of-the-month/> .

These blocks will be assembled into mat/nap quilts for Temple Israel's Preschool. They have 40 mats. I have blocks to make 13 quilts. We've averaged a turn in of 10 block/month since January. Fire up those machines for a fantastic year-end flurry of block sewing.

Lyn and I planned to layout some quilts during our November 17 Quilt Sew In at Chaires Community Center (see details elsewhere in the newsletter.) If anyone wants to layout or sew quilt tops as part of that sew-in, let me know. I'll be doing a demo on how to layout/pickup and sew any block quilt with only 2 sessions of machine sewing and 2 trips to the ironing board, this demo will be handy for assembling these nap quilts. Or if you can machine quilt any of the laid out quilts, also let me know. We have a few people who have volunteered, but completing them by December would be great.

Call or email me if you have questions.

Pam Doffek (and Lyn Gearity), outgoing BOM chairs

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## Upcoming Classes/Workshops

Sign up at guild meeting or contact Ruth Cuzzort

### ***It's Your Lucky Day!***

You get a Second Chance at taking Linda O'Sullivan's FOLDED FLOWERS CLASS.

Due to scheduling problems, the Folded Flowers Class is being offered:

December 13th at the Temple from 1-5:00.

oth Bits & Pieces and the Folded Flower Class will meet at the Temple during the afternoon on December 13. If you would like to sign up for the class, please do so at the November guild meeting. If you have paid for the class and are unable to attend at this new time, please let Ruth know.

**January 12:** Make a Tote Bag class. \$30.00

Teacher: Jeanne Brenner

Time: 10-3 p.m.



**February 16:** Felted Wool Elephant \$30 + kit fee

Teacher: Lucy Patrick

Learn about the fun of working with felted wool and learn new embellishment ideas.

Time: 10 – 3 p.m.

**March 15:** Floral Improv

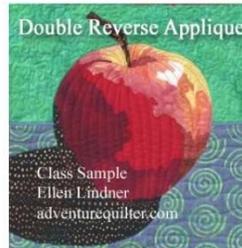
**March 16:** Double Reverse Appliqué

Ellen Lindner is a visiting teacher from Melbourne, Fl. Ellen's work is diverse, ranging from pictorial still life to modern abstract. She is well known for her fabric collage and art quilts. Please check out her work at

<https://Adventurequilter.com>

Location: Woodville Community Center, cost \$65.00 per class

Both classes are 10-4 p.m.



**May 18:** Let's Learn Trapunto. \$30.00

Teacher: Pam Doffek

Back by popular request (or to refresh your skills)!! Learn the many aspects of hand-executed trapunto, Italian cording and shadow work and get history lessons at the same time. It's not just stuffing from the back anymore. This is a hands-on techniques class using hand worked (not machine) construction; although machine execution is covered. Participants will create "reference" samples based on the given pattern. A full size pattern for the instructor's adaptation of techniques will be provided in the supplied kit. Class max 10 student so sign up early. Time: 10-3 p.m.



**July 13:** Serendipity block. \$30.00

Teacher: Pam Doffek

Bring only scraps and learn how to make this wonky Log Cabin Block. Time: 10-3 pm

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## Additional Workshops/Classes

**TBD:** Jeanne Brenner - Glory Stars, flag wall hanging.  
Need 6 paid participants in order for class to make. Contact Ruth if interested.

If you have a class suggestion, please let Ruth know.



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## Guild Quilting/Sewing Party!

Yay! Once again, the Guild is sponsoring an open-sew day.

Bring your projects and sew and socialize together. There will be an area for the guild's philanthropic groups to work on their projects, and an "other members" area. We hope to have a few demonstrations, as well.

When: November 17th, 2018

Where: Chaires Community Center (officially, Dorothy Spence Community Center)  
4768 Chaires Cross Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32317

Time: 10:30 am to 4:00 pm

Bring: -- Your Lunch (there are few places to get lunch anywhere near the Center)

-- Power strips in addition to your standard sewing gear and projects

Volunteers needed to bring:

- Irons and ironing boards
- Heavy duty extension cords
- Snacks and drinks

Volunteers also needed to:

- help set up tables and put them away. Volunteers for set-up need to be there at 10:00 am. Set-up volunteers need not be the same individuals as the "put-away" volunteers/
- give demonstrations

The room only holds about 20 - 25 tables, so **please RSVP by November 10th to Karen Skinner** at [membership@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:membership@quilttallahassee.com)

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## Quilt Show Volunteers

I would like to thank all who volunteered at the show this year. Some of us did one shift, and several did two to four or more shifts at the museum. I really appreciate those who helped when called on unexpectedly. Your working will have an effect on our working budget. Again, Thank You!

Betty Rinkel

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## Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is: **November 30, 2018**

Please submit materials to Tara Goodman via email at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com). To receive a mailed newsletter, contact the editor for details.

## Missing Email Blasts?

Check your email spam filter, check for blocked addresses, and/or add [webmaster@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:webmaster@quilttallahassee.com) to your contact list. Still have problems, email Karen Skinner, Membership Chair, at [membership@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:membership@quilttallahassee.com). If your email address changes, let us know at the next meeting.

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## Don't Forget – Havana Quilt Event

This is a reminder in regards to the quilt event in Havana FL. Havana Main Street is hosting a quilt show in downtown Havana **the weekend of November 10-11**. They will also have in place four to five new quilt murals. It is the first effort putting on such an event. They are trying to gauge regional interest for both the event and for the murals. Next year, they will be joining the Gadsden Arts Center, Quincy and Chattahoochee Main Streets and other participating associations in growing this event and developing a quilt mural trail in our region. In 2019, the Gadsden Arts Center will be staging a major quilt exhibit during September through December.

Their goal is to make this a premier regional quilt show and to kick off a quilt mural trail. Those of you who have never seen quilt murals, you can see others on the internet site <http://floridaquilttrail.com>. Trenton was the beginning of the quilt mural trail in Florida. These trails are quite popular in other parts of the United States, particularly in the Midwest and North Carolina. We hope to have at least five in place for our November show.

They are reaching out to quilters who might want to display or sell your quilts. If you want to participate or have any questions or suggestions, you can contact Wendy Adams with Havana Main Street. If you need contact information for Wendy, please let me know.

Tara Goodman

## 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.**

<b>Sunday</b>	Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch	2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm	Marsha Walper
<b>Monday</b>	Big Bend Hospice	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday, 1-3 pm	Virginia Lewis
	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Gail Whitis
<b>Thursday</b>	Sew Arty	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Linda Stright
	Patchwork & Prayer	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Th 6:30-8:30 pm	Lascella Ingram
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thur 6:00-7:45 pm	Mary Catherine Scott
	Bits and Pieces @ Temple Israel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday 1:00 – 4:30 pm	Jeanne Brenner
<b>Friday</b>	Quilts ‘n Books	4 <sup>th</sup> Fri. 10 am-12 pm	Joy Vo Kris Klob
<b>Saturday</b>	Sew for HOPE	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 10 am - 3 pm Lunch break 11:30-12:30	Cynthia Seyler Judy Rainbrook
	Second Saturday	Saturday after guild meeting, 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane
	Havana Sit 'n Stitch	4 <sup>th</sup> Sat.; 1-4 pm	Martha Mitchell

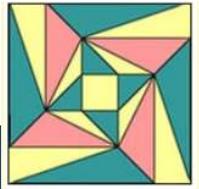
The following Sit-n-Stitch groups are listed at full capacity: *Pin Pals, Sew Darn Happy, Thimble Buddies, Frayed Edges*. This is due to physical limitations -- no more room in members’ home or no more parking space available.

## 2018 Guild Calendar

November 8	Guild Meeting; Program: Don't Dread the Dresden	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 17	Guild Quilting/Sewing Party	Chaires Community Center
November 30	<b><i>December Newsletter Deadline</i></b>	
December 13	<b>Class:</b> Folded Flowers (rescheduled from October)	Social Hall @ Temple Israel, 1:00 to 5:00 pm
December 13	Guild Meeting; Program: "End of Year Fun and What's to Come"	Social Hall @ Temple Israel

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January 10	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
January 12	<b>Class:</b> Jeanne Brenner, Make a Tote Bag	
February 14	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 14	Guild Meeting; Ellen Lindner, Guest Quilter	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
March 15	<b>Class:</b> Ellen Lindner, Floral Improv	Woodville Community Center
March 16	<b>Class:</b> Ellen Lindner, Double Reverse Applique	Woodville Community Center
April 11	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 9	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
May 18	<b>Class:</b> Pam Doffek, Let's Learn Trapunto	
June 13	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 11	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
July 13	<b>Class:</b> Pam Doffek, Serendipity block	
August 8	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 12	Guild Meeting; Program TBD	Social Hall @ Temple Israel



## CLASSIFIED ADS

### QUILTERS UNLIMITED OF TALLAHASSEE

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

#### Items for Sale

##### **Custom-made Ironing Board Expansion Boards - \$50**

Converts a traditional tapered ironing board into a rectangular board that is long enough to press the full width of most fabric. Most expansions for traditional boards are 54 inches long by 20 inches wide, but each board is custom cut to desired size. Expansion board fits on top of your current board. Rails on underside keep board in place. Includes one layer of batting and a cotton canvas drawstring cover which provides an excellent firm pressing surface.

Contact Michele Hackmeyer



##### **Small portable firm pressing board - \$10**

Take a firm pressing surface to workshops and classes. Boards are custom cut to any size and include one layer of batting and permanently attached cotton canvas cover.

Contact Michele Hackmeyer



#### **Classified Ads -- Instructions**

**Only Guild Members can list items for sale, for services, or "free-to-a-good-home".** How to request an ad? Email your ad/notices to the Newsletter Editor (Tara Goodman) at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com). Briefly describe the item and asking price.

Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission.

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