

# AROUND THE BLOCK

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**Next Meeting:** September 12 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*

Among the documents on our website is a list of the benefits of being a Quilters Unlimited member. I reread that list today and discovered that one benefit, the opportunity to build your own network of "quilty friends", may not be obvious. Let's talk for a bit about why I see this as a membership benefit.

We try to make everyone feel at home at our meetings, but you're welcome to take the initiative yourself to meet everyone. Don't hesitate to introduce yourself to the folks sitting around you, or to someone else making the rounds of our display tables before the meeting. This may feel awkward at times, but like any skill it becomes easier with practice.

Why bother? In my experience, we can never have too many friends. You may be surprised by the wide range of interests pursued by our members. You might find a hiking buddy, a watercolor enthusiast, a partner for a Shop Hop or a quilting retreat, and other kindred souls among our members, if you just look.

Do you spot something that piques your interest during "Show and Tell"? Jot down the name of its creator, and send them an email or give them a call to ask whether they will share some of their "tips and hints" about a technique they used. You might get some great pointers for learning a new skill or improving an existing one. And who wouldn't like to get a note or a call saying how impressed someone was with their work? That little contact might be the beginning of a beautiful friendship.

As with almost everything in life, the more of yourself you put into something, the more you get out of it. Speak up, make some new friends, and enrich your life and that of the folks around you!

Carol

### **2019 Officers**

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**Challenge:** Barbara Hoagland

**City Hall Show (COCA):** Kerry Cohen

**Door Prizes:** Roberta Granville

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**Publicity:** Dawn Griffin

**Show & Tell:** Roberta Granville

**Silent Auction:** Sue Skornia

**Sit & Stitch:** Marsha Walper

**Sunshine:** Shelley Woodyard

**Travel:** Christine Walsh

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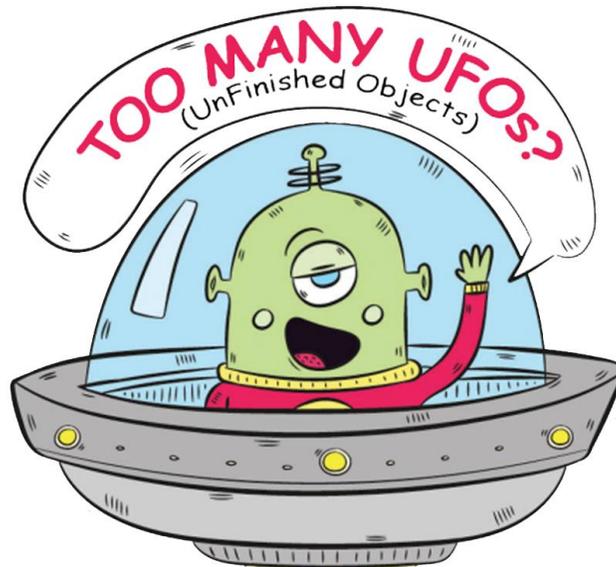
## September Program: UFO Completion Challenge

Many quilters in our guild have “unfinished objects” - UFOs - which are hiding in closets, drawers, and even under beds. They have been left in various stages of completion for several years or even decades.

Come to the September guild meeting and congratulate the brave quilters, who have accepted the challenge and completed one or more “UnFinished Objects”. Each of these quilters will receive a UFO-C3 (Completion Challenge Certificate) at the meeting.

Individual UFO certificates for the oldest, the smallest, the largest, the most intricate, the oldest by an original maker, and the most unique reason for delay will be awarded to those quilters, who have met the challenge.

The good news is, you don't have to go all the way to Area 51 to see UFOs!



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## Last Chance for Jacksonville Quiltfest – September 21, 2019

If you have signed up and not paid, please see Tara Goodman at the September Guild Meeting. The cost is \$35.00 that includes admission to the show. The bus will meet us at the Walmart on Mahan by Costco. Boarding time is 7:00 am with a departure of 7:30 am. We will leave Jacksonville approximately 3:30 pm to arrive back in Tally 6:00. Fun activities in the morning along with door prizes. Popcorn and a movie on the trip home. Hope to see you there.

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## 2019 Challenge Quilt Reveal in September

Hope this is one of your favorite times of the year... when we get to see how quilters have applied their creativity and talent to the challenge quilt rules. It's Challenge Quilt reveal time! The timing is great for the event this year, as the theme for the challenge is Autumn Reverie. Reverie roughly means daydream or lost in thought. I know we are all turning our thoughts toward some autumn relief to the hot summer temperatures.

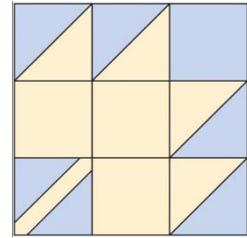
Your fellow quilters have been working hard to translate their dreams of autumn into a quilt to capture your eye. I am told that 18 quilters met the challenge. And now it is time for you to get to work as we turn to you, our members, to vote for the quilts that best met the rules of challenge and the award category. To help you with this endeavor, I have included the rules specific to this year's challenge and provided you with a list of the categories for the ribbon awards.

Barbara Hoagland

Challenge participants were asked to:

1. Include at least one leaf constructed in one, or both, of the following methods:

a. **Pieced Autumn Leaf Block.** This is a nine-patch block made of squares, half square triangles and an appliqued or pieced stem (see Figure 1). We invite you to add your own twist if you desire. This block can be any size. You may distort the pattern, or "hide" it into your quilt with subtle fabric choices or other methods as long as it can be seen with a bit of effort on the part of the viewer, and it must retain the basic nine patch concept.



And/or:

b. **Falling Leaf.** You are encouraged to be creative in the making your falling leaf or leaves. Try new techniques, which may include hand dyeing, embellishments, fabric manipulations, fabric painting, 3-dimensional effects, etc. Think outside the box and surprise us!

2. This challenge is about autumn, so let's emphasize warm colors. The body of your quilt should be made with **at least two-thirds warm colored fabrics.**

3. **Include black and white** as a border, one side of a border, or as an element within your quilt.

### **Judging**

Challenge quilts will be judged by the guild membership present at the September meeting. We are hoping to move the meeting along at a rapid pace, so please come early enough to get your votes in by 7:15 PM, so that the challenge committee will have time to count the votes.

In addition to the Best of Show ribbon, there are first and second place ribbons for the quilts that best meet the following categories:

1. Innovative Design
2. Workmanship
3. Use of Color
4. Depiction of Theme

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## Capital City Quilt Show

The 37th Annual Capital City Quilt Show dates have been set.

September 14 – Quilt drop-off, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, first floor gallery

September 26 – Opening Reception, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

September 27 – 37th Annual Capital City Quilt Show opens to public

November 3 – Quilt Show closes

November 9 – Quilt pick-up, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, first floor gallery

Looking forward to another wonderful display of our guild's quilts.

Karen Kunz

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## Quilt Show Reception Reminder – September 26, 2019

It is that time again to celebrate our craft of quilting and recognize the amazing talents of our Q.U. Guild members. Opening night of the Annual Capital City Quilt Show, at the Museum of Florida History is **September 26th and the reception will begin at 5:30 pm.**

Please bring "finger food" (sweet/savory), as you have in past, to the Museum by 5:15 and place them on the serving tables. **It is important that your appetizer does not require spoons or forks since they won't be available.** Remember to put your name on the bottom of your plate and if you need a serving utensil, please bring it.

If you would be willing to assist in serving the punch, or in setting up or cleaning up, please contact Margaret Boeth, using the information in the member directory.

We appreciate your cooking talents and the array of tantalizing hors d'oeuvres you bring to the table so that we may visit and get to know our many members and admirers of beautiful quilts and works of art. Please join us! Thanks for your participation and if you have any questions, please contact me.

Thanks,

Margaret Boeth

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## Silent Auction Update

Thank you so much for the great response for Silent Auction items!! At the August meeting you brought me EXACTLY the number of items needed for the available bid hooks. I received a good variety of lap quilts, wall hangings, and many interesting items for the glass cases. You are a very creative and generous group, and what you make with fabric amazes me.

Sue Skornia

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## Capital City Quilt Show Table Staffing

Remember to sign up for working the QU table at the quilt show. Go to the guild web site and click on the 'Volunteer for a Shift at the Museum Show' link. Follow the instructions to complete.

If you need to make a change or cannot work the time you have signed up for, please email Michele Hackmeyer.

## Capital City Quilt Show Quilt Drop Off Volunteers Needed

The quilt drop off is scheduled for September 14th from 10 AM until Noon. We will need about 6-8 people to help with this process. If you are interested in helping, please contact Michele Hackmeyer.

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## Upcoming Classes/Workshops

### January 2020

Make a travel set, make-up bag & jewelry roll/brush roll

Teacher: Wendy Stone

Date: January 11, 2020

Location and Time: Woodville Community Center, 10-3:00

Cost: \$30.00



### May 2020

It's not too early to mark your calendars for Susan Cleveland's visit, May 15 & 16, 2020.

Check out her website <http://PiecesBeWithYou.com> and let Ruth know which of her classes interest you.

You can view a free class from Susan on this page: [https://thequiltshow.com/watch/free-shows/?utm\\_source=Infusionsoft&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=2019\\_08\\_19\\_Newsletter\\_09](https://thequiltshow.com/watch/free-shows/?utm_source=Infusionsoft&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2019_08_19_Newsletter_09).

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

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## QU Library open for requests only this month

The Challenge quilts will take the stage at our September guild meeting, so the library table will not be set up. If there is a library book you want to check out, let me know and it will be waiting for you at the end of the meeting. All the others books will be sitting on the shelves at home hoping to come to the October meeting.

Take time to enjoy the inspiring display of talent and creativity from our members!

Jeanne Brenner, QU Librarian

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## *Nominate a Guild Member for Volunteer of the Year!*

It is time to think about recognizing 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!

The nomination form at the bottom of the Awards page can be completed online or printed out and mailed to the committee chairperson. Form is available here: <https://quilttallahassee.com/activities-and-projects/awards/>. Additional information about the award can be downloaded from Policies and Procedures page here: <https://quilttallahassee.com/membership/policies-procedures/>.

### **Nomination Forms Due by October 1**

Contact Marsha Walper with questions about submitting nominations.

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## Special Note from Janet Hughes

Wow! What a surprise! I have been a member of QU for well over 20 years, but never imagined I'd be chosen as Distinguished Quilter of the Year. When Marsha was describing the recipient and it was dawning on me that I had been selected, I felt a moment of panic. With so many talented, accomplished quilters in the guild, was I worthy of this award? Willing to let others make that decision, I can only say that I am both honored and humbled. While my main objective has always been to have fun and express myself with fabric, it is nice to know others enjoy my work. And, I want everyone to know how much beauty I see in the wide variety of quilts, from traditional to modern to art, made with love by all our members. With thanks to all (and especially to Marsha for going to all the trouble to contact my husband Pete).

Janet Hughes

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## September Block of the Month

At September's meeting, please turn in your finished **Night and Day Block** and drop your name in the bag for a chance to win a gift.

### September's Block is Night and Day

Pattern is from Quilter's Cache – <http://www.quilterscache.com/N/NightandDayBlock.html>

QU will be using the following colors for this block:

Color 1 = Medium or Bright Pink fabric – solid, tone on tone or print

Color 2 = White fabric – solid, tone on tone or print (replaces the black shown in the pattern)

Please follow the directions to create your 12.5" unfinished block.  
You can remove or leave the paper as desired.



### October's Block is Moon Over the Mountain

Pattern is from Quilter's Cache –

<http://www.quilterscache.com/M/MoonOvertheMountainBlock.html>

QU will be using the following colors for this block (think night sky):

Color 1 = Dark (Blues/night sky) – solid, tone on tone or print

Color 2 = White, Grey or Cream (moon color) – solid, tone on tone or print

Color 3 = Dark (Brown/Black/Gray) - solid, tone on tone or print

Machine appliqué or hand appliqué is acceptable.

Please follow the directions to create your 12.5" unfinished block.

We will have printed copies of the pattern and half circle templates at the Block of the Month table.

Thank you to everyone that made a lattice square block in August. If you have any questions about the blocks, just email or give me a call.

Kerry Cohen



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## Directory Photos

Beginning this month, we will be taking photos for the directory. If the light is good, we will try doing this just outside the door. If you do not have a photo in the directory, or you would like a new one, now is the time. We will be taking photos for the next several months. -Michele Hackmeyer

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## “Autumn Reverie” 2019 Opportunity Quilt

The reds and golds in the beautiful, queen-sized quilt “Autumn Reverie” will be popular colors at the 37th Annual Capital City Quilt Show in the fall.

Before the quilt show opens, Mary Whelan will sell tickets during the social time at guild meetings from 6:30 to 7:00. The donation is \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00.

At the beginning of each meeting, there will be a drawing from the names of those who purchased 3 tickets for \$5.00. The winning name will receive 3 free tickets.

“The pattern is “Lakeshore Hosta” by Judy and Brad Niemeyer.

Please see Marsha Walper for more information.



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## Quilt Event at the Gadsden Arts Center & Museum

*From the Cedar Chest: Southern Quilting, 1830s to Today* is an exploration of the rich tradition of quilting in our local Big Bend community, spanning several generations and cultures to celebrate the beloved art of quilting. For two years, a committee of local quilters and quilt collectors and the Gadsden Arts curator researched and identified historic to contemporary quilts from 20 different private and public collections across several counties in North Florida. Several of the quilts have been completed by multiple family members over a period of decades as patterns were passed down to younger generations. This exhibition discusses the story of an art form that was utilitarian, uniquely cultural, and inherently social, that bridges gaps between generations and finds commonalities between cultures. The exhibition will be on display at the Gadsden Arts Center & Museum September 14–December 14, 2019.

The Big Bend Quilt Trail is a public art project initiated and orchestrated by the Gadsden Arts Center & Museum to install large wooden quilt block murals throughout Gadsden and Leon counties. Designed and created by various local businesses, museums, and individuals, each mural will be its own unique installation. Launching September 1, 2019, Gadsden Arts will provide an online interactive map of the quilt block murals for visitors to travel and view over 30 murals throughout Gadsden and Leon counties.

The Member-Guest Opening reception will be Friday September 13, 5:30-7pm (members and children are free, nonmembers \$5 admission). The Museum is open Tuesday - Saturday 10am-5pm, and you can schedule a docent-led tour of the exhibition by calling 850-627-5023.

Here is a link to the website that lists a couple of the events:

<https://gadsdenarts.org/exhibitions/From-the-Cedar-Chest>

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## Door Prizes

Door prize winners in August were Jeanne Billings, Sue Skornia, Linda Steans, and Loui Tope. Grand Prize went to Wendy Adamo. For many years the Grand Prize was donated each month by one of our many sit and stitch groups. If your group would like to provide a grand prize, please let me know. Donations are always welcome and appreciated.

Roberta Granville

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## Help Send a Little Sunshine



If members need sunshine from the guild, don't forget to let me know!

Shelley Woodyard

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## Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is: **September 20, 2019**

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 Betty Rinkel, 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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## 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.**

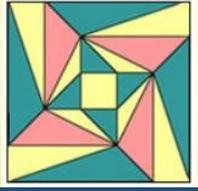
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| <b>Sunday</b>  | Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch   | 2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm  | Marsha Walper                    |
| <b>Monday</b>  | Quilting Bees @ Senior Center   | Weekly 1-4 pm   | Judy Lawrence                    |
|  | Southwood Stitchers   | Weekly 10 am - 3 pm   | Gail Whitis                      |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Sew Arty  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday<br>11:30 am-1 pm   | Stephanie<br>Rubanowice          |
|  | Patchwork & Prayer  | 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Th<br>6:30-8:30 pm  | Lascella Ingram                  |
|  | Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thur<br>6:00-7:45 pm  | Mary Catherine<br>Scott          |
|  | Bits and Pieces @ Temple Israel   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday<br>1:00 – 4:30 pm  | Jeanne Brenner                   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | Sew for HOPE<br><i>New Location - Timberlane Church of Christ, 3569 Timberlane School Road.</i> | 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday<br>10 am - 3 pm<br>Lunch break 11:30-12:30<br><i>Will only meet the first Saturday in November and December.</i> | Cynthia Seyler<br>Judy Rainbrook |
|  | Second Saturday   | Saturday after guild meeting,<br>9 am - 4 pm  | Connie Beane                     |
|  | Havana Sit 'n Stitch  | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat.; 1-4 pm  | Martha Mitchell                  |
| <p>The following Sit-n-Stitch groups are listed at full capacity: <i>Pin Pals, Sew Darn Happy, Thimble Buddies, Frayed Edges</i>. This is due to physical limitations -- no more room in members’ home or no more parking space available.</p> |   |   |                                  |

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## 2019 Guild Calendar

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| September 12 | Guild Meeting; “QU Challenge – Autumn Reverie” and “Quilters and their UFO Completion Challenges” | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |
| September 14 | Quilt Drop-off, 10 am – 12 pm   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor gallery, Museum of Florida History |
| September 17 | Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm   | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |
| September 21 | Bus Trip to Jacksonville Quilt Show, Quiltfest  | Jacksonville   |
| September 26 | Opening Reception, 5:3 – 7:30 pm  | Museum of Florida History                                |
| September 27 | Capital City Quilt Show Opening   |  |
| September 20 | <b><i>Newsletter Deadline</i></b>   |  |
| October 10   | Guild Meeting; “Avoiding Wavy Borders & Binding Tips” – Marianne Clower                           | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |
| November 3   | Capital City Quilt Show Closing   |  |
| November 9   | Quilt Pick-up, 10 am to 12 pm   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor gallery, Museum of Florida History |
| November 14  | Guild Meeting; “Quilters’ Tricks” – Pam Doffek  | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |
| November 19  | Steering Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm   | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |
| December 12  | Guild Meeting; “QU Dinner Party”  | Social Hall @ Temple Israel                              |

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

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

### Items for Sale

**Sew for HOPE** was gifted an ELNA serger. We think it is an Elna Pro 904 or 905. It has computerized controls and five spools. It works fine. We do not have a manual for it. We are looking for a purchaser since our current space is limited. Asking \$200 or best offer.



### 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.

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