



# AROUND THE BLOCK

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**Next Meeting: *On hold until further notice.*** 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*

I'm glad for all of you, my "QU peeps"....I think of you often and hope we can meet soon. Those of you who have Zoom or other video conferencing software (Facetime, Skype, etc.) are using it more than ever. I've reached a place where I'll use my personal Zoom account for just contacting one person; I love to see their face and watch their lips move. BUT the larger Zoom meetings can get overwhelming (my problem being on several non-profit boards). SO keep the contact up between what's called "social pods" (those people you see either in person or in other ways) to keep the loneliness and isolation at bay, share what you're up to creatively, or just to see another face or hear another voice.

I have been able to get some creative organizing done!! The pile of fabric donations that I've taken in for re-distribution to other groups has revealed I HAVE A FLOOR at the end of the double tables in my entrance room, aka Creative Space 2. This has been an 8-month activity and I hope to keep it that way. I've also helped with a group making masks for school children, MasksForClass, see the WCTV link: <https://www.wctv.tv/video/2020/07/15/masks-class-getting-students-masks-school/> Although the video says 6:30 they really start at 5:30. Stop by if you can help or pick up kits. Go to the wooden doors access to The Pavilion, it's between Barnes and Noble and Dollar Tree on the Monroe Street side of The Centre.

And finally. It seems like we may never get back to meeting in person, but we WILL!!! But more importantly is the succession of leadership starting with elected

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### • 2020 Officers

**President:** Pam Doffek

**President-Elect:** Lyn Geariety

**Membership:** Michele Hackmeyer

**Secretary:** Kerry Cohen

**Treasurer:** Deborah Kelly

**Immediate Past President:** Carol Eskola

### • 2020 Chairs, Standing Committees

**Annual Show 2021:** Karen Kunz

**Annual Show 2022:** Sue Isaac

#### **Internet:**

Website: Jessica Duke

Email: Carol Eskola

Social Media: Dawn Griffin

**Newsletter:** Carol Eskola

**Opportunity 2021:** Jeanne Brenner

**Opportunity 2022:** Jeanne Brenner

**Philanthropy:** Jeanne Brenner; Anne Gaber

**Programs:** Wendy Stone

**Publicity:** Dawn Griffin

**Workshops:** Lyn Geariety; Christine Walsh

### • 2020 Chairs, Support Committees

**Audiovisual:** Michele Hackmeyer

**Block of the Month:** Peggy Clark

**Challenge Quilt:** Kerry Cohen

**Door Prizes:** Roberta Granville

**Library:** Jeanne Brenner

**Show & Tell:** Roberta Granville

**Silent Auction:** Linda Stright

**Sit & Stitch:** Terri Smith

**Sunshine:** Wendy Stone

**Welcoming:** Evelyn Gonzalez

### • 2020 Chairs, Ad Hoc Committees

**Awards:** Marsha Walper

**Fiscal Planning:** Pam Doffek

**Nominating:** Lyn Geariety

**Parties:** Needs Chair

**Travel:** Needs Chair

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*President's Message (continued from page 1)*

Positions. And so, we need to nominate new officers to guide the Steering Committee in 2021. The NOMINATING Committee (i.e. President Elect Lyn Gearity) needs some of YOU. Our P&P require Lyn to nominate one Steering Committee member and one member from the general membership to be the committee with her. VOLUNTEERS are better than Lyn having to reach out. A slate needs to be presented in September and voted in October, installation in December. The Nominating Committee only has to select a slate for elected positions, not the entire SC. So that slate is: President-Elect, Membership Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Help a Quilter (Lyn) out and contact her today.

Reach out to me if you need me. I'm here. Quiltingly yours and Keep the Fabric,  
Pam Doffek

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## Block of the Month

For BOM, we will be doing strip quilting blocks in shades of blue measuring 10 1/2 inches square. Please send our Web Coordinator any pictures of the blocks that you have made in the past, as well as those you make for BOM, so we can all enjoy seeing them on our virtual Show and Tell! See the article on page 3 for details on how to submit pictures.

Peggy



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## Upcoming Programs

*All future programs are currently on hold until further notice.*

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## Quilters Unlimited Library and Philanthropy

Have really missed seeing everyone and all their projects!!!

The library has been in hibernation during the virus but is ready for action. If you are looking for a new project, wonderful books are available to provide inspiration. Check out our inventory at [Quilttallahassee.com](http://Quilttallahassee.com) ...listings are available by title or author. Will be happy to deliver books to you in Tallahassee on Tuesdays. Or you may want to make a road trip to Monticello.

If you need fabric for a charity project, give me a call. The shelves are full of beautiful, washed fabrics donated to help us bring warmth to others.

Jeanne Brenner

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*I'm not self-medicating with fabric. The lady at the fabric store wrote me a prescription. Well, she called it a receipt. Whatever.*

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## Call for Volunteers

As we approach a new year (and gladly say goodbye to this one) I need a couple of volunteers for the nominating committee. This group will search for and prepare a slate of candidates to serve as officers for the year 2021. This is a short-term assignment so it can be a great way to serve without a long commitment. Email me at [lyngeariety@aol.com](mailto:lyngeariety@aol.com) to get started. Hoping to see everyone soon and looking forward to a terrific year.

Lyn Geariety, President Elect

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## Coronavirus Virtual Show and Tell

Check out what your fellow guildmembers have been working on during the pandemic and share your quilting progress on our virtual Show and Tell webpage at <https://quilttallahassee.com/covid-show-tell/>. It doesn't have to be a finished quilt; quilt tops are fine. Let's see what you're working on! Send photos to [webcoord@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:webcoord@quilttallahassee.com). Include title of the quilt, your name, and the quilter's name (if quilted by someone else).

Thanks, Jessica

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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 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 (<https://quilttallahassee.com/activities-and-projects/awards/>) for this outstanding volunteer has three boxes to fill in:

1. Examples of initiative and/or assuming responsibility & leadership in guild activities
2. Willingness to help with routine tasks and unexpected needs
3. Examples of encouraging member participation in guild-related, community activities

The 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. Additional information about the award can be downloaded from Policies and Procedures, IX. Individual Standing Committee Policies (<https://quilttallahassee.com/membership/policies-procedures/>).

Nomination Forms Due by October 1

Contact Marsha Walper with questions about submitting nominations.

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## Quilt of Valor Presentation – Sgt. Major Eddie Lawson

Sgt. Major Eddie Lawson, an Army veteran with 30 years of service, was awarded a Quilt of Valor on July 2, 2020. Eddie served in WWII, Korea and Vietnam having enlisted in June 1943 and retiring June 1973. At 95 years of age, Eddie is going strong. He will turn 96 on July 18<sup>th</sup> and we hope he will have a great day and many more years.

Peggy Clark nominated Eddie for a Quilt of Valor after meeting him at the eye doctor's office. Peggy also presented him with a patriotic face mask made to match his Quilt of Valor.

Roberta Granville



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## Membership VP Assistant/Trainee Wanted

I am looking for an assistant and trainee for the role of Membership VP. The Membership role is not a difficult one. It takes a little time and requires some organization and a working knowledge of Excel software used as a list manager. This person would then be ready to take over the role next year. If you are interested in this role, please contact Michele Hackmeyer.



### Help Send a Little Sunshine

If a member needs some cheering up, don't forget to let me know. I'll send some sunshine their way on behalf of the guild!

Wendy Stone

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## Quilt of Valor Presentation – Charles Brooks

Charles Brooks, a veteran with 20 years of service in the US Air Force, was awarded a Quilt of Valor on July 22, 2020. The quilt was made by members of Frayed Edges, designed by Linda O'Sullivan and quilted by Sharon Pollock. Susan Voss nominated Mr. Brooks.

Roberta Granville



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## Quilt Show Cancellation – Houston

From Karey Bresenhan, Founder & Director Emeritus of International Quilt Festival: “It is with the greatest regret that I must announce the cancellation of our 46th annual International Quilt Festival in Houston, previously scheduled for October 29- November 1 at the George R. Brown Convention Center.”

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## Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is **August 28, 2020**.

Please submit materials to Carol Eskola via email at [newsletter@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:newsletter@quilttallahassee.com). To receive a mailed newsletter, contact her for details.

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## 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 our Membership VP at [membership@quilttallahassee.com](mailto:membership@quilttallahassee.com). If your email address changes, let us know at the next meeting.

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<b>2020 Guild Calendar</b>		
<b>WHEN</b>	<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHERE</b>
<i>All meetings are on hold until further notice. Notice of the resumption of meetings will be sent to all members via email blasts.</i>		
August 13	Guild Meeting: Quarantine Show & Tell <b>CANCELLED</b>	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
September 1	Steering Committee Meeting <i>If/as needed**</i>	Temple Israel Meeting Room
September 10	Guild Meeting: Trunk Show with Christy Gregg	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
October 8	Guild Meeting: Trunk Show Featuring The Grateful Threads	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 12	Guild Meeting: Strut Your Stuff	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
November 24	Steering Committee Meeting	Temple Israel Meeting Room
<b>Tuesday December 8</b>	Guild Meeting: End of Year Fun and What's to Come ( <i>Note day/date!</i> )	Social Hall @ Temple Israel

*\*Guild meetings dependent upon whether facility is available for large group meeting under CDC guidelines.*

*\*\*Steering Committee meetings are suspended unless a SC member notifies the president of urgent business needing consideration.*

## Sit-n-Stitch Groups

*Get in touch with the group's contact person (they are in our directory) for current status as meetings may be on hold.*

“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 Terri Smith.**

<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>Tuesday</b>	Hospice Sit-n-Stitch	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 1-3:30 or 4:00	Terri Smith
<b>Thursday</b>	Sew Arty	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Stephanie Rubanowice
	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>Saturday</b>	Sew for HOPE <i>New Location – St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 2198 N. Meridian Road</i> <b><i>Cancelled until further notice</i></b>	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.