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

Back for my last letter to you….happy and sad. It's been a year, and I'll leave it at that.

I know you've all stayed creative and in touch. But now the torch will pass. The unanimous vote was to accept the slate of officers for 2021 to lead us into new adventures. The continuity will assure that when we can meet face-to-face again, QU's success is assured. Our new President will be Lyn Geariety. She has some vacancies on her Steering Committee; Standing Committees, Support Committees and Ad Hoc Committees. The list is on the masthead of every Newsletter. The short job description is in our Policies and Procedures document starting on page 5 https://quilttallahassee.com/membership/policies-procedures/ Contact Lyn directly. A big thank-you to those who are continuing and those who have stepped up to take new opportunities.

And because staying in touch is more important now than ever, I made an executive decision in coordination with our current Membership Chair and Directory publisher/distributor. Pay your 2021 dues by check (send cash via USPS at your risk) or Paypal by JANUARY 15, 2021 and get a copy of the 2021 Directory mailed to you. Michele Hackmeyer has details in this edition of the newsletter.

Thank-you for having confidence in me as your President this year. Thank-you all for your support, seen and unseen. And celebrate this December season as you see fit and are able. I know I'll see you sometime in 2021.

Pam Doffek

- 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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Upcoming Programs

All future programs are currently on hold until further notice.

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. Include title of the quilt, your name, and the quilter's name (if quilted by someone else).

Thanks, Jessica

Pictured: Savannah's Roses, Debbie Osborn

2021 Membership Dues Are Due!

Your QU 2021 dues are due now and can be paid by check or, using PayPal, by credit card. Mail checks to QU, P.O.Box 4324, Tallahassee, Fl 32315. To use PayPal, go to the QU website, Membership, Dues Payment page.

If we receive your dues by January 15, 2021, we will mail your directory and membership card to you. You **do not** need to pay extra to receive your directory by mail this year.

Michele Hackmeyer

Membership VP

Lap Quilts for Veterans

Sixty lap quilts were delivered to the V A Hospital in Lake City on Nov. 10th in time for the hospital's Veterans Day celebration.

These quilts provide warmth and coverage for veterans in wheelchairs. They are much appreciated.

Guild members who participated in this effort were:
Susan Wallace, May McLaren, Dawn Griffin, Miriam Baldwin, Janet Hughes, Melanie Hierholzer, Kris Klob, Ellen Fournier, and the Bits and Pieces Sit and Stitch group.
A big thank you to all.

Roberta Granville

Quilt of Valor – Ronald P. McElveen

On Tuesday, November 17, 2020 a Quilt of Valor was awarded to Ronald P. McElveen who served in the Army in Viet Nam. He also later became a Captain in the Air Force. He served a total of ten years in the service of his country.

Christine Walsh nominated Ronald. His quilt was made by Roberta Granville and quilted by Sarah P. in Georgia.

The photo shows Ronald with his wife Jan.

Roberta Granville

Pillowcases for the Holidays

Members of Quilters Unlimited worked together to make 97 holiday pillowcases last month. Donated fabric was used to make these gifts for the patients of Big Bend Hospice.

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May Your Days Be Merry and Bright!!!!

Pandemic Philanthropy

We've definitely stayed busy this year despite limitations on our activities! Here's a special extended look at some of the quilts that guild members have produced for charity.

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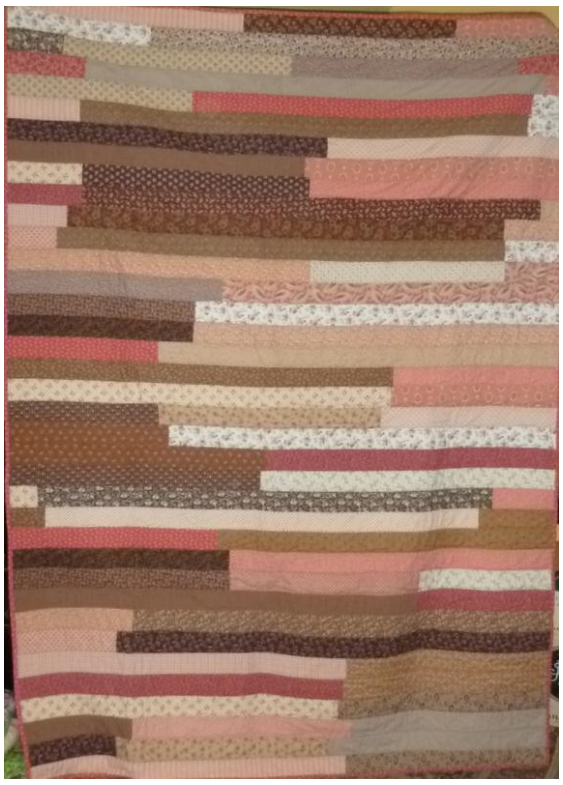

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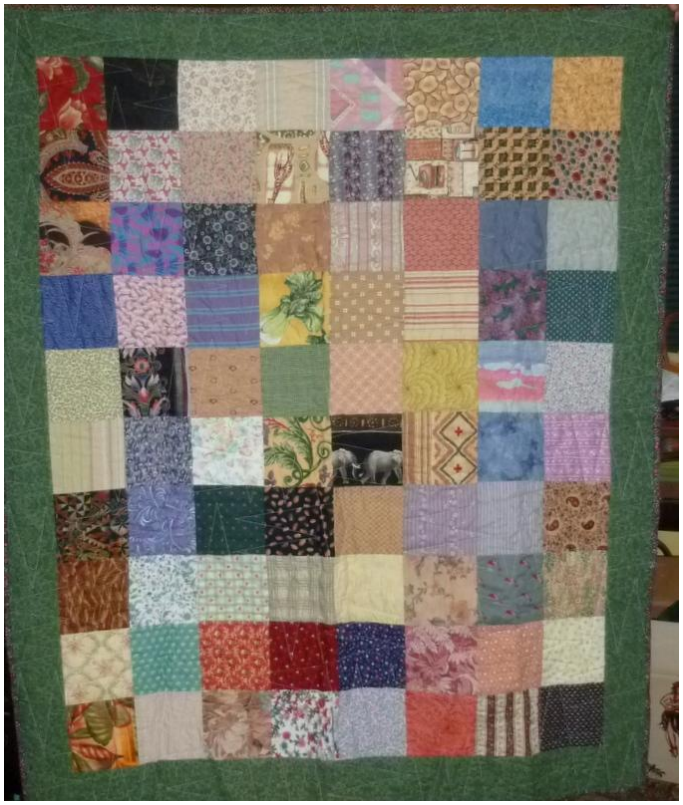

Help Send a Little Sunshine

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

Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is December **29, 2020.**

Please submit materials to Carol Eskola via email at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. To receive a newsletter by mail, contact her for details.

Missing Email Blasts?

Check your email spam filter, check for blocked addresses, and/or add webmaster@quilttallahassee.com to your contact list. Still have problems? Email our Membership VP at membership@quilttallahassee.com. If your email address changes, let us know at the next meeting.

Follow and "Like" Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee on Facebook & stay connected.
https://www.facebook.com/QuiltTallahassee/

2021 Guild Calendar		
WHEN	**WHAT**	**WHERE**
All meetings are on hold until further notice. Notice of the resumption of meetings will be sent to all members via email blasts.		
January*	Guild Meeting ***Cancelled***	Social Hall @ Temple Israel
January**	Steering Committee Meeting ***Cancelled***	Temple Israel Meeting Room

**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.*

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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.**

Sunday	Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch	2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm	Marsha Walper
Monday	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 1-4 pm	Judy Lawrence
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Jane Kazmer
Tuesday	Hospice Sit-n-Stitch	1st Tuesday, 1-3:30 or 4:00	Terri Smith
Thursday	Sew Arty	3rd Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Stephanie Rubanowice
	Patchwork & Prayer	1st, 3rd, 4th Th 6:30-8:30 pm	Lascella Ingram
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3rd Thur 6:00-7:45 pm	Mary Catherine Scott
	Bits and Pieces @ Temple Israel	2nd Thursday 1:00 – 4:30 pm	Jeanne Brenner
Saturday	Sew for HOPE *New Location – St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 2198 N. Meridian Road* ***Cancelled until further notice***	1st & 3rd 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	4th 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.

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