

AROUND THE BLOCK

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Next Meeting: November 9, 2023, Temple Israel, 2215 Mahan Drive. 6:00 Social, 6:30 Meeting

President's Message

Fall is really in the air! If the temperatures aren't showing it, the pumpkin spice on the menu in every coffee place, along with most fast-food menus, demonstrate it. I like pumpkin pie, so come on Thanksgiving! We do have so much to be thankful for. From a quilters point of view, it is in the amount of stash, quilt patterns and all the thread that we are lucky to be "storing" in our homes. Lol!



I am looking forward to seeing many lap quilts for veterans that will be shown at this month's meeting. It is exciting to see all of them, and to see the generosity of the members of our guild in remembering the men and women who served our country. Still a little time to create one. It is preferable to be in the colors of red, white, and blue, but other colors are acceptable. 40 x 40 is the size Roberta Granville stated is the best. When you see a veteran, please thank them!

Do you have skills that you would like to share? Do you have a place to share them? The guild is still in need of a President Elect, Program Chairperson, and teachers for our "local classes". Are you willing to step up? I am proof that the President Elect is easy as it is a year of the learning process making the year of President easier. President is a facilitator with a list of who goes next at the meeting. Ask any Past President of their year and the skills it takes. It could be your time!

As we head toward the year end, please remember that we will be collecting coasters/mug rugs to give to patients in local nursing homes and long-term care facilities during the holidays. It does not need to be holiday fabric. It can be if you choose, but on the other side use a different mode so it can be used all year long. Thanks for all that you do for others.

Want to help with the "End of Year" party? One night and your job is finished. Easy Peasy! Let me know if you would like to be part of the committee.

Keep the bobbin filled and stay stitching,

Peggy Clark, President

November Program

In November, Sue Issac will be presenting a program on modern quilting, including examples of modern quilts made by local quilters, and will explain what makes a quilt modern. Even if you think you would never make a modern quilt, you will get modern ideas that can be applied to your most traditional quilts.

Wrapping Up the 2023 Block of the Month

Please bring your November Circle Flower or Drunkard's Path blocks to the meeting for a chance to win a prize. Patterns were in the October newsletter and are on the QU website.

There is no block for December so we can enjoy our end of year party. As of October, we have created over 120 blocks for veterans and Quilts of Valor quilts.

If you have any blocks from previous months or want to make any previous blocks for charity, please bring them to the November or December meetings.

If you have any questions, ask me at the guild meeting or call/email.

Happy Piecing!!

Kerry Cohen

2024 Opportunity Quilt

We'd like to thank Chris Staisny, Memory Lane Quilt Shop, for permission to use her beautiful pattern, Rainbow Stars, as our 2024 Kaleidoscope Opportunity Quilt.



Quilts of Valor

Henry Lowery of Tallahassee was awarded a Quilt of Valor on September 11, 2023 at his home. Henry served 33 years in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired as a Chief Warrant Officer 5. He did two tours in Vietnam and also served in Beirut and Grenada. Among his many awards are a Legion of Merit, two Navy commendations, and the Vietnam Cross for Gallantry with Palm. His quilt was made by Roberta G. and Jeanne B. It was quilted by Sarah P. Henry is shown with his wife Mona Lisa. Submitted by Roberta Granville.



Retired U.S. Air Force Brigadier General William B. Webb was awarded a Quilt of Valor on September 11 at his home. General Webb served 29 years in the Air Force, which included a tour in Vietnam. General Webb earned numerous awards including the Bronze Star, Air Medals, Defense Distinguished Service Medal, and three Joint Service Commendation Medals. His quilt was made by Frayed Edges and quilted by Sarah P. He is shown with his wife Montse. Submitted by Roberta Granville.





Retired United States Navy Commander Dennis Baker was awarded a Quilt of Valor on September 11, 2023. Dennis served 28 years including time in the Persian Gulf and Viet Nam. Among the awards he received were two Meritorious Service Medals, and three Navy Commendation Medals. He is the author of military books and presently the Chairman of the Florida Veterans Foundation. His quilt was made and quilted by Julie F. Submitted by Roberta Granivlle.

Philanthropy - Running into the month of November

It is amazing to me to see all the quilts that have been contributed to our various special projects this year. And I know there are many more handed in privately. Great appreciation to all of you!

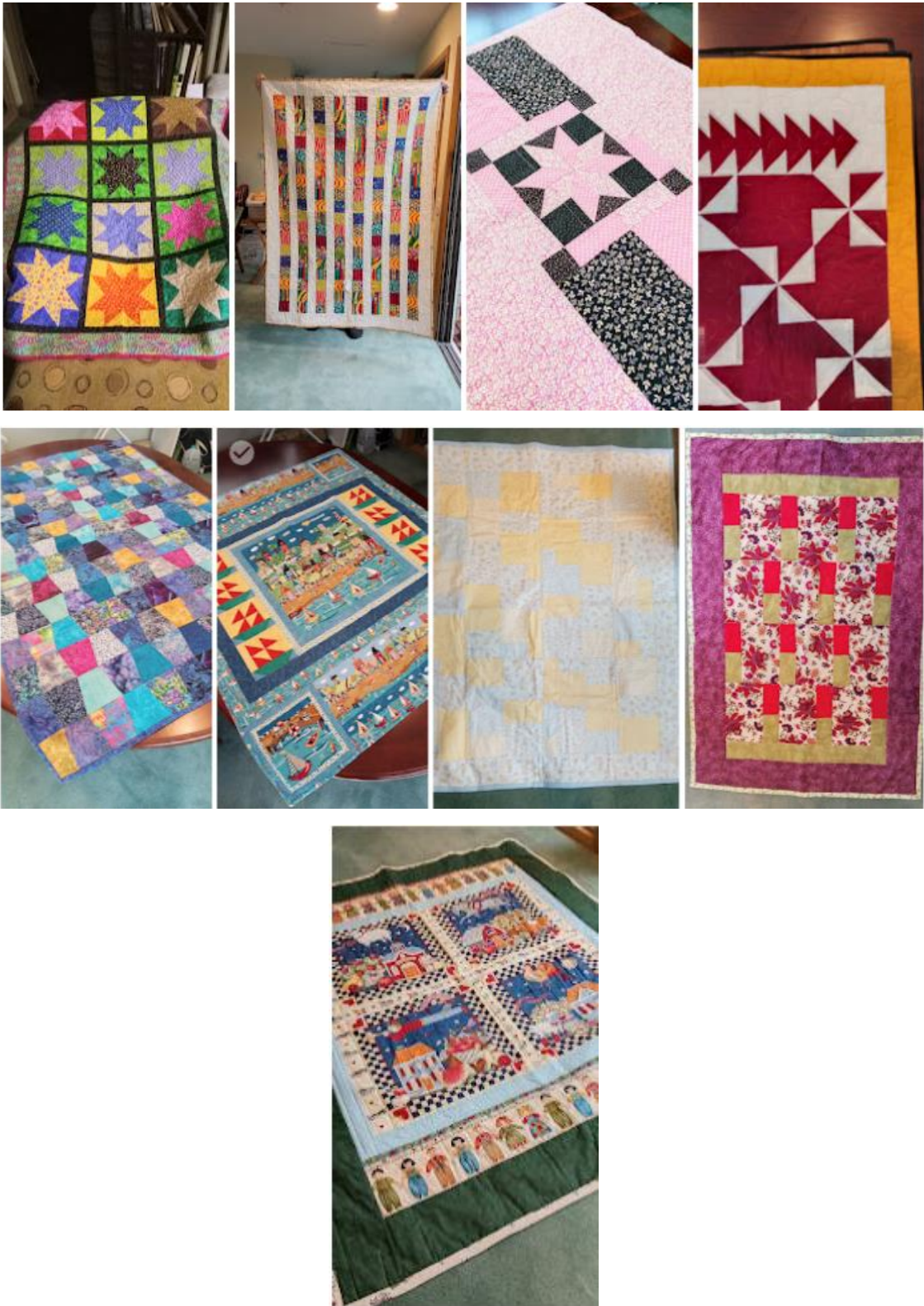
Laptops for Veterans ready to be turned into Roberta Granivlle at the November 9th meeting can be given to her directly or, if you cannot attend the meeting, you can drop them with me at my home or I can arrange to pick up from you.

At the QU meeting there will be kits to pick-up and make at home for the Burrito-Style Hospice Pillowcases and the Breast Cancer Surgery Pillows. These are easy and fun to make.

Anyone with a long-arm or free-style quilting machine interested in quilting some of our quilts for Sleep in Heavenly Peace or Hospice, please contact me to take one of my fixings for a quilt sandwich. If you have special requirements for measurements of batting and backing, we can discuss.

Joy,
Ann

Philanthropy Photo Gallery





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!

Shelley Woodyard

Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is **November 27, 2023**.

Please submit materials to our Newsletter Editor via email at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. To receive a newsletter by mail, contact the editor 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.

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2023 Guild Calendar	
WHERE:	Guild Meetings: Temple Israel, 2215 Mahan Drive; 6:00 Social, 6:30 Meeting.
WHEN	WHAT
2023	
November 2	Steering Committee Meeting, Main Library, 6:00
November 9	Guild Meeting: Modern Quilts
December 14	Guild Meeting: End of Year Party

- **2023 Officers**
President: Peggy Clark
President-Elect: Janet Taylor
Membership: Peggy Allen
Secretary: Deborah Kelly
Treasurer: Rachel Smith
Immediate Past President: Sue Isaac
- **2023 Chairs, Standing Committees**
Annual Quilt Show 2023: Karen Kunz
Annual Quilt Show 2024: Sue Isaac
Internet-Website: Sue Isaac
Internet-Email: Carol Eskola
Internet-Social Media: Tara Goodman
Newsletter: Carol Eskola
Opportunity 2023: Jeanne Brenner
Opportunity 2024: Jeanne Brenner
Philanthropy: Ann Gaber
Programs: Ellen Fournier, Gail Renna
Publicity: Tara Goodman
Workshops: Cheryl Gratt, Christine Walsh
- **2023 Chairs, Support Committees**
Block of the Month: Kerry Cohen
Challenge Quilt: Pam Doffek
City Hall Show: Lyn Geariety
Directory: Peggy Allen
Door Prizes: Jane Jordan
Equipment: Michele Hackmeyer
Library: Michele Hackmeyer
Quilter's Treasure: Jane Jordan
Silent Auction: Linda Stright
Sit & Stitch: Jeanne Brenner
Sunshine: Shelley Woodyard
Welcoming: Evelyn Gonzalez
- **2023 Chairs, Ad Hoc Committees**
Auditor: Pam Doffek
Awards: Marsha Walper
Fiscal Planning: President, Pres-Elect, Treasurer, immediate Past Pres, one other
Nominating: Michele Hackmeyer
Parties: Vacant
Travel: TBD

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 Jeanne Brenner.**

Sunday	Modern Quilt Sit-n-Stitch	2nd Sunday, 3-5 pm	Marsha Walper
Monday	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 9 am-1 pm	Janice Watson
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 3 pm	Jane Kazmer
	Sew Darn Happy	Monday after QU Meeting 1:00-3:00 pm	Dawn Griffin
Tuesday	Bits and Pieces	1 st Tuesday, 11-3:00 Eastside Branch Library 1583 Pedrick Road	Jeanne Brenner
Wednesday	Pin Pals	1 st and 3 rd Wednesdays Killearn area, 1:00-3:30	Terri Smith
Thursday	Sew Arty	3 rd Thursday 11:30 am-1 pm	Marion Millet
	Patchwork & Prayer	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm	Judy Stricklin
	Appliqué Addicts @ NE Library	3 rd Thur 11 am-1:45 pm	Selena Foo
Saturday	Sew for HOPE St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 2198 N. Meridian Road	1 st & 3 rd Saturday 10 am - 2 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 th Sat.; 1-4 pm	Martha Mitchell

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