

Around the Block

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New Member Classes

With so many new Guild members, many who are also new to quilting, the idea for a new quilters' class was born.

Marilyn Kelley, our workshop program chair, and I have discussed particulars for a series of beginning quilting classes. We'll be covering the basics, from fabric selection, the importance of fabric preparation, 1/4" seams, pressing, choosing battings and finally, quilting the completed piecing. All of this specifically geared for the new, beginning, or novice guilter. We'll need member volunteers to join Marilyn and me as instructors and class helpers.

Classes will be held the last Saturday afternoons of the month at the Lafayette Park facility, where we have dedicated Guild use with plenty of room, big tables, chairs and lots of electric outlets. An easy lap size quilt pattern, with minimal point matching, has been selected for the class project. Class participants will be responsible for bringing their sewing machine, basic sewing/quilting tools (there will be a list!) and 13 assorted medium, light and dark fat quarters, or equivalent fabric, to yield thirteen 17" x 19" rectangles for the



top. Class participants will also need fabric for backing and binding, which will be covered in the class. Additional details to come, both for the Guild meeting and the website.

Barbara Wiggins
Guild Program Chairman

Whisper Patrol



Social time stretches from 6:30pm to 7:00pm at

which time the meeting begins.

We are a friendly bunch and all of us love to talk.

We have our social time to cut down on the chatter during the program. Please be mindful that some of your neighbors cannot enjoy the program or speakers because they cannot hear over neighborly talking.

Likewise, we ask that all cell phones be turned to silent. If you don't know how, please look for the youngest person in the room and ask for help.

Thanks for observing quiet time during presentations.

President's Message

Mayday! Mayday!

Ever wonder why Mayday is a distress call?

I googled it and found it derives from the French term, "venex m'aider" meaning "come help me". Well, this is my **Mayday** call to all members. I do need your help!

The Guild has lots of things going on in May:

- Meeting on the 10th with a trunk show from the Toad U Sew quilters
 - ♦ New member reception on Thursday, May 24th at 6:00pm
 - May 25th is the last call for the applications for the Museum Quilt Show.

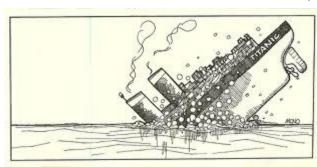
Your participation will make all of these events a success!

Remember to purchase a set of 10 tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at the May meeting.

Your name goes in the drawing with each set of tickets purchased.

The lucky winner receives ten free tickets for the Opportunity Quilt.

Couture Heureux! (Happy Stitching!) ~Edie Frasier



Photos Needed for Website

Our website needs your quilt pictures to make it beautiful!

Show off you talents and skills by emailing a .jpg image file of your quilt to the following email:

webmaster @quilttallahassee.com

Information to include in your email so we can give you proper recognition on the website is:

- Your Name
- Quilt Name (Be Creative!)
- Quilt Pattern/Designer
- Special Notes on Quilting

Thanks,

~ Karen Skinner

Want your quilt to be famous? Email a .jpg image file to Webmaster

@quilttallahassee.com

Newsletter Distribution News

One benefit of membership in the Guild is that you can have a paper copy of the monthly newsletter mailed to you. However, since most members now have access to email, we would like to transition to sending an electronic copy to members every month. An

electronic copy will be emailed to each member with an email address on file. Of course, we will be happy to continue to mail a paper copy. If you are currently on the paper mailing list, please let me know when you sign in for the meeting if you would like to continue to receive the paper copy. Don't worry! No one will be removed from the mailing list without confirmation.

Please contact Julie Love to update your email.

~ Geni Rains

Workshop News

Bonnie Hunter will be with us in November 8-10, 2012, for a lecture and two workshops. Bonnie is an expert in scrap piecing and her lecture is entitled "Scrap Users' System", the workshop on Friday will be "Crumb Quilting" and on Saturday she will teach "Cathedral Stars". You may visit her website, quiltville.com, click on Trunk Shows and Workshops, and see what we'll be doing and what else Bonnie has to offer. These workshops look like a lot of fun, with more scraps, the better. And, if everyone else will save their scraps to donate, I will take them to class for everyone to use. Sign up for these workshops will begin at the May guild meeting and the cost will be \$45 each. I know this is early, but some of our members are gone for the summer and I want everyone to have a chance to sign up.

FUTURE WORKSHOPS:

SHELLEY SWANLAND

March 13, 14 and 15, 2013

Shelleysstudio.com

JANE HARDY MILLER

October 10, 11, & 12, 2013 Frenchbraidquilts.com

LYNN HAGEMIER

March 13, 14 and 15, 2014

Ktguilts.com

Please call me with questions or email nstitches@centurylink.net

~Marilyn Kelley



Opportunity Quilt Tickets!



Remember to bring \$10 to purchase your tickets for a chance to own the beautiful Opportunity Quilt.

You can put your own name on the tickets or sell them to friends.

When you buy your tickets at the meeting, your name will be entered in a drawing for a free set of

ten tickets.

We will select one name as the winner at the end of the meeting!

Please call Marsha Walper with any questions about tickets.

Door Prizes

QU members are encouraged to wear their hand-made name tags to the monthly meeting.

We have been very fortunate to receive some wonderful quilt kits donated this year, which are being used for the grand prizes.

We have three left, so don't forget your name badges!

Also, we welcome any contributions from our Sit-N-Stitch groups of grand door prize gifts.

In years past, we have had some lovely baskets and other quilting

items donated for door prizes.

Please see Loui or Viola if your group would like to sign up to donate for any particular month.

Travel News

All Aboard!

Barring a miracle, the trip to **A Scarlet Thread**, in Macdonough, GA has been cancelled. We needed a 56 seat passenger bus to keep the cost at \$28 per person roundtrip. Unfortunately, only three members indicated an interest in making the trip. If by chance 53 more folks sign up at the May meeting, I will re-book the travel bus for the June date.



In the meantime, the trip for the Jacksonville Quiltfest is still in the works. The cost is \$25 per guild member and includes the admission fee for the show. We will leave at 8:00am from the Tallahassee Mall (the old Goody's store end) and return to Tallahassee by 8:00pm. Trip date is Saturday, September 22, 2012. As in the past, you are obligating yourself by paying/reserving a bus seat. Should you not be able to go, there will be no refunds, but you can sell your space to another guild member. See Shelley Bertels for sign-up.

~Shelley Bertels

A Munchaholic's Dilemma



This Guild Member loves the Hospitality time the Guild offers, talking and catching up with everyone. But, in truth, it is also because she does so love to taste the various goodies we bring in. For this member, it serves as a bit of dessert, and for some of our harried souls who work late, it is dinner.

Some meetings, this greedy person has found herself wondering at how few contributions have been brought in. The Hospitality budget covers the plate ware and the drinks, but it is the responsibility of those members who have a birthday in each month to bring in the goodies.

So this aroused this member's curiosity. Just how do the birthdays average out across the months, anyway (versus contributions)? See the website for the complete chart but know that the average number of birthdays each month is 17.

This is a plea for those great chefs to strut your stuff and show-off (and show up) with more goodies, and likewise, for those great shoppers who want to be kind and wonderful and generous.

Signed, this greedy, statistically-inclined, hospitality-loving munchaholic Guild-member,

~Karen Skinner

New Member Party

New members please mark your calendars for our New Member Party on **Thursday, May 24th, 2012 from 6-8pm at Timberlane Church of Christ.**

Members who have joined the Guild in the past year are invited to come meet the Guild Officers and other members of the Steering Committee and to learn more about the benefits of belonging to Quilters Unlimited of Tallahassee.

A light potluck supper will be served.



Sit-N-Stitch Groups

A "Sit-n-Stitch" is a group of members who meet weekly, biweekly or sometimes once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual project. Some groups meet at a specified location and work on a service project. We have several of both of these types of groups in our guild. If you are interested, please call Marsha Walper.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sew for Hope	Sew for Hope	Sew for Hope	Sew Arty	Thimble Buddies*	Sew for Hope
(3rd Monday) 9:30 a.m 1:00 p.m.	(2nd Tuesday) 1:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	(4th Wednesday) 1:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	3rd Thursday 11:30am—?	2nd Fridays 9:30a.m 11:30 a.m.	(1st Saturday) 9:30 a.m 1:00 p.m.
Cynthia Seyler	Cynthia Seyler	Cynthia Seyler		Wendy Stone	Cynthia Seyler
Big Bend Hopsice Quilters 1:00 p.m 3:00	McQuilters Ronald McDonald	Crazy Quilters	Patchwork & Prayer er 1st, 3rd, & 4th		Second Saturday 9:00 a.m 4:00
p.m.	House	Monticello Library	Thursdays		p.m.
Virginia Lewis	1:00 p.m 3:00 Carol Harrison	1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m. Barbara Sheats	6:30 p.m 8:30 Janice Parker		Connie Beane
The Quilting Bees		Pin Pals * 1st & 3rd Wednes-	•		Havana Sit 'n Stitch
Senior Center		days	p.m.		4th Saturday
1:00 p.m 4:00 Katrina Jenkins		1:00pm –3:00pm Linda Stearns	Esther Weiner		1:00 p.m. Martha Mitchell
					Layfayette Com- munity Last Saturdays
* Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity.					2:00 p.m 5:00 Gertrude Shirley

May Birthday's Bring a Treat to the Meeting!

May 10, 2012



Quilter's Unlimited

Julie Love 2776 Summer Meadow Drive Tallahassee, FL 32303

submit Info for Newsletter

The deadline for newsletter submissions is May 26, 2012

Please submit materials to Julie Love via email at qutlhnews@gmail.com

City Hall Quilt Show

The 2012 Tallahassee City hall Quilt Show is scheduled for July 13—September 25.

We need participation from the entire guild to make this show a success!

Remember, this is a public building with lots of visitors! The City Hall Show is an opportunity for us to share our talents with many people who would not otherwise go out of their way to see a quilt exhibit.

Entry forms will be accepted no later than June 14 at the QU Meeting. Please bring your quilt to the meeting as well.

Entry forms are available on the QU website along with easy instructions for paperless entry.

Paper forms and printed forms will also be accepted, too.

The City Hall Quilt Show reception is Friday, August 3, 2012. This coincides with the Downtown First Friday activities.

Come on out and support the guild and our wonderful Capital City!

Save a tree and a stamp and submit your entry and photograph online.

Website: QuiltTallahassee.com

