

Quilter's Unlimited of Tallahassee

# Around the Block

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## Lights, camera and quilts!



It is your time in the spotlight.

August is the month for shows! The City Hall Show is in full production. The reception is scheduled for Friday, August 3, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall. Please plan on attending and bringing a refreshment for the reception. Contact Jennifer Moore if you have questions.

The Museum Show begins this month with quilt turn-in on August 4 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The reception for the museum show will be on August 16<sup>th</sup> in the Florida Museum of Natural History located at 500 S. Bronough Street. Contact Janet Pearce if you need further information.

Happy Stitching,  
Edie Frasier, President

## Quilt Show in Moultrie!

Show off your latest and greatest small quilt at the 2012 Colquitt County Arts Center Annual Quilt Exhibition. **Quilts are due no later than August 16, 2012.** For more information about guidelines and registration visit the guild website—[www.quilttallahassee.com](http://www.quilttallahassee.com).

The exhibit runs from September 6 - October 6, 2012—make sure to plan a trip to Moultrie and check out all the lovely small quilts!



## Workshop News

Registration for Bonnie Hunter's November workshops is in full swing. Several members signed up and many more express a definite interest. I have also had several people from other guilds express an interest in attending these classes.

I will be signing up QU members through the August guild meeting and then open up the registration to non-members, if we have any spots left. Bonnie's classes use lots of scraps, so start saving yours!



~Marilyn Kelley, Workshop Chairperson

## Challenge Quilt Judging, August 9

If you plan to enter your Challenge Quilt, please plan to arrive at the Guild Meeting between 6:00 and no later than 6:15 pm with your entry in a pillowcase.

Have a quilt label clearly indicating the quilter, quilt name and date completed attached to the back of the quilt. *We want you to remain completely anonymous.* Write up (typed and double-spaced please) a brief description of your inspiration on a card with the quilt title and information you want voters to know. I need to be able to hang the Quilts at 6:30 sharp.

**Failure to follow ALL rules may result in disqualification from one or more categories prior to voting.**

Thank you for your consideration and Good Luck!

Dawn Griffin

## Ten Quilts of Valor!

Many thanks to all of you who took the time and effort to make a Quilts of Valor. Each of your beautiful quilts will provide comfort to a seriously wounded service person. Typically the quilts go to hospital in Ramstein, Germany, though they can be sent to service men recovering elsewhere.

The following groups and individuals submitted quilts:

Janet Pearce and friends, Dana and Lori, Susan Tatum, Penny Blaszczyk, Myra Kreitlow, Sharon Pollock, Thimble Buddies and Loose Threads with quilting by Joe Ann Hendricks.

**Thank you for your caring and sharing!**

# 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  |
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| <b>Sew for Hope</b><br><br><b>(3rd Monday)</b><br>9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.<br>Cynthia Seyler | <b>Sew for Hope</b><br><br><b>(2nd Tuesday)</b><br>1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.<br>Cynthia Seyler | <b>Sew for Hope</b><br><br><b>(4th Wednesday)</b><br>1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.<br>Cynthia Seyler      | <b>Sew Arty</b><br><br><b>3rd Thursday</b><br>11:30am—?  | <b>Thimble Buddies*</b><br><br><b>2nd Fridays</b><br>9:30a.m. - 11:30 a.m.<br>Wendy Stone | <b>Sew for Hope</b><br><br><b>(1st Saturday)</b><br>9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.<br>Cynthia Seyler |
| <b>Big Bend Hopsice Quilters</b><br>1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.<br><br>Virginia Lewis           | <b>McQuilters Ronald McDonald House</b><br><br>1:00 p.m. - 3:00<br>Carol Harrison          | <b>Crazy Quilters</b><br><b>Monticello Library</b><br><br>1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.<br>Barbara Sheats | <b>Patchwork &amp; Prayer</b><br><b>1st, 3rd, &amp; 4th Thursdays</b><br><br>6:30 p.m. - 8:30<br>Janice Parker |   | <b>Second Saturday</b><br>9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.<br><br>Connie Beane                         |
| <b>The Quilting Bees</b><br><br><b>Senior Center</b><br>1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.             |  | <b>Pin Pals *</b><br><b>1st &amp; 3rd Wednesdays</b><br><br>1:00pm –3:00pm<br>Linda Stearns       | <b>Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety *</b><br>7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.<br><br>Esther Weiner                            |   | <b>Havana Sit 'n Stitch</b><br><br><b>4th Saturday</b><br><br>1:00 p.m.<br>Martha Mitchell  |
| <b>* Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity.</b>   |  |   |  |   | <b>Lafayette Com-Last Saturdays</b><br>2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.<br>Gertrude Shirley            |

## Join Facebook, Tell The Warm Company!

Help our guild win one of ten bolts of batting The Warm Company (warm and natural) is giving away!

The contest ends the end of September. We all need to go to The Warm Company on Facebook, like and let them know the name of our guild.

It is free to join Facebook at [www.Facebook.com](http://www.Facebook.com), so if you have been procrastinating, now is a good time to join and get us another vote towards winning that bolt.

Keep your eyes on the internet for other free offers, contests, samples, etc. and be sure to share the information with your quilting sisters. ~ Esther Weiner

# Pillowcase Challenge

**Wanted:** 500 pillowcases by October's meeting

**Needed:** Great participation from every guild member!

## Challenge 1:

This is a very worthwhile undertaking and will benefit two deserving groups. Group one members are our armed service personnel who are in VA spinal cord injury units. Those hospitals in Miami, Tampa, and Augusta are closest to us and will benefit from our efforts. Cases suitable for men and

women to offer a little piece of home are needed. **Males outnumber the women in the units so please think and select masculine prints/colors.**



## Challenge 2:

The second group is ConKerr Cancer started by a mother whose son had cancer. She made a special pillowcase each time he had to go into the hospital and realized every child suffering from cancer would enjoy such a special case. Again, there are boys and girls being treated and deserving of something special. This organization is widespread and members have produced well over 300,000 cases! Unfortunately, although this is a large number, cancer cases are more numerous.



*Giving Sick Kids a reason to smile  
...one pillowcase at a time.*

**Let's dig into our stashes or collections, if you prefer that term, and sew up some happiness!!!**



**Instructions for making a pillowcase with a finished size of 20X30 inches to fit a standard size pillow:**

**Step 1:** Cut a 9" piece of fabric across the width of fabric. Remove selvages.

**Step 2:** Cut a 27" piece of another fabric across the width. Remove Selvages.

**Step 3:** Sew the 9" and 27" pieces together (1/4" seam) along the width of the fabric. Press seams toward the 9" fabric. (Trim if necessary to make fabrics same width.)

**Step 4:** Fold fabric in half with **right side out**. Match seams where the two fabrics were sewn. Sew from the top edge of the 9" strip down to the end of the 27" strip. Then sew the bottom edge of the 27" strip. Turn the case inside out. Press along both sewn seams to smooth and ready the case for the second seaming.

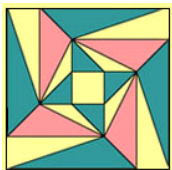
**Step 5:** With right sides together sew from the top of the case along the side encasing the seam, then sew the bottom seam, so no raw edge shows except where the two fabrics were joined originally. Turn case inside out so right side of fabric shows.

**Step 6:** Press top edge of 9" fabric under 1/2", fold the 9" fabric in, so that it will cover the raw seam. Pin in place. Then top stitch the hem.

You may also add a decorative stitch if you wish to do so.

**Your case is complete!**

Iron and fold it, and place in a gallon size Ziploc plastic bag. Please indicate if the case is for a veteran or child.



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### Submit Info for Newsletter

**The deadline for newsletter  
submissions is August 26,  
2012**

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

## JAX Quilt Fest Trip, Saturday 9/22/2012

Currently there are 25 members who have signed up for the trip to the JAX show.

We have reserved a 56 seat travel bus and the cost per traveler is 25.00 which includes the price of a one day admission. Unfortunately, we need a full bus to keep the price reasonable and guarantee that the trip will "materialize".

If you plan to take the guild bus to the show, please see Shelley at the August meeting.

If there is not enough participation we will either have to raise the cost or cancel the trip with enough advance notice to avoid a penalty from the bus company. Shelley needs to know at the August meeting if you plan to ride the guild bus.

This has always been a fun trip and a good show with lots of quilts, vendor booths and silent auction items. All Aboard!

