

AROUND THE BLOCK

QUILTERS UNLIMITED OF TALLAHASSEE

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***Next Meeting: November 13, 2025, Temple Israel, 2215 Mahan Drive
Times: 6:00pm Social, 6:30pm Meeting***

President's Message

Fall has arrived and many celebrations this month center around giving thanks, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and National Family Stories Month! We all have many reasons to be thankful, but sometimes we need a special holiday to remind us that expressing our thanks can brighten someone else's day.

On November 11, Veterans Day honors those who served our country with bravery and selflessness. Please thank a veteran and remember their service to our country not just on 11/11 but every day.

On November 27th, many will gather with friends and family to eat turkey, watch the parade and football this Thanksgiving. Take this time to let those around your table know how thankful you are to have them.

November is also National Family Stories Month. This celebration encourages people to share and learn stories from family members. The tradition of passing along family stories is living history. Thanksgiving is the perfect time to share some of the stories about the quilts we make.



And with so many celebrations and events during this busy holiday season, hopefully you find some time to quilt and stitch a story.

Happy Quilting,

Kerry

Upcoming Programs

Reminder: QU's social time begins at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

November 13, 2025 – Signature quilts become popular in the mid-19th century. QU's Kerry Cohen will explore the history of this style of quilt and showcase how and why signature quilts might need to be your next quilting project this Thanksgiving.

December 11, 2025 – It's Party Time! Join us at a potluck dinner to celebrate another fabulous year of Quilters Unlimited. We will have a great time chatting with fellow quilters, awarding our Volunteer of the Year and passing the torch to our 2026 Officers.

Block of the Month 2025



Final call for all the blocks that have been made but not turned in at the meetings (Red & White, Blue & White, and Red, White and Blue).

November is the last month we will collect blocks of the month so be sure to turn in at our meeting.

Peggy Clark

End of Year Party Information

December we will have our annual end of year party.

If you would like to volunteer to be a hostess for the party to help set up tables, decorate and make sure we have a wonderful time, please let Kerry Cohen know.

For the holiday party, we will not have our normal activity tables set up, as these will be used for our potluck spread.

For our food items, please remember to observe Temple dietary guidelines:

- No Meat and Cheese on same buffet table plate/tray (ok on dinner plates)
- No pork (including bacon)
- No shellfish (shrimp, lobster, oysters -- tuna and other fish ok)

Please bring your potluck dishes to the Temple between 6:00 and 6:20pm. Dinner and the meeting will start at 6:30 p.m.



Congratulations to Carole Gentry

2025 Distinguished Quilter

The 2025 Distinguished Quilter award was given to Carole Gentry at the October meeting. Her husband and two of her sons were able to join us for the presentation of this much-deserved award.

Carole was nominated by Nick and Linda O'Sullivan for her many talents and accomplishments. She has been a finalist in the national Cherrywood challenge for three years running, and in 2023 her Monarch quilt was shown in Paducah in conjunction with that traveling exhibit. Carole was awarded a members' choice ribbon in the 2024 QU challenge. She is the owner of Lollipop Quilt Shop and does long-arm quilting for many members. Her recent quilting of Nick O'Sullivan's painted quilts is just one example of her adventurous and creative work. Carole is also a member of Friendship Star Quilters, has taught classes, been a quilt judge, and is working on developing her own line of longarm quilt patterns.

Congratulations, Carole, and thank you for your dedication to the art of quilting!

Submitted by: Janet Hughes



Words from Philanthropy

Many Thanks to All who Contribute to the Comfort Quilts!

Joy,

Ann



Quilt Retreat



Flying Needles Quilt Guild
Quilt Retreat
Shaping Friendships
February 26 -28, 2026

KICK OFF EVENT
THURSDAY EVENING
Reception: 5:30pm - 6:30pm
Hot/Cold Appetizers with cash bar.
Program: 7:00pm with Brigit Gail Dermott
"From Soho to Savannah: A Quilting Journey"

FRIDAY & SATURDAY EVENING
Fun and Games with quilting friends: 7:00pm

FRIDAY CLASSES*
Brigit Gail Dermott - Playing with Shapes
Deb Chilcote - Hall of Mirrors
Marcy Gallagher - Octagon Shimmer
Linda Weiss - Blue Bird Wool Appliqué
Sit and Sew (Full)

SATURDAY CLASSES*
Kaye Joachim - New York Beauty
Anne Johnson - Quilt Binding Secrets
Sit and Sew
*9am -12pm ♥ Lunch ♥ 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Guest Teacher:
Brigit Gail Dermott
Brigit created Brigit Gail - www.brigitgail.com - as a way to share her love of modern quilts, color and design. She had the honor of being featured in Quiltfolk, Modern Patchwork and the Modern Quilt Guild Quarterly. Many of her quilts have been shown at the Modern Quilt Guild's QuiltCon. In addition to writing patterns, she also teaches modern quilting workshops. She taught at QuiltCon and at local guilds. She lives in Gainesville, Florida, with her husband and daughter.

Registration now open for all!
Go to:
www.flyingneedlesquiltguild.org
for more information and link for accommodations, now available.
Home 2 Suites and Holiday Inn Express
Lewis Turner Blvd.
FWB

scan me for complete details

Are you interested in going to this retreat?

QU Member, Pam Mallard, is interested in going to this retreat but would like some company. Her car seats 6 and she will drive and pay for gas.

Pam's info is in the directory so if you are interested, please contact Pam.

Upcoming Quilt Show



**FANTASTIC
41st Annual
QUILT SHOW**

November 15-16, 2024
Friday 9 am - 5 pm
Saturday 9 am - 4 pm

Venetian Center
1 Dozier Court
Leesburg, FL 34748

JUDGED ENTRIES - VENDOR SHOPS - BOUTIQUE -
DEMONSTRATIONS - BASKET RAFFLE - QUILT SALES
AND MORE!

Admission \$10

Check out our website for more show information
lakequiltguild.com

Make Friends. Make Quilts. Make a Difference.

Exhibit by QU Member: Betty Ford-Smith

QU Member, Betty Ford-Smith, will be featured in an exhibit at Appleton Museum in Ocala beginning September 5th and running for 6 months. The exhibit covers 3 rooms on the 1st floor of the Appleton Museum.

Be sure to check out her exhibit !



Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is **November 20, 2025**. 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.

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



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Guild Calendar

2025	What/Where
Guild Meetings are at Temple Israel unless otherwise noted.	
Nov 6	Steering Committee Meeting, Northeast Branch Library
Nov 13	Guild Meeting
Dec 11	Guild Meeting

2025 QU Steering Committee

Position	2025
President	Kerry Cohen
President-Elect	<i>Vacant</i>
Membership VP	Ellen Fournier
Secretary	Janet Taylor
Treasurer	Peggy Clark
Awards	Janet Hughes
Block of the Month	Peggy Clark and Janet Taylor
Challenge Quilt	Cathy Sandmann
City Hall Show 2025	Janet Taylor and Peggy Clark
Door Prize	Teresa Bostwick
Equipment	Michele Hackmeyer
Internet/Website	Sue Isaac
Library	Michele Hackmeyer
Newsletter/Email	Darlene Pricher
Opportunity Quilt 2025	Peggy Clark and Janet Taylor
Opportunity Quilt 2026	<i>Vacant</i>
Past President	Janet Taylor
Philanthropy	<i>Vacant</i>
Programs	Kerry Cohen and Darlene Pricher
Publicity/Social Media	Tara Goodman
Quilt Show 2025	Karen Kunz and Pam Doffek
Quilt Show 2026	<i>Vacant</i>
Silent Auction	Marty O'Neill
Sit-n-Stitch	Jeanne Brenner
Sunshine	Shelley Woodyard
Travel	Christine Walsh
Welcoming	Ann Gaber
Workshops	Cheryl Gratt

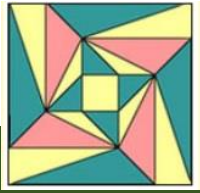
If you are interested in a vacant position, please contact Kerry Cohen. Thank you!

Sit-n-Stitch Groups

A "Sit-n-Stitch" is a group of quilters who meet regularly to work on service projects, learning and practicing quilting techniques, or working on members' individual projects. Some groups meet in members' homes on a rotating basis and others meet at specified locations. If you are interested in joining a sit-n-stitch group, please call Jeanne Brenner or call the group's contact person. Phone numbers are available to Guild members in the Quilters Unlimited Membership Directory. Members are encouraged to form new sit-n-stitch groups to match their quilting interests.

Monday	Quilting Bees @ Senior Center	Weekly 9 am - 1 pm	Janice Watson
	Southwood Stitchers	Weekly 10 am - 1 pm Southwood Community Center	Jane Kazmer
Tuesday	Bits and Pieces	1 st Tuesday, 11 am - 3 pm Eastside Branch Library 1583 Pedrick Road	Teresa Miller
Wednesday	Pin Pals*	1st and 3rd Wednesdays Killearn area, 1:00 - 3:30 pm	Teri Smith
Thursday	Sew Arty	3rd Thursday 11:30 am - 1:30 pm Bernina Connection Bring your own lunch.	Marion Millet
	Patchwork & Prayer	1st, 3rd, 4th Thursday 6:30 - 8:30 pm Crawfordville	Judy Stricklin
	Appliqué Addicts	3rd Thursday 11 am - 1:45 pm Northeast Branch Library	Selena Foo
Friday	Frayed Edges*	Weekly, 9:30 am – 12 pm	Loui Tope
Saturday	Sew for HOPE	1st & 3rd Saturday 10 am - 3 pm Bring your own lunch. St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 2198 N. Meridian Road	Sandra Tate, Judy Rainbrook
	Second Saturday	Saturday after guild meeting, 9 am - 4 pm	Connie Beane

*** Group is currently at maximum capacity.**



CLASSIFIED ADS

QUILTERS UNLIMITED OF TALLAHASSEE

*Items for Sale or Free, by Guild Members.
See Directory for Specific Contact Information*

Classified Ads -- Instructions

Only Guild Members can list items for sale, for services, or “free-to-a-good-home”. How to request an ad? Email your ad/notices to the Newsletter Editor at newsletter@quilttallahassee.com. Briefly describe the item and asking price.

Your item will be posted for only one month per email submission.

ALL NEGOTIATIONS AND PROBLEMS WITH A SALE OR SERVICES ARE BETWEEN THE BUYER AND SELLER.