



# Patchwords

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*August 2025*

## President's Corner

Hello Quilty Friends,

I hope everyone was able to relax during our month off in July. I needed time to recover after our amazing trip. I am now anticipating my long-needed knee surgery at the end of the month. Many of us gathered to celebrate the life of our friend Dolores Kinal. She will be greatly missed. Her friends and family were literally surrounded by her beautiful daughter.

Andrea laughed that she could hear her mom saying "No, not that one" finding fault with it. But none of us could see anything but beauty in every piece. Let us strive for that as we look at our own mistakes and be less critical of ourselves. Find beauty in ourselves as much as we do with others.

Good news: THE 2026 QUILT RETREAT IS SCHEDULED!!! It will be held March 23-26. The theme will be announced at the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. There will be loads of fun, although no spiders or worms will be involved. The team is already busy planning. One thing that will change, we will be implementing a cancellation policy with a non-refundable deposit of \$50.

We understand life happens, but we needed to have a policy in place to handle them, given we have already paid a sizeable deposit to the center. Even though Christian Retreat raised their prices, we kept the fee to attend the same! Find Sue at the meeting, get your name on the list, your spot will be secured with your deposit, and a payment plan for daily, double and single attendees will be available. It is going to be a blast!!

Happy Quilting!  
Susan Fickey



*"Don't let the need of perfection, get in the way of simply making progress"*

## August 4th Meeting

Welcome to August! It's time for SUPER Show & Tell. This is a great opportunity to show off your UFO projects, and even if you're not participating in the UFO challenge, everyone is welcome to participate in Super Show & Tell. Those of you who are participating in the UFO challenge, please bring your completed projects to get verified and checked off by Susan Coyle at the UFO station.

Reminder, the guild is being represented at the LWR library with a display of fall themed quilts and we would LOVE to showcase your work at the library. Please bring your fall themed projects (pillows, quilts, rugs, etc.) to the meeting. Susan Fickey will be collecting them. Make sure you have your contact info attached to the back of your quilt. The quilts will be showcased throughout the month of September and will be safely stored in the locked display case. We'll return your quilt to you at our October guild meeting.

In other news, our upcoming workshops are filling up quickly! As of this writing, the Mondo Bag workshop is completely full and we're starting a waiting list. You can sign up for Collage, Intersection/Interweave or the Disappearing Hourglass workshop at the meeting. Check out the upcoming workshops section of the newsletter for more information.

I will not be at the August meeting but will see you in September! Keep your eye on the Manateepatchworkers Facebook page for more guild program updates.

Have fun at the August meeting!

## Community Service

In June, we had 11 ladies at our community service workshop. Layering quilt tops to backing fabric and batting. 35 more quilts are now ready for quilting and binding. Awesome Job ladies! Our next community service meeting will be in September.

In June we were able to donate 48 dog beds to Humane Society of Manatee County. We donated over 50 quilts to Beds 4 Kids and Guardian Ad Litem. We are currently looking for smaller Quilts for cuddle quilts. Also looking for some masculine quilts as both agencies have boys.

Quilt tops to be quilted and bound as well as dog bed covers will be Available at the community service table at the next meeting.

Questions????

Contact Janice Dentler 941-720-5403  
mamabear@gmail.com

Deb Teeling (seasonal member) 860-308-1012  
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Debbie Magner 941-773-2449 mam9969@outlook.com

Help, I have attended a multiple of retreats this year and as a result of these retreats I have accumulated four large trash bags of dog scrap material.

I am asking for help, anyone willing to take a bag of the scraps and make dog beds for the Humane Society, I would greatly appreciate the help as I know the Community Service group would also.

Please let me know and I will gladly share three of the bags I have and will bring them to the guild meeting.  
June

We have lost a valued guild member with the passing of Dolores Kinal, not only her infectious smile and attitude but a great contributor of her time to the guild's community service group. They are now in need of someone to make the cat bed kits that Dolores so willing donated her time making. Please speak with one of the ladies on the Community Service Board if you are able to help.



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June Cannon

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**Cottage-group coordinator: Jennifer DeVivo**  
Please contact Jennifer should you want to join an existing group or create a new cottage group.

**Cottage groups mean fellowship, friendship, and accomplishment! We would like to encourage our snowbird members to form a cottage group which will meet during the fall and winter months.**

**Your cottage group should be mostly members but can include others—think of it as a recruiting tool!**

**Sew its Friday** All are welcome. Meetings are held at Lakeside South clubhouse 3817 40th Ave. W. in Bradenton on the second and fourth Fridays at 10:00 am. Please contact Carolee Cuba 585-739-1896 or Maureen Dimmick 941-730-3836.

**In Stitches** St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, Lakewood Ranch. Meet Thursday at 10.00 am; teaching and learning all the time. Please join us. Posy Havens is the one to call for information at 941-752-4812.

**Quilters Gatherings** Braden River Library 1-4 p.m. every second Tuesday.  
Contact June Cannon 941-405-5365 for information

**Seaside Quilters** We meet at Christ Church at 4030 Manatee Ave. W. In Bradenton on Mondays from 9:00-12:00. Mondays from 9-12. All are welcome. Contact Mary Lewis at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com for information.

**Sewcialites** South County Library, Bradenton on the 4th Saturday 9a.m.-1p.m. Contact Shelia Walker at 941-275-7899

**Spirit Quilters** Toale Brothers Celebration of Life Center, 4310 Solutions Lane  
Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 9:30 – 3:30. Free sew, maximum of 15 people. Contact: Sue Baker

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The Clubhouse address is 810 49<sup>th</sup> Ave Terrace, Bradenton.  
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## 2025 Upcoming Programs and Workshops

<b>Mon, Aug 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Super Show & Tell
<b>Fri, Aug 15<sup>th</sup></b> 10:30am – 4:00pm	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Kim Hodge's Round Robin Demo Beginner Collage LWR library 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, 34211 ~ Meeting Room A (127) 8 spots left
<b>Mon, Sep 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Getting your quilt ready for the long armer presentation with Deb Phillips and Rob-balee Fouraker
<b>Wed, Sep 3<sup>rd</sup></b> 9:00am – 12:00pm	Set up fall/harvest quilt display LWR library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Fri, Sep 5<sup>th</sup></b> 10:30am – 2:00pm	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Sandi Routhier Half Square Triangle Split Flash, Sew & Quilt, 935 N Beneva Rd #201, Sarasota, FL 34232 8 spots left
<b>Fri, Sep 12<sup>th</sup></b> 2:00pm – 4:00pm	Community Service workshop / partner with the LWR library to make cat mats LWR Library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Wed, Oct 1<sup>st</sup></b> 9:00am – 12:00pm	Take down fall/harvest quilt display LWR Branch Manatee Public Library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Mon, Oct 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Stabilizer presentation by TOPS representative
<b>Wed, Oct 8<sup>th</sup></b> 9	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Mondo Bag! Location TBD SOLD OUT, join the waiting list
<b>Mon, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Special Guest TBD Guild member Yard & Craft sale
<b>Nov 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Time &amp; Place TBD</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Mary Lewis's Round Robin Demo Disappearing Hourglass 14 spots left
<b>Sun, Nov 30<sup>th</sup></b>	UFO Challenge projects due NLT 10pm
<b>Mon, Dec 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Holiday Party, details TBD
<b>Mon, Jan 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Michael Nardi Presentation
<b>Tue, Jan 7<sup>th</sup></b> Time TBD	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Michael Nardi Venue TBD
<b>Mon, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Elissa Ziccardi Presentation
<b>Tue, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Time TBD	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Elissa Ziccardi Venue TBD
<b>Mon, Mar 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Julia McLeod presentation
<b>Tue, Mar 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Time TBD	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Julia McLeod Venue TBD
<b>Mon, Apr 6</b>	Susan Brown presentation
<b>Tue, Apr 7<sup>th</sup></b> Time TBD	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Susan Brown Venue TBD

### *Workshop Registration*

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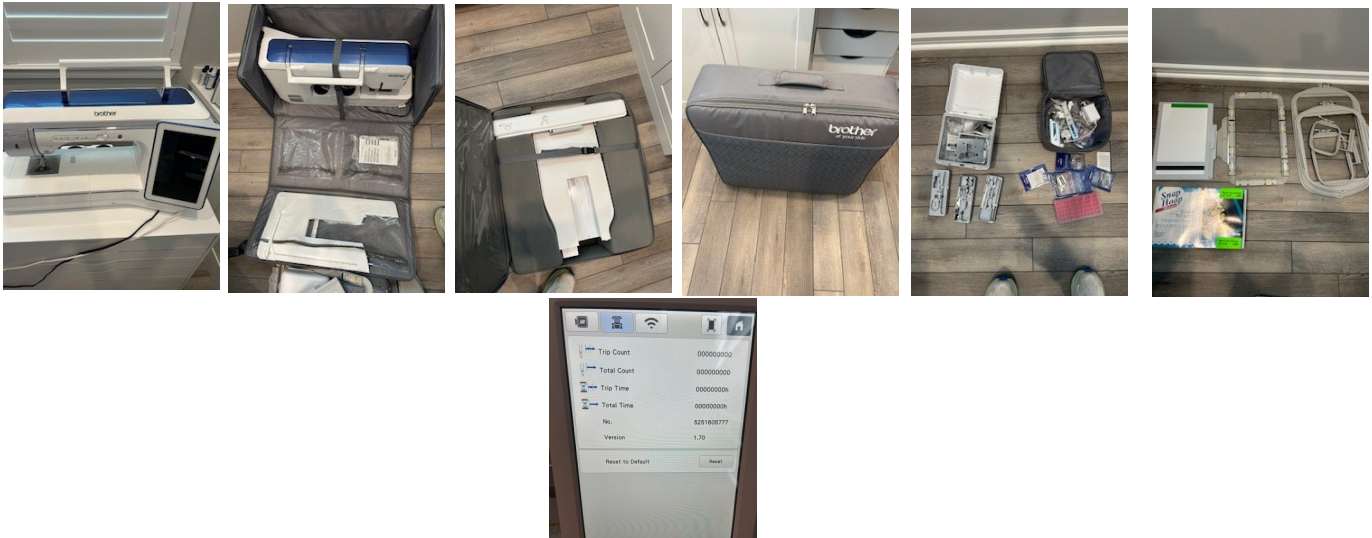


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