



# Patchwords

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September 2025

## President's Corner

Hello Quilty Friends,

It was so good to see so many of you at our August meeting. Our board was able to hold our meeting prior to the general meeting. Thank you to everyone who entered quietly while we completed our board meeting.

First, I want to address the a/c in the meeting room. The church asks that we turn it no lower than 76. At the last meeting, the temp didn't get adjusted early enough so the room was still warm when the meeting started. So sorry, that was my fault. I will be sure to get it turned down early enough before the main meeting. We will make temporary adjustments if needed given the extreme heat we have been having.

During our Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, Kim reported that she has lots of classes planned and is working with the libraries to hold our classes free of charge. Our community service will resume in September so watch for that announcement. We have also added one new cottage group that meets at Flash in Sarasota.

We are looking to participate in craft shows this year to help boost our funds. We are asking our cottage groups to help provide items for the craft shows. We will provide more information and if you have an interest in helping organize this, please let me or a BOD member know.

Finally, YEEHAW, next year's retreat is in the works! The date is March 23-26 at Christian Retreat, and the best part is it won't cost you any more dough than last year! So, get a 'wobble on' and get your registration and your non-refundable deposit in. It's going to be a 'rip-roarin' time!

Happy Quilting,  
Susan Fickey

*"What I make with my hands, I give with my heart"*



## September 1st Meeting

Welcome to September! We have some fun and informative things for you this upcoming month! Our very own Laura Lawson will be showing you her adorable bucket projects in preparation for her December workshop.

Then, hold on to your hats because Deborah Phillips and Robbalee Fouraker will be showing us tips and tricks to prepare our quilts for the long arm. You won't want to miss this one!

Those of you who are participating in the UFO challenge, please bring your completed projects to get verified and checked off by one of the mermaids 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. This is the last chance to bring your fall themed projects (pillows, quilts, rugs, etc.) to the meeting. We will be setting up the display on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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 safely be stored in the locked display case. We'll return your quilt to you at our October guild meeting.

Don't forget to sign up for the upcoming workshops. There's still room for the Intersection/Interweave workshop and the Disappearing Hourglass workshop. The Mondo Bag workshop has a waiting list. More information can be found in the program and workshop section of the newsletter.

Keep your eye on the MP Facebook page for more guild program updates.

## Community Service

In August we donated 9 cat mats and 51 dog beds to the Humane Society of Manatee County. Not bad for summertime with many Members away or otherwise occupied.

We will have our September Community Service workshop on Wednesday September 9 at 10 am—2 pm. Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse. The Clubhouse address is 810 49<sup>th</sup> Ave Terrace, Bradenton.

We will be layering quilt tops, sorting backing for quilt tops and, piecing backing. We will require a couple of sewing machines and, you may want to bring rotary cutters and scissors.

Quilt tops to be machine quilted and quilts to be bound. Dog beds will be available at the community service table in the back of the room at our next meeting.

Questions????

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**Cottage-group coordinator: Jennifer DeVivo**  
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**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. 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  
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**Fair Lane Stitches** Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse  
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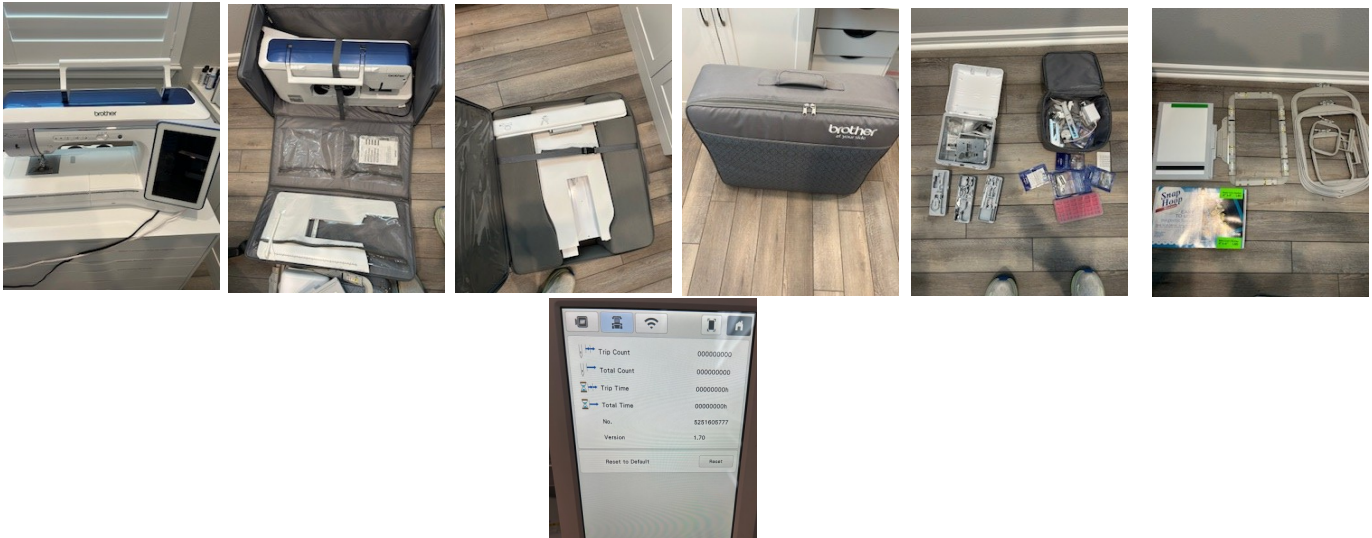
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<b>Wed, Sep 3<sup>rd</sup></b> 9:00am – 12:00pm	Set up fall/harvest quilt display LWR library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Fri, Sep 5<sup>th</sup></b> 10:30am – 2:00pm	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Sandi Routhier Half Square Triangle Split Flash, Sew & Quilt, 935 N Beneva Rd #201, Sarasota, FL 34232 8 spots left
<b>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> or 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Holiday Party, details TBD
<b>Sat, Dec 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Laura Lawson Bucket Bag! This will be at Laura's house, space is limited to 8 members
<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*

Register for workshops early! Use the form online and mail with your check to the PO box or bring to a meeting. Our workshops are open to all quilters, so to ensure your place, register early. Please use a separate form for each workshop.



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**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



# September 2025

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	1 <u>Seaside Quilters</u> 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	2	3	4 <u>In Stitches</u> 10 a.m.—3pm.	5 <u>Fair Lane Stitches</u> 10 a.m. –3 p.m.	6
7	8 <u>Seaside Quilters</u> 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m..	9 <u>Quilters Gatherings</u> 1p.m.—3p.m.	10	11 <u>In Stitches</u> 10 a.m.—3pm.	12 <u>Sew its Friday</u> 10:00 am.	13
14	15 <u>Seaside Quilters</u> 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	16	17 <u>Spirit Quilters</u> 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	18 <u>In Stitches</u> 10 a.m.—3pm.	19 <u>Fair Lane Stitches</u> 10 a.m. –3 p.m.	20 <u>Saturday Stitches</u> 10:30 a.m.-3pm
21	22 <u>Seaside Quilters</u> 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	23	24	25 <u>In Stitches</u> 10 a.m.—3pm.	26 <u>Sew its Friday</u> 10:00 am.	27 <u>Sewcialites</u> 9a.m.-1p.m.
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