



# Patchwords

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June 2025

## President's Corner

Hello Quilty Friends,

Wasn't the May meeting a lot of fun? Thanks to Kim, Sheila, Sandi and Mary for presenting. Kim is doing a great job and is bringing in some great instructors in 2026 and will filling in for me as President at our June meeting while I am away.

This will also be your last day to submit your list to participate in the 2025 UFO challenge. This is a great incentive to encourage you to finish those quilts. I'm hoping to surprise you all by finishing lots of these tops I have!

The board has decided to make July a guild vacation month. This means there will not be any guild activities including meetings, community service or newsletter. Individual cottage groups can make their own decision on their individual meeting.

Finally, our board meetings are going to move date and location. Beginning August 4, we will be meeting at 5:00 at the church prior to our general meeting. If you arrive early, please enter quietly, check yourself in and have a seat you may listen to the meeting. Happy quilting!

Susan Fickey



***"Quilting is like love... do it with abandon"***

## Tips and Tricks

Old wool blankets make excellent replacement for batting in your quilts.

## June 2nd Meeting

June is Kawandi month! We'll start with a presentation from Sally Cook and Katherine Vance, followed by a workshop @ the LWR library on June 4<sup>th</sup>. As of this writing there is only one spot left.

We're also bringing you a special board member Show & Tell. You'll get to see the board member's first or worst quilt and our latest quilt. It'll be fun to see how we've progressed throughout the years. We're intentionally not doing a guild members' show and tell because the UFO challenge is kicking off this same day and we wanted to give you a chance to add as many UFOs to your list as possible, without rushing to get it done to show at the June meeting.

Speaking of the UFO challenge, it officially kicks off on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and ends on November 30<sup>th</sup>. For \$20, you can join the challenge. Whoever completes the most UFOs by November 30<sup>th</sup> will get the pot at the Christmas party. The more members who join, the bigger the pot of money.

Rules and entry forms are at the end of the newsletter and will be posted to the website. Bring your completed UFO forms and entry fee to this meeting. If you can't make this meeting, make sure your entry form and check is received in the mail by June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Don't forget to make yourself a copy.

Finally, be on the lookout for many more workshops. Our goal is to have one workshop a month, starting with workshops from last month's Round Robin. And what's more fun than sewing alone when you can sew with your friends?

See you in June!

## Community Service

We recently were able to donate quilts to His Girls Disciples which included a quilt to raffle for fund raising. We also donated 22 dog beds and 9 cat mats to the Humane Society of Manatee County. Thanks to the ladies who donated fabric for dog beds.

We met for our community service meeting today. We had 16 Ladies working on cutting 2 ½ inch strips. We were able to make 40 plus jelly roll kits and additional strips were cut. These will be used for a future project. Thank you, Denise Ingham, for your assistance moving materials to and from storage and thank you ladies for all your help. Great job ladies!

The next community service meeting will be held on Wednesday June 11 at Fairlane Acres clubhouse 819 49<sup>th</sup> Ave terrace west from 10-2.

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

Questions????

Contact Janice Dentler 941-720-5403  
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## 2025 Upcoming Programs and Workshops

<b>Mon, Jun 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kawandi Quilting presentation with Katherine Vance and Sally Cook</li> <li>• Board members First/Worst Quilt and progression to the latest quilt</li> <li>• UFO 2025 Challenge kicks off. All entries must be received by this date.</li> </ul>
<b>Wed, Jun 4<sup>th</sup></b> 12:00pm – 5:00pm	Kawandi Quilting workshop LWR branch Manatee Public Library 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Fri, Jun 6<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am – 12:30pm	Beginning Quilting Class Session 5 LWR branch Manatee Public Library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Fri, Jun 20<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am – 12:30pm	Beginning Quilting Class Session 6 FINAL class from 9:30am – 12:30pm LWR branch Manatee Public Library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<b>Mon, Jul 7<sup>th</sup></b>	NO GUILD MEETING
<b>Mon, Aug 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Super Show & Tell
<b>Aug TBD</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Kim Hodge's Round Robin Demo Beginner Collage (half day)
<b>Mon, Sep 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Getting your quilt ready for the long armer presentation with Deb Phillips and Robba-lee Fouraker
<b>Wed, Sep 3<sup>rd</sup></b> 9:00am – 12:00pm	Set up fall/harvest quilt display LWR Branch Manatee Public Library, 16410 Rangeland Pkwy, Bradenton, FL 34211
<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 Branch Manatee Public 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>Oct TBD</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Mondo Bag!
<b>Sep 2 or 5</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Sandi Routhier's Round Robin Demo (half day)
<b>Mon, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Guild member Yard & Craft sale
<b>Nov 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Time TBD</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Mary Lewis's Round Robin Demo Disappearing Hourglass
<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

### *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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# Cottage Groups

**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

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**Fair Lane Stitches** Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse  
The Clubhouse address is 810 49<sup>th</sup> Ave Terrace, Bradenton. For June only this cottage group will meet Monday, June 2 and Monday, June 16.  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday from 10am –3pm. All are welcome. Contact: Rita Wright. 847-226-8201



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*If you know of a guild member who needs some sunshine or special recognition, please let Susan Taylor know so she send a card. catlady0319@gmail.com*

*We encourage support of those who support our guild with their advertisement in our newsletter and web pages!*

*Please avoid using scented products on meeting nights to help our members with allergies breathe a little better.*



## Manatee Patchworkers Quilt Guild 2025 UFO Challenge 2 June – 30 November 2025

The UFO (unfinished objects) challenge is a great way to motivate yourself to finish your PHDs (projects half done). The buy in is \$20 and you must be paid in full by June 2nd. The guild member with the most completed UFO's by November 30th will receive the pot at the Christmas party on December 1st. Should there be a tie, the pot will be split. If no one completes the minimum requirement of 6 projects, the kitty will carry over to the UFO challenge in 2026, where the minimum number of projects will be 12. To ensure a minimum pot of \$200, we'll need at least 10 guild members to participate. The more who participate, the higher the payoff. Just think, if 100 members participate, that's a \$2,000 pay day!

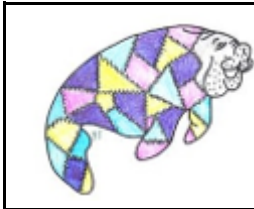
### RULES FOR UFO CHALLENGE

1. A UFO is defined as an object that you have **ALREADY STARTED** but have **NOT FINISHED**. It does not include projects that you have not yet started. We are not the quilt police, so this is on the honor system.

#### TYPES of UFOs

- a. **UFO Quilts:** Minimum size 35" x 52." Must be quilted, bound and labeled to be considered finished. You may include quilts from guild workshops or any kits you have started as of June 2nd.
  - b. **UFO Quilted Goods:** These are not necessarily quilts, but it should be something that is customary for a quilt guild. Examples are a set of 6 placemats, tree skirts, fabric bags, a quilted garment, fabric bowls, jelly roll rugs, baby quilts, wall hangings, etc. **YOU MAY ONLY COMPLETE ONLY ONE OF THESE ITEMS.** The other five items must be completed quilts.
2. UFOs become **FINISHED** when they are in their final form. For example, if a **QUILT** is entered, it must be **quilted, bound, and contain a LABEL**. Quilt tops "only" are not finished. If it does not meet these criteria, then please wait to declare it finished until it truly is finished. Other fabric items must simply be in their final form.
  3. You must give a name to your UFO because we need to be able to identify which project to mark off your list as finished. For example, you enter a quilt that you name The Owl Quilt because it can be identified a few months from now by that name even though the label reads "Donna's Owl Quilt."
  4. The **DEADLINE** to submit UFO entry forms and entry fee is **MONDAY, JUNE 2ND**. If you can't make it to the May or June meetings, you can mail your check and submission form to Manatee Patchworkers, PO Box 356, Bradenton, FL 34206. Make sure you make a copy for yourself.
  5. You must show the finished project to one of the UFO Challenge volunteers (Susan Coyle or Kim Hodge) to receive credit for finishing it and to make sure the correct object is marked off your list. And don't forget to bring it to Show and Tell. If you can't make it to a meeting to show the finished project, you can email pics to Susan or Kim. Pics must include the whole quilt, the binding and the label. You can turn in a project every month, or you can wait until 10pm on November 30th to email in your completed projects to us. But we hope you won't do that.

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**Manatee Patchworkers Quilt Guild  
2025 UFO Challenge Worksheet  
2 June – 30 November 2025**

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**Manatee Patchworkers Quilt Guild  
2025 UFO Challenge Worksheet  
Continuation Sheet  
2 June – 30 November 2025**

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