



# Patchwords

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August 2024

## President's Corner

Hi Quilty Friends,

Our July meeting was a great time to visit with friends. Before the meeting started, I had to grab my phone to get a picture of all the members at the tables reading *The Florida Register*. Thank you, Mary, for organizing this time to socialize and enjoy some yummy treats.

This year is flying by, and our quilt show will be here before we know it. Katherine Vance is working on the entry forms which you should have at the next meeting. Quilts entries will be numbered, and quilts will be judged in that order. The judge will be given the categories and 'best of' areas. She will then award these ribbons.

Why the change? Since two categories have the most quilts and we had a limited number of ribbons per category, some amazing quilts were not being recognized. We hope this change fixes that. When you see Katherine, please take a moment to thank her for her hard work.

Our August 5th meeting will be a fun Community Service Workshop. If you plan to bring your machine, please let me know when making your reservation. Remember, we have limited electrical outlets, so please bring additional power strips/extension cords as well as basic supplies for your machine. The guild will provide the projects. Doors will open early at 5:00 so we can finish as many projects as possible.

We will NOT have a show meeting this month.

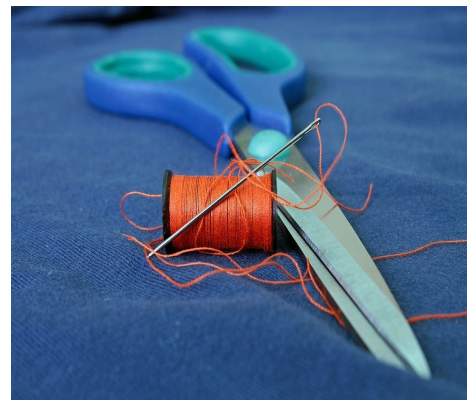
Happy Quilting,

Susan Fickey

*"Quilters affect eternity; they can never tell where their influence stops."*

## August 5 Meeting

Our August meeting will be our annual Community Service workshop. Please note that the start time will be earlier! Doors will open at 5:00. When you text Susan your reservation, let her know if you're bringing your sewing machine so we can provide power as necessary. We hope to get a lot done! Our business meeting will be at our usual 7:00 time. Hope to see lots of stitchers and helpers!



# Community Service

Are you ready for our **BIG Community Service Sit & Sew on Monday, August 5??** Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and there will be quilt top kits available to piece. If you are working on a Community Service project you can bring that, but, please, no personal projects this time. You will need your usual sewing supplies - stations for ironing & cutting will be set up - along with your machine (do not forget the power cord!) - and an extension cord. When you call Susan with your meeting reservation, please let her know if you plan to bring a sewing machine so there is a "workspace" for you. Our monthly meeting will begin at 7:00 as usual. Sheila will be the point of reference for this event.

It just would not be a meeting without dog bed covers and quilts-to-be-quilted available. There are also a couple of quilts that need binding.

In July 15 dog beds and five cat mats we donated to Manatee County Humane Society. One of our members also donated fifteen dog beds on her own. Thanks to everyone who helps with this effort - donations like these allow Manatee Patchworkers to remain a 501c3 tax-exempt organization.

Any questions, contact -Janice Dentler - 941-720-5403 or [mamabear229@gmail.com](mailto:mamabear229@gmail.com)  
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**Monday, August 5—5:00 p.m.—Community Service workshop**

**Monday, September 2—Super Show & Tell and more**

**Saturday, September 7—Hand quilting with Katherine Vance at Bits & Pieces—**

**This class is almost full, so get your form in!**

**Monday, October 7—Skills Round Robin on Disappearing Blocks**

**Monday, November 11—note change of date to second Monday! Quilt turn-in AM, last-minute show prep and volunteer signups at meeting**

**Thursday, November 14, show setup; show November 15-16**

**Monday, December 2—Annual Holiday Party—volunteer party planners needed! This is your opportunity to grab a couple of friends and plan a memorable holiday party!**



### Tips and Tricks

When starting a new project always read the pattern all the way through. I know from experience that sometimes the instructions can be confusing, however, once I start actually following the pattern as I make it, the instructions start to make sense. I have fewer mistakes when I actually follow the writers request that we read the pattern.

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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** Beginning June 3 we will be meeting at Christ Church at 4030 Manatee Avenue W. in Bradenton until October. on 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.-2p.m. Contact Sheila Walker at 941-275-7899

**Spirit Quilters** Toale Brothers Celebration of Life Center, 4310 Solutions Lane  
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If you know of a guild member who needs some sunshine or special recognition, please let Jeanie McLaughlin know so she send a card.  
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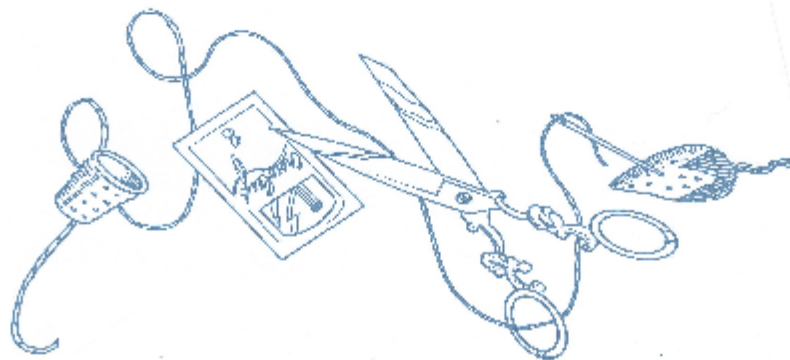
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