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June 2024

President's Corner

Hi Quilty Friends,

Can you believe we had over 70 people at our May meeting? Amazing, especially considering many of our northern friends have headed home. I want to start my message by again thanking Jennifer DeVivo for assuming the secretary's position I left when becoming president. She has done a fantastic job. She isn't leaving the guild, just stepping back to focus on other things. We do have one person interested in this position. If anyone else is interested please let me know as soon as possible. We need to fill this position as soon as possible.

Our board members are outstanding and do a variety of tasks and jobs, beyond their specific roles in the guild. Our next meeting will feature our board, giving a clearer picture of the tasks being done for the benefit of the guild. If you hear something you would like to be involved in, talk to us. More hands lighten the load and extend the fun. I will be on a trip with my hubby, but the wonderful Sheila will be filling in for me for the clue word prize. Find Sheila, give her the clue word and get your ticket for a chance to win. Search the newsletter to find that special word!

Our Quilt Show plans are moving along. Sheila is working on advertising but needs everyone's help. Please help by picking up the flyers and cards she and Mary have made and distributing them EVERYWHERE! Don't forget to sell those opportunity tickets. We will have a need of a "vendor hostess" that will check on our vendors during the show and take/deliver lunch orders. If interested, please contact a board member, or text me.

Happy Quilting,
Susan Fickey

"Quilting is a scrap of happiness."



June 3 Meeting

Our June meeting will be dedicated to your board. Board members will tell you what their jobs entail—what the Bylaws state as well as all the extras each board member takes on. We would like to give all of our members an opportunity to think about either running for office or offering to perform a single task that fits your schedule and will lighten the load for an individual board member, benefit the guild, and add to the enjoyment of everyone. Board members serve a term of two years, with half of the board elected every year. This year it's the turn of the vice president, secretary, communications, and community-service board members. We have a very cohesive and hardworking board that enjoys getting together to take care of the business of the guild and has fun together, and we'd love to welcome you in any capacity! Bring your show & tell, community-service projects, and food-bank donations, and we'll see you at the meeting!



Community Service

Our next Community Service workshop will be **Thursday, June 13, 10:00-2:00, at Fair Lane Acres clubhouse, 819 49th Ave Ter W.** We'll be layering those great quilt tops members have donated and will need help choosing, piercing, and ironing backing as well as making those "quilt sandwiches". Bring your usual sewing supplies - one or two sewing machines would be great. An iron and ironing board will be provided.

Lots of donations in May: 46 quilts to Guardian ad Litem, 46 quilts to Beds 4 Kids, and 3 quilts to His Girls Disciples (1 for a new resident and 2 for their fundraising auction). Manatee County Humane Society received 18 dog beds and 5 cat mats. We have only a few finished quilts in storage but many that are ready to be quilted!

Please stop by the Community Service table before or after the monthly meeting to pick up ready-to-quilt kits, quilts to be bound, or a dog bed cover (or all 3!)

And here's a preview - our August meeting will be a Community Service sit-and-sew led by Sheila Walker. We'll be providing kits for quilt tops (or you can bring your own **Community Service project** to work on). More details to follow - stay tuned!

Questions?
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Check out the Library page on our website. There is a link there to a library list, and you can email our librarian, Darlene Schwartz at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com, and request a book that you can pick up at the next meeting—we have lots of books, and Darlene cannot put them all out for meetings, so take a look at the list, which is updated regularly.

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2024 Upcoming Programs and Workshops

Monday, June 3—Meet the board and volunteers and learn what it takes to run our guild and all its activities—your chance to take part!

June 8—One Block Wonder Panel Quilt Class with Darlene Schwartz at Fairlane Acres clubhouse

Monday, July 1—Guild social, snacks and drawings, UFO final and prize drawing—enjoy socializing, make new friends, and maybe win a prize!

Monday, August 5—Time TBA—Community Service workshop

Monday, September 2—Super Show & Tell and more

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

Monday, October 7—Skills Round Robin, subjects TBA

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!

Calling all members! We will be having a Quilters Yard Sale at our quilt show in November 2024. I am looking for donations of quilting related items and fabric that you no longer want or need. I am looking for quilt shop quality fabric and notions that you want to give to your guild and we will sell at the show in November. If you could hold on to these items over the summer and I will start collecting at the September and October meetings. I live in a small house and have little storage. This is not to be confused with Consignment table of our show where you will receive part of the money from the sale. This is a donation. If you have any questions please contact me at the number on our membership list.

Thank you
Sandy Routhier

Tips and Tricks

For appliqué or embroidery work, keep [multiple needles](#) threaded with all the colors you need. When you're in the groove, the last thing you want to do is stop to thread a needle. Having everything prepared ahead of time not only saves you time, but allows you to continue working while you're in the zone.

2024 Board of Directors

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One-Block Wonder Panel Quilts Class

With Darlene Schwartz

Saturday, June 8, 9:00-3:00

At Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse

810 49th Ave Terrace, Bradenton

Class Supply List

- **Required text:** *One-Block Wonder Panel Quilts* by Maxine Rosenthal and Nancy Miller (available on Amazon)
- 7 repeats of a fabric panel. **DO NOT PRE-WASH THE FABRIC!!!!** (Bits and Pieces in Bradenton has panels on sale and if you like one that isn't on sale there will be a discount for members taking the class.)
- Rotary Cutting tools - mat, rotary cutter, rulers - one long, one short, and one a 60 degree ruler
- Flower Pins. These pins lay flat; flat enough for a ruler to be over them and the ruler will still be flat against the fabric
- Basic sewing supplies
- Sewing machine
- Wooden pressing tool or small iron
- Design wall (can be piece of flannel or batting, foam core covered with flannel or batting, or flannel backed table cloth)

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.-3p.m. Contact Shelia Walker at 941-275-7899

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

Fair Lane Stitches Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse every 1st and 3rd Friday from 10am –3pm. The Clubhouse address is 810 49th Ave Terrace, Bradenton.
All are welcome. Contact: Rita Wright. 847-226-8201

(special word is chocolate)



Jeanie McLaughlin	Jun 8
Suzy Weinbach	Jun 15
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Everyone will appreciate your cell phone being placed on vibrate or turned off during meetings and classes!



If you know of a guild member who needs some sunshine or special recognition, please let Jeanie McLaughlin know so she send a card. mjjetoo@aol.com

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