President's Corner

Friends,

Thank you all for purchasing so much of that beautiful fabric at our last meeting. The Guild will use the money well. Many thanks to Janice, Carolee, and Deb for putting this together.

At the last meeting I mentioned going to His Girls Discipleship thrift shop and talking with the sweet lady behind the counter. She thanked the Guild so much for the wonderful quilts that we donated to their very worthy cause. I found a paper on their counter listing immediate needs. I read it to you but thought it better to put it here.

Paper towels
Toilet paper
Shampoo and conditioner
Female products, preferably tampons
Hand and body wash
Laundry D
etergent and fabric softener
Nonperishable food items and K-cups
Baby food, wipes, diapers
Dishwasher pods
Basic makeup

If you have any of the items, please bring them to the meeting and I will see that they get to them. Dawn Marie has already donated quite a few of these items. Thanks, Dawn Marie.

The planning meeting for our next show was exceedingly successful. Many ideas were discussed and quite a few of you volunteered to act as chairs. More information will be shared at the next meeting. Please contact Susan or Robin with ideas or to volunteer.

Currently the Quilter's Safari Retreat is full, but Sue and Susan are trying to figure out how to accommodate more of you. So, if you are still hoping to attend, make sure to talk to one of them ASAP!

Sally has resigned her position on the board. June volunteered to help Sue out with Membership.

Do not forget to bring in your Christmas in July Auction items. Please get them in ASAP with the guild's label

fill out a drawing ticket. I will be adding something else to the bag at the meeting. Be sure to keep July 15 on your calendar. We will need lots of help at the auction

PLEASE get your reservation in to Susan Fickey as soon as you can. We need to tell the Church how many chairs we need set up. We do not want this to be a last-minute detail..

See you May 1st.

Hugs and chocolate, Sheila



"Here's to all the friends who know you well but still like vou."

May 1 Meeting

Our May 1 meeting program will introduce the beginning steps to making a fabric portrait—producing a pattern, materials, embellishments, etc., etc. Plus there will be a follow-up workshop to work through baby steps to a simple small portrait to whet your appetite for more! As always, bring your show and tell, Community Service projects, food donations, and enthusiasm! Don't forget your Christmas in July donations, and wear your nametag!













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Community Service

Our next Community Service workshop at Manatee County Library, South Branch, 6081 26th St W, Bradenton, will be Monday, May 8, 9:30-2:00. Fridge and microwave are available if you wish to bring lunch, or Subway is in walking distance if you want to buy something. We'll be cutting fabric strips to make kits for Jelly Roll Race quilts. Please bring a cutting mat, rotary cutter and a ruler, or any cutting system that you like to use.

In April, we were able to donate 45 dog beds and 11 cat mats to Manatee County Humane Society. These donations help maintain the Guild's 501c3 tax exempt status so it's important that we continue with this program. Dog bed covers are available at the Community Service table before and after each meeting. Please remember to use only scraps of quilting fabric and batting - no foam, clothing, or sharps.

Last month's Fabric Frenzy was a huge success! Almost all the fabric found new homes - can't wait to see what amazing things our talented members make with their bargains. Thanks so much to all who helped with sorting & pricing, setting up, and "hostess" tables for the Fabric Frenzy. Couldn't have done it without y'all!!

Any questions or concerns, contact -

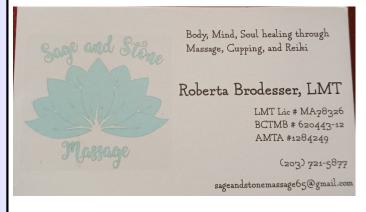
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Everyone will appreciate your cell phone being placed on vibrate or turned off during meetings and classes!





To reserve your seat at the guild meeting send a text to Susan Fickey 941-920-1962, and she will confirm your attendance.

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

Holiday Party 2023 Sue Baker, our premier party planner, is resigning from being the person in charge of our annual holiday party. We are hoping that a cottage group or a committee of friends will take over the party planning. Sue is happy to help and advise as needed. We do have a budget for the party, so if you have always wanted to be a party planner, this is your opportunity! It's always more fun when you can work with friends, so collect a group and come up with some ideas—gift exchanges, games, puzzles, door prizes, whatever! Please contact Mary Lewis at the guild email, manateepatchworkers@gmail.com, if you want to help out the guild and provide a fun time for members.



FOR SALE

Juki 2200 - \$700

If you talk to anyone who has one of these, they will tell you it's a real workhorse and they love it. If you are interested, it is 700.00 cash or check. It has an extension table and some extras.

Contact: Cheryl Green, 863-214-3793

2023 Upcoming Programs and Workshops

Monday, May 1—Steps to portraits—fusibles, materials, embellishment for improv, simple, or whimsical likenesses

Saturday, May 6—Simple/Whimsical Portraits, Mary Lewis
Monday, June 5—Painting & embellishment, using and taming unusual
fabrics

Monday, July 3—Snacks and social time, Christmas in July info Saturday, July 15—Christmas in July online auction of donated quilts Etc. Monday, August 7—Community Service workshop Monday, September 4—Sewing machine maintenance info; Super Show & Tell

Saturday, September 9—"Mosaic" Quilt with Sheila Walker
Monday, October 2—Skills Round Robin on embellishment
Monday, November 6—Frieda Anderson lecture and slide show, New
Traditions

Monday, December 4—Annual Holiday Party

FOR SALE \$200 Built in 2926, believe to be a model 66

Contact: Sandi Routhier 941-201-2676 sandirouthier@yahoo.com



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

Please wear your name tag at meetings and workshops so we'll all know who you are and can get to know you!

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

Cottage Granps

Cottage-group coordinator: Jennifer DeVivo
Please contact Jennifer should you want to join an existing group of 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.

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.

<u>Quilters Gatherings</u> Braden River Library 1-4 p.m. every second Tuesday.

Contact June Cannon 941-405-5365 for information

Seaside Quilters meets at Annunciation Church on Holmes Beach on Mondays from 9-12. All are welcome. Contact Mary Lewis at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com for information.

<u>Sewcialites</u> 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 Stitchers Fair Lane Acres Clubhouse every 1st and 3rd Friday from 10am -2pm, starting April 7th. The Clubhouse address is 810 49th Ave Terrace, Bradenton. All are welcome. Contact: Rita Wright. 847-226-8201

Library Page

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 will not have a table for the library books due to the material sale. The table will be back at our May meeting.

Did You Know?

Guild members and your friends can advertise items for sale in the newsletter and on our Guild web site. We advertise non-members equipment in the news letter for free and if they wish to advertise on our web site there is a one time of \$10 fee. Contact June Cannon at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com to advertise equipment you no longer need or want.



Calendar of quilting events may be found on the link below, the Florida Quilt Network Newsletter:

http://www.floridaquiltnetwork.com/

Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the second Monday of the month, we meet for dinner at 6 p.m. at Perkins on SR41and our meeting begins at 7 p.m. Join us for dinner or come just for the board meeting.

Please contact Sheila Walker (941-275-7899) and she will add your name to our reservations.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY AUCTION

Item Donation Form

Thank you very much for supporting the Manatee

Patchworkers Quilt Guild!

Donation Guidelines:

Any handmade item, any size

ITEM#

SOLD FOR \$

For Auction use only

Include a label. Please attach a Manatee Patchworkers label if space permits. You may also include a personal label with your name and date if you wish. Also, if not an original design please include the designers' information/pattern name (this is required for us to sell the item). It does not need to be permanently attached, it can be pinned to the back of the item or placed in a pocket.

If it is a home décor item, please don't forget a hanging method, sleeve, corners or maybe a cute ribbon.

Please add a few comments. It will greatly help the presenter to have a few notes to help sell your item. For example, made from donated fabric; 100% cotton batting; Insul-brite batting; number of pockets; strap length, made with help from my grandchild, etc. Any little tidbit to add some pizazz to our show!

Makers Name & Phone # (in case we have questions)

Item Type (Quilt, Bag, Wall Hanging, Pillow, etc.)

Item Name (eg. "Hot Flashes" by Cozy Quilt Designs or "Clam Up" by ByAnnie)

Item Size (W x L or W x L x D. Also Crib, Throw, Queen etc. if applicable)

Comments about your item

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Continue on back if necessary



Simple or Whimsical Portrait

With Mary Lewis

Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 10:00-4:00
Bits & Pieces, 1303 13th Ave. W., Bradenton

Nould you like to take your first steps in learning to make fabric portraits? We'll use your photo—a selfie, or a photo of a child grandchild, or other family member—to produce your first!

This first attempt will be small—you'll enlarge your photo of choice on your printer to fit the page, produce a pattern from that on clear plastic, copy the pattern on a freezer-paper sheet and proceed from there to fabric. Your fabric portrait can be inhanced with colored pencils, fabric markers or pens, or threat painting. Your portrait doesn't have to be realistic; you can strive for realism if you wish, but you can also use wild colors to nake it whimsical or outrageous. Value and contrast count mor

than trying to be true to the colors in your photo! This workshop is intended to teach the first steps in technique by keeping the pattern pieces to the minimum needed to make a ecognizable and satisfying image. You'll have a few steps to take thome to prepare for the class using your printer, then we'll go not o drawing the eyes and preparing your fabric pieces, tacking and then adhering them to the background, and moving on to enhancing your portrait! Contact Mary Lewis with questions at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com.



"Mosaic" Class with Sheila Walker
Saturday, September 9, 10:00-4:00
Bits & Pieces, 1303 13th Ave. W.,
Bradenton

This pattern by Donna Jordan makes a simple but interesting quilt. Sheila has Donna's permission to provide the pattern to workshop participants, so choose four favorite colors and make it for yourself or for a gift. Christmas is coming! It's sure to be a fun day, so join your friends and make piles of blocks for a colorful quilt that will go together in a flash! These blocks would also nake a great table runner or pillow. A supply list will be wailable on our website, www.manateepatchworkers.org,

and you can contact Sheila Walker at manateepatchworkers@gmail.com if you have questions.







QUILTER'S SAFARI

Manatee Patchworkers Fall Retreat

October 23th thru October 26th 2023
Christian Retreat Center
1200 Glory Way Blvd
Registration Form

Name:		
Phone#		
Address:		
E-Mail		

COSTS: (payment plan are Available)

Daytrippers \$300 All meals except Dinner (\$45.00 extra for Dinner)
Shared Room \$460.00 per person All meals included (BEST VALUE)
Single Room \$525 all Meals Included
Check into Rooms Oct 23th 3 p.m.
Check out 11 am Oct 26th
You can start setting up in Sewing room at 9:30 am on Oct 26th
Out of retreat center by 4:00 p.m. Oct 26th

Sit and Sew all Day and Night Make New Friends and Enjoy the Old Ones

Beware It's A Jungle Here!!!!!!!!!!!!







