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September 2023

President's Corner

Friends,

First things first! A huge thanks to Janice and Carolee for their spearheading the Community Service Guild Workshop at our August guild meeting. Not only were quilt tops completed (with more to come in) but we had a fun time. Now we need them quilted and bound. Hint, hint!

At our Board meeting Darlene laid out the features of our new website. One of those features will be a member only page where the guild can keep confidential information. It will function like the one we had several years ago. This will be where our members will be able to find both our general meeting and board minutes. In addition, both minutes will be placed on our private Facebook page under a special tab and also each month's minutes will be included in the newsletter email cover letter. Please be patient with the website changes as it is still a work in progress.

While we are talking about our website, we will again be able to post pictures in a gallery. However, we need a guild photographer. We need someone to step up to do this. Please contact me if you are willing to do this.

Show and Tell at our September meeting should be glorious! It will be the focus of our program. The two-item limit has been waived for this meeting. Bring your beauties and be prepared to tell us about them. I'm even bringing something.

PLEASE get your reservation in to Susan Fickey as soon as you can. The church needs to know the number of people coming so they can set up. See you, Labor Day.

Hugs and chocolate,
Sheila

"Not all of us can do great things, but we can all do small things with great love." -Mother Theresa



September 4 Meeting

Our September meeting will feature our Super Show and Tell! You're not limited to two items this month, so bring whatever you've finished recently and tell us about it! And if you have an all-time favorite quilt you'd like to show off, bring that and tell us why. In addition, we'll introduce our donor quilt this month and a new UFO program so you can get those projects finished for our 2024 quilt show! As always, drop off finished dog beds and charity quilts and pick something up to finish at home. See you there!

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Community Service

Our next Community Service workshop will be **Thursday, September 7, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** - please let Janice know if you plan to come and include your phone number. The South County Library has enhanced the programs offered there, so we are no longer able to use the room for Community Service.

Thanks to Rita Wright, we are now able to meet at the **Clubhouse at Fair Lane Acres the first Thursday in September, October, and November.** The address is **810 49th Ave Ter W, Bradenton** - easiest access is from **14th St W** - head east at the **"Hooters" intersection.** We'll be layering quilts and making dog bed covers. We'll need some of you to bring your sewing machine. Don't forget your lunch!

Thanks to all who participated in the Jelly Roll Race at our last meeting - lots of talking, laughing, and beautiful quilt tops. It was a great chance to meet new people and catch up with friends.

In August, Manatee County Humane Society received 15 dog beds. We are running low on dog bed covers - if you have home dec fabric or denim that you are willing to donate, it would be appreciated. Remember that these donations along with our quilt donations help to maintain our 501c3 tax-exempt status.

Any questions, contact -

Janice Dentler - 941-720-5403 - mamabear229@gmail.com
(Carolee is out of town)



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2023 Upcoming Programs and Workshops

- Monday, September 4—Super Show & Tell, Donor Quilt, UFO program**
Saturday, September 9—”Mosaic” quilt class with Sheila Walker at Bits & Pieces
Monday, October 2—Skills Round Robin
Thursday, October 5—Paper-piecing workshop with Darlene Schwartz
Monday, November 6—Frieda Anderson lecture and slide show, New Traditions
Monday, December 4—Annual Holiday Party

Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the second Monday of the month, we meet for dinner at 6 p.m. at Perkins on SR41 and our meeting begins at 7 p.m.

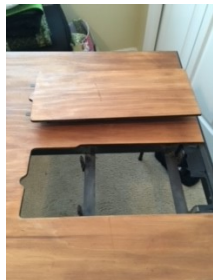
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Special Events to include:

- Sewlebrity Meet & Greet with our Guest Educators for all Access Attendees. Tiki Hut Pavilion Monday - Oct 2, 6-8:00 PM
- Lecture Trunk Show with Amanda Murphy. Tiki Hut Pavilion, Tuesday, October 3, 6 - 7:30 PM
- Sewlebrity Panel Discussion hosted by our Master of Ceremonies Richard Laible, Wednesday, Oct 4, 2-3:00 PM. This will be a must-see!
- Grand Prize Drawings - Wednesday, Oct 4th, 3:00 PM

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Melinda Wellman	Sept. 28



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

Holiday Party

We'll set a meeting date to plan the holiday party in early fall. If you'd like to join the planning, watch for a notice in the newsletter, and join Mary Lewis, Jolyn Taylor, and Carol Johns with your good ideas!



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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

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

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



"Mosaic" Class with Sheila Walker

Saturday, September 9, 10:00-4:00

Bits & Pieces, 1303 13th Ave. W.,

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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 your 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 make a great table runner or pillow. A supply list will be available on our website, www.manateepatchworkers.org,

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

How to do Foundation Paper Piecing With Darlene Schwartz

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