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December 2024

President's Corner

Hello Quilty Friends,

We did it! The 2024 quilt show is over and while I don't have exact numbers yet, I can say we made a profit. That is a huge relief given all the challenges this show faced from a change of date, venue and fewer available vendors. However, this guild stepped up, donated and volunteered to make the show a success. From intake, judging, setting up and hanging quilts, welcoming guests, running booths, and then breaking it all down again. It takes a lot of work from a lot of people.

I'm so grateful to all of you for pulling together to make the show a success. Of course, swirl ice cream helped!! Our guests were blown away by your amazing talent, as was our judge. We are still in need of a chairperson. I will be putting together a survey to allow everyone to share their thoughts as we look forward to our next show.

At our November meeting, we elected new board members: Kim Hodge, Vice President; Janet Evans, Communications – Website; Katherine Vance, Communications – Facebook. We look forward to welcoming these new board members.

I wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends

Happy Quilting
Susan Fickey

*"Quilting is a scrap of
happiness"*

December 2 Meeting

Our December meeting will be our annual holiday party. It has been planned by Sharon White and her committee and will be at the Lakeside South clubhouse in West Bradenton. If you need directions, check our website—it's easy to find, off 43rd Street just north of Cortez. It will be a potluck, so check with Sharon if you want to bring your festive dish and missed signing up at the November meeting. We'll just have a relaxing post-show evening. We'll see you there!

Community Service

There will not be a Community Service Workshop, so everyone will be able to enjoy the holidays

The workshop will resume in January—the first is scheduled for Wednesday January 8th. The details to follow.

Questions? Contact -

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Monday, December 2—Annual Holiday Party—we'll celebrate a successful quilt show and relax with a potluck and visit with quilting friends at the Lakeside South clubhouse in west Bradenton. Directions will be available at the meeting and on the website. Lakeside South is easy to find from Manatee Ave., Cortez, or 53rd Ave. and W. 43rd Street.

Monday, January 6—Speaker from Tidewell Hospice, installation of new board officers, quilt-show report. Friendship Knot quilt will be displayed in advance of their show with tickets for purchase—plus prize drawings, so wear your nametag!

Sharon would appreciate an RSVP to her email if you plan to come to the Holiday Party at salw55@yahoo.com.

Time to renew our membership is fast approaching. All members are required to complete a new membership form each year. The form and membership dues of \$35 are due by December 31st. You will find the membership form on our website and as an attachment in the cover letter of our newsletter for your convenience. If there is any update the guild needs to make to the membership list, please circle it so that Membership Committee can make the required changes.

Thank you

Tips and Tricks

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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.-2p.m. Contact Shelia Walker at 941-275-7899

Spirit Quilters Toale Brothers Celebration of Life Center, 4310 Solutions Lane
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