



# BEACHPLUM SAMPLER

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## President's Message:

Happy New Year 2012

I hope you all had wonderful holidays. I know that I did. On January 1, 2012, I took a monumental step and entered the world of retirement. Many people retire without any second thoughts or angst. Mine had much angst and was four years in the making. I was giving up the law firm that I had created and nurtured. I would no longer wield the power or bear the responsibilities for my clients, employees, or the courts. Along with handing the firm over to my law partner, there was the challenge to define the fourth quarter of my life.

Luckily for me, my love of fabric and color led me to quilts. I now greet the day with hope and optimism rather than waiting for the next crisis to erupt. My challenges now are to decide which of my myriad projects I will attempt to complete before dragging a new project home, to learn as much as possible about quilts and the history surrounding them, and to provide leadership that will strengthen the Guild and the members.

In that vein, I am now challenging each of you. Become more active in the Guild. You will find that participation brings great joy in a job well done and the chance to interact with other members allowing you to make new friends. Open your heart to those less fortunate by creating charity quilts. The charity quilts you make show others that someone cares and is willing to spend precious time and ability bringing cheer to another. Push the envelope by seeking out new ideas and techniques to enhance whatever life quarter you are in. Most of all enjoy the journey.

—Ellen W. Hyers

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## Meetings/Events Calendar 2011 -2012

- \* Sept 16– Welcome Back Pizza Party
- \* Oct 21– Peggy Oppenheimer, “Precision Piecing” using Judy Barrows ruler
- \* Oct 22nd Workshop w/ Peggy
- \* Nov 18–Cheryl Lynch “Quilt Fiesta”
- \* Nov 19-Cheryl Lynch Workshop
- \* Dec 16–Holiday Party
- \* Jan 20, 2012–Quilto; and Crafting Ornaments for Country Store/Marcia, Marlene
- \* Feb 17–Crafting for Country Store
- \* Mar 16–Jeannie Campbell “Bargello”
- \* Mar 18, Sun.– Sashiko Workshop
- \* Apr 13, 2012 Our Show Set-up
- \* Apr 14-15, 2012 BP Quilt Show
- \* Apr 20– Tea Social
- \* May 18–Trish Hodge “BatikTextiles”
- \* May 19-Trish Hodge Workshop
- \* Jun 15–Installation Dinner

Underlined Dates denote a guild meeting

**Show N Tell December 2011**

- Jo Ann McCoy-machine & hand embroidered wall hanging, made by Nancy D.
- Rita Russo-pieced & machine quilted table runner, made by Jo Ann Mc.
- Liz Henne-tote bag, table runner for Fabrications grab bag made by Shirley M.
- Ruth Felipe-Cheryl Lynch workshop applique, quilted
- Rosemary Clark-wall hanging, hand applique, machine quilted, made by Carol Lauterbach for me. We own it jointly
- Dona Spencer-Chicken crafted by machine for the Country Store
- Mary Pabst-6 charity quilts by machine
- Joyce Weiss-hand and machine techniques: 2 charity quilts for Beachplum, 3 dolly quilts for RRQ
- J.B. Middlekauff-Poinsettia table cover
- Nancy Woods-2 patriotic Raggedy Ann charity quilts
- Laurie Schnitzer-Cheryl Lynch workshop top by machine; Eleanor Burns Underground Railroad kit, wall hanging by machine
- Nancy Degen-Halloween pieced table runner from Liz; Christmas spider as a grab bag gift



The **Storm at Sea Raffle Quilt** is traveling again! This time the trip is to Mouse Creek in Howell for the months of January, February. In March it will go to the Quiltfest of NJ in Somerset. Enjoy seeing it there and encourage family and friends to buy tickets from Ruth Felipe. Her e-mail is: [ruthfelipe@aol.com](mailto:ruthfelipe@aol.com)

**Minutes of December 16, 2011:**

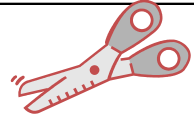
1. The evening began with a delicious dinner, provided by all the members, followed by a wonderful show and tell.
2. Ruth F. has raffle tickets for anyone who needs more. Please keep selling them, as this is one of our major fundraisers.
3. Janet P. read a letter from Carol L. in Missouri, wishing everyone happy holidays. Also, Fran G.'s mother has passed away. Cards will be appreciated.
4. Anyone making a charity quilt will receive a smiley face in their passport. These can be used in place of missed meetings. There will be a charity quilt workshop on January 12, 2012 at Crafty Fabrics, 10:00-3:30. We will be making children's quilts. The rehab hospital in Toms River will get back to us regarding what they can use.
5. Keep making those small quilts for the show. Liz H. is collecting them.
6. Treasurer's report showed an ending balance of \$7,823.62.
7. Blocks of the month were won by Janet P.
8. Pat T. read our correspondence. Quiltfest of NJ will be in Somerset March 1-4, 2012. The quilt guild of Brooklyn will have a show April 21-22, 2012. Rebecca's Reel will have their show on May 18-19, 2012 in Poricy Park in Middletown. Ocean Medical Center's maternity unit sent a thank you note. Two families will benefit from our charity quilts.
9. Door prizes were won by Mary Lou G., Peggy H., Kathy H., Janet R., Joyce W., Laura B., Shirley M. and Sue G.
10. Nancy D. passed out the second page of the mystery quilt instructions.
11. Laurie S. shared the Jewish tradition of Chanukkah by lighting a menorah.  
\* { Chanukkah is a minor holiday that is more cultural than religious. The lighting of candles is to commemorate the miracle in which lamp oil for 1 day, lasted eight days after the ancient Jewish temple was destroyed by the Syrian-Greek forces. The holiday marks the very first battle fought for religious freedom by the Maccabees. The word Chanukkah means "dedication" to Jewish worship, and in a larger sense, a recommitment to a spiritual quest and a reaffirmation of freedom.} \*Edited for accuracy.
12. We wish everyone Happy Holidays and a healthy prosperous New Year.

Respectfully submitted.

Shirley Moramarco





**SAVE the DATE by Genny V. Program News:**

The Spring Luncheon date, April 6, 2013, is set. We have reserved a "Room with a View" at the Lobster Shanty in Point Pleasant, NJ. We will again, enjoy a feast, fellowship and a fabulous speaker!

Genny V. would like to remind members that there are a few spots open for both workshops coming up; Sashiko in March and Batik in May. Bring \$10 for each workshop, to the January meeting & sign up. They promise to be very interesting!

**Charity Quilts by Ellen**

Next sew-in is **January 12, 2012** from 9 to 3:30 at Crafty Fabrics making children's quilts. Two of our quilts went to maternity Ocean Medical Center. I am trying to line up another date in February.

**2012 Quilt Show News:**

Time to make and turn in items for the Country Store. We will explain the patterns at the February meeting. Bring in at least one project to work on & complete, at the February Meeting. Hand it in to Debbie Perks and then relax! You only have to complete the quilts you are entering. No sweat, right ?!?! Check the website for patterns & new "Poster of the Show"!

Ask Ruth F. for **Raffle Tickets** to give as gifts or for yourself: [ruthfelipe@aol.com](mailto:ruthfelipe@aol.com)

**Registration** of show quilts will be explained at the Feb. meeting. Forms are available **now** online. The deadline for registration will be March 1st, 2012. **You can fill out and submit forms as soon as you like.** Even though the rules state that you can only register 2 quilts, there is a lot of flexibility; you may enter more quilts if we are short of our 100. We encourage everyone to enter at least 2

If you are new to the guild, we will need help at our quilt show to set up and work around the show. Send Laurie an e-mail if you have questions: [ivschnitzer@comcast.net](mailto:ivschnitzer@comcast.net)

**For the January Program (Folded Ornaments)**

There will be 25 kits available for the January Program. The kits make a Log Cabin Ornament. You can either use one of the kits already made or make one up yourself using the patterns in the November Newsletter for fabric requirements. Please bring a small iron with you if you have one and also bring a glue stick (acid free). If you have any questions email me at [MRSLatte@comcast.net](mailto:MRSLatte@comcast.net). Thanks - Marlene

**"The Exchange"**: This is a new column for our members. Submit your newsletter copy in Arial font to the Editor at [ivschnitzer@comcast.net](mailto:ivschnitzer@comcast.net) Please make it concise and worthy. Nancy W. has a Singer sewing machine in a cabinet that she would like to find a home for. Contact her:

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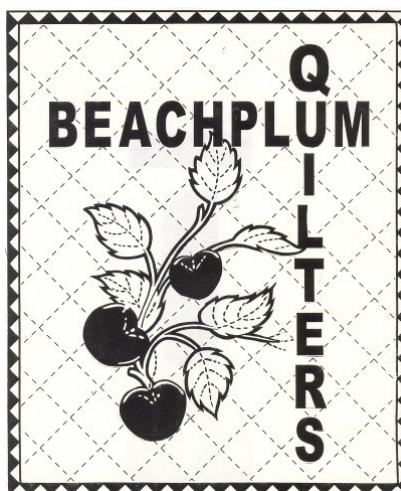
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of  
each month September through June at  
the Presbyterian Church of Toms River,  
1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

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## Deadline for the next newsletter is

January 27th, 2011

E-Mail your news using Arial font to

[ivschnitzer@comcast.net](mailto:ivschnitzer@comcast.net)

## PARTY REFRESHMENTS

The following members are asked to bring the refreshments this time: Names ending in the letters: N—Z. Please remember to clean up your own dishes after the meeting.

**Please be as generous as you can,  
bringing in food pantry items—  
Children are hungry and families  
are struggling...G\_d Bless You!**

**BE HAPPY,  
BE  
HEALTHY, &  
BE SAFE IN**

