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President's Message:

Welcome to February the month of Valentine's Day filled with hearts and flowers. For some, it means a romantic dinner and perhaps a gift of something with sparkle or calories.

For us Beachplum quilters, it is a month with too few days to complete the binding on our show entry quilt or complete the challenge quilt for the March deadline. Oh the pressure that begins to build as we struggle towards our goals. But wait, this year we get an extra day. This is one of those "every four years February has 29 days". So take a deep breath and forge onward; we can get everything finished we just need to be organized.

This month complete your challenge quilt and work on items for the Country Store. Contact Laurie to volunteer for "white glove" duty at the Mancuso show and sign up to work at our show.

In March, complete your quilt entries for the Guild's April show. If you have not contacted Laurie about volunteering, do it now. Make a charity quilt. Have a cup of tea.

April 14th and 15th is the show. Be as involved as possible. Laurie cannot do it all. Plan to spend that weekend working for the Guild to make this the most successful show yet. And remember,

Enjoy the Journey!

___ Ellen W. Hyers

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Meetings/Events Calendar 2012

- * <u>Jan 20,2012</u>—Quilto; and Crafting Ornaments for Country Store/Marcia, Marlene
- * Feb 17—Crafting for Country Store
- * Mar 1-DEADLINE Show Registration
- * Mar1-4-Mancuso White Glove/Table sit-in
- * Mar 16-Jeannie Campbell "Bargello"
- * Mar 18, Sun. Sashiko Workshop
- * Apr 12, Thurs- Quilt Take In @ Elks Lodge 9AM-12 noon; 4 new Volunteers needed
- * 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
- * Iun 15-Installation Dinner
- * April 6, 2013-Spring Luncheon

<u>Underlined Dates denote a guild meeting</u>

Show N Tell January 2012

- Rita Russo-Charity quilt November workshop
- Nancy Woods-Crib quilt for great granddaughter
- Debbie Perks-Country Store items
- Denise DeCarolis-Nana's Garden for me
- Joyce Weiss-Dolly quilts: African Animals & Dainty Doll; Small quilt auction "Lotus Lake;
 Three quilts for charity; Goldfish Pond center batik panel; Tic Tac Toe Teddy using 5 orphan blocks



Minutes of January 20, 2012:

Charity Quilts - Children's Specialized Hospital of New Jersey provides a quilt for each patient. Donations should be washed and placed in a clear plastic bag. Quilts are to be quilted not tied. The hospital lines and tubing can become entangled in the ties. A Saturday sew-in for charity quilts will be scheduled at a later date.

Minutes - November and December minutes were accepted with no comment or accepted.

Treasurer's report accepted. Beginning balance of \$7,823.62, disbursements of \$541.48 leaving a balance of \$7,362.14.

Pieceful Shores is sponsoring a bus trip to the Lancaster Quilt Show on March 15 for \$40. Leaves from the Lacey rest stop at 7:15 am. Contact Judy Kronmeyer at 18 Bay Pkwy, Waretown, NJ or j.kronmeyer@juno.com for further information.

The Mancuso Show is March 3rd and 4th. Volunteers are needed for "white glove" and raffle quilt ticket sales.

Raffle Baskets should be well underway. Team captains should be gathering and preparing baskets. If one does not know the name of her team captain or is not assigned to a team, please contact Judy Richtmyer.

Fran Gillesheimer displayed the 2013 raffle quilt top. It is now at the long arm quilter.

Mystery Quilt - The final set of instructions were passed out. If anyone needs a copy, please contact Shirley M. or Ellen H.

Jeannette M. announced her hospice program is in need of quilters to make memory quilts for deceased patient's families. Please contact Jeannette for further information.

Door prizes were won by Mary P., Janice R., and Joanne L. Please remember that door prizes are for members only

CHALLENGE Quilt Reminder From Jo Ann:

- 1. Each challenge entry requires a 4" sleeve to hang at the quilt show.
- 2. Please complete a challenge registration form
- 3. Attach a photo of your challenge quilt for insurance record.
- 4. All challenge entries are due at the March 16th meeting. Keep your entry in a bag, have your name covered and both paint chips pinned to your challenge entry for judging.



Charity Quilts—Ellen Hyers

We continue to receive donations of charity quilts. I have been gladdened by the quality and cleverness of these quilts. At this time, we are accumulating quilts for the Children's Specialized Hospital.

Children's Specialized Hospital has an outpatient center and a long term residential program for children located at Stephens Road in Toms River and another facility in Mountainside. The inpatient rehabilitation hospital is located in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

The hospital is a unique facility and the largest of its kind for children who need continued rehabilitation after discharge from an acute care hospital. The children may be post surgery due to traumatic injuries or have special needs, or long term health issues. The hospital uses a team approach to work with the families as well as the patients for successful discharge of the patient.

The hospital gives each child a handmade quilt that is theirs to keep. The residential programs also give each child a quilt. The criteria for the quilts are that they are washed, no tied quilts or ornamentation that may come apart, in a clear plastic bag. They need quilts for older children to teens. The hospital receives many quilts for babies. For further information their website is www.childrens-specialized.org. We will be sending the children's charity quilts to this program.

There is a core group of our members that is making a great effort to provide the quilts. We need all members to join in and help with this project. If we received one quilt per member, we could donate almost 70 quilts. That is a number of which we could all be proud. Marlene has been taking some of our donations to Brick Hospital. They are very appreciative!

Mancuso Show—Quilt Fest VIII of NJ, in Somerset March 1-4, 2012

The Raffle Quilt will be set up for display at this show by Laurie on Feb. 29th. In exchange for display space and ticket sale, we are once again helping to white glove volunteer for the Mancuso organization. They have been a delight to work for and give us perks each time we volunteer. If you would like to help with this special show, you need to sign up by the February meeting with Laurie. Admission fee is \$12 and allows you to visit all 4 days. We need a minimum of 24 volunteer hours. We already have 14 hours assigned. Please commit time to cover on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. On Sunday, the raffle quilt, display and money has to be brought home after 12 noon. This is a really big display of quilts with lots of vendors, *not to be missed*. 1 hour away **Directions: www.quiltfest.com**.



The <u>Storm at Sea Raffle Quilt</u> 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

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. Join us for a feast, fellowship and a fabulous speaker! Our next raffle quilt has been sent to **Tammie Ruffle**, **Longarm Artist**.



2012 Quilt Show News:

Time to make and turn in items for the Country Store. Bring in at least one project to work on & complete, at the February Meeting, while Debbie P. and Laurie S. show some patterns and projects. Check the website for patterns & a new "Poster of the Show"! Pick up flyers at the meeting to share with your favorite shop. Sign up for Quiltfest VIII white gloving and raffle table sitting; call Laurie, ASAP or e-mail lvschnitzer@comcast.net

Registration of show quilts will be explained at the Feb. meeting. Forms are available online, www.beachplumquilters.org. The deadline for registration will be March 1st. We encourage <u>everyone</u> to enter at least two quilted pieces: $65 \times 2 = 130$, a perfect number.... If you are new to the guild, we will need help at our quilt show to set up and work around the show. Our shows are so impressive and the quilts are stunning! Its so exciting too! Liz Henne needs Mini Quilts for the sale/auction, anything under 36", I think.

For the February Program (Needle Cases & other Projects)

There will be 20 kits for making a <u>felt</u> needle case by hand sewing and there will be 40 cotton fabric needle case kits that you create on your home sewing machine using decorative stitches. Please bring the pattern, which is online at our website, (Bee Happy Needle Case), a crewel needle with a big eye, and scissors. Bring DMC Perle Cotton thread, to share with members. Debbie has a pattern & kits also. Please bring in all of your other hand crafted items for the Country Store, in plastic baggies, and give to Debbie P. Keep making other items and bring them into the March meeting. Remember to bundle recent quilting magazines for the store & hold until April 12, 13th. Thanks - Laurie & Debbie

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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

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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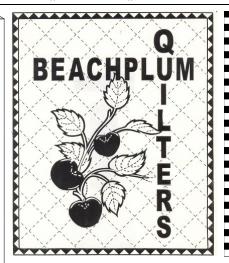
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REFRESHMENTS:

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

Food Pantry Items: Canned, dry package, or plastic containers. No glass or perishable foods. Check all expiration dates on packages. No cake, brownie, cookie, muffin mixes. No 5 lb. bags of sugar, flour, rice. Most desirable foods include protein foods, fruit and vegetables in cans, powdered or packaged (Parmalat) milk, peanut butter (plastic), tuna, beans, chili, stew, soup, mac & cheese, pasta, canned sauces, rice, tea bags



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2012 Quilt Show

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NEXT MTG CHECKLIST

- Name Tag and a welcome smile for guests
- **Canned Items for the Church Food Pantry**
- Block of the Month
- Coffee Mug, Plate, Utensils, Appetite
- Show N Tell
- **Assigned Refreshments**
- List of Country Store items you are donating with your name and phone #

