

the BEACHPLUM SAMPLER

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



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President's Message

Season's Greetings to all,

There are years that I think that December is the shortest month of the year. I am certain that I was affected by the Black Friday sales beginning earlier this year. I personally have a calm first week of December. I am enjoying this week because life becomes filled with activities for the following weeks.

The Sit N Sew was fun and quite a few tote bags were completed. We now have enough tote bags for the door prizes at the show. Kathleen Cox will bring them to the next meeting to show how much talent our group contains.

This month's meeting will be the pot luck dinner and Show & Tell. I will probably throw a few announcements in there too.

Looking forward to the meeting,

Dona

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Meetings/Events Calendar 2019– 2020

- Sep 8–Beachplum Festival Island Beach State Park
- Sept 12-13–Two-Day Judges Seminar Toms River Elks
- Sep 20–Jersey Mike's Subs, Big Show & Tell, BoM 18-19 Viewers' Choice
- Oct 12– Jersey Shore Makerfest, Pine Belt Arena
- Oct 18– Skills Presentations by Members
- Nov 15–Make & Take Ornaments
- Nov 23–Sit & Sew at Crafty Fabrics, 11-3
- Dec 20–Holiday Pot Luck Dinner
- Jan 17, 2020–QUILTO
- Jan 18–Sit & Sew Charity Quilts
- Feb 21–Deb Kalenty Presentation
- Feb 22–Deb Kalenty Workshop–Galaxy Quilt
- Mar 20–Dianne WERNER Trunk Shop and Prep for Quilt Show
- April–No scheduled meeting
- April 18-19–Beachplum Quilt Show: Quilts in Full Bloom
- May 15–Rachel Derstine Presentation, Election of Officers
- May 16–Rachel Derstine Workshop
- Jun 19–Pot Luck Supper, Installation of Officers, UFO Challenge

**MY HOLIDAY SEWING PROJECTS
ARE ALL FINISHED
AND I'M JUST GOING TO SPEND
THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS
RELAXING.**

SAID NO QUILTER, EVER.

Minutes of November 15, 2019 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President Dona S. Members were welcomed. Visitors present: Dolly

President Dona S. announced that she and Donna D. were at the Lakehurst Diner the previous Saturday and sold quilt raffle tickets, netting \$55.

Take note that the Sit & Sew has been moved to Saturday 11/23 at Crafty Fabrics in Brick. Make sure you sign up for a space. The new location, beginning in January 2020, will be Green Island Community Association Club House. The entrance is around the right side of the building as you look at it.

We will be getting user name and passwords for the website "members only" section. This has been delayed as we need to update our entire website for security purposes and are working on that now. When the website upgrade is finished the user name and password information will be given.

The minutes of the October meeting needs two corrections: 1.) Crestwood Resident Fran is an honor-ary member of the guild, and the room at Crestwood is no longer available. 2.) Jackie P. is not a member of St. Andrews Church.

A motion to approve the minutes for the October meeting as amended was made by Ellen H. and seconded by Ann B. Motion passed.

The Treasurers report was read by Debbie P. The ending balance was \$9,179.85. A motion was made to approve the report by Kathleen C. and seconded by Shirley M. Motion. Passed.

• **Quilt Show:** Gloria S. spoke about the raffle baskets for the quilt show and wanted to clarify the age limits for the children's toy basket. The age limit was decided to be between either 3 to 5 or 5 to 10, not older.

Kathleen C. spoke about the show: there is a volunteer sign up sheet in the front of the room so go ahead and sign up! Vendors are going well and the spots are selling well.

Ellen H. clarified some key elements of the show. Each member can enter up to five quilts. The registration deadline is March 1, 2020 and that is solid! Quilts should be in show condition-No dog hair, no cat hair, no stray threads, no smoke odor. **The quilt should be clean and ready to show. The decision of the Quilt Show Committee to exclude a quilt with regards to this rule is final.**

All people involved in making the quilt need to be on the entry form—so, besides yourself, if you used a longarmer they should be listed. The name of the kit or pattern should be listed. If the pattern is from a book it should be given credit. Every quilt should have a fabric ID label SEWN on the back. For the show, the label should be covered with a muslin patch that is sewn on. The label is important to identify the quilt, and if there is a problem the muslin can be lifted to identify the quilt. The sleeve on the quilt can be no more than 90 inches from the bottom of your quilt--so that it can hang without anyone stepping on it.

The quilt committee can move quilts to correct categories if they are not in the correct category. The easiest thing is to call Ellen if you have questions and she will help you out! Challenge quilt info is on the website.

The show judge wants to improve quilters! The show judging is a very informative event and everyone should try to enter a quilt and to be judged.

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Minutes of November 2019 Meeting (Continued from previous page)

Coordinated by Marcia G., the evening's Make and Take Program was started. There was a variety of Christmas ornaments that could be made. Some supplies were available in the front of the room--fabric strips, cinnamon sticks, mason jar lid rings, styrofoam balls, trims. Everyone had fun working on their Fabric Ball, Star, Mini-Wreath or Scrap Fabric Tree Ornaments, and some people even had time to make a second ornament!

- **Door Prizes** (Diane C.) The winners were Donna D., Kathleen C., and Dina N.
- **Block of the Month:** (Marcia G/Dixie M) There were 51 purple and blue "Chandelier" blocks, so many that there were two lucky winners, Donna D. and Ginger C.
- **Show and Tell** (Mary P.) Many beautiful quilts were displayed by our talented members.

Kathleen C. announced the Sit & Sew workshop on 11/23 would concentrate on making tote bags to distribute as door prizes at the quilt show. Make sure you're signed up to be at Crafty Fabrics on 11/23.

The meeting was adjourned by Dona S. at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted

Donna D.

Charity Quilts

For anyone bringing completed charity quilts to a meeting, please be sure to have your name attached to the quilt (paper and safety pin) so we can be sure you get credit for your donation. We are very appreciative of the money, time, work, imagination, and effort that goes into creating charity quilts.

Also, if anyone has suggestions as to places that might like to receive our lovely charity quilts, please tell either Patricia T or Barbara E.

Marcia will continue to quilt Beachplum charity quilts. Please prepare your top as you would your own quilt, ready for longarming. Your top should be completed and pressed. Backing should be at least 4" larger than the top on all sides (i.e., 8" wider and 8" longer than the top). Please see the article on our website on How to Prepare your Quilt Top for Longarm Quilting. After your quilt has been longarmed, it will be returned to you for binding.

Charity quilt tops, prepared as above, can be brought to a meeting or dropped off at Crafty Fabrics. Batting is provided by the guild, and there is some backing available also.

Quilt Show 2020 Country Store

It's time to get ready for the Beachplum Quilt Show 2020. The Country Store is one of the largest fund raisers at the show and it takes all of the guild members to make it happen. The September meeting is when we start collecting items for the Country Store. You may bring in all those quilting odds and ends that you wish to donate at each of our meetings until February. We are looking for quilting items that are in **GOOD** condition. Please bring your donations to the following people:

Barbara E - quilting books and magazines

Kathleen C - notions, rulers, buttons, crafted items, etc.

Jackie P - fabric: please bring only quilting cottons (no home decorating fabric) and pieces

Show & Tell November 2019

- Barb E—Pink quilt and blue quilt
- Sherre MacC—Charity quilt in Pat Sloan pattern
- Ginger C—Wall hanging and reverse applique
- Dianne W—Four charity quilts and VW bus quilt
- Sophie K—Baby quilt with African animals
- Connie S—Pumpkin mini-quilt
- Joyce W—Basket quilt for small quilt auction
- Dona S—Red, white and blue quilt top
- Shirley M—Table runner and tote bag
- Marcia G—Denim charity quilt and football runner for small quilt auction
- Kathy McE—Baby quilt, tote bag, and quilt for small quilt auction
- Pru P—Baby quilt for a boy
- Ann B—Two charity quilts & long tablerunner using Desert Star pattern by Teri Atkins
- Jo Ann McC—Winnie the Pooh baby quilt for first grandchild
- Kathleen C—Spring tote bag
- Mary G—Quilt top

Barb



Sherre



Sophie



Ginger



Connie



Joyce



Show & Tell November 2019 (cont)

Dianne



Dona



Shirley



Jo Ann



Marcia



Pru



Kathleen



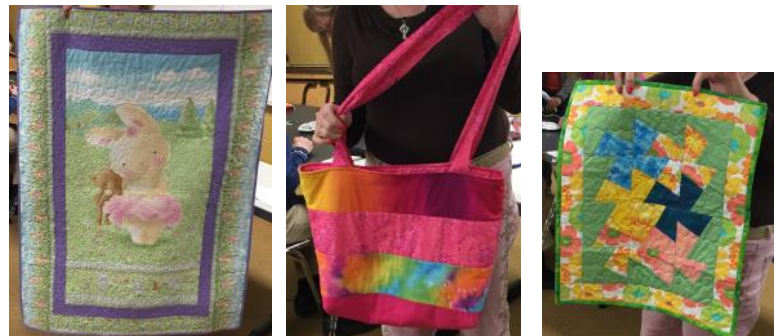
Mary



Ann



Kathy



Programs

2019-20

Dec 20 - Holiday Pot Luck Dinner/ Meeting P.C.T.R.

Jan 17, 20 - Quilto - at P.C.T.R.

Jan 18 - Door opens at 9:30 AM/ 10 - 4 PM Sit 'n Sew Charity Quilts

Feb 21 - Debbie Kalenty, Guest Speaker at Meeting at P.C.T.R.

Feb 22 - Workshop Deb Kalenty, Galaxy Quilt - V Block at P.C.T.R.

Mar 20 - Trunk Show by Dianne Werner and prep for April Quilt Show. **Think about 2020 Slate of Officers- Determine who is running for President & Board**

Apr-no meeting at P.C.T.R.

Apr 15, 16, 17 - Registration/Take-In, Judging, Set-Up for QUILT SHOW 2020

April 18-19 - "Quilts in Full Bloom" Show & Sale Elks Lodge #1875 Toms River, NJ

May 15 - Rachel Derstine Lecture/ Meeting at P.C.T.R. **VOTE Slate of Officers**

May 16 - Rachel's Workshop at P.C.T.R.

June 19 - Pot Luck End of Year Supper, Member Photo, **Installation President/Board, UFO Challenge**

2020-2021 BEACHPLUM MEETINGS

Sept. 18 2020 - Big Show N Tell, TBA

Oct 16 - Jody Beck Lecture

Oct 17 - Jody's Workshop

Nov 20 - TBA

Nov 21 - TBA

Dec 18 - Holiday Pot Luck Dinner

Jan 15 2021 - TBA

Feb 19 - TBA

Mar 19 - TBA

Apr 16 - TBA

May 21 - TBA

Jun 18 - Pot Luck Dinner, etc.

Sit and Sew

The next Sit and Sew Charity Quilt session is January 18, 2020, 9:30 AM- 4:00 PM
Green Island Community Association.Clubhouse, 100 Green Island Rd, Toms River, NJ

Bring your sewing machines and tools to make some Charity Quilts or sit with us and chat. You can even bring your own project to sew. There's a kitchen with a microwave and refrigerator. We have to set up the tables and take them down after we finish, but there's plenty of room to spread out.

The sign up sheet will be at the December 20th meeting, or you can call Laurie, 732-691-3391, Barbara E., or Pat T.

I'll see you there!

Laurie

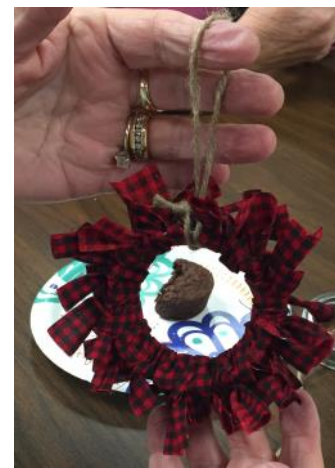
**OF COURSE YOU ARE STILL A
QUILTER EVEN IF YOU HAVEN'T
FINISHED A QUILT IN YEARS.**

**FABRIC COLLECTING MAKES
YOU ELIGIBLE.**

**IT'S OKAY.
NOBODY ELSE FINISHED ALL THEIR
CHRISTMAS SEWING PROJECTS
EITHER.**

**THINK OF THE FUN YOU'LL HAVE
WORKING ON THEM IN JANUARY!**

November Meeting Make & Take



Classifieds

Two of our members offer longarm quilting services!

Sherre MacClellan
SeaGlass Quilting
Cell: 732-766-0999
Home: 732-625-0001
Email: sherre@SeaGlassQuilting.com

Kristin Alfano
Hi ladies!! The countdown to showtime is upon us! Have you been thinking about adding some custom quilting to your masterpiece? Highlighting your hard work? Have a secret project you want to showcase? I'd love to help bring your vision to reality! Give me a call to discuss! For all quilts received by January 31, 2020 I'll take care off the return shipping!
Thanks!!
Kristin Alfano 317-902-2034 kalfano@mail.com



Block of the Month

November Blocks



December -Cardinal



BEACHPLUM'S 2020 QUILT SHOW RAFFLE BASKETS

The Seven Categories have been selected and are as follows:

Thread Caddy: *Richard Hyers (Ellen's husband) once again is graciously donating his exquisitely hand made thread caddy, truly a feast for the eyes and a treasure to admire.*

Quilting, Italian, Coffee & Tea, Wine & Chocolate, Spa, Movies/Kids Games *(age group TBD at November meeting)*

As always this is only accomplished by your donations of either product or monetary donations and will be collected at our monthly meetings. Once again I look forward in constructing the baskets and hopefully we'll have success, and great weather, as in April 2018. Thank you all.

*Submitted by,
Gloria Squicciarini*

Ideas for Quilt Labels

- May this quilt be an everlasting hug from me to you!
- This quilt I made for you, yes, just for you. It took many months of planning, piecing, and quilting. I love you that much!
- This quilt is to keep you warm so wrap it around you and, long after I'm gone, you will feel the warmth of love I still have for you. Please keep it safe and love it as much as I love you.
- Families are like quilts...lives pieced together, stitched with smiles and tears, colored with memories and bound by love.
- May this quilt be an everlasting hug from me to you.
- A quilt is like a person: imperfect but loved and highly valued.

Please share your quilt label ideas with the editor!

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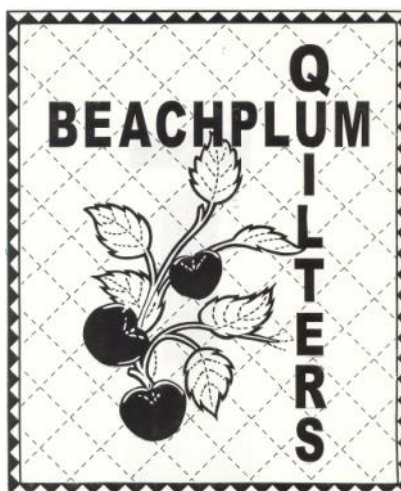
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of each month September through June at the Presbyterian Church of Toms River, 1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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JANUARY 4, 2019

E-Mail your news in a Word document using Arial font to

Marcia_guza@yahoo.com

DECEMBER 2019 MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Holiday Pot Luck Dinner

Please bring a covered dish:

Main Dish: Pet-Z

Vegetable or Salad: A-Gal

Pasta, Potato, or Rice: Gar-Lut

Fruit, Dessert, or Beverage: Mac-Per

Coffee and tea will be provided. Otherwise, bring your own beverage.

Remember to bring your coffee mug, plate, utensils, etc., and to clean up your own dishes after the meeting.



Next Meeting Checklist

- Name tag and a welcome smile for guests
- Block of the Month
- Coffee mug, if desired
- Show & Tell
- Charity quilts
- Assigned refreshments
- **Donations of feminine care products for the food pantry**

**Next BPQ Quilt Show
April 18-19, 2020**