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President's Message

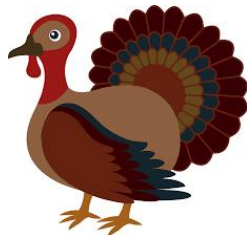
A number of you have asked about the quilt raffle tickets that each member will be getting to sell. They will be distributed at the November meeting. I was hoping to be able to distribute them with a picture of the finished quilts, but don't want to hold the tickets up any longer. The pictures of our beautiful quilts will be along soon enough!

The Guild has secured a table at Crestwood Village 7's Craft Fair on Saturday, December 16, to sell crafted items and quilt raffle tickets. If you'd like to help man the table for a couple of hours let me know!

So far the Guild has returned 75 fleece blankets to Embrella, the non-profit that helps foster children that we were rehabilitating the blankets for. Thanks to the Daytime Bee members who worked on blankets, the attendees at the 10/21/23 Sit 'N Sew, and the individuals who have taken some home to work on too. A big shout out to Vice President Dona S. who has taken the reins in coordinating everyone's efforts, and for getting at least 20 blankets completed outside of the Bee and Sit 'N Sew!

A Quilt Show Meeting is being scheduled. I know it's a crazy time with the holidays, but I would like to ask all the show chairs to make sure their reports are up to date and ready to be discussed! The show will be here before we know it, we want to make sure everything is running smoothly!

Donna



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Meetings/Events Calendar 2023-2024

Underlined denotes Guild Meeting

9/10/22 – Sunday Beachplum Festival at Island State Park

Sept 15, 2023 – Pizza Party, Block of the Month Completed Quilts Showcase; Huge Show & Tell, Quilt Show Prep, Budget Review, Audit Report

10/20/23 – Make & Take Project, Quilt Show Tips: Color and Design, Collection of Fall Placemats
10/21/22— Sit 'n Sew—Embrella fleece blankets

11/17/23– Dr Holstein Lecture: Ergonomic Quilting, , Quilt Show tips: Borders and Sashing

12/15/23- Miss Kat Presentation (Kathleen Lindsey, author and lecturer), Quilt Show Tips: Quilting Design

1/19/24 – Quilto and Quilt Show Tips: Is Your Quilt Show-Ready?

2/16/24 – TBD, Spring Placemats

3/15/24 – TBD, Quilt Show Planning; Challenge Quilt Voting

4/13-14/24 – Beachplum Quilt Show. No regular meeting
No April Newsletter

5/17/24 – Dina Newbert lecture on FFP—Fabulous Fabric Puzzle
5/18/24—Workshop on FPP

6/21/24 – Finale – Pot Luck Dinner, Member Photo

Minutes of October 20, 2023 Meeting

Prior to starting the meeting President Donna D gave the members a message that there were charity quilts in various stages of completion at the side table if any wanted to work on them.

President Donna D started the meeting and wished happy birthday to Susan A, Jeanne H, Cathy M, Joan O.

The person sitting at the "2 o'clock" position at each table was asked to collect \$1.00 from anyone at the table not wearing a name tag.

Donna asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the September meeting as published in our newsletter? Hearing none, a motion to approve the minutes as published was made by Dona S and seconded by Cathy S. Motion Carried with a round of ayes.

Treasurer Erma H read her report. Donna asked if there were any errors or omissions in the Treasurer's report? Hearing none, a motion to approve the report was made by Mary P and seconded by Dina N. Motion Carried with a round of ayes.

Dixie has more Challenge quilt kits if you want to get one, they are \$5.00

Ginger C spoke regarding dog/cat beds made from fabric scraps. Everyone has been more than generous but she is overwhelmed by scraps! Everyone can make pet beds easily if they use an old pillowcase: turn it inside out, fill it a little less than half with fabric scraps, and sew on the halfway line. Turn the half right side out, sew it closed and it's done! The Toms River Animal shelter happily accepts these beds.

Donna announced the Sit N'Sew on Saturday will support Embrella, is a nonprofit agency that serves foster children and families through advocacy, education, and training. We will be rehabilitating Fleece Knotted blankets, we were asked to fix them up, needed cutters, sewers, finishers, packers. The Bee group completed 20 earlier this month, Dona S has finished 10, working with Juanita G. A large group could make short work of it, and it is to benefit children who would cherish a blanket of their own. Cutting Mats, Machines with Walking feet, long rulers, etc. are the supplies needed

Upcoming Sit N'Sews will be to make the Door Prize Bags for the Quilt show. There was a question of could you make a bag at home, and Gloria has no problem with that, just let her know so we know the "balance" that need to be made. We may start that in January, more information to come.

Donna mentioned in September the bylaws of the guild could use a review and perhaps a refresher. Please contact her if you would be willing to serve on this committee.

The guild also needs to form a nominating committee to assemble the slate of officers for the 2024-2026 term. Please consider not only being a member of the committee, but perhaps an officer in the guild. Please let Donna know if you are interested.

• **Quilt Show:** Donna announced the Rules, entry forms and categories are all posted on the website. Take a look, they are different this year. There are staggered entry dates, each member can submit two entries by February 1, then if we are not at 90 (or so) total quilts, two more per member can be submitted by March 1. Categories have changed for clarity. Rules should be clearer too. If there are any questions, ask!

• **Placemats:** (Pat O/GingerC) Pat O volunteered to take over the placemat challenge from Dina, and will work with Ginger C on this going forward. Pat expressed her delight at the number and variety of placemats submitted this evening. The first place prize, a Fiskars cutting system, went to Joan O. Second prize went to Carol C.

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Minutes of October 20, 2023 Meeting (continued from previous page)

- **Programs:** (Dina N) Dina N. spoke a little bit about color and design of a quilt. If you aren't sure what colors to use with your focus fabric, tools to help you could be: a color wheel; the ink colors printed on the fabric selvage; or even paint chips and books from Home Depot or Lowes. She passed around photos of quilts that won awards for color usage. She said when considering your colors you should take into account where does your eye go, and does it have a place to come to rest as you are looking at the quilt.
- **Charity Quilts:** (Carol C and Juanita G) Carol asked people to identify their quilts with their name on a piece of paper pinned to the quilt. We want to keep accurate records of one of our main purpose activities. The New Jersey Department of Children and Family is looking for donations of quilts for their November Party for adopted children. Please consider a quilt to donate, and Juanita reminded everyone not to forget that quilts themed for boys 10-16 are desperately needed.
- **Block of the Month:** (Marcia G/Dixie M/Emilie S) 36 Rainbow fish blocks were turned in, and it was decided to split the prize, 18 blocks went to Peggy R and 18 went to Dianne W.
- **Door Prizes** (Jane S) the three lucky winners were Dixie M, Carol C and Kathy E.
- **Show and Tell** (Marlene S) Many lovely quilts were displayed by our members.

The meeting was adjourned by President Donna D.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Peña

Acting Secretary

Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore
Spring Fling Placemat Celebration
 Drawing will be at the February Guild Meeting

Themes denote the spring months - March, April, May, June

Placemat must be constructed as a quilt – top, back, with batting in the middle and measuring about 18" by 12". When constructing the placemat, it may be any type, but it has to be washable.

(Note: Please only use materials with non-religious symbols)

All placemats must be clean with the label affixed to the back. Please see Pat, Ginger or Crafty Fabrics for labels.

Each placemat will receive 1 entry ticket and the winning ticket will receive a prize.

(Late entries will be accepted, they will not be eligible for the prize.)

Thank you for the Placemats
Photos from Meals on Wheels



Block of the Month

October
Rainbow Fish



November
Turkey Trot



Classifieds

Four of our members offer longarm quilting services!

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Kristin Alfano
 Hi ladies!! 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! Thanks!!
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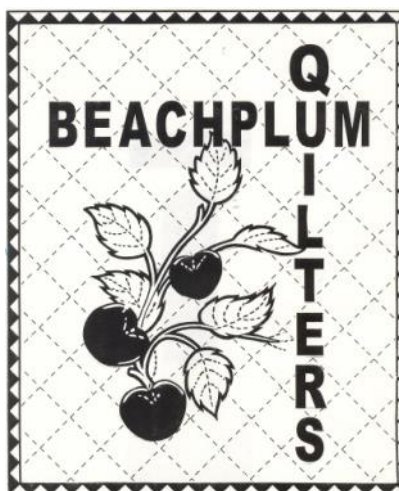
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of
each month September through June at
the Presbyterian Church of Toms River,
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DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

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DECEMBER 4, 2023

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using Arial font to

Marcia_guza@yahoo.com

November 2023 MEETING RE-FRESHMENTS



Members are welcome to bring treats,
if desired.

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

Please clean up after yourself before leaving.

November Meeting Checklist

- **Name tag** and a welcome smile for guests
- Block of the Month
- Show & Tell
- Charity quilts
- Donations to The Hope Center: Feminine pads and tampons

**Next BPQ Quilt Show
Quilts in Wonderland
April 13-14, 2024**