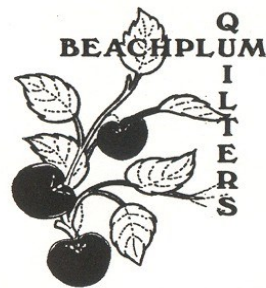


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Celebrating Our 29th Year 1985-2014

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President's Message

WOW! What a show. The Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore really outdid themselves.

The quality of the members' quilts was truly outstanding. It was wonderful to see all the types and techniques of the submissions. There were masterpieces in both the pieced and appliqué divisions. Of course, Fran's Paducah quilt was a sight to behold. (I secretly want to be Fran when I grow up.)

On Friday when all the careful planning was starting to come unhinged, many people told me "Don't worry, it always works out in the end". I guess it does but that is because of all the hard work and dedication of all of the volunteers. I believe this show was a standout because of the number of members who gave freely of their time and energy to ensure that the "Birds of a Feather Quilt Together" show would be one to remember.

The Guild has so many people to thank. From the entry at the front door to the last purchase at the Country Store and everything in between, everything was well prepared and ran smoothly. Kudos to everyone involved but a special thank you to Barbara E., Jeannette M., Laurie S., and Rich H. who stayed with me until 9:30 pm on Friday to take down and re-hang the quilts in the area that the pipe and drape company had to repair.

Many guilds are deciding to not have quilt shows. Beachplum has shown its strength by committing to the continuance of the celebration of quilts.

The next show is 2016 so it is time to start planning your next entry quilts. I look forward to it.

Ellen



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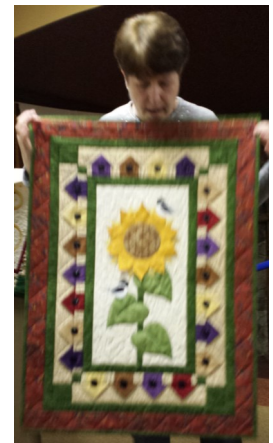
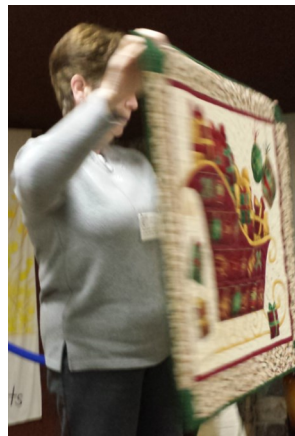
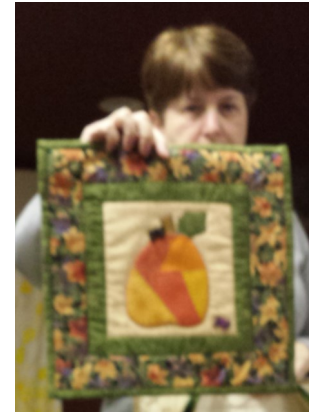
Meetings/Events Calendar 2013- 2014

- Sep 20—Big Show & Tell and Pizza Party
 - Oct 18—Chris Lee's Trunk Show
 - Nov 15—TBD
 - Dec 20—Holiday Dinner
 - Jan 17, 2014—Quilto
 - Feb 21—Jan & Gary Fulton Lecture
 - Feb 22—Jane & Gary Fulton Workshop
 - Mar 21—Libby Schenewolf Lecture
 - Apr 5-6—BPQ Quilt Show
 - Apr 18—No meeting
 - May 16—Elections and Marilyn Crossan will be showing her 30+ Appliqué quilts.
 - Jun 21—Installation Dinner
- Underlined denotes Guild Meeting

Jane Schoonfield

2014-15 Slate of Officers and Committee Chairs	
Jackie P. president	Mary Lou G-b. & Pat McC. BoM
Linda F. vice president	Debbie P. door prizes
Ann B. treasurer	Shirley M. show & tell
Susan H. secretary	Marcia G. newsletter
Mary P. hospitality	Linda F. 2015 luncheon
Ellen H. charity quilts	Pat L. fundraising
Joyce W. communications	Linda F. and Ann B. 2015 raffle quilt
Marlene S. membership	Dona S. 2016 raffle quilt
Paula P. programs	Ellen H. & Shirley M. 2016 quilt show
Elections will be held at the May 16 meeting and installation of officers at the June 21 Dinner Meeting.	

Show & Tell March 2014



BPQ Quilt Show—A Selection of Photos *

2014 Raffle Quilt is a Winner

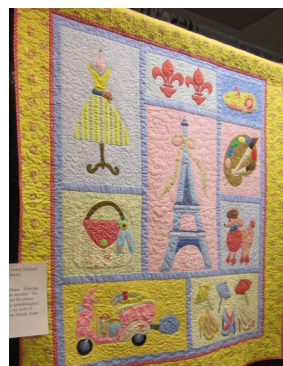
The Birds of a Feather quilt is winner of the National Quilting Association's (NQA) "Award of Merit" for exceptional workmanship. This award recognizes the outstanding abilities of our members. The award included a lovely ribbon rosette and letter of congratulations, as well as an invitation to post photographs of the quilt on the NQA website and enter the quilt in their national show.

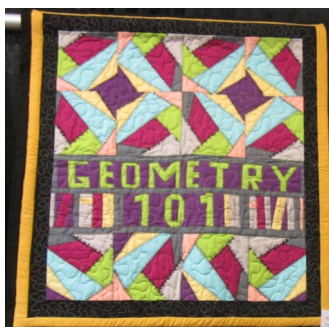
This exceptional quilt will remain in New Jersey with its proud owner Jane S.

A hearty congratulations to us!



* My apologies to all the wonderful quiltmakers whose quilts I didn't capture. (Ed.)





Block of the Month



March



April and May blocks may be brought to the May meeting.

Many are the quilts I have begun,
Far fewer those I've finished.
The UFO collection just keeps growing —
It needs to be diminished!
I could send them to be quilted by machine
But that would take money I lack.
I could let someone else quilt them for me,
But would I really get them back?
Not starting quilts would, of course,
Be a sure UFO preventive,
But not having the will power that requires,
I must rely on some deadline incentive.

By Jacquie Scuitto

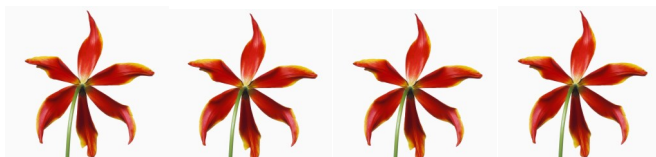


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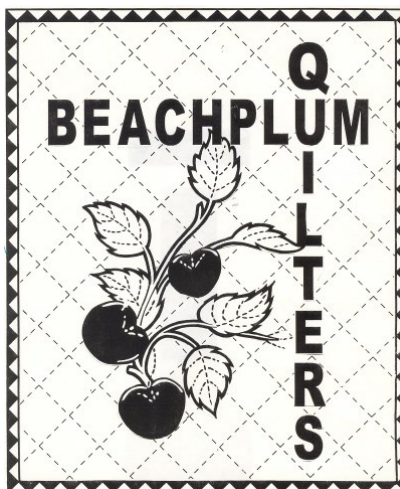
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of
each month September through June at
the Presbyterian Church of Toms River,
1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

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REFRESHMENTS

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

Assignments for additional refreshments are as follows:

F through **J**—please bring a dessert, fruit dish or nosh.

Everyone else can participate if desired. Please remember to clean up your own dishes after the meeting.

NEXT MTG CHECKLIST

- Name Tag and a welcome smile for guests
- **2 Canned Items for the Church Food Pantry**
- Block of the Month
- Coffee Mug, Plate
- Show & Tell
- Assigned Refreshments

Quilt Show Date:
April 2016