



the BEACHPLUM SAMPLER



The Newsletter of the Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore

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President's Message

Dear Quilting Friends,

As we step into March, we are reminded of the beauty of change and renewal. Just as the first signs of spring begin to bloom, so do the creative ideas and inspirations that flow through our Guild. This month let's be inspired by Spring's vibrant colors, intricate designs, and the heartfelt connections that make our Guild so special. Bring one of your brightest colored creations for Show & Tell.

March is a time of growth—whether it's a new project you've been working on or the friendships you've nurtured within our group. I encourage each of you to take a moment to reflect on the ways you've grown as quilters and as individuals. Let's continue to inspire one another with our creativity and share suggestions of ways to strengthen our Guild.

At our next meeting, I invite you to share any ideas you might have on how we can continue to strengthen our Guild. I would also like to start what I hope will be fun, and that is to share a part of yourself with each other. For March, tell us one item on your Quilting Bucket List. Don't have a Quilting Bucket List? Then this is the perfect time to make one. Thankfully, our next meeting will be Spring. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting!

Quilt With Joy,

Dina



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Meetings/Events Calendar 2024– 2025

All meetings/events at The Presbyterian Church of Toms River unless otherwise noted. Underlined denotes Guild Meeting.

09/20/24 – Pot Luck Dinner; Budget Review; Audit Report; 2023-2024 Block of the Month Quilts Showcase; Bee Mystery Quilts revealed; Huge Show & Tell; A very special challenge project revealed...

10/18/24 – Janellea MacBeth Lecture "Organizing Your Fabric Stash and Finishing the D@#N Quilt", Collection of Fall Placemats

10/19/24 – Janelleah MacBeth Scrapstashtic Shenanigans Workshop, 10am-2pm

11/15/24 – Back by Popular demand-Make & Take Project-Lollipops

12/20/24 – Pot Luck Dinner, Bring your favorite Holiday Quilt or Decoration that you have made for Show and Tell.

01/17/25 – Quilto and prizes!

02/21/25 – Spring Placemats; Guest Speakers: Rosemary B. & Chiara O. - A Mother/Daughter Quilting Journey

02/22/25 - Saturday Workshops – Choose 1 of 4 offered:

- 1) Applique with Jackie P. and Maryann F.;
- 2) New York Beauty with Chiara O.;
- 3) Rug Weaving with Jane S.;
- 4) Puffy Basket with Mary P.

03/21/25 – Regular Meeting, Guest Speakers: Sue A. and Jane S. - "A Lifetime of Quilting"

04/24 – No regular meeting, No April Newsletter

05/16/25 – Guest Speaker:
Kelly Reynolds, Birdland Boutique-Studio 180

05/17/25 - Saturday Workshop:
Studio 180 "Sugar & Spice" Pattern (LeMoyne Star)

06/20/25 – Pot Luck Dinner, Member Photo



2025 February Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Dina N at 6:30

Birthdays for February – Sherre M, Ann B, Jeannette M, Dianne W. Janice W, Patricia B

January Minutes - Motion to accept by Dona S and second by Richard L. None Opposed, motion carried.

Quilt Show 2026 – Chiara has started arranging for chair people for the different aspects of the quilt show. We will continue to use the Toms River Elks Club building. Our Judge this time will be Stacy Koehler, recent past President of the NACQJ.

Beachplum Quilt Guilds 40th Birthday or Ruby Birthday Dixie M proposed we make a Ruby Quilt with everyone making a square. More info will be coming. We will be having a 40th birthday cake at our June Pot Luck Dinner.

Fundraising, Donna D-We will be participating in Island Beach State Park on September 7th, 2025. Please help by making things to sell. There are ideas on the webpage.

Treasurer's Report: Erma H gave an accounting of our finances.

Placemats for Meals on Wheels- Pat and Ginger - Our next collection will be Summer and Patriotic. We had two prizes awarded, Pat L and Cathy M. Please remember to apply labels to each placemat, Thank you all for your support.

Block of the Month – Marcia G and Dixie M, Won by Regina L

Door Prizes – Richard L – 1. Maria S 2. Sherre B 3. Diane C. We had two Guests .

Show and Tell – Marlene S organized the Show and Tell.

Our Program was a trunk show by Chiara O and her mom, Rosemary B. It was interesting to hear about their quilting journey and to see many beautiful quilts.

At the conclusion of the Program, everyone was reminded to check the table for free items and the meeting was dismissed by Dina.

Program Notes

A great big **Thank You** to our teachers for the February workshops. Teachers were Mary Ann F., Chiara O., Rosemary B., Jane S. and Mary P. We are grateful for our participants and think everyone learned a lot and had a good time. *(See photos on pages x-x of classes is session)*

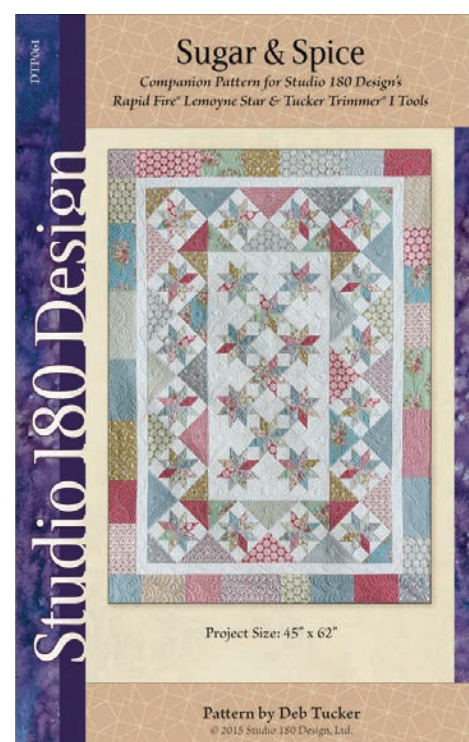
For our March meeting Jane S. and Sue A. will be speaking about the up and downs in their quilt journeys.

Kelly Reynolds will be our

May speaker. She is young, energetic, and has created many beautiful quilts using the Deb Tucker rulers.

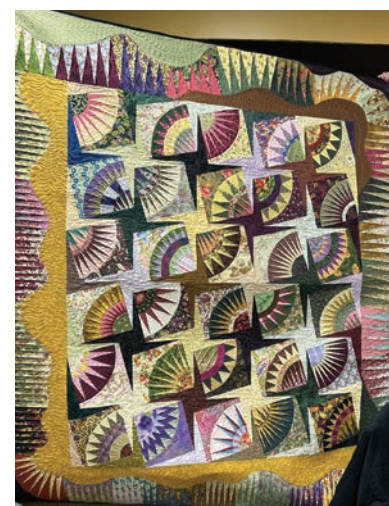
We have 14 people signed up for the May workshop using the Rapid Fire Lemoyne Ruler to create the Deb Tucker *Sugar and Spice* pattern. 

If you are interested in this class please sign up at the March meeting so we can order the rulers from Crafty Fabrics and the patterns we need. We encourage you to join us.



February Presentation: A Mother/Daughter Quilting Journey

Rosemary B. and Chiara O. regaled the members with their stories, from learning to quilt to the present day—and dazzled us with a wide array of beautiful quilts.



Photos courtesy of Ivette R.



February Workshops



1) Applique with Maryann F.



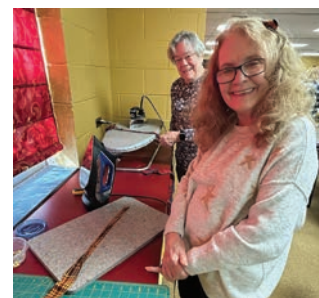
2) Rug Weaving with Jane S.



3) New York Beauty with Chiara O.



4) Puffy Basket with Mary P.



Workshop photos courtesy of Ivette R. and Donna D.





FEBRUARY SHOW and TELL

Kit D.

3 bags



Sue P.

3 charity quilts



Richard L.

Quilt find



Barbara E.

Colorful quilt



All Show and Tell photos
courtesy of Ivette R.



FEBRUARY SHOW and TELL

Cathy S.

2 Charity quilts



Marcia G.

Merry May's New Year's
Mystery Quilt



Donna D.

Scrappy charity quilt



Maryann F.

Schlepping Bag
French General quilt
Applique quilt





FEBRUARY SHOW and TELL

Dianne W.
Florida



Sherre M.
Charity quilt



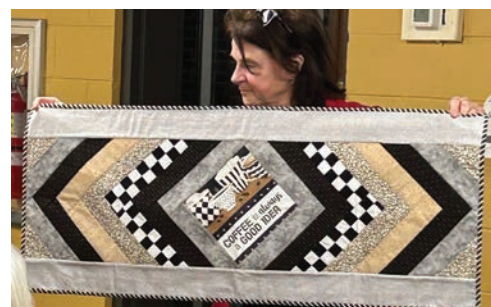
Ivette R.
Seahorses quilt



Ann B.
Quilt-As-You-Go
Table Runner
Bee Project



Pat O.
Quilt-As-You-Go
Table Runner
Bee Project



Connie S.
2 charity quilts



CHARITY QUILTS

Please make sure your name is pinned on to your charity quilt donation with a safety pin! This will help us keep track of who donated a quilt. Thank You!

Deb F. is offering to provide fabric to anyone who is willing to make a quilt to be donated to *Quilts for Kids*. Lap, throw and twin sizes preferred, but any/all sizes are appreciated. The focus right now is on kids and teenagers entering the hospital for cancer treatment. Deb will try to have some fabrics "kitted up" and ready to go at the meetings.

BEE NEWS

Bee Meetings Calendar 2024– 2025

All meetings at The Manasquan United Methodist Church, 1 pm.

01/03/25 – Bee Meeting

04/04/25 – Bee Meeting

02/07/25 – Bee Meeting

05/02/25 – Bee Meeting

03/07/25 – Bee Meeting

06/06/25 – Bee Meeting



The March meeting was an open meeting. Members could work on the project of their choice. Options included blocks for a Charity Quilt, BOM blocks or their own projects. Prizes were awarded to the people who made the most charity blocks during the Bee.

The April Bee Meeting will be a binding tutorial taught by Maria S. Bring a placemat or wall hanging to practice your binding skills. More info will be in the April Bee Newsletter. We are so thankful to have Maria share her talents with us!

We hope you can join us.



All Bee Meeting photos courtesy of Ann B.

MARCH
BEE MEETING
SHOW and TELL

Mary P.
Hunter Star



Pat L.
Strip quilting



Regina L.
Runner



Ann B.
Quilt-As-You-Go
Runner



Jeannette M.
Talked about
Small Quilt Auction



MARCH
BEE MEETING
SHOW and TELL

Sue P.
Quilt-As-You-Go
Runner
3 other runners



Maryann F.
Table Runner
Pillow



Marcia G.
Quilt Similar to
April/May BOM





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Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of each month
September through June
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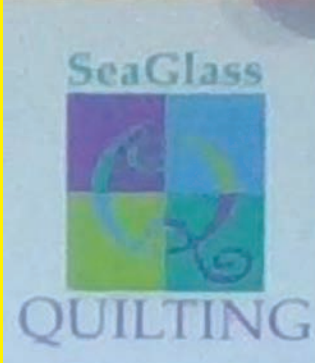
2026 Quilt Show Chair

Chiara Oliver

March 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, tampons, toiletries

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Deadline for the next newsletter is

May 3, 2025 (No April Newsletter)

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THE BEACHPLUM QUILTERS OF THE JERSEY SHORE BEE MEETINGS

Meetings are held the 1st Friday of each month
September through June
at the Manasquan United Methodist Church,
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