

the BEACHPLUM SAMPLER



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Celebrating Our 27th Year 1985-2012

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President's Message

The weather stations and all of the forecasts had dire predictions about the coming storm. Once again I had to move my car to higher ground because of the possibility of flooding. I wanted to look up at the sky and say "Enough". But since I am not omnipotent, my outburst would not help. So I just hunkered down and waited for the storm to pass and it did. We did get some snow but nothing compared to those states north of us. My car is back in the driveway and there was no flooding. Things are looking up. I can hear my mother telling me, "This too shall pass". Translation: life doesn't stay bad or hard forever. Somehow if we just hang in there long enough, life settles down and gives us respite. At this point I am looking forward to respite and sun.

Before long, spring will be here and our returning feathered friends will be checking out the new feeder. We will once again have sunshine and warm breezes. A good dose of sunshine always makes things seem better. So the message for this month is endure for just a little longer, get back to quilting to finish the projects that were to be completed by last September, and savor each day sunshine or not.

Ellen



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Meetings/Events Calendar 2012- 2013

- Sep 21- Big Show & Tell and Pizza Party
 - Oct 19- Bargello presentation by Jeannie Campbell
 - Nov 16- Regular meeting.
 - Dec 21- Holiday Dinner
 - Jan 18, 2013- Quilto
 - Feb 15- Ellen Hyers speaking on Antique Quilts, with a trunk show
 - Mar 15-Helle-May Cheney
 - Apr 6- Spring Luncheon @ Lobster Shanty
 - Apr 19-
 - Apr 27 - Bargello Workshop
 - May 17- Carol Singer's presentation "Designing...A Freeing Experience" and trunk show
 - May 18—Carol Singer's workshop on machine quilting
 - Jun 21-Installation Dinner
- Underlined denotes Guild Meeting

Tickets are on sale now, great event for friends and family

**2013 Beachplum Quilters Luncheon
"A Room With A View"**

[April 6, 2013](#)

12 noon till 4pm

**Luncheon Buffet at
The Lobster Shanty**

**[83 Channel Drive](#)
[Point Pleasant, NJ 08742](#)**

**Guest Speaker: Linda Poole
"Quilting Around the World"**

Tickets-\$35 (With a cash bar)

Sold [until March 25, 2013](#)

Advance Sales Only

Tickets available at Guild Meetings

From Donna Spencer

Or by mail:

Mary Pabst, [P.O. Box 802, Island Heights, NJ 08732](#)

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**Drawing of Raffle Quilt - Queen Size
"Country Rose"**

**Door Prizes, 50/50, and
Gift Baskets to Raffle**

From Genny:

Door prize donations for the luncheon are needed.

We are looking for NEW items such as patterns, notions, fabric bundles or kits, non-sewing items (candles, household items, gift certificates). Are all welcome, so please check your stash and closet for a goodie.

Please give them to Genny or Denise D or Linda F.

Minutes of January 18, 2013

Meeting opened at 6:50 pm by President Ellen Hyers.

Announcements:

1. Ellen is having trouble with some Verizon.net email addresses.
2. **April Luncheon**- Selling tickets through March meeting. Cost is \$35.00 Linda Poole is the speaker. Volunteer help needed at 11 am to set up for door prizes, gift baskets, etc.
3. **Charity Quilts** – 53 made. May have more sewing dates.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$6901.28. Motion and second to accept. Motion carried.

Raffle Quilt - \$390.00 collected so far.

Children Hope for Tomorrow info available at front table.
Show and Tell [see photo pages]

Block of the month won by Pat L

Door Prizes won by Denise D, Erma H, Sue G

Quilto – 10 happy winners

Mancuso show is February 28 through March 3. We need volunteers to sell raffle tickets. and white glove. Sign up list going around.

Meeting closed at 8:05 pm

Erma Hoover

From Pat McCullough (Program Chair)

Members who signed up for the Bargello workshop on April 27 should please prepare the homework from the sample pattern that was given prior to the workshop. For the May 18th Machine Quilting workshop, members who signed up will need to make about 4-5 sandwiches of fabric. 14 inch squares of 100% cotton fabric sandwiched between 14 inch batting.

Ruffled Feathers

Machine Quilting Service

Tammie Ruffle, Long Arm Artist

Thank you to Beachplum Quilters for your generosity and support over the last few years. My family is moving to Nashville, TN. I would be happy to continue quilting for you if you'd like to ship your quilt to me.

Tammie Ruffle
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Show & Tell, January 2013

Sophie K—Small Wall Hanging



Pam G—Wine Coasters



Nancy W—King Size Sandy Quilt



Show & Tell, January 2013

Joyce W—Four Seasons Summer Sandy Quilt



Sharon M—Underground Railroad



Editor's Valentine Quilt—WIP



Forget flowers.
If you really want to
impress me,
send ~~a pizza~~
and a ~~6 pack~~
fabric.



your  cards
someecards.com

Block of the Month Pictures

January Block of the Month Collection



American Association of University Women—Northern Ocean County Branch

Gift Auction

Benefit: Scholarship Fund

Saturday, February 23, 2013

Doors Open 1:00 pm

Brick Township High School, Cafeteria 3

346 Chambers Bridge Road, Brick

Refreshments and one sheet of tickets included in entrance price of \$12

Many many prizes, including three quilts!

Submitted by real quilters in response to a Facebook post:

You know you're a quilter when...

...all you do is think about your next quilting project
...your garage will never house a car because it is now the sewing studio
...you see all your mistakes but no one else does
...you have threads all over your clothes...and your house...and your car
...you find you've got your tape measure around your neck in the dentist chair because you had to finish just one more border before you left for your appointment
...you miss a meal because you're too busy sewing
...you have three more projects already thought out and you have barely started the one in front of you
...part of your monthly budget is for fabric
...your fabric room overfloweth
...you wake up excited to go to the fabric store
...you get up at two in the morning to finish a block
...you visit the fabric store more often than the grocery store
...you can't use your dining table for three weeks because you are too busy finishing a quilt
...someone hands you a giant stack of Hawaiian shirts and says, "Can you make a quilt with these?"
...finding a book on quilting at a second hand store is a score
...you walk in the house and step on a pin or needle
...you go to the fabric store — and there's nothing you don't have
...you eye clothes with the thought of how they will look as quilt squares
...while swimming backstroke you are planning your next quilt
...you have projects piled up high and plenty to do, but go to the quilt shop and find something you STILL just have to have
...you have a walk-in closet full of quilting fabric and you go shopping for more
...buying fabric comes before buying food
...you go batty
...you cut things up just to sew them back together
...your cupboards are full of fabric and no linen is in the cupboard space
...you aren't a diabetic yet have needle prick marks on your fingertips
...a commercial comes on tv and you see the quilt in the background but have no idea what they are selling
...you have a UFO
...you buy wrinkle-free clothes because your iron is only for pressing patchwork
...you have to add on to the house to make room for more stash
...your sewing machine hasn't been serviced in years because there's never a week you can do without it
...you cannot recall the last time you watered your houseplants
...you have to eat your meals on a tray because your dining room is covered in machines, threads and fabrics
...your guests have to sleep on the couch because the guest room is full of quilting things that you've collected everywhere you go
...you've gotten rid of half the clothes in your closet to make room for your stash
...you dream of fabric
...you have so much fabric you could open your own store, except you could never let it go
...you know terms like fussy cut, UFO, charm square, fat quarter {ADD TO THIS}
...you know that jelly rolls and layer cakes are not just for eating
...you have the quilt shop locator app on your phone
...your will has a paragraph about who gets your stash
...you are a material girl
...quilts are eye candy
...you relate to all of the above

And finally

...being snowed in is a gift from the weather gods to work on more quilts.

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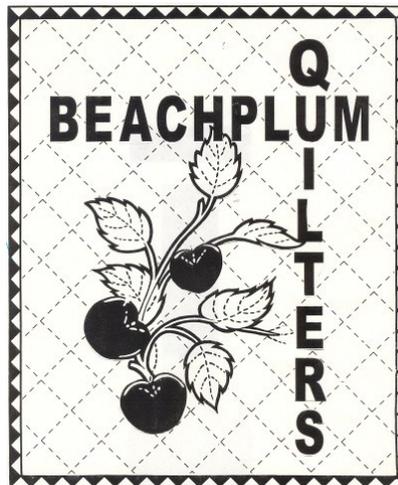
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of
each month September through June at
the Presbyterian Church of Toms River,
1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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Ideal Plaza, Route 9 South, Howell, NJ 732-534-5772

10% guild discount on Weds w/ I.D. card

Long Arm Artist available

Classes, Workshops, Demos

Sun 11:00am-3:00pm M—F 10:00am-5:30pm

Sat 10:00am-4pm

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Deadline for the next newsletter is

March 8, 2013

E-Mail your news using Arial font to

Marcia_guza@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Assignments for refreshments are as follows: Last
name ending in:

A through **E**—please bring a dessert, fruit dish, or
nosh

Everyone else can participate if desired.

Please remember to clean up your own dish-es
after the meeting. Many thanks.

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, Utensils, Appetite
- Show N Tell
- Assigned Refreshments

Next Quilt Show Dates:

April 5-6, 2014