

# the BEACHPLUM February SAMPLER

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## President's Message

Get ready for a very busy February Meeting! Our January 'snow-day' left some unfinished business, plus we are building the momentum to our Quilt show. As of our February meeting the show will only be 56 days away!

Here are some reminders:

- The deadline for submitting your quilt registrations for the show is March 1, 2024. Don't be the White Rabbit "I'm late, I'm late! For a very important date! I'm late, I'm late, I'm late!" Get that registration in pronto!!
- Donations for the Quilt Show Raffle Baskets will be graciously accepted by Carol C. Your donation can be items for one of the baskets or a cash donation so items can be purchased for the baskets.
- Quilts submitted to the 2023 Luncheon Challenge should be brought in to Dixie M. at this meeting, as not to confuse things with the 2024 Show Challenge Quilts which will be submitted and voted on at the March meeting.
- If you have raffle ticket money to turn in (and need more tickets to sell??). Dona S. will be happy to help you out!
- Spring Theme placemats will be collected for Meals on Wheels. Spring Theme placemats will receive a ticket to possibly win a prize.
- We'll have two block of the month drawings-January and February. I love to see all the BOM blocks together and see how unique everyone makes their blocks!
- Do you have Charity Quilts to drop off? I'll have a whole bin of 'pre-matched' fabrics available for the next round of quilts to be made. Many of them have enough fabric for backing too!
- Saturday February 17, we will have a Sit N' Sew to work on Door Prize tote bags for the Quilt Show.

And if it seems we will have enough time, we will try to get a few rounds of QUILTO in! Bring your buttons or pennies to mark your card just in case!

Donna

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## Meetings/Events Calendar 2023-2024

Underlined denotes Guild Meeting

- 1/5/24—Bee Meeting  
1/19/24 – QUILTO and Quilt Show Tips: Is Your Quilt Show-Ready? HELD BY ZOOM DUE TO WEATHER  
 1/20/24—Sit N Sew to work on door prize tote bags  
 POSTPONED TO FEBRUARY DUE TO WEATHER
- 2/2/24—Bee Meeting—Maria S workshop  
2/16/24 – QUILTO, Spring Placemats  
 2/17/24—Sit N Sew to work on door prize tote bags
- 3/1/24—Bee Meeting—Ann B introduces Mystery Quilt  
3/15/24 – TBD, Quilt Show Planning; Challenge Quilt Voting
- 4/13-14/24 – Beachplum Quilt Show.  
 No regular meeting, no Bee meeting, no April Newsletter
- 5/3/23—Bee Meeting  
5/17/24 – Dina Newbert lecture on FFP—Fabulous Fabric Puzzle  
 5/18/24—Workshop on FFP
- 6/7/24—Bee Meeting  
6/21/24 – Finale – Pot Luck Dinner, Member Photo



### Minutes of January 19, 2024 Zoom Meeting

Our President, Donna D. welcomed the assembly at 6:30 p.m. at our Zoom meeting due to the inclement weather. Donna read out the January Birthdays: Toni G., Karen M., Marcia G., Richard L., Ginger C. and Connie S.

It was asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the December meeting as published in our Newsletter. Motion to approve minutes by Erma H. and seconded Dianne W. Motion carried and approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Erma had stated our ending balance is \$11,546.43

**SIT-n-SEW:** Was postponed till February 17, 2024. The more of our members that volunteer for the day will hopefully complete the Door Prizes for our Quilt Show in April. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. thru 2:00 p.m. bring a lunch & desert will be provided. Anyone who know they'll be attending please contact Gloria via email. Thank you for your continued support.

**RAFFLE QUILT COORDINATOR:** Dona S. had started to acquire raffle tickets, return of tickets and if additional tickets are wanted, see her. Also, there were twenty three (23) not collected by members and they were mailed out at the day of this meeting.

**NOMINATION COMMITTEE:** According to our By-Laws a Nomination Committee should be formed. The Committees responsibility would be to find, for the 2024/2026 term, guild officers for the following: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Programs, Audit Committee, Charity Quilts (2), Communications, Fundraising, Hospitality, Membership, Block of the Month, Door Prizes, and Show & Tell. We are required to fill these offices as stated because the Bylaws have not been updated to reflect the changing world. Communications/ SB Secretary, Webmaster /SB Social Media. Until we change the Bylaws we must adhere to them. If there aren't any volunteers Donna will assign a team.

**2024 QUILT SHOW:** We had our Show Chairs, at our Zoom meeting, state their progress/updates in their selected category. Unfortunately, we have a number of things that are not being utilized or addressed by our members:

**First: QUILT APPRAISALS:** We have the honor and privilege of welcoming back Karen L. Dever, from Stitches through Time. Karen has been quilting over 20 yrs. She is an AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, Designer, Workshops, Lecturer and Publication of her Designs. Rates as follows: **Written Appraisal** - \$60.00, **Oral** - \$30.00 (Oral only applies to quilts made prior to 1975. Fee can be paid in cash, check or PayPal (if WIFI connection can be made. Please take advantage since appraisals document a quilt, can be used for insurance purposes when traveling, or to exhibits and gift giving just to name a few.

Karen will make Appraisals on Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Sunday, April 14, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **ONLY** if there are at least 6 appraisals are scheduled for Saturday. Please contact me, Gloria, so as to place you on Karen's schedule. Thank you.

**Second: BASKETS:** Donations are urgently needed for our Basket Raffle to be successful. If you can make a donation regards product for any category, money or baskets (on larger size) please do so at the February meeting. Donations can be given to Carol C. or Marleen S. Thank you!!!

Categories are:

#### ***QUILTING, ITALIAN, COFFEE & TEA, SPA and CHOCOLATE & LIQUOR***

**Third: QUILTING DEMOS:** If you would like to demonstrate a particular skill ie: Wool Applique, Sashiko, Rulers, Long Arm Prep, Hand Piecing, Hand Applique, English Paper Piecing please contact Paula P. so she can place you on the schedule.

**Forth: VENDORS:** If there is any particular Vendor, which has not been showcased before and you would like to have please contact Maritza C. Thank you.

**Fifth: RAFFLE TICKETS:** This has always been one our best ways to have money in our kitty. This year we have two beautiful quilts one which has been done by members of the Guild and the second by Shirley M., our member who passed. Thank you.

**Sixth: SILENT SMALL QUILT AUCTION:** Jeannette M. needs small quilts for this category.

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Minutes of January 19, 2024 Meeting (continued from previous page)

**PROGRAMS:** Dina has in past months brought up how their quilts would be judged and exactly what Judges are sticklers in checking. Dina has given us tips on how present our quilts. Except this evening she stated for us to **Be Happy** in our masterpieces. And that is exactly how we should, as quilters, look at our hard work, just **Be Happy**, knowing you have done a great job. Remember that the judges are only there to share their knowledge and make us better quilters. So do exactly as Dina says, **and BE HAPPY**, and delight in the fact that you do have achieved in making something beautiful that others can share in lessons learned. Also, Dina will host a workshop in May in teaching Paper Piecing. And looking into our members Chiara O. has a cute bag, and Maria S. could be approached for the up and coming 2024-2026 term.

**CHARITY QUILTS:** Carol C. had stated that we are low on inventory, but Donna D. has fabric that can be used as kits.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Gloria Squicciarini, Recording Secretary

Beachplum Bee News

The February Bee Meeting was busy!! Maria S. graciously gave us a demo/workshop on how to do a Four Patch Stack and Whack Quilt. The members were able to cut their blocks and start to look at the possible block combinations. We will continue in the month of March with learning setting, sashing, and border ideas. Bring your blocks to the March 1 meeting to continue this project. Thank you to Maria S. for sharing her quilting skills and her very patient guidance for all of us!

We will be starting a new Mystery Quilt project at the March meeting. Ann B. has been coordinating the schedule and clues for a lap size quilt. Sign-ups are in progress....if you would like to participate in this project, please email Ann B. to get on the list. Ann will bring two suggested colorways for the mystery quilt and fabric yardage requirements to the March meeting. Members will be able to shop at the Country Store during the April Quilt Show and take advantage of some great fabric bargains! Ann will have clues 1 and 2 at the May 3 meeting. **There will not be an April Bee Meeting due to the Quilt Show.** Clues will continue and be emailed throughout the summer in a PDF format. At the October meeting, we will have a Mystery Quilt Showcase. It will be fun to see how all the quilts turn out!!

If you have any questions regarding the Bee Meetings, please email Jackie P.

**Come join us!**





### Block of the Month

January  
Teddy Bear



February  
Love Note



Please bring both January and February blocks to the February meeting.

### Classifieds

Three of our members offer longarm quilting services!

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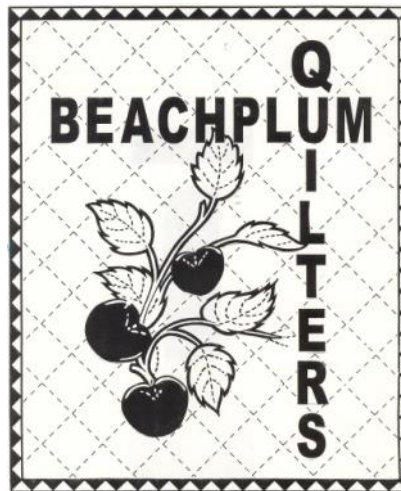
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of  
each month September through June at  
the Presbyterian Church of Toms River,  
1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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**Membership**

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**Block of the Month**

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**Deadline for the next newsletter is**

**MARCH 4, 2024**

E-Mail your news in a Word document (not PDF)  
using Arial font to

**[Marcia\\_guza@yahoo.com](mailto:Marcia_guza@yahoo.com)**

**FEBRUARY 2024 MEETING**

**MEETING REFRESHMENTS**



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.

**January Meeting Checklist**

- **Name tag** and a welcome smile for guests
- Block of the Month
- Show & Tell (January and February)
- Charity quilts
- Donations to The Hope Center: Feminine pads and tampons
- Placemats For Meals on Wheels
- Quilto supplies

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