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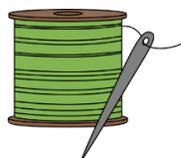
President's Message

Welcome 2015! It's a New Year and time for new quilt challenges. I hope everyone is starting to work on the Quilt Challenge for our Luncheon which will take place on April 11. Your challenge is to figure out how to use the red and white stripe fabric in a small quilt. I was perplexed...how am I going to do this? But I did figure it out and my challenge quilt is done. So, I encourage all of you to get sewing and see what you can create. I look forward to seeing how everyone uses their fat quarter...I'm sure we will have some interesting quilts! They are due at the March 20th meeting.

We are celebrating our 30th year as a quilting guild. It is special that we have been learning, quilting, and sharing in fellowship for so many years. Minabess Randolph is the person who started the guild in 1985. She is a lifetime member. (Minabess teaches quilting classes at Crafty Fabrics – stop by and let her know how much you appreciate being a part of our guild.) The first meetings took place at the Ocean County Library on Washington Street in Toms River. Our official name is “Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore”. We are chapter #321 of the National Quilting Association. Our name is derived from the beach plum which grows in abundance along our coast and is often made into jelly. We have had about 15 quilt shows at various locations. U.S. Representative, Frank Pallone comes to each of our quilt shows to purchase a quilt. We have donated many quilts to charity organizations for their fund raising. Our guild also made charity quilts to give to families during the Sandy Recovery...over 100 quilts were made. We have had many wonderful speakers, teachers, and workshops during our 30 years. Some of our members have taught workshops as well...Fran Gilesheimer and Carol Lauterbach are two of our special quilters. The guild also had “Bee meetings” where members gathered together to learn techniques from each other. Our guild has so much to offer! Let us celebrate our quilting heritage here at the Jersey Shore. :)

happy quilting!

jackie



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Meetings/Events Calendar 2014- 2015

- Sep 19–Pizza Party, Big Show & Tell and Fabric Sale
- Oct 17–Hawaiian Quilts
- Oct 18–Hawaiian Quilts Workshop (group 1)
- Oct 25–Hawaiian Quilts Workshop (group 2)
- Nov 21–Make It & Take It
- Dec 19–Holiday Dinner and Scrap Exchange Part 1
- Jan 16, 2015–QUILTO and Scrap Exchange Part 2
- Feb 20–Janet Peterson Trunk Show
- Mar 20–Norma McAfee
- Apr 11 - Luncheon at Lobster Shanty with speaker Jackie Kunkel from Connecticut
- Apr 17–Michele Scott and Scrap Exchange Part 3
- Apr 18–Workshop–Bobbinpalooza
- May 15–Donna Painter
- Jun 19–Installation Dinner

Minutes of December 19, 2014 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm and adjourned at 8:25 p.m. by President Jackie Pearce.

The Treasurers report given by Ann B. (\$10,193.71) was accepted.

The Minutes as printed in the December newsletter were approved.

A thank you letter from Tender Loving Care Ministries, Inc. was received and read to the membership. We had contributed 22 quilts, 69 pillow cases, 500 fabric pieces and 4 miscellaneous items

Block for our monthly quilt card for November was – Michigan – Block is Arrow Heads- State motto: If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you. The December - Maine – Block is Pine Forest - State motto: Dirigo ("I lead")

Linda F. has tickets for the April Luncheon. Flyers with luncheon information, designed by Susan H, were handed out to members to help sell tickets. Please distribute to quilt shops, guilds, and stores. Anyone needing flyers to post in a favorite shop, please see Susan.

Luncheon Raffle Baskets: Three basket themes of Wine, Spa Day and Sewing were approved by the members. Please bring any donations to our meetings or Susan H. will pick them up if you let her know. Final donations must be made by our March meeting.

Challenge Quilt for 2015: Ann has challenge quilt fabric for \$3.00 per kit.

Charity Quilts: There are still some Charity Quilt kits available from Ellen.

Raffle Quilt 2016: Dona S. showed our next raffle quilt [see Show & Tell for picture]. It was just beautiful.

Scrap Fabric Exchange: Pru P reminded members that blocks are due back in January.

Christmas drawstring bags directions were give out along with fat quarters for the membership.

Door Prizes: Were won by Jean C, JoAnn McC, and Mary Lou G.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan Hnatuck
Recording Secretary



JANUARY PROGRAM – **QUILTO**

Start the New Year right by joining us at our
January meeting to play **QUILTO**.

Fun & fantastic prizes abound.

2015 just may be your **LUCKY** year!!

Show & Tell December 2014

- Jane S—Charity quilt—rail fence pattern
- Ann B—Tablerunner using Gridded Geese; mug rugs with gingerbread men
- Alice M—Baby quilts
- Marcia G—Christmas tote bag
- Mary Lou GB—Christmas presents for granddaughter
- Jo Ann McC—Christmas presents—Fabricators
- Liz H—Fabricators grab bag gift
- Pru P—Charity quilt
- Joyce W—Three small quilts for small quilt auction
- Dona S—BPQ raffle quilt (in progress) and Christmas tree wall hanging
- Jackie P—Charity quilt, pink
- Janet P—Table topper
- Susan H—First quilt for first daughter
- Cathy S—Hawaiian (from workshop)



Jane



←Ann→



Marcia



←Alice→



Mary Lou



Mary Lou



Jo Ann



Liz

Show & Tell December 2014 (cont)



Pru



Joyce



Dona



Jackie



Janet



Susan



Cathy



January

SCRAP EXCHANGE & CHALLENGE

1. December meeting: Each person brought 3 coordinating fabrics (each fabric piece 12 1/2 inches sq. or bigger) and took a different bag. Then she made a 12 1/2 in. block using all three fabrics (one fabric can be minimal but use all three). Block can be pieced or appliqué, embellished or not; be creative.
2. **January meeting: Completed blocks are returned to Pru Parcell. Maker's name goes into pool for the final drawing. Pru will put blocks together and machine quilt (size will depend on how many blocks are returned).**
3. April meeting: Drawing for a winner.

Let's have some FUN with FABRIC!



Announcements and Reminders

Luncheon Baskets

We have three basket themes: Wine, Spa Day, and Sewing. Please bring a new item to donate for the baskets and give them to Susan H. We will be collecting at the January, February, and March meetings. Any questions, see Susan.

Raffle Tickets

The fundraising for our 2015 Raffle Quilt is an ongoing project. The money raised from the raffle quilt funds our speakers and activities through out the year.

Pat L. will be collecting money from raffle sales at all meetings prior to the luncheon.

2015 Challenge for Beachplum's 30th Anniversary

You're invited to join the fun and creative journey of our challenge. It is for everyone, no matter skill level or experience. **Ann Bergstedt has challenge bags available for \$3.00.** In the bag is the Challenge Fabric, plus the rules and guidelines. You can make anything you like, within the parameters of the rules. Deadline to turn in your finished Challenge Quilt is our March 20, 2015 Meeting. Quilts will be displayed, voted on and awards presented at our Luncheon on April 11, 2015.

Winter Meeting Cancellation Policy

As the winter months start to head our way, inclement weather will be a real possibility. We will cancel our regular meeting if the Toms River School District has canceled school that day. This way there will be no question of getting on the roads when they are snowy and icy.

Check your local radio station or the Toms River School District website @ www.trschools.com.

This website may be helpful too: www.tomsriveronline.com/Storm_Closings.htm.

The church uses radio station WOBM to announce their closings.

We will also send out an email to let members know we have canceled the meeting for that evening.

Announcements and Reminders

The Rebecca Reel Quilt Guild is inviting the Beachplum Guild to participate in a Quilt Exhibit at Monmouth University. The exhibit will be centered around various themes. Contact information and entry deadlines are as follows:

QUILT EXHIBIT IN SUMMER 2015

The 4Patchers have been asked to again curate a quilt exhibit for Monmouth University. We are hoping to fill the Pollack gallery with quilts from Rebecca's Reel and Beach Plum guild members.

Categories: The previous exhibit was historical. In 2015 we are focused on themes. The examples given are *suggestions* to start you thinking.

Humor Modern style Liturgical Holiday
 Regional—Baltimore-style album, Hawaiian, desert
 Personal celebrations—birthday, wedding, baby, achievement, good-bye, get-well, friendship
 Reflections—of a book read, a movie seen, a famous artist or artwork
 Political/recycling/living green; refugees, domestic abuse
 The natural world—plants, critters, pets, places
 Response to disasters—Sandy, flooding, wildfire, tsunami
 Various cultures---African, Asian, Amish, Native American
 Historical—family history, evoking a particular era

Entries: We must receive your entry by April 15, 2015, which includes your name, the category, a description, the approximate size of finished quilt.

A *paper* photo of the quilt, your name, quilt name and the final size must arrive by May 15. More than 1 quilt may be submitted, in any/several categories, by a quilter.

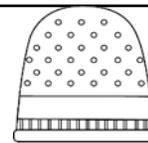
The quilts will be juried, based primarily on creating a balanced exhibit. As you realize, quality of technique will especially matter when there are too many entries in one category.

Send entry info to: Libby Schoenewolf (dlswolf@comcast.net)

45 Laurel Dr., Fair Haven NJ 07704

Join the fun!---Joy Bohanan, Alison Curran, Lynn Liebenow, Libby

Quilting Tips



One of the wonderful benefits of a quilt guild is sharing and learning from each other. We are going to try a new addition to the newsletter each month. This will be a place where we can post quilting websites and tips. All members are welcome to contribute. There are so many great videos and websites on the internet. Send your quilting tips to Marcia.

In addition, you are welcome to submit a (free) classified ad for anything sewing or quilting related. You can post items you want to sell or give away, or items you are searching for.

Pinterest

Do you make use of Pinterest? Maybe you don't know what it is.

Pinterest is a visual discovery tool that you can use to find ideas for all your projects and interests

So, okay. That definition maybe wasn't so much help. I think of it as an online mega bulletin board (subdivided into categorized boards) where I can "pin" things I want to remember and come back to. There are some default categories you can start with...but (no surprise) I soon created a Quilts board. That category quickly got to be too big and broad, so I have since created various boards relating to quilting, but more specific (modern quilts, convergence quilts, jelly roll quilts, free motion quilting ideas, etc.). I also have boards for crocheting, recipes, and, more specifically, desserts, and so on. It's easy to add boards as desired. Then when you are trying to recall some good ideas you "made note of" (by pinning), you can go to that board and find them.

Go to www.pinterest.com and search for Marcia Guza (and any other friends who have boards). You will be able to see all my public boards (it's possible to make some board private). Ahhhh...all that quilting eye candy!

Here are a few resources to help you set up your own Pinterest account (which is free, by the way). This video provides a short tutorial:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrRcVj-1pyk

How to set up a Pinterest account: <http://www.wikihow.com/Sign-Up-for-Pinterest>

How to use Pinterest (from Real Simple):

www.realsimple.com/work-life/technology/how-to-use-pinterest

Did you know... Stitch and Sew in Lakewood gives a 10% discount to guild members. Just ask for it!

Classified:

Singer sewing machine about 5 years old, all attachments included. Retro looking (black). \$100. Contact Jane S.

Classified:

I am now accepting long arm quilting projects. Edge-to-edge only. Competitive rates, relatively fast turn-around. Call or email me (Marcia, 732-610-4282, Marcia_guza@yahoo.com) or call Diane at Crafty Fabrics in Brick, 732-920-6220 for more information. Refer to "How to prepare your quilt for a longarmer" on the Beachplum Quilters website.

Block of the Month



December



2014-15



Pearls of the Jersey Shore *Beachplum Quilters'* *30th Anniversary Celebration* *Luncheon*

April 11, 2015

Noon to 4pm

Lobster Shanty

83 Channel Drive

Pt. Pleasant Beach, NJ



Of The Jersey Shore

Program to include:

Guest Speaker: Jackie Kunkel

Owner of Canton Village Quiltworks
Door Prizes — Gift Basket Raffle -- 50/50
Challenge Quilt Viewer's Choice Awards
Scrappy 9 Patch Raffle Quilt Drawing

\$35 per person -- Advance Purchase Only

Tickets may be purchased until 3/20/15

At Beachplum meetings or by mailing payment & SASE to:

Beachplum Quilters c/o Linda Felton

PO Box 285 - Ocean Gate, NJ 08740

Questions: linsewbusy@aol.com

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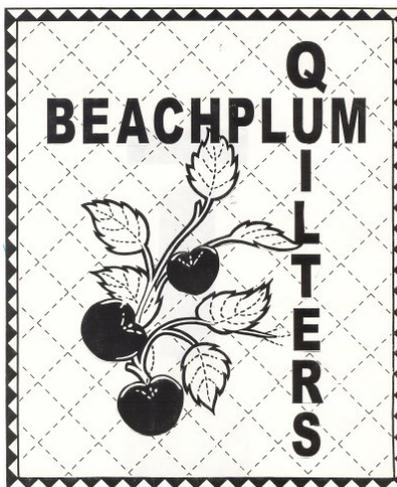
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of each month September through June at the Presbyterian Church of Toms River, 1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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Deadline for the next newsletter is

February 4, 2014

E-Mail your news using Arial font to

Marcia_guza@yahoo.com

JANUARY MEETING REFRESHMENTS



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

Assignments for additional refreshments are as follows:

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

Everyone else can participate if desired. Please remember to bring your coffee mug, plate, utensils, etc., and 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
- Buttons for QUILTO
- Scrap Exchange & Challenge (see page 4)

**Luncheon Date:
April 11, 2015**

**Quilt Show Date:
April 2016**