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President's Message

Happy New Year! May this year bring you blessings and good health, and help you shed any old worries or habits that stop you from being your best and happiest self!

New Year, new project? I am working on a carry over from "last" year, my challenge quilt! Of course I am already a little panicky that it won't be ready to turn in at the March meeting! A BIG change in the challenge quilts--the winners will be member-voted and not picked by our Luncheon Guest Speaker! The quilts are still due at the March Meeting, so you can submit a quilt even if you are unable to attend the luncheon. Please see the complete challenge rules and details on submitting your entry in this newsletter.

At our January meeting we will be playing everyone's favorite game--QUILTO! Bring your buttons or pennies to mark your card, and get ready for some fun and prizes! The next day, Saturday January 21, we will be having our fabric and notions sale at The Presbyterian Church of Toms River. A number of you have volunteered to retrieve items from the storage unit and help with the sale--THANK YOU! Additional volunteers are always welcome, as well as shoppers!! Feel free to pass the sale info on to others you may feel would be interested in attending.

Our February meeting and workshop will be under the direction of a guild favorite guest lecturer and workshop leader, Maria Sendzik. Make sure you sign up as slots are filling up fast, and if there are any openings after the January meeting, the workshop will be opened to other guilds. Payment is due at the January meeting.

Wow! So much going on! And I haven't even mentioned the March meeting...April Luncheon...next Quilt Show...etc.!

Donna ;-)

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Meetings/Events Calendar 2022-2023

Underlined denotes Guild Meeting

9/11/22 – Sunday Beachplum Festival at Island State Park
Sept 16, 2022 – Pineneedlers mini trunk show; Block of the Month Completed Quilts Showcase; Budget Voting

10/21/22– Eleanor Levie Lecture; Winter Placemats
10/22/22—Eleanor Levie Workshop

11/18/22– Holiday Craft
11/19/22—Zoom Sit & Sew

12/16/22- Dianne Werner Trunk Show; Pot Luck Dinner

1/20/23– Quilto
1/21/23—Quilters Estate Sale

2/17/23– Maria Sendzik Lecture; Spring Placemats
2/18/2023—Maria Sendzik Workshop

3/17/23– Eliza Hardy Jones Lecture
3/18/23—Zoom Sit & Sew

4/22/23– Luncheon. No regular meeting

5/19/23– Kim Gimblette Lecture
5/20/23—Kim Gimblette Workshop

6/16/23– Debbie Welch Lecture; Finale – Pot Luck Dinner, Member Photo, Installation of new Board
6/17/2023—Debbie Welch Workshop

Minutes of December 16, 2022 Meeting

Welcome back everyone and hoping you and your family had a Very Blessed Christmas and a Very Happy New Year.

At 6:30 p.m. our meeting started and our, President, Donna D. began welcoming everyone. Immediately following she called out tables so we could all enjoy the feast that awaited us to celebrate our Christmas Holiday. As usual all our members had brought in food and sweets to tantalize one's taste buds and talk and enjoy each others company.

As our meeting began Donna had asked if we had any new visitors. We are very pleased to announce we have a new member Deborah O. joining our Guild. Also our December birthdays were called.

Donna inquired if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes from the September meeting as published in our newsletter. Motion to approve report by Carol C, and second by Mary P. Motion approved and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Erma H. read the report with an Ending Balance: \$18,456.36. Motion to approve report by Janet P., and second by Dona S. Motion approved and carried.

SIT-n-SEW: It was reported there **would not be** a Zoom Sit-n-Sew but would resume on Saturday, January 21, 2023.

FABRIC SALE: Donna informed us that the Saturday, January 21, 2023, day after our meeting, we are having a Fabric Sale to be held at the Presbyterian Church. Besides fabric there will be possibly six (6) sewing machines as well as notions. This Fabric Sale will be opened to all and will also include outside Guilds. Come One Come All and make this a great success.

Luncheon: Everything is going according to schedule. We will have the Invitations ready for sale at the January meeting. The pricing is as follows:

Restaurant cost is \$56.00 pp.

Beachplum Guild Members: price will be \$50.00

Guests of Beachplum Member: price will be \$56.00 (i.e.: Wife, Husband, Sister, etc.)

Outside Guild Members: will be \$60.00

When paying for your Invitation please notify me and choose one (1) of the following three (3) Main Entrees: **1) Chicken Piccata 2) Broiled Seafood Combination (Flounder, Scallops, Clam Casino, and Shrimp) or 3) 10 oz. Prime Rib of Beef. Also I need to know if you have any dietary restrictions.** I will type up a copy of our Menu and ask Donna D. to distribute to everyone via email.

Donna D. has already been notifying Outside Guilds. Our Guest speaker will be Meg Cox who will do a Power Point presentation entitled: "Quilt Journalist Tell All" followed by a Q&A session, and audience quiz of three questions. Ms. Cox has also agreed to judge our Challenge Quilts.

NOTE: Due to the Luncheon there will not be an April meeting.

CHALLENGE QUILTS: Dixie M. advised all that our Challenge Quilt's should be turned in a Pillow Case at the March 17, 2023 meeting. Since the quilts will be placed on a table there isn't any need for a sleeve, unless to choose to attach one for hanging, and that further details will follow.

PROGRAMS: Dina N. began to reiterate the theme for the placemat as "Spring" and requested that all placemats need an attached Label which is available at the meetings. Also **PLEASE NO Religious symbols** and all placemats are due at the February meeting. There will be one (1) ticket issued per entry. You may enter as many placemats as you wish.

Dina spoke of our upcoming Lecture and Workshop with Maria Sendzik in February. Your workshop will be the "Kira Quilt" which if you are not familiar with it can be Googled on the internet. The cost is \$30.00 for members and \$35.00 for outside guilds. Dina also stated you need to purchase the pattern which can be purchased at Crafty Fabrics with a 10% discount or on Amazon. This workshop will be held at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. List of items are as follows, Pattern, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square ruler, Rotary mat 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " if available (or just turn your cutting mat around), 10" layer cake (42), pattern sizes range from Crib to K size, and video can be viewed on You Tube to familiarize yourself. Please note the amount of layer cakes will depend on the size you choose to make your Kira Quilt. If not enough Beachplum members attend this workshop it will be opened to outside Guilds.

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Dina introduced one of our very own Dianne W. Dianne and gave us a Trunk Show, of her favorite quilts. Dianne is quite accomplished in sewing and has traveled extensively. While living in England she was a proficient seamstress and was also quilting. Her first quilt was a Cathedral Quilt which she vows never to attempt again. She was part of a Women's Institute, while living in England, which had originally started in Canada, encouraging women during WWII to do their part. She also lived in Florida and Virginia, and now settled in New Jersey. And let's not forget the boat in which took over the Atlantic Ocean with her Husband and Family, when coming to the States. Her quilts many times symbolized the State or Country she lived at the time and was always accepting of challenges. She also challenged us to do a do a Memory Quilt which Dianne had shown hers. Just select something that was memorable during the course of a week and create a block, maybe 6", and QAYG prior to assembling the blocks and Making Memories!

Her most memorable quilt was originally titled "All Geese Flying" and changed the title following September 11, 2001 to "Souls Going to Heaven" as a memorial to all of those who perished. Dianne saw the geese as Souls going to Heaven.

CHARITY QUILTS: Carol C. & Juanita G. Announced that there were 20 Quilts given to Harbor House, 5 to Veterans in E. Orange and 5 quilts went to DYFS.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH: And the winner of the blocks went to Cathy M. Congratulations Cathy.

DOOR PRIZES: Jane S. called out three (3) winners and they were: Jean C., Mary Lou G., & Diane C.

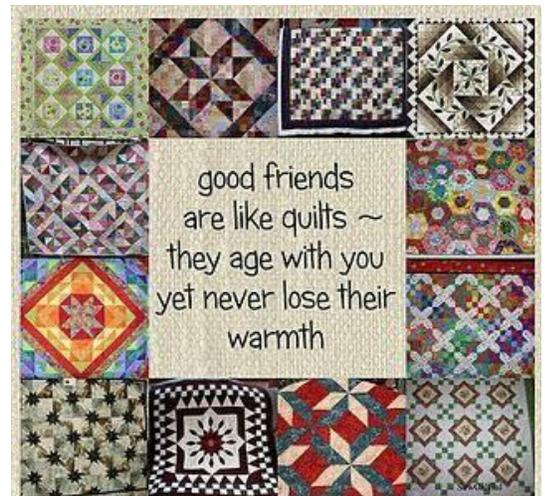
SHOW & TELL: As usual our members never disappoint us with their talent and execution of their work. It just goes to prove the old saying "Practice makes Perfect", and with hard work comes a great sense of accomplishment.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Gloria Squicciarini, Recording Secretary

Show & Tell December 16, 2022

Griffin K—Table runners
Donna D—Queen blooming patch
Marcia G—Izzy's stocking
Erma H—Growth chart
Dona S—Storm at Sea
Kit D—Placemat with napkin

Link on website (Newsletter section) for photos



2023 Beachplum Luncheon Quilt Challenge, April 22, 2023**2023 LUNCHEON QUILT CHALLENGE RULES****The Challenge-**

Create a small quilt inspired by a favorite piece of art. The art you choose could be classic, modern, famous, local, or the artwork of a child. (It's important to note these are just some possibilities).

The selected piece will serve as your inspiration and jumping off point. Usually we like a particular piece of art because of the way it affects us. Your finished quilt may show what the artist has encouraged you to think about and/or feel. The quilt may end up being a translation into fabric of the artist's philosophy, his ideal, or a celebration of beauty. The selected art may give you a new perspective or reinforce something you've known about yourself or life for awhile. (Again, just some possibilities).

Use any technique or combination of techniques you wish, for instance: appliqué, paper piecing, traditional piecing, collage, what else?

Use any fabrics you think will best show off your interpretation of the art.

If embellishments will strengthen your quilt, use them.

Only one entry per Beachplum member.

All entries must be complete, no quilt tops or unbound entries accepted.

Size-

Minimum-12x18 inches

Maximum- 24x36 inches

Prep Details-

It's not necessary to attach a sleeve to the back, as the quilts will be displayed flat on a table.

Attach a label to the back. The label must include name of inspiration artwork and artist, date made, and your name. Cover up the label for membership voting.

Include a xeroxed picture of the artwork that inspired your quilt. This copy should be no larger than 8 1/2 x11," as it will be displayed with your quilt on the front.

Entries will be judged for creativity, workmanship, and adherence to the size and criteria specified.

All the Challenge quilts are due at the March 17, 2023 Beachplum meeting, and they should be secured in a pillowcase, the same way as we do for our show entries. All the quilts will be displayed at the luncheon, April, 22, 2023.

The challenge affords you the opportunity to examine a favorite piece of art in an entirely new way. There are many paths you can take. We hope you have fun with the process, and we can't wait to see what you create!

"Creative work is a gift to the world and every being in it. Don't cheat us of your contribution. Give us what you've got."
Steven Pressfield, American author.

In order to submit your quilt-

Bring your quilt to the March 17, 2023 Beachplum meeting in a pillowcase, no paper or plastic bags. Please label the outside of the pillowcase with your name and phone. Inside the bag should be your registration form, a picture of your quilt, and your story card. Both registration and story card forms can be found on the Beachplum website for you to print and fill out. The story card will be a paragraph of no more than 50 words, telling about your project.

Membership Voting-

Voting will take place at the Beachplum luncheon. First, second, and third place prizes, along with ribbons, will be awarded.

One ballot will be given to each member in attendance.

Each member will vote for a favorite quilt (one vote per member).

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Block of the Month

December
Ornament Chain



January
Optical Illusion



The weather outside is
frightful, but my
stitching is so
delightful, so since
there's no place to go...

**One more row.
One more row.
One more row.**

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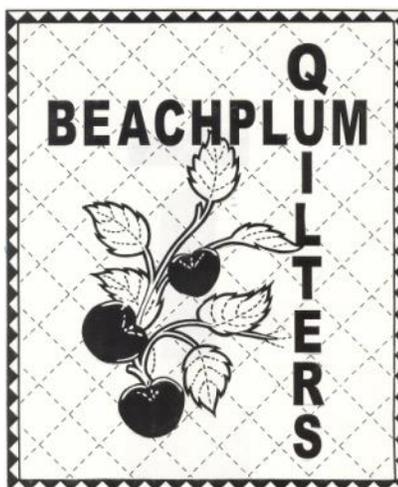
Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of each month September through June at the Presbyterian Church of Toms River, 1070 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753

DOORS OPEN AT 6 pm;

MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 pm

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January 2023

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Members are welcome to bring treats, if desired.

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

Please clean up after yourself before leaving.

Next 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 and tampons

Luncheon—April 22, 2023

Next BPQ Quilt Show—April 2024