

# **HONEYBEE BUZZ**



# MAY 2023

Hi Sister Honeybees,

Happy May! I hope you all have a wonderful month, filled with blooming flowers and frequent outings with family and friends.

If you are like me and need more direct instructions for the opportunity quilt blocks, the pattern is Balsam Gnomes by Lake Girl Quilts. The directions are after the templates. This is the link. <a href="https://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern">https://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern</a>

Remember to bring items for the ugly auction to the next meeting. You will need a checkbook or cash to purchase items. I will have tags on the table for your sale items. Just put your initials on your tags and attach them with the safety pins provided. *Please do not bring magazines*. Try to bundle items when possible. Pick up a paddle if you wish to bid. Make sure you put your name next to the number of your paddle on the list. If you want to donate your money earned to Honeybees, just write "Guild," on those tags. Remember, the volunteers tabulating sales and earnings need to be able hear the auctioneers and concentrate on what they are doing. Please refrain from talking to them or distracting them with questions. The auction will stop at 9:00.

We want to have plenty of time for the auction, so we will have an abbreviated meeting. The board has decided to wait until the insurance bill for this year has been paid to make the decision to give additional money to QUILTFEST. As we all know, insurance in general is an ever-increasing entity. We want our guild to remain operating in the black by staying within our budget. We may need to find some creative ways to raise additional funds to increase our contribution to QUILTFEST. Suggestions are always welcome.

I truly enjoyed the QUILTFEST get-together at Cinnamon's Quilt shop. Thank you to all the ladies who showed up to represent our guild, the ones who brought delicious goodies and especially Anne Morgan, who stayed all day, decorated the table, and put together a slide show. Thank you Dawn and Anne for helping set up and take down the four tents and put away chairs.

The program presented by the Tilted Quilters Quilt Shop at the April meeting was a lot of fun. They brought so many beautiful lines of fabric.

# May you all stay happy and healthy,



Trini

# **MEETING**

Tuesday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30

Presbyterian Church, The Loft 12001 Mandarin Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223

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# Officers

President: Trini Bowen
VP: MaryAlice Howle
Treasurer: Pat Guildford
Secretary: Annette Paulson,
Mary Alice, Robyn & Joan

The website for Honeybees <a href="http://honeybeequilters.org">http://honeybeequilters.org</a>

Board Meetings:
6:00 p.m on the
4th Tuesday of the
month
at Cracker Barrel on Hwy
17 OP

Happy Birthday

Dee Harrison May 9

Hospitality providers are listed below, but all members are welcome to bring treats to share anytime in addition to their assigned month:

Name Count

May 1

Dee Harrison

We may need some help with snacks!!

Happy Anniversory

Faye Hayne May 10 Priscilla West May 10 Sandra Kruszewski May 22 Jan Lipsky May 29

There is a Poll in the Facebook group to track anyone making blocks for the Opportunity Quilt. Please vote for one or more that you will do to make blocks. **Need 28 Gnomes and 23 Trees** (2 of each committed in FB Group).

New members must request to join the Facebook

group: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/honeybeequilters">https://www.facebook.com/groups/honeybeequilters</a>

Also New members FYI, the Opportunity Quilt will be entered into QuiltFest and Honeybees will sell tickets before and during the event. At the end of QuiltFest in September, the winning ticket will be drawn.

Reference, original Quilt Post with links to the Template: <a href="https://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern/">https://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern/</a>

# Upcoming programs and workshops for the next few months.

May 2: Ugly Auction,

May 20: MIDI Bag workshop

June 6: Binding, it's not as hard as you think it is (really).

June 15 Colleen's block party 9-3 Fellowship Hall, sign-up sheet in the book.

July 4: Quiltfest info and volunteer signups

July 15: Charity and finishing your entries for Quiltfest, 9-3 Fellowship Hall

**QuiltFest:** Mark your Calendars!

Quiltfest 2023 - Sew Full of Whimsy (Friendship Guild)

September 14-16, 2023 Prime Osborne Convention

- Registration begins April 1st for submitting a quilt. You can pay either online or by check. See details on <u>quiltfestjax.com</u> website. Please be sure to read the rules and what category your quilt is supposed to be in before filling out your form. If you have questions, you can ask any guild member for help.
- Exhibitors (those who have submitted quilts for judging) will only get 1 day free into the show, not every day.
- We have a judge!!! Diane LeClair is a NACQJ Certified Judge from Texas.
- The special display area will be full with booths containing embroidery, weaving, dolls, hospice, quilts of valor, an appraiser, the modern quilt guild and others.
- Bookmarks will be printed soon, so if you know of someplace we can put them for more advertising, let one of the Honeybee Quiltfest Reps know and we will get you some.

Sponsorship - we are still looking for local businesses to sponsor categories for the ribbons. We are working on a sponsorship from AQS for \$2,000 but there are over \$6,000 in prizes handed out. The forms are available on the QuiltFest website.

# RETREATS - Robyn Eubanks

Under the Sea – August 17-20, 2023, ... Luther Springs; 264 Vause Lake Rd, Hawthorne FI 32640 \$275 Single \$215 Double \$175 Triple

Prices include \$10 extra for retreat goodies....

If you have joined the planning committee for this retreat, Please save the dates for an upcoming collaboration meeting of the mind:

Monday May 22nd @ Cracker Barrel (Orange Park) 6:00pm

Location to be determined for June 22nd, July 6th and August 1st (prior to the honeybee meeting)

I'm sure this will be "splashing" event!

We are currently on a wait list for this retreat.

**Staycation** @ Cinnamon's Quilt Store October 20th-22nd.

We also have a wait list for this retreat.

I apologize for not being at the next meeting as I am enjoying time with family in ABQ, NM celebrating my Mom's 80th birthday. I am always a phone call away if anyone needs me. Sincerely yours, Robyn E

# Website Updates:

Members Only 2023 Board & Committees, Membership Meeting Minutes, Board Meeting Minutes and 2023 Quiltfest Board Meeting Minutes

**Meet to Eat** – members meet at the Panera Bread located at 11111 San Jose Blvd Suite 39, Jacksonville, FL 32223 at 5:30 pm to share a meal and visit with fellow members before the meeting.

(Snip it) Lisa Schrock has invited the Honeybee members to have to a quilt or two critiqued at the St. Augustine Piecemakers event on May 13. It runs from 9-2 at the Agricultural Center of St Johns County. HB quilters are invited to bring up to 2 quilts of any size, any style, any age for a critique as if being entered in a show. She will work them in upon arrival, so no sign up required.

# **Supply List for Midi Workshop**

Fabric to make one bag

- Outer squares and Handle Fabric
- need 108 21/2" squares. They can be 10 strips (2 1/2" by at least 40 inches) or 2 1/2" in scraps, charm pack
- two 2 1/2" X WOF strips for the handle
- Linina
- ¾ yard or can be 4 6 ½ X 18 ½ inch rectangles

I will supply the Quiltsmart Midi bag panel and fusible fleese

#### Honeybee Quilt Guild

### April 4, 2022 Membership Meeting (6:30 pm)

#### Mandarin Presbyterian Church, The Loft: 2501 Loretto Road, Jacksonville, FL 32223

Attendees: Denise Adams, Marie Breslin, Sandra Brinson, Sue Brown, Sheryll Capes, Tammy DeBeau, Marilyn Holman, Mary Alice Howle, Jeanie Jacobson, Kathy Johnstone, Dawn Kelly, Connie Kight, Karen Krueger, Sandy Kruszewski, Nikki Levinson-Lustgarten, Jan Lipsky, Bonnie Lovett, Carol McBryde, Bonnie McCarty, Caroline Moegenburg, Annette Paulson, Beth Porkert, Maureen Reiter, Colleen Rosatone, Jennifer Routh, Kristine Stein, Elaine Stemetzki, Win Tate, Anna Turek, Jill Voetsch and Maureen Wasson

## Guest: Rose, Jackie Farrar, and Ann Moberg

#### Call to Order – Trinie Bowen:

Next Board Meeting is in May on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 6:00 pm at the Cracker Barrels (SR17 and 1295) in Orange Park. Committee Chairs are highly encouraged to attend or at least provide a report to one of the Board Members prior to the meeting. These meeting would be more productive with the input from the Committee Chairs.

# Minutes of last meeting (March 7, 2023) – Trinie Bowen:

As submitted by Acting Secretary Dawn Kelly to board and membership; motion to approve with corrections by Kristine Stein, seconded by Bonnie McCarty, approved by the membership.

Presidents Report - Trini Bowen: Present, No Report

Vice Presidents Report – Mary Alice Howle: Present, No Report

# Treasurer's Report - Pat Guilford: Not Present, Report read as supplied as of Feb 2023

Checking: \$2,996.14 and Savings: \$12,396.01 and Savings: \$12,396.01 and Expenses Year-To-Date: \$705.15

Vystar provide 2 bags of candy as a thank you for our patience while they correct the storage unit autopayment.

Trini told the group that we have \$400 (\$200 from 2022 and \$200 for 2023) for sponsoring categories at Quiltfest. Mo made a motion that the funds be increased to \$600, so that the guild could sponsor a full category, and later withdrew the motion. Trini ask that the motion be tabled until the Board can confirm with the Treasurer that the additional funds are available. Board and membership were in favor of obligating the additional funds if possible.

Motion was made to sponsor 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes for the Collaborative Category with the currently budgeted \$400, motion to approve by Mo, seconded by Connie, approved by the membership.

#### **Committee Reports:**

# Charity – Robin Allison: Not Present, Report read as supplied

a. Thank you note from Lifeline Resources from bibs and burp cloths.

#### Challenges – Sandi Brinson: Present, Report

- b. 5 members met the March challenge with small quilts for QuiltFest Silent Auction.
- c. Next month's challenge Market Bags for kids and teenagers at Foster Closet

# Challenges - UFO – Beth Porkert: Present, Report:

- a. Last month's number was 3, Show and Tell 13 members participated.
- b. This month's number is 6
- c. Drawing at Birthday Party in July

#### Education – Jennifer Routh with support from Jeanie Jacobson and Jill Voetsch: Present, Report

#### a. Programs:

April 4 - Tilted Quilters - Pop Up Shop & Demos - Dawn Burns, owner

May 2 – Ugly Auction – Jeanie Jacobson and Maureen (Mo) Reiter – Thing 1 & Thing 2 (Auctioneers) and Anne Morgan – Cashier, Label should have your initials and a description. If you bid, please do not plan on leaving before 9 pm. There will be a hard stop to the bidding at 8:45 pm, and you bills will be ready by 9 pm. Please do not try to pay the cashiers before 9 pm. All payments to suppliers of items will not be paid at the meeting.

June 6 – Binding – It's Not As Hard As You Think It Is (Really) – Jennifer Routh

July 11 – Quiltfest Information and Volunteer Signups

**August 1** – Guild's Birthday Party

Oct 3 – Quiltfest Follow-up and Show And Tell

Nov 7 – Getting Ready for the Longarm – Jenna Borcherding

**Dec 5** – Guild Holiday Party – Annette Paulson and Committee

#### b. Workshops

Fees for workshops should be put in an envelope with your name and the name of the workshop, and put into the Workshop/Retreat Binder

**April 22** - Embroidery Machines with the Queens taught by Annette Paulson, Sheryll Capes & Colleen Rosatone - \$20 Fee, Class is Limited to 20, 4 Projects (Kits Supplied) Supply List Threads will be posted on the Guild's Facebook Page and Website, Pot Luck, Fellowship Hall, 9 am – 3 pm

May 20 – Midi Bag taught by Elaine Stemetzki – \$20, Supply List on page 3 of this Newsletter, Pot Luck, River City Guild, 10 am -3ish pm, parking in Library Parking Lot

**June 10** – Workshop to finish 2023 Quilt Block Exchange blocks – Colleen Roastone, Free, Supplies need to finish blocks, Fellowship Hall, 9 am – 3 pm

**July 15** – Charity/Sit n Sew (Finishing your entries for QuiltFest) coordinated by Robin Allison – No Fee, No Supply List, Fellowship Hall, 9:am – 3 pm

August - Fall Retreat

Sept 14-16 - QuiltFest

Oct 20-22 - Stay Retreat

**Nov 18** – Elfin Magic – Elaine Stemetzki & Sheryll Capes – \$20 Fee, Normal sewing supplies, Kits will be provided, Pot Luck, Fellowship Hall, 9 am – 3 pm

**Dec** – No Workshop

# Exchanges – Colleen Rosatone: Present, Report

The 2023 Quilt Block Exchange is Twisted Posies Quilt Pattern by Fons and Porter. Participants will need to submit their 12 finished blocks to Colleen Rosatone, no later than the July Member Meeting. The exchange blocks will be handed out at the August Retreat. The June 10 Workshop will be a Block Party to finish any last-minute blocks. Quilting Angels (pressers, rippers, etc) are needed for the June 10 Workshop.

Hospitality – Denise Adams and Trini Bowen: Present, No Report

# a. Meet to Eat -

Members meet at the Panera Bread located at 11111 San Jose Blvd Suite 39, Jacksonville, FL 32223 at 5:30 pm to share a meal and visit with fellow members before the meeting.

b. Hospitality - Christmas Party – Annette Paulson & Connie Kight (Theme & Decorations) & Colleen Rosatone (Block Exchange) – Present, Report

Committee is working on a theme. Membership agreed on Italian for a purchased meal.

c. Hospitality - Birthday Party – Trini Bowen, Dawn Kelly, Cheryl McCain, Denise Adams, Pat Guilford, Win Tate and Janet Marshall: Present, Report

Committee is working on a theme. If you are on the committee, please respond to committee emails.

# Welcome – Karen Krueger: Present, No Report

Winner for Door Prize was drawn.

#### Membership – Maureen Wasson: Present, Report:

We have \_\_60\_members on the roll as of this meeting.

### Newsletter - Connie Kight: Present, No Report

Request for committee leaders to provide content for newsletter. Also, any other members with news please provide to Connie Kight for inclusion in the newsletter.

## Publicity – Dawn Kelly: Present, No Report

# QuiltFest 2023 (Sept 14-16, 2023) Guild Co-Ordinator – Trini Bowen: Present, Report

# QuiltFest 2023 Board Updates – Guild Rep or Maureen (Mo) Reiter: Present, No Report

- QuiltFest and Cinnamons Quilt Shop are co-hosting a Meet and Greet. It will be at Cinnamons Quilt Shop, 4220 Hood Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257 on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Each of the guilds will have a table to provide information. In add, there will be demo, snacks and information on QuiltFest. Cinnamons will have kits available for purchase to make small quilts (24 inch x 24 inch or smaller) for donation to the Silent Auction.
- Sponsorships are encouraged, try local small businesses, i.e. Eye Doctor or Dentist. \$100 minimum. Get a form from Ways & Means committee.
- Friends of QuiltFest can donate as little as \$5 to get a name in the Program or donate anonymously.

# b. QuiltFest 2023 - Opportunity Quilt Mother - Carol Malicki: Not Present, No Report

- Balsam Gnomes pattern has been selected for this year's Opportunity Quilt. It is a free block pattern that consists of 4 templates which can be found under the cutting directions at <a href="http://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern/">http://lakegirlquilts.com/balsam-gnomes-quilt-pattern/</a>. If you want the quilt directions, you can purchase them from their Esty store.
- Gnomes' hats need to be done in reds (can be pieced)
- Trees need to be done in greens (can be pieces)
- Beards are your choice ie gray, white, brown
- Noises are your choice of flesh tones (can be multicultural)
- Backgrounds are your choice of beige, cream or white (each side can be difference shades

# c. QuiltFest 2024 Theme "Sew Your Heart Out" – Maureen Wasson: Present, Report

Fabric for challenge has been purchased and will need to be kitted. Rules for challenge has been developed.

## Retreats – Robyn Eubanks: Present, Report:

#### a. "Under the Sea"

Dates: August 17-20, 2023

Location: Luther Springs, Hawthorn, FL

Cost: \$275 Single, \$215 Double and \$175 Triple, Registration 17 member have signed-up (there are only 26 available slots), no money is being collected at this time

Meals: Thursday – Supper, Friday & Saturday – Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner, Sunday – Brunch

## b. Theme To Be Determine, Staycation

Dates: October 20-22, 2023

Location: Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe

Cost: TBA, Registration 15 member have signed-up (there are only 28 available slots)

Meals: TBA

#### Sunshine – Win Tate: Present, Report

Birthdays and Anniversaries were acknowledged

Ways & Means - Vacant: No Report

Website -Anne Morgan & Annette Paulson: Present, No Report

Old Business: No Old Business

**New Business: No New Business** 

**New Process**: Checks will be Deposited when received and not held by coordinators or in Workshop Folder. Checks have been held too long or not deposited with enough time to clear prior to program or retreat.

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The meeting was adjourned at  $\underline{7:20}$  p.m.

Followed by Show N Tell and Program



# Do you need to finish blocks for:

"Twisted Posies" exchange; or opportunity quilt; or a personal project Attend the

Honeybee BLOCK PARTY June 10, 2023 9am to 4pm

Fellowship Hall Mandarin Presbyterian Church

- Hourly Door Prizes
- Games
- Potluck Lunch (bring a picnic lunch item to share)
   (Soft drinks and paper products provided)
- "Block Angels" to help with cutting, pressing, sewing and encouragement.

(Angels please volunteer to bring pressing, cutting, or a sewing machine)

- No Fee, sign up space is limited.
- Bring your materials and machine.

Have questions - Contact Colleen Rosatone at rosatonec@gmail.com

#### Honeybee program payment policy

- Workshops, there will be a \$20 non-refundable deposit (checks only) due at signup. Signup will close when the class is filled, or two weeks prior to event, whichever comes first. The deposit can be transferred to another member to take their place at the workshop.
- Retreats, a non-refundable deposit is due at signup. (checks only) The amount will be determined by the amount of deposit required by the venue.
- Bus trips, there will be a non-refundable deposit due at signup, to hold a place on the bus and reserve the event ticket. Amount will be determined by the cost of the event and bus company deposit (checks only)
- All deposits will be refunded if the workshop or event is canceled