



# HONEYBEE BUZZ



AUGUST 2023

Hi Sister Honeybees,

QUILTFEST is just around the corner, and we need to see all those beautiful quilts you have created on display. If you enjoy looking at it, so would someone else. They have extended the deadline for entering quilts from the 25<sup>th</sup> of July to the 1<sup>st</sup> of August. I encourage each of you to enter at least one quilt and carve a niche out of your schedule to volunteer so you can get in free. It is so worth it! I took the plunge and entered for the very first time. I am not in it to win, just to be a part of something big and enjoyable. You also get in free, one day, just for entering a quilt. Go to [QuiltfestJax.com](http://QuiltfestJax.com)

Then go to "Enter Your Quilt" section. Scroll down and you will find the "sign up genius" link to see what times and areas need volunteers.

The next meeting is our Honeybee birthday party! There will be yummy food, games, and prizes. Everyone receives a small birthday gift. We have 39 guests registered. You can still come even if you are not registered, you just won't be able to get a meal unless you get payment in to Dawn Kelly before the event. You will receive your exchange blocks at this meeting and have an opportunity to win the layer cake drawing. Remember one 10-inch block of floral with one 10-inch block of matching solid, equals 1 entry in the drawing. Your birthday committee has worked hard to make this a fun event for everyone.

At the Birthday Party meeting we will also have order forms for our new Honeybees shirt. So, bring your checkbooks. A crew neck shirt will cost \$15, a V-neck \$20 and a collared shirt \$25.00. Please try to order at this meeting so we can get them by QUILTFEST. They will be white with a seafoam, yellow, and black, logo, and the name of our guild. Size 3X and larger will cost slightly more.

This is an eventful month. Take advantage of all the great Honeybees, and QUILTFEST activities going on. If you have any questions, please feel free to call. My number is: (904) 449-2435.

I hope to see you all at QUILTFEST and the birthday party,

Trini



P.S. The birthday party will be held in the Woody room. It is on the opposite side of Mandarin Road across from the main church. Look for the pink signs.

## MEETING

Tuesday August 1<sup>st</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  
<http://honeybeequilters.org>

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

*Happy Birthday*

Pernie Gilbert	August 8
Marie Breslin	August 22
Maureen Wasson	August 30

## Snip-It

Mark your calendars: Meetings in **August & December** will be held in the Fellowship Hall at the Mandarin Road Campus in the Woody Room (far door) of the left side at 11844 Mandarin Rd

## Snip-It

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 at the meeting.

*Happy Anniversary*

Ann Morgan	August 2
Sheryll Capes	August 15
Nikki Levinson-Lustgarten	August 16
Colleen Rosatone	August 22
Kathy Johnstone	August 26

## Snip-It

Going forward, all retreats will have a non-refundable deposit date to hold your spot. (Amounts determined by retreat) Retreat facilities are now requiring a 20% down payment at time of booking.

**QuiltFest:** We still need your help to make Quiltfest the best (I rhymed!!). Please see if you have some time to help:

Judging:

Where: Prime Osborn

When: Tuesday through Thursday, September 5 - 8

Time: 1st shift 7:30 am - 12:00 pm  
2nd shift 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm

When: Friday September 9

Time: 7:30 am - 12:00 pm

Depending on the number of quilts entered, we may or may not need this day.

See Mo Reiter for more information.

Days of the Show:

Where: Prime Osborn

When: Thursday through Saturday, September 14-16, 2023.

Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm each day  
There are 2 hour time slots for each area

See Maureen Wasson for more information.

Thank you for helping us make this the best quilt show around!

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Jeanie Jacobson

**Call for Donations for our Quilters Walk Baskets:**

We are making **TWO** baskets for our Quilters Walk contribution. Elaine is making her cute gnomes for us to start the theme. The first is a **HALLOWEEN** themed one and the second is a **CHRISTMAS** themed basket. So, please go through your stash or pick up something at the store that fits a Gnomey-holiday themed basket. I already have a donation of a Halloween cookbook, so if someone wants to donate cute cookie sprinkles or a spatula or apron or cookie sheet or plate, we can build that basket around the theme. Let's have some fun and bring some whimsy to our baskets. If you have a donation, please bring it to the next meeting. Let Beth know if you have questions or donations (904-994-8775 or [bporkert@usa.net](mailto:bporkert@usa.net))

## Quiltfest

### Tote Bags

We have tote bags!!!! This year we are selling bags that are not theme or year specific. Selling the bags without a theme or year makes it easier to sell leftover bags. There are 4 different colors to choose from.

### Community Service & Young Quilmakers

The following items are needed:

1. Poly-Fil for stuffing Me Dolls and Heart Pillows. Please be sure it is machine washable and dryable.
2. Fabric for pillow cases - 27" x WOF for the body, and 9" x WOF for the cuff (we will not be including accent strips.
3. Fabric for pot holders. Each potholder needs 1 Batting 7" x 7", 1 Fabric 7" x 7" and 1 Fabric 9" x 9"
4. Young quilters have the following so far: 5x5 charm pack, thread, needles, pins, seam ripper, tape measure, small scissor, sewing machine needles, needle booklet. If you can think of anything else to include, it would be greatly appreciated. We would need 20.

### Registration

There are 70 quilts entered so far. The deadline is next month. Be sure to get your quilt entered as soon as possible!

### Volunteers

We need volunteers to run our show. Please see Anne Morgan and she can help you sign up.

## RETREAT CORNER- Robyn Eubanks

Remember all money is due for August retreat at Honeybee guild meeting July 11th. All Checks payable to Honeybee Quilt Guild.

August Retreat is raising funds for the Sea Turtles by having a silent auction on Saturday the 19th at Luther Springs Retreat center. Everyone welcome to participate!! Donation of cash or goods for auction welcome! See Robyn

January "Retreat on the Suwannee" attendees, we will need a non-refundable deposit of \$45 per person to attend by August 1st Honeybee meeting.

Going forward, all retreats will have a non-refundable deposit date to hold your spot. (amounts determined by retreat) Retreat facilities are now requiring a 20% down payment at time of booking.

Keep your machines moving and your calendars open for retreats!

Sincerely,

Robyn Eubanks

904-307-0073

## ELFIN MAGIC-Elaine Stemetzki / Sheryll Capes

These are the sample of what we will be making in elfin magic. Two of them require a sewing machine that zig zags. Sign up at the July honeybee meeting



**Honeybee Quilt Guild****July 6, 2023 Membership Meeting (6:30 pm)****Mandarin Presbyterian Church, The Loft****2501 Loretto Road, Jacksonville, FL 32223**

**Attendees:** Robin Allison, Robyn Baldwin, Trini Bowen, Debbie, Bradshaw, Marie Breslin, Sandra Brinson, Sue Brown, Sheryll Capes, Tammy DeBeau, Robyn Eubanks, Jackie Farrar, Pat Guilford, Jeanie Jacobson, Dawn Kelly, Sandy Kruszewski, Nikki Levinson-Lustgarten, Bonnie Lovett, Carol Malicki, Cheryl McCain, Anne Moberg, Beth Porkert, Maureen Reiter, Colleen Rosatone, Jennifer Routh, Stacy Shelton, Anna Turek, Jill Voetsch, Maureen Wasson, Cindy Souders, Helen White, Mary Ramsdale

**Guest:** Nicole Jacobsen

**Call to Order – Trini Bowen:**

Next Board Meeting is in July on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 6:00 pm at the Cracker Barrels (SR17 and I295) 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 (June 6, 2023) – Trini Bowen:**

As submitted by Acting Secretary Dawn Kelly to board and membership; motion to approve by Jeanie Jacobson, seconded by Jill Voetsch, approved by the membership.

**Presidents Report – Trini Bowen: Present, Report**

Topics discussed included QuiltFest coming in September, submit payment for Birthday Party tonight, August retreat spots are open 4 open single rooms. Going forward there is a 20% non-refundable deposit for retreats.

**Vice Presidents Report – Mary Alice Howle: Present, Report**

The shirts printer was on vacation; update next month.

**Treasurer's Report - Pat Guilford: Present, Report**

Checking: \$2,898.85 and Savings: \$12,460.16

Income Year-To-Date: \$8,225.86 and Expenses Year-To-Date: \$7,553.85

Storage Unit location's elevator is out of order as it was struck by lightning. This is currently a 3<sup>rd</sup> floor walk-up to reach the Honeybee's unit.

4 people pre-paid their Opportunity Quilt Tickets. Everyone see Pat to pay for your tickets and pick-up the envelope.

**Committee Reports:****Charity – Robin Allison: Present, Report**

July 15<sup>th</sup> Sit and Sew was at Fellowship Hall in the Big Room of the Mandarin Road Campus. Sewing options include: Hearts (not stuffing, can be donated), Me Dolls, Drain Caddies, QuiltFest Silent Auction items (small quilts, bags, etc). Kits available for sewing. Pot Luck lunch (Robin to provide plates & flatware)

Villages of Hope (4829 Firestone Rd.) is breaking ground on July 27 10am for 14 houses. We provide small quilts for girls as part of the welcome basket. Elaine's quilts will be auctioned off.

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

- a. 3 members met the June challenge with QuiltFest Me Dolls, drawing winner was Mary Alice Howle
- b. Next month's challenge – Any QuiltFest donation items: Pillow case kits (27" main and 9" cuff WOF), Hearts (not stuffed), Me Dolls (unstuffed), Pot Holder Kits (see prior emails)

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

- a. Last month's number was 10, Show and Tell - 7 members participated
- b. This month's number is 1
- a. Drawing at Birthday Party in August

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

### **Programs:**

**August 1** – Guild's Birthday Party – Dawn Kelly and Committee

**Oct 3** – Quiltfest Follow-up and Show And Tell

**Nov 7** – Getting Ready for the Longarm – Jenna Borcharding

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

### **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

**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. Note that 2 items require Zigzag machine stitching.

**Dec** – No Workshop

### **Charter Bus – February 24, 2024**

Reach out to Jennifer Routh if interested in a Charter Bus trip to American Quilter's Society (AQS) Daytona for Saturday, February 24, 2024.

## **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. Anne Morgan was the last remaining submitter to turn in within the week.

2023 Birthday Party Exchange in August is to bring a pair of 10" squares (one floral and one solid) – at least one winner of the 10" square stacks. Be sure your fabrics are the full 10" when cutting them. See additional flyer in the newsletter before the July 2023 meeting.

The 2024 Block Exchange is in the works to be started early due to the dates of the retreats.

## **Hospitality – Denise Adams and Trini Bowen: Present, Report**

### **a. Meet to Eat - Maureen Wasson: Present, No Report**

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): Not Present, No Report**

Theme is Button Nose Reindeer, Food will be catered Italian – payment will be due at or before the Nov Meeting

### **c. Hospitality - Birthday Party – Dawn Kelly, Trini Bowen, Cheryl McCain, Denise Adams, with Pat Guilford: Present, Report**

2023 Honeybees Birthday Party coming on August 1st 6:30 - 9:00 pm at the meeting in the Fellowship Hall at the Mandarin Road Campus in the Woody Room (far door of the left side) at 11844 Mandarin Rd.

The Theme is Hawaiian Beach Luau with an optional meal from L&L Hawai'i

Dinner cost is \$15 due by the July 6th meeting by cash or check to Honeybee Quilters

Dinner menu: Hawaiian Barbeque (Teriyaki Chicken), Kalua Pork and Cabbage, Pineapple Fried Rice with Spam, Tossed Salad, Birthday Sheet Cake and Hospitality drinks

28 dinner reservations so far and we're looking to get closer to 40 to make the pricing work.

Kindly email Dawn Kelly to make your dinner reservation or sign-up at the meeting:  
dawn.kelly.sungard@gmail.com

**Welcome – Karen Krueger: Not Present, No Report**

Winner for Door Prize was drawn – No Applicable.

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

We have 64 members on the roll as of this meeting.

**Newsletter - Connie Kight: Not 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 before the last weekend of the month.

**Publicity – Dawn Kelly: Present, No Report****QuiltFest 2023 (Sept 14-16, 2023) Guild Co-Ordinator – Trini Bowen: Present, Report****a. QuiltFest 2023 Board Updates – Guild Rep or Maureen (Mo) Reiter: Present, Report**

Beth Porket's 2 Baskets coordination:

- 1) Gnome Christmas Theme, members to provide Fabrics (Fat Quarters) and Notions (Thread, etc.).
- 2) Gnome Halloween Theme, members to provide Fabrics (Fat Quarters) and Notions (Thread, etc.).

Maureen Wasson organizing the Honeybees Table for volunteers. The table is where QuiltFest attendees purchase Opportunity Quilt tickets to benefit Honeybees. Sign-up sheet passed around.

**b. QuiltFest 2023 - Opportunity Quilt Mother – Carol Malicki: Present, Report**

Balsam Gnomes pattern is assembled. Denise Adams has volunteered to Edge-to-edge quilt. Quilt is 90" wide by 97" long. Quilt name to be 'Can't see the Forest for the Gnomes'. Carol to register for QuiltFest. Treasurer to provide check for QuiltFest Registration (to Anne Morgan).

**c. QuiltFest 2024 Theme "Sew Your Heart Out" – Maureen Wasson: Present, No 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 has opened up for 4 attendees

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

Silent Auction will be held for Sea Turtles Donation, anyone welcome to attend for auction.

**b. Theme To Be Determine, Staycation**

Dates: October 20-22, 2023

Location: Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe

Cost: \$65 by September meeting, Registration of 28 slots is FULL, waiting list started

Meals: Friday Dinner, Saturday Dinner & Sunday Brunch

Elaine to be a helper to Open daily and Robin to Close.

**c. Theme To Be Determine, Winter 2024**

Dates: January 25-28, 2024 – Thursday 9am – Sunday 2pm

Location: Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, Live Oak, FL

(Note: no Spring Spots available at Luthor Springs 2024)

No food included; shopping and restaurant within walking distance. Fridge available.

Cost: \$320 Single, \$185 Double, Registration limited to 18 attendees, money is due at the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting

Registration is FULL, waiting list started

**Sunshine – Mary Alice Howle: Present, Report**

Cards have been mailed. Carolyn Allen Sympathy card sent.

**Ways & Means – Vacant: No Report****Website -Anne Morgan & Annette Paulson: Present, Report**

Website is being kept up to date.

**Old Business: No Old Business or Information on Old Business**

Nominating Committee request for chair; reminder that the Nominating Chair cannot be nominated to a Board position.

**New Business: No Old Business or Information on Old Business**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Followed by Show N Tell and Program

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## UFO CHALLENGE

Last chance to play in the UFO Challenge!!!! This month work on #1!!!

The drawing will be at the Birthday Party, so come play for a chance to win \$200!!!

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Snip-It

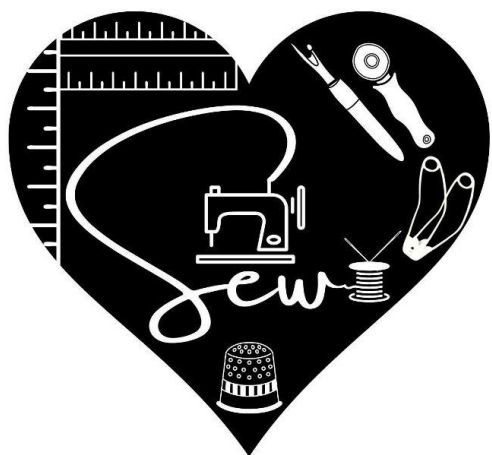
**Website Updates:**

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

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# Sew your Heart Out

## 2024 CHALLENGE QUILT KIT

### ***RULES:***

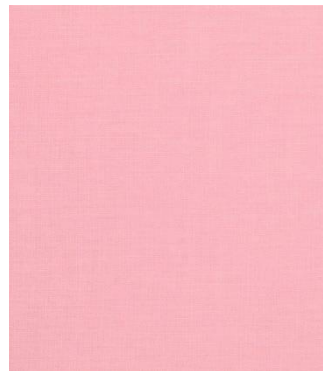
1. Purchase of the challenge kit **INCLUDES PREPAID ENTRY OF YOUR QUILT FOR QUILTFEST 2024.**
2. Your challenge quilt **MUST BE REGISTERED** for the show **no later than July 25, 2024.**
3. **NO COMMERCIAL PATTERN MAY BE USED.**
4. Your quilt must be an **ORIGINAL DESIGN** reflecting the 2024 Theme "Sew Your Heart Out".
6. Your entry can be any size and any shape (circular, triangle, rhombus, etc.) up to 120 inches (all sides total). Must have a top, batting, backing, and be held together by stitching.
7. You must use a recognizable amount of all 3 challenge fabrics on the TOP of your quilt.
8. Challenge fabric may **NOT** be used for the backing.
9. You may use additional fabrics.
10. The design **MUST** have at least 3 hearts, any of which may be appliqued, pieced, or embroidered.
11. Embellishments — YES, please!!



## Honeybee Quilt Guild Birthday Party Raffle August 1, 2023

**Win** a Layer Cake of floral print/Coordinating solid

	<b>1</b>	10" by 10" square small floral print cotton fabric
+	<b>1</b>	10" by 10" square coordinating solid cotton fabric
	<b>1</b>	Chance to Win a Layer Cake



**One  
 chance  
 to win a  
 fabric  
 layer  
 cake**

Enter as many times as you want. Depending on the number of entries there may be more than one winner.  
 Questions - Contact Colleen Rosatone [rosatonec@gmail.com](mailto: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