

HONEYBEE BUZZ



October 2019

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Now that Quiltfest is over for another year, we can look forward to what's to come.

Those of you that entered a quilt, please bring it and your comment sheet to the meeting. Hopefully, more of us will be encouraged to enter next year.

I know that there are at a few (maybe a lot) that bought the Dresden ruler that has a cut out in it. I think we can get enough together to "have a class".

The weekend of October 18, 19 and 20 will be our first "stay" retreat at Cinnamons. So we will see how much fun/sewing we can pack into those days. Eleven people have signed up so far, so we still have a little bit of room for you if you decide you wanted to join us. Let Pat know at the October 1st meeting.

Did you all get (and read) the email from Annette, Chairperson of the nominating committee, about considering stepping up to hold one of the Officers Positions for the guild? All four of the current officers have had the position for their two years and must step down. Also a few committee chairs need to be found for next year.

Elfin Magic is a very popular event for Honeybees. We have had fun making lots of cool items in the past, and Pat had found more fun stuff for us to do. Be sure to sign up for the November workshop.

Keep on Keeping on Elgine

MEETING

Tuesday, October 1st, 6:30 p.m. at Mandarin Presbyterian Church in the Fellowship Hall East Campus

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Officers

President: Elaine Stemetzki Vice-president: Marie Breslin Secretary: Jeanie Jacobson Treasurer: Pernie Gilbert

The website for Honeybee is http://honeybeequilters.org

PROGRAMS

There were a lot of projects that were finished at Lake Swan—not to mention all the fun and fellowship. The next retreat opportunity is coming up in October at Cinnamon's here in town, on Oct. 18-20. There is still room, so if you are interested, make sure you bring your \$50 to reserve a spot.

There will also be samples shown of the projects for the next Elfin Magic workshop on November 16. To reserve a spot (and it does fill up fast), be sure to bring your \$25 deposit. It will be held in the usual meeting room at Mandarin Presbyterian, from 9 til 3. You won't want to miss this popular event.

November's meeting will host a physical therapist to suggest some healthier ways to position yourself for the long hours of sewing.

There are meeting programs and workshops being planned for 2020, so if you have any ideas, please pass them along. One suggestion is a bus trip to the Villages quilt show on January 25. Please let us know if this is something you would like to participate in.

Honeybee Program Payment Policy

For workshops facilitated by Honeybee members, there will be a \$ 25.00 deposit due at sign-up. The deposit is refundable ONLY if the member shows up at the workshop. Sign-up closes two weeks prior to the date of the event.

For workshops facilitated by outside teachers, there will be a \$ 25.00 deposit due at sign-up. Sign-up will close when the class is filled, or two weeks prior to event, whichever comes first. The deposit is refunded if the member shows up, or if they can get someone else to take their place at the workshop.

For retreats, a non-refundable deposit is due at sign-up. The amount is determined by how much of a deposit the venue requires.

For bus trips, there will be a non-refundable deposit due to hold a place on the bus

HOSPITALITY

Prior to the meeting we will "Meet to Eat" starting at 5:30 pm, at Panera's in Mandarin. I am looking forward to a good salad and sandwich, maybe soup. You can't go wrong with anything on the menu. For the birthday girls, please don't forget to bring treats to share during the break.

Bonnie McCarty - 6th Elaine Stemetzki - 7th Sandy Kruszewski - 21st Jeanie Jacobson - 23rd Farhat Williams - 29th Lynn Bidleman - 31st





QUILTFEST 2019

Congratulations to our 2019 Opportunity Quilt winner, Trish Ferranti.

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

- The **name of the month of October** comes from the Latin "octo", meaning "eight", because in the Roman calendar October was the eight month of the year. With the adding of January and February at the beginning of the calendar after the Julian calendar reform, October became the tenth month of the year, as we know it today.
- The Anglo-Saxons called October "Wintirfyllith", meaning "fullness of winter" because it had the first full moon of the winter season.
- Another fun fact about October is that, according to folklore, if the deer have a **gray coat** in this month you should expect a hard winter.
- The holiday of **Halloween**, celebrated in October, comes from "All Hallows' Eve" or the night before "All Hallows" day ("All Saints" day) as in old English "hallow" means "to sanctify".
- Famous people born in October include Angela Lansbury, Bill Gates, Julia Roberts, Matt Damon, Kate Winslet, Julie Andrews, Hugh Jackman, Katy Perry, Alfred Nobel, Anne Rice, Arthur Miller, Auguste Lumière, Friedrich Nietzsche, Christopher Columbus, Johannes Vermeer, John Keets.
- The **birthstones** for October are the tourmaline and the opal. Tourmalines display a wide spectrum of colors, such as yellow, pink, blue, red, green, black or brown and they are believed to help you stay calm under pressure, bring peace and tranquility and defeat emotions like anger and jealousy. Opals exhibit different colors (green, white, yellow, blue, pink etc.) depending on the conditions under which they were created. Opal gemstones are believed to cure eye infections, strengthen memory, calm nerves and enhance creativity.
- The **traditional flower** of the month of October is the calendula, symbolizing comfort, healing, protection and grace.
- Special **holidays** in October include Halloween (October 31st), Columbus day (the second Monday of October), Yom Kippur, Diwali, International Peace Day (October 2nd).
- A fun fact about October cites that the winter is hard if the deer have a grey coat in this month. The color of the coat depends on the severity of winters. Shakespeare, the famous English poet, playwright and actor, has never mentioned October in any of his works. He is widely regarded as the greatest writer and dramatist in the English language.