



# HONEYBEE BUZZ

September 2019

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Quiltfest will be the focus of quilters in the Jacksonville area for the next month. Since it is all put on by volunteers, you know that we as a guild will be asked to volunteer over and over.

First it will be for the Honeybees, we need volunteers to be at our guild table to tell visitors about the guild and to sell the opportunity quilt tickets.

Second it will be for Honeybees, as we have an assigned time that our guild shares the work load with Quiltfest to man/work the Quilt Sale Table.

Third it will be for Quiltfest, to volunteer for the hundreds of jobs that put on the show. Jobs like white glove hostess, quilters walk booth, quilt sale booth, just to name a few.

Fourth it will be for Quiltfest, a week or so before the actual show, volunteers are needed to help with judging of the quilts.

If you can find a time to help out, please see/contact Jennifer Worrell our volunteer representative for Quiltfest, or Trini Bowen our Honeybees volunteer organizer.

Now to the fun stuff.

Nineteen of us went to Lake Swan Camp for our fall retreat. We had a wonderful weekend of sewing, sharing, laughing, shopping, and sleeping. Had first timers to camp along with those "experienced" campers. I hope at spring retreat we can add a few more first timers.

Pat Guilford has educational plans for us in the coming

## MEETING

Tuesday, September 3rd,  
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>

months. See later in the newsletter about her plans. Stay Retreat at Cinnamons in October, Yeah!

Your current officers will have all served their two year limits in office. So the nominating committee will be contacting all of you to see if you will take their places. BUT, you don't have to wait until they contact you, you can take the first step and call/contact Annette Paulson (head of the committee).

Keep on Keeping on  
Elaine

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## 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 be some good information about upcoming Quiltfest at the next meeting. A list of vendors, quilt categories, and judging information; plus, plenty of opportunities to volunteer. 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

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## 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.

Pat Guilford -3rd;  
Carolyn Allen - 6th,  
Jenna Borcharding - 8th;  
Anne Morgan - 16th;  
Beth Porkert - 18th.



Pat Guilford - 22nd



## CHALLENGE

Honeybee Challenge #3 (June 4th to September 3rd)

Since this challenge will be within the month of July, we're going for the idea of Christmas in July, only it will be **holidays in July**. To make either harder or easier, however you want to look at it. We are only using three holidays to pick from: Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Halloween. The challenge will be different color schemes for a holiday other than the normal colors. Such as you cannot use red and green for Christmas, orange and black for Halloween and brown and green for Thanksgiving. You can use these colors in the project, just not the main color scheme.

You can use any technique or method of quilting you like.

The size of the project be in the range of 12" x 12" to 20" x 20" **finished** and any shape that fits in this range. Think **outside** the **box** and have **fun**.

If you have any questions, please either call me or email me for answers

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## QUILTERS WALK BASKET

**Donations needed for our Quilter's Walk basket!** I am jumping on the "Homespun Harmony" theme of our Opportunity Quilt and going with a Fall theme for our basket. Who doesn't love Fall or Autumn colored material? Those beautiful oranges, purples, browns, dark greens...they just bring comfort and happiness. Let's stuff the basket with material and if we have plenty, I will make 2 smaller baskets since we are weight limited on size now. So, please donate Fat Quarter size or larger pieces of Fall/Autumn material. I will be at the September meeting to collect your donations. Thank you for your assistance with this and I am looking forward to a fun quilt show. Questions, concerns, ideas, reach out to me: [bporkert@usa.net](mailto:bporkert@usa.net) or 904-994-8775. See ya in September, Beth Porkert

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## MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our new 2019 members.

Joan Patterson  
Michelle Jackson  
Beth English  
Karen Kimmell  
Paris Freeman  
Robin Allison

## QuiltFest Volunteer Registration Form

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First Name

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Last Name

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Home Phone

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Guild Affiliation

| Day / Date | Time          | Judging | Hanging and Take Down | Show Hostess (White Glove) | Volunteer Check-In Table | Program Table | Community Service | Guild Outreach | Quilters Walk | Silent Auction |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Sun        | 12-5          |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon        | 7:30-12       |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Wed        | 12-5          |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tue        | 9 AM-til done |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Thu        | 3-5           |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Sat        | 3-5           |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sat        | 5 PM-til done |         |                       |                            |                          |               |                   |                |               |                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Click on each box you wish to volunteer your services**

Changes or questions to Linda Wilson (904-903-0950 or 904-272-3353) or [kandsmom1959@gmail.com](mailto:kandsmom1959@gmail.com)

Mail forms to Linda Wilson, 1959 Blue Bird Run East, Orange Park, Florida 32073. 5/30/2018

# LABOR DAY 2019

Labor Day 2019 is on Monday, September 2nd. Labor Day pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers and is traditionally observed on the first Monday in September. It was created by the labor movement in the late 19th century and became a federal holiday in 1894. Labor Day weekend also symbolizes the end of summer for many Americans, and is celebrated with parties, street parades and athletic events.

## **Why Do We Celebrate Labor Day?**

Labor Day, an annual celebration of workers and their achievements, originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters.

In the late 1800s, at the height of the [Industrial Revolution](#) in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children as young as 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages.

People of all ages, particularly the very poor and recent immigrants, often faced extremely unsafe working conditions, with insufficient access to fresh air, sanitary facilities and breaks.

As manufacturing increasingly supplanted agriculture as the wellspring of American employment, labor unions, which had first appeared in the late 18th century, grew more prominent and vocal. They began organizing strikes and rallies to protest poor conditions and compel employers to renegotiate hours and pay.

Many of these events turned violent during this period, including the infamous [Haymarket Riot](#) of 1886, in which several [Chicago](#) policemen and workers were killed. Others gave rise to longstanding traditions: On September 5, 1882, 10,000 workers took unpaid time off to march from City Hall to Union Square in [New York](#) City, holding the first Labor Day parade in U.S. history.

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday," celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in other industrial centers across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later, when a watershed moment in American labor history brought workers' rights squarely into the public's view. On May 11, 1894, employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago went on strike to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives.

On June 26, the American Railroad Union, led by [Eugene V. Debs](#), called for a boycott of all Pullman railway cars, crippling railroad traffic nationwide. To break the Pullman strike, the federal government dispatched troops to Chicago, unleashing a wave of riots that resulted in the deaths of more than a dozen workers.

## **Who Created Labor Day?**

In the wake of this massive unrest and in an attempt to repair ties with American workers, Congress passed an act making Labor Day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories. On June 28, 1894, President [Grover Cleveland](#) signed it

into law. More than a century later, the true founder of Labor Day has yet to be identified.

Many credit Peter J. McGuire, cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, while others have suggested that Matthew Maguire, a secretary of the Central Labor Union, first proposed the holiday.

### **Labor Day Celebrations**

Labor Day is still celebrated in cities and towns across the United States with parades, picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays and other public gatherings. For many Americans, particularly children and young adults, it represents the end of the summer and the start of the back-to-school season.



## Honey Bee Guild Meeting August 6, 2019

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm

**Visitors & new members:** Denise Boyd, [denise.boyd@att.net](mailto:denise.boyd@att.net), Michele Jackson  
[michele701@comcast.net](mailto:michele701@comcast.net)

Happy birthday to the Honey Bees we are 32 years old!!!!

**Fall Retreat:** Lake Swan – August 15-19, you can be there between 1 pm and 2 pm.  
Ask Bonnie for details. 19 people are currently scheduled for sew for days!

**Charity Workshop:** August 31<sup>st</sup> at our normal meeting room. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.  
Bring a dish to share.

**Secret Sister Christmas:** – Connie handed out the bags. Please be sure to make your gift and bring to December meeting. If you take a bag and then can't make the gift, please notify Connie right away.

### Programs:

Monthly Meetings:

- September 3 Quiltfest Info
- October 1 Bring quilts in that were entered into QuiltFest
- November 5 Possible Physical Therapist to come
- December 3 Birthday Party

Monthly Workshops/Programs/Retreats:

- Oct 18-20 Cinnamon's Stay Retreat \$50 per person – 12 people signed up. Get your money to Pat asap.
- Nov 16 Elfin Magic – Our normal meeting space.

### Quiltfest:

Quilter's Walk Basket – need a theme, need to watch the weight



Volunteer Sign Up available for QuiltFest. Please see Marie and if you can come to judging, please sign up.

Quilt Fest Sale Table - Jennifer has forms if you have something to sell.

Celebrity Quilt: It has been finished with a Game of Thrones theme. It will be given to Nikki Kimbleton, who works for the mayor. Named the quilt – GoT Game. Elaine is making the label.

Opportunity Quilt: Please pick up your tickets. We need to talk about what we are going to do with the money we have raised from the quilt. We still need people to sign up to volunteer at our table.

Pat had a fun fashion show game for us and we had lots of door prizes plus a little bit of show and tell! Thank you Trini for the fabulous decorations and door prizes and to everyone who helped set up and clean up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm