

HONEYBEE BUZZ

JAN 2025.

Happy New Year!

I hope your holidays were fantastic! I love this time of year, but I am also happy when it is over and there is a little less hustle and bustle.

While I do like to take the time to pause and reflect on the previous year, we can't dwell on it too long because January is starting off with a bang! We have a long list of to-dos for our first meeting of the year.

Here are just a few of them:

1. Membership Dues- \$20 cash or check
2. Pizza Box Fabric- If you plan to participate, bring your fabrics and preference sheet.
3. UFO list and \$10 to participate (cash or check)

I am excited to continue as your President again this year. This guild brings me a lot of joy, I enjoy getting to know you, learning, and growing with you.

Wishing you a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

Mary Alice

If you signed up for the pizza box exchange and have not turned in your fabric and instruction sheet, please bring them to the January meeting. Thanks Trini

Snip-It:

If anyone has anything for the Website contact Annette Paulson @ annettepaulson22@gmail.com or by phone at (904) 333-3249.

The program will be quilting 101 discussion.

Threads, needles, scissors and fabric.

Sheryl

Remember to bring
Membership form and fee check or \$20
Challenge form and fee check or \$10
Check or cash for down payment on retreat/s
Refreshment if Jan birthday

Sign-ups to remember (look for the signup books at meeting)

Retreats-March, June, August, October

National Teacher class in April-waitlist

MEETING

Tuesday JAN 7th

6:30

Kids Space

Presbyterian Church,

2501 Loretto Rd,

Jacksonville, FL 32223

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Officers

President: MaryAlice
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(Membership Meetings) and
Colleen Rosatone (Board
Meetings)

The website for Honeybees
<http://honeybeequilters.org>

Happy Birthday

Dolores Moynahan	Jan 3
Yvonne Bigelow-Marchal	Jan 11
Maureen Reiter	Jan 17

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.

Meet to Eat – members meet at the Panera Bread located at 11111 San Jose Blvd, Suite 39, Jacksonville, FL 32223 at 5-5:30 pm to share a meal and visit with fellow members before the meeting, except for August-HB birthday party and Dec- Holiday party

Happy Anniversary

Marie Breslin	Jan 22
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Snip-It

Remember, new members can request to join the Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/honeybeequilters>

Retreat Corner : Happy New Year!

It's a new year and to start you out, we have the Everything's Coming up Roses retreat in January, because you have projects, no doubt!

Come to retreats for the fellowship and time away that's just right! Not to mention you can and sew until all hours of the night!

There's one place I know you'll have everything you need, from assembly help to creative stitches, retreats are priceless, indeed!

Load up your needles and thread, it's retreat time and off you go ..it is the best place to meet, sew, share and grow!

Everything is coming up Roses @ Dowling Park, FL

January 23rd-26th, 2025

Those of you registered should be watching for your checks to clear the bank soon and your retreat specific emails to start reminding you the retreat is right around the corner.

Spring Staycation @ Cinnamon's Quilt Store

MARCH 21st, 22nd and 23rd! Price to be determined. No deposit required at sign up.

Hello Summertime @ Dowling Park, FL

JUNE 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd.

Double Rooms \$195 with \$45 deposit

Single Rooms \$330 with \$45 deposit

August Retreat ~ Theme to be announced @ Luther Springs, FL

August 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th.

Double Rooms \$250 with \$25 deposit

Single Rooms \$310 with \$25 deposit

Fall Staycation @ Cinnamon's Quilt Store

October 17th, 18th and 19th

Price to be determined

Sincerely yours,
Robyn and Elaine!

Snip-It

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.

Snip-It:

National Instructor, Gail Renna, **April 2025**, Abstract Workshop, sign-up sheet will be available at the membership meeting.

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

Honeybee Exchange **2025**

Pizza Box Exchange

A Pizza Box Exchange is an opportunity for your "BQF" best quilt friends to make a block just for you. You pick the fabric and describe what you like, and, in the end, you have a unique, one-of-a-kind quilt.

How does it work?

- You put enough fabric in the pizza box to make **12** 12 ½" by 12 ½" blocks You make one block each month
- You pass the box on to the next person on the schedule, usually at the monthly meeting
- You receive another box and make another block
- This continues until **12** blocks are made

How many can Participate?

Need 12 or more Pizza box Parents to participate

Pizza Box quilts are unique and personal

In addition to picking out the fabric, the "parent" can give instructions to the "Block Makers" about their likes and dislikes
A preference sheet is included in each box

Fabrics

At least 2 yards total

1 + yards of background fabric

2-4 different focus fabrics (half-yard, fat quarters, layer cake)

This is different than other exchanges

- This is a commitment to make a 12 ½" by 12 ½" block every month
- There are no make-up sessions with Angels to help finish
- Can not do them all at a retreat
- The next person in the schedule is counting on you to finish on time
- Not attending a meeting, need to make arrangement to pass on the pizza box

The Role of "Block Makers"

- Follow the "Parent's" preferences carefully
- Use best practices for conserving fabric
- Put scraps (greater than 2 1/2" by 2 ½") in zip lock bag
- Measure each finished block twice, 12 ½" by 12 ½"!
- Pin your name to your block
- Complete block on time

Timeline:

- October-November – discuss and commit to in be a "Pizza Box Parent"
- December-January – will collect fabric and preference sheets. No one will be able to join the exchange after January 2025
- February – Receive your box, you make the first block
- March – January 2026 – monthly exchange of boxes between the "Block Makers"
- February 2026 – Pizza Box Parent receives 12 blocks made just for you

Questions?

Contact Colleen Rosatone

rosatonec@gmail.com

NEW:

Business card 1 year--\$25

Items for sale 3 months--\$15 All info on item sent by email after payment received

Services/Notifications 3 months-- \$15 All info on service sent by email after payment received

Email: ckight21@bellsouth.net

Payment and info due by 15th of month to be in Newsletter for that month.

Non Profit adds: No charge

SALE PAGE

Business card 6 months--\$15

Proceeds used as fundraiser for
American Cancer Society.

Wash clothes are \$4 each or 2/\$7.

Nikki Levinson-Lustgarten
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