



# Patchwords

May 2024

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Quilters,

The past two years as your guild president has been one of the most rewarding positions that I have experienced. I feel that as a guild, we worked together as a team and have accomplished many goals. Change, as we know, can be challenging. Yet, it is through embracing change that we have propelled our guild forward and ensured its continued vitality. I have grown personally from this experience and have gained valuable insights into the importance of collaboration with all members and listening to both sides.

Remember the old Department of Education theme, "Teamwork Makes the Dream Work." Your unwavering commitment and dedication have proven this statement to be true time and again. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the board officers and chairs for their exemplary leadership in guiding us toward our collective goals and ensuring the vibrancy of every aspect of our guild.

To each and every one of you, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your friendship, support, and active participation in guild activities and events. Your generosity and kindness have not only enriched the lives of fellow guild members but have also had a positive impact on our broader community. I am going to miss looking out on the audience and seeing your smiling faces. And now, as I end my last letter, I hope that you receive the kind of joy that you always give to others.

Wishing you continued inspiration and creativity, Betty

### 2023-24 Presidents Challenge

Day - 2-4 members make 64" wide x 74" long patriotic quilt for Sim's or Warrior Beach Retreat

## May/June Calendar

May 1st

SEW-cial

9:30-11:30 am Rm 202

May 8th

9:30 am Board Meeting  
Rm 202

May 11th

Freezer Paper Piecing  
9am-1pm  
Bell Hall

May 18th

Annual Meeting  
Pot Luck  
Installation of Officers  
9:30 am Bell Hall

May 22

Workday Wednesday  
9:00 am  
Bell Hall

June 5th

SEW-cial  
9:30-11:30 am Bell Hall

June 12th

9:30 Board Meeting

June 13th Night

6:30 pm Social  
7:00 pm Program  
Bell Hall

June 19th Day

9:00 am Social  
9:30 am Program  
Bell Hall

June 26th

Workday Wednesday  
9:00 am  
Bell Hall

## May 18th 9:30 am Annual Meeting

May's program will be end of the year celebration and installation of officers. We will have a joint meeting with the day and night groups enjoying a potluck. See EVENTS for further details.

### Night Notes

Hi Night Quilters!


We had another good meeting in April – from the pincushion exchange to the results of the Square/Half Square Triangle challenge! We even managed to have an election!

Thanks to Diane Wishart for another great program. Congratulations to our challenge winners: 1 st place– Peggy Collingsworth, 2 Place – Bonnie Holley, 3 rd Place – Rebekah Wishart.


I would like to echo Betty's sentiments about these last two years. I'm so grateful for your friendship, support, and active participation in our night meeting activities, as well as the guild activities and events. I've also learned about teamwork, but I think the biggest lesson for me was the importance of asking for help. I learned to do that and was never let down! You are all so awesome!

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your 2 nd Vice President over the past two years. Your creativity is inspiring, and your support has been unlimited. I had a lot of fun and hope you did too! *Cindy*

### Hospitality

Thank you everyone for your generosity and kindness to me these last years being the Hospitality Chair! You have made my position such fun and easy and you have benefitted our Guild in a wonderful way with fellowship and benevolence. My heart is filled with gratitude!!!! 

Events is in charge of our May gathering and then for the month of June, the hostesses are: HAPPY SCRAPPERS & HUMMINGBEES!!!!

"SEW"cial is May 1st. **IT HAS BEEN MOVED TO Rm 202. ENTER BY WAY OF THE FRONT DOOR.** Bring your hand work, your questions, your talents and get ready to "sew"cialize !!!!  Alana

## EVENTS

Coming up is the last event for this year. We will be installing our new officers and thanking those officers who have served our guild for the previous two years.

We have planned a pot luck for this event and many of our members have already signed up to share food. If you have not had a chance to sign up yet, please bring a dish that you enjoy making. I'm looking forward to all of the delicious foods our quilters share. We have such great cooks and bakers.

The meeting will start earlier this year at 9:30am on May 18th. Decorations will be arranged on May 17, at 10:00. If you have some time I would appreciate your help. We should be finished around 12:00 or earlier.

I want to thank the guild for your support these past two years. I have enjoyed decorating for our guild and picking foods for your events. Many of you have been so kind and your support has been thoughtful and really appreciated. Those of you have helped me get organized and have given your time to make the events special are forever in my heart. Barbara Tillman



## SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Please contact me when a member has an illness, loss or just something to celebrate

Linda Tew

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send newsletter items to  
[sedwa53@gmail.com](mailto:sedwa53@gmail.com)  
no later than  
the 23rd of each month

## Education

Freezer Paper Piecing taught by  
Carolyn Pic, May 11th 9am Bell Hall

## May 2024 Attendance

**177 Total Members**

### Day

80 Members

1 New Member

### Night

33 Members

2 Guest

Meeting minutes can be found at

<https://sabqg.org/newsletter/>



## UFO

Last Chance, May meeting

Sue Elliot

<https://sabqg.org/general-news/ufo-challenge-2023/>

## Community Services Current Needs



|                             |                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sim's Twin Size Quilts      | 64" wide x 74" Long             |
| Warrior Beach Retreat       | Larger than 50" wide x 65" long |
| Women Shelter Twin Size     | 64" wide x 74" long             |
| Elder & Disabled Lap Quilts | 42" wide x 54" long             |
| Childrens Quilts            | 42" wide x 54" long             |
| Infant Receiving Blankets   | 42" wide x 42" long             |

## Community Service

We were able to finish the 2023-2024 year with total donations valued over \$28,000. All handmade items were donated to various non-profit agencies. Food and school supplies were also donated. Thank you to all the Guild members who made this possible!

Community Service Team:  
Aly Tuttle, Gerry Hollis, Trudy Heath

## 2023-24 Board Members

President - Betty Marler

1st V.P. - Diane Wishart

2nd V.P.- Cindy Smith

Secretary - Carolyn Finlayson

Treasurer-Dianne Diagle

## Standing Committees

Beekeeper

Lauren George

Community

Aly Tuttle

Gerry Hollis

Education

Marie Granger

Events

Barbara Tillman

Ewords

Karen McQueen

Historian

Sheila Jimenez

Hospitality

Alana Yuratich

Library

Loretta Akerlind

Membership

Cindy Straebel

Parliamentarian

Vacant

Patchwords

Sheila Jimenez

Publicity

Sandy Austill

Quilt Show

Marsha Michel

Sunshine

Linda Tew

Fall Retreat

Cindy Smith

Donna Gibbons





## Fall Retreat November 1 – 3, 2024

### “Under the Sea”

*“Seas” the Day!*

Laguna Beach Christian Retreat-Gulfside  
20016 Front Beach Rd., Panama City Beach, FL

-\$190 per person double room. 2-day rate - \$55 per person-2 days (Friday & Saturday)

- Overnight includes 5 meals (Friday-Dinner; Saturday-Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner; Sunday-Breakfast).
- 2-Day includes 4 meals (Friday-Dinner; Saturday-Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner).

\*Fees are nonrefundable, but substitutes may be available from wait list.

Contact Cindy Smith or Donna Gibbons. Registration form also posted on <https://sabqg.org/meeting/fall-retreat-2024/>

### *New Bee*

**The Tiny Stitchers Bee will meet Saturday, June 15 at 9:00-until, in Bell Hall at Grace Presbyterian Church.** Bring your featherweight machine, if you have more than one, you're welcome to bring more. If you don't have one but interested in what a featherweight is, you are welcome to come. This meeting will be to get organized and introduce us and our babies.

Items to discuss:

- How to determine the birth information of your featherweight.
- When and how often we will meet.
- What we would like to accomplish in this Bee.

I look forward to seeing you and your machines, if you have any questions please ask.

Diane Wishart, 850-276-9673, momwishart@gmail.com

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[www.librarycat.org/lib/SABQGLIBRARY](http://www.librarycat.org/lib/SABQGLIBRARY)

