



# Patchwords

May 2025

## President's Message

Dear Members,

As the Guild's fiscal year comes to a close, I am truly filled with gratitude! "Gratitude is the ability to experience life as a gift", and this year has truly been a gift to me in so many ways.

First of all, our membership has grown to 200! Our Guild just keeps getting better and better. Thank you to all our Members, new and "seasoned". One reason why our guild is so successful is because we continue to learn from one another.

Second, I would like to thank our Board, officers and chairpersons who have given of themselves through hard work but always with enthusiasm and dedication. It's the parts that make the whole. No one person alone makes a success. I can not emphasize enough how appreciative I am that our Board is so determined to make good results happen.

My heart is overjoyed to be your President. I have learned so much from the experience and hopefully we can achieve another successful year of helping our Guild grow even better. Let's embrace the challenge, continuing to know the importance of learning from one another, and share this next year's journey with progress, faith and optimism.

Alana.

**May 7th**

"Sew"cial

9:30 am Bell Hall

**May 14th**

Board Meeting 9:30 am  
Room 202

**May 17th - Annual Mtg**

**Reservation needed**

9:45 am doors open

10:00 am meeting

**May 28th**

Workday Wednesday  
9:00 am Bell Hall

**June 4th**

"Sew"cial

9:30 am Bell Hall

**June 11th**

Board Meeting 9:30 am  
Room 202

**June 12th Night Mtg**

6:30 pm Social 7:00 Program  
Bell Hall

**June 18th Day Mtg**

9:00 am Social 9:30 Program  
Bell Hall

**June 25th**

Workday Wednesday  
9:00 am Bell Hall

## Night Meeting

At the April night meeting we passed out quart jars for Quilt Soup. If you did not get a jar, please contact me at and I'll see that you get one. Remember, they are due at our June night meeting . There will be no night meeting in May - joint meeting Saturday, May 17th.

See y'all at the May High Tea!

Thank you,  
Jo Wilbur

## 2024-25 Board Members

President - Alana Yuratich

1st V.P. - Diane Wishart

2nd V.P.- Jo Wilbur

Secretary - Carolyn Finlayson

Treasurer - Dianne Daigle

Meeting minutes can be found at:

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



### SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

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

or e-mail

**Books! Books! Books!**

There will be a table filled with approximately 200 books that you may go through and take for your own at our May meeting. These books are pristine and cover a multitude of quilting information, designs and patterns by well known authors! This donation has been generously gifted by our own Jo-Ellen Rogers.....Perhaps her expertise on quilting will rub off on us as we peruse through them.

Enjoy and thank you Jo-Ellen for your generosity!!!

## Membership

April night meeting 35 members. 2 guests

April Day meeting 83 members 2 guests

3 new members

New Members

Sharon Schaefer

Paul Lainhart

Melanie Causey.



Meet our newest quilter all the way from Paducah!

Membership Dues are due in June. You can pay with a credit card online anytime on our website, [SABQG.org](https://sabqg.org). Select member services then select pay guild dues from the pull-down menu. You can also click on the link below or copy and paste it into your browser.

<https://sabqg.org/member-registration/#online-payments>

I will be at the May annual meeting taking payments, as well as the June day and night meetings on 6/12 and 6/18.

Patty Holton-Membership

## From the Beekeeper

The Bee Jamboree in March was a smash hit, with positive feedback from many. If you were unable to attend, we missed you!

As we move toward the Guild's year end, please remember that several of our bees provide the opportunity for you to join in their group. I'm also happy to help start any new Bees. If you're a relatively new guild member, know that you're welcome to participate in current or new Bees! You can learn additional skills while you develop deeper friendships. Contact me for any Beekeeper support that I can provide.

Happy stitching! Rebecca Valle

## Community Service

Thank you to the 23 quilters who attended last month's Workday Wednesday. Tops were cut and pieced, flannel was cut for bibs, burp pads, and receiving blanket kits. Attendees who donated items made at home included tops, adult bibs, and finished quilts. Thank you!

Recent Donations - Earthen Vessels, Blountstown - 1 large quilt made and donated by Thread Catchers. Hope Regional Cancer Center - 20 chemo scarves made and donated by Busy Bees. Children's Home Society - 5 child quilts, 1 receiving blanket, 5 baby bibs, 4 burp cloths made and donated by Guild members. Sims Veteran's Home - 3 large quilts made and donated by Guild members. Council on Aging - 2 Throws and 7 tote bags made and donated by Guild Members. Foster Closet at Lynn Haven Methodist Church - 1 child quilt and 6 receiving blankets made and donated by Beverly Bush and her sister, Linda Tew. Heartland Rescue and Lucky Puppy Rescue - 28 dog beds made and donated by the Valle's and Wishart's. The Tiny Stitchers, with their Featherweight machines, made 4 bassinet blankets, 4 swaddles, 2 pad inserts, and 16 burp cloths to be donated to the Gulf Cost NICU and other children's agencies. Thank you to all who participated!

The next Workday Wednesday will be May 28th, 9-11 a.m. in Bell Hall. We will be cutting and piecing tops. The Guild provides fabric, batting, and backs for quilt donations. There will be coordinated fabric kits at the General Meetings to take home and piece a top. Please ask a Community Service team member, Aly Tuttle, Gerry Hollis, or Trudy Heath. Thank you!





We are so fortunate to have an amazing library of over 760 books covering so many quilting patterns and techniques. Explore what is available for you to check out at:  
[www.librarycat.org/lib/SABQGLIBRARY](http://www.librarycat.org/lib/SABQGLIBRARY)

Send newsletter items to:  
 no later than the 22nd of each month.

**Community Services  
Current Needs**




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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

## Hospitality

Thank you for the wonderful April refreshments to the sisterhood Bee and the Monday group.

MAY is our Yearly Joint Business meeting, per the by-laws. (SPECIAL EVENT committee). Doors are opening at 9:45, meeting to start at 10 AM. Luncheon to begin after the business meeting is officially completed. Check with Betty Marler/Deb Hagan to make sure you are included in the fun activities and the most importantly, FOOD Count.

As promised the upcoming schedule for June through September 2025 is as follows:

JUNE: Happy Scrappers Bee and Humming Bees

JULY: Piece & Love Bee and the Material Girls

August: Art-I-tude bee

September: Tiny Stitchers bee

Please try and be ready to serve by 9:00 am. Social begins at that time.

Thank you to everyone who helps setting up and taking down, along with the clean up. Georgia

## Events

I am looking forward to getting together with all of you at our Annual Meeting. This year it will be held May 17th at Grace Presbyterian Church. **Doors open at 9:45 am and meeting starts at 10:00 am.**

There will be a \$5 signup/registration fee. Please give me a call if you haven't signed-up already and would still like to attend.

If you have a "Tea Themed" quilt or table topper that we could use as a display item, please let me know.

If you would like to help the events committee set-up & decorate, please stop by the church on Friday, May 16th at 1:00 pm. Your help would be very much appreciated

Thank you,  
Events Committee Chair - Debbie Hagen

## Programs

### April Meetings - Silent Auction

Unfortunately, we have lost a couple of our members the past few months. Barb Palko and Andrea Harper's families donated their quilting treasures to SABQG. Those items have gone to Community Service, April Silent Auctions, Quilt Show Boutique and Quilt Show Silent Auction.

I would like to thank all of you that made purchases at our April meetings auctions. We raised over \$3100 which will be divided between SABQG and St. Andrews Episcopal Church. I would also like those who helped price items, with setting up, taking payments, and dealing with me during the process.

### UFOs

There was a question on what the last day to turn in your UFOs is, so to make sure everyone will have a chance to get their names in the drawing, we will accept UFOs until May 17, 10:00 a.m. The drawings will be held during the annual meeting.

### Thank You!

It has been an honor serving as your 1st Vice President for the past two years. Thank you to those who have provided programs for the meetings, helped put on and take off tablecloths, helped decorate and take down, and gave donations to the door prize stash. I may not be your VP any longer, but I will still be involved with the guild and look forward to the years to come with the guild.

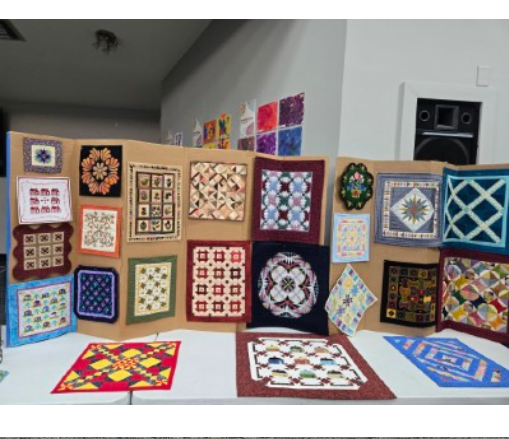
Diane Wishart

### Upcoming Jewel Class

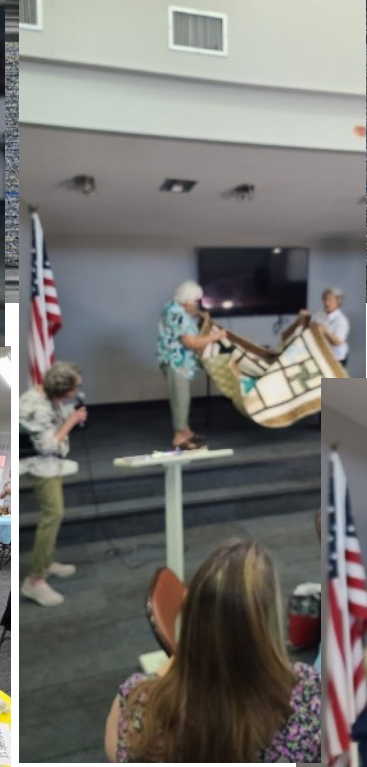
Here is a photo of our Marie Granger enlisting the designer, M. J. Kidman. The JEWEL class will be in October! More info to follow!

Alana

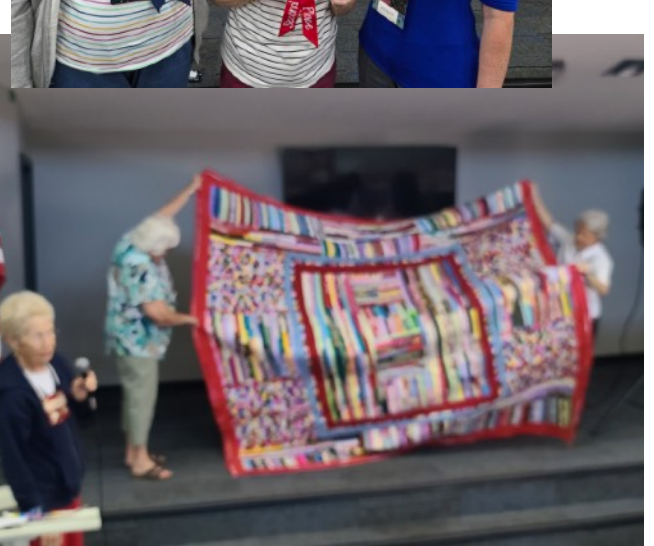
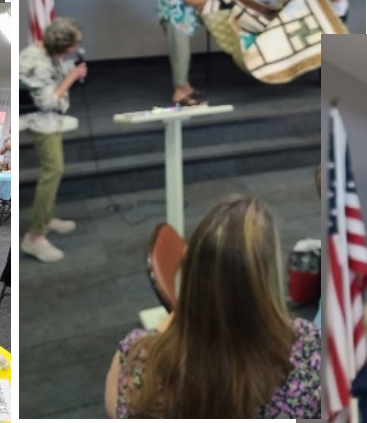




Night meeting name tag challenge



Challenge Winners



Day time show and tell





