

NEWSLETTER

Next meeting Sept 3

Our September speaker is Jane Haworth, who is giving us a special presentation, combining two of her lecture topics into one: she will be talking about both memory quilts and family tree quilts. Jane has been quilting for over 20 years and favors modern techniques and art quilts, utilizing a raw-edge collage appliqué technique. She has worked professionally in both clothing and interior design, making soft furnishings, and now concentrates on quilts, purses and wall hangings. She runs an Etsy shop to sell her current creations and custom pieces, many of which include t-shirts and textiles provided by the customer.



DON'T FORGET:

- Guild Dues
- Block of the Month
- Fat Quarter Frenzy
- \$ for Monthly Mini
- Opp Quilt Blocks



Petaluma Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2024

Call Meeting to Order -The meeting was called to order at 7:14 PM by Victoria P.

Jo shared a poem about a quilter.

Minutes of the July 2, 2024 General Meeting – There were no minutes to approve as the meeting was cancelled due to heat and lack of air conditioning in the facility.

President's News – Victoria P announced the slate of officers for next year: President – Melissa H First Vice President for Membership – Kathy S Second Vice President for Programs – Margo C Secretary – Shari K Treasurer – Marilyn F

A motion was made and seconded to approve the slate of officers and the new board of directors of the Petaluma Quilt Guild was elected by acclamation. The new board will assume their duties on September 1. Thanks to those who consented to serve on the board.

Survey Results – Victoria thanked the 42 members who completed the survey, and to Shari K for conducting the survey. Victoria commented that we have a long-standing membership, about two thirds with more than 5 years and about 50% with more than 10 years. Challenges that members face attending meetings or events were primarily transportation, health issues, family obligations and interest in the program or lack of a speaker. Night meetings were mentioned frequently as a barrier to attendance. The guild continues to have a lack of members who are willing to serve in a leadership position. About 75% of members make items either for COTS and veterans or for sale at craft fairs. Fourteen people indicated they were willing to serve on a committee. Shari K indicated that she can share this information if they included their name on the survey.

We continue to need volunteers to work at craft fairs. We also need members to make the monthly mini and serve as the chair. The Ways and Means Committee has done a great job this year selling craft items at fairs and the Opportunity Quilt exceeded the budgeted projections.

Twenty four members indicated they were willing to donate additional funds for speakers and supplies such as fabric or batting.

Membership – Sue D reported that 30 members and 6 guests were present at the meeting. It was great to have some future quilters visit!

Opportunity Quilt– The ticket sales for the Opportunity Quilt exceeded the amount budgeted, almost all the 2,500 tickets printed were sold. We had 9 quilts at the Sonoma–Marin Fair this year, we will need to show at least 25 quilts to be able to return to the fair. The fair has been a very good venue to sell opportunity quilt raffle tickets. Quilts for the fair next year must be submitted by April 2025, the cost to enter is only \$1.00.

Opportunity Quilt Raffle – The winning ticket for the 2023–24 Opportunity Quilt belonged to Suzie H. a visitor at the meeting. Congratulations Suzie!

Treasurer's Report – Marilyn F filed the July sales tax report. The guild does not charge separate sales tax, sales tax is included in the cost of the items. Marilyn has recruited members for the budget committee, they are developing the 2024–25 budget.

Ways and Means – Debby L would like a committee to help with Ways and Means. Shari K will provide her with names of members who indicated they were willing to help. We will need members to make additional items for the fall craft fairs.

Monthly Mini – The monthly mini was won by Victoria P. Congratulations Victoria!

Block of the Month – Margo C shared the instructions for the September Block of the month. The August Block of the Month winner was Maria W.

COTS– Ellie reported that 27 quilts with pillowcases were donated last month; of those 10 were donated to the Voices Project with the remainder donated to COTS. Ellie also needs a long arm quilter volunteer to quilt these quilts.

Military Quilts –Jayne M thanked those who made the Friendship Star blocks. Nancy won the Friendship Star blocks. Congratulations to Nancy! She made 12 of the blocks. Jayne has quilts that need binding and kits to make quilts and pillowcases.

Program – Colleen Pelfrey presented an amazing program. Each quilt she showed had a story, and Colleen also entertained us with quilting songs.

Congratulations to the winners of the Membership Prizes!

Name Tag Winner – Francesca H

Attendance Winner – Kathy S

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Shari K., PQG Secretary

Quilts for COTS

Thanks to all who have made it possible for us to donate 6,300 quilts to the homeless shelter since the group was formed in 1993. AWESOME!!!

From time to time, we receive quilt tops with large designs that need longarm quilting. Please let me know if you can help with this task (we have batting).

There is always a need for gender neutral/masculine quilt tops that measure 48 x 78 (borders not required). Thank you for supporting this project and the homeless in our community. Ellie

Congrats to the Winner



It was so fun to have the Opportunity Quilt winner in the audience. Suzie was sooo happy to win!



Sept Birthdays

Amanda C – Sept 2

Sue R – Sept 7

Diane C – Sept 11

Debby L – Sept 20

Laura L – Sept 22

Kathy S – Sept 26

Christine R – Sept 29

**BACK TO
SCHOOL**

Craft Fairs

We have arranged for a booth at St John's Episcopal church on Sept 28th 9 am to 2 pm. Setup is the Friday night before from 2 - 7 pm. I will have sign up sheets for setup and working the booth at the Sept meeting. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! We can only continue with more member participation!!!!

Please sew more bowl cozies, potholders or gift bags. Since this is before Halloween, you could make Halloween, Thanksgiving or Christmas themed items. Sports themes are also popular. Thanks, Debby, Ways & Means Chairperson


Membership News



September is our Membership Renewal month. The dues are \$40. Please bring a check for \$40 made out to a Petaluma Quilt Guild. If you bring cash please place it in an envelope with your name on it. We hope to see all of you there.

Sue and Jan

Military Quilts



Hello Quilters, thanks again for all your support and help with our ongoing quilt project for unhoused veterans. I will continue to bring top kits and pillow kits to be generously made by you. As I quilt tops I will also have quilts to bind. Come by my table at the meeting and pick up a quilt or kit. During the month you can call or email Jayne if you are in the mood during the month. You can also work on the Friendship Stars (pattern in newsletter) Thanks again Jayne and Nancy

Military Block 12 inch Friendship Star

Blue for stars (1) 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" square

(2) 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" squares

Red for corners (2) 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" squares

White for background (4) 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" squares



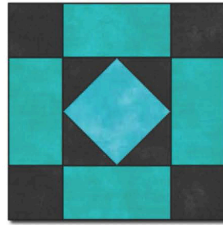
For the 12" x 12" Friendship Star Quilt Block

1. Draw a diagonal line, from one corner to the opposite corner, on the reverse side of all light neutral squares.
2. Use the quick pieced half-square triangle method to sew a light square to each blue print square of the same size. When complete, each of the four half-square triangle units should measure 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" for a 12" (finished size) quilt block. Set aside.
3. Make four more half square triangle units by pairing the remaining 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" light squares with the multicolored squares (for the block's corner triangles) of the same size.
4. Arrange the half square triangle units and the 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" blue print square into three rows. Units made with the blue fabric from the stars, and the multicolor print triangle units are used in block corners. Check to make sure the angles of all patches match the diagram.
5. Sew the units in each row together. Press seam allowances in the top and bottom rows towards the outer units. Press seam allowances in the center row towards the solid square. Sew rows together, carefully matching patch edges and seam intersections.
6. Press. The quilt block should measure 12-1/2" x 12-1/2".

Thank you for making this block for a military veterans quilt.

Block of the Month

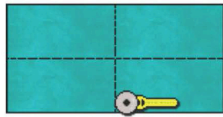
Amish Diamond



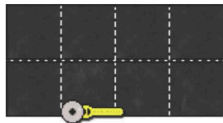
This makes a 12" block!

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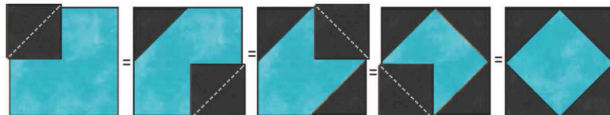
** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block **



First cut the Color 2 7" x 13" rectangle into four 3-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangles...

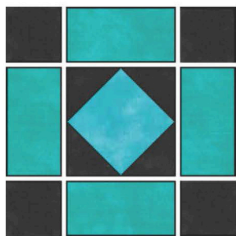


Then cut the Color 3 7" x 14" strip into eight 3-1/2" squares...



Place a Color 3 3-1/2" square right sides together, lined up with the upper left corner of the Color 1 6-1/2" square...

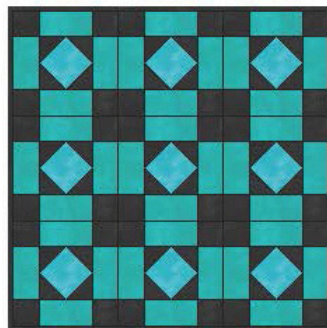
Mark the diagonal in the direction shown above, and sew ON the diagonal line. Trim off excess seam allowance and press the remainder towards the center square. Now sew another Color 3 3-1/2" square to the opposing corner in the same manner, and then to the two adjacent corners. Square this back to 6-1/2" if needed...



Now you are ready to piece the block! Refer to the diagram at left for placement. Make rows first, and then join rows to make the block. Be sure to alternate pressing directions, to avoid those bulky seams!...[on to Page 2](#)

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Traditional Block

Amish Diamond - Page 2



This is three blocks by three :o)




HAPPY QUILTING 'til Next time!

Marcia :o)

[Marcia's!](#) [Janet's!](#) [Deb's!](#) [Carol E's!](#)
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[Rett's Quilt!](#) [Arlyn's!](#) [Jack's!](#) [Janet's!](#) [Frances's!](#)
[Tammy's!](#) [Frannie's!](#) [SusanR's top!](#)

** Supplies List **

-  Color 1 Color 1 needs: one 6 1/2" square
-  Color 2 Color 2 needs: one 7" x 13" rectangle
-  Color 3 Color 3 needs: one strip 7" x 14"

To the Patterns or The Quilter's Cache

Dec1999Marcia Hohn
Traditional Block

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pattern from
<http://www.quilterscache.com>

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The black background will be provided

August Speaker Photos



Colleen Pelfrey

Officers

- Victoria P – President
- Sue D – VP Membership
- Julie S – VP Programs
- Marilyn F – Treasurer
- Shari K – Secretary

Committee Chairs

Block of the Month – Melissa H

Castoff Table – Laura L

Hospitality – Barbara C

Library – OPEN

Military Quilts – Jayne M

Monthly Mini – Debby L

Mother Hen – Garnet W

Newsletter – Amanda C

Opp Quilt 2024 – Laura L

Opp Quilt 2025 – Marilyn F

Quilts for COTS – Ellie O

Retreats – Debby L

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