### NEWSLETTER

## Next meeting July 2

Our July meeting is a community building session, helping Jayne create and assemble quilt kits for local unhoused vets. We will iron, cut, prep binding and combine fabrics to create quilt kits for distribution. Hopefully some of us will be taking home these kits to make tops! There will be extra tables for each aspect of the assembly process. For those who signed up to bring equipment, Julie will be sending a reminder prior to the meeting.

If you'd like to bring extra snacks to share while we work, please do so!

#### **DON'T FORGET:**

- Block of the Month
- Fat Quarter Frenzy
- \$ for Monthly Mini
- Opp Quilt Blocks
- \$ for 2024 Opp Quilt
- Supplies for Military Quilts
- Friendship Star block

Petaluma Quilt Guild July 2024

#### Petaluma Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2024

**Call Meeting to Order** -The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Victoria. Jo shared "You know you a quilter if you......" .

Minutes of the May 7, 2024 General Meeting – A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as circulated in the June Newsletter. The minutes were approved by acclamation. There was no PQG Board Meeting in May. President's News – Victoria P reported that the lock has been changed at the PQG storage unit. Please contact Julie S if you need to get into the storage unit. Happy Birthday to Jan C and June P. The Saturday Sewcial that was scheduled for June has been postponed. Victoria will reserve the meeting space at the Cottages in Petaluma located at 576 N McDowell Blvd for a Sewcial in the fall on a Saturday. We need volunteers to serve on a nominating committee to nominate a Program VP. We have no volunteers so far. Kathy S. has offered to run for Membership VP. Julie S shared responsibilities of the Program VP and the budget for speakers. There was a discussion regarding an increase in the budget for speakers and how to increase revenue. There were also suggestions of using speakers that do not charge a fee.

**Programs** - The July program will provide members with the opportunity to work on military quilts. Members will cut fabric to make kits, sew blocks for these quilts, and enjoy refreshments.

**Treasurer's Report** – Marilyn has e-mailed the treasurer's report to members. **Opportunity Quilt** – Please be sure to turn in blocks for the 2024-25 Opportunity Quilt by the July meeting, **we are missing several blocks.** Please return raffle tickets for the 2023-24 Opportunity Quilt. There are still tickets available to purchase! The 2023-24 Opportunity Quilt will be at the Sonoma-Marin Fair June 20-23 and the **Petaluma Art and Garden Festival July 14.** Sign-up sheets were available to sign up for the fair and the art and garden festival. Contact Debby L if you want to sign up for the art and garden festival.

**Membership** – Sue D reported that 29 members and 2 guests were present at the meeting. Sue reminded members to sign up to enter a quilt for the Sonoma-Marin Fair. **Ways and Means** –Sue encouraged members to sign up to work at the Sonoma-Marin Fair that will be held at the Petaluma Fairgrounds June 20–23. You get free admission and parking if you work at the fair.

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**Monthly Mini** –The monthly mini was a batik mini quilt. The winner was Margaret C. Congratulations Margaret!

Fat Quarter Frenzy – The Fat Quarters for July will be stars and stripes.

**Block of the Month** – Melissa H provided instructions for Millenium Star blocks for July. The winner of the Norway Pine blocks was Eva C. Congratulations! **COTS**– There was no COTS report tonight.

Military Quilts – Members brought several bags of fabric for military quilts to the meeting. Thanks to all who made donations! Jayne M has quilts that need binding and kits to make quilts. Jayne provided a pattern for a 12-inch Friendship Star for members to make for the military quilts. Bring blocks to the July meeting.

**Refreshment Break** – Julie S provided ice cream for the break! Thanks to Julie **Program** – The Fab Four – Amanda C, Becky L, Marina W, and Melissa H shared their amazing quilts.

**Show & Tell** - Sue F and Jean R shared their quilts.

Congratulations to the winners of the Membership Prizes!

Name Tag Winner – Cathy S; Attendance Winner – Jayne M

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 PM Respectfully Submitted, Shari K., PQG Secretary





#### **July Birthdays**

Carol C - July 12

Ellie O - July 20

Fran Z - July 21

Jean R - July 24

## Fab Four 'F'otos



































Thanks to
Marilyn
for taking
photos
of the speakers
and Show and
Tell

## 4th July





# Show & Tell



#### **Quilts for COTS**

Thank you for all the beautiful pillowcases, quilt tops, and quilts that were turned in at the June meeting. You enable us to continually take care of the needs of our COTS residents. Ten quilts and pillowcases were donated as of June 15. We have an ongoing need of gender neutral/masculine quilt tops that measure 48x78, borders are not required. Thank you. Ellie

#### **Art & Garden Festival**

**July 15 11 - 5pm** 

We have a booth and have people signed up. We will be selling Opportunity Quilt tickets, as well as boutique items. Be sure and come by and visit. 11–5 in downtown Petaluma.

#### **Military Quilts**

Hello Quilters I'm looking forward to our July meeting where we can enjoy each other's company while helping with the Veteran Quilt project which is part of our guilds outreach programs. I really appreciate all the wonderful fabric donations. I've been busy sorting through it all and I assure you I will put it all to good use. Don't forget to bring your red, white and blue friendship star block (pattern in the newsletter) so your name can be included in the drawing for little treasures. I will be making another donation to the Nation's Finest in early July. I will have around a dozen quilts and pillowcases then. This project could not continue without your support, Thank you.



Blue for stars (1)  $4-1/2" \times 4-1/2"$  square (2)  $4-7/8" \times 4-7/8"$  squares



Red for corners (2)  $4-7/8" \times 4-7/8"$  squares White for background (4)  $4-7/8" \times 4-7/8"$  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.

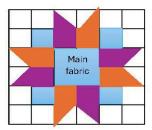
#### **Block of the Month**

July 2024 Block of the Month

#### Millenium Star

from Nickel Quilts by Pat Speth and Charlene Spode

I love the look of stars! This is a dandy one. I decided with the background provided to lean into the Provençal vibe – blue and yellow (disregard colors below). Please try to lean that way as well. Also, *read the note on picket fence components*.



From the background fabric provided cut:

4 - 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles

12-2-1/2" squares

From the main fabric - that which is the middle - cut:

4-2-1/2" squares

1 - 4-1/2" square

From "picket fence" #1 (purple here) cut:

4 - 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles

From "picket fence" #2 (orange here) cut:

4 - 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles

To make the picket fence units sew one 2-1/2" background square to a 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles as in the illustration. **NOTE**: Do all of one color pickets first and then carefully, carefully lay out their opposites with the other picket fence fabric. I didn't do this the first time and was very frustrated!



Sew together in rows. Voila!

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Be sure and turn in your blocks for the NEXT Opportunity Quilt! Guild participation is needed in order to make this a success!!

#### **Affiliates**







#### **Monthly Mini**

We will be featuring a bag for the Monthly Mini in July



#### **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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