

NEWSLETTER

Next meeting August 5

6 pm Start Time!!

Temperature Quilts

Our very own Kathy Spicher will do a presentation on temperature quilts. She'll talk about:

- Types of data that can be used, e.g., temperature, air quality, events (good or bad) personal things like moods or exercise, etc
- Translating data into color palettes and visual patterns to represent data
- Making individual or collective temperature/data driven quilts

• Show examples

Don't Forget..

- Money for Monthly Mini
- Show & Tell
- Block of the Month
- Food to share



President's Message

Hello Quilters!

Is it already August? Oh my! In my mind the slide to the December holidays starts now! It is time for us to make crafts for the holiday fairs (more specifics soon), FINISH our newest Opportunity Quilt (pattern in this issue – please contribute!) and elect our new Board. Speaking of the Board, we've been shaking the tree but haven't found a Secretary! Argh, we'll be out of compliance with our By-Laws and hence, out of compliance with our 501©3 status as a non-profit. Please step up! This job will take 5 hours per month and is a great way to meet everyone, consider it, and then VOLUNTEER!

President: Melissa Hatheway

Co-1st VPs: Sue Deal & Kathy Spicher

Co-2nd VPs: Margo Carrol and Julie Scribner

The Slate to be voted on Tuesday, August 5 will be:

Secretary: GLARING HOLE

Treasurer: Shari Kinney

Also, we had a wonderful viewing of our Opportunity Quilt at the Art and Garden Show. Lots of interest in the Guild! Thanks to Kim Alcott, Ways and Means, for making this happen! This is the time to get selling your tickets if you have not or if you want to take more – drawing in September!!

In other quilt news the Sonoma County Fair is August 1 – August 10 (closed Mon, Aug4). The quilt hall will have the "Dorrie Whipple Award" winning quilt. The Petaluma Quilt Guild sponsors this award and it will be wonderful to see on whom it is bestowed. Just a side note.

Finally, I was at 50th Sisters Quilt Show in Oregon and saw a quilt from our own Janet Clark. Huzzah to Janet!

Happy Quilting,

Melissa

Guild Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2025

Call Meeting to Order –The meeting was called to order at 6:09 PM by Melissa H Minutes of the June General Meeting – A motion was were made and seconded to approve the June General Meeting minutes and the May Board minutes as circulated in the PQG July Newsletter. The motion was approved by acclamation. President's News – The nominating committee has almost completed the slate for board positions. The nominees are: Melissa H, President; Kathy S and Sue D, Co–Vice Presidents Membership; Margo C and Julie S, Co–Vice Presidents Program; Treasurer, Shari K. We still need a nominee for Secretary. Volunteers for the Budget Committee are: Shari K, Marilyn F, Melissa H, Julie S and Margo C. Thanks to those who have volunteered to serve.

Treasurer's Report – Marilyn sent the treasurer's report by e-mail.

Membership –Kathy S reported 30 members present and two guests for a total of 32 present.

COTS – No report as Ellie is out of town.

Veterans Quilts – Jayne has pillowcases and block kits and quilts that need binding.

Quilt Show at the Fair –The Quilt show at the fair was successful, with raffle sales, awards earned by quilts submitted and many positive reviews of the COTS and Veterans exhibit.

Outreach Committee – Jane H asked for assistance with the Mail Depot Show that will be September 10 to October 8, 2025.

Block of the Month – The blocks for July drawing will be in August. Fran Z has agreed to be the chair for Block of the Month for 25-26.

Opportunity Quilt – Members shared blocks made for the 25-26 "Flocks" Opportunity Quilt. The 24-25 Opportunity quilt had successful raffle sales at the fair.

Way and Means – Kim A is organizing a booth at the Petaluma Art and Garden Fair on July 13. Please sign up to work. Kim A and Kerstin S have volunteered to chair the Ways and Means Committee. Please help Ways and Means by making additional crafts to sell.

Monthly Mini - Margaret won the patriotic monthly mini.

Mother Hen – Gigi and Sharon have volunteered to take on the role of Mother Hen to welcome new guild members. Thanks to Gigi and Sharon for taking on this role.

Name Tag -Kirsten won the prize for name tag.

Attendance – Alexine S won the prize for attendance.

Show and Tell - Members shared their guilts.

Program - Margo shared the proposed Program Calendar for 2025-26.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Shari K., PQG Secretary



Military News

Hello Quilters, Wow it's hard to believe the summer is half over already. Thank you to all of the binding volunteers. I brought 18 quilts to the last meeting to be bound and 17 were taken home. I really appreciate all your volunteer quilting you all do to keep the Sonoma County homeless veteran quilts ongoing project flowing. I've been busy quilting quilts again and will be bringing about a dozen more to the August meeting. I'm also going to try and get a couple more quilt top kits together along with more pillowcases. I have not counted the quilts yet, but I believe we have gone halfway to the goal of 65 for the year, YAY! This project could not be as productive without all your help. Stay cool and enjoy this beautiful weather we are having. Jayne and Nancy

Monthly Mini

Congratulations to Margaret Catelli. Margaret was the winner of Sally Atterberry's beautiful red white and blue patriotic table runner and all of the additional fat quarters.

Many many thanks Sally for both of your contributions.

We also thank the members who supported our raffle by buying tickets. Each donation helps to pay our rent.

Our August monthly mini donations will be two beautiful creations of fabric art in the form of two unique greeting cards. These beautiful, one of a kind cards were created by quilt artist Karen Koenig.

Thank you Karen for sharing your creativity with our guild.



Sew, Sleep, Repeat Retreat News



November 15 and 16 - 9 AM to 7 PM

The Retreat committee met and we have finalized information about this fabulous event that we're going to be having. It'll be for two days, and the cost for two days is **\$60 per person for both days**. This will include a lunch both days. We are going to be meeting in our old meeting room at the Community Center in Petaluma.

You will be able to bring your projects, and sewing machines and leave them at your table until Sunday when you go home. We will have cutting tables available with risers, but we will be asking for ironing boards, and irons to share. We also need volunteers to help with setup, monitor food, etc but we will have sign up sheets closer to the date. Most shifts will only be one or two hours at the most. If we have space, we will be extending the invitation to the Moonlighters Guild also.

We need all members (whether you're participating in the Retreat or not) in gathering items for our Raffle Containers. I say containers because they do not have to be baskets. If you Google ideas for gift baskets, they suggest using all kinds of things like jars, ice chest, bowls, on a plate, a nice bag, a wood box or flowerpot, etc. Use your imagination! Be creative with your donations! Remember this will be close to Christmas so we can make gift boxes and not just sewing.

Some of the ideas that we would like for the raffle to contain; Gift card, include the receipt, spices, garden items, children items like books or games, baby items, family games, animals/pets, holiday items, movies, spa items, coffee/tea/chocolate, romantic date night, and of course, fabric baskets!

You can start bringing any of the items that are non-perishable to the August meeting. Please give them to Debby. We will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting if you would like to come. Full payment will be due by the September meeting.

Thank you very much, The Sew Sleep Repeat Retreat Committee

Ways & Means Update

Happy to report that the Arts and Garden Fair went well. It was a beautiful day and a lot of people came out to help with set up and sales. Many thanks to Sue & her husband for the heavy lifting, as well as Jane, Jayne, Victoria, Becky, Diane & Marilyn We tried a few new things in our presentation, we're still balancing the pricing dilemma of not too high, not too low but we're learning! We met a lot of local sewists so cross your fingers that we bring in some new members and the Petaluma Library manager invited us to do a quilt show at the library. We made \$385 in craft sales and \$103 in opportunity quilt tickets for a total of \$488 for the day.

We will be doing two holiday fairs in November and December that have been successful for us in the past. One is Elks, here in Petaluma, and then a two day one in Rohnert Park on Thanksgiving weekend. More information to follow on crafts needed, but donations of small print red & green fabric as well as Christmas fabric would be appreciated!







August Birthdays

Sherri G- August 2 Louise C - August 6 Francesca H - August 15 Alana G - August 29 Cathi L - August 29 Marina W - August 31

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Block of the Month: August to Turn in September

Block Name: Alternating 9-Patch

Color Scheme: Blue and White

Materials: * Blues, small prints of different shades

Five 5" squares
 Nine 4" squares

White, recommend Kona snow but any white will do

Five 5" Squares

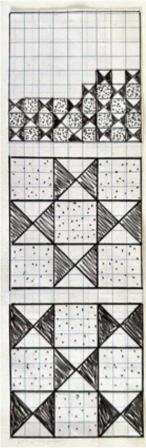
Steps:

 Make quarter square triangles from the half square triangles, you'll have 10

Make 9 patch blocks alternating the solid blue and the quarter square triangles. You'll have 2 different 9 patch blocks







Detailed instructions

Half Square Triangles

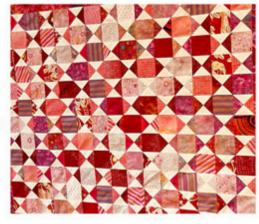
- Using 1 blue 5" square and 1 white square, put the right sides together
- Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner
- Sew ¼ inch on either side of the diagonal line
- Cut on the drawn line and press
- Repeat with the remaining 5" blue and white squares

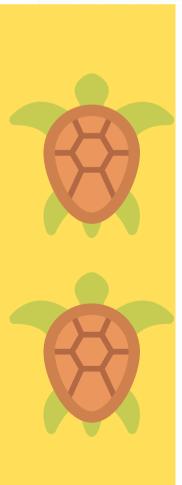
Quarter Square Triangles

- Place two half square triangles right sides together
- Nest the seams
- Draw a line that bisects the seams
- Sew ¼ inch on either side of the bisecting line
- Cut on the drawn line and press
- Neaten up the quarter square blocks to be 4" squares

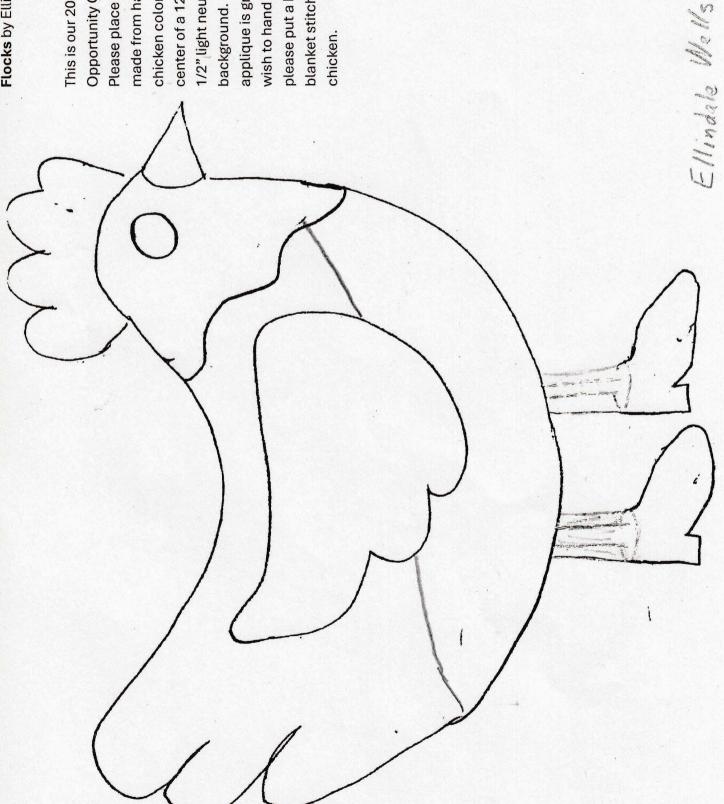
You can Google quarter square triangle or "hourglass block"

https://www.youtube.com/shorts/MzqPPRFsmb4





blanket stitch around the Please place this chicken Opportunity Quilt block. center of a 12-1/2" x 12-1/2", ight neutral applique is great, if you wish to hand applique This is our 2025-2026 chicken colors in the background. Fusible please put a black made from happy chicken.



Opportunity Quilt Pattern

Military Quilts

Hello Quilters, I want to thank all of you who turned in veteran quilt pieces and who checked out new items to sew. I will have some quilts ready to bind to the July meeting. Just a reminder the binding can be sewn on by hand or by machine, whatever you are comfortable with. I will also have some pillowcase kits ready for stitching. I appreciate all your help and the veterans are forever grateful that someone cares. Happy stitching, Jayne and Nancy

Outreach Committee News

We are getting pretty excited about the Mail Depot Expo Please let Jane know if you are interested in helping. Remember, if you want to sell your work, we are doing an 80/20 split.

Now we are also evaluating two possible venues for a Quilt Show next year – The Art Center or the NEW library. Again, if quilt shows are your jam, please let us know that you would like to help with planning. You don't have to sit on the committee regularly to help in your area of interest/expertise. We need you! Sharon made sure new members were up to date on all goodies – let her know if you are missing anything. And calling all teachers– we also have possibilities for community classes again!!!

COTS Update

Ellie has been out of town so no update at the moment.







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Help Needed

Janice in San Geronimo asks: "I spoke briefly to one of your members at your raffle booth at the fair last week. I asked her if she knew of some place that would take/store/keep quilts. I have several quilts that I'd like to eventually (not yet) find a good home for. My family members are not interested! My mom has a quilt at the Wisconsin Quilt Museum. It's in "storage" in a climate controlled room, will probably never be on any display. I've contacted them, and a CA. Quilt museum – NO response from either. Do any of your members have ideas for safe-keeping quilts? I hate to think of them becoming dog beds!!!! My two are totally hand made, no machine. I would appreciate any info you could supply. Thank you."

Should you have guidance for Janice please contact: yellowbugjanice@comcast.net

Sonoma Marin Fair

I took these photos so I apologize if I missed anyone's quilt. I know I didn't get all of them but the Guild had a great turnout!





















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COTS & Veterans Display

We were able to have a special area to display the outreach quilts that the Guild supports. Again, my apologies if I missed any.

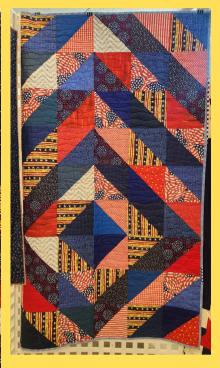




























Petaluma Quilt Guild

Officers

- Melissa H President
- Kathy S VP Membership
- Margo C VP Programs
- Marilyn F Treasurer
- Shari K Secretary

Committee Chairs

Block of the Month - Margo C
Castoff Table - Laura L
Hospitality - Open
Military Quilts - Jayne M
Monthly Mini - Sherri G
Mother Hen - Gigi & Sharon J
Newsletter - Amanda C
Opp Quilt 2025 - Marilyn F
Quilts for COTS - Ellie O
Retreats - Debby L
Ways & Means - Open
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