### Napa Valley Quilters Guild

## Loose Threads

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March already! My Camilla bush is popping pink flowers. The tree catkins are stuffing up my nose. The vineyards are yellow with mustard flowers. And it was 80 degrees the last two afternoons. We are so very spoiled and blessed here in the Napa area. We have so much blooming greenery, even though our air is pollen saturated, our scenery is very beautiful.

I found these Ten Good Reasons to buy Fabric, on Pintrest

1. It insulates the cupboard.

2. It keeps the economy stimulated. It is my duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills, and fabric shops.

3. It is less expensive and more fun that psychiatric care.

4. I'm participating in a contest-the one who dies with the most fabric wins.

5. It keeps without refrigeration, you don't have to cook it to enjoy it, and you'll never have to feed it, change it, wipe its nose or walk it.

- 6. It makes me happy.
- 7. Like dust, it is a protective cover for uncovered surfaces in the house. Like tables, ironing boards and shelf tops.
- 8. It is not immoral, illegal, or fattening. It calms my nerves, gratifies my soul and makes me feel warm and cozy.
- 9. Because it's on sale.
- 10. Buy it now, before your husband decides to go on your next shopping expedition with you.

I personally am in deep contention for the one who dies with the most fabric wins. I find there is always time to shop. There is time at night to check fabric online. Or if you're in the neighborhood, stop and shop in a store; or at a friends' stash sale. It takes way more time to sit and sew it. Or, for me, actually its plan and cut and layout, that seems to be more of a hindrance, than the actual time using the sewing machine.

I know there are those out there that think this is crazy talk. But I also know that there are just as many that understand just the situation I am in. Be Kind to those who are different from you and your ideas. Because we never know what each of us is struggling with or what is happening quietly; in each others life.

Quilters are amazing folks. I appreciate the dedication and loving care that each of you use to make each piece of art. The quilts that are made and given with love and all our precious fabric are invaluable in so many ways.

Krista Lopez, President.

#### MARCH BIRTHDAYS 2016

Mar 10 Ethel Glenn	Mar 17 Sharon Spencer	Mar 22 Sharon Hermann
Mar 11 Sandra Hewett	Mar 19 Mary McDonald	Mar 31 Joni Briggle
Mar 14 Sharon Lampton	Mar 22 Barbara Phillips-Barrett	

#### NAPA VALLEY QUILTERS Regular Meeting February 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Krista Lopez at 10:00 a.m. at the Napa Senior Center, Napa, CA.

President Krista announced that we should all remember kindness; meetings are our happy place. President Krista also noted that we are still in need of a web person to attach minutes and photos.

Birthday greetings were extended for January and February; happy birthday was sung and "mug rugs" were given out as gifts.

**Programs:** Leslie Vaughn advised that we will have a Jacket workshop in March. Cost is \$30.00 and we will need to fill this class today or cancel. April will be a table runner class; cost and more info to follow in March.

**Quilts to Share:** Rose Luce advised that today after the meeting we will be making kleenex kits; you can pick up your potholder supplies and we will be sewing pillow cases.

Sunday we will be at Orchard Avenue typing quilts and sewing pillow cases. Jamie will be sorting the nine patch blocks and you can pick up your exchange at the end of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Cherie Kleuver presented the treasurer's report. Copy on file for review.

Art in the Library: Linda Feutz was photographing today for submission for the Art in the Library exhibit.

**Four Guild Luncheon:** This year the Four Guild Luncheon will be hosted by Carquinez Straits Stichers -Benicia. Luncheon sign ups were placed on the table for those interested in going. It was reminded that the date of this luncheon is also our regular meeting day for March.

Budget: Copies of the 2016 Budget were passed out to the members for review.

**Block of the Month:** Sarah Galzynski presented the blocks for February. Jennifer Fiel won the block for this month. Fat quarters were won by Joan Barber; Kathy Manifold; and Jennifer Fiel. Next month the block colors will be black and white. Pattern will be in the newsletter.

Raffle: The raffle was held and winners were: Rose Luce (2); Mary McDonald and Kathy Manifold.

**Membership:** Sandy Hewitt advised we had 94 members present today along with 4 new members. The rosters are ready and can be picked up at the membership table.

**Opportunity Quilt 2016** - It was reported that the Opportunity Quilt top is complete we are waiting for fabric for the backing.

**Quilt Show 2016:** Rose Luce advised that some sponsors have made donations to the Guild. Vendors were sending in their registration

The Table: Carolyn Spence advised that February 29th will be our day to serve at the Table.

Vallejo Piecemakers: Trudy Molina and Joanne Dalton advised that the Vallejo Quilt Show will be held April 30 and May 1, 2016.

**Retreat:** Marsha Lindstadt advised that the 2017 Retreat will be January 13 - 16, 2017. Saturday is the second Saturday of the month and our regular meeting day. Marcia also advised that she will be needing hostesses for the Maple Lodge for the next retreat.

**Challenge Quilt:** Patti Glenn explained the rules on the Challenge Contest; quilts are due by the June Meeting; the name of the Challenge is "The House that Quilters Built".

**Quilts to Share:** Sue Lipschultz advised that Quilts to Share has an abundance of fabric and would like to share it with our members for their own projects - if a member has an ongoing project in the community and needs fabric please see the Quilts to Share committee to obtain it.

**Sunshine:** Carolyn Spence advised that member Ruby Monger had fallen at home and broke a vertebrae and is now in a nursing home recuperating. Cards are welcome.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. for Show and Tell.

Janet Schiefferly Secretary

#### MEMBERSHIP

There is still time to renew your guild membership, or join as a new member. See Sandie or Anna at the membership table. There will also be copies of updated member information at the table. Pick up one to put in your roster.

Sandie Hewitt and Anna MacCallen

### **On a Personal Note**

We are a fairly large organization with 140 paid members. Even though we may say "hi" to our fellow quilters, we often don't know if a member is having an important life event occur for which we could offer our congratulations, condolences, or send a card to cheer them up. If you, or one of your quilting friends, would like the rest of us to know about an important event, you can let us all know by posting it here in the newsletter. These events could be graduations, important job placements, deaths, new babies, relocations, weddings, an illness, etc. If you want to post something for a friend, be sure your friend WANTS us to know about it.

You would need to write a note about the event and email it to Cheryl Bundy before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

### **QUILT SHOW**

We are Rolling Along!! Getting some pre show stuff done. Thank you for helping make pot holders and Kleenex holders. Lots more work to be done in the coming months. I will be getting together sub-committees, and sign-up sheets at our next meeting. Thank you, Rose

# **QUILTS2SHARE DAYS**

Thank you for all your help Quilts 2 Share Days We got a lot of PILLOWCASES, TISSUE HOLDERS POT HOLDERS done and also Tied several Quilts and did some bindings.. Ate great lunches both days Thank you to Mrs Gamble and BR landscaping for Saturdays Lunch and Thank you to PIZZA GUYS for Sundays Lunch also a great banana split sundae because it was Valentines day and you all are awesome!!!

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# FARM GIRL QUILT PROJECT

### I see several of you are working hard on your quilt ~ wall hanging~ table runners etc! Keep up the great work

### It is going to be so exciting to see all of them at the quilt show....

Here are the Rules .....

1. No Quilt larger than 60x80

2. All Quilt blocks must come from this book.

3 Use you own color choices, pattern arrangement and creativity.

4. Have some of your work to show at the meetings also we want to gather at about 9:30 to see what everyone is doing and to answer any questions you may have about the process.

5. You are making your own quilt , to keep and to show at the 2016 quilt show .

6 . Finished quilts from this group are due in July so that we can see how many there are and how to arrange them.

7. We will try to get together some time this year as of now there are about 50 people in the group.8. Look for emails and or blasts for this Group..

## QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

### QUILT BACK YARDAGE

TWIN		
Size	Yardage	
(w x l)		
59 x 85	5 1/4 yds	
59 x 95	5 3/4 yds	
63 x 87	5 1/4 yds	
63 x 97	5 7/8 yds	
67 x 89	5 1/2 yds	
67 x 99	6 yds	
71 x 91	5 1/2 yds	
71 x 101	6 yds	
75 x 93	5 5/8 yds	
75 x 103	6 1/4 yds	
79 x 95	7 1/4 yds	
79 x 105	7 1/4 yds	

QUEEN		
Size	Yardage	
(w x l)		
80 x 90	7 1/4 yds	
80 x 100	7 1/4 yds	
84 x 92	7 5/8 yds	
84 x 102	7 5/8 yds	
88 x 94	8 yds	
88 x 104	8 yds	
92 x 96	8 1/4 yds	
92 x 106	8 1/4 yds	
96 x 98	8 5/8 yds	
96 x 108	8 5/8 yds	
100 x 100	9 yds	
100 x 110	9 yds	

DOUBLE		
Size	Yardage	
(w x l)		
74 x 85	5 1/4 yds	
74 x 95	5 3/4 yds	
78 x 87	7 1/8 yds	
78 x 97	7 1/8 yds	
82 x 89	7 1/2 yds	
82 x 99	7 1/2 yds	
86 x 91	7 3/4 yds	
86 x 101	7 3/4 yds	
90 x 93	8 1/8 yds	
90 x 103	8 1/8 yds	
94 x 95	8 1/2 yds	
94 x 105	8 1/2 yds	

KING		
Size	Yardage	
(w x l)		
96 x 90	8 1/8 yds	
96 x 100	8 5/8 yds	
100 x 92	8 1/4 yds	
100 x 102	9 yds	
104 x 94	8 1/2 yds	
104 x 104	9 1/4 yds	
108 x 96	8 5/8 yds	
108 x 106	9 1/2 yds	
112 x 98	8 3/4 yds	
112 x 108	9 5/8 yds	
116 x 100	10 1/4 yds	
116 x 110	10 1/4 yds	

### NVQ March BOM Black & White & Bright

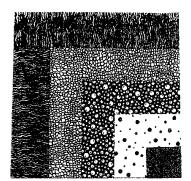
Fabrics Black/white(dark) White/black(light) Solid bright – any color

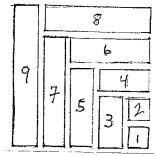
Make Half Log Cabin block

- Cut 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>inch x 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>inch square solid bright 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inch strips – dark and light
- Sew Alternate dark/light or light/dark strips around colored square as in diagram

Finished block should be 10 1/2 inches square

March Fat Quarters – Polka Dots





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