

December 2023 Newsletter



President's Corner

Happy holidays everyone! I am so excited to be going into the next month, with many celebrations for family and friends. There is nothing I love more than spending quality time with the ones I love. We always have plenty of "Family" around, and I hope you all have the same.

Christmas quilts are some of my very favorite, from what I saw at the fair in August I know many of you are working on some impressive projects! There's nothing quite like a beautiful poinsettia flower, a christmas tree filled truck, or a jaunty lil snowman immortalized in fabric. I also love to see non-Christmas themed quilts as well. If there is a Hannukah or Kwannza quilt pattern out there, I encourage those celebrating to share them with the group! The time and effort you all put into these works of art is sure to be treasured for many years forward. Nothing warms my heart like keeping the tradition of quilting alive, especially around the holidays.

I'm currently at a quilting retreat, and enjoying the company of all these talented women. The whirl of their machines, and the chatter of fabric talk gives me all the warm fuzzies. The names and stories behind the work are just as important as the work itself in my humble opinion.

I am greatly looking forward to our next meeting on December 9th. We will have an informal luncheon and some fellowship where we get to know the faces behind the works of art!



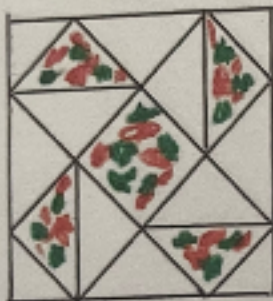
Happy Birthday to our Quilters Celebrating in December

Block of the month

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"Mill Wheel"

Holiday print & white

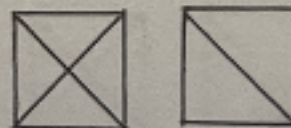


White: A : cut two $7 \frac{1}{4}$ inches ; cut diagonally twice
B : cut two $3 \frac{7}{8}$ inches ; cut diagonally

Print: C : cut one $7 \frac{1}{4}$ inches ; cut diagonally twice
D : cut one $4 \frac{3}{4}$ inches

Sew C to A to make 4 squares; Sew B to C part of squares
Sew A's to either side of two CA squares ; Sew remaining squares to 2 sides of D
Sew rows together as in diagram ! Happy Holidays !

January fat quarters: lavender, purple, white, purple print



Quilt's to Share 5th Saturday at
Crosswalk Community Church
on First St in Napa

This month will be held in the
gym Please join us for a fun day
of sewing and trying quilts.

-Rose



YIELD: 37 TREATS

White Chocolate Pretzel Crockpot Christmas Candy!

White Chocolate Pretzel Crockpot Candy! Peanuts and Pretzels in one easy crockpot candy! The perfect No Bake Christmas Dessert!

PREP TIME	COOK TIME
5 minutes	1 hour
ADDITIONAL TIME	TOTAL TIME
15 minutes	1 hour 20 minutes



Ingredients

- 24 ounces almond bark
- 2 cups (11 oz bag) white chocolate chips
- 16 ounces dry roasted peanuts (salted)
- 16 ounces dry roasted peanuts (unsalted)
- 3 1/2 cups mini pretzel twists
- Holiday M&Ms (about 1 1/2 cups)
- Holiday sprinkles (optional)

Instructions

1. Layer the following in a crockpot in this order: almond bark, dry roasted peanuts (salted), dry roasted peanuts (unsalted), and white chocolate chips.
2. Let cook on low for 1 hour (do not stir).
3. After 1 hour, turn the heat off and stir the mixture.
4. Break some of the pretzels apart and add pretzels to the crockpot (I like to leave some whole, but you can break them all).
5. Mix well so that all of the pretzels get coated.
6. Line a couple of baking sheets with parchment paper and use a 3 tablespoon cookie scoop or a large spoon or measuring cup to spoon mixture onto the baking sheet.

NVQG November 11, 2023 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Dani Neuman at 10:00 AM.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Dani N. then read the NVQG mission statement as printed on the inside front cover of the roster to remind members of “Our Purpose”.

Dani N. announced the proposed slate of officers for next year:

President: Dani Neuman

Vice-Presidents: Margret Gaeddert

Maggie Walker Secretary: Trudy Molina

Treasurer: Ellen Wulf Membership: Renee Sicard Evelyn Zlomke

A motion was made to approve the slate for voting, and was seconded.

A voice count was conducted, and the slate of officers was approved.

Dani N. announced the birthdays for the month of November.

Mary Jo Kent, secretary, asked for corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none noted; however, one member commented on the blurriness of the publication in the newsletter, and asked for a solution. The secretary indicated that the minutes are e-mailed to the newsletter chair, Nikki Luce Feil, who would need to resolve the issue. (Ultimately, Nikki L. F. requested that the minutes document be e-mailed to Patti

Glenn, communications, so that an e-mail blast could be sent to members.)

Ellen Wulf, treasurer, stated the bank balance was \$29,904.04.

Margret Gaeddert, V.P./workshops, announced that next month's holiday party will be catered - in contrast to previous years' member-provided potluck. The two V.P.s will need assistance from members in setting up and decorating the tables.

Show and tell will still be a part of the meeting.

Maggie Walker, membership, stated that there were 67 attendees at the meeting, with 3 guests (whom she introduced) and 1 new member.

Anni Donahue, membership, reminded members that next year's dues can now be paid; members are asked to fill out an application form to be submitted with payment.

Anni will be taking photos today for the roster as needed.

Kay O'Neill, welcoming, had no update.

Nikki Luce Feil, newsletter, re-stated the 25th of the month deadline for newsletter items. (See above for the resolution she proposed for a clear publication of the September 2023 general meeting minutes.)

Cheryl Bundy, BOM, drew the name for the winner of submitted blocks, and fat quarters. A sample of next month's block was on display; printed instructions are available at the meeting or will be published in the newsletter.

Rose Luce (substituting for Denise Callahan/Cathy Stegman) drew four winning tickets for the prize drawings.

Patti Glenn, communications, had no update.

Carol Holmes, historian, indicated that the guild scrapbook was available for viewing; members should pick up photos of their “show-and-tell” quilts as the guild has limited storage capability.

Peggy Hart, opportunity quilt, reminded members to turn in ticket sales proceeds. The drawing for this year’s quilt will take place at the meeting in December.

Peggy also wanted to acknowledge the guild members who worked with her this year transporting and displaying the quilt at other California quilt guilds:

Anni Donahue Cheryl Bundy Dani Neuman

Joanne Dalton Maggie Walker Melissa Whitney

Lady Bruce, who has been creating next year’s opportunity quilt, needs help due to an injury. The hexagons that will make up the quilt have all been sewn together into rows – these rows now need to be sewn together in turn to complete the quilt. Guild members are asked to assist in this effort.

Rose Luce, quilts to share, pointed out quilts positioned near the door that need to either be quilted, or bound, to ready them for distribution.

The next quilts to share workshop falls on the Saturday between Christmas and New Year’s Day. Rose asked for a show of hands to determine if there was enough interest on the part of guild members to actually schedule such a workday. There was enough interest shown that the workshop will take place on December 30th

at Crosswalk Community Church. The following chairs had no updates: Rose L. Fair/publicity
Linda Feutz, parliamentarian,

Joan Barber, sunshine Joan Wilson, hospitality (other than the display of items that have been left at the counter that members must

retrieve.) Gabriel Gutierrez, website. Ann Seronello has the name of an individual who would like to have a T-shirt quilt made – if a guild member is interested, contact Ann. Ann also reminded members that some of her quilts are on display in the Senior Center Hall.

Ellen W., presented Dani N. with a gift card to give to her husband to acknowledge the work he has donated to make the guild’s new storage container more use-able.

Multiple shelves and a worktable for sorting and cutting fabric, have been installed.

As a reminder, the guild is saving about \$500/month by not having to pay for space at a commercial storage company.

Maggie W. offered thanks to those members who contributed quilts and two large suitcases (to transport same) for a Ukraine Relief effort.

As there was no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting with approval at 10:22 AM.

The meeting was followed by show and tell, and a presentation by Laura Lee Fritz.