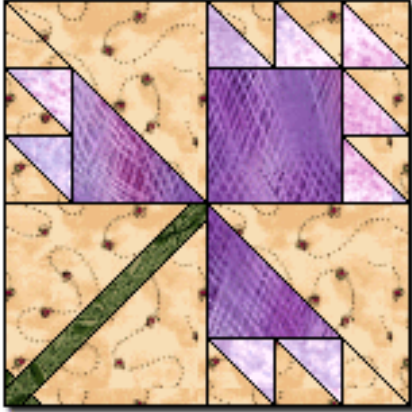


LOOSE THREADS

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March, what a beautiful time here in northern California! I see signs of spring – daffodils in my yard, mustard blooming in the fields, and newborn calves dotting the pastures. I'm inspired to tackle an all-too-often ignored task - namely organizing my sewing room. It is a thing to behold and not in a good way. I tend to scatter my fabric (and yarn) acquisitions around the public areas of the house as they are acquired. Then, when company is coming, or my husband has reached his limit, or (very rarely) I've reached mine - I scurry around, gathering up my treasures like a squirrel gathering nuts, stacking it all on my cutting table. Our new kitten (Oliver, the orange fluff ball) sneaks in whenever he gets a chance and explores. A few repeats of these behaviors and I'm risking injury by walking across the room to my sewing machine. My (practically hobby-less) friend

suggested Marie Kondo and her approach to organizing (picking up each object and keeping it only if it bring joy). It seems to be effective for many people, but I'm thinking it may not work for quilters – beyond the logistics of touching every piece of our "collections", quilters find joy (or the potential of joy) in nearly every piece of fabric. I'll save Marie's method for when I tackle my clothes closet, in the meantime, I'll be in my room – sewing my way out! ☺

Katie Bowers, President



Napa Valley Quilters
Minutes of the General Meeting
Las Flores Community Center, Napa
February 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 10:03am by President, Katie Bowers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the February birthdays were announced and Happy Birthday was sung, and Katie announced that Jennifer Sampou will give today's presentation .

Secretary: minutes were approved as presented online, on a motion by JoAnne Dalton and a second by Linda Wagner

Treasurer's report: Katie Bowers presented the report for Maggie Walker. A copy of the report is with the President.

Programs: Kelly VanCamp introduced Jennifer Sampou as today's speaker with a lecture/slideshow. Speakers are lined up for April, June, September, and October. Check the webpage for planned speakers.

For more information and links to the speakers' websites go to the Napa Valley Quilters' website.

Membership: Krista Lopez reported that there were 78 members present, with 5 guests. Krista recounted taking quilt supplies to Paradise fire victim quilters who lost everything, and their very thankful letters.

Newsletter: Katie reminded members that any item for inclusion in the newsletter needs to be emailed to her by the 20th of the preceding month.

Block of the Month: Elizabeth Helmer reported the BOM info is on the webpage: www.napavalleyquilters.org . Judy Cochran won the blocks; JoAnne Dalton and Trina Wagner split the Fat 1/4s.

Drawings: Mary Jo Kent announced 4 winners.

Website: Maggie Walker stated the website is up to date. The Folsom Quilt Show is February 8, 9, 10. Check the website for other quilt events.

Communication: Patty Glenn was present and had no report.

Historian: No report

Welcoming Chair: Sue Lipschultz reported a trunk-full of donations were delivered to Paradise fire victims, including a sewing machine, and the local food bank received 386# of food in 2018.

2019 Opportunity Quilt: Opportunity quilt ticket packets are available, as well as pillowcase kits.

Quilts to Share: The next Q2S Saturday is March 30 at the mobile home park.

Parliamentarian: Linda Feutz was not available

Publicity: Rose Luce is working with assistants to send donation letter pleas to community businesses and organizations.

Art in the Library: Linda Feutz was not available. If you have a quilt to display at the library, email a photo to Linda.

Sunshine: No report

Librarian: Cathy Stegman reported the library will reopen at the Senior Center.

Hospitality: Leslie Vaughn is not available, but Shirley Hansen and Joan Barber are helping today.

Other business: Cyndy Clark introduced Mason, a police cadet, who is hoping to establish a regular NVQ/Police link. A Kentucky quilter donated a child's quilt for a fire victim. The donation includes a storybook that the quilt is designed on.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28am for Bring and Brag and presentation with Jenny Lyon.

Sandra Hewitt, Secretary



QUILTS TO SHARE DAY

We will be meeting on March 30, 10:00 to 3:30 at the Mobil Home Park on Orchard Ave.

We will have pillowcase kits and quilt kits available.

Bring your machine if you would like to sew.

There will be quilts to tie.

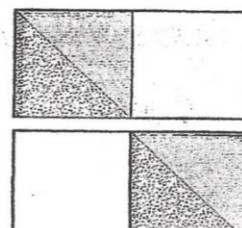
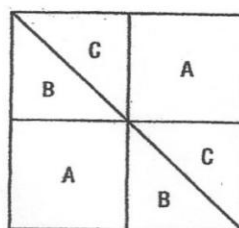
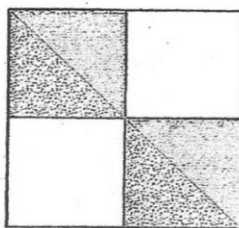
Lunch will be served.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Cotton Reels

2-Unit Grid

Color Illustration: page 12



FOR 1 BLOCK:

FINISHED BLOCK SIZE							
Single dimensions in the cutting chart indicate the size of the cut square (3" = 3" x 2")							
		4"	6"	8"	9"	10"	12"
Light	A: 2	2½"	3½"	4½"	5"	5½"	6½"
Medium	B: 1	2¾"	3¾"	4¾"	5¾"	5¾"	6¾"
Dark	C: 1	2¾"	3¾"	4¾"	5¾"	5¾"	6¾"
Try This:	Use two different lights for A.						

Use purples and yellow. Fat Quarters: White, Tan, Blues & Green

Saturday March 9, 2019

Get inspired by

MARY BOYER “The Green Quilter”



The Art of Treasure Hunting and Wearable Art

Treasure Hunting?? “One person’s junk, is another person’s treasure”.

Mary Boyer considers herself a junk rescuer or “green quilter”. Mary’s lecture will focus on found items—garage sales, estate sales, or stuff that just shows up—and turning these items into useful works of art to wear or use around the house. Each item has a story attached and Mary is sure to inspire you to look at your “treasures” in a different light!

*****Coming in April LAUREL ANDERSON-The History of Applique*****

*****Now taking sign-ups for*****

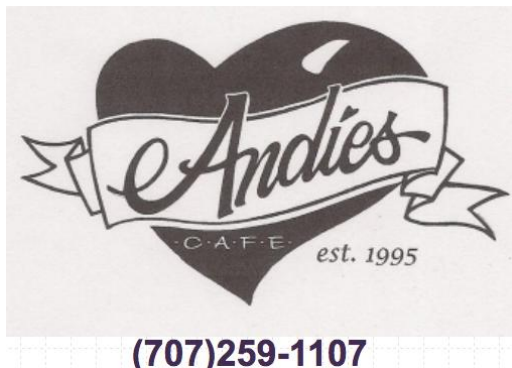
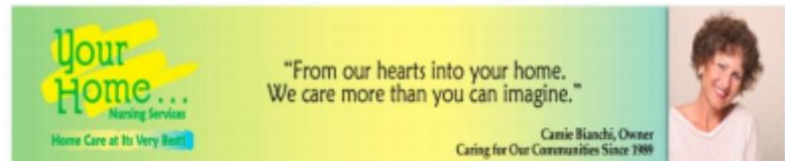
LISA McKISSICK “Metro Twist Workshop” Sunday June 9th



**These fabulous curves are sewn together without any PINS!
The blocks are made big and cut down using multiple points on the ruler.**

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