

May 2023 Newsletter



President's Corner

Wow how time does fly!- Thank you to all who stayed for “quilts to share” last month after the guild meeting – thing fun was had by all, there is much to be said about fellowship with people who like to do the same things that you like to do! – We tied many quilts, we put together pillow cases, we worked on color matching, so many things – than you to Rose, Denise & Cheryl for all your hard work in putting this workshop together. – Next month we are looking forward to our own Jose Best to be our guest! – Looking forward to see everyone at the next meeting! - Dani



Happy Birthday to our Members:

Suzy Banuelos, May 2 **Janice Casey, May 2**
Joanne Dalton, May 4 **JoAnn Percy, May 6**
Betsy Puett, May 10 **Gabryel Gutierrez, May 11**
Cindy Colo, May 14 **Ann Feil, May 14**
Bobbie Ferraiolo, May 17 **Carol Holmes, May 19**
Cyndy Clark, May 19 **Marilyn Betcher, May 27**

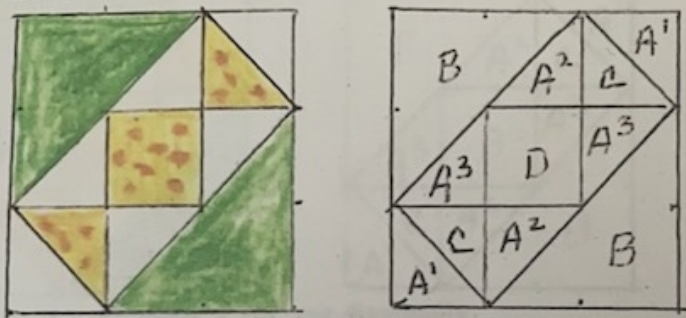


Programs

May Program

We are very excited to have our very own JOSE BEST to talk about his quilting journey and show us some quilts! Jose is a very prolific and accomplished quilter having had many of his quilts displayed in shows and public spaces. Should be an interesting program! Thanks Jose!


Block of the Month May 2023 "Hour Glass" Polka dots, green, white



White A : cut three $4 \frac{7}{8}$, cut diagonally
Green B : cut one $8 \frac{7}{8}$, cut diagonally
Dots C : cut one $4 \frac{7}{8}$, cut diagonally
D : cut one $4 \frac{1}{2}$

Sew carefully as many bias seams:
Sew A-1 to C to make two squares
Sew A-2's to other side of C's, as in diagram
Sew A-3's to both sides of D, as shown
Sew three sections together; sew B's to sides to complete block.

June fat quarters: Assorted small flower prints





Chicken Pot Pie with Biscuits

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This Chicken Pot Pie with Biscuits is the perfect comfort meal. The juicy chicken and flavorful vegetables are enveloped in a creamy sauce and topped with tender biscuits. It's also budget-friendly and fast, the perfect weeknight family meal!

Course	Dinner
Cuisine	Southern
Prep Time	10 minutes
Cook Time	25 minutes
Total Time	35 minutes
Servings	6
Author	I Heart Recipes

Ingredients

- 3 cups cooked shredded chicken
- 2 10.5oz cream of chicken soup
- 3 cups frozen vegetables
- 2 tsp minced garlic
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 cups shredded mild cheddar cheese
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 16 canned biscuits
- 2 tbsp butter melted

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 375°F.
2. Spray a 13x9-inch baking dish with nonstick spray.
3. In large bowl, combine the chicken, cream of chicken soup, frozen vegetables, and shredded cheeses.
4. Mix until combined.
5. Pour the mixture into the baking dish.
6. Now grab the can of biscuits.
7. Cut each biscuit into quarters, then place in a large bowl.
8. Drizzle with the melted butter, and toss.
9. Bake the biscuits for about 5-7 minutes on a lightly grease baking sheet.
10. Top the chicken mixture with the biscuits.
11. Bake, uncovered, for 20 to 25 minutes.

NVQG April 8, 2023 Meeting

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

After the pledge of allegiance, birthdays for the month were announced.

Mary Jo Kent, as Secretary, reviewed that the minutes from last month's meeting had been published in the newsletter. As there were no additions or corrections, they were considered approved as published.

Kelly Van Camp, VP, reminded members of the Quilts to Share/Fair handicrafts workshop taking place after today's meeting. Next month's presentation will be made by NVQG member Jose Best. The remaining programs for 2023 have been scheduled, and work is commencing on the 2024 calendar.

Anni Donahue, Membership, stated that 59 members had signed in; there were two new members.

Rose Luce read the designation of Shirley Hansen as an honorary guild member in recognition of her many years of membership and service to the guild.

Ellen Wulf, Treasurer, stated the bank balance as \$.

There were no updates from either Welcome or Newsletter chairs.

The BOM enjoyed a great number of entries this month – one winner was drawn. Next month's sample block was displayed; the pattern was available at the meeting and will be included in the newsletter.

Prize drawings had four winning tickets drawn. In addition, there was a fifth drawing sponsored by the visiting Piecemakers Quilt Guild (Vallejo) – it consisted of two tickets to their fund-raising BUNCO event (scheduled for next month) and a fabric charm pack. A winning ticket was drawn from the batch of prize drawing tickets.

Communications chair had no update; Carol Holmes, Historian, encouraged members to pick up photos placed at the front door.

Peggy Hart, Opportunity Quilt, talked about the quilt's most recent visits to the Petaluma and Benicia guilds; next up in May will be a trip to Alameda.

The Piecemakers Quilt Guild was at the meeting, selling tickets to their Opportunity Quilt, and promoting their fundraiser scheduled for May.

There were no updates from sunshine or hospitality chairs.

Other quilt related business announcements included:

* a large, gridded collapsible cardboard cutting board and Singer sewing machine

+ cabinet is available

* a member has cloth, "quiet" book kits available for members to assemble for

sale at the Fair * Sandra Ellingson requested help from any guild member familiar with the technique of painting on cloth

*Laura Lee Fritz is moving her studio and will be conducting a sale of fabric and quilting notions two weekends later this month

*Cheryl Bundy has a bag of flannel scraps for anyone interested in making

up charity items Rose Luce, Fair Coordinator, indicated procedures are being developed for the Fair. Next month, there will be sign-ups available for volunteers – members need to step up and sign up for this event that is a significant fund-raiser for the guild.

Final decisions are being made about the quilt show entry process – exhibitors who

live in Napa and Solano counties can enter quilts for judging; guild members who live outside these counties, and wish to enter quilts, will display their quilts without participating in judging.

All business being completed, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 AM, to be followed by a short break, Show and Tell, and workshops.

Napa Valley Quilters – Standing Rules

1. General meetings are held the second Saturday of each month, at which time the business of the Quilters will be conducted, unless there is a conflict with the facility schedule, in which case a new date may be negotiated and approved by the Board of Directors. Information about the meeting will be announced at the general meeting and printed in the guild newsletter. The January meeting shall be the installation of new officers and the announcement of Directors for the coming year. Special meetings may be called by the President or by any ten members, provided all members are notified in writing of time, place, and purpose of the meeting. Any change of meeting date shall require notification of all members who were not present when the decision was made.

2. The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers (7), Newsletter (1), Website (2), Communications (1), Publicity (1), Hospitality (1), Welcoming (1), Historian (1), Quilts to Share (2), Parliamentarian (1), Block of the Month (2), Art in the Library (1), Sunshine (1), Raffle (2), Opportunity Quilt (2), and Quilt Show (2). The voting members will be the elected officers (7). The Board of Directors meeting will be held during the week preceding the General meeting. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly or at the call of the President or upon the written request of four members of the Board. Eleven members shall constitute a quorum.

3. The duties of the elected officers of the Quilters shall be:

a. President

1. Appoints all Directors and Chairs to the Board

2. Serves as an ex-officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.

3. Is the official spokesperson for the Napa Valley Quilters.

4. Shall appoint two members to serve as a Financial Review Committee for the yearly review of the Treasurer's records. This Committee will audit the Treasurer's records and report to the membership at the January meeting.

5. May appoint other committee chairs as needed.

b. Vice Presidents

1. Shall become the President for the unexpired term in case of death, resignation, or incapacity of the President and shall assist the President in such capacity as needed or directed. 2. Shall be responsible for planning and organizing the programs for the Napa Valley Quilters throughout the year.

c. Secretary

1. Shall present the President a copy of the minutes (both Board and general meeting) of the previous meetings at least one week prior to the upcoming meeting to assist the President in making an agenda. Have available a copy of the Board of Directors' meeting minutes for each member of the Board via email (7 elected officers plus chairs and directors). Send the minutes of the general meeting to the newsletter chair.

2. Shall preserve, in a permanent file, all records of the meetings.

d. Treasurer

1. Deliver to successor within fifteen days after the expiration of the term of office all books, records, and papers. Prepare for the annual Financial Review.

e. Membership Chairpersons 1. Welcome new members and present them with a new member packet, consisting of a guild pin, membership roster, and a "Welcome" letter which contains the NVQ website address

so that the Bylaws and Standing Rules can be obtained. Maintains membership list and informs News Director, President, and Communications Director of any additions or changes.

2. Collect membership dues, collect name badge fee, and collect mailed NVQ newsletter fee when requested by member.

3. Deposit all dues collected with the Treasurer.

4. The duties of the Appointed Directors shall be:

a. Affiliate Advertising Chair

Confirm all affiliate advertising copy and collect all payments before ads are published. Prior to April 1 of each year, the Advertising Chair will send renewal notices to each of the current affiliates for the upcoming year running April 1-March 31.

b. Block of the Month

Prepare a pattern each month to be published in the Guild newsletter. Provide pattern and instructions prior to the 20th of each month. Display blocks turned in each meeting and will be in charge of the drawing for said blocks. Have a sample block for display.

c. Newsletter Chair

Serve as editor and publisher of the organization's printed newsletter. Provide final copy to the Website Director for the website. Copy and mail newsletter as needed to members.

d. Website Director

Update and maintain Guild website and distribute information to appropriate persons.

e. Publicity Director

Disseminate information on activities and meetings of the NVQ to the public through the local news media.

f. Hospitality Chair

Responsible for refreshments served at regular meetings and for cleanup of same.

g. Historian

Maintain a scrapbook, which will include photographs, mementoes, and narration of the activities of the Napa Valley Quilters.

h. Parliamentarian

Serves at all meetings of the Napa Valley Quilters and Board of Directors. Maintains current NVQ organization documents and is familiar with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the NVQ.

i. International Block Exchange Chair

Responsible for coordinating NVQ International block exchange. The cost of mailing paid by the guild is not to exceed \$150 per year.

j. Art in the Library Chair

Coordinates NVQ display with the Napa City/County Library.

k. Communications Director

Contacts members with the monthly newsletter, and other communication as requested using an online email platform, and within that platform, maintains the database of the current membership name and email, provided by the Membership Chairperson.

l. Quilts to Share

Responsible for coordinating all phases of NVQ community outreach projects.

m. Sunshine Chair

Sends all cards from Napa Valley Quilters to members as needed.

n. Raffle Chair

Coordinates monthly raffle during membership meeting. Provides report to Treasurer for State requirement.

o. Opportunity Quilt Chair

Coordinates annual guild opportunity quilt project.

p. Quilt Show Director

Coordinates quilt show.

q. Challenge Quilt Chair

Coordinates guild quilt challenge contest.

r. Welcoming Chair

Coordinates greeting newcomers, guests, and new members.

s. Nominating Committee

Shall present a slate of one or more nominees for each office at the October Board meeting. This slate of nominees will be published in the November newsletter. The election will be held at the November general membership meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor with prior approval of the nominee. The election of officers shall be by ballot. A majority of votes for an office shall constitute an election. Officers shall assume their duties immediately following the January installation meeting.

5. Membership dues are \$40.00 per year per member and are due and payable by January 1st of each year. If dues are not paid by January 31st, the member's name will not be included in the printed roster. Annual dues shall be from January 1 to December 31 of the same year. Members must sign in at each meeting. A person may attend their first meeting as a guest, but further attendance will require membership.

a. Those who join between July 1 and October 1 will be charged \$20.00 for dues. Those joining between October 2 and December 31 will pay the full year membership fee, which will cover the next full year.

b. Juniors (under 18 years of age) may become members, but will not be charged dues until their 18th birthday. Their dues at that time will follow the same schedule as outlined in article 3.

6. Refreshments will be provided by members at each meeting. Members are expected to bring refreshments to two meetings each year.

7. A potluck luncheon will be held twice a year – once in the summer, and a holiday luncheon will be held in December.

8. No smoking is permitted at meetings. Cell phones shall be silenced.

9. Workshops should be self-supporting, but may be subsidized at the Board's discretion. Class must be paid for in full at time of signup. Payment is non-refundable except when class is cancelled.

10. The Vice Presidents in charge of programs and workshops may negotiate fees for programs and workshops with members and non-members.

11. Anyone who is not a member of the Napa Valley Quilters and is presenting a program and has items for sale, other than the necessary kits, may be asked to make a donation to the Guild.

12. Bus trips must be paid for in full at the time of sign up. Payment is non-refundable except when the trip is cancelled or when the seat can be sold to another passenger. Bus trips should be self-supporting.

13. All projects must have Board approval prior to expenditures if the members wish to be reimbursed by the guild. Between October 1 and December 1 of each year members can submit a budget and description for planned, local-community, quilt-related projects for the following year to the guild president who will then put them before the budget committee for review.

14. At the general meetings, members may show quilts and sell raffle tickets for those quilts where the proceeds will benefit other non-profit groups. Members may also advertise and collect food or money for other worthy causes.

15. A copy of the NVQ Newsletter is either sent to each member monthly via email, or USPS, or is available on the web site.

a. Articles for the newsletter must be turned in to the editor no later than the 20th of each month.

b. Members may advertise a quilted related item in the newsletter at no charge.

c. Affiliate advertising rates will be charged by the year at \$20.00 for web link only or \$100.00 for a business card reproduction in the newsletter as well as a web link. Any member can approach a business to request advertising, but the Advertising Chair will confirm the ad and payment.

16. A quilt show may be held every year. The location is chosen by the Board of Directors and/or Quilt Show Committee. In order to display a quilt, said member must volunteer in some capacity for the show.

17. Special committees shall be appointed by the President. These committees include, but are not limited to the Financial Review Committee and the Nominating Committee.

18. The membership roster is for members use only. It is not to be used or given to anyone for use as a mailing list.

19. A donation in memory of a member is \$25.00

20. The Vice Presidents' fees are waived for participating in workshops.

21. The committee for the preparation of a preliminary budget in November, for the next year, shall consist of the President-elect, the Vice President-elect, and the incoming and outgoing Treasurers. The committee shall present the proposed budget to the Board of Directors for review during the January Board meeting. The President shall present the proposed budget to the membership for approval as the first order of business after installation.

The Standing Rules may be changed by the Board of Directors, and then reported to the membership.

Approved April 2023

Bylaws

Article 1

Name: The name of this organization shall be *Napa Valley Quilters*, hereinafter known at times as the *Quilters* or *NVQ*.

Article 2

Purpose: The purpose of this organization is to preserve and continue the traditions, culture, and history of the art of quilting; to promote fellowship among interested persons in all aspects of quilting; to contribute to the knowledge of and to promote the appreciating of fine quilts; to sponsor and support quilting activities; to encourage quilt making; and to contribute to the growth of knowledge of quilting techniques, textiles, and patterns through educational meetings and instruction, sharing with the public the history and beauty of quilting.

Article 3

Non-Profit Statement:

1. The *Napa Valley Quilters* shall be a non-profit organization.

2. All property, assets and net income of the *Napa Valley Quilters* are irrevocably dedicated to charitable, educational, cultural, and historical purposes, as defined and interpreted for the purposes of California law. No part of the property, assets, profits, or net income of the *Quilters* shall inure to the benefit of any Officer, Board Member or Member-at-Large of the *Quilters*.

3. Upon termination and dissolution of the *Quilters*, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the *Quilters*, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a quilt-related non-profit organization(s), which has established its tax-exempt status.

Article 4

Membership:

1. Membership may be held by any person who supports the purpose of the *Napa Valley Quilters*.

2. Each charter and honorary member of the *Napa Valley Quilters* will be awarded an annual membership renewal without payment of dues.

Article 5

Dues: The amount of dues for membership shall be set by the Board of Directors.

Article 6

Officers: The elected officers of the *Napa Valley Quilters* shall be President, two (2) Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and two (2) Membership Chairpersons. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

The duties of the elected officers of the *Quilters* shall be:

a. President: Presides at all meetings of the membership and the Board.

b. Vice Presidents: Will perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President. Responsible for planning and organizing programs.

c. Secretary: Shall take and record accurate minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the membership and Board of Directors.

d. Treasurer: Have charge of all monies of the *Napa Valley Quilters*, pay authorized bills, and keep accurate records.

e. Membership Chairpersons: Shall collect dues and deposit with Treasurer, as well as maintain the membership list.

Article 7

Nominations and Elections:

1. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five (5) members; two (2) elected by the Board of Directors, and three (3) elected by the general membership from the general membership at the September meeting. (The Nominating Committee shall elect its own Chairperson.)

2. Officers shall assume their duties immediately following the January installation meeting.

Article 8

Amendments:

1. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by the Board of Directors.

2. All proposed amendments shall be presented in writing to the Board of Directors prior to presentation to the membership.

3. All proposed amendments shall be published in the newsletter before they are voted upon by the membership.

4. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present.

Article 9

Parliamentary Authority: The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* shall govern the *Napa Valley Quilters* in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

Amended December 2022

Approved May 2023