

AVOA News

Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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December Program



Holiday Party on December 10th at Lancaster Library

The room is open from 10:00 to 2:00. We would like to have a brunch potluck starting at 11:00. Please bring something you love to eat and share at the holidays. There is an optional <u>gift ornament exchange</u>. Bring your favorite homemade or storebought item that is wrapped to exchange with others. The more the merrier. If you want to help decorate, please come at 10:00. Festive attire is encouraged but not mandatory.

Lancaster Public Library is located at <u>601W Lancaster Blvd</u> (you need to find a place to park via a side street as the road will be closed for an upcoming event in the evening. Plan accordingly to avoid any headaches.)

January 12, 2023 (Can you believe that?)

Kelly Ashton (From her website, kellyquilter.com) "As a self-described 'pragmatic quilt maker,' Kelly approaches quilt design and construction with a knowledge of and an appreciation for the theoretical and a penchant for the practical. Her mid-life realization that she truly may not live long enough to use all of her fabric stash has propelled her into 'turbo quilt making mode!' Kelly's quilt designs range from 'quick and easy' to 'challenging,' thereby providing offerings to quilt makers with a wide range of skills and experience." More info in next newsletter.

January 14, 2023 Sew-in @ Lancaster Library. Nani Johnson will be teaching the Poppins Bag. There are prerequisites: You will need to buy the Poppins Bag pattern. As you sign up, we will forward Nani's prerequisites. There will be work done before the class. This will be a great class and it will be followed by a second class, TBD. Email Pat Crook or Nette Louton.

Guild Information

Guild Meeting: Thurs, January 12, at 6:00 p.m. Location: United Methodist Church. Times are

subject to change.

918 W Ave J, Lancaster, CA 93534

Board Meeting: Tues, January 17, 2022, at 5:30

p.m. Location: TBD

Membership Dues: \$50.00, or \$60.00 if newsletter is delivered USPS. This price includes Opportunity Ouilt tickets.

AVQA 2022-2023 Executive Board Members

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1st VP Pat Crook

2nd VP Stephanie Shuping/Peggy Vachon

Secretary Carolyn Lundie Treasurer Dixie Bahr Parliamentarian Nette Louton

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Door Prizes Kathy Greene Fat 1/4 Drawing Nani Johnson Friendship Circles Carla Wolf Historian **Diane Grooms** the Board members **Holiday Party** Hospitality Jan Hall & Terri Moss Library/Block Party Corine Cudney Membership Peggy Campbell Newsletter Peggy Vachon Opp Quilt Design '24 VACANT

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Happy December Birthdays!

13 Nette Louton 18 Geneve Chen 16 Donna Roberts 31 Debbie Cowles

If we've missed your birthday, please let the Membership Chair know, and have a great birthday!!!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hope everyone is enjoying the Holiday Season this year. It was nice to be back in the large room this month for our General Meeting. We still have some bugs to work out so bear with us. Looking forward to our Holiday Party on December 10th ... additional information is in the newsletter. Sure hope we have a good turnout, so be sure and bring your Festive personalities!! We are going to try and get back to "dinner before our General Meetings" starting in January. We are planning to meet at Panera's in Lancaster at 4:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



Antelope Valley Quilt Association General Meeting Minutes November 10, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:13 p.m. by President Donna Roberts with Kathy Judkins acting as Secretary.

1st VP/Pat Crook:

Pat introduced the speaker, Carol Wilhoit, who gave her lecture, "Hexagons: Six Sides, One Angle, and Oh So Many Possibilities," via Zoom.

President/Donna Roberts: Following the lecture, President Roberts reminded guild members who brought anything for the free table to be sure to take it home if it's still there after the meeting. She also reminded those who brought quilts for Show and Share to sign up.

Minutes: President Roberts asked if there were any corrections to the October General Meeting minutes as published in the November newsletter. There being none, she asked for a motion to accept. Laura Beauregard moved to accept the October General Meeting minutes with a second by Stephanie Shuping. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Dixie Bahr:

Re: Raffle Certificate - We have jumped through all the hoops and are just waiting for the Justice Department to respond.

President Roberts asked if there were any corrections to the Treasurer's Report as published in the October newsletter. There being none, a motion to approve was made by Stephanie Shuping and seconded by Lynn Aguirre. Motion passed.

Programs/1st VP Pat Crook:

For next month, we are still working on the holiday party. We will see if we can get the library on Saturday, Dec 10, when the sew-in would normally be. There might be a conflict with the parade on that day. We might have a gift exchange. More information after the board meeting. In January, we will have Kelly Ashton giving her lecture, "Fun and Fabulous -- Let the Fabric Work for You."

Membership/2021-2022 Opportunity Quilt/Peggy Campbell:

There are 36 members attending, with 7 on Zoom, and one new member, Kathy Regan. Judy Miller and Nette Louton won the membership drawing. Melanie Karnavas won the door prize. Peggy presented AVQA membership pins to members who have been in the guild for 5, 10, 15, 20, and 30 years.

Philanthropic/Kathy Judkins:

I received quilts, kits, bowl cozies, tote bags, and cut-out pieces for cozies and tote bags from Yvonne Rodriguez, Sharon Hayes, Peggy Campbell, Maggie Konik, and Peggy Howard. (Nette Louton gave me a large bag of quilts and cozies before the meeting; I put it on the floor and forgot to acknowledge ette.) Bits and Pieces and Philanthropic will get together on Saturday to make more tote bags and bowl cozies for Harshfield Terrace residents. I have panels, mostly Christmas/holiday and one golf-themed, that could be used in tote bags or for quilts, placemats or pillows for the auction at the quilt show.

Show and Share:

Kathy Greene, Stephanie Shuping, Peggy Campbell, Sharon Hayes, Terri Moss, and Lynell Rodio showed quilts.

Fat Quarter Drawing/Nani Johnson:

Paula Dyer won the drawing and chose blue for January's fat quarter color.

Webmaster/Kathy Greene:

A visitor to our website wants to commission someone to make a king-size quilt for her 20th anniversary.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Draft for approval Submitted by Kathy Judkins for Carolyn Lundie



Antelope Valley Quilt Association Board Meeting Minutes November 15, 2022

Meeting called to order at 5:39 p.m. via Zoom by President Donna Roberts with Kathy Judkins acting as Secretary.

In attendance: Donna Roberts, Jan Hall, Pat Crook, Nette Louton, Peggy Campbell, Stephanie Shuping, Peggy Vachon, JoAnn Guerrero, Kathy Greene, Dixie Bahr, and Kathy Judkins

Greeting/President Roberts:

Minutes: President Roberts asked if there were corrections to the October Board Meeting minutes as published in the November newsletter. Stephanie Shuping said there should be a clarification that we can't solicit, distribute, or disburse charitable funds and must stop any activities involving raffles until the Justice Department has approved our application. Peggy Vachon made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Stephanie Shuping seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as corrected.

1st VP/Pat Crook:

Nette Louton asked for feedback on last month's speaker. Our holiday party will be on December 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. She was told the fee would be \$25, but it might be \$60. There's a parade later that day, and Lancaster Boulevard will be closed all day, so parking may be a problem. Festive attire is suggested. We will have a potluck lunch and optional ornament exchange. Those who wish to participate will be asked to bring a wrapped, homemade or storebought ornament.

The January program will be about fussycutting. Pat talked to Nani Johnson about teaching the Poppins bag in January at the Quartz Hill Library. There is a pattern to be purchased. Pat talked about problems with the TV we are using for Zoom. We need to have a bigger TV and it needs to be placed higher so everyone can see. There was a question about the time we are supposed to be out of the building after our meetings. Donna said we'd like to have the room from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

2nd VP/Stephanie Shuping and Peggy Vachon:

Stephanie and Peggy plan to talk over the layout for the show. They also need to talk with Carla Wolf about forms. Peggy is trying to get vendors and will keep trying to send things out. They discussed having crafters. Stephanie described a silent auction and baskets she saw when she attended a tea to benefit dogs at the Hellenic Center. Peggy told the board members about the tea that the Cotton Patch Quilt Guild of Bakersfield had held at a church. Tickets were \$65 and the guild made \$10,000.

Philanthropic/Kathy Judkins:

I'm sorry I had to cancel the November sew-in at the last minute. Nette Louton gave me a large bag of quilts and bowl cozies at the guild meeting. I placed it on the floor and forgot to acknowledge Nette when it was my turn to speak. Many apologies, Nette! Yvonne Rodriguez, Sharon Hayes, and Peggy Campbell also brought quilts to me, and Peggy brought a couple of kits, Peggy Howard brought a bag filled with tote bags and bowl cozies to give to Harshfield residents, and Maggie Konik cut out lots of pieces for tote bags

and bowl cozies. I have many quilts that I need to donate.

Treasurer's Report/Dixie Bahr:

Dixie submitted the application for insurance to SCCQG (Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds) A policy has been issued. She still hasn't heard from the Department of Justice. Diane Grooms and Lynn Aguirre did the audit of the Treasurer's books.

Parliamentarian/Nette Louton:

Nette asked for ideas to get people to volunteer for board positions.

Membership/Peggy Campbell:

We have one new member, Kathy Regan. Peggy is delivering tickets and membership pins to people who aren't coming to meetings.

Door Prizes/Webmaster/Kathy Greene:

Kathy had a question about handling door prize money and purchases.

Laurie Muñoz is the visitor to the website who wants to commission a 25th wedding anniversary king-size quilt to be finished in two years. Kathy and Stephanie will head up a group to make the quilt, with the proceeds to be donated to the guild.

New Business:

Nette is concerned that we don't have an opportunity quilt person/committee.

Donna suggested meeting for dinner before the guild meeting like we did before the pandemic. We'll start doing that in January.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m. Draft for Approval Submitted by Kathy Judkins for Carolyn Lundie



Announcements:

Hospitality

Please <u>everyone</u> bring a shareable salad, appetizer, cookies, fruit, etc. to the Holiday Party!

Fat Quarter Drawing

Bring 1-5 fat quarters to enter the monthly drawing and have a chance to win a whole basket of yummy fabric. The color for the January drawing is BLUE.

2nd VP/Ways and Means

Potential vendors are being contacted and have shown some interest in being a part of the 2023 Quilt Show.

We are in need of people to head up various aspects of the Quilt Show in May. Some of the positions remaining are the 1) boutique, 2) show set-up and breakdown, 3) security and 4) admissions. Please contact Donna Roberts, Peggy Vachon or Stephanie Shuping should you have questions and/or wish to volunteer.

Keep finishing your quilts for our QUILT SHOW!

Stephanie Shuping 2nd VP/Ways and Means Co-Chair



Philanthropic

We will be giving tote bags and bowl cozies to the residents of Harshfield Terrace in

December. Thanks so much to Nette Louton, Peggy Howard, Maggie Konik, Marilyn Hendrix, Kim Mardirossian, Pat Stauning and Jan Moore for making these items to add to what we had made before the pandemic.

I have 30 quilts from October and November to donate this week. Thank you so much to all the people who worked on these quilts. Photos will be on the Antelope Valley Quilt Association group page.

Kathy Judkins Philanthropic Chairman

Newsletter

Deadline is <u>December 18, 2022</u>. There isn't a Board Meeting in December but we still need reports for the January Newsletter. Please do not forget to send me your articles.

Thank you, Peggy Vachon, Newsletter Chair



AVQA Opportunities, Part 1

December brings 2022 to a close and opens great anticipation for the many special opportunities within AVQA in 2023. In April we will be electing a new President, 1st Vice President, Secretary and Parliamentarian. It is not too early to begin the search ... a soul search that is. (Ask not what your guild can do for you, but what you can do for AVQA. Thanks JFK.)

The past three years have been challenging for everyone. AVQA has emerged even stronger and more united, but to continue to grow, there needs to be a membership willing to work for the continued success of AVQA. If in your heart you have given some thought to becoming a part of the decision-making process (the movers & groovers), please let President, Donna Roberts, or Parliamentarian, Nette Louton, know of your interest. If you would like to "shadow" a position to see if it would be a good fit, contact that position Chair.

There are other opportunities opening for the 2023-24 AVQA year:

*Philanthropic Chair

*Opportunity Quilt Design Chair

Website Chair

Newsletter

Fat 1/4 Drawing

Holiday Party

Publicity

Travel

*URGENTLY NEEDED

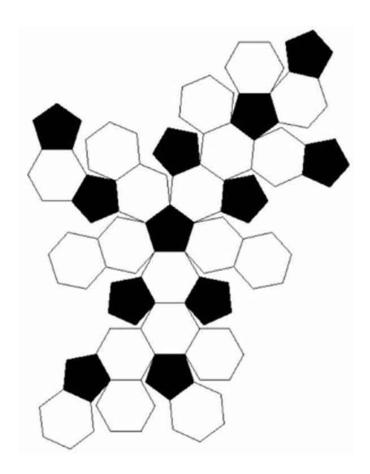
Stay tuned next month for Part 2 for a more detailed overview of the responsibilities for these positions.

For the New Year, give some serious consideration for what YOU can do to make AVQA ALL that it can be.



Fabric of a Nation: American Quilt Stories November 17, 2022 thru March 12, 2023 https://www.skirball.org/exhibitions/fabric-nation-american-quilt-stories

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- \$15 Seniors, Full-Time Students with ID, and Children over 12*
- \$13 Children 2–12
- FREE to Members and Children under 2
- FREE to all on Thursdays



We learned last month from our Zoom speaker about hexagons. Above is a diagram of another way to use hexagons and pentagons to create a BALL! Change up your fabrics so that it does not resemble a soccer ball or keep it as is. I have made one using EPP (English Paper Piecing) and it is real fun to create. Happy Sewing!

Peggy Vachon