



# AVQA News

Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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## August Program

**WE will not have a Guild meeting  
because of the HEAT!**

**See you in September.**



**September 14** will feature the Welcome Back Tea. The theme is Mad Hatter's Tea. Please think of hats and centerpieces. Please use your creativity, not a lot of money! The centerpieces will be auctioned off, the hats are yours to keep. We are asking all friendship circles to donate a table decoration. This can be a centerpiece or decorate the whole table. Have fun.

It is time to say it has been a great time being your programs director. Thank you for all your support. Programs is in good hands with Maggie and Peggy.

# Guild Information

**Guild Meeting:** Thurs, Sept 14, at 5:30 p.m.  
Location: United Methodist Church. Times are subject to change.

918 W Ave J, Lancaster, CA 93534

**Board Meeting:** Tues, Aug 15, at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom and in person at Peggy Campbell's sewing studio.

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

## AVQA 2023-2024 Executive Board Members

President	Nani Johnson
1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Maggie Konik
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	<b>VACANT</b>
Secretary	Lynn Aquirre
Treasurer	Dixie Bahr
Parliamentarian	Nancy Walker

## AVQA 2023-2024 Committee Chairs

Challenge	Carla Wolf
Door Prizes	Kathy Greene
Fat 1/4 Drawing	Robynn Frame
Friendship Circles	Carla Wolf
Historian	<b>VACANT</b>
Holiday Party	Peggy Howard
Hospitality	Terri Moss
Membership	Sue Jacobsen
Newsletter	Peggy Vachon
Opp Quilt Design '24	Dixie Bahr
Opp Quilt Promo	<b>VACANT</b>
Philanthropic	<b>VACANT</b>
Publicity	Leinaala Strickler
Retreats	Sherry DeLano
Scholarship	Jamie Harrington
SCCQG Rep	Vicki Brown
Sunshine	Peggy Cruz
Travel	<b>VACANT</b>
Web Site	Peggy Vachon

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## **Happy August Birthdays!**

9 Sharon Hayes  
25 Maggie Konik

27 Pat Crook

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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fabric, fun and friends are joys we all share. Our featured trip to the Long Beach International Quilt Show was a great opportunity to view so many quilts, and the vendors were plentiful. The bus ride was relaxing and fun. Thanks to our travel chairman, Sylvia Darroch. Our guild will not hold a regular meeting in August but will have a board meeting on August 15, and all are welcome. Our guild still has many positions open to help in operating an organization that runs smoothly and is welcoming.

Open Positions are: 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-Ways and Means

Opportunity Quilt Promotion (Quilt Mom)

Block of the Month Chairman

Positions filled are Publicity - Leinaala Strickler

Challenge Quilt Chairman - Carla Wolf

Holiday Party - Peggy Howard

Have a great summer! See you in September at our Friendship Tea!!!

Your President, Nani Johnson



## **Non-Profit Myths**

Myth #1 - Non-profits can't make money.

Non-profits can make as much money as they need and want. It is how the money is spent that makes the difference in maintaining non-profit status. A non-profit must generate enough revenue to support operations. All other income must be spent for the non-profit's stated purpose, i.e., education, charity etc. or invested in future use.

Myth #2 - A non-profit's books are kept the same as any other business entity.

While similar, books for non-profits have their own terminology and structure. The IRS requires that non-profits follow GAAP. (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles)

*Nonprofit Accounting Volume 1: The Basics* offers this advice. If you do not have a CPA on staff, you probably need to engage an outside CPA for help with IRS filings and year-end financial reviews. Yes, the cost of externalizing this work can be high, but it is an expense that is worth not cutting corners on. This person can update you on all the latest regulations in the nonprofit accounting world and keep your books GAAP-compliant and audit-ready.

Dixie Bahr, Treasurer



**Antelope Valley Quilt Association  
General Meeting Minutes  
July 13, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 pm by  
**President Nani Johnson** at Lancaster United

Methodist Church with **AVQA Secretary, Lynn Aguirre**, taking the minutes.

**President Nani Johnson** welcomed everyone and said it was good to see so many people at the meeting. Also, she announced that the speaker for this month, Cheryl Nieman, would present her program first before the business meeting.

**Minutes: President Johnson** asked if there were any corrections or changes to the June minutes as reported in the July newsletter. There being none, a motion to accept the minutes was made by Cheryl Nieman and seconded by Peggy Cruz. The motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 2023/2024:**

**President Johnson** asked if there were any corrections or changes to the Treasurer's report as published in the July newsletter and there were none. Motion to accept the report was made by Nancy Walker and seconded by Yvonne Rodriguez. The motion passed.

Next board meeting will be at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at Peggy's sewing studio, 2812 K4, Lancaster, CA.

### **1st VPs/Maggie Konik and Peggy Howard:**

Maggie introduced Cheryl Nieman as our guest speaker. Cheryl gave a lecture on the "Quilt as You Go" method. She will be teaching a class on advanced ruler work on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at Quartz Hill Library. The project will be a table runner called "Flower Power". The required rulers for the class can be purchased at Al's Vacuum and Sewing.

### **Parliamentarian/Nancy Walker:**

Nancy had nothing to report.

### **Membership/Sue Jacobsen:**

Sue reported that there were 38 members present and 2 visitors, Janice Zark and Tabbath Silar.

### **Philanthropic/Kathy Judkins:**

Kathy will continue as chairman until she has a replacement. Debra Hall is donating fabric to the philanthropic group.



**Opportunity Quilt/Dixie Bahr:**

Dixie had prepared kits to be picked up by everyone who is helping to sew the opportunity quilt blocks. She requested that the completed blocks be returned at the September meeting.

**Challenge Quilts/Carla Wolf:**

Carla has volunteered to do the challenge quilts.

**Retreats/Sherry DeLano:**

Retreat at Apples Bed and Breakfast in Big Bear is Monday 08/21 through Thursday 08/24. If you want to stay on Sunday 08/20, call Apples and make a reservation. Two to a room is required.

**Travel/Sylvia Darroch:**

The bus trip to the Long Beach Quilt Show was a great success. Thanks to our sisters at the Tehachapi Quilt Guild. They helped fill the bus.

**New Business:**

Dixie reported that the newly elected AVQA President, Secretary and current Treasurer along with the outgoing President met at California Bank and Trust on July 13<sup>th</sup> to update the signature requirements for the bank. Dixie has also set up Zelle for money transfers, and she also set up paperless banking.

**Fat Quarter Drawing/Robynn Frame:**

Winner of fat quarters was Dixie Bahr. The color for the next meeting's drawing is fall colors with leaves.

**Door Prize Winner:**

Kathy Greene

**New Business:**

President Nani Johnson introduced a business card that a guild member could hand out to anyone interested in joining the guild. Instead of paying a visitor's fee of \$5 at their first meeting, it would allow the person to be admitted free. Also, the member should sign the back of the card and when the visitor presents the card at a meeting, the guild member would receive a free fat quarter. She also asked if everyone could provide an emergency contact name and phone number.

**Old Business:**

It was announced that the AVQA shed has been cleaned out and the books that were stored there will be on the free table. The books that aren't taken will be donated to the library.

**Show and Share:**

Kathy Nowell and LeRae Humphrey showed the Christmas tree skirts designed by JuJu that they had made together. Terri Moss showed a butterfly quilt that she had made.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.**

Draft submitted for approval by Lynn Aguirre, AVQA Secretary.

**AVQA Board Meeting Minutes  
July 18, 2023**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm. The meeting was held at Peggy's sewing studio. The meeting was called to order by President Nani Johnson and minutes were recorded by Secretary Lynn Aguirre.

**Minutes:** There were no corrections or changes to the previous report. Motion to approve was made by Donna Roberts and seconded by Kathy Greene. Motion approved.

**Attendance:** Sue Jacobsen, Nancy Walker, Donna Roberts, Dixie Bahr, Maggie Konik, Kathy Greene, Nette Louton, Nani Johnson and Lynn Aguirre.

**President's Report/Nani Johnson:**

Nani stated how well she thought the general meeting had gone. Also discussed how to adjust the microphone so it could be used more efficiently. Nani also stated that Peggy Howard had resigned as co-1<sup>st</sup> VP.

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs/Maggie Konik**

Maggie reported that the July workshop with Cheryl Nieman was a success and very educational. There is no meeting scheduled for August. In September there will be a Mad Hatter Tea. All friendship groups are asked to bring a centerpiece and decorations for their table. Also, members are asked to bring cookies, tea sandwiches or any other goodies to share with members. In October there will be a Quilter's College with four teachers. Nette Louton will be demonstrating how to make disappearing nine patches. Kathy Greene will be demonstrating nesting seams. Nancy Walker will be demonstrating how to make a tea cozy. Dixie Bahr will be demonstrating how to make a layer cake quickie (block). Nette offered to help with setup for Quilter's College. A discussion about having a November boutique was started, with more details to come.

### **Treasurer's Report/Dixie Bahr:**

Dixie presented the July Statement of Activity and the July Statement of Financial Position to the Board.

The IRS has revoked the AVQA Non-Profit status. Dixie is working to resolve the issues. A discussion followed about the IRS rules for Non-Profits. Fees are necessary when filing the IRS forms.

A motion was made by Donna Roberts to authorize Dixie to deal with the IRS regarding AVQA Non-Profit status and pay whatever fees are necessary. Seconded by Nette Louton. Motion was approved.

### **Opportunity Quilt/Dixie Bahr:**

Dixie has handed out kits for the opportunity quilt blocks to members at the July general meeting to complete. She would like to have them returned at the September meeting. Instructions to complete the blocks are on the AVQA Facebook page.

### **Travel/Sylvia Darroch:**

Long Beach bus trip was a great success.

### **Parliamentarian/Nancy Walker:**

Nancy will be forming a committee to assist in a review of the Bylaws and Standing Rules as required by the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the AVQA dated January 13, 2022. A current copy of the Bylaws is on the AVQA website.

### **Membership/Sue Jacobsen:**

Sue reported that there are 53 paid members. Matt and Sue Leone of AI's Sewing and Vacuum are honorary members. Also listed as honorary members are Linda Kerston and Gloria Thomas. She also handed out the current AVQA telephone listing to the board members. She has been authorized to have 75 membership rosters printed, to be distributed to the general membership.

### **Old Business:**

President Nani Johnson asked that the Board approve the procurement of the business cards that were given to members to distribute at the last guild meeting. Guild members can give cards to people that show interest in joining the guild. A motion was made by Nette Louton to accept the procurement of the business cards. Seconded by Sue Jacobsen. The motion carried.

### **New Business:**

Carla Wolf has volunteered to be committee chair for Friendship Groups and Challenge Quilt. Also discussed updating the procedure manuals transferred to the new chairs and the elected board.

President Nani Johnson also suggested that the board members should wear nametags that identify their positions.

Nette Louton suggested that a workshop could be set up to work on boutique items. Kits could be assembled the day before the workshop so that the items could be quickly made.

### **Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.**

Draft submitted for approval by Lynn Aguirre, Secretary AVQA.

## Announcements:

### Hospitality

If your last name starts with **D-H**, please bring a refreshment or snack of some kind to share with your fellow members at the September meeting.

### 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 colors for the September drawing are **Fall Leaves**.



### Philanthropic

I cancelled the July Philanthropic meeting due in part to an excessive heat warning. Please let me know if you want to come to the meeting on Saturday, August 5. If the heat wave continues, I may cancel again and will let you know on our Facebook page or by phone call or text message if you don't use Facebook.

Thank you to everyone who brought quilts and kits to the July guild meeting, and to Nancy Park, who dropped off 6 quilts and a cute cloth doll at my house. I will post pictures of quilts on our Facebook page when I donate them.

Kathy Judkins

### Newsletter

Deadline is **Sunday Aug 20, 2023**. Please do not forget to send me your articles.

Thank you, Peggy Vachon, Newsletter Chair

### Parliamentarian

Hello, people new to me! I have only recently joined AVQA, so I know only very few people. However, firmly believing that the way to get to know people is to become active, I volunteered for, and was elected, Parliamentarian. Everything is new to me in this group.

One of the duties that must be performed in my office is a review of the bylaws. This is a vital part of our group remaining in good graces with The Powers That Be. At our most recent board meeting, at least a couple matters came up which need to be addressed in our review, and the bylaws need to be modified accordingly. I want to form a committee of interested parties to review the bylaws and make recommendations to the membership for amendment. I will be asking at the Membership Tea for prospective members. All are welcome, and any suggestions made will be considered. I do not think this would be lengthy nor difficult.

I look forward to meeting more of you in September!

Nancy Walker, Parliamentarian