

Picture 1

### Santa Rosa Quilt Guild

# Block-of-the-Month January 2023

## "Joined Variable Star"

#### **CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Using fabric in shades of blue and white

Blue: 8 ea. 2" X 8-1/2" strips

White: 4 ea. 3" squares

4 ea. 4-3/4" squares

Layer two 8-1/2" strips right sides together. Cut ends of the strips at 45-degree angle (in the same direction). Make 4 sets.

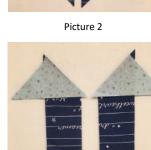
Cut the 3" squares in half diagonally

Cut the 4-3/4" squares in half diagonally

It will be helpful to lay out all of the individual patches into the completed block pattern before beginning to sew. (Picture 2)

### **SEWING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Sew half of one 3" diagonal cut patch to one fabric strip. The ends will extend over the edge like "bunny ears" to accommodate the ¼" seam. Sew all remaining strips to the halves of the 3" patches. Press with one seam toward the top and the other toward the bottom (makes seaming the two pieces in the center easier) (Picture 3)
- 2. Sew the two strip patch pieces together along the center. Press the seam to one side
- 3. Sew half of the larger 4-3/4" patch to each side of the center pieces. Press seams in one direction.



Picture 3

4. This is one fourth of the completed block. With a grid ruler along the center diagonal line square the piece to 6-1/2". Complete the remaining pieces of the block in the same way. Join the four pieces. The completed block should measure 12-1/2". (Picture 1)

Write your name on an inside seam if you want to be entered into the drawing for the blocks. Be sure to give them to one of us during one of the meetings. The drawing for these blocks will be held at the March 2 meeting.

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