

To be APPROVED on Feb. 10, 2025

**CAMARILLO QUILTER'S ASSOCIATION (CQA)
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, JAN. 13, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was conducted by CQA President, Patti Westberg and called to order at 9:38 AM in person at the Camarillo Community Center and on Zoom.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME, REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome especially to New Members and Visitors!

*Sign-in at the Membership table. **This serves as a record and also a safety measure to assure we are all accounted for in the event of an emergency.***

*Reminders: **Please...Silence Cell Phones, Fragrance Free, No Children.***

*Birthday Wishes: January Members: **The guild all sang happy birthday.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Barbara Witman has volunteered to be a liaison to new members and to help them become familiar with the meeting format and all the various tables and the room layout. She also encourages new members to visit the communication table where current information can be found. She also recommended that one of the best ways to meet other members was to take a workshop.

Miscellaneous Announcements:

- Patrice Lambourne: Mountain Fire Quilt Distribution Report:
 - Patrice announced that there will be a distribution of quilts this weekend on January 17th.
 - Volunteers are needed in the capacity of transporting quilts from the CQA storage unit to the Las Posas Plaza at the "old Emporium" location. Those attending the event will be vetted by the agency in charge to authenticate they are not posing as victims for free quilts.
 - Each member of the families who participate are going to be allowed to choose their own quilt. Volunteers who come on Saturday will help with quilt transportation and/or facilitating the families who attend as they choose their quilt.
 - SCCQG will be at Road to California, which is providing a booth as a collection point for Quilts and New Sewing Notions for the Southern California Fire victims.
- Dawn Ferrier: Creation Station of Buellton:
 - The upcoming Central Coast Shop Hop Tour is May 30,31, June 1, 2025. The theme is "Hats Off". Each Shop will create a hat to represent their store. - Dawn has invited 12 guilds to enter a hat competition at her store. The winning guild will receive a free retreat for 20 people. Entry deadline is Mother's Day.
 - Dawn encouraged everyone to wear a hat on the tour. If you wear a hat you will receive a hat pin created by each participating store.

-“Premium Passports are advance purchases of \$15.00. each shop only has 40 passports each. For this you will get a tote bag and an enamel pin.

- 5,600 hat pins are being made by the Special Ed Adults in Buellton for her store.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRESIDENT —Patti Westberg:

- Patti announced Deborah Milbourne from the Olivas Adobe would be managing the quilts at the up coming show.
- Patti also announced that she will be resigning as the President of our guild as of May 2025 due to family obligations. Therefore, the role of president is going to be open for the 2025-2026 year.
- Co-leadership is a consideration for this role.
- Once the president position is filled our board will be complete.
- Other open positions are: Quilt Show, Speaker Hospitality, Membership Hospitality, Historian, Small Groups, Library, Travel, UFO.
- Mentorship to incoming Board, Directors and Chair people is important.
- The Nominating Committee needs a member from the general membership who is not a member of the Board, a Chairperson or a Director. Volunteer is requested. There will be two meetings a month by Zoom for the committee members.

TREASURER—Adriana Vander Graaf

ACCOUNT BALANCE: JANUARY:

CHECKING	\$12,188.45
SAVINGS/MM	\$18,815.00
CD	\$34,448.46
TOTAL	\$65,451.91

BLOCK OF THE MONTH—Lisa Gorski:

- The January BOM is on the Website with a photo.
- There has been low participation in the BOM. Members were encouraged to participate.
- Quilt of Valor is pending information for 2024.
 - The current design will be a Log Cabin with a “rule” of it must have a Red square in the middle.
 - This will be a good stash buster using 2 ½ ‘ strips.

FREE TABLE—Dalya

- Dalya proposed a Panel Challenge. She has numerous panels and those participating will need to have their submissions ready by April. The winner will receive a free CQA annual membership.
- Examples of completed panel quilts were shown.
- She encourages everyone to use their imagination and complete a quilt.
- All completed quilts will be donated to Comfort Givers.
- All questions may be directed to Dalya.
- Please make your quilt as big as possible.

WORKSHOPS—Vanessa Buescher

- There are a few remaining places for tomorrow's workshop.
- Call Vanessa for a supply list.
- February's workshop is "Shell Shelter Pouches".
- March's workshop is hand made espadrilles.

SPEAKER CONTRACTS— Joey Figueroa

- Joey introduced our Speaker, Gwen Weedon, Sonshine Quilting.
- Gwen attended Long Beach State University and is a professional graphic artist.
- She ran a long arm business for several years in San Louis Obispo.

COMMUNICATIONS— Jane Osborne

- Jane shared the location for her table.
- She explained that the table has announcements/notices
- The table also has a list of upcoming openings for the board, directors and chairs. There are job descriptions for each position that will be opening.
- If you are interested in more information on a position please sign up and leave your phone number.
- Today there will be post-it notes to show appreciation for our volunteers. Please leave a "Happy Note".

COMFORT GIVERS—Uela Hodson

- Uela announced that all total 600-700 quilts had been distributed at June/December distribution events.
- She needs bindings and labels and help to complete quilts received.
- Please alert Uela if there is no label on a donated quilt and Uela will help to get it done.
- There are some TOP only kits available and labels are needed.
- She has a sewing machine extension tray and it is free at the Comfort Givers Table. She doesn't know what machine it goes to.

LIBRARY—Lynn Jurss

- Lynn shared names of books available from the Library.
 - "100 Modern Quilt Blocks"
 - "Patchwork City"
 - "Super Simple Squares"
- Conejo Valley will be hosting a Fabric Sale on March 1st between 11:30 and 2:30. For more information see Lynn.

TRAVEL— Thelma Atkinson

- The retreat will be February 14,15, and 16, Valentine's Weekend.
- Those attending need to arrange their own lodging. The Radisson is near by and a good location.
- The retreats are a very fun time and an opportunity to get to know others.
- There is one space available.
- This is the last retreat that Thelma will be in charge of, because she will be stepping down.
- The contract is in place for the June retreat at the Poinsettia Pavilion.

BREAK—15 MINUTES
(Be Seated by 10:25)

SPEAKER: GWEN WEEDON of SONSHINE QUILTING
"TRUNK SHOW"

SHOW AND TELL: Quilts and completed workshop projects were shared.

Ways and Means RAFFLE— There were many happy winners!

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS—

LIBRARY:

-12 Crates are available to pick up

ADJOURNMENT -11:45AM

Minutes respectfully submitted by
/s/Barbara MacDonald, Secretary