

APPROVED on April 7, 2025

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

Tuesday, MARCH 11, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was conducted by CQA President, Patti Westberg and called to order at 9:35AM 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**

**Miscellaneous Announcements:**

- Mountain Fire Quilt Donation update: Patrice Lambourne
  - Patrice L. showed us a quilt sent to her from Nashona, New Hampshire after seeing Patrice's Facebook site.
  - Another story told by Patrice was of a family that re-routed their vacation to deliver 65 quilts.
  - Patrice has been driving all over Southern California to Quilt Shops and to Road2California where she manned a booth donated by the Quilt show to fire survivor donations.
  - 670 quilts were distributed in February.
  - 505 have been collected and are ready for the next distribution event.
  - At this time two additional events are being planned. The Love Project located at the old Emporium location off of Las Posas Road is no longer available.
  - One of the volunteers at the February distribution, Judy Crenshaw, was able to arrange a space for the next distribution at one of the halls at the Camarillo Presbyterian Church.
  - Patrice has sign-up clipboards for the upcoming events. Just as with the last event, transporters, sorters, folders and assistants to show the quilts to the survivors and a clean up crew are needed. The time frame will be just as it was in the previous two events, 11:00AM-3:00PM. Please see Patrice at her table to volunteer.
- Thelma Atkinson: Hand Quilting Small Group
  - Thelma extended a thank you to Shayne Liess for accepting the travel chairpersonship.
  - Thelma is currently starting a Hand Quilting Small Group.
  - The Group will meet at her home in Camarillo on Friday March 28, from 9:30 AM to 4:00PM.

- Supplies needed: project that would fit into a 14" quilting hoop. Recommends a hoop that sits on your lap if you get ready to invest further; quilting needles size #8 or your preference but Thelma recommends no longer than a #8; cotton quilting thread.
- Objective: Thelma would like to eventually create a raffle quilt for the guild as a future fundraiser.
- Thelma can be contacted at 805-798-0001.
- Susan Van Der Veen: Modern Quilts Small Group.
  - The group is open to more new members.
  - They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month from 9:00AM-12:00PM.
  - They meet at the Club house at 1800 del Prado Dr. in Camarillo.
  - Contact Susan for more information.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **PRESIDENT —Patti Westberg:**

- Patti has formally retired from her position, which will take effect May 30, 2025.
- A president is still needed and two members could work together. The 2025-2026 board will have two former presidents who have a wealth of information between them. Patti also offered to mentor as well as substitute in the president's absence.
- Shayne Liess has also stepped up to be a co-president. He is currently completing a PhD in Educational Leadership.
- *Reimbursement:*  
Patti reminds membership that any expense should be reimbursed. Simply fill out a reimbursement form which can be found at the CQA website or our treasurer, Adriana van der Graaf will have them at the meeting and submit your receipt/s.
- *Membership Fees:*  
The membership fee has been increased by \$5.00. The new fee will be \$50.00 and the new fee will be in effect starting with the next membership renewal period, April May, 2025.
- *Hospitality:*  
The committee was short of cookies today. Please donate cookies for the next meeting.
- *Events:*  
The communications table, Jane Osborne, has fliers from other guilds announcing their events. Please visit the Communications table to see what's happening around the area!

### **TREASURER—Adriana van der Graaf**

- Adriana reviewed procedures for writing checks. She would like to do this at the meeting as CQA checks must be countersigned and that is easily accomplished at the meeting.
- She will have the checkbook at every meeting as well as reimbursement forms. In order to keep track of real time expenses, you are asked to submit a reimbursement form and receipts for reimbursement.
- Adriana will report the monthly income and the monthly expenses at every meeting as well as our total assets as of that month.

ACCOUNT BALANCE: FEBRUARY:

<b>CHECKING</b>	\$8,757.36
<b>SAVINGS/MM</b>	\$18,815.48
<b>CD</b>	\$34,448.46
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$62,021.30

MONTHLY PROFIT/LOSS:

<b>February Income</b>	\$480.54
<b>February Expenses</b>	\$169.47
<b>February Net Income</b>	\$311.07

*\* Please see reports attached at end of this month's minutes. Any questions may be directed to Adriana.*

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH**—Lisa Gorski:

- Lisa reported on the Blocks of Valor. 4800 loose blocks were received. Of that CQA members submitted enough to construct 3 quilts.
- Instructions for the blocks are on the B.O.M. table.
- The website has all the B.O.M. instructions through March.
- There will be a drawing in May and to participate you only need to submit one block.
- So far there are 10 people participating in the challenge.

**FREE TABLE**—Dalya

- There are 18 people signed up for the panel quilt challenge.
- The quilts must be completed and have a label at the May meeting where voting will take place. The winner will receive a free CQA membership.
- The quilts will all be given to Comfort givers.
- Dalya requested any members that are Jewish please meet her at the end of the meeting at the free table.

**WORKSHOPS**—Vanessa Buescher

- *April Workshop: Kristie Naranjo lecture and workshop Scrappy Applique Quilt*
- *May Workshop: Cindy Meyers Lecture, Challenge Me, Please and workshop One Block Wonders with Panels*
- *April and May are now open for signup.*
- As a reminder to those who have won workshop gift certificates they expire one year after having been issued.

**SPEAKER CONTRACTS**—Joey Figueroa

- No Report

**COMMUNICATIONS**—Jane Osborne

- No Report

**COMFORT GIVERS**—Uela Hodson

- Thank you for the quilt donations
- Uela has quilts at her table that need labels. Please help.

**LIBRARY**—Lynn Jurss

- New books are in. The Library purchased 7, 3-yard quilt books. They can be found in the Patchwork crate. They are very popular.
- Please take a crate home today. There are only two people working on Library today and one of them has a sore back.
- The Library team is retiring in total. A new team of 2- 3 people would be ideal.
- Conejo Valley Quilters hosts a potluck next Tuesday from 12:00PM – 2:00PM. Flyers can be found at the library table.

**TRAVEL—** Thelma Atkinson/Shayne Liess

- Thelma is stepping down from Travel Chairperson. Shayne Liess has volunteered to take the position.
- Shayne introduced himself today and shared his goals for travel, which are for two retreats a year. One will be travel and the second will be local.
- The next retreat is in June at the Poinsettia Pavilion -16th, 17th and 18th.
- Creation Station is scheduled for August 2025. Flyers are available at the Travel table.
- Orcutt, Old Town Quilt Shop retreat center has been reserved for August 28<sup>th</sup> , 29<sup>th</sup> , 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. 2025 was already sold out.
- Shayne would like to reserve the Poinsettia Pavilion again for June 2026.
- Once he meets with Thelma for a transition training he will be able to move ahead with signups for the Pavilion Retreat in June.

BREAK—15 MINUTES  
(Be Seated by 10:25 )

**SPEAKER**

Kelly Stevens of “superbuzzy”: *Falling in Love with Japanese Textiles*

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

**Ways and Means RAFFLE—** There were many happy winners!

**FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS—** None

ADJOURNMENT –11:26 AM

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
/s/Barbara MacDonald, Secretary