

Camarillo Quilters Association General Meeting Minutes Jan. 13, 2026

Wendy VanLoo opened the meeting at 9:33 AM.

All were welcomed. Those with January birthdays were serenaded. Attendees were asked to silence their phones. Guests were invited to tour the room during the first break.

Pamuela Hodson announced the **Comfort Givers** has a lot of quilt kits that are available for piecing as well as many quilt tops that need to be quilted. Please stop by the Comfort Givers table if you can help. CQA could have used more quilts at the last give-away.

Lisa Gorski reported for the **Library**. 300 books were taken out of the library that had not been checked out in 5 years or more. There are now 14 crates. The library has been reorganized. The book sale at the December meeting netted \$146. The most popular books are novels. Lisa highlighted several books of interest. Today, 14 generous folks are needed to take home crates.

Wendy asked for volunteers to teach at Quilters' University. See Joey Strait at the Travel table to volunteer.

Vanessa Buescher announced that the **sew-in day** has 2 spots left for tomorrow. The February **workshop** with Rob Appel is full. There is a waiting list. The April workshop is a scrappy sweatshirt. The cost is \$45 per person for members. Interested members should stop by the workshop table.

Show and tell was amazing, as always.

Dalya Dekter announced that there are a lot of baggies of half-square triangles and triangles at the **free table**. If they are not taken today, they will be passed along to another charity.

Barbara MacDonald is doing a great job on the **newsletter**. Jan. 15 is the next deadline.

Break.

Today's speaker was Kitty Oliver regarding quilt judging. Her presentation was very interesting and entertaining.

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Wendy VanLoo requested 3 volunteers for the **Nominating Committee** from the general membership. They will be recruiting the slate of officers for next year, starting in June 2026 until June of 2027. **Patricia Wood, Janice McComb, and Kathy Adams volunteered. The volunteers were enthusiastically approved by voice vote.** The slate of officers will be presented in March and voted on in April.

There were 13 guests at the meeting today.

Wendy VanLoo announced that on Sat., April 25, 2026 there will be a quilting event at the Simi Valley United Methodist Church in Simi Valley from 9:30 until 3:30. It will be a vendor showcase with quilt shops and crafters selling their wares and a bake sale. There will be selected quilts on display and a few for sale. Wendy is looking for people to help, especially those to help run the event as well as help with planning. Also looking for piano players to play on the grand piano in the room. Joey Strait volunteered to lead the bake sale. Entrance fee will be \$10.

Wendy VanLoo announced that the July meeting will feature red, white, and blue items in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the USA. Attendees could wear red, white, and blue clothing and perhaps have an indoor picnic. Pamuela Hodson remarked that **Quilts of Valor** are quilts created for veterans. She suggested that those who are interested in participating should contact her.

Lisa Gorski announced that the **Quilts of Valor** block for 2026 is a simple, 10-inch block in red, white, and blue. Contact Lisa Gorski for more information. Blocks can be turned into Lisa between now and Dec. 2026.

Lisa Gorski also announced that the Creation Station **Apron Challenge** deadline is coming up at the March meeting. The theme is Celebrations that Tie us Together. Contact Lisa for more information.

Rosemary Tobin announced that the sign-ups for the **Poinsettia Pavillion retreat** are underway and there are only 4 slots open. Next month the sign-ups will begin for the **Old Towne Quilt Shop in Orcutt** in August. There are only 20 spots available.

Wendy asked folks to sign up to bring cookies to the next meeting.

Dalya Dekter reminded members to bring only cotton fabrics and quilt related items to the free table.

Raffle winners were announced. Hurrah!

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 PM.