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C A L E N D A R

BOARD MEETING JAN. 4, 2024 - 6 pm via Zoom call

GUILD MEETING, JAN. 11, 2024 10 am and 6:30 pm Holy Trinity Lutheran Church .

MORNING & EVENING PROGRAM: Celebrate our 40th anniversary with us. Instead of a formal program, we will have an extended show and tell where members show their all time favorite quilt. It could have been made by them or another at any time. Other surprises in the works. (Details p. 3 col. 2, New Business, Program)

MISSION DAYS

JANUARY 6 / FEBRUARY 3—9 am – 3 pm

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church — Help us make Preemies for local hospitals, Sunshine Quilts for the Family Guidance and Children’s Advocacy Centers, Quilts Of Valor for local veterans, or work on a project of your own. Bring lunch and stay all day or just drop by for a while.

SIT N SEW THURSDAY MORNINGS 9:30--11:30 am Holy Trinity Lutheran Church — an informal session to work on personal projects or to just connect with others, sometimes followed by lunch out.

QUILT SHOWS & EVENTS

JAN. 26-27, 2024 QUILTING & NEEDLE ART EXTRAVAGANZA

Statesville Civic Center
300 South Center St., Statesville

PROFESSIONAL ART QUILTERS ALLIANCE-SOUTH — CALL FOR ART QUILTS ENTRIES

Submit art quilts Dec. 1, 2023 - Feb. 2, 2024. Three \$500 prizes will be awarded April 26, 2024. Details see — Art Quilts Renewal Prospectus <https://www.paqa-south.org/> Website: PAQA-South.org

MARCH 6-9, 2024 ART FEEDS THE SOUL QUILT SHOW — ALAMANCE PIECEMAKERS & BURLINGTON CAROUSEL QUILT GUILDS

Elon Community Church
271 N. Williamson Avenue, Elon

MARCH 15-16, 2024, CAPITAL QUILTERS GUILD QUILT SHOW

Kerr Scott Building, NC State
Fairgrounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh

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	Day	Night
President	Kathleen Whiddon (Shelley Thompson Jan Carpenter
Vice President	Cindi Williamson	
Secretary	Mary Bucy	Amanda Truett
Treasurer	Frances Allen	
Members-at-Large	Nancy Garchek	Debbie Smith

Membership – Elle Clemens daytime Co-Chair *luv2quilt*
 Jan Carpenter evening Co-Chair;
 Joy Mease
Newsletter – Diana Weber *Newsletter deadline: third Monday of prior month*
Webmistress / Quilts of Valor –Amanda Truett

Meeting Dates / Times

Second Thursdays 10 am/6:30 pm
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 547 6th Street NW,
 Hickory, NC catawbavalleyquiltersguild.com /
 Instagram @CVquiltersguild





MINUTES JOINT MEETING, DECEMBER 14, 2023

[Before the business meeting began, a Quilt of Valor was awarded Michael "Squeak" Smith. Photo and details on p. 6 of this newsletter.]

Pastor Chris Webb, Senior Pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, then led the guild in prayer to bless the dinner.

CALL TO ORDER

Kathleen Whiddon opened the meeting at 7:04 pm with 50+ in attendance along with our Veteran and his wife. No new members or visitors aside from Veteran and his wife.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Shelley Thompson moved that December minutes as printed in the newsletter be approved. Elle Clemens seconded. All present approved. Motion passed unanimously.

SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

- Nancy Garchek has undergone wrist surgery.
- Gigi Miller hurt her hand.
- Kathleen Dukelow's husband, Ted, continues to be affected by the stroke he had several months ago.
- Cathy Starnes had a tooth extraction.
- Elle Clemens was able to join us tonight after moving to Greensboro.

- Mary Bucy updated that Baby Ally is home and doing well.
- Terry Townsend has a new 6-week-old nephew.

OLD BUSINESS

2024 Membership Dues are \$30 and can be paid by check or cash. Please place your cash in an envelope with your name and "Dues" written on the front. Please write "Dues" in the memo line of your check. Pictures of every member will be taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Received a "Thank You" note from Andy and Tiffany Rice. Andy Rice retired from the Marine Corps and was awarded a QOV at First United Methodist Church in November 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

- Catawba Valley Quilters' Guild Member of the Year: **Amanda Truett**
- The Terrie Townsend Outstanding Leadership Award: **Cindi Williamson**

Program: In January we will celebrate the Guild's 40th anniversary. All members are invited to bring their ONE MOST FAVORITE quilt to show. This quilt can be made by you or someone else and could be made at any time.

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MINUTES JOINT MEETING, DECEMBER 14, 2023

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Workshop Policy Reminder: Payment for the workshops is due at the time of sign-up. If you cannot attend a meeting to sign-up in person, you can mail your check (made out to CVQG) to Debra Eckard for the amount due. Please write the name of the workshop in the memo line. The next workshop is the Picture Quilt on 10 Feb 2024 and the cost is \$35.

If you are interested in a group bus trip to Missouri Star in 2024, please reach out to Cathy Starnes.

Elle Clemens gifted a pattern to every guild member in attendance tonight.

Frances Allen needs all bills by 22 December 2023 to close out the year for accounting.

Terri Townsend sent an email blast to the guild through Joy Mease a few months ago asking for donations for Hands Up For Youth in Burke County. They extend their thanks to all of the members who donated items.

Please send your ideas for future Quilt Challenges to the Challenge Committee Members: Michelle Hester, Chris Appen-

zeller, Jan Carpenter, and/or Barbara Mankhe.

DOOR PRIZES

Attendance: Lisa Echerd.

Homemade Nametag: Nancy Garchek.

Other Prizes: Cathy Starnes and Judi Eller received Quilters Gallery Drawings for a coupon for complimentary admission to either The Quilting and Fiber Art Marketplace Show in Sanford, NC or The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza in Statesville, NC.

SHOW AND TELL

Dawn Cole recited "The Night before Christmas – For Quilters" as members formed the line for Show and Tell. Cathy Starnes stated that the centers receiving the quilts are happy and waiting for the quilts every Friday after the guild meeting. Kathleen Whiddon says that the hospitals are also appreciative of the Preemie Quilts and reminded the guild of the updated size requirements: 36" x 36" up to 40" x 40".

- Kandi Peterson – Cross Stitch Small Wall Hanging finally complete after 10 years
- Lori Skinner – 7 pillows for gifts, Curved Piecing Christmas Tree Wall Hanging for her mother, Curved Piecing Quilt
- Janet Hunt presented Jill Wells's – 3 Sunshine Quilts, 5 pillowcase, and 1

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preemie

- Melissa Shaw – table runner, table mat
- Dawn Cole – 2 QOV
- Gigi Miller – a modern quilt for her bed
- Catherine Caswell – Quilt top from Tone’s November workshop
- Lisa Echerd – Preemie for Burke County Children’s Advocacy
- Dotty Williams – Preemie Quilt
- Mary Bucy – 3 personal projects and a showcase of her weaving skills learned at The Hub
- Peggy Barton – Hexagon quilt made for her daughter-in-law from Moda Fabrics
- Kathleen Whiddon – Appliqued bag for her granddaughter with gymnasts. 3-year long Woven Stars quilt that Nancy Garchek quilted.
- Michelle Hester – 2 pillowcases
- Dana Lowry – Pink and Aqua squares patchwork quilt for her sister
- Shyann Carter – 2 Christmas stockings for her children
- Susan Fontyn – 1 preemie and 1 sunshine quilt
- Sherry Huffman – 30’s reproduction fabric HST quilt
- Debbie Rubin – Woven sample from The Hub

Meeting Adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Truett

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

January

- 2 Christene Mason
- 12 Peg Bowman
- 15 Lisa Swetz
- 19 Joy Everett
- 25 Pamela Ruerup
- 29 Eve Agee
- 29 Dana Lowry





QOV Recipient at December 14, 2023 Meeting

A quilt of valor was awarded to Michael Smith “Squeak”, His is the 650th QOV awarded by the CVQG since 2015! “Squeak” was Michael’s callsign in the US Air Force. He served from 1971 – 1983 in Thailand, Germany, and California and retired as a Captain. He was the Flight Commander for F-4E Phantom, Senior Instructor Weapons Systems Operator. After retiring from the Air Force, “Squeak” turned his attention to supporting the environment as a Board Trustee to Trout Unlimited, Board Chair and Officer of Foothills Conservancy of NC, Chairman of the Board at Resource Institute (a non-profit stream restoration group), and is the current owner of an environmental consulting firm for river and wetland restoration.



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