



March 2026

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Happy Spring, Fellow Quilters,

The weather is starting to look and feel much like spring. I hope you all are taking advantage of the warmth as much as you can.

I hope you all got inspired at the last meeting to do some panel quilts. I have quite a few hanging in my closet that need ideas. Thank you again to Ellen Hart.

I know that the discussion about the quilt show at the last meeting did upset a few members and for that I, as your President am sorry. Unfortunately, meetings are where hard discussions need to be addressed; some will be happy and some not. I also, am disappointed not having a show this year, but it is what is. Lets put that aside and look onto to our future. Remember, we are called The HEART of the Triad. We are a Team.

Fun things are coming, so hang in there. See you all at the next meeting.

Amy



April 6th

Video Presentation by
The Electric Quilt Co.,
makers of EQ Quilt Design
Software as well as
providing lessons, projects
and a blog.



**2025-2026 Officers and
Committee Chairs:**

President – Amy Illerbrun
Vice President – Sharon Dorminey
Secretary – Penny Bottoms
Treasurer – Penny Nolen
Membership – Hope Geoghegan
Hospitality – Stacey Grammer
Newsletter/email – Ellen Hart
Community Outreach - Linda Fishell
Door Prizes - Cindi Sullivan
Website/FB - Tracy Burkart
Quilts of Valor - Hope Geoghegan
and Nicole Corbitt



April

24th Kathy Motsinger
26th Linda Gibson
30th Alice Wise

RETREAT OPTION FOR MEMBERS

Do you want to spend the day(s) quilting with friends and then go home to your own comfy bed?

An idea has been suggested for a free daytime retreat. Are you interested?

I will have additional information at our April 6th meeting.

Cindi
336-405-2324

MEMBERSHIP NOTE



Dues increase with the May 1st renewal
\$30/member \$25/ 65yrs or older

New forms can be found on the website http://www.hottqg.com/uploads/2/1/6/7/21675776/membership_application_2026.pdf, in this newsletter, or at the membership table at the meetings.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Please remember to bring your completed strip sets and/or backs to the April meeting. Come to the April 13 Sew Day at Swisher Center from 10Am to 1PM to learn how to assemble the quilt. You do not need to bring your sewing machine for the 10 minute instruction session. Enjoy the day and bring your sewing machine with walking foot and grey thread.

Ask NOT what your guild can do for you, ask what YOU can do for your guild.

Linda Fishell



QUILT SEW DAY

Our Sew Day will be held on Monday, April 13, 2026. The Swisher Center allows us to meet each second Monday of the month from 9:00 to 4:00 in room 113.

Join your friends for a day of uninterrupted sewing, handwork, cutting and basting of your quilt tops. Bring your supplies with an extension cord as outlets are located on only two walls. There are plenty of tables and chairs. Bring your drinks, snacks or lunch. Or go to your favorite restaurant.

The outside door is locked for security purposes. If you are the first member to arrive, go to the front office to check out our door key. The process is simple and the receptionist will help you. Unlock the inside door and prop open the outside door with the blue trashcan. Otherwise, the back door will automatically lock. At the end of our day, the inside door is locked and the key is returned to the office.

Hope you're able to join us or stop by for social time. If you have any questions. call me.

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Presentation: Amy Illerbrun opened the meeting at 6:30pm. Introduced the evening's presenter: Ellen Hart "What to do with those Panels". Printed fabric panels are great for an instant focal point. Can add borders to the panel for a quick quilt.

Business Meeting: Amy Illerbrun opened the business meeting at 7:31pm. Amy welcomed two visitors and two new guild members. Thoughts and prayers were requested for Darla Ballard, the U.S. Military and their families, and Mark Craven who fell on the snow and broke a thoracic vertebrae, and Nicole Corbitt shared that her mother is cancer free.

March Birthdays: Ellen Hart - March 5th, Lawonne McCoy - March 11th

Treasurer's Report: Penny Nolan shared the budget report. Balance for the month of February was \$15,486.00. First motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Hope Geoghegan. Second motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Nancy Toth.

Community Outreach: Linda Fishell said the guild is donating quilts to leukemia patients at Baptist Hospital. Everyone is encouraged to participate in sewing the quilts for Community Outreach. The guild provides the precut quilt kits. The quilts are sewn using the "Bargello" method. Linda is willing to teach participants how to quilt using this method. Linda gave a big thank you to guild members who have participated in sewing the quilts. The next "Sew Day" will be Monday, March 9th at the Swisher Center.

QuiltCon / Quilts of Valor: Hope Geoghegan gave an update of their experience at QuiltCon. 360 signature squares, to be sewn to the back of quilts, were received. Approximately 200 contacts were made, many of whom had never heard of Quilts of Valor.

Why are we not having a 2026 Quilt Show? A concerned guild member, Carolyn Kroll, questioned why the guild was not having a 2026 quilt show. A discussion ensued which included several guild members. The central reason for not having a quilt show was that no one stepped forward to be Quilt Show Chairperson. The person would serve a very critical position as the Quilt Show Chairperson. They would lead, plan, determine the date, time and venue of the quilt show. Historically, HOTTQG has alternated the quilt show with the Winston / Forsyth Guild Show. Need to plan in advance, approximately 1 - 1 1/2 years. The question was posed: If we don't have a quilt show, how is the guild going to make money? The guild currently has \$15,000.00 in the bank. Approximately 4 - 6 years to cover Guild expenses. Need to have a quilt show to support the Guild. This is a hard ask, especially when no one wants to step forward to serve as the the Quilt Show Chairperson. Also, the guild doesn't have enough members willing or able to volunteer to put on a quilt show. Need approximately 20 people to lead the 20 sub committees. The guild has 83 paid members. Many of whom aren't able to participate. Of the 83 members, there are approximately 40, active members.

Hope Geoghegan expressed her concern that we are having this kind of conversation at the wrong place and time. We are going to discourage and push new members away. They won't want to join or actively participate. Don't need to totally disregard the Guild. Nicole Corbitt expressed her concern as well. She doesn't want new members to become discouraged because money is being discussed. This is a hard discussion to have.

Executive Members: The Guild will need three new Executive Committee members to begin their one year service in July: President, Vice President and Treasurer. Will also need to get a Nominating Committee together to make phone calls to Guild members who might be interested serving for the next year as an Executive Board Member. Will need a Nominating Committee in place by the May general meeting to serve May, 2026-July, 2026.

Door Prizes: Double the number of door prizes (6 total) were given out because there wasn't a Door Prize drawing in February.

Show and Tell: Quilt members shared 7 quilted items.

Meeting Adjourned: Amy Illerbrun adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm. Approved by Sharon Dorminey and Deb Lambert.

HEART OF THE TRIAD QUILT GUILD

Treasurer's Report

February 28, 2026

Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild

Statement Beginning balance 1/31/2026	\$ 15,986.49
Checks Written	\$ 500.00
Deposits Made	\$
Statement Ending Balance 2/28/2026	<u>\$ 15,486.49</u>

February Bank Reconciliation

February Statement balance 2/28/2026	\$ 15,486.49
Outstanding Checks	\$
Outstanding Deposit	\$
Balance 2/28/2026 matches with checkbook balance	<u>\$ 15,486.49</u>

First National Bank

CD Balance (compounds quarterly)	\$ 10,787.13
Checking Account Balance	\$ 25.00



The QOV group will be awarding quilts on the following day:

Date - April 18, 2026
Time - 1-3 pm
Address -
Paddison Memorial Library
248 Harmon Lane
Kernersville, NC 27284



UNCLE ELI'S QUILTING PARTY



- ★ Free and open to public
- ★ Quilts on exhibit. **Bring yours to show!**
- ★ Add stitches to a community quilt. Experts show you how
- ★ Sharing Table: Bring one/take one books, magazines, fabric
- ★ Chance to win! Raffle quilt tickets for sale
- ★ Started in 1931, Uncle Eli's is the oldest quilting event in the country!

Thursday, April 2, 2026
8:30 am -1:00 pm Quilt Display
12:45 pm Potluck Lunch

Eli Whitney Recreation Center (old gym)
4110 E. Greensboro-Chapel Hill Road,
Graham NC

More Information?
See Uncle Eli's Quilting Party on Facebook
or call 919-259-8510

Sew Many Ideas POP UP Quilt, Sewing and Fabric Expo

1544 Event Center Asheboro NC
April 17-18, 2026 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
1544 N Fayetteville St
Asheboro NC

Sew Little Time

www.1544Events.com
336-339-3367 336-707-4396

Fabric, Quilting, Sewing Supplies, Available
Quilts on display--handmade items for sale,
demonstrations, make and takes

The flyer features a central illustration of a vintage sewing machine with a red flower and a spool of thread. The text is arranged in a clean, readable layout with a mix of handwritten-style fonts and standard sans-serif fonts. The event details are clearly listed, including the location, dates, and contact information.



Heart of the Triad
QUILT GUILD^{INC.}

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Circle One: \$30/yr or \$25/yr -for Seniors (65 and up) New _____ Renewal _____

Please Print

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Mobile phone: _____

Email address for newsletter and notices: _____

Birth month and day: _____

Do you have a business or provide a quilt/fiber-related service to others? If so, please provide a short description for our website. _____

Dues will be collected beginning in May and should be paid NO LATER THAN THE JULY MEETING. New member dues paid after February 1st shall be one-half of the dues for that fiscal year. There will be no reduction of dues for a current member's late payment (current member is one within 2 years). Dues are not refundable.

Please fill out this form completely, attach your payment and bring it to the next meeting or mail it to the address above.