



April 2026

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Hello there, guild members,

I hope you all are doing well and having a nice spring.

I need to appeal to all of you at this time in regards to getting a nominating committee together. I need 3 people to do phone calls and help fill positions for the Executive Board. Positions: President, Vice President, and Treasurer. Also, if any member would be willing to nominate themselves for any of these positions, that would be wonderful. I am attaching the duties of each position so that each are clear and understood. Any questions, please feel free to ask me or any of the existing board members.

It is vital to remember that without an executive board, the guild cannot function smoothly and efficiently. Programs would not exist without a Vice president working so diligently to get our speakers.

Our elections will be at the July meeting at the Sedge Garden Community Center. I really hope to have a nominating committee in place by our May meeting.

Thank you all,
Amy Illerbrun
President



Have you ever wanted to make a puff quilt, but were too scared to try?

On **May 4th**, Ann Everett will walk us through just how easy it is to make a puff quilt using 5 inch squares. These make great baby quilts and are much less complicated than they look, and are also the perfect opportunity to finally use that fun and bright charm pack sitting on your shelf.



May

2	Julia R.
8	Sharon D.
19	Becky B.
19	Diana L.
20	Ed K.
21	Nicole C.
21	Bette H.
24	Ellen F.
29	Judi L.
31	Ruthie Y.

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.



HOTTQG members, you probably heard at the meeting, I am retiring from being the newsletter editor at the end of this guild year. I have had the job for thirteen out of the past fifteen years and am ready to hand off to Tracy. 😊 Ellen Hart



MAY GUILD SEW DAY

Join your friends at our HOTTQG SEW DAY on Monday, May 11, 2026. We meet at the Swisher Center in rooms 113 & 114 beginning at 9 am. Bring your project supplies for a day of uninterrupted "me time". Quilting, embroidery, cross stitch, knitting, crochet - any craft. It's a great time for fun, fellowship and learning from others. We leave around 4 pm. Join us anytime that is convenient for you.

Look for the propped open outside door as a signal to come in. The first person to arrive needs to check out the hallway door key from the front office and props open the outside door. The outside door will automatically lock so we keep it propped open while we create. The last person returns the key. We are fortunate the Swisher Center allows us to use the space each month at no charge. There is plenty of space and rolling chairs.

Hope you can join us. If you have any questions- call me.

Cindi. 336-405-2324



"SLEEP IN YOUR OWN BED GUILD RETREAT"

The Swisher Center is allowing us to have a week long retreat at no charge!! We have 4 remaining seats available of the total 26 at this time. The dates are Monday, July 27 to Friday July 31, 2026. Hours: 9am to 4:30 pm Monday thru Thursday and 9 am to 2:30 pm on Friday. If you are not able to attend all 5 days, please let me know. We may have a wait list.

It will be a simple retreat held during the day and go home each day to "sleep in your own bed". You can leave your space set up - the Center has been safe enough to house our quilts overnight during judging of previous shows. You will have one student table and rolling chair to use. You may bring a SMALL side table, a SMALL IRON, your supplies, and especially, an extension cord. Lunch and drinks are each attendee's responsibility. We can move the tables as our limited space allows. There are limited electrical outlets so we will have to share. There will be several ironing stations with big irons and several cutting tables on risers for sharing. Plus several tables for limited layouts. This will be the perfect time for piecing versus joining blocks for a large quilt due to the size of your provided student size table/ space.

This is our first time we are using the 2 rooms (113 & 114) for a retreat. Remember, it is a free event and we will all work together to have a fun retreat.

If you have any questions, please call Cindi.

336-405-2324

Sleeping in my own bed



HEART OF THE TRIAD QUILT GUILD

Treasurer's Report

March 31, 2026

Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild

Statement Beginning balance 2/23/2026 \$ 15,486.49

Checks Written \$ 315.67

Deposits Made \$ 830.50

Statement Ending Balance 3/22/2026 \$ 16,001.32

March Bank Reconciliation

March Statement balance 3/22/2026 \$ 16,001.32

Outstanding Checks \$ 877.97

Outstanding Deposit \$ 438.00

Balance 3/31/2026 matches with checkbook balance \$ 15,561.35

First National Bank

CD Balance (compounds quarterly) \$ 10,787.13

Checking Account Balance \$ 25.00

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

Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild

Meeting Minutes

4/6/26

Meeting Opening: Amy Illerbrun opened the meeting at 6:32pm.

Video Presentation: Sharon Dorminey introduced the evening's program, a video presentation by The Electric Quilter Company, makers of EQ Quilt Design Software including lessons, projects and a blog.

Business Meeting: Amy Illerbrun opened the business meeting at 7:15pm.

April Birthdays: Kathy Motsinger - April 5th, Linda Gibson - April 26th, Alice Wise - April 30th

Treasurer's Report: Penny Nolan shared the budget report. Balance for the month of March was \$15,561.00. First motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Hope Geoghegan. Second motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Nancy Toth.

Summer Guild Meetings: June, July and August guild meetings will be at the Sedge Garden Community Center. The Swisher Center will be closed during the summer months.

Community Outreach: Linda Fishell is the Community Outreach Coordinator. She handed out all the kits at tonight's meeting. She asked that all completed kits be turned in at the May 4th meeting. Linda will be at the April 13th Sew Day to teach the "Sew as You Go" quilting technique used to make the community outreach quilts. You can quilt a 60" x 70" quilt in one day using this technique. This will be the last time Linda will be teaching the technique at a Sew Day. In the future, Linda will be giving private lessons in her home. Call her to make an appointment.

Quilts of Valor: Quilts will be given to 12 veterans at a presentation ceremony on April 18th 1:00pm - 4:00pm at the Paddison Memorial Branch Library in Kernersville.

Quilts will also be presented to residents at Assisted Living Harmony at Hillberry Heights. The date is to be determined.

If you are interested in helping with Quilt of Valor presentations please contact Hope Geoghegan or Nicole Corbitt at hottgqov@gmail.com

A suggestion was made, for promotional purposes, to contact the Kernersville News and request someone come to the QOV presentation for pictures and coverage.

Nominating Committee Members needed: The Guild is in need of three people who are willing to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will be making phone calls to guild members who would possibly be interested in serving as executive board members: President, Vice President and Treasurer for the coming 2026-27 year. Will need a Nominating Committee in place by the May general meeting to serve May, 2026 - July, 2026.

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Guild's Newsletter: Ellen Hart, after many years of faithfully doing the guild's newsletter, will be stepping down. Tracy Burkart will be taking over the newsletter responsibilities.

Guild Sew Day: Will be held on Monday, April 13, 2026, The Swisher Center allows us to meet each second Monday of the month from 9:00am - 4:00pm in room 113. Open to all. Not just for quilting. Some do crafts, cross stitch, and jewelry making.

Free Three Day Retreat: Cindy Sullivan shared that there will be a free three day retreat at the Swisher Center Monday, July 27th - Thursday, July 30th 9am - 4:30pm and Friday, July 31st 9am - 2:30pm. Very informal. Can go home at night to sleep in your own bed. Can leave sewing machines, supplies and projects at the Swisher Center overnight. The retreat is an open sew experience. Participants can sew as little or as much as they would like and can work on whatever projects they want while spending time with fellow guild members. Bring your own food. No catered food. 26 people max. Bring your extension cords. Limited number of outlets. Can use only small irons, no big irons. Can't unplug any of Forsyth Tech's equipment. If you have any questions, call Cindi 336-405-2324.

June Retreat: As per Tracy Burkart. Payment in full is due April 15th. Lunch was added to the first and last days of the retreat.

October Retreat: As per Tracy Burkart. October 12 - 14 at Haw River. Need a \$75.00 deposit to hold a spot.

Membership Note: Dues increase with the May 1st renewal. \$30 / year for members 65 and younger. \$25 / year for members 66 and older. Membership applications can be found on the guild's website http://www.hottqg.com/uploads/2/1/6/7/21675776/membership_application_2026.pdf, in the newsletter, or at the membership table at the meetings.

Door Prizes: Three door prizes were given away.

Show and Tell: Four people shared a total of five quilted projects one of which included a HOTTQG quilted bag presented to Amy Illerbrun. It is intended that the bag be passed down to future guild presidents.

Correction to March, 2026 Meeting Minutes: It was incorrectly stated that Hope Geoghegan expressed concern for having conversation about not having a Quilt Show. It was Nicole Corbitt who expressed concern.

Meeting Adjourned: Amy Illerbrun adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm. Approved by Sharon Dorminey and Nancy Toth.

Executive Board Positions

President. The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Guild and subject to the control of the Executive Board, shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Guild, including appointing Committee Chairpersons as necessary. She/he shall, when present, preside at meetings of the Executive Board. She/he shall sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Guild thereunto authorized by the Executive Board, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Executive Board has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Executive Board or by these bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Guild, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general she/he shall perform all duties incident to the office of the president and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board from time to time.

Section 7. Vice President. In the absence of the President or in the event of her death, inability, or refusal to act, the Vice President, unless otherwise determined by the Executive Board, shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall arrange programs for each meeting and any other special workshops and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to her/him by the President or the Executive Board. Section

8. Secretary. The Secretary shall (a) keep the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board and of all membership meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose and provide a copy of the minutes to the Newsletter Chairperson (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law, (c) the custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Corporation/Guild, if any, and see that the seal of the Corporation/Guild is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation/Guild under its seal is duly authorized: and (d) in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to her/him by the President or by the Executive Board, including but not limited to sending cards to members in need and sending memorials.

Section 9. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Guild; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the Guild from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the Guild in such depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of Article IX of these bylaws; pay all approved bills; prepare an annual financial statement; have all financial records ready for the yearly audit/review; and (b) in general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Executive Board, or by these bylaws.



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.