

Message from the President

It is that time of year! Sharon Boehm and Betsy Shirkey have graciously volunteered to chair our Nominating Committee. We have a few Executive Board positions to fill for our next fiscal year; which begins July 1st. Join in the decision making by being on the board!

The San Diego Fair is just around the corner and they are now accepting entries through May 4th (at 7:59pm). It is fun to participate in the fair! Last year we had seven members enter a total of 19 quilts; with 9 quilts winning ribbons and cash prizes! You should have received an email from me with instructions on how to enter. If you have any questions about entering your quilts, please let me know.

If you have a chance, visit some of our neighboring quilt guilds. Just this past month, Tricia Voight and I visited the Pass Patchers Quilt Guild in Beaumont (lots of nice ladies there). Tricia displayed and sold tickets for our Opportunity Quilt, while I was their guest speaker sharing my quilts and love of paper piecing. If you plan to visit another guild, please let our Ways & Means Chairman (Temre Marciano) know and she can arrange to display our Opportunity Quilt while you are there. We shouldn't pass up a chance to display and sell tickets for our beautiful quilt.

Guild Inventory—recently, we have had a few items surface that many of us didn't know that the guild owned. We would like to take an inventory of all guild property (projector, sound system, quilt stands, cutting mats, pop-up canopy) that members have in their possession. Recently, we almost bought a projector to be used to display slide shows and power point presentations—to find out we own one! If you have guild property in your possession that does not relate directly to your position or committee—please let me know.

May your bobbins always be full!

Becky Forbes

FQG President



Message from 1st VP

Our recent tour of Hoffman Fabrics was a great success. We were greeted by the awesome tour curator, Miss Jean. We also received a surprise gift, a beautiful panel with matching fabric waiting on our seats. We were introduced to the Hoffman family with an explanation of how their beautiful fabric is created. On the tour we were shown their extensive fabric library/collection, which is over 101 years old; it's an amazing company. It was so interesting to learn the process for creating Batiks, digital and screen-printed fabrics. We felt it was well worth the time and effort to go.

After the tour we visited nearby Quilt Passions Quilt Shop in Mission Viejo. Their storefront has closed however their new store is lovely and very accommodating to our small groups. Everyone had the opportunity to shop and support this struggling shop. After lunch on our own (the Thai food was awesome), we made our way home by 4pm.

I believe everyone had a great time. Hopefully will happen again in the future for those who couldn't make it.

Pictures of the event:



March program

We will have Rob Appel doing the program/trunk show of quilts with fun stories titled "Quilts from the Sea and Beyond".

Finally, it has been my pleasure to serve the guild as 1st VP. See you all real soon.

Julie Murray

1st VP

Message from 2nd VP

Our recent February workshop was a wonderful success with all the attendees learning something new about free motion quilting from our very experienced instructors, Kathy Proctor and Cindy Stephen. They provided easy to follow handouts and on the spot assistance and suggestions to insure individual growth. Here are a few pictures as we progress.



Thanks Cindy and Kathy, we look forward to more in the future.

Dixie Johns

2nd VP

GET READY FOR THE 2026 SAN DIEGO FAIR

HEY ! Hi Friends,

It's Trish from the San Diego County fair.

We are at it again, wrangling quilters, crafters, artisans, sewers, knitters, crocheters, etc.

I sincerely hope your group will join us this year at the Home and Hobby exhibit! We will have a sewing/quilting booth for make and takes or demonstrations.

Please consider a day or a few days to hang out and share quilting! A couple of people a day would work great. We are also seeking knitting teachers, crochet teachers or any craft or artsy discipline your members would want to teach.

I'd love the knitting circle to be active every day.

This year's theme is Once upon a fair..... so... storytelling, books, literature, fairy tales, etc.

Entry material is open now at sdfair.com/entry

We have a few 1-day contests that will be fun (also in the entry material).

One of them is a quilt square competition. This is the 250th anniversary of the United States so we want to celebrate the diversity in our population by hosting echoes of heritage. The blocks will reflect where our parents and grandparents came from.

The other class in the 1-day quilt square contest is red, white and blue.

Every guild has something interesting to share, so I want it all. Let us know how you want to participate. Your name will also be added to the email giving the date and time for the Zoom meeting with specifics on demonstrating.

Have a happy day.

Thank you! chat soon,

Trisha Bresser

Assistant Coordinator, Home Arts and Hobbies



Message from Membership

FQG Membership Report as of February 5, 2026

1. Meeting attendance was 38
2. Current membership is 85. This includes two new members
3. New Members:

Janice Deneau

M. Denise Ward

Thank you.

Ardis Duhachek & Donna Fox, Co-Chairs

A SAD FAREWELL

The last of the guild's charter members, Jessie Lee has passed away. It was always a pleasure to be in Jessie's company because of her ever-pleasant disposition and sense of humor. As an active member of the Easy Piecers' friendship group, she opened her home for meetings, shared her work, and was always encouraging. Jessie was so pleased to be at our last quilt show as shown in this picture with Ursela.



Upcoming Events

Rob Appell – March 7 workshop

Rob Appell is a creative force to be reckoned with. He's full of boundless energy and enthusiasm for life! When Rob's not behind a sewing machine, you might find him out catching some waves on his surfboard or playing the guitar. As a California native, he spends plenty of time at the beach and loves the outdoors. His wife, Jenny, and two children, Brayden and Ruby, are the center of his world.

What is Rob known for? ■ Specializes in quilted seascapes and free motion machine quilting ■ Creator of the "Endangered Species Quilts" project and Operation Homefront fundraiser quilt "And the Flag Was Still There" which raised over \$25,000 ■ Creator of the quilting notion the "Shark Applicutter" ■ Author of Making Waves ... Adventures of a Surf Quilter ■ Author of Color Strata: Seam, Cut, and Sew Abstract Quilts with Minimal Guidelines ■ Former host of Missouri Star Quilt Co.'s "Man Sewing" channel on YouTube ■ Has designs featured in BLOCK and ModBlock Magazine ■ Has his own line of quilt patterns in a variety of technique styles ■ Quilt designer for Michael Miller Fabrics ■ Sponsored quilt artist for Aurifil Threads ■ Spent 15 years as a certified technician for Pfaff sewing machines ■ Has recently sold quilts at the Nature Quest Art Gallery ■ Featured artist on "Simply Quilts" with Alex Anderson ■ Designed a fabric line for Free Spirit Fabrics entitled "Florals and Corals" ■ Licensed fabric designer for Telegraph Road Studios ■ Licensed embroidery designer for Cactus Punch ■ All quilts are 100% created and constructed by Rob Appell ■ All quilts are machine pieced, machine appliquéd, and machine quilted by Rob Appell

Rob will be teaching his "Wonky Log Cabin"



Another winning workshop in April

*Get ready to master those blasted curves with our own
President Becky Forbes*

CURVES gone WILD!

Fallbrook Quilt Guild

Workshop: Saturday, April 4, 2026

Location: FPUD, 990 E Mission Rd, Fallbrook

Time: 9am – 3pm (doors open at 8:30)

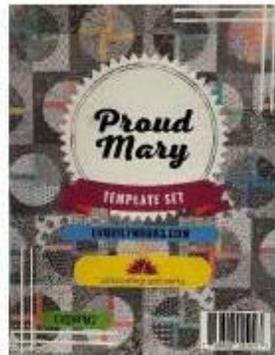
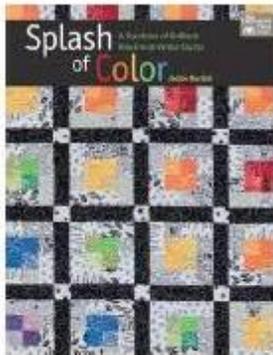
Cost: \$25 which includes:

- **Splash of Color** Book (80 pages of fun quilts designed by Jackie Kunkel)
- Plastic Template Set
- Class led by Becky Forbes

If you've never done or have been uncomfortable with curved piecing, Becky will teach you her easy, quick method using the Proud Mary quilt (60 x 60) from Jackie Kunkel's **Splash of Color** book! Becky has made this quilt in two different color ways.

Payment is to be made directly to Becky Forbes by check, cash, Venmo or Zelle. Once your payment is received, Becky will provide you with the book, templates and supply list.

Please contact Becky at 858-386-6558 or email rebecca.k.forbes@gmail.com for more information.



Coming in May

Sue Bouchard has been quilting since she was 12 and sewing since she was 4. She began quilting before rotary cutters and self-healing mats! Sue spent over 25 years at Quilt in a Day. She loves making and designing modern quilts. Her passion is teaching and inspiring others on their creative journey!

Join Sue Bouchard for an A-Z tutorial about zippers! Discover the ins and outs of zipper anatomy and construction. Watch as Sue demonstrates zipper installation and gives helpful tips to determine the size of zipper your project requires. Also, we will be constructing a small tote bag which feature installing zippers used to secure the top of the bags, inside hidden pockets, and outside pockets inset into the exterior fabric.



Get ready for an exciting end to our Guild Year! Sign up early and prepare to create!

**Fallbrook Quilt Guild
YEAR AT A GLANCE**

Year	Month	General Meeting Community Center, 341 Heald Ln, Fallbrook			Workshop FPUD, 990 E Mission Rd, Fallbrook			Executive Board Meeting FRHD, 1636 East Mission Road, Fallbrook		
		Date	Time	What	Date	Time	What	Date	Time	What
2025	July	10-Jul	6pm	Veteran Notes of Appreciation Susy Nash (Certified Laura Heine)	12-Jul	9am	Paint Barn/Yard Quilt (@ Charlotte Seidman's house)	16-Jul	1pm	Meeting
	August	7-Aug	6pm	Instructor	9-Aug	9am	Susy Nash (Laura Heine Collage)	19-Aug	1pm	Meeting
	September	4-Sep	6pm	Diana Karna	6-Sep	9am	Diana Karna (Quilted Jacket)	10-Sep	1pm	Meeting
	October	2-Oct	1pm	2025 Quilt Show Update	9-Oct	9am	Shelly Swanland (Embellishments) PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A FRIDAY	8-Oct	1pm	Meeting
	November	---	---	Quilt Show Nov 7 & 8	---	---	Quilt Show Nov 7 & 8	12-Nov	1pm	Meeting
	December	4-Dec	1pm	Potluck	---	---	No workshop in December	---	---	No board meeting in December
2026	January	DARK	---	No general meeting in January	DARK	---	No workshop in January	19-Jan	1pm	Meeting
		14-Jan	TBD	Hoffman Tour + Bus Trip						
	February	5-Feb	1pm	Gindy Stephen & Kathy Proctor	7-Feb	9am	Gindy Stephen & Kathy Proctor (Free Motion Quilting)	11-Feb	1pm	Meeting
	March	5-Mar	1pm	Rob Appell	7-Mar	9am	Rob Appell (Wonky Log Cabin)	11-Mar	1pm	Meeting
	April	2-Apr	6pm	Christine Gill (Old Quilts/New Quilts)	4-Apr	9am	Becky Forbes (Curves Gone WILD! - Proud Mary Quilt)	8-Apr	1pm	Meeting
	May	7-May	6pm	Sue Bouchard (A-Z Zippers)	8-May	9am	Sue Bouchard (small tote bag)	13-May	1pm	Meeting
	June	4-Jun	6pm	Potluck, Installation, Opportunity Quilt Drawing	6-Jun	9am	TBD	10-Jun	1pm	Meeting (turnover)



The Chula Vista Quilters Guild proudly presents the

2026 Chula Vista Quilt Show & Vendor Mall

Friday, May 15, from 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday, May 16, from 10 am – 3 pm

NOTE: Free parking in front and back! Handicapped accessible

**Bayview Orthodox Presbyterian Church
505 East Naples St, Chula Vista, 91911**

Only a \$5 donation for entry
Door prizes awarded every half hour

Buy a ticket for a chance to win our hand quilted
2026 Opportunity Quilt: "Summer Lily"

Featuring our traditional Boutique with handcrafted items,
Sew & Craft Booth offering fabric and gently used craft supplies,
Opportunity Baskets and Food Service!

PLUS: our Vendor Mall features fabric and a variety of crafts and tools

**Please note: Guild booths/admission and food service only accept cash/checks.
Most vendors accept credit cards**

<https://www.chulavistaquiltersguild.com>