



The Village Quilter

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February Birthdays

- 3 – Jessie Lee
- 10 – Sharon Walters
- 12 – Sheryl Kaplan
- 13 – Irene Althaus
- 16 – Sandy Robinson
- 18 – Barbara Erickson
- 24 – Sharon Boehm
- 28 – Sarah Sandor

Message from the President

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Valentine's Day doesn't have to be something to celebrate with your spouse, significant other, children or grandchildren—it can be celebrated with friends or to celebrate your LOVE OF QUILTING!

My love of quilting took off in 2012, when I took a quilting class at Quilt in a Day. My daughter was soon graduating high school, I was going to have a lot of time on my hands, and I needed something productive to do. I had been a long-time sewer since my teens making clothing (even my wedding dress) and craft items—but always wanted to make a pieced block quilt.

A quilt class here & there—then I took an easy paper pieced Christmas tree sampler at Rosie's and that was a start of my obsession! This led up to me taking my first Quiltworx Judy Niemeyer quilt class in 2015—then I was really hooked!

I've made a few heart themed quilts over the years, the latest a Valentine's themed Boho heart quilt. I've made several heart themed memorial quilts, which can be a challenge when most of the clothing is polyester.

With the theme of LOVE in mind, you can extend your love to the guild by being on our Executive Board for the upcoming fiscal year. Several of the current board members will be termed out and their positions will be open. I am looking for a volunteer(s) to facilitate being the Nominating Chair; which means you are exempt from serving on the board. It would be ideal if two people could partner and share the LOVE as co-chairs. Please contact me if you can be our Nominating Chair.

May your bobbins always be full!

Becky Forbes

FQG President



Message from the 2nd VP Team

Meeting March 5

Get ready—our March guild meeting is going to be a splash!

We're welcoming back the one and only Rob Appell from the coastal town of Morro Bay for his presentation, "Quilts from the Sea and Beyond." Rob will take us on a fast-paced, colorful tour of his life as a quilt maker, sharing thirty of his quilts featuring dynamic machine-quilted art quilts inspired by surfing, the ocean, and the natural world. Blending his background in marine biology with fabric artistry, Rob has a unique, energetic approach to quilting with vibrant quilts with marine animals, coral reefs, and landscapes. Rob is known for his "dimensional thread painting", free-motion quilting, and fusible applique - bringing texture and life to his art quilts.

You may know Rob from his Man Sewing channel, but his creativity doesn't stop at the sewing machine. He designs fabric and patterns, invents tools, plays guitar, and draws inspiration from surfing and hiking along the coast. Expect stories, music, and quilts that feel like they've soaked up sunshine and ocean spray.



Come ready to laugh, learn, and leave newly inspired to dive into your own "sea and beyond" of quilting ideas.

Workshop March 7



Rob's workshop is called Wonky Log Cabin. Sign-ups can happen now. Attendees are encouraged to watch his You Tube tutorial: www.youtube.com/@StitchinHeaven. Your supply list is being provided as an attachment to the newsletter email so that you can get your fabrics ready.

Send your reservations asap to: Dixie Johns at dixieljohns@gmail.com and send your workshop fee to: Fallbrook Quilt Guild, P.O.Box 1704, Fallbrook, CA 92088

Member \$40 and Guest \$50

Dixie Johns and Connie Follstad

2nd Vice President Team

February 2026 Free Motion Quilting

Our February 5 meeting will include a free motion quilting presentation with tips and tricks to improve your quilting skills.

On Saturday, February 7, a hands-on workshop for the first 12 members who signed up will be held at FPUD. If you have received an acceptance email, bring your machine and a sense of adventure and we will assist you as you add a new skill or two to your machine quilting toolbox. Quilting sandwiches will be provided, and optional water erasable pens can be purchased from Cindy for \$1.50.

IMPORTANT – if you have been accepted into the class and can't attend, please email us at ckstephen1@gmail.com and kjproctor85@gmail.com as soon as possible because there is a waiting list.

Kathy Proctor and Cindy Stephen

Sincere Thanks from Tricia Voight

Dear Quilt Guild Friends,

Thank you so much for the kind thoughts, wishes and prayers during my recent surgery. They were so appreciated at a time when things were looking dim. I can say now that I am cancer free without any radiation or chemo necessary. As a result of my experience, I have a sincere message for you all.

Please have your regular mammograms. If you haven't had one in a while, please schedule one. It was because of an irregular one, after years of normal reports, that my cancer was discovered. I am so grateful that within one months' time, I was diagnosed and scheduled for surgery. Today I am quickly becoming my old self. Although my situation has been resolved quickly and successfully, I sincerely hope that none of you will have to experience it.

Again, thanks and see you all at the next guild meeting.

Tricia Voight

San Diego County Fair News

The 2026 San Diego County Fair will be held from June 10 – July 5, 2026. This year's theme is "Once upon a Fair..." including all things books, fairy tales, literature, etc. The Entry Guide is now online, and you may enter at any time.

Enter at [SDFAIR.COM/ENTRY](https://www.sdfair.com/entry)

The Home Arts and Hobbies exhibit is welcoming volunteers to help with intake of crafts, set up, judging assistance and demonstrating. During the fair we will have a quilting booth available to any quilter/guild wishing to participate and share our love of quilting. We also welcome any teachers of sewing, either with machine, or by hand, knitting, crochet, cross stitch or any amazing craft you wish to share. Both Adults and children are encouraged to learn a new hobby.

Contact Trisha Bresser with any questions. Homemade.assist@SDFair.com

Trisha Bresser

Message from Membership

Welcome back to Penny St. James.

We have 83 members.

Ardis Duhachek & Donna Fox

Membership Co-Chairs

**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	12-Jul	9am	Paint Barn/Yard Quilt (@Charlotte Seidman's house)	16-Jul	1pm	Meeting
	August	7-Aug	6pm	Susy Nash (Certified Laura Heine Instructor)	9-Aug	9am	Susy Nash (Laura Heine Collage)	13-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	3-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	Pottuck	--	--	No workshop in December	--	--	No board meeting in December
2026	January	DARK	--	No general meeting in January	DARK	--	No workshop in January	13-Jan	1pm	Meeting
		14-Jan	TBD	Hoffman Tour + Bus Trip						
	February	5-Feb	1pm	Cindy Stephen & Kathy Proctor	7-Feb	9am	Cindy 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	Quilts of Love	4-Apr	9am	Becky Forbes (Curves Gone WILD! - Proud Mary Quilt)	8-Apr	1pm	Meeting
	May	7-May	6pm	TBD	8-May	9am	TBD	13-May	1pm	Meeting
June	4-Jun	6pm	Potluck, Installation, Opportunity Quilt Drawing	6-Jun	9am	TBD	10-Jun	1pm	Meeting (turnover)	

Upcoming Events



Woman's Club of Lakeside
40th
Annual Quilt Show & Boutique
March 20 & 21, 2026
10 am - 4 pm
Lakeside VFW
12650 Lindo Lane, Lakeside, CA, 92040
\$5 Admission

Sewing Closet, Handmade Items, Local
Vendors, Bake Sale!

Opportunity Raffle to win a handmade Quilt!
Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5
Drawing March 26th, 2026
Need not be present to win!

For more information about the Quilt Show and Entry
Forms visit
WomansClubofLakeside.org
or Contact Tina Anderson (619)729-3843



We invite your guild members to enter a quilt, or two, into our show. There is no fee to display the quilt, and each quilt will receive a participation ribbon. This is not a juried show. Everyone is welcome to come to the show.

More information can be found in the Quilt Show area of our website www.womanscluboflakeside.org, or contact me via text or voice mail.

Thank you,

Tina Anderson

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