



The Village Quilter

Fallbrook Quilt Guild
PO Box 1704
Fallbrook CA 92088

July 2026

<https://fallbrookquiltguild.com/>
Facebook: Fallbrook Quilt Guild

Table of Contents

Celebrating July Birthdays	1
Message from the President	2
Message from 1st VPs	3
Message from 2nd VP	3
Message from Membership	4
Opportunity Quilt	4
Quilts of Love.....	5
Special Membership Note	5
July Meeting Opportunity	6
June Potluck	6
Congratulations.....	7
Sunshine and Shadows	8
June Show and Tell	9
We Need Your Help.....	10
Year At a Glance.....	11
Quilter's Cottage 20% off	12



July Birthdays

13 – Chris Brewer
17 – Tricia Voight
29 – Sue Burns

Message from the President



Ardis: It's on!

Greetings to all of you, my Fallbrook Quilt Guild family. My year-long commitment as your new President has officially started! I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you and seeing your smiles at our upcoming meetings.

First, I want to extend a massive thank you to Becky. She is incredibly outgoing—not only as our immediate past president, but because her service over the last two years has been absolutely outstanding. She will be a wonderful role model for me as I step into this role.

Our June meeting was filled with action! We enjoyed a fantastic potluck meal with wonderful food. A special thank you goes out to the *Sew 'N' Sews* friendship group for hosting us so beautifully. During the meeting, we celebrated Becky for her incredible time and service, and I want to thank Sharon Boehm for officially installing our new Executive Board.

As you all know, our guild is like a village, and it is the members who truly run the place. It takes volunteers to make this the happy place we all love to be. Right now, the guild is in need of a few committee positions to be filled. I am thrilled to share that two members recently stepped up:

- **Sharon Wilhite** (a new member since February!) has volunteered for *Cup and Quarter*.
- **Sharon Boehm** has volunteered for *Door Prizes*.

Thank you both so much! We are still looking to fill positions for **Design & Construct**, the **Nominating Committee**, and **Publicity/Social Media**. If you are interested in helping out, please contact me directly. I wish to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who has volunteered for positions on the Executive Board and our committees. Thank you!

July marks the official start of our new guild year, which means it is time to renew your membership! As a special thank you, members who renew from last year will pay a **special rate of just \$10**. See the membership on our website and complete the fillable form there.

Our next meeting is on **Thursday, July 2 at 6:00 PM** (Doors open at 5:30 PM). I can't wait to see you all there.

Have a safe and wonderful 4th of July holiday!

Warmly,

Ardis

“Stitching our guild community closer with fabric, friendship, and fun.”

Message from the 1st VPs

Dixie Johns



For over a year, Connie Follstad and I have been looking high and wide for varied and new-to-us meeting presentations and workshops. We both attended last year's Houston quilt show and have had our noses in the computer scouring the landscape for worthy presenters. What we have contracted and augmented by using some of our talented members makes us eager to share the line up with our guild family. Here's some info about the upcoming months.

July Elizabeth Hospice. This organization has been one of the recipients of our Quilts of Love for several years. The non-profit entity has been around for forty-five years when the term hospice was a new word. Here's how they describe their beginnings.



The Elizabeth Hospice

“One woman held a vision of what this philosophy of care could mean to her community. This nurse, Elizabeth “Betty” Bulen, invited three of her friends, Betty Benz, Ann Elizabeth Warren, and Kay Elizabeth Austin, to work with her in establishing an organization of compassionate volunteers devoted to offering hospice care and palliative care to the terminally ill and their families. To strengthen this vision, Betty Bulen and Betty Benz visited St. Christopher’s Hospice in London. Inspired by what they saw, they began offering their first volunteer training. In 1978, they incorporated, naming this new entity, The Elizabeth Hospice, which shares the name of all the founders.”

We have asked Chris Brown from the organization to educate us as to what their kind of care is all about and what they are not about. We look forward to that as well as what happens to our donated quilts. Perhaps you can come with questions of your own.

Message from the 2nd VP

Ann Turley



Believe it or not, I do have a life beyond quilting. My husband Jim and I enjoyed traveling the world for many years until health problems slowed us down. We've seen so much on our bucket list with Spain, France, Portugal and Egypt being my favorites. I'm also a pretty good cook and baker, having won multiple awards for my efforts. Cookies, brownies, pies and cakes, plus casseroles, salsa and salads. My favorite award-winning effort was a very rich chocolate-macadamia tart where I won first place at the LA County Fair, beating a very well-known master baker. Woohoo!

Message from Membership



I am Allyn Kaye, your new Co-Chair of Membership, alongside Ada Clemons.

Quilting has a unique way of stitching people of all backgrounds together. I look forward to helping grow, support and welcome everyone in our creative community.

A little about me: I've been sewing since 8 and first tried quilting in my early 20's (no pattern, no instruction, no templates – that attempt did not go well!) I took a class at Quilt in A Day in the early 90's and could at last call myself a quilter. I am nowhere near as prolific in my quilting as many of you ladies are – I enjoy my accomplishments and increasing my skills with every workshop and subsequent quilt made. When I am not in my sewing studio you can find me golfing with friends and family, gardening and watching sports of all kinds with my husband Miles Lundquist.

My goal as Co-Chair for Membership is to ensure that every member feels supported, valued and inspired. Whether you have been a member of the guild for years or are just joining your very first meeting, we want you to feel at home. Ada and I are here to help you navigate your membership, Airtable (be patient with me please!), answer questions and keep our guild a warm and inclusive place.

Opportunity Quilt

Tricia Voight



As one of the co-chairs for the Ways and Means Committee, I am asking for volunteers to assist in taking the quilt to local events where it can be displayed and tickets sold. We will be contacting different guilds and other organizations within our general area, keeping the distance to a minimum, and setting up dates.

Right now, we have the opportunity to display it at the Silvergate Retirement Residence on July 15, from 5-7 pm, setup at 4. Nancy Miller has volunteered and has the table and chairs needed. We need one more person to assist with this. If you can help, please let me and Nancy know.

In addition, I am setting up a signup sheet for volunteers who would like to help this year with displaying the quilt. Once I have secured sites, I will call individuals to see who might be available.

Thanks, and happy quilting,
Tricia

Quilts of Love

What an impressive number of donations were received at our May and June meetings! Thanks to everyone, so many military babies will be blessed with our lovely quilts. We received 30 in the past two months. In 2026, we donated a total of 45 beautiful quilts to the Navy Hospital on Camp Pendleton!

We have also donated 29 to Camp Spero for children attending bereavement counseling camp. Won't the quilts just wrap them in love?

The Fallbrook Quilt Guild certainly knows how to spread love and caring throughout our community. Please let us know if you need batting, backing, kits, or labels.

Happy stitching,

Kathy and Cindy

Special Membership Note

Thank you for being a valued member of the Fallbrook Quilt Guild this past year! I warmly encourage you to renew your membership to continue enjoying our guild benefits and staying connected with our vibrant quilting community.

Special Renewal Discount

Because you were a member this past year, your renewal dues have been reduced to just **\$10** for the 2026–27 year—that is a **\$40 savings!**

Dues can be paid via cash, check, or credit card. Please note that credit card payments must be made in person.

How to Renew

We ask all renewing members to complete a new membership form:

1. **Fill it out online:** Visit www.fallbrookquiltguild.com and look under the “Membership” tab to find our fillable form.
2. **Print your form.**
3. **Submit it:** Bring the printed form and payment to the next meeting, or mail them to:

Fallbrook Quilt Guild

P.O. Box 1704

Fallbrook, CA 92088

We value your continued support and look forward to another wonderful year of creativity and shared success!

July Meeting Opportunity

Fabric Sale at the Meeting

Cindy Stephen recently received multiple boxes of donated fabric from Lisa Felker. Thanks to these generous donations, we have been able to support several incredible causes first:

- **Quilts of Love:** Multiple boxes reserved for our Quilts of Love program.
- **Washable Hygiene Products:** One bag of fabric has been distributed to create essential hygiene kits for girls in Africa.
- **Camp Oakhurst "Beyond the Rooftops" Program:** Special selections reserved for the inner-city kids' sewing classes.

The remaining fabric from these donations will be available for purchase to our members at our next meeting on **July 2nd**. Come ready to hunt for treasures, stock up your stash, and support our community!

See you there with your shopping bags ready!

June Potluck

We had lots of yummy food at the potluck in June. Everything was so good and sincere thanks go to the Sew 'n' Sews Friendship group for hosting!



Congratulations

We bid farewell to Becky Forbes, our president for the past two guild years. First photo is Ardis, our new president, reading thanks to Becky. Second photo is the bag guild board members made as a farewell gift for Becky.



Third photo is the wine found in a bag inside the bag, and the last photo is the card made and signed on each flower petal by guild members. Best wishes, Becky!



Sunshine and Shadows

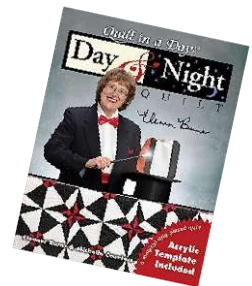
Welcome to this new section of our newsletter. Here you will find out about members who have something to celebrate as well as members who have been visited by hardships and have received a card from the guild letting them know that we know are aware and support them. If you are someone who falls into this category or know of someone who is, kindly contact Connie Follstad or me. (dixieljohns@gmail.com)



Sharon Baker-Smoot, guild president for two terms from 2013-2015, passed away from her on and off again dance with cancer. Sharon adeptly led our guild after her retirement as a California Highway Patrol officer that concluded at the state level in Sacramento. As president she was unflappable and focused on the positive. Cards may be sent to: 23547 Silverwood Street, Murrieta, CA 92562



Wendy Bean, our British fire ball, has a new four-lead pacemaker. With her soon-to-be-renewed strength, she looks forward to finishing a wedding quilt for a grandson. Of course, since we know that her first quilt was self-taught with this advanced Eleanor Burns pattern, the wedding quilt in progress will be an equally complicated beauty.



Kathy Proctor attended the Minnesota Quilt Show as a candidate of becoming a certified quilt judge via the [National Assn of Certified Quilt Judges](#). Kathy believes that becoming a candidate is reflective of the many quilters, teachers, and mentors who have influenced her along her quilting journey. The process of becoming certified is a multi-year process. If you are wondering why she's doing this, as she puts it...



“There is joy in being in a room surrounded by outstanding quilts and helping celebrate the talents of their makers.”

We will learn more of the process of becoming a judge when she speaks to our guild on May 6, 2027.

PS There is some evidence on social media that she may have purchased fabric.



Penny Bottomly is the recipient of a new pacemaker as well. This “two bullet” one as she describes it, does not have a unit implanted below the collar bone so as not to detract from her bikini or strapless evening gown. She says that she is already feeling better.

June Show and Tell

A new feature we hope to include each month in the newsletter this year is the quilts that were shown at the meeting during the Show and Tell time frame.



Dixie with her Curves Gone Wild quilt from the class taught by Becky.



Barb with the fishing quilt for her grandson.



Here is new member, Cherie, with the quilt she is trying to decide how to finish.



Here is Kris and her horse.

We Need Your Help

Dixie and Connie are looking for someone who would be willing to host Karen Bolan. She is coming to us in **October** to present her program Seeing Light in a New Color. She's coming to us from Santa Rosa and would like to stay in someone's home. Please let them know if you are that person.



Fallbrook Quilt Guild YEAR AT A GLANCE

Meeting Date/Time	Speaker - Topic	Workshop Date/Time	Workshop Topic	Exec. Board Meeting
Jul 2 , 6 pm	Elizabeth Hospice	None	None	Jul 8 , 1 pm
Aug 6 , 6 pm	UFO video	Aug 7 , 9 am	Quilts of Love	Aug 12 , 1 pm
Sep 3 , 6 pm	Arlene Arnold <i>Heritage Oaks Quilts</i>	Sep 5 , 9 am	TBA	Sep 9 , 1 pm
Oct 1 , 1 pm	Karen Bolan <i>Seeing Light in a New Color</i>	Oct 3 , 9 am	Karen Bolan <i>Special Effects with Color</i>	Oct 7 , 1 pm
Nov 5 , 1 pm	California Heritage Quilt Project	Nov 7 , 9 am	Becky Forbes <i>Tree Quilt</i>	Nov 11 , 1 pm
Dec 3 , 12:30 pm	Holiday Potluck	None	None	Dec 9 , No meeting
January	Dark – no meeting	Dark - No workshop	None	Dark - No meeting
Feb 4 , 1 pm	Dona McKenzie <i>Studio 180</i>	Feb 6 , 9 am	<i>Studio 180 Carolina Lily</i>	Feb 10 , 1 pm
Mar 4 , 1 pm	Blooming Flowers School House	Mar 6 , 9 am	Floral Quilt	Mar 10 , 1 pm
Apr 1 , 6 pm	Christa Wilson	Apr 3 , 9 am	Christa Watson <i>Walking Foot Boot Camp</i>	Apr 7 , 1 pm
May 6 , 6 pm	Kathy Proctor <i>Becoming a Quilt Judge</i>	May 7 , 9 am	TBA and Date TBA	May 12 , 1 pm
Jun 3 , 6 pm	Potluck, Installation of Officers, Opportunity Quilt Drawing	Jun 5 , 9 am	TBA	Jun 9 , 1 pm

General Meeting: Community Center, 341 Heald Lane, Fallbrook
 October to March – 1 pm, doors open at 12:30 pm
 April to September – 6 pm, doors open at 5:30 pm

Workshop: FPUD, 990 East Mission Road, Fallbrook

Executive Board Meeting: FRHD, 1636 East Mission Road, Fallbrook



Quilter's Cottage
131 East Fig Street, Suite 6
Fallbrook, CA 92028
760-723-3060
myquilterscottage.com

Attention FQG Members!

Mention this ad on meeting days to enjoy
20% off your entire purchase!*

*Please note: This offer excludes classes and sale items.