



# Fallbrook Quilt Guild

## Newsletter

### April 2017

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#### **President's Message**

As most of you know, Shirley Fleming has resigned due to ongoing health issues and I will be finishing out her term.

This is my first time writing a president's letter. The good news is I have lots to write about because so many of you have reached out to me with your thoughts and ideas. I took all of it to the board to discuss and almost all of it aligned very well with the thoughts and concerns of board members too.

One of the things to keep in mind is that we are a much smaller guild than we used to be. Although we have 104 members, that includes nearly 20 inactive members. Our 84 active members are valiantly trying to carry on all of the traditional ways of running the guild, but maybe it is time for some changes. As you read this letter, please remember that the purpose of our guild is to promote interest in all forms of quilting.

The first topic of discussion is **refreshments** at the monthly meetings. Some members want to either greatly scale back refreshments for next year or eliminate them all together. Others feel the refreshments contribute to the social atmosphere of the meeting, making it more fun and inviting for guests and new members. Based on this extensive feedback from members, the Board has decided to test the idea at the next meeting. **NO REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AT THE APRIL MEETING. We will take a vote on whether to eliminate refreshments for the meetings next year (except for the 2 potluck dinners). Be sure to come to the April meeting and cast your vote.** There will be two jars on the membership table: one labeled NO REFRESHMENTS and one labeled KEEP REFRESHMENTS. Put a ticket in the jar of your choice. If keeping refreshments wins---someone will have to volunteer for Hospitality Chair for next year. **At the May meeting, we will have refreshments as originally planned and June is the potluck.**

Another topic that we received member feedback on is fund raising, especially all the **raffles at the meetings**. Of course we need to raise enough funds to keep the guild and its various projects going, but that doesn't mean we have to keep doing it the same way. The Board discussed eliminating the Monthly Drawing (hand-made item) and the Cup-and-a-quarter raffle. The Door Prizes table does not require soliciting items because each member brings something for their birthday month. The Board recommends that the Guild eliminate the Monthly Drawing and roll the Cup and a Quarter into the Door Prize drawing. I feel we need a bit more discussion before we move forward with this, but I think it is something we should all consider.

**Which brings me to my third and most important topic: nominations.** We still need a secretary, as well as someone to head Ways and Means, Hospitality, and the Monthly Drawing. We also have not had anyone volunteer for Design and Construct so Barb Vajda has stepped up to direct Design and Construct of a red and white sampler quilt with members

making different individual blocks. Barb will also be our new president next year! Yah! Cheers all around to Barb. Let's all support her as she leads us into the 2017-2018 quilt guild year. Please contact Sylvia, Barb or myself if you are willing to help us with these important jobs.

We had a fantastic program with Nancy Rink in March. A big thank you to all who attended the workshop---we had a full house!! Also a big thank you to Ann Harris for hosting the Mill Girls reunion tea with Nancy on March 3. It was a lot of fun to show off our Mill Girls quilts to Nancy. She was very gracious of our enthusiasm.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the April meeting. Our very own Ann Turley is speaking and leading a fabulous workshop---Yo Mama---is this your llama.

Submitted by  
Lou Cobb

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## PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

### APRIL---Ann Turley

#### Lecture April 6: The Menagerie

While cataloging her quilts, Ann discovered that she had amassed a rather interesting collection of animal themes, each intriguingly different from the next. You won't want to miss a minute of this program!

#### Workshop April 8: Yo Mama, Is This Your Llama? 6-hour class

Ann will lead you through making this wall hanging that depicts an all-knowing llama against a background constructed to appear as a stone walkway. The llama itself appears woven, but is in fact, made from a strata of assorted cream and white fabrics. Approximately 18"x24". Sign up soon!

The April 8 workshop still has seats available. If you are interested, please contact the Program Chair, Louise Cobb, at [louise.cobb@yahoo.com](mailto:louise.cobb@yahoo.com) or call her at 760-728-6164 to register and to request the supplies lists for either workshop.



## May--- Stephania Bommarito

### Lecture May 4: I've Been Stamped, Stenciled, Scrunched Lecture and Trunk Show

The art of printing on fabric has been used by traditional quilters almost as long as quilts have been made. It was an easy, simple way to incorporate folk art images and patterns into a pieced block. Dressmakers have pleated, folded, stitched, gathered and ruffled fabric to add tactile and visual interest to couture garments. Thus, it was a logical step to include these techniques into my quilting and wearable creations. The possibilities for three-dimensional manipulation of fabric and two dimensional imaging are seemingly endless. Quilts and garments from the past thirty years will be presented that illustrate how simple it is to include these many techniques.

### Workshop May 6: Stamped, Stenciled and Scrunched

Discover how to multiply your creativity by adding visual interest to a quilt. Use stamping and stenciling to add color, texture, images and text to your quilt. Incorporate dimension by scrunching, wrinkling, and manipulating fabric to enrich the tactile feel of a quilt. Seemingly small adornments can add an unexpected pizzazz. These techniques can add an unexpected and eye-catching charm that will enliven any traditional, modern, or art quilt.

**CANCELLATION ALERT:** Right now, we only have 2 ladies signed up and paid. Unless we have 10 registered paid attendees by April 8, we will cancel this May 6 workshop. If you are interested in attending, please let Lou Cobb know.



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### Treasurer Report for March 2017

Income: Cup & Quarter = \$31; Door Prizes = \$46; Monthly Drawing = \$23; Swap Shoppe = 74.00; Membership = \$15; Workshops = \$360; Quilt Show Vendors = \$300. Total Income = \$849

Expenses: Membership = \$5.94; Newsletter Distribution = \$85.40; Newsletter Printing = \$16.63; Workshops = \$988.09; Workshop space rental = \$25; Quilt Show = \$1,019.60; Compliance Officer = \$25; Treasurer = \$9.80. Total Expenses = \$2,175.46

## Nominating Committee Update

Hi everyone, we are getting closer to completing the slate of officers and committees for the new year of 2017~2018. There are a few key jobs that remain to be filled. This is a great opportunity for someone to join in on the guild of in an expanded way.

**Help  
Wanted**

The positions that remain are Secretary, Way & Means, Hospitality and the Monthly drawing raffle. Any of these jobs could be shared among a committee. The jobs of Secretary and Ways & Means are voting executive board positions. We are putting together a great board for next year and welcome you to join us in the fun!

If interested, please contact Sylvia Williams, Lou Cobb or Barbara Vajda.

### Fallbrook Quilt Guild Board/Positions

3/14/17

| Position  | 2017-2018 Nominees  |
|---|---|
| <b>President</b>                                | Barbara Vajda   |
| <b>First Vice President</b>                     | Sylvia Williams   |
| <b>Second Vice President</b>                    | Collette Ford   |
| <b>Secretary</b>                                |   |
| <b>Treasurer</b>                                | Betsy Shirkey   |
| <b>Membership</b>                               | Judy Ortega, Tina Rainey                                  |
| <b>Compliance Officer</b>                       | Marie Sundsboe  |
| <b>Newsletter Editor</b>                        | Diane Trappen   |
| <b>Ways &amp; Means</b>                         |   |
| Block of the Month                              | Ardis Duhachek, Diana Rash                                |
| Cup and a Quarter                               | Lou Cobb, Andrina Lilly                                   |
| Design & Construct 2017                         | Barbara Vajda   |
| Directory                                       | Sandy Scott   |
| Door Prizes                                     | Susie Alderson, Jan Conklin                               |
| Friendship Groups                               | Sharon Baker  |
| Photo taking at meeting                         | Irene Althaus   |
| Hospitality                                     |   |
| Monthly Drawing                                 |   |
| Newsletter Distribution                         | Ardis Duhacheck   |
| Publicity                                       | Marj Freda  |
| Quilts of Love                                  | Floyce Royer, Mary Anne Cardamon                          |
| Quilt Show                                      | Sandy Scott   |
| Scholarships                                    | Dixie Johns, Jan Chow, Connie Follstad, Christeen Denning |
| Southern CA Council of Quilt Guilds (SCCQG) Rep |   |
| Sunshine  | Andrea Hard   |
| Website   | Sandy Scott   |

## Ways & Means

Anyone interested in selling tickets for the opportunity quilt at the Avocado Festival on Sunday, April 23, 2017, please contact Sylvia Williams. We are showing the quilt with the Boutique and expect to have a really fun day.

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## Quilts of Love

Thank you to all who turned in baby quilts in March.

Paula Manning 1  
Roberta Balla 1  
Connie Follstad 1  
Dixie Johns 1  
Marj Freda 1  
Dianne Parker 1  
Mary-Anne Cardamon 1

Just a note: The kits contain a front, back, batting and usually binding. You can use the fabrics as is or add to it from your stash in any way you want. If binding is not included use the "flip and turn" with top stitching. ALL quilts are welcome and much appreciated by the new mothers at Camp Pendleton. Thank you for your continued participation and donations. Floyce, Karen, & Mary-Anne

Submitted by Mary-Anne Cardamon

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## MARCH GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Call to Order:** A general membership meeting of the Fallbrook Quilt Guild was held at the Fallbrook Community Center in Fallbrook, California on March 2, 2017. The meeting was convened at 6:40 pm, by presiding First Vice President Louise Cobb, standing in as interim President for Shirley Fleming. Louise led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Announcements:

- Shirley Fleming has resigned as President due to multiple and ongoing health issues. Louise Cobb, First Vice President, will serve as interim President for the remainder of the year.
- The March Board meeting will be held Friday March 10, at 10:00 am at the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce on Main Street.
- Dixie Johns provided information that the deadline for applying for the Guild's \$1,500 scholarship is March 10. Any graduating high school senior who lives in the area and is planning on attending an accredited college or university is eligible to apply. Application forms are available on the FQG website and in the career offices of the 17 area high schools.
- Welcome to the El Camino Quilters who brought their Opportunity Quilt to our meeting.

**Treasurer's Report (Barb Vajda):** Current bank balance is **\$26,813.00**. Prior month income is **\$849.00**. Expenses were **\$1,150.46**.

**Membership (Ardis Duhachek/Diana Rash):** Total members: 104. Signed in attendees: 51 Guests: 8.

**Sunshine and Shadows (Tina Rainey):** None

**Quilts of Love (Mary-Anne Cardamon):** Seven quilts were turned in at the meeting.

**Quilt Show 2017 (Sandy Scott):** Still looking for Chair for Donations and Supplies and Cleanup. If you are interested, please contact Sandy.

**Nominating Committee (Sylvia Williams):** We have most of the board secured, but we are still looking for someone to head Design and Construct, Ways and Means, Hospitality, and the Monthly Drawing. Please contact Sylvia if you are willing to take one of these important positions.

**Boutique Workshop (Linda Flynn/Lou Cobb):** We are holding a workshop at Linda Flynn's home Monday March 27. Thank you to everyone that signed up to come and help.

**Programs and Workshops (Lou Cobb):** All workshops are held at Fallbrook Public Utility (FPUD) on East Mission from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Seats are still available for all 3 workshops listed below.

- April 8---Ann Turley—Yo Mamma—is this your llama?
- May 6---Stephania Bommarito—Stamped, Stenciled and Scrunched

**Speaker:** Nancy Rink---Trunk Show

**Show and Tell:** To view the quilts shared in Show and Tell go to our website at

<http://www.fallbrookquiltguild.com/february2017showtell.php>

**Break**

**Drawings:** Cup & Quarter winners, Door prize winner, Monthly Drawing, No Block of the Month this month

Meeting adjourned at 8:50

Minutes submitted by Lou Cobb standing in for secretary

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## MARCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Call to Order:** An Executive Board/Committee Chair Meeting of the Fallbrook Quilt Guild was held at the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce in Fallbrook, California on March 10, 2017. The meeting was convened at 10:00 am, by presiding First Vice President Louise Cobb. Members present were Barbara Vajda, Sylvia Williams, Ardis Duhachek, Diana Rash, Sandy Scott, Marie Sundsboe, Collette Ford, Renee Toomey, and Mary Morrison.

**Treasure's Report (Barb Vajda):** Current bank balance is \$26,813.00. Prior month's income was \$849.00. Expenses were \$1,150.46.

**Membership (Ardis Duhachek/Diana Rash):** Total members: 104. Signed in attendees: 51 Guests: 8.

**Present Programs (Lou Cobb):** We had 20 registrants for Nancy Rink's workshop and all participated. We have 9 ladies signed up and paid for Ann Turley's llama quilt workshop April 8, but only 2 registered and paid for Stephania Bommarito's workshop in May. If we are unable to get 10 people signed up for the May workshop, according to the contract, we can cancel it.

**Next Year's Programs (Sylvia Williams):** We have five speakers with workshops at contract for next year and Sylvia is seeking speakers for the other meetings. The goal is to have 9 speakers and 5 of those with workshops.

**Hospitality:** The Board has received MUCH feedback from members on the topic of refreshments. Some members want to either greatly scale back refreshments for next year or eliminate them all together. Others feel the refreshments contribute to the social atmosphere of the meeting, making it more fun and inviting for guests and new members. Also, no one has volunteered to Chair the Hospitality Committee for next year. The Board decided to run an experiment at the April meeting. NO REFRESHMENTS will be served and we will take a silent vote at the membership table. Ardis Duhachek made a motion for this and Diana Rash seconded it. The Board all voted in favor of running the NO REFRESHMENT experiment and taking a vote at the meeting.

**Raffles at the meetings:** We also received feedback that there is too much fundraising at the meetings and we should focus more on sharing skills, ideas, friendship and fun. The Board discussed eliminating the Monthly Drawing (the handmade item) and rolling the Cup and a Quarter into the Door Prize table for next year which would reduce the number of Chairs needed for Raffles from 6 to 2. Barb Vajda made a motion to eliminate the monthly drawing and roll the cup and a quarter into the Door Prize table. Diana Rash seconded it. To make this recommended change will require the guild membership to discuss and vote on it. If approved the bylaws will need to be amended. Upon further reflection, the President feels there should be more discussion at the Board level before this recommendation goes forward.

We have people who have agreed to chair the Door Prize table and Cup and a Quarter for next year **but we still need a chair for the Monthly Drawing.** In case you are wondering how much income the guild makes from the raffles at the meeting, YTD (Year-To-Date) income for Cup and a Quarter is \$355.00, for Door Prizes: 353.00, and for the monthly drawing it is \$379.00. So all together we have brought in over a \$1,000.00 from the raffles YTD with the income nearly equally divided across the three.

**Quilt Show 2017 (Sandy Scott):** All Chairs for the Quilt Show are filled. Sandy has arranged with the Chamber of Commerce for display of quilts in the Chamber for September and October prior to the show.

**Nominating Committee (Sylvia Williams):** We have most of the board secured, but we are still looking for someone to be Secretary as well as people to head Ways and Means, Hospitality, Cup and a Quarter and the Monthly Drawing. Please contact Sylvia if you are willing to help us with these important jobs.

**Opportunity Quilt (Sylvia Williams):** Sylvia will be taking the current Opportunity Quilt to the Avocado Festival along with the Boutique Committee. She is arranging for helpers.

**Guild Shed (Sandy Scott):** We are still looking for a location for our shed, but we may have a member who is able to accommodate us soon. The shed will remain where it is for the moment and we will not rent a unit at Citrus Plaza at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00

Minutes submitted by Lou Cobb standing in for secretary

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## Reminders

**No refreshments will be served at the April Meeting.**

**The Newsletter deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

Next meeting is **April 6, 2017 at 6:30**

**pm**

at the Fallbrook Community Center.

Don't Forget:

Name tag

Show and Tell Quilts

Quilts of Love

Swap Shop Items

Birthday Girls door prizes

## **APRIL BIRTHDAY GIRLS**

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Johnson, Dawn     | Apr. 1  |
| Raver, Deb        | Apr. 2  |
| Ortega, Tiffany   | Apr. 7  |
| Alderson, Susie   | Apr. 8  |
| Ortega, Judy Ann  | Apr. 12 |
| Smith, Christy    | Apr. 19 |
| Ondraka, Anne     | Apr. 20 |
| Carr, Catherine   | Apr. 21 |
| Harwood, Margaret | Apr. 22 |
| Parker, Dianne,   | Apr. 23 |
| Johns, Dixie      | Apr. 26 |
| Follstad, Connie  | Apr. 30 |

Bring a quilt related item for the door prize table!

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