



July to September 2026

Save the Date

Holiday Party!

We'll have our holiday party again this year at the La Costa Oaks Community Center in Carlsbad. Mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 6**. More details and a formal RSVP form soon!

Announcements

2027 Board Elections are upcoming- We need your help!

The following positions are timing out: Secretary, Treasurer

Upcoming Worldly Events

- Visions Museum of Textile Art: Veranda Sale July 31-August 1. (Open to guilds and museum members only on the 31st!) They're accepting drop-off donations on July 11 and 13 between 10am and 2pm. [See their website](#) for more info on what they can and cannot accept!
- Susan Kephart has kindly offered to collect donations during our July guild meeting on the 12th, and will drop them off on the 13th.

How Can You Help?

On-Going Help

- We need help monthly at the monthly meeting with set up (11am) and clean up (at conclusion).
- Donations for Raffle prizes- got new supplies or extra modern fabric (fat quarter or larger)? Consider donating to the guild for use at our various raffle drawings.
- Check your email for more info from Kristyn on our latest charity efforts!

Guild “Yellow Pages”

- We frequently get questions to the Board email from members of the public looking for various quilting services, including finishing quilt tops, longarming, t shirt quilts, and memory bears. If you are interested in being part of a guild “yellow pages” for any of these services, please email the board with details!
- NOTE: If you would like to be included, you are giving us permission to give your contact information out to the member of the public who is seeking services. If you connect with someone through this arrangement, all details will be between you and the other party, including cost, pickup, etc. The board cannot arbitrate any disputes that may arise; all we are doing is making the connection.

Activities

On the second Saturday of the month we are scheduling **Educational sew-ins** at Grand Central Quilt and Stitch located at 100 North Rancho Santa Fe, San Marcos. These will be led by both our own members or well known teachers from the Modern Quilt community.

July 11 - "My Wedding Ring" with Cecile Choi from the Sewing Party

August 8 - "Best Bag Ever" with Sue Bouchard

September 12 - "English Paper Piecing (EPP)" with Courtney Miller-Callihan, Alison Gurganus, and Jen Collins
Signups can be done through the link on our website.

Mark your calendars: The next **Annual Guild Retreat** at Vina De Lestonnac in Temecula is scheduled for May 27-30, 2027.

Please mark your calendars. Registration will be open after the first of the year.

Quilt Tribe Sampler quilt, which can be made in 6", 9" or 12" Blocks, has begun but you can still sign up through August. I will provide students with the instructions from the beginning. If you are interested please signup on the website in google forms. The class is conducted right after each monthly Guild meeting. Duration of the program is from March to November.

If you have any suggestions of what techniques you would like to learn about please let me know and I will do my best to make it happen.

Sue Bouchard
VP Activities SDMKG

July

11 “My Wedding Ring” class 10am-3 pm at Grand Central Quilt N Stitch, San Marcos *Cecile Choi will teach her “My Wedding Ring” pattern. Class fee is \$25. [Spaces are going fast. so sign up asap!](#)*

12 Meeting at 11:30am at Quilt in a Day, San Marcos *We’ll hold our annual rummage sale after the meeting! Time to purge your stash – bring your unwanted quilting goodies with your name and a price, and we’ll have a fun sale after the meeting this month. Whether you’re buying or selling, bring cash (ideally in small bills)!*

26 Sew In at Quilt in a Day, San Marcos

August

8 “Best Bag Ever” workshop at Grand Central Quilt N Stitch, San Marcos, 10 am - 3:30 pm. *Sue will be teaching her version of the “Best Bag Ever” pattern. [Sign up here!](#) Class fee is \$10, payable directly to Sue, and the pattern will be provided in class.*

9 Meeting at 11:30am at Quilt in a Day, San Marcos

23 Sew In at Quilt in a Day, San Marcos

September

12 Intro to English Paper Piecing (EPP) Class 10am-3:30pm at Grand Central Quilt N Stitch, San Marcos
Jen, Alison, and Courtney will teach an intro to EPP class, covering a bunch of different techniques so you can find the one that works best for you! Signup link will be coming soon.

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Charity

Charity Coordinator - Kristyn Jansen sdmqgcharity@gmail.com

Donation Update - Ronald McDonald House

This past Wednesday, Kristyn took 44 quilts to the Ronald McDonald House for donation! Incredible! Thanks to all who donated a quilt, helped to complete a guild UFO, or make a block for a group quilt - we couldn't do this without you! We will be making another donation in December, so if you weren't able to donate to this one or are still working on a quilt, you have plenty of time to be included in the end of the year donation.



2nd Trimester Outreach Focus (May - August)

[Just in Time for Foster Youth](#) - My First Home Project

Our current focus is on JIT and their My First Home Project. More details about this trimester and the upcoming group quilt is available in the email from Kristyn sent in late May or on our blog. For this focus, we are asking for throw and bed sized quilts, 50"x60" or larger.

Wonky Log Cabin Group Quilt Blocks

For this trimester, we are making Wonky Log Cabin blocks. For all the specifics about sizing, fabrics to use, and a pattern for the block, please check out the [Group Trimester Block page](#) on our blog. Blocks for the JIT group quilt will be due at the August meeting! Please let Kristyn know if you won't be able to return them by this date.



Meals on Wheels

We will again be collecting potholders and placemats for Meals on Wheels. Meals on Wheels has four service centers throughout the county and we split our donation to them between the North County and Metro Service Centers, as this is primarily where our guild membership is based.

For information about sizing or how to make these items, please check out [this link on our guild blog](#).

Kristyn also has a new special Meals on Wheels ask this year, to make bowl cozies for their frozen meals. The bowl cozies will be a specific size and shape, and the pattern is still in progress. We have the Wrap n Zap batting on hand and will send out an email with all the information once that's ready.

Special Charity Opportunity - Gently Hugged www.gentlyhugged.org

Our contact and point person for this charity is Shelly Hoffman, chas2454@aol.com This effort is providing blankets and quilts for babies in need via social workers and nurses. This organization hands out about 60 care packages a month.

Dimensions maximum - 30"x34" for stroller quilts, or 31"-40" wide and 35"-40" for other quilts. No religious, sports, or holiday fabrics allowed.

Upcoming Focus - Moores Cancer Center

Starting in September, the charity focus will be on Moores Cancer Center. For this focus, we are asking for lap and throw sized quilts - approximately 50"x60" or larger. More specific information will be sent out to the membership in September.

Business

Board Members

President: Courtney Miller-Callihan

VP of Activities: Sue Bouchard

VP of Operations: Linda Isley

Secretary: Elizabeth O'Toole

Treasurer: Suzanne Coyne

Membership Cards

Every member of our local guild is also a member of the Modern Quilt Guild. You should be receiving emails from them regarding QuiltCon and other guild information. If you log into your MQG account you will be able to download and print your MQG Membership Card. This card can be shown at many quilt shops for a discount on purchases and at other quilting venues. Any discount is at the discretion of the store.

2026 Q2 Financials

Beginning balance 04/01/2026 \$9,568.03

Income

Interest \$0.25

Membership \$365.00

Retreat \$12,050.00

Total Income \$12,415.25

Expenses

Admin \$229.42

Charity \$148.70

Retreat \$9,605.00

Website fees \$59.97

Total Expenses \$10,043.09

Ending Balance 06/30/2026 \$11,940.19

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Instagram: @sandiegomodernquiltguild

Facebook: San Diego Modern Quilt Guild- and for our private Members Only Facebook page please contact VP of Operations - Linda Isley at SDMQGBoard@gmail.com to confirm SDMQG registration.

Website: sdmodernquiltguild.com

Questions? - please email board at sdmqgboard@gmail.com

Classifieds

You heard it here first: we'll have a classifieds section starting in the next newsletter! Email the board with any items you'd like to include here: maybe you've got a sewing machine you want to sell, or that specialty ruler you only used once. Any member of the SDMQG may place an ad here free of charge.

PLEASE NOTE that the Guild will provide the classified ads as a courtesy service only; any and all transactions conducted will be between the buyer and seller ONLY. The Guild bears no responsibility for the content or outcome of any classified ads that appear in the newsletter.