



Seashore Quilters Guild

January 2026 Newsletter

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A Message from the President

Lynne Crisafi

Next Guild Meeting:

January 16, 2026, 10 am

Fiddlers Green. JFTB

11206 Lexington Dr.

Building 19

Los Alamitos, CA

Happy New Year to all! We have 73 of 130 member renewals so far. Do not delay on your renewal, this will ensure your FB access will stay active. I welcome you all back for a fun-filled 2026. We have Workshops, Retreats, Technic Tuesdays, Special Events and more coming in 2026!

Our elected officers for 2026 are: Lynne Crisafi-President, Marilyn Pond-VP Programs, Robin Gallagher-Secretary, and our Treasurer Position will be Co-Chaired by Pat Barton and Teri Meggers. And our appointed Chairpersons are Pam Osorio (Membership), Nancy Needham (Fund-Raising), Bonnie Crawford (Philanthropic), Wendy Healy (Workshop), Sonia Das (Legal Advisor), and Donna Lindley (SCCQG Rep). General Committee leaders are Marie Blash (Parliamentarian), Kathy Peysar (Web Master) and Lynette Ashton (Hospitality). I am looking for volunteers for the following: Virtual Meeting Coordinator, Photographer, Folders/ HOLDERS, Special Events, and Publicity if any of these, interest you, please contact me, I need YOU to make our guild a success!

We have a busy year ahead. 2026 kicks-off with our guild displaying forty quilts in the Atrium at Road to California. Zina Clark is leading this effort and has communicated with any members who will have a quilt on display. Quilt drop offs are January 6 and 10 at 10:00am on the base at Fiddlers Green. Britta Laski is leading the Local Retreat and Julie Layne is leading the Temecula Retreat. All are using our FB page to communicate information about these events.

Our Membership Meeting in January will be a "Happy Birthday" to us...we are 1 year old! Bring your quilt, table runner, pillow etc. that represents the color of your birthstone for the Quilt Parade!

Just a reminder, you will need a REAL ID or if you have a CA Drivers license then you must have one other form of identification to enter the base.

See you at our first meeting of 2026, January 16, 2026. At what time? Yep! 10:00 AM!

When Life gives you scraps, make a quilt!



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Marilyn Pond

Vice President and Founder



SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAMS

Remember **EVERYTHING IS AT 10:00 AM**. For now our agenda is:

January 16, 2026

Birthday Celebration: Remember to bring your finished "Brown Bag" items. A ticket will be given for each item finished. You could win a prize.

We will host a Birthday Brunch Potluck, and will dig into our brunch at the end of our meeting. No desserts please, since the guild will be providing Birthday cake. More details to follow on our Facebook page.

President's Quilt will be given (you all did good)

February 20, 2026

Lyn Brown will be lecturing on Precuts



March 20, 2026

Steve Shuman will be speaking to us about **The History of Sewing Machines**; and he will also be picking up your sewing machine if you are looking to have it serviced or repaired. He will return the machines at a predetermined date and place. More info to follow.





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Lynne Crisafi & Marilyn Pond

Block of the Month



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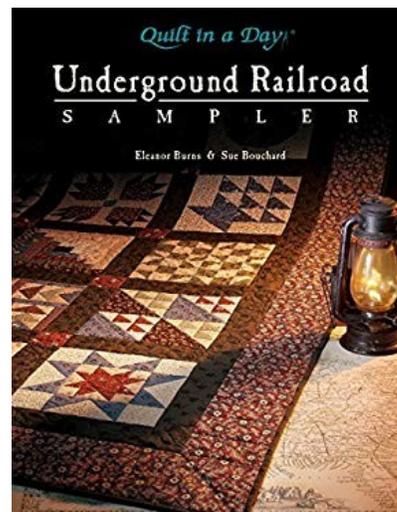
2026 BLOCK(S) OF THE MONTH

We are going to do something different for our Block-of-the-Month this year. We are going to explore The Underground Railroad. We will be using Eleanor Burns' book and will select which block(s) to make monthly. In addition, each month we will be handing out a surprise piece of fabric to include (optional).

The price to play with us will be **\$20.00, which will include the book**. When you sign up, you will receive the book. If you already have the book, we will discuss the entry fee on an individual basis.

We are looking forward to this very interesting piece of history.

Sign-ups will begin at our January meeting



Happy
New Year
2026



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Wendy Healy
Workshops Chairman



Happy New Year Quilters! We're excited to kick off the new year with our first guild workshop of the new year on February 21, 2026, featuring Lyn Brown. Please note that this workshop will start at **11:00 a.m.**, instead of our usual 10:00 a.m. time. This workshop is called, "Name That Quilt." Lyn will provide instructions for creating this beautiful quilt with a jelly roll, and will also have an interactive contest to give the quilt the perfect name. Come ready to share ideas, laugh, and connect with fellow quilters as we celebrate creativity both in fabric and imagination. The supply list will be sent via email a few weeks prior to the workshop, so keep your eyes open.

Note: To help us make the most of this workshop, we kindly ask all participants to arrive on time and be ready to begin promptly at **11:00 a.m.** Starting together allows us to maximize our instruction time with Lyn and ensures everyone benefits fully from the demonstrations, discussion, and activities planned.

Wendy



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Robin Gallagher
Secretary, Social Media and Founder



Social Media—We are up to 112 members that have joined our Facebook page. Thank you to each and every one of you. This is our primary vehicle for keeping the membership informed. Please feel free to share your accomplishments, etc. for us all to see, enjoy and celebrate with you.

Virtual Guild Meeting—Effective with our November guild meeting we have begun using Facebook/Messenger Video to share our meeting virtually. So far, so good. I will send out a notice a few days prior to our meetings via FB requesting that you let me know if you'd like to join virtually. We still desperately need someone to volunteer. If we want to continue to offer the meeting virtually we need someone to assume this position. It really isn't difficult but does require someone that is able to attend most guild meeting and be available to setup and "man" the camera. Our goal is to be available to all our members including those that are out of the area, members on vacation, members not feeling well or for any reason at all so they can join us virtually.

Newsletter—

Reminder newsletter articles are due to me no later than the 4th Wednesday of the month. Most months that gives me very little time. If you have something that you would like included, early is always much appreciated.

See you in the "New Year".





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Lynette Ashton

Hospitality and Charter Member

January we will be celebrating our "One" year anniversary. Instead of our regular snacks, please bring something to share that is more brunch instead of sweets. Birthday cake will be provided by the guild. If possible, please bring appropriate serving utensils for your dish (and don't forget to take them home.

See you in soon!



Marie Blash

Parliamentarian and Charter Member

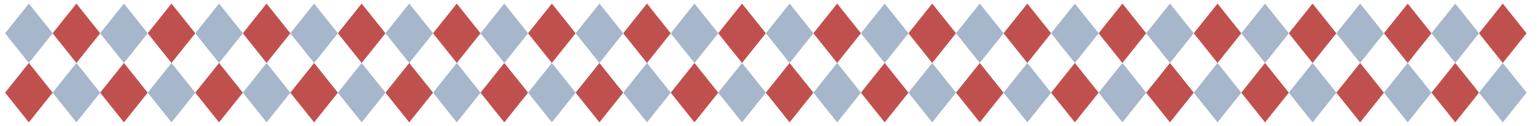


If you have any questions that I can help you with, please feel free to ask.

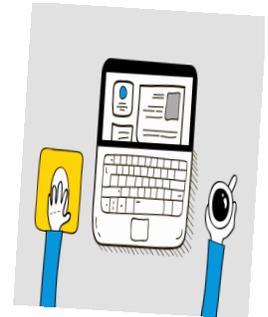


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Kathy Peysar
Webmaster



Hey Y'all

It's been a great year creating and growing the website. 2026 we are exploring ways to add functions that will make communications, notices, events, etc. faster and easier.

Happy Holidays looking forward to a fun 2026.

KP



Donna Lindley
SSQG Representative



FYI..... Seashore Quilters Guild has renewed with the Southern California Quilt Guild. I'm looking forward to 2026.

Donna Lindley, Council Representative

Happy
Birthday



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Pam Osorio
Membership and Charter Member
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Message from the Membership Desk.

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Well, we are off to a good start for 2026!

So far, our 2026 membership stands at 73 members. Please welcome our newest member, Jeanne Teeter, who joined the guild by signing up at our boutique.

Welcome Jeanne!!

REMINDER for those who have not renewed yet: Your renewal form needs to be in by the February 20, 2026 meeting. Forms are ready for you to print from this Newsletter, on our Website, on our FaceBook page and of course, I will have them at my desk at the meetings. Our PO Box is listed on the form if you should need to mail it in. PLEASE take action and don't risk being taken off our email list and our FaceBook page.

We have lots of exciting activities planned for the year ahead and can't wait to share them with you. So as we gather in friendship as fellow quilters, may 2026 be filled with inspiration, learning and fun!!!

Pam Osorio
Membership Chairperson





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SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD 2026 MEMBERSHIP FORM

All members need to complete this form in its entirety.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: _____
(First) (Last)

Street Address: _____ Apt: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Best Call Back Number _____ Cell _____ Home _____
(Check one)

Email: _____

IMPORTANT TO PRINT LEGIBLY. If no email, type NONE

Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Spouse Name: (if applicable) _____

Check One:

_____ RENEWAL for 2026

_____ NEW Adult Member (age 18 and over)

_____ Youth Member (age 10-17)

Adult Sponsor for Youth: _____ Phone: _____

Annual Membership:

* Membership \$45.00 per year

* Youth age 10-17 \$20.00 per year

Please fill out the 2 forms and bring to the meeting or mail (DO NOT MAIL CASH).

Make your check payable to Seashore Quilters Guild.

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P.O. Box 2021

Seal Beach, CA 90740

FYI: The Guild takes photos at the meetings and events to post on Facebook, our Website, and Social Media.

Chairperson's use only:

Date received: _____

New Member Number Assigned: _____

Amount \$45.00 _____ Cash _____ Check _____ Check Number



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Seashore Quilters Guild Participation List

We look forward to the opportunity to make new friends while sharing common interests by participating in guild activities.

We would like to get to know your interests!

Please share with us your interest, passions, curiosities.

Use the check list below and let us know in what capacity you might be able to help. **Please note:** By checking an activity, it does not commit you in anyway.

- Philanthropy Quilts** Quilts made by the members for donation
- Computer Skills** Knowledge of Word, Excel, or other computer programs
- Photographer** Take photos at meetings and events and post for the guild
- Videographer** Bring our meetings to those who are remote (e.g, via ZOOM)
- Community Projects** Philanthropy helpers to work with Chairperson
- Hospitality** Help Chairperson at the meetings
- Mystery/BOM/UFO** Lead or participate
- Door Greeter** Arrive early to meetings and direct drop-off's to proper tables
- Social Media** Facebook and Website
- Fundraising** (Ways and Means)
- Holder and Folders** Help with Show and Tell during the meetings
- Opportunity Quilt** Help in making and taking the quilt

We may have missed an interest you are thinking of, please let us know. We would love to hear your ideas and wants.



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Nancy Needham
Fundraising
Ways and Means



Thanks to all members who took part in our first Boutique sale in December. It was a rousing success thanks to those who made items, worked that day and invited guests to come and shop. You all continue to amaze me with your dedication to our guild. Keep up the good work!

The January fundraising table will have lots and lots of surprises. I know you're coming to help celebrate our guild's first birthday, but since you don't have to bring a birthday present, you can certainly go home with a present or two – from you to you. I will have silent auction items, lots of precuts, some kits and other quilting things you just can't do without. I love putting things together for your shopping pleasure, so please come prepared to browse and buy these bargains.

As always, if you have donations for fundraising, please call me for pick-up or bring your donations to the monthly meeting.

Nancy





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Bonnie Crawford

Philanthropy and Charter Member

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We had a great first year! I'm looking forward to 2026 with new projects. Our Veteran quilts are much needed, we already have nine. I will be sharing another smaller project at our January meeting. Happy New Year everyone!

Here are pictures of our final events in November:

Page 20—Shows pictures from the base tree lighting celebration.

Page 21—Contains picture of pillowcase distribution to some of the youth on the base.

Bonnie





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Road to California Update:

Drop off dates for your accepted quilts will be January 6th, 10th, and 16th at 10am. We will be in the parking lot at Fiddler's Green on 1/6 and 1/10. Our January meeting is 1/16 and we will collect the rest of the quilts then. Make sure to have your 4" hanging sleeve sewn on, along with your contact information on your quilt. Please have your quilt in a bag with your info. We will return your bag with your quilt after the show. We do have some extra large ziploc style bags available for \$3.00 cash if you need to purchase one on the day you turn in your quilt. See you then!





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Four-Day Retreat at Viña de Lestonnac

Seashore Quilters Guild members are invited to sign up for a **four-day, three-night guild quilting retreat** at the beautiful **Viña de Lestonnac Retreat Center in Temecula**. This retreat offers a wonderful opportunity to relax, create, and enjoy uninterrupted sewing time in a peaceful setting—without the distractions of home.

Dates: Monday, March 9 through Thursday, March 12

Check-in: Monday at 10:00 am

Check-out: Thursday at 2:00 pm

The retreat center features a large, well-lit sewing room with space for up to **20 participants**, each with their own table. The space also includes ironing stations, cutting tables, and a small kitchenette with a sink, refrigerator, and ice.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own projects and enjoy dedicated sewing time with friends—no cooking, cleaning, or daily responsibilities to worry about. **All meals and lodging are included** in the cost of the retreat.

Contact me at 562-896-1306 for cost and additional information.

Julie Layne



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GENERAL MEETINGS

Are held the 3rd Friday of every month at **10:00 am**. We are dark during the month of December. Any changes will be announced in the newsletter, website and the memberships private Facebook page.

Meetings are held at:

Fiddlers Green

Joint Forces Training Base

11206 Lexington Dr.

Building 19

Los Alamitos, CA

When? At 10:00 am

Guild Mailing Address:

P. O. Box 2021

Seal Beach, CA 90740



Seashore Quilters Guild Board

The SQG Board meets monthly (in-person or virtually). The meeting starts at 10:00 am. All members are welcome to join the Board Meetings by letting the Secretary know at least 2 days prior to the meeting.

Elected Positions (4)

President	Lynne Crisafi*
Vice President	Marilyn Pond *
Secretary	Robin Gallagher*
Co-Treasurer	Pat Barton
Co-Treasurer	Teri Meggers

*Past President is a voting board member

Appointed Positions (7) (voting privileges)

Philanthropy	Bonnie Crawford
Membership	Pam Osorio
Fundraising/Ways & Means	Nancy Needham
Newsletter/Social Media	Robin Gallagher*
SCCQG Rep.	Donna Lindley
Workshops	Wendy Healy
Legal Adviser	Sonia Das*

General Committees (no voting privilege)

Parliamentarian	Marie Blash
Photographer	Open
Hospitality	Lynette Ashton
Webmaster	KP Peysar
Publicity	Open
Auditor	Open
Special Events	Open
Virtual Meeting Coordinator	Open

* Founding Members



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See you at the January 16, 2025 Meeting!
What time?????? 10:00 a.m.

Happy Birthday!!!

Happy Birthday to our Seashore Quilters Guild Members who begin the year celebrating a birthday —
Wishing you a year full of creativity and joy!

1/1 Carolyn Fallan
1/4 Carolle Schuegraf
1/6 Lenora Dugas
1/7 Marcia Scharfen
1/11 Irene Hopkins
1/12 Teri Meggers
1/16 Jana Charpentier
1/16 Donna Lindley
1/29 Betty Elliot
1/29 Janice Ely
1/30 Susan Fisher



- Anna Carlson can use some positive thoughts. She recently underwent knee surgery. Although a bit painful, she is working with PT to fully recover.
- Wendy Healy is assisting her sister who is very ill and could use our thoughts and prayers.
- Nancy Needham is scheduled for surgery toward the end of January. Please pray for a positive outcome.
- Christi Kolisnyk is scheduled for back surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

*We would love to hear good and not-so-good news. Please let the newsletter editor know.



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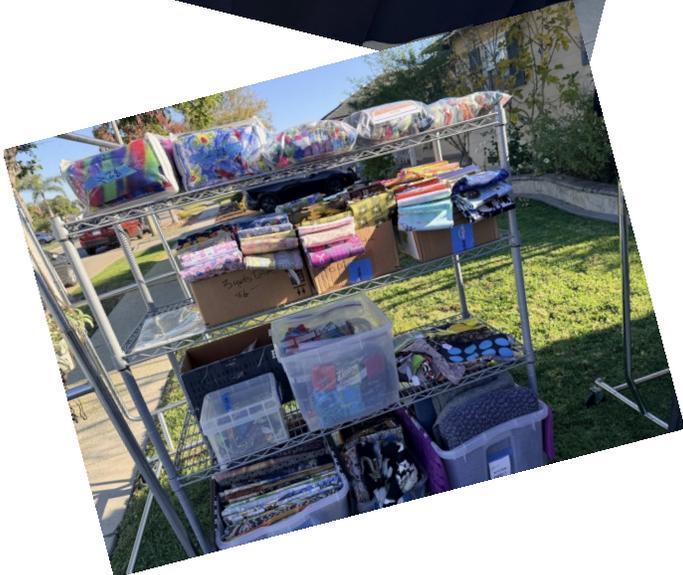
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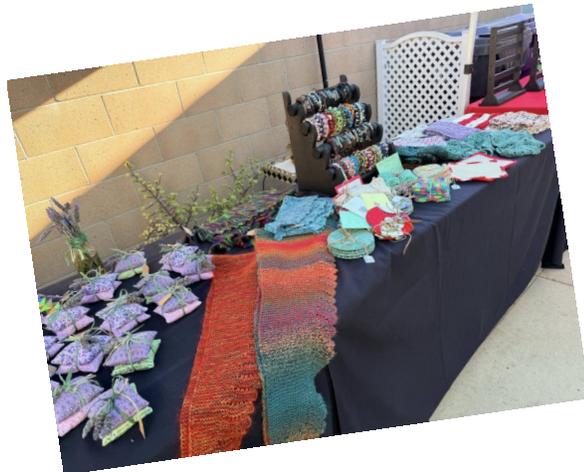


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