

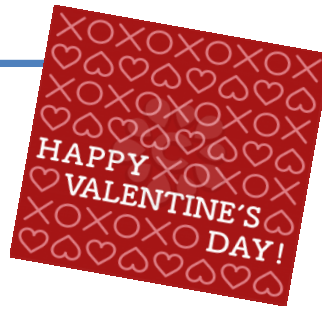


Seashore Quilters Guild

February 2026 Newsletter

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A Message from the President

Lynne Crisafi

Next Guild Meeting:

February 20, 2026, 10 am

Fiddlers Green. JFTB

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What a celebration for our one-year anniversary/birthday. We have 97 members and remember to renew by the end of our February Guild Meeting to ensure your FB access stays active.

What did you think of our quilts when you walked into the Ontario Convention Center!!! Wow! They were quite impressive. Thank you to Zina Clark for coordinating it all and thank you to our fabulous volunteers, they did a great job! For those of you that may not have gone to Road, I thought we would ask the 40 quilters that had their quilts on display at Road to bring them for our February Guild Meeting and have them be the Quilt Parade, so everyone gets to see them up close and personal.

And can you believe the response to our BOM this year! The Underground RR has 15 blocks so in some months there are two blocks due. First two, due in February, are the Log Cabin and the Underground Railroad Block (Jacob's Ladder). 50 members have joined already and there is still time to sign up. We are working on a Special Reveal at the end.

February we will have a Guest Speaker and Workshop the following day.

There is still time to sign-up for our retreats this year. Julie Layne is leading the March Temecula Retreat and Britta Laski is leading the April Local Retreat. All are using our FB page to communicate information about these events.

I am looking for volunteers for the following: Virtual Meeting Coordinator, Photographer, Special Events, Opportunity Quilt and Publicity. If any of these, interest you, please contact me, I need YOU to make our guild a success!

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 membership meeting, February 20, 2026. At what time? Yep! 10:00 AM!

When Life gives you scraps, make a quilt!

Lynne

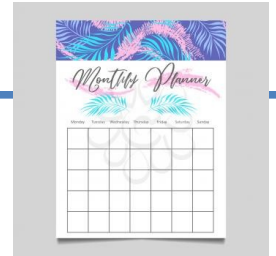


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Marilyn Pond



SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAMS

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.



April 17, 2026

We will have a select group of professional quilters who will show there talent with us. Many of us like to "Quilt by Check".

May 15, 2026

Our very own talented Ann Leibovitz, will delight us with a trunk show.





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SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAMS (Continued)

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

June 19, 2026 Alicia Campbell (AKA The Batty Lady} will give a trunk show and have a small booth with items to sell.



July 17, 2026 Demos (TBD)

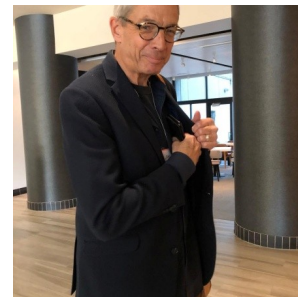
August 21, 2026 Panal Ideas, our very own member, KP



Sept 18, 2026 Andy Law (Joint Forces Training Base) Update

Oct 16, 2026 Joe Cunningham
(www.joecunninghamquilts.com)

Trunk Show



Nov 20, 2026 TBD

December DARK



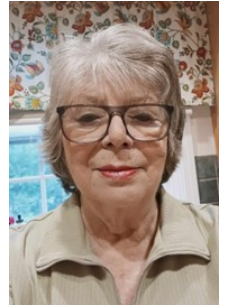
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Lynne Crisafi & Marilyn Pond

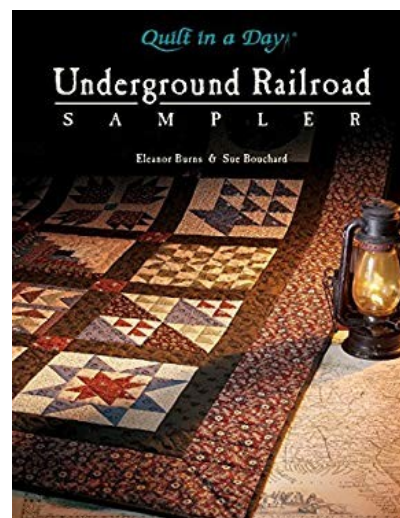
Block of the Month



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2026 BLOCK(S) OF THE MONTH

Underground RR BOM: A little bit of history and a little bit of folklore. There is, however, enough evidence to know that safe passage messages were used in quilts. What a great response we had to our BOM, 50 members out of 97! Our first two blocks are due at our February meeting. They are the Log Cabin Block and the Underground Railroad/Jacob's Ladder Block. We will be using Quilt in a Day's Underground Railroad Sampler book as a reference. We have a few differences, so be careful not to get too far ahead. Remember to bring your finished blocks to the meeting. For every block you finish you will get a ticket for prizes at the final reveal.



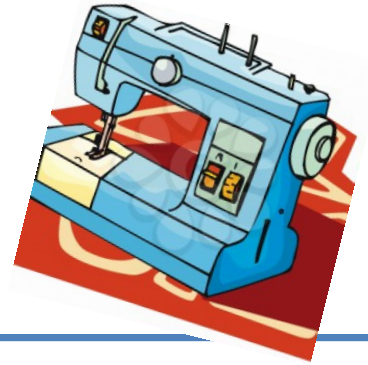


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Wendy Healy
Workshops Chairman



A quick reminder about our upcoming workshop on February 21. This is our “YOU NAME IT QUILT” taught by Lyn Brown. **PLEASE NOTE:** The workshop will begin at **11:00 a.m.** (this is not our usual 10:00 a.m. start time). We appreciate everyone being mindful of the later start so we can begin promptly and make the most of our instruction time. This workshop promises to be a fun and engaging way to kick off our workshop season. We do have a waitlist, but don’t let that discourage you from signing up as I get cancellations frequently.



Looking ahead, we also have another amazing workshop scheduled for May 16 at 10:00 a.m. “AMAZING CIRCLES” will be taught by Ann Lebovitz and the cost is \$45.00. We still have spots available, and we’d love to have you join us! If you’re interested in signing up or would like more information, please feel free to email me at healyx5@me.com or text me at 951-712-8613.



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Robin Gallagher
Secretary, Social Media and Founder



Social Media—We are up to 115 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. Near the end of February we will update our FB membership to reflect current paid members only. If you haven't already, please renew your membership before then.

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.

Quilty Hugs!!!!





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Lynette Ashton

Hospitality and Charter Member

Happy New Year everyone! Now that we started 2026 off with a wonderful Potluck celebrating our one year Anniversary, it's time to get back to a normal routine for hospitality. Last names starting with the letters H,I,J,K are responsible for snacks. As always you are welcome to bring whether it is your turn or not. Because we are still a small guild some months we have maybe only a small amount of people bringing which means the table is quite sparse.

Thank you to everyone who contributes.



Marie Blash

Parliamentarian and Charter Member



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

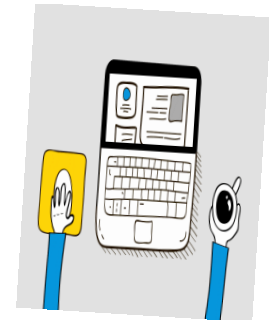


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Kathy Peysar
Webmaster



Hey Y'all

We continue creating and growing the website. 2026 we are exploring ways to add functions that will make communications, notices, events, etc. faster and easier.

Be sure to check out our new (and continuing) advertisers in the Newsletter as well as on the Website.

See you at guild.

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



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Pam Osorio
Membership and Charter Member



Message from the Membership Desk

January kicked off with a busy and fun quilt guild meeting, packed with creativity, sharing, great fellowship and A WONDERFUL POTLUCK LUNCH.

Our membership for 2026 now stands at 97 members. Please help me welcome our five newest, Linda Corum, Michelle Francis, Teri Sanchez, Diane Searer and Nanette Sweeting. Welcome to all of you and we look forward to seeing you back in February.

Final Reminder: All RENEWALS are due by our February meeting, 2/20/26. Those that have not renewed by that date will be taken off FaceBook and the E-mail list. Forms can be found on our website, Face-book page and of course at the membership desk.

Thanks to all,

Pam Osorio





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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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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



What a busy and fun meeting we all shared in January. Even with all the long lines for various sign-ups and all the myriad things that were going on, you still managed to stop by our table and purchase the fundraising items we displayed and you purchased all our silent auction items! I am so grateful for the ongoing support shown by so many of you lovely ladies.

We will again have lots of fun items in February and now that we have our raffle license we will be trying out a raffle basket in the very near future. In addition we will be offering a few left over boutique items.

As always, I am anxious to receive any items you may want to donate to our fundraising table. As you clean or rearrange your sewing room you may have some yardage, pre-cuts, fat quarters, rulers and tools that you just know you're not going to use. One woman's trash is this fundraising woman's treasures! Please bring them to guild or I will be happy to pick up.

Happy Valentine's Day to all.

Nancy Needham





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Bonnie Crawford

Philanthropy and Charter Member



Wow! Our one-year anniversary meeting was spectacular! So many opportunities and excitement. If you turned in or took out philanthropy items I apologize if we rushed you. I am always thankful for the work that our members do on behalf of philanthropy. Going forward we will have a table for philanthropy that includes a sign in/out for quilts being donated as well as those being checked out for finishing. This will help us keep track of our quilts, not only those finished but in progress. At this table you may have batting cut for your philanthropy quilts. The guild pays for this for philanthropy.

Next... as you know we are very committed as a guild to give back to those who serve on this base. This year we will give toiletry bags to each of those who come to the Thanksgiving dinner as well as the scholars who are in the special group on base. This means we need about 200. If each person makes two and a few extra, we will have our goal. The bag will need to be finished size approximately 9 inches wide (toothbrush width) and approximately 6 inches tall. It needs a 3-inch flat bottom. It can close with a zipper or Velcro. Fabric most desired last year was sports or "fun" fabrics for both men and women. We are looking for a sample pattern to put into our files. You may use any pattern that you like but please try to stay with these dimensions. We anticipate that there will be opportunities to assist again at the dinner as well as the Holiday event on base. More on that later.

Quilts of Valor blocks are another easy participation opportunity. The pattern isyes, in our files on the website! It is super quick, fun to make. These blocks may be turned in at any meeting with a goal of the May meeting to wrap up the project. They will be sent to a small group in Corona who make the quilts. They are authorized by Quilts of Valor to award and facilitate quilts for those in need. They ask that we use quality fabric in red, white and blue.

Lastly... we continue to make full-size wheelchair quilts for veterans as our large project. Wheelchair size is 36 X 42, smaller so that it doesn't catch in the wheels. Larger size is recliner or bed size. We currently have about 12 of the larger ready to gift.

Important! March 4th will be our first 2026 Philanthropy sew-in. It will be at Be Sew Busy beginning at 10:00 of course! Come and sew on your philanthropy projects. If you need help making a toiletry bag, we are happy to help. If you want to make a Quilt of Valor block there will be some limited fabric available. Betty has really nice sewing tables, you just need to bring your machine, personal sewing tools and your project. Come and enjoy sewing together and giving back to our community.

As always please contact me if you have questions. Bonnie: 714-791-5909 or nonnabonnie1950@gmail.com





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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





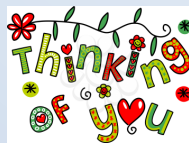
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See you at the February 20, 2026 Meeting!
What time?????? 10:00 a.m.

**Happy Birthday to our quilters.
Wishing you a year full of fabric, friendship and fun!!**

2/1 Barbar Riley
2/2 Tami Sendejas
2/2 Janet Anderson
2/5 Katherine Christensen
2/6 Valerie Starr
2/17 Nancy Needham
2/19 Robin Faxas
2/19 Vivs Laliberte
2/20 Jeanne Teeter
2/25 Michele Bixler



- Wendy Healy's sister recently passed away. Wendy was blessed to provide hospice care and be with her and her family at the time of her passing.
- Nancy Needham had surgery the end of January. Please pray for a positive outcome.
- Christi Kolisnyk had 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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The guild was well represented at the 2026 *Road To California* Quilt Show. 40 of our quilts hang from the ceiling for all to see as they arrived at the quilt show. There are far too many to many to print in the Newsletter, **but** I would encourage you to visit our Facebook page so that you can see them all. I big thank you to Teri Meggers fir tht bulk of the photographs.

