



Seashore Quilters Guild

March 2026 Newsletter

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A Message from the President

Lynne Crisafi

Next Guild Meeting:

March 20, 2026, 10 am

Fiddlers Green. JFTB

11206 Lexington Dr.

Building 19

Los Alamitos, CA

February was a sweetheart of a meeting. Our guest Speaker, Lyn Brown, was fabulous and the quilt she designed for us was stunning. Some of our members got to help name the quilt, those that took her workshop on Saturday. I understand, they named it "Around the Block".

And then, we got our very own quilt parade of the 40 Quilts that were on display in the Atrium at this year's Road to California. We have some of the most talented members!

Our BOM, the Underground RR has 15 blocks and the first two were the Log Cabin and the Underground Railroad Block (Jacob's Ladder). Next month's is Monkey Wrench and Wagon Wheel. The March Membership Meeting will be the last opportunity to join our BOM.

Our March Temecula Retreat is March 9-12. Britta Laski is leading the April Local Retreat, which has a waitlist. If interested in the Local Retreat, let Britta know and she will put you on the waitlist.

We have over 100 members so I should be able to find 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!

The first Technic Tuesday is March 24 at 10 at the base and the technic is Paper Piecing and will be led by our very own Julie Layne. A waitlist for that class is forming.

The local quilt store, Twin Essential Shop, in Cypress, will offer a Welcome Discount of 15% for our members only on March 20, which happens to be our next membership meeting. They will open at noon to 3:00pm and to get your welcome discount you must show your Seashore Quilters Guild Name Tag or Membership card.

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, March 20, 2026. At what time? Yep! 10:00 AM!

When Life gives you scraps, make a quilt!

Lynne

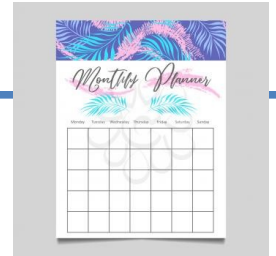


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Marilyn Pond



SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAM

Remember **EVERYTHING IS AT 10:00 AM.**

For now our agenda is:

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 share their 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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Marilyn Pond



SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAMS

(continued)

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

Panel Ideas, our very own member, KP





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Marilyn Pond



SEASHORE QUILTERS GUILD PROGRAMS (continued)

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

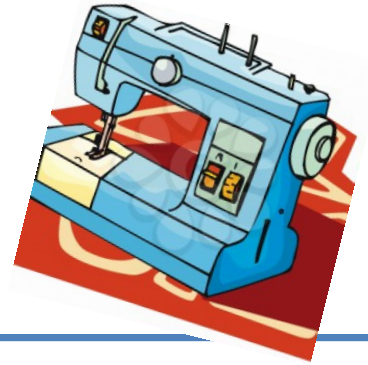


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Wendy Healy
Workshops Chairman



On February 21, we had a full house for our workshop taught by Lyn Brown! The room was packed with great tips and tricks, wonderful company, and plenty of laughs.

We're excited to share that the official name of the quilt has been chosen:

"The 'Round the Block Quilt."

Thank you to everyone who attended and made it such a fun and successful day!

May Workshop – Amazing Circles

May 16 at 10:00 AM

Get ready to think outside the block! Our very own guild member Ann Leibovitz will be teaching Amazing Circles, a fun and creative workshop focused on bold color, dynamic design, and piecing techniques that make a statement. If you've ever wanted to play with color in a fresh way and create striking circular movement in your quilt, this workshop is for you!

Spots are still available, so be sure to reserve yours soon.

To sign up, email healyx5@me.com or call/text 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. Unfortunately we will be updating the FB members to reflect current guild members only. Our Facebook page is “private” therefore available to paid members only. 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—We are currently 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 us. 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

Thank you to everyone who brought something for our refreshment table at our Meeting on Friday.

Last names starting with the letters: L, M, N, O will be responsible for our refreshments for our March Meeting.

It is St. Patrick's month so maybe center our refreshments around the color green for fun!

As always, you are welcome to bring something even if it isn't your turn to do so.



Marie Blash

Parliamentarian and Charter Member



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

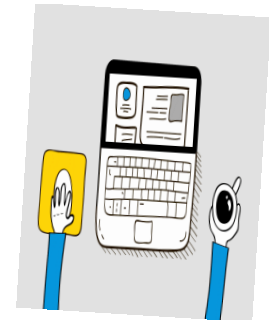


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Kathy Peysar
Webmaster



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



Nothing new to report, but stay tuned.

Donna Lindley, Council Representative



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Pam Osorio

Membership and Charter Member



Message from the Membership Desk

Thank you all so very much for getting your 2026 Renewal Forms in by the February deadline, it has made everything so much easier for me. Our membership now stands 108 members. Of the 108 members, we had 88 at our February meeting, it was a busy room for sure.

Please help me welcome our newest members, Ellen Roman, Angela Faucett, Bonnie Landsbery and Marcella Campbell. Ladies, please feel free to jump in, ask questions, and make yourself at home!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the March meeting,

Pamela Osorio
Membership Chairperson





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Nancy Needham Fundraising Ways and Means



It was wonderful to be able to attend the February meeting and be a part of all the related activities. I wasn't sure I would be able to be there after back surgery and I am most grateful that it was possible. Thank you to my teammate, Arlene Millett, for all the assistance and cheerleading. I couldn't have done it without her!

We tried a small raffle basket at the fundraising table to see the response and it was – no surprise – overwhelmingly supported by our membership. You are all amazing. Due to the support, we will be offering some larger baskets full of surprises!

There are great bargains available at our table, from the silent auction items to the grab and go sale items. These are brought to you through the generous donations provided by so many of our members. Please don't forget the fundraising table when you reorganize your sewing room or you just do a bit of spring cleaning. I am available to make door to door pickups. Precuts, fat quarters, tools, yardage and kits are all needed and appreciated.

Our March table will welcome Spring in all its glory, so stop by, view and buy, that which you cannot quilt without!!

Nancy Needham





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Bonnie Crawford

Philanthropy and Charter Member



We have had a great start to 2026. Our members are so generous. In February we donated to Strong Families Veteran Service 21 of our beautiful quilts. To the Long Beach VA we donated 30 quilts and 30 walker bags. To the Life Center, 4 quilts, 5 burp cloths and 2 baby flannel blankets, as well as some knit beanies.

Our toiletry bag project for our on base service people is off to a good start. We have 10 out of 200 already turned in and hope to add to that at the Sew In. When you bring them to the meeting, put your name on a drawing ticket and at each meeting a ticket will be pulled for a gift.

We also have 14 Quilts of Valor blocks turned in.

We will continue to use a Philanthropy table at our meetings for turning in, picking up labels or just asking questions.

We hope to see you at Be Sew Busy on Wednesday the 4th of March to join us in sewing for Philanthropy. Bring a current philanthropy project you are working on or come and sew a toiletry bag or a Quilt of Valor block with the fabric we bring.

Wow it's March already!

Bonnie Crawford





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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

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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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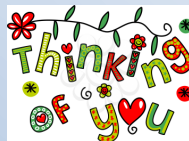


See you at the March 20, 2026 Meeting!

What time?????? 10:00 a.m.

Happy Birthday to our March stitchers! May your bobbin always be full, your seams straight, and your cake as sweet as your latest quilt.

Loretta Barber	March, 7
Michelle Francis	March 11
Cathy Van Bruggen	March 12
Karen Binkley	March 13
Sonia Das	March 13
Shari Gray	March 14
Ellen Roman	March 14
Bonnie Crawford	March 27
Pat Morrison	March 27
Marilyn Leatherwood	March 29
Cindy Haaland	March 30
Diane Searer	March 30



- We have several people on the mend and could use your positive thoughts: Nancy Needham, Christi Kolisnyk and Julie Lane, to just name a few.
- Please let the newsletter editor know if someone should be include.



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2026 Calendar - Workshops / Programs / Events / and More!

Facebook	We use a private Facebook Group to share all information. Friendly reminder – please no posting of advertising or like items.
Virtual Guild Meetings Robin Gallagher	Are you unable to attend Friday's guild meeting in person? We offer the meeting virtually utilizing Facebook Messenger Video, FB messenger or send me a text at 562/500-3050.
2026 Block of the Month Underground Railroad	Using Eleanor Burns' book we will be making block(s) monthly and a surprise piece of fabric to include (optional). \$20.00 to play includes the book. \$10.00 to play if you already have the book. We are looking forward to this very interesting piece of history.
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday January 16, 2026	1 year Birthday Celebration
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday February 20, 2026	Lyn Brown – Precuts
Workshops – 11:00 AM Saturday February 21, 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Workshops in guild meeting room on base. ☐ Workshops and supply lists will be emailed prior to the workshop. 	NOTE START TIME IS 11:00 AM Lyn Brown – Precuts "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.
Philanthropy Sew Day Wednesday March 4, 2026 10am – 2pm	Philanthropy Projects Sew Day Come spend the day sewing/working on your philanthropy projects. Bee Sew Busy Shop – 4446 Cerritos Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 Bring your own machine, supplies, etc. Tables are provided.
Quilting Retreat - Temecula Monday March 9 – Thursday 12 Viña de Lestonnac Retreat Center	This retreat offers a wonderful opportunity to relax, create, and enjoy uninterrupted sewing time in a peaceful setting—without the distractions of home. Check-in: Monday at 10:00 am Check-out: Thursday at 2:00 pm
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday March 20, 2026	Steve Shuman – The History of Sewing Machines Machine Service and Repair – Pickup
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday April 17, 2026	Meet the Guild Longarmers Q&A Session
Local Quilting Retreat – Los Alamitos	24 spaces



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Tuesday April 28th – May 1st, 2026	Cost \$225 per person \$100.00 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit to hold you spot Balance due at March meeting.
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday May 15, 2026	Ann Liebovitz – All about Scrappy Our very own talented Ann Leibovitz, will delight us with a trunk show. Philanthropy – Please bring finished Squares for Quilts of Valor.
Workshop – 10:00 AM Saturday May 16, 2026	Ann Liebovitz – All about Scrappy
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday June 19, 2026	Alicia Campbell – The Batty Lady - Information and Marketplace
Philanthropy Sew Day Wednesday July 1, 2026 10am – 2pm	Philanthropy Projects Sew Day Come spend the day sewing/working on your philanthropy projects. Bee Sew Busy Shop – 4446 Cerritos Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 Bring your own machine, supplies, etc. Tables are provided.
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday July 17, 2026	Demos (Details coming) Philanthropy – Please bring finished Vet Wheelchair Quilts.
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday August 21, 2026	Kathy "KP" Peysar - Border Ideas Philanthropy – Please bring finished Toiletry Bags.
Workshop – 10:00 AM Saturday August 22, 2026 10:00 AM	Kathy "KP" Peysar - Border Ideas
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday September 18, 2026	Andy Law (Joint Forces Training Base) Update
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday October 16, 2026	Joe Cunningham - Trunk Show www.foecunninghamquilts.com
Workshop – 10:00 AM Saturday October 17, 2026	Joe Cunningham
Meeting – 10:00 AM Friday November 20, 2026	Info coming soon!
Meeting – Dark December	No Meeting Happy Holidays to all!
Meeting – January 21, 202	2 nd Birthday Seashore Quilters Guild



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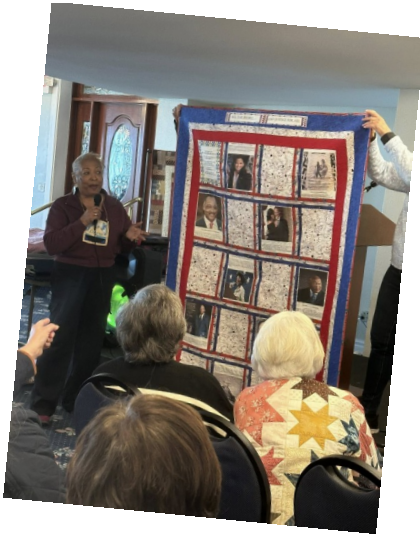
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