

Minutes, Tuesday, October 11, 2011 – 10 AM
Surfside Quilters Guild, General Meeting #30

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Call to Order: President Joann Bishop welcomed speaker Leora Raikin, guests, and new members. Reminders were made about check-in, cell phones, parking in the north lot only. Pat McNeil and Jo Hutcheson provided piano music. Those with October birthdays were thanked for bringing treats and reminded to fill out names for drawing. Further reservations were requested for Carbonara's lunch.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Opportunity Quilt October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Opportunity Quilt was made by member Monica Shafer to benefit the Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure. Entitled "Phoenix Rising," it depicts an angel rising from the flames. Funds raised will enable a friend to walk in the San Diego event next month. The drawing is in November. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.00

Directory Changes: Please let us know in writing of your address, email, or phone changes, so we may stay in touch with you. Members are listed alphabetically, by city, and by birthday. Please see Membership Chair Helene Moser at the break, if you can pick up and deliver a new Directory to a friend. See the Directory for a list of board members and future speakers.

Photos: Del Thomas will be available to take your photo in the Fireside Room at the break if you'd like an updated photo for our website, or if you have never had your photo taken.

NOVEMBER FEST:

Sharon Whelan, Ways & Means Chair, announced our Fest is one month away, on Tuesday, November 8 at our general meeting. It is our primary means of raising funds to operate, pay rent, contract speakers, offer workshops, and support philanthropy. Sharon thanked all who brought donations for the Raffle Baskets, contacted shops and businesses for items for the Fest, Friendship groups, and members who have donated quilts and baskets. Today was the deadline for the collection. The wrap house activity begins on Thursday, October 13 from 10 AM to noon. This time will be used to organize contributions and assemble baskets.

Suzanne Butsko will be at the Ways and Means table today, if you would like to sign up for a 45 minute shift to sell raffle tickets the day of the Fest.

The doors will open at 9:30 AM and the Fest will last until 1:30 PM. Guests are welcome to attend. The guest fee is \$5.00 unless they have a bookmark which allows them free entry for one meeting. Tickets for the opportunity baskets will be \$1.00/chance and six for \$5.00.

The event will be very social, with live piano music, a delicious brunch, opportunity baskets, and quilts to bid on in our live auction. Lyn Mann will be our auctioneer.

Auction Chair, Nancy Ota, announced 16 beautiful quilts will be auctioned and are on display around the room today. There is a link on our website for all the auction quilts and for many of the baskets. This link is on our **ACTIVITY PHOTOS 2011** page. It will also be on our front page. Please share this link with friends and family and get them involved bidding.

The quilts will be displayed for the public at three venues.

*The San Clemente Library from October 23 to Halloween.

*Holiday Fiesta, which is the San Clemente Craft Show at San Clemente Community Center, Saturday, October 22 from 10 am to 3:30 pm.

*The San Clemente Village Art Fair, Sunday, November 6 from 9 am to 3 pm

We need help manning the booth at both shows. Please see Kathie Bellamy at the volunteer table. We have two-hour shifts. Both events will be fun to attend.

Brunch: LeAnn Goettel, Fest Hospitality Chair, announced the lunch menu for November Fest is a variety of Fall breads, salad with caramelized pears, puff pastries stuffed with gorgonzola cheese and caramelized onions, with apple cake for dessert. She sent sign up sheets around for members to volunteer to prepare the dishes. Reminders, including recipes, will be sent to those volunteering. Volunteers who bring food will receive two \$1.00 chances for the raffle baskets.

WOUNDED WARRIOR QUILTS

Susie Russell, Chair, reported 49 quilts have been mailed to Afghanistan's field hospitals, along with plenty of much appreciated Twizzlers, Oreo cookies, Pringles chips, and Life Saver gummies. These mailings were done through Five Star Foundation Family with packing help from the Girl Scouts. Several patriotic quilts were displayed. Kathie Bellamy was thanked for the patriotic pincushions she made and donated to the committee. Susie thanked those on her committee who ironed the abundant donation of backings. She also read two emails sent from hospital staff receiving the shipments and describing the hospital.

Be sure to sign up at the Wounded Warrior table if you'd like to be on her email list for special needs that arise during the month.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Block of the Month. Phyllis Parente and Bev Ringel showed the October pumpkin house for the calendar house quilt. Former months and next month's blocks were shown at the back of the room and fabric was offered for use. The blocks can be embellished many ways.

Monthly Mini. Hiroko Moriwaki displayed the Halloween table runner made with strip pieced fabrics by Janet Shannon, with a pumpkin motif on the back. Ticket sales support Guild expenses and are \$1 each and six for \$5.00, which can be purchased as the break.

Philanthropy. Barbara Ann Christensen reported the Stashbusters philanthropy group is working on fun holiday stockings for Kids Konnected at their October 20 meeting, to be held at Mary Freedman's home from 9:30 AM to 2 PM. The group is also busy making receiving blankets, bibs, and burp cloths for the Marine Wives' Baby Shower to be held on October 29. Ronie Trehy was recognized for the quilting of many of these blankets. Stashbusters is open to all members.

Welcome, Sunshine & Shadows. President Joann made a "shadow" announcement of the death of member Mariann Thurman on Friday, October 9, 2011 from ovarian cancer after a long battle with this disease. She was a member of the Designing Women friendship group. Cards can be sent to her home. The Guild will make a contribution to the Pasadena Boy's Choir in Mariann's name.

Joann congratulated both Past President Nancy Ota and Program Chair Jan Hirth who had their quilts accepted at the Pacific International Quilt Festival on October 13-16 in Santa Clara, CA. The deadline for applications has been extended for Road to California Show in Ontario coming in January. Be sure to let SQG know if you are showing a quilt. Members were encouraged to let us know of a member needing a card for illness, surgery, or special event.

You've Been Tagged: Linda Rigdon drew winner Marilyn Johnson's name for wearing a name tag to the meeting. The prize is four fat quarters.

Workshops. Judy Dunlap announced the Leora Raikin workshop on Wednesday, October 12 has openings for the stitchery class. The fee is \$30 and kits are \$28. Future workshops:

November 9, 2011 Hoffman Tour meeting at 9:30 AM

December 14, 2011 No workshop due to holiday

January 11, 2012 Jill Schumaucher – Heirloom Feathers, Free Motion Quilting

January 12, 2012 Jill Schumaucher – Whole cloth Machine Quilting

1st VP, Programs. Jan Hirth introduced our speaker and new member, Leora Raikin, and her topic "Safari Through African Folklore Embroidery." After the presentation, future programs were announced:

November 8, 2011 – November Fest

December 13, 2011 – Julia Zgliniec – Appraisal: What It Is and What It Isn't

January 10, 2012 – Jill Schumacher – Heirloom Quilts of Tomorrow

February 14, 2012 – Karen Brow – Feature a Creature

BREAK: Time for hospitality, Monthly Mini tickets, Workshop and Quilt Display booth sign ups, Philanthropy Kits, Opportunity Quilt tickets, and photos with Del Thomas.

Monthly Mini Drawing: Hiroko pulled the winning ticket for guest, Patricia Coppel.

Membership Report: Member Attendance: 102 Guests: 7 New Members: 1
Total Attendance Today: 110 Total Membership: 223

Hospitality Drawing: Flowers won by Cecile Rogers.

Show & Tell: Jeanne Tavasci, Sharon Pembrook. Fourteen members shared projects and quilts, and a few were donated to the November Fest Auction or Raffle, with great thanks.

Adjournment was at 11:55 AM.

Submitted by
Sheri Hill, Secretary

