

Minutes, Tuesday, February 14, 2012 - 10:00 AM

Surfside Quilters Guild, General Meeting #34

San Clemente Presbyterian Church, 119 N. Ave De La Estrella, San Clemente, CA 92672

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CALL TO ORDER: President Joann Bishop welcomed and wished our Speaker Karen Brow, members and guests a Happy Valentine Day. She also wished a happy birthday to those celebrating a birthday this month including George and Abraham. Those celebrating a birthday were thanked for bringing hospitality treats. In the spirit of friendship and a way to get acquainted with others, everyone was asked to introduce herself to ONE new person and learn their name during the break. One additional reservation was taken for today's lunch at Carbonara's. New members were reminded to have their photo taken in the Fireside Room at the break by Del Thomas. **Congratulations to Del Thomas** were given for her display at VISIONS ART MUSUEM in Point Loma area of San Diego. Visions is currently featuring 40 of Del's 12X12 art quilts until April 25 in the Del Thomas Room.

As a Valentine Surprise, Joann introduced a Barber Shop Quartet from South County Sound men's choral group to serenade us with some Valentine favorites, recommended by Jeanne Tavasci.

SUNSHINE/SHADOWS: Welcome back to Betty Collins after neck surgery. A card has been sent to Jo Hutcheson returning from the hospital after a short illness. Cards may be sent to Fern Luhnnow who is very ill.

UFO CLUB will have its first meeting on Friday, February 24 at the Dana Point Library from 10 am to 11:30 am. This is a great way to meet fellow quilters, finish quilt projects, and win prizes. Linda Rigdon was available at the Friendship Group table for sign ups at the break.

OPPORTUNITY QUILT represents the work of three guilds in the Palm Springs area and was brought to us by **Bonnie Millage and Mary Lawson** from the Pass Patchers Guild in Beaumont. Beautifully appliquéd and machine quilted, this quilt will be raffled on Saturday, March 3 at their quilt show at the Palm Springs Pavilion. Tickets were available at \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00.

PARLIAMENTARIAN, Nancy Bloyer reported that the Nominating Committee to select the new Executive Board has filled all the positions except for the 3rd VP, Facilities. An assistant to help with Carbonara lunch can be appointed. Also, SC Presbyterian Church has found storage space for the guild's quilt stands. Monica Shafer volunteered to be 3rd VP, Facilities.

Block of the Month for February with Phyllis Parente, Sue Troise, and Bev Ringel features a Lincoln Log. This block can be appliquéd, fused, or pieced and embellished with a cherry tree, top hat, or candle on the windowsill. Patterns are available at their table or in our February Newsletter. There are only three months left to complete the house blocks. President Joann displayed a quilted calendar book as a finished option. In May we'll be sewing the last block and setting for the completed quilt top to bring to the June meeting. At that time there will be a \$100 drawing for one lucky quilter who finished the blocks and quilt top.

Monthly Mini, Monica Shafer and Hiroko Moriwaki - This month's Mini was a 16X16 inch modern pinwheel quilt using bright-eye catching prints, hand quilted, and donated by Parliamentarian Nancy Bloyer. Raffle tickets were \$1 each and six for \$5.00.

Workshops, Barbara Seidel.

Wednesday, February 15, 2012 - 10 am to 4 PM "Go Fetch" with Karen Brow - Kits are available for \$3 and five spaces remain. Be sure to arrive early to set up your supplies. Location: Faith Lutheran Church in Capistrano Beach.

Hoffman Tour, February 16 - meet at 9:30 am at Hoffman Fabrics. There are still two spaces remaining.

Wednesday, March 14, 2012 - "Filament Fantasy" with Linda Schmidt is from 10 am to 4 pm at the Faith Lutheran Church. This is a technique class where you will learn a lot about thread and stitching techniques, what needles and threads work in your machine, use two threads through one needle, do bobbin work, couching, and machine embroidery on Solvy, machine beading, cut work, and beaded binding. This is a hands-on sewing class that will teach you many ways to enhance your quilts and garments. The class fee is \$35. Sign ups taken today.

Wednesday, April 11, 2012 - "Quick & Easy Painting Techniques" is with renowned quilter and teacher Velda Newman who will instruct students on techniques for creating special effects on fabric. We will learn how to add color with acrylic paint, and give illusion of shape, shadow and form to a flat surface. Class fee is \$35, with a \$15.00 lab fee. Sign ups start today.

May 10, 11, 2012 - Return visit by Jill Schumacher teaching a two day whole cloth wall hanging class. Day 1 is machine quilting with Jill's stencils; Day 2 is machine trapunto work. Class fee is \$70.00 and sign ups begin today. Checks are required at time of sign up.

President's Quilt, Sharon Whelan announced today that 70 blocks have been turned in and the deadline for the house blocks for Joann's President's Quilt has been extended to Friday, February 24. Blocks can be mailed to Sharon or dropped off at the UFO meeting. Get hold of Sharon if you have a block ready. Signups for trimming and sewing the blocks together are at the table. Quilting Bee's sign ups are also there.

Philanthropy's Stashbusters and Mary Gorelick thanked all members who attended the workshop in January. They sewed strips and nine patches together to make quilts that benefit Gilchrist House for families in need. Samples of these quilts are displayed at the workshop table. This month 90 kits have been made to make a Monkey Bar quilt using Hawaiian and surfboard fabric. Please take a kit home to sew and return at the March guild meeting. A pattern for a soft heart pattern to comfort women recovering from breast surgery is also at the workshop table. Your time and effort sewing these projects is greatly appreciated. The next Stashbuster workshop is Thursday, February 23, 2012 at Mary Freedman's sewing studio in San Clemente. Bring an ingredient for the Friendship salad.

Wounded Warrior Quilts - Susie Russell was ill, so Joann thanked everyone who made blocks or quilt tops, and Mary Freedman reported that with the 10 quilts to be mailed we have met Susie Russell's goal of 100 quilts this year. The next sewing session is Thursday, February 16 at Mary Freedman's home at 10 am. She asked members to sew eight inch finished half square triangles using white/or cream coupled with red or blue print.

1ST VP PROGRAMS, Jan Hirth, introduced our speaker and workshop teacher, Karen Brow, quilter and pattern designer from Java House Quilts. Thanks were given to Vickie Janis, Lenora Wills, Carole Bassett, Odette Osantowski, Jan Hirth, and Beverly Ringel for assisting Karen's display of quilts.

15 MINUTE BREAK - A reminder to meet one member you do not know, buy tickets for Monthly Mini and the Opportunity Quilt, and signup for workshops was given.

Monthly Mini Drawing - Maker Nancy Bloyer drew Wendy McCalley's ticket for the Monthly Mini.

Show & Tell - Jeanne Tavasci and Sharon Pembroke - Sixteen quilts and projects were displayed today.

Hospitality Drawing: Winner of the dessert plate was Judy Burrell. In addition, drawings for two Valentine books were made: Emily LaMond and Bev Weibel were the winners.

Membership Report - New members: 0 Guests: 9

Members in Attendance: 124 Total attendance: 133

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President Joann thanked all for coming and reminded members to help clean up around their chairs.

Adjournment at 12:05

Submitted by

Sheri Hill, Secretary

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