

Minutes Tuesday, September 14, 2010 10:00 am

Surfside Quilters Guild, General Meeting # 17

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

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President: Sharon Whelan, Good morning!

Welcome members, guests, new members, and our Founding President, **Nancy Ota**, today's speaker. Everyone is in for a special treat. Thank you, Nancy, for being our speaker and workshop teacher for the next two days.

Gentle reminders:

Turn off **cell phones**

Parking --- not in south lot due to the preschool, extra lot on Cabrillo and El Camino Real

ALL members -be sure and **check-in** at the membership table.

Lunch at Carbonara's – Reservations from the floor (up to 5): 2

Carbonara Restaurant, 111 Avenida Del Mar, San Clemente, CA 92672-4001 (949) 366-1040.

We were absent our lovely pianist. We missed the beautiful live piano music since Pat McNeil was out of town.

Carol Whiteside (SQG Treasurer), request to members to have their photo taken in the Fireside Room at the break. These photos are for our online member photo album only since the SQG Directory has gone to print for this year. If you don't want your photo on the SQG website Membership Photo Album, please see **Del Thomas**, our Newsletter Editor.

Sunshine: **Glenda Razor** is at home and recovering. **Katy Lillie** is recovering from foot surgery and would appreciate help with meals. Please contact Katy directly if you can help her family out.

Shadows: Julie Vlahos's (Philanthropy Committee) son, Jim, passed away from cancer on Thursday evening, September 2nd. Many SQG members attended his memorial service on Saturday, September 11th. While caring for her son during his illness, she continued to come to monthly general meetings, board meetings and Philanthropy gatherings with a smile on her face. Please keep Julie and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Mary Jane Hopkins, who takes the train from LA to attend Surfside Quilters Guild is having knee replacement surgery. Cards of encouragement would be much appreciated.

Block of the Month: Phyllis Parente and Kathy Stewart displayed two samples of this month's tree block – the tree of life. The two sample blocks displayed showed how different the blocks can look depending on the fabrics chosen. Individual quilters' creativity can be displayed by adding embellishments. Phyllis once again announced that the \$100 raffle drawing will occur again this year. The raffle drawing is open to anyone who finishes all the tree blocks and assembles them into a quilt top. The tree blocks can be found on the guild's website, www.surfsidequiltersguild.org.

Friendship Groups: **Linda Walters**, she and **Kathy Christensen** both come up from San Diego County to be a part of SQG and as co-chair are looking for other commuters to form an Oceanside based Friendship Group. Stop by the **Friendship Group** table at the break and tell Linda and Kathy about your neighborhood groups. They also can answer questions and take applications.

Monthly Mini: **Mary Freedman**, this month's mini maker is **Nancy Ota**. She has made a sunflower miniature quilt using Tsukineko inks and techniques from the **Susan Trindle** workshop held in March. **Nancy Ota's** biography was then read. Also, **Mary Freedman** is looking for 2011 Monthly Mini makers, so if you have a project that would make a great mini, please see Mary.

President, Sharon Whelan: Thank you to **Del Thomas** for taking photos at the general meeting of all our winners, of quilt exhibitors, etc. for the newsletter. And, thank you to her scribe, **Victoria Crayne**.

There is a new quilt guild in the LA area. Westside Quilters had their inaugural meeting/fund raiser at the Fowler Museum. Our own **Del Thomas** was the speaker. This group meets quarterly on Saturdays. Car poolers can contact **Victoria Crayne**.

Surfside Stars Opportunity Quilt: Presentation from **Diane Collins** to winner, **Chris Huben** was planned. However, Chris was under the weather, and the presentation postponed.

Philanthropy, Monica Shafer and Julie Vlahos: **Stashbusters** next meeting is Monday, **September 27th from 10am-4pm, at A Time to Sew**. This month's project is a quilt-as-you-go block with the goal being that the **Stashbusters** will have put together one collective quilt by the end of the meeting. The **Stashbusters** meet the last Monday of each month. Membership in this wonderful group is open and all levels of experience are welcome. RSVP to **Monica Shafer** and please bring an ingredient for the Friendship Salad. If you can't stay for the whole time, come for as long as you can.

(**Philanthropy** is also working on baby quilts for the Marine Corps baby shower in October that is hosted by the San Clemente Presbyterian Church.)

Visiting **Opportunity Quilt - Susan G. Komen For the Cure** is the recipient of all the funds raised by this beautiful quilt. Race and Walk participants include **SQG Members, Penny Soldin** and **Monica Shafer**. The efforts of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization are widely known. Both the one day race and walk and the 3-day walk raise much needed dollars for breast cancer research and assistance to those who cannot afford the cost of a mammogram. Monica Shafer and her **Stashbusters** buds are creating an opportunity quilt for October which is designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

SQG Member, Jackie Buck, made a request for a donated sewing machine, on behalf of the students at the UC Irvine Costume Design department. **Ruth Bailey** responded to that request!

Internet, Nancy Ota: The new website is up and running and includes a member photo album. Be sure to check it out at www.surfsidequiltersguild.org. Please use our new website for forms, the newsletter, review the minutes, etc. The more hits the website gets from a Google search the higher up the website name will be on the search results.

Nancy also acknowledged the hard work of **Helene Moser** and her husband who spent many, many hours learning the software and inputting all the member names and photos so that the SQG Directory could be printed and distributed in a timely manner after this year's membership renewal period closed. Thank you Helene!

November Fest, Nancy Ota: Our November 9 general meeting will be our annual fundraiser. We will have yummy foods, opportunity baskets for you to win, and quilts to bid on in our live auction. Besides the \$30 annual membership fee, this is how we raise the funds to operate including paying for our speakers and teachers, providing refreshments and paying the rents for our general meetings and workshops. The November meeting will be longer than usual and very social. The tickets for the donated opportunity baskets will be \$1.00/chance and 6 for \$5.00. We are starting to receive really beautiful quilts and wonderful baskets. The Designing Women Friendship Group donated two fabulously wrapped baskets today!

Lyn Mann will be our auctioneer. If you want to see the items that will be auctioned you can look at our new website, <http://www.surfsidequiltersguild.org/Home.aspx>. Click on "Activity Photos", then click on <http://picassaweb...> under the column "Link to Page". **Del Thomas** has set up an album from which you can click on each individual photo and it will be enlarged with a description. Additionally, the auction items will be available for viewing at A Time to Sew Quilt Shop in Laguna Hills. If you or your friendship group is planning to donate a basket or quilt, please fill out a donation form and submit it with your donation. We want to give recognition to all our donors.

There are many quilts on display for you to see:

- Ellen Heck donated a beautiful floral appliqué. **Becky Reed** hand quilted it and **Diane Collins** sewed the binding and made the label.
- Two framed landscapes that were hand appliquéd and donated by Ellen Heck. They were framed and matted by **Mary Freedman**.
- A quilt by Nancy Miller that was quilted by **Raquel Cardona** and bound by **Mary Freedman**.
- Nosegay and a strip quilt given by Anonymous.

Mary Jayne Bellamy and Jeanne Tavasci have put together a scrumptious brunch menu. Borrowing from LeAnn Goettel's highly successful light breakfast (at the SCCQG meeting in July) our November Fest menu will be a light winter salad provided by LeAnn, quiche, quick breads, and brownies, bars and cookies donated by the membership. Clipboards are being sent around for volunteers to sign up and then cook up a very tasty fundraiser.

Workshops, Jan Hirth and Judy Dunlap:

September 15, 2010, Wednesday, 10am-4pm, **Nancy Ota**, Sashiko, at Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center, San Juan Capistrano (one opening remaining) AND

September 16, 2010, Thursday, 12pm-6pm, **Nancy Ota**, Sashiko, at A Time to Sew
\$30 class fee, one design is available as a kit at A Time to Sew. (This class is full.)

October 20, 2010, Wednesday, 10am-4pm, **Sheryl Smith-Bailey**, Portrait Painting (people or animals) at A Time to Sew, \$35 class fee. No sewing machine required. Note: This class is one week **after** the general meeting.

No workshops in November (November Fest) or December (holidays).

January 12, 2011, Wednesday, time TBD, **Sue Spargo**, Contemporary Folk Art using felted wool - Flower Pot pattern. Location TBD. \$35 Class fee. \$35 Kit is available & there will be homework to prepare for this workshop. A waiting list has been started.

1st VP Programs, Joann Bishop,

October 12, 2010 - **Sheryl Smith-Bailey**, Trunk Show

November 9, 2010 - November Fest

December 14, 2010 - **Jinny Hoffman**, “My Machine has a Headache”

January 11, 2011 - **Sue Spargo**, Contemporary Folk Art using felted wool

February 8, 2011 – **Peggy Timmons**, Trunk show

Joann introduces our speaker, **Nancy Ota**. Thank you to our holders and folders: **Jeanne Tavasci**, **Sharon Pembrook**, and **Carol Bassett**. Joann thanked our speaker and reminded the members to have their photo taken in the Fireside Room during the break, purchase Monthly Mini tickets and Opportunity Quilt tickets raising funds for Susan G. Komen For the Cure. Also, sign up for workshops.

Break -

President, Sharon Whelan:

Hospitality: Happy birthday to our September- born ladies. If you were born in October then we request that you bring an item to share next month. You can sign up to bring food even if it's not your birthday month. Those bringing in food may win a prize. The Hospitality Floral Arrangement (courtesy of **Joan Mauri**, SQG member) winner is **Sheri Hill**.

Membership: Today's membership stats.

New members: 3

Renewals: 1

Guests: 13

Total number in attendance: 148

Membership total: 240

Monthly Mini, Mary Freedman and Nancy Ota

Maker: **Nancy Ota** drew the winning ticket.

Winner: **Sharon Whelan**

Monthly Quilt Exhibit aka Show & Tell, Maggie Bell, with holders **Sharon Pembrook** and **Susie Russell**, and assisting participants off the stage was **Emily LaMond**.

Please help us by looking around and clean your space.

THANK YOU FOR COMING! If you made lunch reservations, then we will see you at Carbonara's.

Meeting adjourned. Time: 12:13 pm

Submitted by:

Nancy Bloyer

Surfside Quilters Guild Secretary