

SWRFSIDE QUILTERS

December 2014 Volume 6, Issue 8 MEETING TUESDAY, December 9, 2014 9:30 am—10:00 am Sign-in & Visiting Time 10:00 am Program San Clemente Presbyterian Church, San Clemente, California

December *

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Board Meeting Dec 16th-10am at

Maggie Bell's Clubhouse 33715 Surfside Drive Dana Point. Call Maggie to save a seat: 949-488-3011

Member Showcase - Kathy Awender & Julie Vlahos



Kathy Awender has had a passion for creating and designing for as long as she can remember; it was inherited from her mother, who sewed for her home and for her five daughters. She began with garment sewing and tailoring but progressed into knitting, basketry, smocking, heirloom sewing, hand embroidery and of course, quiltmaking. Free motion machine quilting is her newest endeavor. The downside to loving so many forms of fiber

arts is that it is hard to focus on one technique at a time and put the others aside; which means there are always several "in progress" projects.

Kathy's designing has led to several honors, including first place awards in a design show and the Martha Pullen Sweepstakes. She has been published in Sew Beautiful, Fancywork, Anne's Glory Box, Silk Ribbon Treasures and Creative Silk Ribbon Embroidery, and she co-authored the book Silk Ribbon Weaving and Embroidery, for which she designed three wall-hanging sized guilts.

She loves to share her passion through teaching. Her classes include quilting, embroidery, smocking and heirloom sewing. She continues designing new projects, trying to find the time to make them all.

Julie Vlahos was first exposed to quilting when attending a Beach Cities Quilters Guild meeting in 1993. It totally overwhelmed her and she became a charter member at the end of the evening.

While she was growing up, her family sewed almost all of their clothes. Julie's mother worked doing piece work for a high powered fashion designer and was an excellent seamstress. Loving fabric, design and color, quilting be-



came Julie's perfect hobby. Along the way she discovered art quilts and endless opportunities to stretch out of her comfort zone. As she adds friendship groups, wonderful speakers, and workshops, her journey continues. Along with quilts, Julie's also loves making purses and dolls.

Julie has served in many positions for Surfside Quilters Guild: including years in philanthropy, workshops, and currently welcoming. She is delighted to

have been chosen to share her quilts with us.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER Linda Ambrosini, lagunaquilts@cox.net, 949 362-4206



I hope everyone enjoyed November Fest as much as I did. It was a wonderful morning to share our love of quilting and fabric with friends while raising funds for our awesome guild. Over 200 people attended the Fest and 52 of them were guests which is a wonderful way to share our hobby. Those who won baskets or were high bidders at the auction had especially big smiles.

In December we will start planning for next year's Board. Vickie Janis will be asking for volunteers for the Nominating Committee that will meet in January. The nominating committee structures the Executive Board. This is also the time for all of you to think about becoming more involved with

the guild...and share some crazy times with your fellow quilters. Think about serving on the Board and let Vickie know what position you might be interested in.

In conclusion, the holidays are approaching quickly. I wish you all a wonderful season of celebration with friends and family.

FROM BETTY COLLINS: Lots of people wanted to know the recipe for the salad dressing so here it is. Put all ingredients into a lidded jar and shake like crazy just before putting on salad.

1/2 cup good olive oil

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup red wine vinegar

3/4 tsp season salt

1/4 lemon pepper









NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO BE APPOINTED

December is the month the guild starts preparing for the next board which takes over in May. With the number of capable women in our guild, we should have many of you willing to take on one of these positions for next year. The President, Linda Ambrosini, will appoint a committee which consists of the Parliamentarian, four active members and two alternates. They will nominate the Executive Board: President, 1st Vice President Programs, 2nd Vice President Membership, 3rd Vice President Facilities, Secretary and Treasurer. The nominating committee is not eligible to be nominated for the Executive Board.

The nominating committee will meet on Wednesday, January 17, 10 am at the San Clemente Presbyterian Church. The Slate of Officers will be presented to the membership in March. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at that time, providing that prior written consent of the nominee has been obtained.

The ballot shall be published in the newsletter prior to the April meeting which is when the voting will take place. The newly elected president will then line up the Standing and Special Committees. Volunteer forms will be passed out at the January meeting.



November Fest Thank You Betty Collins collins0430@att.net 760 805-9908

Thank you everyone for a successful November Fest. We made lots of money to help with our Guild expenses. The Fest is our only fund raiser and so it is great that everyone helped to make it work so well. I especially want to thank my core group of awesome people starting with Linda Ambrosini our super president. I couldn't have done it without Nancy Pestal; not only did she keep me on track but she also ran the kitchen for our brunch (there is a special place in heaven just for her). Thanks to: Nancy Ota and Mary Freedman for their great job on the baskets, Connie Veldkamp for organizing the auction, our great auctioneer Lyn Mann, Sue Butsko who ran the raffle ticket sales, Charlotte Spere who coordinated the dessert, Barb Seidel who lent her expertise from what she learned by running last year's challenge, Katy Lillie and her husband Mark, Ruth Johnson and her husband Steve, and my husband Jim. They all picked up the areas when I needed help and listened to my worrying. Thanks to Vivien Hawker and Judy Killberg who organized the set-up and clean-up groups. Ruth Johnson also coordinated getting our credit card reader which was a great success. The list just goes on and on.

Again, thank you so much. Betty

November Fest Baskets - 2014 Mary Freedman and Nancy Ota

Wow! Thanks to our generous members for their contributions of fabric, books, notions, baskets, and patterns.

Special thanks for the full baskets from the Friendship Groups and members: A-Team, Around the Block, Betty Collins, Designing Women, Philanthropy, Marcia Faultersack, Redwork, Wool Gatherers, Del Thomas & Friends, UFO, Barbara Ward and Maureen Wagner. Peggy Linton and Melinda Linton Anderson gave us twelve completed baskets.



Thanks to past members **Joyce Conyers** and **Glenda Razor** who contributed hundreds of yards of batiks. **Joan Mauri** donated her entire stash.

Thanks to Linda Ambrosini, Joann Bishop, Emma Eidson, Sheri Hill, Vickie Janis, Jan Kemp, Hiroko Moriwaki, Odette Osantowski, Susie Russell, and Barbara Seidel for helping organize, list, appraise, and package the baskets.

All of your combined gifts and efforts created 71 Opportunity Baskets for Fest with a conservative estimated value of over \$17,000. We hope you won something, or at least had fun dropping in your chances and drooling over the possibilities. We had fun petting the donations.







Nancy Ota

Mary Freedman

MEMBERSHIP

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November Meeting: Members - 162, Guests - 52, New Members - 2 Total - 216

Total current guild membership is 224

Welcome to our new members: Deana Progar of Mission Viejo and

Delane Turner of San Juan Capistrano.



Katy Lillie

Lunch Reservations at Carbonara's

Hiroko Moriwaki, hirokomoriwaki@cox.net 949-951-7292 Sumi Maruyama, sumi-

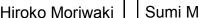
Thanks to Mary Carbonara and her staff for our delicious lunch after our meeting. We look forward

to this good time every month. This month's menu is:

Salad - Short Ribs - Mashed Potatoes - Vegetables Chef's Choice for Dessert - Bread & Butter - Beverage \$15.00 including Tax and Gratuity

Please let Hiroko know about making or canceling your reservation by Sunday, December 7. You are responsible for your reservation.







Sumi Maruyama

WORKSHOPS Wendy McCalley wendyannmccalley@cox.net Linda Rigdon altricat@cox.net

There is no workshop in December. Why? Because we will be busy bee quilters, finishing the binding, sewing that last seam, or cutting out the king-sized quilt you planned to start last February.

January 14th 2015, Lisa Bongean of Primitive Gatherings presents her "Tulip Baskets" pattern, available in a kit from the teacher. This is a project in wool appliqué, and the kit includes all the wool and homespun backing (\$18.00, check made to Lisa Bongean). Lisa's classes at Road to California have been filled for months, so don't miss out on this workshop!

In February, 2015, Judy Sisneros will be teaching us a quilt from her book, <u>Circle Pizzazz</u>. Here's a link: http://www.judysisneros.com/Workshop - Circle Pizzazz.html. Doesn't it look like fun?

The workshop fees will be \$40.00. Any kit or book fees will be payable to the teacher. Workshops will be at Faith Lutheran Church, 34381 Calle Portola, Capistrano Beach, 9:30 to 3:30.



"Tulip Baskets" project with Lisa Bongean.

In January 2015



Wendy McCalley

Linda Rigdon



HOSPITALITY

Nancy Pestal <u>butterflynp@cox.net</u>

My immense thanks to the SQG members who brought mini muffins for the welcome to the FEST Hospitality Table and the food contributions for the salad/gingerbread lunch. I am so very grateful for the help in the kitchen preparing, serving and cleaning up. You are all super heroes! Thank you all!

For the December meeting, if your birthday is In the month of December, please bring your favorite treat to share. Of course, you do not have to be celebrating a birthday to bring a treat. Remember, if you bring a treat for the Hospitality Table, enter your name in the drawing for the Holiday Pillow made by our very own, **Linda Ambrosini**. See you at the December meeting.



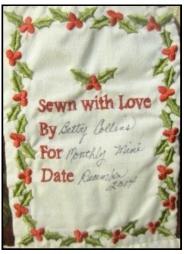
Nancy Pestal



MONTHLY MINI Margaret Arnold m.ar@cox.net 949-770-1259

Our December Monthly Mini includes a bonus! **Betty Collins**, our November Fest chairwoman extraordinaire, made both a table runner/mini quilt AND a holiday apron for us! She got the idea for the pretty table runner from a quilt magazine but added her own ideas to it. She hand stitched wools for the center figures, then added embroidery and button embellishments. The borders are machine pieced and the entire table runner is machine quilted. But that's not all the winning Monthly Mini ticket holder will receive! Betty thought it would be a nice idea to add an apron to our holiday themed monthly mini! She found an apron pattern in the Keepsake Quilting catalog that she thought was perfect! Then she "spiced it up" with lots of sparkly crystals! It is sure to make the lucky holiday hostess who wins it look festive!









There was no meeting in November, nor will there be a meeting in December! We are all busy double-timing our "get-itdone-in-time" things for the holidays!

We'll see you the fourth Friday in January, 2015. Check the January Newsletter for specifics.

Get prepared for a totally new and productive 2015.





Linda Rigdon

Wendy McCalley



FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

Monica Shafer immshafer@yahoo.com Maggie Bell mbell62@aol.com

A new friendship group is forming and is welcoming new members. They met for the first time in the home of guild member **Donna Matukas** to discuss what days they will be meeting, along with sharing their different quilting interests. If you are interested in joining this group, contact Monica Shafer at immshafer@yahoo.com, or call 949-933-6345 for more information.

People have inquired about joining a friendship group that works primarily in wool. There is such a group within the guild; however, it is full and there is a waiting list. The logical solution is to form another group. If you are interested in forming and joining a new group that focuses on working with wool, contact Monica Shafer.



Maggie Bell

Monica Shafer

Quilt Magazines for Sale Jan Kemp jjjjkemp@cox.net Mary Jayne Bellamy maryjayne1023@yahoo.com

Cleaning out your space and ending up with a stack of used quilting/sewing magazines, patterns or pamphlets that you no longer want to keep?

Bring them to Guild meetings where we sell them four for a dollar. The money earned by this project goes toward guild expenses.

A Bargain at 4 for \$1



Jan Kemp



Bellamy

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY WISHES to: Linda Rigdon 1 **Betty Collins 3** Nancy Gasparotti 3 Jan Kerr 4 Brunhilde Linden 4 Vera DeVito 7 Margaret Lemmon 7 Marilyn McNamara 9 Karen Wendel 9 Raquel Cardona 11 Catherine Opile Ruth Johnson 17 **Sheryl Smith-Bailey 18** Maxine Fries 19 Deb Carver 20 Candace Martin 22 Kathy Awender 23 Barbara Kaisersatt 23 Kathy Bellamy 27

Marjie Butterworth 29 Joan Orris 30 Sharon Kovac 31



Sharon Whelan

A sympathy card was sent to **Monica Shafer** on the passing of her father-in-law. Thinking of you cards were sent to Maggie Bell and Margaret Arnold as their husbands undergo treatments for cancer.

Judy Dunlap and her husband, Keith welcomed a new granddaughter named Josie on November 12. My husband and I, along with two of his Virginia nieces, had a lunch date with Judy near her home in Timonium, Maryland that afternoon. Lucky

us! Judy and her family are happy and healthy and send their love to Surfside!

Do you know a member that needs a little sunshine due to an illness, surgery or loss of a family member? Or a member celebrating a major birthday, anniversary or new grandchild? If so, please contact me by email or phone call to let me know so I can send a card on behalf of our members.





Members and guests wait for the start of the basket raffle.

Maryland, where Judy lives.

Sharon Whelan visits with former SQG member Judy Dunlap in Timonium,

Future Programs

January 13 - Lisa Bongean Trunk Show http://primitivegatherings.us/shop/ February 10 - Judy Sisneros www.judysisneros@starstream.net For more 2015 speakers check in the front of your directory



STASHBUSTERS - PHILANTHROPY

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Our next meeting will be:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2015 10 AM - 2:00 PM SAN CLEMENTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 119 AVENIDA DE LA ESTRELLA IN SAN CLEMENTE

The November Fest was a wonderful success and although we didn't have a table, I hope you all were able to see the display of wonderful quilts donated in November.

About 50 quilts were taken to CHOC, Grandma's House of Hope, and SJC Meals on Wheels in November. It looks like we'll have about 15 quilts to give to the VA Hospital in San Diego early next month. You are all so generous with your time and talents. Thank you!

Although we will not meet in December, we will still have quilting and binding, and maybe some blocks for you to take home from the guild meeting so you won't get bored after the holidays. Our host church is grateful for the small toiletries and non-perishable food items we deliver each month.

We hope you have wonderful holidays.









Sheri Hill

Barbara Ann Christensen

Roni Trehy

Charlotte Spere

Vicki Janis



Mary Freedman and Nancy Ota working with the baskets in the wrapping room .



The 216 members and guests filled the room to choose which baskets would get their bids.



SUPER SWAPPERS Joann Bishop bishop370@aol.com

Susie Russell susanrussell2665@gmail.com

HEY SUPER SWAPPERS GOOD NEWS!

Because we were all so excited about the Fest in November, many of us forgot to bring the Civil War Swap packets. So.....we have decided that you can bring the Civil War packets in December and also participate in the two December swaps of black and white fabric and/or predominately red fabric. Please bring the three possible swaps in December and we will have them ready for you to pick up in January. Receiving all of those swap packets back in January will be perfect timing to start a special project for the new year.

A REMINDER OF HOW IT WORKS:

-Wash, iron and cut selvages from 1 yard of good quality 100% cotton before cutting 12 ten inch blocks.

-Put the 12 ten inch blocks in a gallon plastic bag with your name written in large letters at the top. Also indicate that you have included 12 blocks.

WE MUST RECEIVE 12 BLOCKS IN EACH PLASTIC BAG IN ORDER FOR THE SWAP TO WORK. THE WAY THE SWAP WORKS, you most likely WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY OF YOUR FABRIC BACK SO IF YOU LIKE YOUR FABRIC BE SURE TO BUY A LITTLE EXTRA TO SAVE FOR YOURSELF!

NOVEMBER: CIVIL WAR.....extended to December

DECEMBER: TWO SWAPS...PREDOMINATELY RED PRINTS or BLACK AND WHITE PRINTS

(when there are 2 possible swaps you may participate in one or both swaps. But each plastic bag must contain 12 blocks of just one of the swap choices. Please do not mix the two swaps to make up a total of 12 blocks)

JANUARY: PATRIOTIC

FEBRUARY: KAFFE FASSETT

MARCH: FLORALS APRIL: BATIKS MAY: BRIGHTS



Susie Russell



Joann Bishop

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF QUILT GUILDS

Nancy Ota Nancy@nancyota.com 949-498-4243

The quarterly meeting will be held at Women's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Boulevard, Downey, CA. Saturday, January 10, 2015, 10 am.

The meeting will be hosted by the Los Angeles County Quilters Guild. The topic will be "Successful Workshops" and the speaker will be Marie Blaisch. If you are interested in attending, please let me know and we can carpool.

RSVP: Paula Slater (slaterelsg@aol.com)



Nancy Ota

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ruth Johnson johnson.ruth@reagan.com

09-01-14 through 09-30-14

Beginning Balance: \$20,369.82

Income:

Membership80.00Monthly Mini95.00Quiltfest—Palm Springs Bus Trip945.00Recycling magazines18.00Workshops610.00

Total Income: \$ 1,748.00

Expenses:

Facilities - Guild Meeting Room	200.00
Facilities - Storage	100.00
Hospitality	43.08
Nov Fest - Baskets, Ribbon, Wrap	148.26
Nov Fest—Book	28.95
Nov Fest - Rolls of tickets	37.97
Operations - Internet server fee	15.00
Philanthropy - room	100.00
Philanthropy - batting	148.49
Program - Peggy Martin Lecture and	

Workshop 950.00
Programs - Martin - Lodging/lunch 283.38
Programs - Martin dinner 21.00
Quiltfest Palm Springs bus driver tip 50.00
Quiltfest Palm Springs bus refund 90.00
Sunshine & Shadows 27.53
Workshop room 100.00
Wounded Warrior thread 79.20

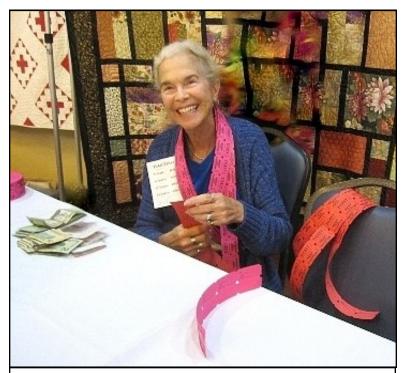
Total Expenses: \$ 2,422.86

Net Income /Loss \$ 674.86

Current Balance: \$ 19,694,96

Respectfully Submitted, Ruth Johnson Treasurer Surfside Quilters Guild 2014-15





Sue Butsko, in charge of basket raffle tickets, counts the money.



"Keep Calm and Carry On" Linda Ambrosini.

I want to thank all of you for the support that Wounded Warrior and I received this year. It has been such a successful year, we are at 130 guilts to date, a figure that could only be achieved with your generous help. Mary Freedman

There will be a meeting at Mary's home on December 2, to assemble the blocks that have been received. There is no fabric packet to pass out this month as Mary knows that all of you are busy with the holidays and your families. There will be blocks again at the January meeting.

We all wish you a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!









Mary Freedman

Nancy Burch

Carmelle Spruill



PRESIDENT'S QUILT Vickie Janis 2010vickie@gmail.com 949-842-6089

As this year is winding down, it is time to start on Linda Ambrosini's President's quilt. Linda has requested a Hawaiian Christmas theme; ocean blue colors, bright lime green and red accents. Think surfing Santa, sparkly shells, pineapples, turtles, Hawaiian shirts, hibiscus, dolphins, swim trunks or bikinis. Have a cute Christmas fabric with tropical fish? Fussy cut and appliqué it on a background. Come check out the table at the December Guild meeting for inspiration and you can pick up a background fabric square if you wish. Don't be intimidated, the blocks can be simple or detailed; Linda will love every block. Our purpose is to thank Linda for the countless hours she has spent making our guild run smoothly. Your block needs to a minimum of 5.5" x 5.5" so that it will finish at 5 inches.

Blocks will be collected from the guild members at the January through March

Meetings. In April we will begin the construction phase and quilting.

I am looking for someone who has an embroidery machine or a willing appliqué expert to do the lettering for the Surfside Quilters Guild logo.

Volunteers are also needed to sign up for to following:

- >Design team to place blocks/title
- >Sewing team
- >Back Art Design Team
- >Basting Team
- >Quilting Bees (3-4 homes)
- >Binding







Vickie Janis

I know how much I treasure my President's quilt; my goal is to get a block from every member. Vickie

All too quickly the holiday season is upon us. It would be lovely to see quilts and gift items created just for the upcoming festive days - Christmas, Chanukah and New Years. Please bring in all your gorgeous creations to Show and Tell and to inspire us. Looking forward to a big show.



Vivien Hawker



Joan Orris



Nine of the 71 raffle baskets waiting for bidders.







Betty Collins' husband, Jim..

Katy Lilly's husband, Mark... These husbands came to help with November Fest. And took out the trash!

Ruth Johnson's husband, Steve.



Betty Collins, Chair of Nov Fest '14



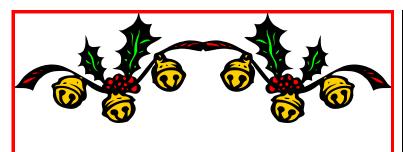
Nancy Pestal was in charge in the kitchen, helped by **Charlotte Spere**.



Bob Miller, church janitor, is putting up more of the 200+ chairs we needed.



Sharon Pembrook and Carol Whiteside. In back is Julie Vlahos.





Some of the baskets were so large and so full that we had to haul them out to the cars with carts and dollies.



Katy Lillie drops her tickets in the bags for the baskets she would like to win. And she was the winner of several baskets.





Del Thomas and her guest Liz Williams enjoy the salad lunch.



Jhone Hardesty was one of the ticket sellers for the basket raffle.

Continuing thru Jan 4, 2015 Quilt Visions 2014: The Sky's The Limit. Visions Quilt Museum 2825 Dewey Road, San Diego, CA 92106 www.visionsartmuseum.org Closed on Mon Hours: Tues - Sun 10am to 4pm Biennial International Exhibit with quilts juried from world wide entries

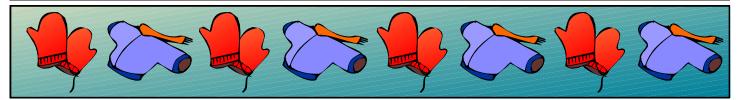
Continuing thru Feb 15th American Quilts in the Modern Age, 1870-1940 Muzeo, 241 S. Anaheim Blvd, Anaheim, CA 714-956-8936 Exhibit from the Int'l Quilt Study Center& Museum at the Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln. Also a special exhibit of California Art Quilters with quilts from Sherry Kleinman, Linda Anderson, Cindy Cooksey, Jamie Fingal, Sheila Frampton-Cooper, Joe Cunningham, Lura Swarz-Smith, Kerby Smith, Terry Waldron. Hours: 10am—5pm Closed Mondays

Directions: http://www.muzeo.org/directions.html Website home: www.muzeo.org

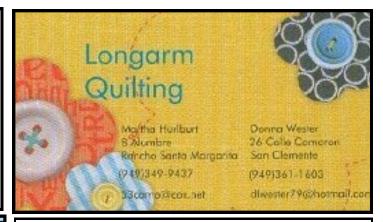
Dec 8 - Pine Needles Quilt Guild Holiday Home Tour and Boutique - Visit 4 Wrightwood homes, decorated with quilts for the holidays. Refreshment house and the popular craft boutique located in the Wrightwood Community Bldg... Advance tickets: \$12, Day of tour \$15. Send SASE to: Pine Needles Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 2800, Wrightwood, CA 92397-2800 Phone info at 760-249-4911

Jan19-23 Quilting in the Desert. Gilbert-Phoenix Double Tree by Hilton in Gilbert, AZ. For information about classes, registration and hotel accommodations see the website www.quiltcamp.com

Jan 22 - 25 Road to California, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, California Sign up for classes online at http://www.road2ca.com/classINFO.html No rolling carts allowed, strollers on Sunday only.









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