

**Minutes for Surfside Quilters Guild Board Meeting
May 18, 2010, Tuesday, 10 AM**

The meeting was held at the home of the Surfside Quilters Guild Secretary, Nancy Bloyer, 2249 Calle Opalo, San Clemente, CA. 92673.

Attendees List: Glenda Razor, Joyce Conyers, Sumi Maruyama, Mary Freedman, Carol Whiteside, Sharon Whelan, Helene Moser, Maggie Bell, Monica Shafer, Marjie Butterworth, Marcia Faultersack, Barbara Ann Christensen, Phyllis Parente, Del Thomas, Joann Bishop, Jan Hirth, Judy Dunlap, Nancy Bloyer

President, Sharon Whelan: Welcome and introduction of all present. It was an excellent May general meeting with many compliments on Sally Collins' presentation. The meeting was long with all that needed to be done with the introduction of the new board and committees, trunk show by Sally Collins and the presentation of Nancy Ota's President's Quilt.

Secretary, Nancy Bloyer

Motion requested to approve the Minutes of the April Joint Board Meeting as sent by email:
First by Joann Bishop, Second by Maggie Bell. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer, Carol Whiteside

Motion requested to approve the **April** Treasurer's report as send by email:
First by Del Thomas, Second by Mary Freedman. **Motion carried.**

1st VP - Programs, Joann Bishop

June 8, 2010 – Sue Rasmussen	January 11, 2011 – Sue Spargo
July 13, 2010 – Jake Finch	February 8, 2011 – Peggy Timmons
August 10, 2010 – Susan Axelrod	March 8, 2011 – Karen Cunigan
September 14, 2010 – Nancy Ota (Trunk Show)	April 12, 2011 – Fumie Ono
October 12, 2010 – Sheryl Smith-Bailey	May 10, 2011 – Del Thomas
November 9, 2010 – November Fest fundraiser	June 14, 2011 – Meet the Board
December 14, 2010 – Jinny Hoffman	July 12, 2011 – Lyn Brown
	August 16, 2011 – Table Hop
	September 13, 2011 – Bev Remillard
	October 11, 2011 –
	November 8, 2011 – November Fest
	December 13, 2011 –

2nd VP - Membership, Helene Moser

May report:

Guests attending: 4

New members who joined at the meeting: 3

Current members attending: 132

Total of attendees: 139

Total membership: 191 renewals paid, 61 renewals not paid

Renewals are going strong through the efforts of Cindy Croucher, outgoing Membership Chair and Helene Moser, new Membership Chair. Monthly reminders to renew include those made at the microphone and in the E-Newsletter beginning in March. Membership and volunteer forms were emailed and are available at the membership table at each general meeting. The dues will not be prorated for those who join or renew later in the year.

1st term members will be given one more month to renew their membership. A reminder to renew (and membership form attached) will be sent out with the President's email announcement of the June meeting. 1st term members who have not renewed their membership will be put in 'Inactive' status.

Board members need to check in at the membership table before the meeting begins.

It was mentioned that Carol Whiteside, Treasurer, has a disc with some 100 member portraits (both face and identifying name) that was started in 1st term with the goal that guild have some form of roster with portraits. Carol has volunteered to continue this project. Sharon Whelan, President, please include in the agenda an announcement at the General Meeting that member portraits are being taken by Carol Whiteside in the Fireside room and elaborating what these portraits will be used for.

3rd VP – Facilities, Marjie Butterworth

The May luncheon was held at Hapa J's with 47 guests in attendance including our speaker, Sally Collins, Mike Ota (husband of our outgoing President, Nancy Ota) with Peony (Nancy and Mike's daughter-in-law) and baby Alexander Ota. Nancy and Mike's lunch was taken care of by Surfside Quilters Guild. Lunch in June will be held at Carbonara's. Lunch will include a Mediterranean salad, short ribs with mashed potatoes, a dessert tray, coffee, tea, or soda. The cost per person is \$15, including tax and tip. Public parking is available on the street or in the public lot behind the restaurant.

Carbonara's is located at 111 Avenida Del Mar, San Clemente, (949) 366-1040

Be sure to sign-up for lunch with Marjie Butterworth or email her at marjieb@cox.net

A member asked about a gluten-free menu choice. Marjie is checking into that request.

Parliamentarian, Marge Johnson – Marge is out of town visiting her mother who is celebrating her 91st birthday. Marge will join us next month. (Del Thomas is acting Parliamentarian in Marge's absence???)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Block of the Month, Mary Gorelick, Kathy Stewart, Phyllis Parente

Phyllis shared the June block with us. Kathy Stewart and Mary Gorelick are on this committee also but are not present today. This committee has chosen a tree theme with a unique tree design each month for the blocks in this year's Block of the Month. The tree designs will focus on simplicity and creativity. To this end, Phyllis, Kathy, and Mary will each take a different approach to the current month's tree block in an effort to inspire creativity and trying something new. Each month a new tree design, hardcopy instructions, the women's three example blocks and an on line pattern and tutorial will be available. Similar to the 1st term's Surfside Quilt this will be in the sampler quilt model, although the block sizes will vary.

Friendship Groups, Linda Walters and Kathy Christensen - have asked for a list of current friendship groups and their members. They plan on having an interest meeting soon for those who wish to join a friendship group.

Hospitality, Glenda Razor, Joyce Conyers, Ardie Chamness, Sumi Maruyama, Judy Lawry

The May Flower arrangement donated by Joan Mauri was won by Kathy Christensen. Despite only two hospitality signups at the April meeting to bring goodies for the May 11th general meeting, the table was laden with baked goods and fruit due to the donations by the board through their enthusiastic response to an email request for hospitality. Thank you to our generous board and members! We encourage donations of homegrown fruit and vegetables expected this summer for our hospitality table. The hospitality committee wants to reassure members leftovers are taken to our workshop(s) and any remaining food is given to the San Juan Capistrano Presbyterian Youth Center or A Time to Sew depending where the workshop was held.

Internet, Nancy Ota – Nancy is on a 17 day trip to Japan with her husband, Mike. She updates the temporary website (<http://sites.google.com/site/surfsidequiltersguild/>) with general meeting minutes, programs, approved board meeting minutes and the Block of the Month pattern.

New permanent website is in progress with Nancy Ota and Curtis Eidson.

Monthly Mini, Mary Freedman

The May mini by Maggie Ezell, a colorful anniversary table runner, was won by Phyllis Parente and raised \$260.

Mary has signups for the following months:

2010 June – Sharon Pembrook

2010 July – Nancy Bloyer

2010 August – Marjie Butterworth

2010 Sept – Nancy Ota

2010 Oct – Del Thomas

2010 Nov – No mini due to November Fest

2010 Dec – 2 poinsettia pillows

Newsletter, Del Thomas – Newsletter articles are due by the monthly board meeting, earlier if possible.

Please email articles to her at SurfsideQG@aol.com and not to her personal email address. Please specify in the subject line “SQG” followed by the board or committee represented and the month and year of the article. If a change or correction is sent subsequently, be sure to notate that in the subject line so that Del knows to update your previous article. Also, please check spelling of names and use Arial font if possible.

*** Please send any photos you have taken at a Surfside Quilters Guild function to Del

Philanthropy, Monica Shafer and Julie Vlahos

‘Stash Busters’, our philanthropy friendship group meets at A Time to Sew on the 4th Monday of each month from 10am to 4pm. This month’s meeting is on Monday, May 24. Note: this is not Memorial Day. In May and on June 24 philanthropy will be making log cabin quilts for the Royal Family Kids Camp which is a non-profit organization that provides camp experiences for children in foster care and similar circumstances who would not have access to summer camp. Also, in June the Redwork quilt for CHOC will be completed. As always, philanthropy gladly accepts quilt tops to be finished.

Fabric and supply contributions may be placed in the designated box in the classroom at A Time to Sew or brought to the general meetings.

Future projects include identifying ways to support the San Clemente Presbyterian Church’s Mexican Mission.

Note: Philanthropy will not be using Evite this year.

Publicity & Sponsors, Kathie Bellamy – Kathie is on vacation in Kansas but has provided Sharon Whelan with a written report that includes the following: 10 sponsors have renewed while 2 remain outstanding and were called, also we are still waiting for Moore’s renewal. D&H Sewing Machine Sales & Services has been approached and two advertisers from quilting magazines have been approached to become

sponsors as well. Kathie has several new ideas she would like considered: 1) advertising in the form of labels with the guild information adhered to quilting magazines and then left in local doctors waiting rooms, 2) flyers, for example, a fixed flyer left at quilt shows, and 3) Guild Business Cards. We received Hoffman's sponsorship in the mail. Kathie will follow up. Publicity: Sun Post, Sun Times, and Dana Point Times were provided with upcoming speaker/meeting info per their directions to no result. However, OCRegister's Sun Post/South County did have SQG info on-line.

Monthly Quilt Exhibit, Maggie Bell assisted by Sue Troise and Emily LaMonde – The MQE has been averaging 10 -12 exhibitors each month. All agreed that this is a highly valued part of the guild's program and Maggie would continue to encourage 1st timers to get out there and share their accomplishments.

Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds – Nancy Ota has been working with Council on the details for the summer quarterly meeting entitled "Meet the Teachers" to be held on Saturday, July 10 at 10 AM. We are the hosting this July meeting of Council. A simple breakfast buffet will be provided to our guests and flyers from local restaurants will be available to the visitors if they wish to have lunch in the area. Council will be dealing directly with San Clemente Presbyterian Church to pay the rent for the event. Once Nancy Ota returns from her vacation she will be asking for volunteers to serve in various capacities such as helping direct the visitors from parking in the lots and on the street to the elevator (if needed) and directing visitors to the meeting location as well as greeting our visitors in the Fireside Room, etc. I am assuming we will be wearing our purple leis that day for easy identification by our guests.

Ways & Means, Nancy Ota – out of town

Welcome/Sunshine & Shadows, Barbara Christensen - Bette Bradley is recuperating from colon surgery and is currently in a rehab facility in Laguna Hills. She is weak and not doing as well as hoped. Cards can be sent to her home.

Maggie Ezell is recovering from surgery and would welcome cards sent to her home.

*** Please email Barbara Ann Christensen with information regarding guild member's health, family situation, exhibit awards, etc. ***

Workshops, Jan Hirth

Workshops Completed:

Wednesday, May 12, 2010, 10am – 4pm, Sally Collins, "Achieving Quality Workmanship", no sew class

19 paid @ \$50 each, generated \$950. Fee paid to instructor \$675. \$100 rent for CPCYC. Lunch was provided to the speaker by Judy Dunlap, Workshops Assistant.

Location: Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center, 32202 Del Obispo, San Juan Capistrano, CA. 92675.

Thursday, May 13, 2010, 9am – 3pm, Sally Collins , “My Stars” miniature quilt.

12 paid @ \$50 each, generated \$600. Fee paid to instructor \$675. No rent. A delicious chicken salad was provided to Sally Collins and the class by Judy Dunlap, Workshops Assistant. Thank you, Judy!

Location: A Time to Sew, 27071 Cabot Road, Suite 101 in Laguna Hills, CA. 92653.

Future Workshops:

Wednesday, June 9, 2010, 10am – 4pm, Sue Rasmussen, \$30 class fee plus \$5 pattern fee (payable to instructor), “Curved landscape piecing”

5 paid @ \$30 = \$150, plus 1 unpaid @ \$30. (Maximum class size is 18.) \$100 rent for CPCYC

Mary Freedman, who is hostess to Sue Rasmussen, has not signed up for the class as of the board meeting. If she does, the class is free for her as a thank you for housing our speaker.

Location: Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center, 32202 Del Obispo Street, San Juan Capistrano, 92675.

Wednesday, July 14, 2010, 10 am – 4 pm, Jan Hirth, \$30 class fee, “SQG Logo Wallhanging”, kits will be available

7 paid @ \$30 = \$210, plus 6 unpaid @ \$30 = \$180, \$100 rent for CPCYC

Location: Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center, 32202 Del Obispo Street, San Juan Capistrano, 92675.

August Workshop is Susan Axelrod – workshop to be determined

September 16th Workshop is Nancy Ota, 12pm-6pm, at A Time To Sew – Sashiko kits will be available

October Workshop is Sheryl Smith-Bailey – workshop to be determined

Note: Maggie Bell will substitute for Jan Hirth in August.

As necessary, efforts will continue to be made to advertise our workshops. We will target the San Diego County and the Orange County area guilds through email blasts.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Quilt Design/Friends of Surfside Quilters Guild/Surfside Stars Opportunity Quilt, Diane Collins

The finished quilt top was shown on stage at the May 11, 2010 Surfside Quilters Guild meeting and it is stunning. The drawing for the lucky name of the winner of the Surfside Stars Quilt will be held at the

July 13, 2010 general meeting. Tickets may be purchased for \$10 up until the time of the drawing. There are also a few spaces left on the quilt to add your name for a donation of \$10 to SQG. The non-profit raffle report to the State Department of Justice must be filed on or before September 1, 2010. Sharon Whelan, SQG President, will discuss this with Carol Whiteside, SQG Treasurer, to ensure timely filing of this report.

Charter Pins, Lyndy Dye – there are 120 pins left. Lyndy will help distribute pins at the membership table for those charter members who have not yet picked up their pins. Once membership renewals are over, Helene Moser, Membership will continue to distribute the pins.

Note: 350 pins were ordered in October 2009 costing \$674.40. Pin distribution to the 245 charter members began in December, 2009.

Internet Buddy Coordinator, Carolyn Pierce –not in attendance. Carolyn generously prints and snail mails the newsletter to those without email who are encouraged to compensate Carolyn for her time and materials.

Magazine Recycle, Sherry Muetzel – raised \$25.75 at the May 11, 2010 meeting.

Opportunity Quilt Guests:

June 8, 2010 – Busy Bear Quilt Guild, Contact: Lorraine Taylor, Lorraine@inspirationsbigbear.com, (909) 866-8081.

July 13, 2010 – Crazy Quilters of Laguna Hills, ‘Jacobean Fantasy’, Contact: Ximena Duran (949) 588-7135 or email at ximenax@fea.net. Quilt designed by Mickey Charleston, pieced by members of the Crazy Quilters Guild, quilted by Pat Lange.

August 10, 2010 – Women’s Ocean Racing Sailing Association (WORSAs), Contact: Maggie Bell, SQG member at mbell62@aol.com.

NEW BUSINESS

OC Fair - Sharon Whelan was contacted by the Orange County Fair inviting Surfside Quilters Guild to exhibit at this summer’s fair. Guild has 3 dates to choose from and would not be required to teach specifically, rather demonstrate and perhaps have some hands on activity for children. Monica Shafer and Sharon Whelan will take the lead on this and make a recommendation to the board on how guild may participate at this summer’s Orange County Fair.

We will need many volunteers to make this work. Sharon Whelan will check on free admission and parking for our volunteers.

Meal Allowance for visiting speakers - guild needs to have a written policy on the dollar limit for meals provided to our speakers. Discussion summarized below:

- a) Lunch at \$15 (including tax and tip) on the day of the general meeting has been provided at a local area restaurant to all of our speakers, whether they live locally or a distance away.
- b) For our speakers who have spent the night at the home of one of our guild members (Mary Freedman or Jan Bogikes) breakfasts and dinners have been compliments of the guild member host.
- c) For our speakers who have stayed at local hotels, a complimentary breakfast is available.
- d) When dinner has been hosted by the guild the expense generally was moderate (\$15-\$20) and sometimes was paid by the guild member hosting dinner who did not ask to be reimbursed.
- e) Should an alcoholic beverage be included in the dinner expense? The general sense was that it would be awkward to tell an invited speaker that if they would like an alcoholic beverage they would need to pay for it themselves.

A motion to set a daily meal allowance at \$55 was made by Monica Shafer and second by Joann Bishop. There was much discussion. Carol Whiteside, Treasurer, was concerned about what to do when she receives receipts totaling meals over \$55 per day? How was food handled in our current contracts? Del Thomas amends the motion to include specifics of food allowance in contracts, second by Maggie Bell. There was more discussion, then a call to motion of the amendment. President, Sharon Whelan called for a vote. Amendment passed. Call to motion of the amended motion to establish a daily meal allowance at \$55 and to include this information in speaker contracts. President, Sharon Whelan called for a vote. Motion passed.

Children at the SQG General Meetings and Workshops - we have had 2-3 children present at the monthly guild meetings and workshops over the last 12 months. It has come to our attention that the children's behavior is disruptive for guild members who come to hear our speaker. Also, it has been noted that children who have been accompanied to the hospitality table have left a trail of crumbs and spills. Should we continue to allow children at meetings and workshops? Discussion first clarified what behavior was disruptive. Questions about legal discrimination and the robustness of the guild insurance were aired. Would young mothers be discouraged from becoming quilters by asking them to leave their children elsewhere? If children continue disruptive behavior will we lose long time quilters? If an age minimum is established, what is that age? There was consensus that Sharon Whelan, as guild President, would write a Newsletter article (preceded by phone calls) along the lines of... it has come to our attention that the behavior of children present at guild meetings and workshops is disturbing/disrupting members. Children at guild meetings must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for the child's behavior... Members are asked to refrain from bringing children to workshops and Philanthropy, in large part for their own safety due to sharp objects (pins and rotary cutters) and hot irons, etc. Additionally, the distractions take away from what can be learned at the workshop for which members are paying upwards of \$50 per workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm

Submitted by:
Nancy Bloyer
Secretary, Surfside Quilters Guild