Minutes Tuesday, October 12, 2010 - 10:00 am Surfside Quilters Guild, General Meeting # 18

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President: Sharon Whelan, Good morning!

Welcome members, guests, new members and today's speaker, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, a member of Surfside Quilters Guild. Thank you, Sheryl, for your generosity.

If you wore pink today in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, please drop your name in the raffle bag. You could be the winner of a beautiful pale pink orchid plant.

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

Thank you to Pat McNeil for providing us with her beautiful live piano music.

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

Janet Coward of the TLC Friendship Group is requesting that SQG members check their stashes and sewing rooms for 2 bags lost recently at ATTS. The bags contain purple and pink vintage Valentine blocks. If found, please contact Sharon Whelan. **Note:** Janet Cowart reported to Sharon Whelan on Thursday, October 14th that the bags and vintage Valentine blocks have been located.

Sunshine & Shadows:

Janet Shannon has been diagnosed with shingles. We wish her a speedy recovery. Meanwhile, Connie Veldkamp will be accepting items for the Marine Wives' baby shower.

Block of the Month: Mary Gorelick, Kathy Stewart, and Phyllis Parente displayed 3 samples of this month's tree block – 'Three Birds on a Branch'. It was announced that the \$100 raffle drawing will occur again this year. The raffle drawing is open to anyone who finishes all of 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: Anyone interested in joining a friendship group, please see **Linda Walters** and **Kathy Christensen** at the **Friendship Group** table at the break. They can answer questions and take applications.

Monthly Mini: Mary Freedman, this month's mini maker is **Del Thomas.** It is titled 'Turkey Trot' and is a table runner made 20 years ago. **READ Del's bio.**

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

Philanthropy, Monica Shafer and Julie Vlahos: Stashbusters' next meeting is Monday, October 25, 2010 from 10am-4pm, at **Sacred Moondance** in Lake Forest. The project will be putting together kits for stockings. Membership in this wonderful group is open and all levels of experience are welcome. Meetings are the last Monday of each month. Please bring an ingredient for the Friendship Salad. Please join in on the fun even if you only have an hour to spare.

An enthusiastic Julie Vlahos showed a sample of a pillow case dress that Stashbusters will be working on in January. The dresses will be made for '**Dress a Girl Around the World**' and encourage you to purchase a pair of panties to put into the pocket on the dress!

Susan G. Komen For the Cure – SQG Member, Monica Shafer, created this month's visiting opportunity quilt. October is designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Monica will be participating in the 3-Day Walk for the Cure in San Diego on November 17-19, 2010.

November Fest, Nancy Ota: Nancy introduced herself and explained that she is in charge of our fundraiser, the November Fest to be held at our November 9, 2010 general meeting. This fundraiser is our primary means of raising funds to operate, pay rent, contract speakers and teachers.

The November meeting will be longer and very social. We will have live piano music from two of our members, **Pat McNeil** and **Jo Hutcheson**. We will have yummy foods, opportunity baskets for you to win and quilts to bid on in our live auction.

The doors will open for check in at 9:30 am and we should have the program completed by 1:30 pm. Guests are indeed welcome. Guest fee is \$5 unless they have a bookmark which allows them free entry for one meeting. The tickets for the opportunity baskets will be \$1.00/chance and 6 for \$5.00.

We are getting really beautiful quilts and wonderful baskets some of them are here and on display today. Thank you to the friendship groups and members who have donated quilts and baskets. Today was the deadline for collection.

Lyn Mann will be our auctioneer. Auction items will be on display at **Sacred Moondance** Creative Sewing Studio, upstairs classroom, in Lake Forest from October 30 – November 8.

You will receive the internet link to the photos of the opportunity baskets and auction items by email. Please share this information with friends.

Our website will also have the links and it will be on the home page in a few days. http://www.surfsidequiltersguild.org/Home.aspx

The workhouse activity starts tomorrow. If you can come and help organize contributions and assemble baskets, your help is much appreciated. See the newsletter for the location and time.

Brunch: Mary Jayne Bellamy (and Jeanne Tavasci)

- To those who signed up to bring food for the November Fest, we thank you.
- ❖ Mary Jayne and Jeanne will be sending out reminders of who is bringing what.
- Recipes are available for Mary Jayne's pumpkin bread.
- ❖ Volunteers who bring food will receive two \$1.00 chances for the opportunity baskets **Sharon Pembrook** will be here at 8am on the day of the Fest to accept your food contribution.

Volunteer Coordinator, Mary Gorelick still needs volunteers for the following:

- ❖ Ticket Sales involve selling tickets here at the meeting. We have specific half hour shifts.
- ❖ Table Monitors need four volunteers working half hour shifts.
- ❖ Drivers to pick up baskets at the workhouse on Nov 8th and deliver them to the church on Nov 9th.

Workshops, Jan Hirth:

October 20, 2010, Wednesday, 10am-4pm, **Sheryl Smith-Bailey**, Portrait Painting (of people or animals). Location: Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center, class fee \$35. No sewing machine required. There is a short list of supplies.

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

January 12, 2011, Wednesday, 10am- 4pm, **Sue Spargo**, Contemporary Folk Art using felted wool. Location: Faith Lutheran Church in Capistrano Beach. Flower Pot pattern is required for this workshop. Kit will be available for \$32 and there will be homework to prepare for the workshop. Currently there are 10 on waiting list for this workshop.

February - Peggy Timmons, appliqué, 'Cottage in the Woods'. Sign up will begin in December.

1st VP **Programs, Joann Bishop**

Joann introduces our speaker, Sheryl Smith-Bailey. Thank you to our holders and folders: Sue Richardson, Sharon Pembrook, Nancy Gasparotti and Linda Effertz.

Joann thanks our speaker and reminds the members to have their photo taken in the Fireside Room during the break, purchase Monthly Mini tickets plus Opportunity tickets for the Susan G. Komen For the Cure quilt. Also, sign up for workshops.

Break - 10 minutes

Members, please return to your seats so that we can resume the meeting.

President, Sharon Whelan -

Hospitality: Happy birthday to our members with October birthdays. Those of you with November birthdays have the month off. 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) was absent this month. Winner **Barbara McFarland** was awarded with a plate of goodies.

Wear Pink drawing for a pink orchid plant: The winner is Joan Orris. Thank you to all of you who showed support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month by wearing pink to the meeting today.

Membership: Today's membership stats.

New members: 7 Renewals: 0 Guests: 10

Established members in attendance: 116

Total number in attendance: 133

Membership total: 248

Cecile Choi of Sewing Party Quilt Shop in Laguna Hills is here today and has joined as a member. Welcome!

Monthly Mini, Mary Freedman and Del Thomas

Maker: **Del Thomas** deferred the drawing of the winning ticket to **Marge Johnson**.

Winner: Gail O'Sullivan

Monthly Quilt Exhibit, aka Show & Tell - Maggie Bell, with quilt holder, Sue Troise, 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: 11:55 am

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Bloyer Surfside Quilters Guild Secretary