Minutes Tuesday, December 14, 2010 - 10:00 am Surfside Quilters Guild, General Meeting # 20

San Clemente Presbyterian Church, 119 N Ave De La Estrella, San Clemente, Ca. 92672 Kelly King at the Office: 949-492-6158 X 34, cell 949-363-3140 email: kelly@scpres.org Bob Mitler (Custodian) cell 949-606-6773

President: Sharon Whelan, Good morning! Welcome to our speaker, Jinny Hoffmann of Paradise Sewing in Poway, our members, new members and guests. Would our new members and guests please stand so that we can recognize you? Thank you for coming.

Gentle reminders:

Turn set your cell phones to vibrate or silent

Parking --- not in south lot due to the preschool, extra lot on Cabrillo and El Camino Real **ALL** members and guests -be sure and **check-in** at the membership table.

Lunch at Carbonara's today. Additional reservations from the floor total 5. Carbonara Restaurant, 111 Avenida del Mar, San Clemente, CA. 92672-4001, (949) 366-1040.

Thank you to Pat McNeil and Jo Hutcheson for providing us with beautiful live piano music. Our guild is so blessed to have two such talented ladies, Jo Hutcheson and Pat McNeil who graciously volunteer their time and musical gifts to us each month. They will be joining us for lunch today as guests of Surfside Quilters Guild.

Del Thomas came to the microphone prior to the beginning of the meeting and told the audience she was taking photos in the Fireside Room. President Sharon Whelan again reminded the members after the meeting began to see Del Thomas during the break to have their photos taken. 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**.

Sunshine & Shadows: If you know one of our guild members who is in need of a get well card or condolence card due to illness or loss of a loved one, please let Barbara Ann Christensen or Sharon Whelan (SQG President) know as soon as possible. We care about our guild members and their families and while a card is a small gesture it is much appreciated.

Block of the Month: Mary Gorelick, Kathy Stewart, and Phyllis Parente displayed three samples of this month's tree block – Pine Tree. 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, then click on Block of the Month for 2010 (December).

The Monthly Mini today is two poinsettia pillows made by the Monthly Mini Chair, Mary Freedman. Please take the opportunity at the break to look at Mary's beautiful appliqué and at the same time purchase tickets to have a chance to take home one of these beautiful pillows.

Thank you to **Del Thomas** for her excellent work on our monthly newsletter and taking photos at the general meeting of all our winners, quilt exhibiters, etc. And thank you to her scribe, **Victoria**

Crayne, who assists Del by documenting the names of our members and guests whose photos are taken at the meetings. I hope you are all reading the newsletter online. You will be amazed at all of the happenings of our guild and the quilting related websites that Del provides us with on a monthly basis.

Internet/Webmaster: Nancy Ota has done a fabulous job working with Curtis Eidson and Chris Ota to establish a website for our guild (www.surfsidequiltersguild.org). Julia Maben has agreed to serve as Webmaster (**Julia**, **please stand so we can recognize you). Julia** has started to post general meeting and board meeting minutes, newsletters, Block of the Month, etc. on the website. Everything you want to know about the guild, from day one in May 2009, can be found on our website so please check it out.

WE THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS!

MEMBERS and friendship groups gave baskets, books, notions, fabrics, and other items to fill 67 fabulous opportunity baskets. We grossed \$4,236.00, please stand if you provided items for or assembled the opportunity baskets.

MEMBERS and friendship groups gave 17 live auction items. These items raised \$4,980.00, if you gave a finished auction item or helped finish one please stand.

BUSINESS DONORS contributed generously. Kathie Bellamy sent each one a letter of appreciation, but, please thank them when you visit their businesses.

We grossed: \$9,216.00

And because of our generous donors we netted: \$8,588.46

MANY VOLUNTEERS wrapped, delivered, set up, sold tickets, awarded baskets, and cleaned up. Please stand.

5 HUSBANDS who cheerfully helped deliver and set up.

FELLOWSHIP HALL was made available by the San Clemente Presbyterian Church.

The WRAP HOUSE was lent by Ellen and Wayne Takagishi.

BEST OF ALL WAS THE DELICIOUS BRUNCH. Thanks to 70 MEMBER COOKS AND BAKERS who provided our fabulous menu of quiche, breads, salads, finger desserts and refreshments. Mary Jayne Bellamy, Jeanne Tavasci, and LeAnn Goettel were in charge, however, Mary Jayne wants to thank all of the many cooks and bakers who made it all happen.

With 8 meetings, the committee planned, worked together and cemented friendships.

You need to meet these ladies.

NOVEMBER FEST COMMITTEE

Facilities/Set Up: Marjie Butterworth, and the maker of the table markers

Hospitality: Ardie Chamness, Joyce Conyers, Glenda Razor,

Brunch: Mary Jayne Bellamy, Jeanne Tavasci, and LeAnn Goettel

Treasurer: Carol Whiteside

MUSIC provided by our talented pianists Jo Hutcheson and Pat McNeil

Publicity: Kathie Bellamy

Donor Request Letters: Julie Maben

Collections: Maggie Bell, Kathie Bellamy, Jane Salem, and Vickie Janis

Live Auction: Nancy Ota, Cindy Croucher, Marjie Butterworth, Diane Collins, Becky Reed, Jane

Salem, Mary Freedman, and Joann Bishop

Auctioneer: Lyn Mann

Basket Wrap: Mary Freedman Basket Identification: Nancy Bloyer Volunteer Coordinator: Mary Gorelick

Ticket Sales: Joann Bishop

November Fest banner was made by Sheri Hill. Clean Up: Sharon Pembrook and Linda Effertz

Consultant: Barbara Seidel, and planner that laid the foundation last year

President: Sharon Whelan

Chairperson: Nancy Ota. She was the arm twister and thanks guild for the flowers and gift

certificate she received.

President's Quilt – Nancy Ota It is time to begin making our quilt of appreciation to our soon to be out-going President Sharon.

Please participate by making a block,

It is a **surprise**, so don't show her your blocks.

Sharon did choose the theme: the beach. And colors: bright and cheerful.

You can be creative, and make the background, day or night, water, sand, or sky.

Please come over to the table and pick up instructions, see examples and suggestions.

Finished size is 5". And please sign your block.

There is a section on our website that you can download a pattern if you need one.

I can use some help, so I have a sign up sheet. We will have sessions to design, trim, sew, and create a back.

We will have sewing bees. We will need hostesses and quilters.

And lastly we need it bound.

It really is fun to be a part of each quilt, every year.

Nancy Ota, Past President

Parliamentarian – Marge Johnson had to resign as our Parliamentarian due to her husband's upcoming back surgery. Nancy Bloyer, our SQG Secretary, has graciously agreed to be the guild Parliamentarian through the remainder of the term. The Parliamentarian's duties include chairing the Nominating Committee to put together a slate of officers for the Executive Board for the next term. The Nominating Committee is made up of four active members plus two alternates. Those serving on the Nominating Committee do not qualify to run for an office on the Executive Board for the upcoming term. The Executive Board consists of the President, Programs Chair, Membership Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Facilities Chair and Parliamentarian. The President selects the 6 members of the committee and those members will be notified before the next general meeting on January 11, 2011. If you do not plan on running for an Executive Board position, please consider serving on the Nominating Committee.

At this time, I would like to ask for the names of active members who would like to serve on the Nominating Committee. Please raise your hand and state your name.

Names: LeAnn Goettel, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Carol Whiteside, Kris Kouzelos, Carolie Malenius, Jeanne Haynes.

Philanthropy, Monica Shafer and Julie Vlahos: Stashbusters' is taking a break this month due to the holidays. The next meeting is Monday, January 24, 2011 from 10am-4pm, at Sacred Moondance Quilt Shop in Lake Forest in the classroom upstairs (an elevator is available). The project will be Pillowcase Dresses to benefit "Dress a Girl 'round the World". Please purchase pillowcases at stores such as Target, Macys, Kohl's, etc. during the upcoming white sales.

Membership in our guild's philanthropy group is open to all members and all levels of experience are welcome. Meetings are the fourth Monday of each month. Please bring an ingredient for the Friendship Salad and join in on the fun even if you only have an hour to spare.

Monica Shafer and Julie Vlahos delivered 80 completed stockings to Kids Konnected in Laguna Hills in time for their December 9th Holiday Party for children whose families have been affected by cancer. Will the members that participated please stand so that we can acknowledge you? Thank you so very much and to Monica and Julie for heading up this most worthy project. You brought joy and smiles to so many children and their families!

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!

Workshops, Jan Hirth:

No workshops in December (holidays).

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

February 9, **2011**, Wednesday, 10am – 4pm, Peggy Timmons, Appliqué Sampler. Sign-ups begin today. Location of workshop is still pending but most likely it will take place at the Community Presbyterian Church Youth Center in San Juan Capistrano.

March 9, 2011– Karen Cunigan, Innovative String Piecing. A workshop sample has been requested from the speaker. Signups will take place in January 2011.

1st VP **Programs, Joann Bishop**

January 11, 2011 - Sue Spargo, "Primitive Folk Art Quilts"

February 8, 2011 - Peggy Timmons, "A Quilter's Journey"

March 8, 2011 – Karen Cunigan, "Gather Your Courage to Enter Your Quilt"

Joann introduced today's speaker Jinny Hoffmann of Paradise Sewing in Poway, CA.

Joann thanked Jinny for her informative presentation. Members and guests make sure and purchase your Monthly Mini tickets, sign up for workshops, purchase magazines at the Recycle Magazine table and help yourself at the Hospitality Table.

BREAK – 10 minutes

Membership: Today's membership stats.

New members: 0

Renewals: 0

Guests: 8

Established members in attendance: 97

Total number in attendance: 105

Membership total: 256

Monthly Mini Drawing: Two Poinsettia Pillows by Mary Freedman

Winner #1 Nancy Bloyer Winner #2 Emily Pugmire

Monthly Quilt Exhibit (Show & Tell): Maggie Bell and quilt holder, Sharon Pembrook

I hope that you enjoyed today's presentation by Jinny Hoffmann of Paradise Sewing in Poway. Thank you, Jinny for your generous donation of time and talent to our guild. We greatly appreciate it!

Those of you that have signed up for the luncheon, we will see you at Carbonara's. Thank you all for coming and we will see you at our next meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2011 when Sue Spargo, a wool quilt artist will be our speaker. I hope you can join us then. **In the meantime, best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

Meeting adjourned. Time: 12:05pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Bloyer

Surfside Quilters Guild, Secretary