



**JANUARY 2010**  
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**MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2010**  
**San Clemente Presbyterian Church,**  
**119 N Ave De La Estrella, San Clemente, CA 92672**

9:30am - 10am Sign-in Time      10am Meeting and Program

*A Quilter's Amazing Journey*

*A program by GRACE ERREA*

Fiber artist, designer and quilter, Grace J. Errea, began quilting in 2000. Her art focuses on the depiction of inspiring scenes in a "value based" contemporary-realistic manner. She feels very fortunate to have many of her first quilts exhibited in juried shows and be recognized for their innovation in technique and depiction of nature and people.



In 2005 she chose to retire from a very successful career as an executive in a Fortune 500 computer and telecommunications company to devote herself to her art on a full-time basis. Grace is a self-taught artist and her work illustrates and has been recognized for exceptional primary use of values and secondary use of color. Her focus on value makes it easy for her and her students to create inspiring botanicals, landscape scenes and portraits, in any color.

Grace's innovative techniques and her focus on value have attracted widespread interest from quilters, as well as national and international galleries, museums and publications. She has been invited to show her art and to teach overseas and in various locations in the United States. Her classes are well attended, in demand, and are presented in a fun, informal, and educational manner.

Grace currently resides, quilts, and teaches in Southern California. She and her husband have two daughters, Julia and Lauren, and two cats, Thelma and Louise.



Grace's "Himalayan Poppies on Ice" detail 54" x 68"



**Next Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, Jan 19**  
**10AM at the home of Nancy Bloyer.**

Guild members who wish to attend should contact Nancy Bloyer to reserve a seat.  
 dbgogolf@cox.net  
 949-369-7423

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**Newsletter Deadline**  
 BOARD MEETING  
 The earlier -  
 The better. Del  
[SurfsideQG@aol.com](mailto:SurfsideQG@aol.com)

## Nancy's Sew Notes



Remember Y2K? All the fears on that New Year's Day had the world concerned. We are just fine and using computers more and more. Some times there is a glitch here and there. Surfside Quilters Guild is part of the virtual world. But we are real, nearly paperless and 241 strong after only eight months.

Wasn't December Fest fabulous? It not only raised much needed funds for our fledgling guild, it showed the generosity of our members and brought us together for fun and treats. You must have noticed that the event was well planned and organized. Barbara Seidel measured, sketched, planned, coordinated every detail to the minute and ordered sunshine and calm. She accomplished all this during a major home remodel, major storm and all the things that happen within family life during these past few months. Thanks to Barbara it was a wonderful day for all.

January is meeting number nine, and it is time to begin our election process. Please join in the guild fun, get to know your fellow members and become involved. You all have skills to share. Please take a serious look at the volunteer form attached, fill it out and either mail it, e-mail it or bring it in to the January meeting.

Nancy Ota, SQG President [nancy@nancyota.com](mailto:nancy@nancyota.com) 949-429-3499

### ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The election process begins with the selection of the nominating committee. Thank you to our involved membership for rising to volunteer to serve. At our December general meeting nine members volunteered for the committee.

The President selects the committee which will consist of the Parliamentarian, four members and two alternates. No member of the committee may be nominated for the executive board.

The committee will consist of Marcia Faultersack, LeAnn Goettel, Kris Kouzelos, Sheryl Smith-Bailey. Two alternates: Carol Bassett and Sharon Pembrook.

The Parliamentarian will begin soliciting volunteers to run for the executive board in January.

A full slate will be presented in **March**, voting will be at the **April** meeting, and in **May** the new officers will begin their one-year term .

Surfside Quilters Guild has enjoyed a great beginning, be a part of the next board.

Joan Mauri, Parliamentarian [jjmauri@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jjmauri@sbcglobal.net) 760-728-4532

### HOSPITALITY.....

A big thank you to all our very generous members who brought food for December Fest. I was overwhelmed with the number of donations we received - they not only made for a bountiful luncheon, but the leftovers went to Isaiah's House, a homeless shelter in Santa Ana. Cindy Croucher made all the arrangements to have our extra food taken there. She says most of the 60 - 80 women are senior citizens and they were extremely grateful.

I would like to thank Pat Doughty and Jane Salem. They both worked so hard serving the food and doing clean up. Also a thank you to Sharon Whelan for donating two beautiful poinsettias for our hospitality table.

The Earth and I have a favor to ask - in the spirit of being "GREEN" please bring your own mug for coffee or tea. We will still provide cups in case you forget, but it would help the planet by not adding 150-200 cups to the landfill every month. Remember to bring treats for our January meeting.

Thank You. Bev Weibel, Hospitality [bev.weibel@cox.net](mailto:bev.weibel@cox.net)

**SURFSIDE QUILTERS GUILD**  
**Annual Nominations & Volunteer Opportunities**

A description of all offices and committees are written in the bylaws posted on our website. <http://sites.google.com/site/surfsidequiltersguild/>

Please consider nominating yourself and serving to build and improve this quilt guild. Nominations will be announced in the March newsletter and general meeting, election at the April general meeting, and officers begin to serve in May.

**Nominations for the Executive Board**

|                                       | Name  | Phone | Email |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>President</b>                      | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> V.P. Program</b>    | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. Membership</b> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> V.P. Facilities</b> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>Secretary</b>                      | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>Treasurer</b>                      | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <b>Parliamentarian</b>                | _____ | _____ | _____ |

**Standing Committees are voting members of the Board and are appointed by the President. Please check and volunteer in areas of your interest.**

|                                                              |                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Friendship Groups                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Mini                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropy                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity & Sponsors                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Quilt Exhibit (Show & Tell) | <input type="checkbox"/> So Ca Council Quilt Guild Representative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshops                           | <input type="checkbox"/>                                          |

**Check if you are willing to assist:**

|                                                |                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership table      | <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Mini                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speaker setup & sales | <input type="checkbox"/> Show & Tell                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stagehand for speaker | <input type="checkbox"/> Stagehand for Show & Tell        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality setup     | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming new members and guests |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop              | <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine Recycle table           |

**Special Committees:**

|                                                |                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunity Quilt     | <input type="checkbox"/> December Fest               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Internet Buddy        | <input type="checkbox"/> Feature writer (newsletter) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/>                             |

**Other skills needed:**

|                                         |                                    |                                            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Accounting/Bookkeeping                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Signs     | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphics/Printing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Event Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney  | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography    | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/>                   |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Any ideas, suggestions or questions which might assist or improve the guild are always appreciated.

Turn this form into Joan Mauri or send as an attachment to [jjmauri@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jjmauri@sbcglobal.net)

# WORKSHOPS

## January 2010 Workshop with Grace Errea - Choice of Flamingo quilt, Morning Glory quilt or Swan quilt.

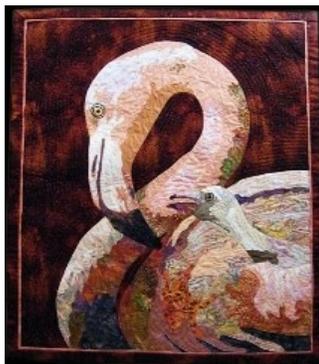
Workshop focuses on the role of value in art design and introduces participants to Grace's appliqué methods - easy turned-edge machine appliqué, raw, and "free" edge applique techniques. Students will also learn how to create this bird in ANY color by understanding Grace's application of VALUE to her work.

Wednesday, Jan 13, 2010 -

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

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

Contact: Carol Mayer [mayerca@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mayerca@sbcglobal.net)



Grace Errea



Quilt samples are approximately  
30" x 27"

## February 10th Workshop with Kim Diehl at "A Time to Sew"

27071 Cabot Rd, Ste 101, Laguna Hills

**"Bittersweet Briar"** Kim will be instructing the workshop on how to make the beautiful, traditional style quilt "Bittersweet Briar" using her method of machine appliqué with a turned edge.

Workshop fee \$50 Class time 10am to 4pm

48 1/2" Square Quilt - All Skill Levels -Six-Hour Class

To Sign Up - Contact: Carol Mayer (949) 831-3295  
[Mayerca@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Mayerca@sbcglobal.net)



## FUTURE WORKSHOPS

February - Kim Diehl - Invisible Machine Applique  
March - Susan Trindle  
April - Norah McMeeking

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

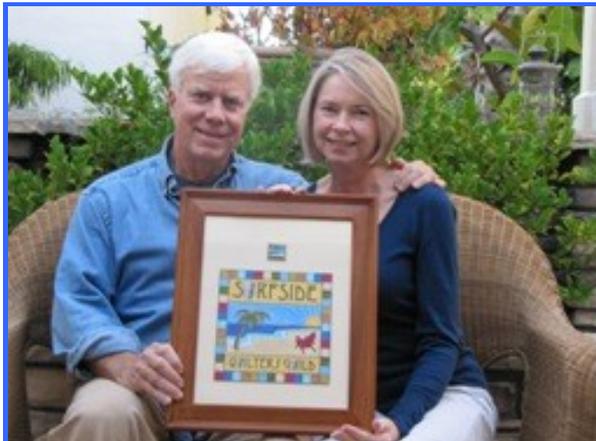
February 09, '10 - Kim Diehl  
March 09, '10 - Susan Trindle  
April 13, '10 - Norah McMeeking

## GENTLY USED MAGAZINE SALES

The recycled magazine table will be open. Bring in your gently used magazines. We will sell them 4 for \$1.00 again in January

Dear Members and Board members,

I was totally blown away when I saw the finished logo design in the pin form. It is even more beautiful than the original design with all of the gold detail added. Many hours went into transferring the art work into the pin design. I want to thank Nancy Ota, her son Chris Ota, Lyndy Dye and Suzanne Stanton for their combined talents which produced this fantastic pin. Thank you also for the framed artwork and pin. I have found a special place of honor in my quilt room for it to hang! Susie and Dave Russell



## LEAVE THE DRIVING TO.....

Crazy Quilters of Laguna Woods invites you to join them on their bus trip to Road to California on Friday, Jan 15, 2010. Bus departs Gate #3 (at Moulton) at 9am - back at 4:30 ~ 5pm. \$44 price includes entrance to show and snacks/water on the way back. Lunch on your own. Contact: Ximena at [ximenax@fea.net](mailto:ximenax@fea.net) or phone 949-588-7135 or Shirley [sgiu8888@comline.com](mailto:sgiu8888@comline.com) or phone 949-707-1434

## FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

If you are interested in joining a friendship group, please fill out the form on our website:

<http://sites.google.com/sites/surfsidequiltersquild> Click Download Files, Click Forming new friendship groups.

This is a great way to make new friends and have fun. Quilters with similar interests and preferred times are grouped together. You may belong to as many groups as you wish. The size of the group is decided by the members, not by the guild - it can be large or small, whatever fits in the houses where it will meet.

Betty Prottas [hprottas@cox.net](mailto:hprottas@cox.net), (949) 499-0049 Sue Haw [sue\\_haw@msn.com](mailto:sue_haw@msn.com) (949) 499-4868

## STAR WATCHING.....

It takes many volunteers to make a strong and vital Guild. They make things enjoyable for all. Is there someone special you would like to thank? Let me know.

Del, Newsletter Editor, [SurfsideQG.aol.com](http://SurfsideQG.aol.com)

>A huge round of applause to everyone who contributed to making December Fest a grand success. See the individual's names on Page 13.

>Thank you to the many members who responded with 7" fabric squares that were requested by the San Clemente Presbyterian Church for their Advent Family Event. A letter of appreciation was received from Diana Castruita, Children's Director of the church. She states that the fabrics were used for their Advent Family Event. Young families met for dinner and participated in a craft project to create clay pot nativities. Two hundred fifty squares were requested, but our membership donated over 1000!

>Barbara Christiansen was the friendly face greeting you at the Welcome table in December. Susie Russell sends a Thank You to her for taking her place during December Fest.

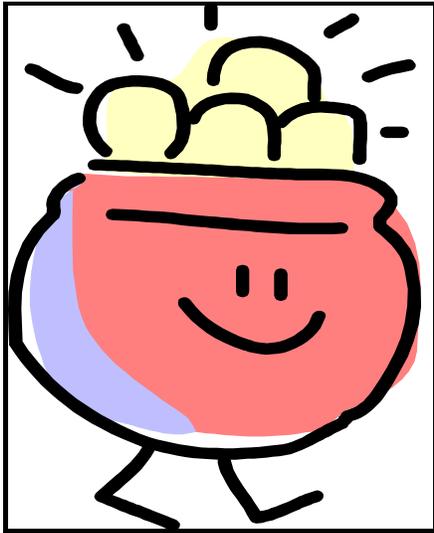
>Congratulations to members Jan Hirth and Cindy Shoop. Their quilts were accepted for competition at Road to California, the juried quilt show at the Ontario Convention Center Jan 14-17. Best wishes for blue ribbons.

<http://www.road2ca.com/>

Linda Rigdon -  
Because the picture fit in this space!



## BLOCK-A-MONTH Win \$\$\$ for your quilt - Here is what you have to do:



1. Complete all 13 Block-A Month blocks.
2. Put together your quilt top including sashing and borders by the June 2010 meeting.
3. Be in attendance and show your finished quilt to Jan or LeAnn at our June 2010 meeting. You will receive a ticket for the \$100 free drawing for your qualified quilt top.
4. During that meeting we will hold a special Show & Tell featuring all the qualified quilt tops. We will then draw a lucky winner from those on stage showing their quilts.
5. If you're unable to attend the meeting, but want to be a part of the drawing, have someone represent you with your finished top.
6. Please note - your quilt top does not have to follow our layout.
7. You may design your top to your own liking, but in order for it to qualify for the drawing, your quilt has to include all of the 13 patterns.
8. The lucky winner will receive \$100 from Surfside Quilters Guild to be spent as she chooses.

So, let's keep up with those monthly blocks - who couldn't use an extra \$100 these days?

Jan Hirth [janhirth@cox.net](mailto:janhirth@cox.net) LeAnn Goettel [goettels@yahoo.com](mailto:goettels@yahoo.com) The Block-A-Month Committee



### FEBRUARY IS THE LAST MONTH - SURFSIDE STARS

The absolute deadline for turning in your 'signature bricks' is the February meeting. You have been so generous with your contributions - I want to be sure to include your name on the quilt. Give them to me, or to Nancy Ota, at a meeting or mail them to me so I can be working on assembling the quilt.

Diane Collins, 24901 Dana Point Harbor Dr, Suite 200, Dana Point, CA 92629

## NON-PROFIT DESIGNATION

Surfside Quilters Guild received the Federal Determination Letter designating our guild is a 501 ©(3) an educational corporation. An exemption application form has been sent to the State of California, Franchise Tax Board.

Thank you to Darci Bellamy, Katherine Gluck, C.P.A., the board members and to many others for their help with the extensive documentation and numerous applications required for the designation with the federal and state governments.

Nancy Ota, SQG President [nancy@nancyota.com](mailto:nancy@nancyota.com) 949-429-3499

EDITOR'S note: Ladies, Nancy is the one to thank. She has spend at least half of her time for the past six months to secure this valuable asset for our guild. THANK YOU, NANCY. Well done.

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## **SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS**

Please wear a NAMETAG to make it easier for all of us to get to know each other. Also please greet and meet new members and guests who will be wearing identifiable nametags.  
Susie Russell, Welcoming Chair

**BIRTHDAY WISHES for our JANUARY birthdays. A good friend is like a warm quilt wrapped around the heart.**

Karen Funkhouser 02  
Storrow Johnson 04  
Peggy Lindon 06  
Dorcas Mauerman 06  
Jaine Culbertson 08  
Carol Mayer 11  
Beverly Ringel 11  
Pamela Engelhart 12  
Geneva Wilson 12  
Joni Downum 13  
Sue Haw 13  
Ardie Chamness 16  
Claire Bell 17  
Laurie Peden 17  
Kathryn Firman 18  
Mary Gorelick 20  
Judy Freund 22  
Julie Neff Maben 24  
Emily Pugmire 25  
Emilee Leighty 27  
Arline Stroup 28

Betty Prottas says her husband is recovering well from seven and a half hours of heart surgery.

Do keep well - there are some nasty germs going around this winter. Let me know if someone needs a cheering note or some positive thoughts. Susie

## **INTRODUCING Nancy Bloyer .....**



You may not recognize Nancy, our Secretary for SQG, since these days she is without Flair, a darling yellow Labrador Retriever guide dog, who has now begun his working career. She and her husband started raising guide dogs three years ago as a type of service work that fit their lives and which they could do together. She's discovered that raising pups gives her a sense of purpose, something she lost when she was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis in 1999.

Years ago, Nancy's budding interest in quilting was helped along by a friend in the accounting department where she worked. Nancy liked the idea of learning to do something creative and functional. Although she doesn't think of herself as a quilting purist, she did learn to hand quilt before the abundance of machine quilting options there are today, so she feels good about helping to keep alive a tradition of folk art that includes hand appliqué and hand quilting. Her favorite quilting projects are heirloom baby quilts, usually hand-appliquéd and hand-quilted, as well as making items to donate for fundraisers.

A pivotal moment in Nancy's quilting career was when she once sold a lady a baby quilt as a gift for a friend. The lady opened it up, said it's nice, and then stuffed it back in the bag. In that disappointing moment, Nancy realized how much of herself she puts into each and every quilt she makes. That was the end of her sales career as a home quilter!

In the new year, you will be seeing Nancy with another young guide dog in training. Make a point of introducing yourself to both of them.

Article by Marcia Faultersack [mfaultersack@cox.com](mailto:mfaultersack@cox.com)

## DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Meeting attendance - 159 Guests - 16 New Members - 5 Total Membership - 241 .

We welcome these new members who joined the Guild in December, please add them to your printed roster.:

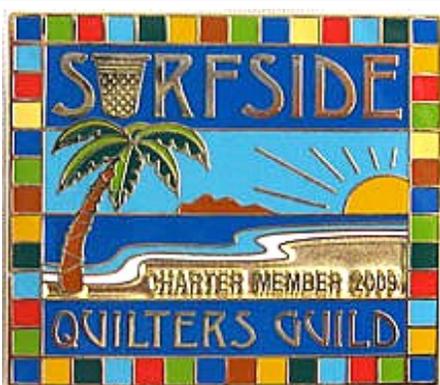
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If you have not done so, be sure to pick up your member cards at the membership table.

Cindy Croucher [cynsews@aol.com](mailto:cynsews@aol.com) 949/493-8718

### A Special Gift for our Members: Charter Member Pins

Our beautiful Charter Member Pins were unveiled at the December Guild meeting. Each member is eligible for one pin as a part of their 2009 Charter Membership dues. Many members picked up their pin during the December Fest. If you haven't received yours yet, be sure to get it at the at the January meeting. Anyone who joins SQG before May 1, 2010 will receive a pin as part of the membership fee. Extra pins are for sale for \$5 each.



Jan Hirth receives her charter pin from Suzanne Stanton and Lyndy Dye.



### LUNCH AFTER THE GUILD MEETING Tuesday January 12, 2010 12 Noon

We had a grand time at December Fest, but it will be wonderful to be back to **HAPA J** for lunch after the January meeting. Justin has a new menu for us. <http://www.hapajs.com/>

1st Course - Edamame

2nd Course – Thai Beef Salad w/Toasted Pita, mixed greens, roasted peanuts and mint.

3rd Course Dessert – Plum Wine Ice Cream

Coffee/Tea /Iced/water Tea included. Other drinks are extra.

\$15 per person (including tax/gratuity)

**\*Please wait until 12:00, doors will not open prior to noon**

Please make your reservations for lunch by Monday morning, January 11th.

RSVP CALL OR EMAIL: Kathie Bellamy [kathie.bellamy@cox.net](mailto:kathie.bellamy@cox.net) (949) 369-1224



**EDITOR'S CORNER** - If you see a quilt related event that might be of interest to others, please send me the information in an e-mail so I can post it in the newsletter.

I apologize for the lateness of this newsletter - some strange coughing bug has laid me low for weeks. I hope I am going to be over it soon.

The DVD I have to show at lunch is "Mickey Lawler Teaches You to Paint Landscape Fabric". As with all of the DVD's I've shown, I have not seen it, but the box says it is 160 minutes long. We may have to watch half of it in February.

Del Thomas [SurfsideQG@aol.com](mailto:SurfsideQG@aol.com)

## ~ TREASURER'S REPORT ~

Profit & Loss Statement  
11/1/2009 through 11/30/2009

Balance Forward: **\$12,273.84**

**Income:**

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Donations        | \$ 100.00 |
| Guest            | 85.00     |
| Membership       | 150.00    |
| Misc.            | 20.50     |
| Monthly Mini     | 316.00    |
| Publ. & Sponsors | 50.00     |
| Ways and Means   | 0.00      |
| Workshop Income  | 1080.00   |

**Total Income \$1,801.50**

**Expenses:**

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Block-A-Month     | \$ 0.00 |
| Facilities        | 200.00  |
| Hospitality       | 48.59   |
| Incorporation     | 0.00    |
| Membership-Exp    | 0.00    |
| Operations        | 659.75  |
| Parliamentarian   | 0.00    |
| Philanthropy      | 150.00  |
| Programs          | 568.70  |
| Star Quilt Raffle | 0.00    |
| Welcome/Sunshine  | 0.00    |
| Workshops         | 750.00  |

**Total Expenses \$ 2,377.04**

Net Income/Loss **\$ 575.54**

**Current Balance \$11,698.30**

Respectfully Submitted  
Carol Whiteside, Treasurer, SQG 2009-2010

*Sewing Party*

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## JANUARY MONTHLY MINI - Cindy Croucher



### “The Secret of the Vines”

My passion for quilting began after taking my first quilt class from Suzanne Stanton in 1988 at the Adult Ed in San Juan Capistrano. This opened up a whole new world for me, meeting others with the same interests. A year later several of us started a friendship group called Threads of Friendship.

From this group of creative women, who desired a guild in our end of town, Beach Cities Quilters Guild was formed. Years later, with many of us reaching our "golden years," it was determined a morning quilt guild was needed in our locale. Thus, we now enjoy our Surfside Quilters Guild.

During my first year quilting, my choice of colors were the palest of pastels. However, gaining confidence in my skills over the past 20 years or so, I now prefer the brighter, contrasting fabrics used in this monthly mini. This hand-applied, hand-quilted pattern, found in a quilt magazine, caught my eye with its dramatic black on red with bold, vivid colors. These fabrics just happened to be in my stash at the time.

Besides quilting, I enjoy knitting and working in my vegetable garden, but most of all spending time with our five adult children and 11 grandchildren. In addition to making quilted treasures for family members, I sew a few lap size quilts each year that homes with needy families.

For information about Monthly Mini contact Mary Freedman [quiltlady@cox.net](mailto:quiltlady@cox.net) 949-388-6901

### DECEMBER MONTHLY MINI -

Winners were Sharon Whalen (on the left) and Kris Kouzelos (on the right). They flank Mary Freedman who made and donated the two lovely Poinsettia pillows.

Mary also chairs the Monthly Mini committee and makes a wholehearted contribution of time, energy and funds to our guild.



### A Health Warning for all women

Maggie Ezell sends her holiday good wishes and asks to share a health warning. She had a hysterectomy on December 10 due to uterine cancer and is home recovering. She is confident that it is in the early stages and her prognosis is good because she noticed some very light spotting and went to see her doctor. She advises that a healthy pap smear is not an indication of a healthy uterus.

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# STASHBUSTERS WORKSHOP FOR PHILANTHROPY

December was a great month! We had our Rachel Maus "It Just Doesn't Matter" quilt workshop - what a great way to use up scraps. Also, Philanthropy donated 6 quilts toward San Clemente Presbyterian's mission to Mexico, as well as several bags of food and toiletries.

This month (January) we'll be learning how to make the Snowball block, which we'll use to make "Snowball's Chance In OC" quilts to be donated to the Orange County Rescue Mission's Motel Kids project. These blocks are super easy to make. They're great for showing off special or themed fabrics, or to show off a special quilting design. This method is also works well to use up scraps. If we use bright, vibrant colors we can make some real Orange County-style "snowballs"!

As with all of our workshops, the doors are open for anyone who wants to come learn a new technique, share a friendship salad and meet new people while sewing quilts for charity. These workshops are perfect for beginners. You're all invited to join us the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at **A Time To Sew** from 10 to 4. This month we're meeting January 25.

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## FUTURE STASHBUSTER WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED

Jan. 25, 2010 Project: "Snowball's Chance in OC" quilts for the Orange County Rescue Mission's motel kids project

Feb. '10 Project: Walker packs for San Clemente Senior Center

Mar. '10 Project: Placemat & napkin sets for Meals on Wheels

Apr. '10 Project: Burial wrappers for Newborns in Need

May '10 Project: Ocean quilt, for Ocean Institute, Dana Point auction

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Members who want to donate something to philanthropy projects can bring to a meeting or add to the box at A time To Sew.;



Lyn Mann - hardworking auctioneer !



Barbara Trulis & Bambi Comer, who AREN'T shopping!

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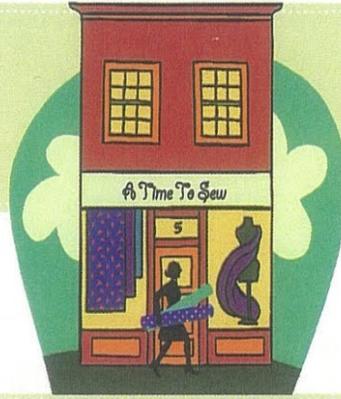
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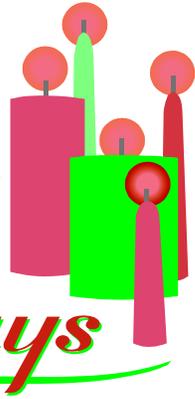


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## DECEMBER FEST WAS A HUGE SUCCESS – THANK YOU ALL!

Your December Fest committee worked to "invent" our first annual fundraiser. We thank Barbara Seidel who led the way with her inventive spirit and organizational skills that put this all together with the help of her hard working committee members. She measured and planned seating, pick up, set up, and clean up to insure a well coordinated and fun event and also planned and organized the Silent Auction. She fought wind and rain to pick up balloons and supplies on Monday and she ordered sunshine and calm for Tuesday! Along with Kathie Bellamy, Barbara coordinated arrangements with the San Clemente Presbyterian Church and diagrammed the set-up for tables, chairs, sage and microphone for custodian, Bob Mitler.

Marge Johnson solicited the volunteers so Barbara could evenly distribute the workload and make assignments. Marge and Joann Bishop solicited merchandise from merchants, members and friendship groups - they both drove countless miles collecting merchandise - and in their spare time they cut tickets into sections! When she wasn't busy with those tasks Joann sewed the "money aprons", wrote letters of appreciation, and coordinated the ticket sellers.

Bev Weibel priced and shopped to gather supplies and foods. Bev solicited members to bring their holiday favorites, and the members responded with boundless amounts of yummy treats. Volunteers served the treats brought in by members. They cleaned the appliances and kitchen, leaving everything so the church ladies will be glad we came.

Ellen and Wayne Takagishi loaned their lovely home for the use of the committee for meetings, sorting and wrapping. We felt so lucky to have the space to collect, sort, wrap and store the baskets. Volunteers brought baskets and wrapping materials.

Mary Freedman, Sumi Maruyama, Marge Johnson, Joann Bishop, Barbara Seidel, Kathie Bellamy and Nancy Ota sorted and inventoried the collected donations to create and wrap baskets. Judy Dunlap typed and printed the inventory lists attached to each basket. Volunteers came in the deluge of wind and rain to pick up the baskets.

Nancy Ota solicited live auction donations, took photos, and advertised the event. Many volunteers helped to set up the display. A Time To Sew gave space to display all the live auction items for ten days. Sharon Pembroke and Carol Bassett played "Vanna" for the live auction, while Lyn Mann was our fabulous auctioneer, wiggled wallets, entertained us and convinced us we couldn't live without the items we coveted.

Carol Whiteside and Carey Ware collected the money and kept records at the treasury table.

Jo Hutcheson and Pat McNeil expertly set the holiday mood by providing live holiday music from the piano.

Members came and generously participated. (See the December Fest Treasurer's Report) And many then volunteered to clean the room quickly and see that everything was packed up.

It was very much a group effort by members and volunteers and guests and .....! We thank all those mentioned above and the following...

Thanks to San Clemente Presbyterian Church for accommodating us and to our many generous members who contributed food, fabric, books, patterns, notions, baskets and handmade items. Also the Friendship Groups who arranged and filled baskets for the raffle and silent auction: Around the Block, Calico Cutups, Designing Women, Loose Threads, Mini Maniacs, Seamz Rites, and Threads of Friendship.

Thanks to the members and friendship groups who donated items to the live auction: Kathy Bellamy, Sue Butsko, Busy Buzzy Bobbins, Diane Collins, Designing Women, Lillian Gordon, Jan Hirth, Marilyn Johnson, Odetta Osantowski, Nancy Ota, Barbara Seidel, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Suzanne Stanton and Del Thomas.

When you shop, please remember the generous donations to the December Fest raffle and silent auction made by these merchants and let them know how much their contributions to our guild are appreciated: A Time to Sew – Laguna Hills, Attitude - San Juan Capistrano, Capistrano Sew& Vacuum –San Juan Capistrano, Cozy Quilt Shop – El Cajon, Denaults Hardware – San Clemente, Ebra - San Clemente, Elegant Expressions – Laguna Niguel, Fat Quarters – Vista, Flying Geese Fabric – Tustin, Hoffman Fabrics - Mission Viejo, Nena's Quilt Shack - Mission Viejo, Orange Quilt Bee - Orange, Quilt In A Day - San Marcos, Quilter's Cottage - Chula Vista, Sewing Party - Laguna Hills, Starry Night Hallow – Encinitas, Tall Mouse - Aliso Viejo



A planning meeting - around the table left to right: Nancy Ota, Joann Bishop, Carol Whiteside, Marge Johnson, Cindy Croucher, Kathy Bellamy, Bev Weibel

## MORE DECEMBER FEST.....

### THANK YOU.....

SoCal Connected Outreach, on behalf of Isaiah's House in Santa Ana, a women's shelter, thanks the generous ladies of Surfside Quilters Guild for the many assorted dessert plates donated to their holiday party on December 9th.

Jeanne Larson  
Founder, SoCal Connected

(Jeanne is the daughter of Surfside QGuild member Cindy Croucher.)



Cindy Croucher & Susie Russell enjoy the sunshine!

### DECEMBER FEST TREASURER'S REPORT:

#### Income:

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Live Auction   | \$3,455.00 |
| Raffle Baskets | 2,924.00   |
| Silent Auction | 662.00     |

**Total Income** \$ 7,041.00

#### Expenses:

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| December Fest                     | \$119.38 |
| Hospitality                       | 272.60   |
| Live Auction (gift to auctioneer) | 100.00   |
| Raffle Baskets                    | 43.40    |

**Total Expenses** \$535.38

**Net Income:** \$6,505.62

#### Carol Whiteside, Treasurer

Thanks to the prompt reports by the committee and our efficient treasurer for making this report available only one week following the event.  
Nancy Ota

**ELEGANT EXPRESSIONS OF CALIFORNIA** Invites you to its **Customer Appreciation Day**  
**Who?** Quilters, family and friends (feel free to bring non-quilters and husbands (who might enjoy watching the machine stitch the designs)).

**When:?** January 7, 2010 starting at 11 a.m.

**Where?** 25341 La Estrada Drive, Laguna Niguel, Ca. 92677

**What?** We're planning an exciting day for all of our quilting friends. Fabric dyeing and marbelling demonstrations, Statler Stitcher quilting demos, a show of some of my latest quilts, some free door prizes along the way and snacks to keep up our strength! (Bring your quilt tops if you'd like.)

**Why?** We want to thank you all for being the greatest customers a quilter can have on our third anniversary in Laguna Niguel. We will be moving to Long Beach in mid-January and will be there for approximately three months before making our permanent move to Portland, Oregon. We will continue quilting for you wherever we are. Check our website ([www.elegantexpressions-online.net](http://www.elegantexpressions-online.net)) for our Design Catalog and call me to get your pieced tops done with the same quality, low price and fast turnaround time I have always provided!

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## PLACES TO GO....

**November 14 - January 17 Interpretations 2009: Art Quilts by Quilt visions Members.** A Juried exhibition. Visions Art Quilt Gallery, 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100, San Diego, CA. Hours: Tuesday - Sunday 10am to 4pm

**January 14 ~ 17, 2010 Road to California Quilt Show,** Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, CA. [www.road2ca.com/](http://www.road2ca.com/)

**January 15, 2010 Bus trip to Road to California** with Crazy Quilters of Laguna Woods. Price \$44 includes entrance to show and snacks/water on the way back. Lunch on your own. Leave at 9am - Return 4:30pm or 5pm. For tickets contact Ximena at [ximenax@fea.net](mailto:ximenax@fea.net) or phone 949-588-7135 or Shirley [sgiu8888@comline.com](mailto:sgiu8888@comline.com) or phone 949-707-1434

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**July 23 - 25, 2010 International Quilt Festival - Long Beach** Classes begin July 22, 2010 Yes, it is more than seven months away - this is just an early warning. The 2009 Festival in Long Beach had about 18,000 attendance, so it was much better than expected with economy being what it has been. It is a very impressive show - mark your calendar.



Thank you Surfside Quilters  
Guild for fixing the club's sewing  
machine and making our program  
even better!!!  
Nicole Belair

I LOVE quilting! It is so much fun!  
I hope I could do it again next  
year!  
Denja Matienzo

Quilting is fun because I am making  
it for my PUPPY. Jennifer Arino

I am doing my first quilting and it  
is great and I love it. Emily

Quilting is the Best! Aeri

I Love quilting! This is a very great gift  
for me and thank you for all! Haarah Flores

Vanessa S. Thank you for your  
stitching class!

Thank you!!!

### THANK YOU FROM THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

A letter of appreciation has been received from Nicole Belair, Program Director of the San Juan Capistrano Boys & Girls Club and from some of the children who participate in Peggy Jaffe's Quilting program. This was in response to the guild's gift of \$150 towards repair of the program's sewing machines.

Volunteers are needed for their classes held on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

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Stashbusters Workshop with Rachel Maus. Two of Rachel's project samples on the wall.

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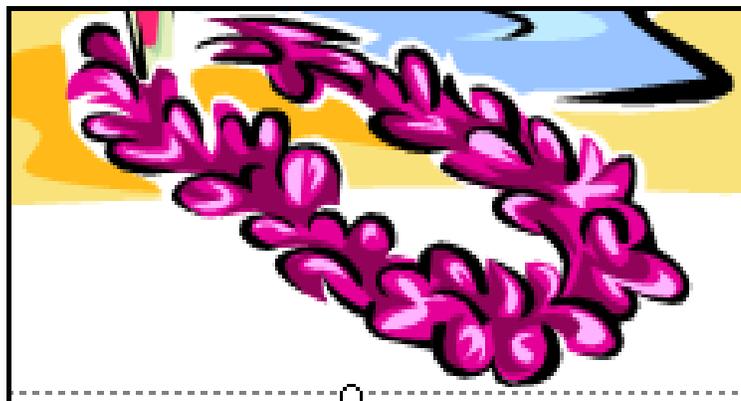
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The Surfside Quilters Guild, a 501c3 corporation, was established in March 2009 to promote quilting and other fiber arts in the South Orange County area. The Guild offers the opportunity to share experiences with other quilters in an atmosphere of fellowship, as well as to enhance the knowledge and skills of its membership. Newsletters are distributed via the Internet.

Dues are \$30.00 annually for the membership year from May 1st through April 30th. Guests are always welcome for a donation of \$5.00. Membership and Volunteer forms are available on our temporary website:

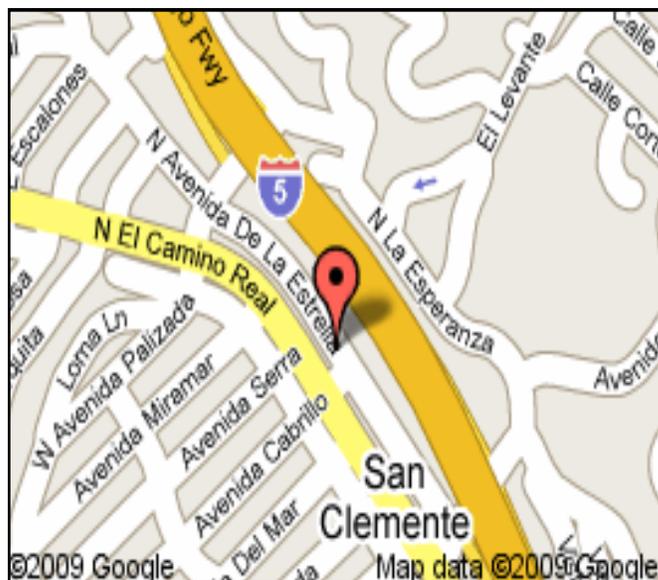
<http://sites.google.com/site/surfsidequiltersguild>

General Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month.  
Set up and sign-in time at 9:30 a.m. Business/Program at 10:00 a.m..

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# Surfside Quilters Guild

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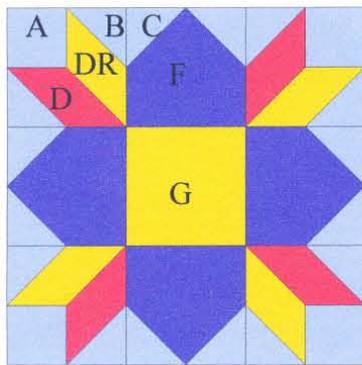
A Block A Month  
January 2010

## Weatherwane

9 1/2" unfinished pieced block with Y-seams and snowballed units

Surfside Quilters Guild is up! Each month make blocks for your own Surf's Up sampler quilt. This month make one Weatherwane block. Following the picture tutorial will simplify the construction of this block.

<http://sites.google.com/site/surfsidequiltersguild/home/block-a-month>



**Cut the following fabrics: Wash reds and blues to prevent bleeding.**

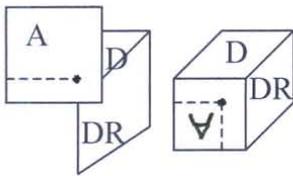
- From sky blue fabric, cut a strip 2" x 24" then cut the strip into twelve 2" squares to be used for pieces A and C.
- From sky blue fabric, cut a strip 2 1/2" x 20". Cut the strip into four 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares. Cut each square in half diagonally for B pieces.
- From red fabric (or color of your choice) cut a strip 1 1/2" x 14". Using template D, cut 4 pieces.
- From yellow fabric (or color of your choice), cut a strip 1 1/2" x 14". Using template D-R, cut 4 pieces.
- From dark blue (or color of your choice), cut a strip 3 1/2" x 14". Cut into four 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" squares for F pieces.
- Cut one 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" square of yellow (or color of your choice) for the center square (G).

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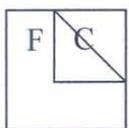


Sew from dot to bottom of D-DR pieces.

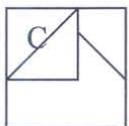
2.



3.



Sew C to F diagonally in upper right corner. Trim seam. Press to F.



Sew another C to F on other side.

**Sew block using Y-seam and snowball techniques: Layout all pieces to form Weatherwane as shown in top illustration. Use scant 1/4" seam.**

- For Y-seams, place a dot 1/4" from one corner of wrong side of four A squares, four D and DR pieces using a pencil or washable pen as shown in diagrams 1 and 2.
- Place D and DR right sides together. Begin stitching at dot taking two back-stitches only. Sew to bottom of pieces. (See diagram 1).
- Pin A to D and sew from outer edge to dot and take a small backstitch. See diagram 2.
- Pivot the other edge of A to DR and stitch from dot to edge, backstitching 2 stitches at dot. Press seam towards DR.
- Sew diagonal edge of B to edge of D and another one to edge of DR. Press towards D and DR. Make 4 of these 3 1/2" A-B-D-DR units.
- To "snowball" C to F, draw a pencil line diagonally from corner to corner on C squares. Place C on corner of F. Sew on the line. Trim excess from sewn corner leaving 1/4" seam. Press towards F. Repeat process on the other corner. Make 4 of these 3 1/2" C-F units. See diagram 3.
- Lay out the nine units to form Weatherwane block. Sew in rows, then sew rows together. Press well.