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President's Message

So it's November and there is certainly a bit of autumn in the air – that indescribable something that says the seasons are changing in southern California – a change in the afternoon light and the beginning of the liquid ambers turning their delicious colors on our neighborhood streets. It tells me that Thanksgiving is coming. This year only a few will be around our table. Our son will be staying in Nashville to work over his college holiday and we won't travel there as we did last year. Still we have so many things for which to be thankful.

I'm thankful for close friends and family. I'm also thankful to have a business that interests me and a hobby (quilting) that is my passion. I'm truly thankful for all of the members of Westside Quilters who have given their time to get WQ off the ground the last year or so.

May I add a special thanks for the WQ Executive Board who so willingly give up a Saturday morning most months to guide our guild? We meet at my house in Westwood where there is lots of parking on Saturdays. We laugh a lot, eat some homebaked treats with our coffee or tea and solve the problems of the quilting world. Everyone comes prepared and I try to run a fairly tight meeting knowing that we all have other things to do! We discuss, we argue a little, we come to reasonable and thoughtful decisions in the spirit of compromise – if only Washington could do as much! I'm thankful for each and every one of our Board Members and I hope that all of you will remember this column when it's election time next spring and you are asked to serve!

A CHEERY BEGINNING TO THE HOLIDAY SEASON Your Executive Board invites you for a happy, friendly afternoon, our first annual members Holiday Tea. Admission is \$10.00 (paid at the door) which will go to the St. Joseph's Center in Venice. See RSVP and other details on page 4.

Another reminder – Amazon is again donating 4% of the cost of items purchased via the link on our website. And a new possibility is IGive.com. See details on the last page of this newsletter and on our website.

Sally Wright
President of Westside Quilters

PROGRAMS

Thanks to all our Westside members and their guests, our October general meeting was another day of learning and sharing. Photos from Show & Tell now are up on the website. We were lucky enough to book Nick Coman, who spoke at our meeting, to teach a workshop in November 2012.

Registration now is open for our January and February workshops. [On our website, go to 'Calendar' for links to the registration form and supply list for each workshop.] On Saturday, January 7, **Sylvia Davis** will teach "Four Fat Quarters in Harmony" – a wall hanging that is optically interesting and fun to do. There is a photo on the next page. We will be cutting, sewing, cutting, and re-sewing to create illusions of converging geometric shapes. Fun for all with Sylvia's guidance. On Sunday, February 12, **David Taylor** from Steamboat Springs, Colorado, will be teaching "Colorado Columbine" featuring his hand-applique technique or you can 'choose to fuse'. His pattern will be furnished at the class. And he has a materials kit for sale if you like.

Our next general meeting is Saturday, February 11, and David Taylor will be our star speaker. At the recent Houston International Quilt Festival, David won a First Place (Maynard the dog) and Third Place (Marmalade the cat). Here's Marmalade.



Happy Thanksgiving to All!

Amy Barer and Roberta Walley, Program Co-Chairs

PROGRAMS

<u>To Register for Workshops</u> Go to the WQ website – WestsideQuiltersLosAngeles.org – choose Calendar and scroll down to the workshop you're interested in to see the link to the Workshop Registration Form (available to fill in on-line). The first instruction is to notify Programs (email Programs@WestsideQuiltersLosAngeles.org) of your intent to attend a workshop. The January and February 2012 workshops are open for registration. Always – more workshop details on WQ website.

<u>Guild Policies</u> Westside Quilters members attend quarterly meetings at no charge. Non-members are welcome to attend quarterly meetings for a \$10.00 guest fee. Workshop fees vary, based on guild costs. Non-members may attend workshops at a \$15.00 surcharge above the member fee. Workshops are at the Westside Pavilion shopping center Community Room (Pico & Westwood Boulevards); parking fees are included in the workshop registration fee.

December 3, 2011 Saturday

FIRST ANNUAL MEMBER HOLIDAY TEA

The Executive Board invites Westside Quilters members to a social afternoon tea, 2:00 to 4:00 PM hosted by Sally Wright at her Westwood home. The entrance fee is a \$10.00 donation at the door to benefit needy local families supported by the St. Joseph's Center in Venice. Delicious homemade goodies and early holiday cheer to kick off the friendliest season of the year. Please RSVP by November 30 to WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com.



January 7, 2012 Saturday Workshop: **Sylvia Davis** – "4 Fat Quarters in Harmony" Signature wall-hanging design by popular teacher (& WQ member). Lagniappe will be to learn how to sew quilt sleeve completely by machine. See website EasySite.com/SylviaQuilts. Supply list is on WQ website. Registration is open. Members \$35; non-members \$50. Fee includes parking.

February 11, 2012 Saturday **DAVID TAYLOR** at General Meeting – 9:30 am to 12:30 pm Lecture: "The Reluctant Journey of an Art Quilter" Irrepressible and innovative Colorado quilter. See website, DavidTaylorQuilts.com



February 12, 2012

Sunday

Workshop: **David Taylor** - "The Colorado Columbine Flower" Pictorial composition and thread used as design element.

Supply list is on website. Registration is open.

Members \$50; non-members \$65. Fee includes parking.

March 17, 2012

Workshop: **Anelie Belden** – "Thoroughly Modern Dresden"

Saturday

Learn Belden's stitch and flip technique for the classic Dresden Plate.

See website, Anelie.com.

April 21, 2012

Workshop: Jennifer Rapacki – "PhotoShop Elements for Quilters"

Saturday

Manipulate photos to create pictorial and abstract quilts.

See website, JenniferRapacki.com.

May 11, 2012

Workshop: Sally Collins

Friday

A master class in precision piecing. Everyone needs this!

May 12, 2012

Saturday

SALLY COLLINS at General Meeting, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

June 23, 2012 Saturday Workshop: **Linda Schmidt** – "Elements in Fabric – Earth, Wind, Fire & Water" Emphasizing "Earth" with surface design techniques in small landscape project.

August 10, 2012

Workshop: Judy Sisneros - "Circle Pizazz"

Friday

Updating the 'snake trail' block to make it all new again. You'll like circles.

See website, JudySisneros.com.

August 11, 2012

JUDY SISNEROS at General Meeting, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Saturday

Lecture: "Stitches of Hope - Cambodia"

Renowned author of 'Pizazz' series with trunk show and Cambodia teaching experience.

September 22, 2012

Workshop: Pat Rollie – "Free Motion Thread Design"

Saturday

Create contrast, contours and texture using free motion thread designing.

See website, SoFineArtWorks.com.

October 13, 2012

JULIE SILBER at General Meeting, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Saturday

Respected quilt authority offers perspective on quilt collecting and history. See blog, TheQuiltComplex.com. **THE BATTY LADY** to provide vendor booth.

November 2012

Saturday workshop with Nick Coman and decolourant process.

December 2012

SECOND ANNUAL MEMBER HOLIDAY TEA

In the works for 2013 – Lectures and Workshops by Australian quilter PAM HOLLAND and award-winning SHARON SCHAMBER.



The Executive Board of Westside Quilters invites members to the
First Annual Holiday Tea

Saturday, December 3, 2011 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the home of Sally and Glen Wright (near Westwood)

Please join your fellow members for an informal social occasion to mark the beginning of the Holiday season and to celebrate a successful year for Westside Quilters. Not to mention to salute the new 2012 year.

There is a small cost involved. Everyone is asked to donate \$10.00 at the door (cash preferred but checks will be accepted). 100% of these donations will go to the St. Joseph's Center in Venice to support their work assisting local families and those in need at this time of year. Many in our own neighborhoods are suffering all year long but we hope to make a difference - to bring some joy and heart in a season that should be marked only with good will and celebration.

Ahh. But there's one thing more. We encourage everyone to bring a savory or sweet treat for 8-12 people. Nothing extravagant but something that perhaps reminds you of your holidays. Please bring your own serving plate (write your name on tape and put it on the bottom of the plate) and any serving utensils needed. The Executive Board will provide tea and lemonade and everything else.

Our Membership Chair, Luann Jaffe, will be available to talk to you about minigroups. Luann will host a small tea at her home in late January/early February to help organize minigroups. At the Holiday Tea, Luann can discuss your personal preferences (day groups, evening groups, perhaps the type of quilting you enjoy) to get a head start on matching up quilters.

It might be worth it to come to the Holiday Tea just to watch your Executive Board serving you. No member volunteers needed! Your Executive Board will be butler-ing, doing kitchen KP duty, clearing tables, pouring tea.

Please RSVP by <u>November 30</u> to <u>WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com</u>. We'll send you a map and guidance about parking.

With best wishes to all

PHILANTHROPY AND EDUCATION

We want to thank all WQ members who participated in Show and Tell at our October 22nd General Meeting. It continues to be inspirational viewing the beautiful artistic works done by fellow members.

A Big Thank You goes to our philanthropic members for their donations on behalf of Westside Quilters. Sandra Lauterbach, Pepper Libow, Sharon Whelan, Margot Slocum, Madhu Mandavia, Virginia Marshall, Jennie Kraft, Kimberly Giancola, Betty Hampikian, Kathryn Small and Peggy Belcher-Dixon donations consisted of Large Quilts, Baby Quilts, Baby Bibs, Baby Blankets, Lap Quilts, Holiday Stockings, Pillow Cases and many hours of quilting time donated.

The items were donated to the following charitable groups: Wounded Warriors, U.S. Marine Corp Baby Shower Project, Camarillo Quilters Comfort Givers, Pats of Love, First United Methodist Church, Valley Q 40 Project, Kids Konnected, PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) and Stitches from the Heart.

We are in need of your assistance in putting together several donated quilt tops which include the fabric for binding and backing. Several members took tops to complete but we have a few more to be completed.

Recommendations for Scholarship Recipients for any of our 2012 workshops are welcome. Your name, Philanthropic Agency Name and items donated or services provided are all that is needed to get your name on the Philanthropic List.

Our Email contact is: Philanthropy@WestsideQuiltersLosAngeles.org.

Peggy Belcher-Dixon and Pamela Johnson, Philanthropy & Education Co-Chairs

L'Atelier and Twist - Yarn Store News

<u>L'Atelier</u> has completed its Westside move from Montana Avenue to 13050 San Vicente Boulevard #207 in Brentwood. 310/394-4665.

<u>Twist – Yarns of Intrigue</u> has moved to larger quarters. They are now at 226 South Sepulveda Boulevard in Manhattan Beach (the space where Beach Knitting used to be). 310/374-7810.

Joann's Quilt Contest 2011

The deadline for Joann's annual quilt contest is January 14, 2012. The top prizes could bring you \$5,000, \$2,000 or \$1,000. Details on their website, www.joann.com. From their homepage, click on "Quilt Contest 2011."

Art Quilts: Year XVI Sandra Lauterbach & Sherry Kleinman

The Chandler (Arizona) Center for the Arts has a prestigious art quilt exhibit, "Something to Say" on display from November 28, 2011 to January 28, 2012. Two of our WQ members, Sandra Lauterbach and Sherry Kleinman, have quilts in the show. For more information, see www.chandlerCenter.org.

The photo below is of Sandra's quilt, *Black and White and Red All Over.* This is the second quilt in a series – the first one *Red* was chosen for exhibition at Houston International this year. Sandra says the quilt here features a new construction technique of her own devising.



KATHRYN SMALL A Westside Quilter Who Likes Donuts

By Sally Madigan

We think of Kate Small as a quilter of great skill and with an innate ability to combine fabrics. She has a way with fabric that makes you say "That's a Kate Small quilt" as soon as you see it. One would think she had been sewing since she was a youngster over 90 years ago. But, that's not her story.

Kate is a Los Angeles native, with Danish and Irish roots. When her children were young, Kate's kids wanted to know how to do certain things, and so mom and the kids took classes in drawing, sculpture, pottery, and even welding. Kate says she also "embroidered like a crazy person", too.

Then, one day in the late 1970's Kate stopped at a corner mall at 16th Street and Santa Monica Blvd. to buy a donut. That's when she noticed a store in the corner called "Crazy Ladies (and Friends)". Curious, she just looked. Two days later, she went in and started touching the fabric. The enthusiasm of Mary Ellen Hopkins and her "crew" was infectious, and Kate began taking classes. She had found quilting. There was no more sampling various crafts to find something challenging and absorbing.

Kate made her first quilt in the log cabin pattern. She started cutting the strips in late October of 1978, and hand pieced and hand quilted it by Christmas. This was especially remarkable because Kate cut all the strips with scissors. Blisters! Ouch! The rotary cutter was not invented or commercially available until 1979.

Kate also began working at Crazy Ladies and teaching classes. She created quilts in the log cabin pattern and its many variations, including circles, the drunkard's path, nine patch, hidden wells, and countless other patterns. Although she has made many quilts, and still has many at home, she has donated many to various causes. Five quilt tops that she gave to Westside Quilters are now being quilted and will be donated by Philanthropy when they are completed. Kate says she has no special pattern favorites. Recently, she's been under the spell of the Crazy 9-patch pattern.

Like many of us, Kate has had fabric she couldn't bear to cut. But, unlike most of us, she resolved the problem. She gave the fabric to a friend. Has it been cut? She has no idea, but it is no longer on her shelves, and she can laugh about it.

Quilting has given Kate a family of quilting friends. She says she "never met nicer people than quilters. They all contribute and are there if you need help." And, Kate's upbeat spirit and beautiful quilts have given all of us inspiration and the joy of seeing them.



November 2 Amy Barer
November 11 Sharon Weiner
November 12 Sandra Ray
November 15 Karen Rakita
November 16 Nancy King
November 24 Dawn Sliskovich
November 30 Miriam Ulman

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Opening Balance October 1, 2011		\$10,843.73
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INCOME		
Membership Dues	\$ 50.00	
Workshop Fees	675.00	
Fundraiser Receipts	10.00	
TOTAL INCOME		735.00
EXPENSE		
Admin. Expense	8.07	
Meeting Rm. 10/22	75.00	
Workshop Exp. 9/10	50.69	
TOTAL EXPENSE		(133.76)
Closing Balance October 31, 2011		\$11,444.97

The November 5 Holiday Crafts Workshop was cancelled and fees collected were refunded in October (\$210.00). Total workshop fees collected in October amounted to \$885.00 and the balance of \$675.00 is shown above. WQ suffered no loss in this cancellation. We owe PinCushion Boutique for travel expenses (\$500-\$600) to be paid in November. My caution still applies – program expenses are ahead without additional income. But we should end our fiscal year on May 31 above original estimates. *Tina Nord, Treasurer*

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our membership has grown to 88. That's an increase over our 77 members at the end of first fiscal year (May 31). Please consult the Members Only section of the WQ website whenever you wish to see an up-to-date member roster.

I'll be at the December 3 Holiday Tea and seated where members interested in joining or forming a minigroup can find me. I'll be asking for your ideas about the kind of minigroup you'd like to be part of. Then in January or February I will be hosting a get-together at my home for minigroup-ers. Some experienced minigroup members will be on hand to offer organizational and project suggestions.

Luann Jaffe, Membership Chai

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF QUILT GUILDS

Quarterly Meeting of October 8

Sally Wright and Tina Nord attended the October 8 quarterly meeting in Rancho Cucamonga on behalf of Westside Quilters. Aileen Cooke, the WQ Council representative, was unable to attend that day.

Westside Quilters, the Santa Monica Quilt Guild, and the South Bay Quilters Guild banded together with about a dozen other guilds to request that the October quarterly meeting discuss the Council's communications problems, and the Council Board made that subject the program portion of the meeting. Background: Several years ago a new software programmer was hired to re-design the Council website [sccqg.org] and the format for listing guilds was changed. There has been confusion about how to list guild information from the guild point of view. Of the 95 member guilds, 30 have officer listings from 2008 or earlier. 44 guilds have had information entered in 2011, 15 in 2009 and 2010, and 6 have no information. The Council cannot communicate directly with all guilds for announcements, changes in policy, the quarterly newsletter, financial and meeting information.

During the meeting discussion (about 25 guilds were represented), the Council Membership Chair and Webmaster explained website programming logistics. Several ideas and solutions were offered: The Council Board members were asked to seek back-up for their responsibilities; the guild membership renewal form would be expanded to list officers; a confusing grid calendar would be removed from the website retaining the familiar calendar listing; a new website section delineating responsibilities of the guild Council representatives would be created; quarterly meeting information would be on the website home page with a link to more details. The most important action was the creation of a communications committee to identify and remedy communications issues. Subsequent to the October 8 meeting, the Council President appointed a committee chairman contrary to the intent of the representatives at the meeting. It isn't known how this committee will proceed. WQ will try to be active and helpful in the resolution of the Council problems.

The Council Board asked that guilds show a link to the Council website and their quarterly newsletter in particular. The WQ website has already accommodated this request.

The SCCQG counts 95 member guilds from Central California south to the border, and all points east. The Council provides cost-effective liability insurance to guilds; premiums are calculated at \$2.75 per guild member per year. The Council's annual "Meet the Teacher" meeting presents California quilt teachers 'live' to member guilds. The Council's website provides a calendar of events intended to generate attendance and help guilds schedule events.

A NEIGHBORLY QUILT CALENDAR

You may be interested in attending meetings of our neighbor guilds, as we welcome quilters from other guilds. Listed here are the meetings, workshops and events of note through February. In every case, guilds have private holiday functions in the month of December (not listed here). **Westside Quilters** events are shown here in pink!

See also the Event Calendar at the Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds website -- www.sccqg.org.

Glendale Quilt Guild	www.GlendaleQuiltGuild.org Contact: Info@GlendaleQuiltGuild.org
San Fernando Valley Quilt Association	www.SFVQA.org For contact, go to website, then Committees and link to Program
Santa Monica Quilt Guild	www.SantaMonicaQuiltGuild.org Contact: Info@SantaMonicaQuiltGuild.org
South Bay Quilters Guild	www.SouthBayQuiltersGuild.org For contact, go to website, Contact Us and link to Program VP
Valley Quiltmakers Guild	www.ValleyQuiltmakers.org For contact, go to website, Activities-Programs or Workshops

DATE	SPEAKER/TEACHER	GUILD
November 2	Judy Sisneros	Santa Monica
November 3	Judy Sisneros Workshop Nine-Patch Pizazz On-Point	Santa Monica
November 5	Nan Maples Workshop One Block Wonder	Glendale
November 10	Rita Verroca Applique	Valley Quilters
November 11	Rita Verroca Workshop An Album of Roses	Valley Quilters
November 13	Susan Carlson Workshop Cutting Loose (free-form fabric collage)	San Fernando
November 14	Susan Carlson Fabric Images	San Fernando
November 15	Susan Carlson Fabric Images	South Bay
November 16	Susan Carlson Workshop Somethin' Fishy	South Bay
December 3	First Annual Holiday Tea [members only]	Westside Quilters
2012		
January 4	Jane Hardy Miller French Braid Quilts	Santa Monica
January 5	Jane Hardy Miller Workshop French Braid & Baby Braid	Santa Monica
January 7	Sylvia Davis Workshop 4 Fat Quarters in Harmony	Westside Quilters

DATE	SPEAKER/TEACHER	GUILD
January 8	Janet Botroff Workshop	San Fernando
	Watercolor	
January 9	Janet Botroff	San Fernando
	From Applique to Watercolor	
January 11	Scarlett Rose	Glendale
	Quilt Making from a Green Point of View	
January 12	Scarlett Rose Workshop	Glendale
	Patience Puzzle	
January 17	Laura Wasilowski	South Bay
	Art Quilts – The Musical	
January 18	Laura Wasilowski Workshop	South Bay
	Four Little Landscapes	
JANUARY 19-22	ROAD TO CALIFORNIA	
	Ontario Convention Center [classes begin January 16]	
-	More information at Road2CA.com.	
February 1	Patricia Beaver	Santa Monica
	A Funny Thing Happened to Me When I Moved to Utah	
February 2	Patricia Beaver Workshop	Santa Monica
	Crayon Quilts	
February 8	Irene Schwall	Glendale
	Oh La La French Needlework & Tools	
February 11	DAVID TAYLOR	Westside
	The Reluctant Journey of an Art Quilter	Quilters
February 12	DAVID TAYLOR WORKSHOP	Westside
February 12	Colorado Columbine [incl. hand-applique technique] Grace Errea Workshop	Quilters San Fernando
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February 13	Grace Errea	San Fernando
Tebruary 15	A Quilter's Magical Journey	Sail Lerriand
February 18-19	South Bay Quilters Guild Quilt Show	
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	"Twist on Tradition"	
February 21	Pennyroyal Players	South Bay
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Executive Board Meeting of Westside Quilters The next meeting of the Executive Board will be Saturday, November 19, at 10:00 AM in Westwood. As always, the meeting is open to all members with advance notice to our president, Sally Wright. For exact meeting details, please contact Sally at WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com.

MINUTES OF THE WESTSIDE QUILTERS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING August 27, 2011

A meeting of the Executive Board of Westside Quilters ("WQ") was held on August 27, 2011 at the home of Sally Wright. The following board members were in attendance: Amy Barer, Peggy Belcher-Dixon, Aileen Cooke, Sandra Lauterbach, Sally Madigan, Tina Nord, Roberta Walley and Sally Wright ("Sally").

Sally called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM and Sandra Lauterbach recorded the minutes. A quorum of Executive Board members was present.

Roberta moved that the Executive Meeting minutes from the July 23, 2011 meeting be approved. Sally Madigan seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tina reported that WQ has \$11,669.53 in the bank as of today. This amount includes dues, workshop fees, guest fees, and Kaffe Fassett program ticket sales. Tina, Sally and Marianne Simpson will visit the Church meeting site for the Kaffe Fassett evening to determine the number and location of tables and requisite chairs.

Kaffe Fassett Fundraiser: Sally reported that 218 tickets have been sold to the Kaffe Fassett program. Buyers are from a wide geographic area. We have paid a fee for the church staff to set up and take down the chairs. Ticket sales will be cut off as follows: Envelopes must be postmarked no later than Friday, September 16th for mailed checks. Website says no tickets will be sold at the door. Paypal cutoff date will be Friday September 16. It was agreed to keep approximately 20 extra seats available. Late Paypal purchasers will have to pick up their tickets at the door. Kaffe will speak for 75 minutes and then sign books for 75 minutes. The program starts at 7 pm. WQ has access to the area for the whole day. Doors to the public will open at 6:30 pm. Volunteers are needed to: direct people between the parking area and Fellowship Hall; supervise set up; bookseller would like crowd control and security. Luann will provide WQ name badges for volunteers.

PROGRAMS: Amy reported that 15 people have paid for Zena Thorpe's workshop. 5 people have paid for the holiday workshop. Workshop participants' parking tickets must be brought up to the Community Room. The contract for the Sylvia Davis workshop is outstanding. Her fee is \$400. The contracts for the Holiday Workshop with Kathryn Bernstein and Ruth Gilbert are being prepared. Julie Silber is the speaker and The Batty Lady is the vendor at the October 2012 general meeting. Amy will demonstrate Facebook and Twitter with a quilting focus at the next General Meeting.

The David Taylor and Sylvia Davis workshops will open for registration on December 1, 2011. Roberta will write a newsletter article about the Holiday Tea for the October newsletter. The tea will be for WQ members only; the \$10 charge will be donated in full to a charity. Tanya Heldman is willing to do a workshop.

Sally discussed the need to install blackout curtains at St. Alban's Episcopal Church ("St. Alban's") before the February 2012 quarterly meeting. The parking problems surrounding St. Alban's also were discussed. Sally is looking at other potential venues for the quarterly meetings. In 2012 Westside Quilters will pay St. Alban's only \$75.00 per meeting. It was brought up that some of the profit from the Kaffe Fassett fundraiser could be expended on slightly higher venue expenses.

MEMBERSHIP: Sally reported that the current membership count is 84 members. Tina will write a newsletter article to the effect that in the beginning of 2012 effort will be made to form minigroups.

(Sandra had to leave the meeting; Tina Nord recorded the remaining minutes of this meeting).

PHILANTHROPY: Peggy Belcher-Dixon reported that 21 individuals listed their quilted philanthropic gifts at the August 13, 2011 general meeting. Peggy will make this list part of her September newsletter article. She also will

make special note of WQ member Tanya Heldman's offer to machine quilt, free of charge, any quilt tops from WQ members intended for Quilts for Wounded Warriors. WQ member Katherine Small has quilt tops to donate if other WQ members can finish them. Peggy is researching charitable organizations who wish to receive quilted items; she is creating a detailed list which will be featured on the website. Peggy has been speaking to educational institutions to seek scholarship students, both students and educators. She hopes to have a representative from the Otis Art Institute for the September 10th Zena Thorpe workshop.

WEBSITE: Sally talked about updates on the website. Show & Tell photos from the August 13 General Meeting are on the website and speaker/workshop topics have been added. Deadlines for purchasing Kaffe Fassett tickets will be posted as they are determined.

NEWSLETTER: Tina said that the deadline for the September newsletter is Thursday, September 1.

NEW BUSINESS: Sally and Tina described logistical problems with the Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds ("SCCQG"). Membership in this organization provides liability insurance for our guild and is intended as a data resource. Currently the SCCQG website is not a useful tool for communicating among members or from the SCCQG Board to members. Calendar listings on the website are in two places and contain conflicting, outdated information. Instructions for guilds to update their officer or calendar information are obstructive. Also, financial reports and budgets are not released to all member guilds. SCCQG Board meetings, which could be a venue to bring problems up for discussion, are not announced to member guilds. Aileen Cooke introduced a motion seconded by Amy Barer, and the Board voted unanimously to include Westside Quilters as a signator guild to an email inviting all member guilds to request a hearing of the above and other grievances before the SCCQG Board, and to present such grievances for discussion at the next quarterly SCCQG meeting on October 8.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: The next executive board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2011 at 10 AM at Sally Wright's home.

The Executive Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Submitted by:

Sandra E. Lauterbach Secretary



Our Mission A new kind of guild organized for educational and charitable purposes; to promote cooperation and the exchange of ideas among quilters; to instruct members in methods and techniques of traditional and contemporary creative quilting; to serve minigroups and their philanthropic endeavors within the community; to inspire personal achievement.

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Facebook We're on Facebook. Check out the banner on the WO website home page (lower center).

Amazon There is a boxed message in the lower center of our website home page giving a direct link to Amazon. By using this link, anything you purchase earns a 4% "dividend" paid directly to WQ. *This only works if you enter the Amazon website from the WQ website link.*

IGive.com This is another way to benefit WQ when shopping on the Internet. Here you need to register (the IGive.com logo appears in the lower center on the WQ website home page and links you directly to IGive.com. Over 800 Internet retailers participate (Barnes & Noble, Bed Bath & beyond, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Lancome to name a few). Follow the instructions at IGive.com.

Non-Profit Status Westside Quilters is tax-exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and classified as a public charity under section 170 of the Code, according to the determination letter dated May 26, 2011 received from the Internal Revenue Service. The effective date of exemption is June 17, 2010. Donations to Westside Quilters are fully tax-deductible for individuals and other entities such as corporations, partnerships, trusts; Westside Quilters is qualified to accept tax deductible bequests and gifts or transfers of gifts.