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Helpful Hints

If you have an over the door Christmas wreath holder, don't put it away this year! It's a great way to hang hoops etc.

Don't you just hate all those threads that seem to be impossible to eliminate on your quilt back? Get a lint remover roller. It will pick up your clipped threads, as well as the dangly ones.

If you need to trace a pattern or template from a book, try this. Get a piece of freezer paper and place it on the page. Then use a warm iron to temporarily fuse it to the page. Then go ahead and trace it. It will stay in place beautifully. After you are done, simply peel off the freezer paper. If you use your rulers with a marking pen or sharpies then you know it leaves a dark residue. You can easily clean it off with a cotton ball and rubbing alcohol.

If you are hand quilting with metallic thread, run it through beeswax or Thread Heaven to keep it from separating.

Tired of ruining your ironing board cover with fusible web? Press a piece of freezer paper on the cover. It will protect it from the sticky residue. After you are done, simply remove the freezer paper.

It is recommended that you insert a new sewing machine needle after each large project. It's something a lot of us forget to do. It really does make a difference.

If you discover a flaw in your fabric, return it to the shop you purchased it from. If you can't remember when or where you bought it, use a safety pin to mark the flaw. That way you won't be surprised you have used the flaw in a future quilt.

If you have an old mouse pad lying around, don't toss it! You can use it under your machine foot peddle to keep it from creeping across hardwood or linoleum floors.

Do you have a bunch of golf tees lying around? Hot glue a small round magnet to the top. Insert the tee into the spool of thread you are using. This way you won't lose the needle!

Courtesy of Homespun Harbor <http://www.homespunharbor.com/newsletter.asp>



Veteran's Hospital needs:

Phone cards (99 Cent Only stores have 99 minutes for 99 cents - just be sure to include the access number from the receipt)

Stationary and stamps - including tablets, envelopes, greeting cards, etc.

Books: Word search, Sudoku, and crossword books and mechanical pencils.

Hand-held electronic games and batteries (watch for sales).

Hand and body lotion and lotion based after shave (no alcohol content).



WTLC

By the time you read this Charlotte Hansen and myself (Mona McCormick) will have taken another truck load of donations to the Women's Transitional Living Center in Fullerton. I would like to thank each and every one of you for opening your hearts and giving so many wonderful items, A grateful thank you to all those that donated time at our Philanthropy Sew Days working on projects that grow up and become "Quilt Kits". Another big thank you to all who have adopted a "Quilt Kit" and made it into a gift that benefits those in need.

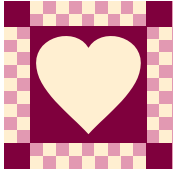
Thank you for making this position so enjoyable and making it possible to help others.

**Mona McCormick
Philanthropy Committee**

Joy is ours to have by doing something for another.

Block of the Month (BOM)

A new BOM is now underway. If you would like to participate please see Phyllis Victor at the General Meeting to pick up the monthly clue



*Philanthropy
Chairman:
Phyllis Campbell*

PHILANTHROPY

**Philanthropy Sewing Bee
Saturday, April 14, from 1 to 6 p.m.**

More Quilters Needed

Please consider coming to our April Philanthropy Sewing Bee. It will be held at the Picasso Room (Arts and Crafts Room) in the Buena Park Senior Center from 1 to 6 p.m. That's the room you can enter from the alcove off the sidewalk from the front parking lot.

You may bring **ANY** project on which you need to work.

Or, you can help complete quilts for our charity projects:

The Women's Transitional Living Center of Fullerton

Chosen to be Loved for foster kids

Veteran's Hospital in Long Beach

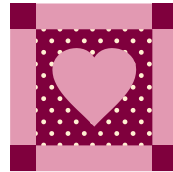
Bring any type of snack or a beverage to share. We'll all enjoy the time of working together, talking, and eating. What could be more fun?

Need more information or more directions? Call Phyllis Campbell

**Philanthropy Chair
714 742-4829.**

Pink Fabric Needed

Our member, Stephanie Doyle, is planning a raffle quilt for the Veteran's Cancer Fund. She has some pink fabric, but is looking for more. If you have some unused pink cotton quilting fabric, bring it to our April meeting.

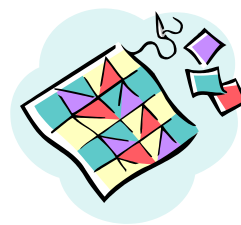


*Sunshine and
Shadows
Chairperson:*

Please remember the following people who have recently experienced great sadness:

Sonia Das had surgery in March

Diane MacGrill had hand surgery in March



Sew-So-Late

Chairperson:
Sharon Monge

The April Sew-So-Late at the Bunnay Hutch is on Friday the 27th from 11 to 5.

Please Note:

Any articles for the newsletter or website should be sent to BOTH Rosemary Harding at R-Harding@ca.rr.com and Sherri Vasquez at sherrivasquez@socal.rr.com



There are many wonderful people that we come in contact with everyday and that is the kind of people that join quilt guilds. Without these people and their friends it would be difficult for us to do our jobs. Acacia Quilt Guild has been fortunate with having so many people that want to help. Not only members but friends of members and complete strangers have worked on these quilts. Philanthropy has recently received many large donations that have made it possible to continue our work. **I would like to take this time to thank those donors and all the members that have made donations and donated their time.**

The Philanthropy Committee

Workshop April 7, 2007

Vicki Channell will show us how to make a v

Cost for this workshop will be \$25 for member

I hope to see lots of members

For more information call Dell Childs

getting to know them in the future.

Acacia Quilt Guild has many events to offer each month, both at the General Meetings and through out the month for our members to participate in.

Members In Attendance

At The March General Meeting: 45

New Members: 2

Guest: 2

Total Guild Membership As Of March: 76

Remember

our next General Meeting will be on April 5th, come on out, bring a friend and enjoy an evening with your fellow quilters.

If you have had a change in your address, home phone or e-mail address please contact me so the records can be up-dated.

Thank you,
Mona McCormick
Membership Chairperson
714-827-1681



Secret Pal

*Coordinator:
Sherri Vasquez*

Hey all you Secret Pal's out there! Are you having trouble thinking what to get to surprise your Pal? Why not call the contact person listed on your Pal's questionnaire? Bet they have a clue for you! Missing your copy of the questionnaire? Let me know and I'll send you another copy— Have fun!

Sherri Vasquez
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Can't read the E-MAIL version of the newsletter?
Try this:
Open the Attachment
Go to FILE
Under print find "PRINT PREVIEW" and click it.

In some cases, that resets the margins and makes your copy readable!

WAYS AND MEANS

YOU GOTTA SEE THIS!!!

Quilt Journals are here!!

Each Journal is \$10.00.

They make great gifts for you, friends, neighbors, thank yous, mother's day, and so forth.

The Ways and Means table will offer quilt journals, patterns, and books at the April General Meeting.

Check It Out



*Happy Birthday
To you*

*Happy Birthday Wishes to all of you
with March birthdays!!*

**Beverly Russell,
Ardelle Stenson,
Dell Childs,
Carol Davis**

Reminder: Please bring something for refreshments to guild the month of your birthday and/or anniversary. It doesn't have to be sweet. Veggies, fruit,

crackers, and chips are great alternatives. You could also bring tea, juice or even soft drinks.

Calling All Crafters

We are planning to have a booth at the Cypress Community Festival in July.
We will be selling tickets for our opportunity quilt,
but we would also like to sell bazaar-type items donated by our members.

Ideas for bazaar items include:

stationery and greeting cards made by our scrapbookers;
tote bags, pincushions, pillows, etc. made by our quilters;
knitted, crocheted, or handstitched items from our needlecrafters;
painted items or small pictures from our artists; jewelry from our beaders;
or whatever you do that you think will sell to help our guild.

Bring your handcrafted items to our April, May, June or July meeting.

Use this list if you need ideas, or do your own web search:

Free stuff for crafters: www.crafttown.com/free.htm

Free craft projects: www.aokcorral.com/

Free knitting, crochet and quilt patterns: www.freepatterns.com/list.html?cat_id=4

Free craft stuff and patterns: www.coolfreebielinks.com/Craft_Freebies/index.html

Free bazaar gift patterns: www.allfreecrafts.com/homemade-gifts/gumball.shtml

Free tole painting patterns: <http://www.artistsclub.com/projects/>

Free craft project patterns: <http://crafterscommunity.com/index.php>

Upcoming Events

April 5 General Mtg - 6:45pm - 9:00pm - Vicki Channell

April 7 workshop - 10:00am - 4:00pm - Vicki Channell - Scrap Quilting

April 14 - 1:00pm - 6:00pm - Philanthropy Sewing Bee Day

April 27 - 11:00am - 6:00pm - Sew-So-Late at the Bunney Hutch

May 3 General Mtg - 6:45pm - 9:00pm - Elections

May 5 workshop - 10:00am - 4:00pm - Phyllis Campbell - A Quilt with a Twist

(This workshop is FREE to members)

May 25 - 11:00am - 6:00pm - Sew-So-Late at the Bunney Hutch