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President's Message

March winds and April showers bring forth May flowers! So the old saying goes except in California, we seem to be experiencing all of these weather phenomena in the same week!

Acacia's beautiful opportunity quilt, "Garden of Jewels", features many lovely dimensional and embellished flowers and the wonderful long-arm quilting of Acacia Guild's own Rosemary Harding. The drawing will take place at the December 2007 meeting. The guild will need help from its members in selling tickets and taking the quilt to different guilds, offices, etc. to help promote sales. If you can help, please contact Phyllis Victor at 714-995-1749

Acacia is purchasing a gold leaf for the Buena Park Senior Center's Legacy Tree. The Legacy Tree will help raise funds for some exciting new improvements to the facilities. A contest was held at the April meeting to select the inscription that will be featured on our leaf. Cecelia Carey was the winner with the following inscription:

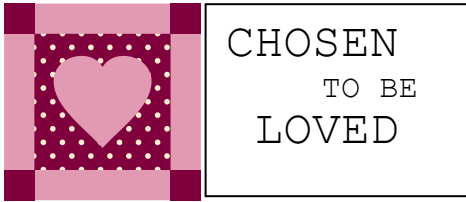
***Acacia Quilt Guild
Past Tradition
Future Inspiration***

The guild is always in need of more volunteers to help on different committees. If you would like to help out or just check out a committee to see what they really get up to, please let one of the Board members know at the meeting and we'll be glad to introduce you.

Next month will be Acacia's 3rd birthday and we'll be celebrating with a cake and potluck. Start saving your appetites!

See you on May 3rd!!

Sonia Das, President



Hello Acacia Quilters,

My name is Robbin Hatten and I came to speak with you a few months ago about the needs of the babies leaving the hospital and entering the foster care system. I explained how 10 babies a month go into foster care from just two local hospitals, Long Beach Memorial and St. Mary's. I asked you to give a handmade blanket to these babies because most of the time they leave with only the night gown from the hospital. You responded and gave 20 quilts that evening and I just received more beautiful quilts. I am so appreciative of the love and care that goes into each of these quilts.

*I wanted to share with you something new that **Chosen to be Loved** is doing. Most of the time when a child enters the foster care system he has only the clothes on his back. A foster parent is usually open to taking a range of ages, lets say from infant to 3 years old, and there is a lot of difference in the needs of an infant than the needs of a three year old. When they get a call for an infant they may not have the supplies, time or money to go get what is needed. So we are opening a clothes closet at our church. This is a place where a foster parent can come and get all the supplies they need.*

*I am asking you to take part in our new **Clothes Closet** by continuing to supply beautiful blankets, donating a keepsake book for each of these children to keep valuable memories in, or put together a tote of baby items from the following list: baby shampoo, baby lotion, bottles, baby wash clothes, pacifiers, baby socks, bibs, rattle, manicure set, baby towel, diapers of various sizes, and rash ointment. This will help each of these children get a good start into their new family.*

The Life Books are \$10.00 and you may view them on the website. If you wish to purchase any, please make checks payable to:

*Chosen to be Loved
1495 Molino Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90804*

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting on May 3rd.

Sincerely,

*Robbin Hatten
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www.chosentobeloved.com*



CHOSEN TO BE LOVED WISH LIST

Items needed for children entering and already in the foster care system:

- *Quilts (Baby, Lap, Twin)*
- *Baby Shampoo*
- *Baby Lotion*
- *Bottles*
- *Baby Wash Cloths*
- *Pacifiers*
- *Baby Socks*
- *Bibs*
- *Rattles*
- *Baby Manicure Sets*
- *Baby Towels*
- *Diapers Of Various Sizes*
- *Rash Dintment*
- *Monetary Donations To Purchase Life Books (Memory Books For Foster Children)*

For additional information, please contact:

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WTLC

Women's Transitional Living Center, Inc.

**Fiesta--Sunday, May 6,
2007**

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Join us for Dinner, Dancing and
our Silent Auction**

**This year's BIG TICKET items
include:**

**Disney Packages - Resort
Packages**

Dinner/Theatre Packages

**Golf Packages - Original
Artwork**

and an

Adorable Purebred Puppy

**Opportunity Tickets will be
available at the door**

**Wyndham Hotel
222 West Houston Avenue
Fullerton, California 92832**

**\$70.00 per person
Payment may be made by credit
card
or check payable to WTLC**

**To R.S.V.P. or for further
information
please contact Jamie Bazell
714-992-1939 ext. 101 or jbazell@wtlc.org**



Ways and Means

Chairman: Charlotte
Hansen



Last month's sale was SOOO successful that we are doing it again in May!!

We'll have **patterns, books, and quilt labels** on our sales table.

ALSO remember the **Quilt Journals** make great gifts for Mother's Day, Friends, and how about one for you? Make a memory book of the beautiful quilts you've made with pictures and details.



Mystery
Quilt

For those of you who are participating in the Mystery quilt, please bring your seventeen (17) 2 1/2 inch bright squares. We will exchange them at the May meeting.

Secret Pal

Coordinator:
Sherri Vasquez

Hey all you Secret Pal's out there! It's almost time to fess up and let your Secret Pal know who you are!

In May we will still give a gift to our Secret Pals--just like normal! However, in June the truth will be revealed! On June 7 you will bring a gift for your regular Secret Pal AND one as a Thank You for the person who has been giving to you all year! At that meeting we will reveal all!

All your suspicions will either be verified or debunked! I know, I know!! Some of you have figured it out already! And some of you might even be right! Well, maybe half of you--or so...I'm having so much fun listening to all the guesses and watching people trying to pull it out of me!

So mark your calendars with those dates. May 3--regular giving and June 7--FULL DISCLOSURE !!!

I can hardly wait!
Sherri Vasquez

P.S. Did you miss out on the fun? Didn't join the Secret Pal this year? Well, here's your chance. The forms for the 2007-08 year will be available at both the May and June meetings. And don't think it has to cost you an arm and a leg! Some receivers just want quilt blocks! You can do that! This program is a way to get to know other quilters better and to see thoughtfulness and caring in others.



Membership

Chairman: Mona
McCormick

Our May General Meeting on Thursday the 3rd will be our last meeting for the term of 2006 - 2007. Now having said that it is now my duty to inform you Acacia's new term will begin on June 1st, 2007. For any one that would like to pay their membership dues at our May meeting Lisa and myself will be happy to assist you. If you forget your check book don't worry you will have until the general meeting in July to pay your membership dues for 2007 - 2008. May will be the last meeting that Lisa and I will be taking care of Membership, come June Membership will be in the very capable hands of Kit Boyd as Membership Chairperson and Beverly Russell as her committee. Remember to check in at the Membership desk and get your name checked off and receive your ticket for the door prize drawing. If you bring a refreshment be sure to tell us so you can receive another door prize ticket. If you bring a friend let us know so you can receive a small gift for helping to promote our Guild.

I would like to say Thank You for allowing me to be of service to you and the Guild and Thank You for your support though out this term. Your kindness and friendship has made every thing easy.

April General Meeting Attendance:

Members Attending:	39
New Members:	0
Guest:	6

Total Guild Membership As Of Current Date:	76
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Remember to report any change in your personal information that is needed for the Guilds Directory.

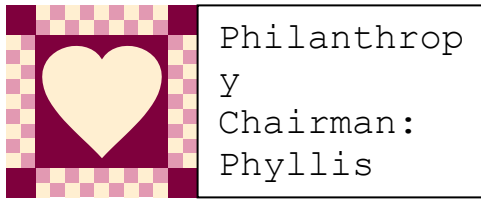
**Thank you,
Mona McCormick
Membership Chairperson
mbmccormick@dslxtreme.com**



**Bulletin Board
/Announcement
Table**

When you come to guild, take time to read the Minutes and Treasurer's Report on the bulletin board in the back of the room. On the same table you will find announcements of quilt shows, business cards, and often discount coupons.

Check it out every month!



This term of 2006 - 2007 has been a very productive year for Philanthropy and our endeavors to help others. These good deeds could not have been accomplished without the help from you our Acacia Quilt Guild members. You are caring, you are giving and you are generous and we Thank You. The Guild has received a Thank You letter from WTLC for the most recent donations delivered on March 27th, please look for the posting of pictures and letters at the General Meeting of May 3rd, 2007.

Remember the "Quilt Kit's"? We are collecting the completed quilts (or unfinished kits) at the May

meeting. The drawing will be held on June 7th at the General Meeting, so if you want to increase your chances, get those quilts turned in. We have three prizes that I am sure will please you.

I have enjoyed working on the Philanthropy Committee and giving our support to benefit the Women's Transitional Living Center (WTLC) of Orange County. I personally have received much joy in knowing the donations are being put to good use and have also given the gift of hope for so many.

In the new 2007 - 2008 term I wish the Philanthropy Committee much success and hearts filled with blessings. I would like to say once again Thank You to all that have

given of yourself in so many ways, we could not have done it without you.

*Gratefully,
Mona McCormick
Philanthropy Committee*

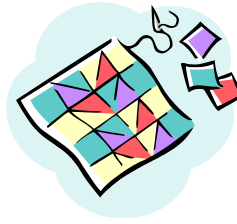


*Happy Birthday
To you*

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

*Phyllis Campbell
Lois Corrigan
Carolyn Craig
Heather Garlinghouse
Brenda Gibson
Rosemary Harding
Yolanda Satterthwaite
Lisa Sullivan*

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.



Sew-So-Late

Chairperson:
Sharon Monge

**The May Sew-So-Late at the
Bunney Hutch is on Friday the
25rd. from 11 to 5.**

The April Sew-So-Late was very productive. Ladies wandered in and out, bringing projects they wanted to work on, eating the potluck goodies and chatting. Before they knew it, that project was at a stopping stage—or even all done—and they had fun in the process.

The Bunney Hutch has taken on a new look! They have moved things around, added new wonderful fabrics and OHHH! The notions wall! What delightful, mysterious things they have now! There's that "bodkin" I keep hearing about! OH, and over there is "That Purple THANG!" They really did call it that! You gotta see this, ladies!

The Bunney Hutch
4478 Cerritos Ave.
Los Alamitos, Ca
Corner of Denni and Cerritos

For more information call
Sharon Monge 714-891-5024

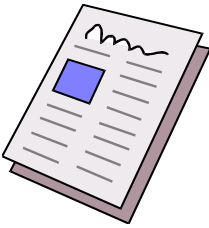


President's Quilt

Thanks to all of you who turned in a block for the quilt.

Be sure to see Phyllis Campbell at the May meeting to sign your name on the sashing. We want everyone in our guild to sign Sonia's quilt.

If you didn't sign the block you made, please remember to do so at the meeting.



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This newsletter is written for you and by you and put out to help you. Please help us keep current by contacting us with interesting items!



May
Elections

We will have our elections for officers at our May meeting. I thank everyone for participating in the process. We now have the following people running for offices.

*Sonia Das for President,
Phyllis Campbell for Vice
President of Programs,
Stephanie Doyle for Vice
President of Workshops,
Charlotte Avant for
Secretary,
Phyllis Victor for Treasurer.*

We still need someone to chair the Parliamentary committee. We also want to combine the Philanthropy

*Committee and the Ways
and Means Committee. We
have plenty of people
who are willing to help, but
we still need a chair person
to head both committees as
one.*

*Thank you
Pat Golonka
Parliamentarian*



**FREE
WORKSHOP IN
MAY**

Due to the great response to our free Do-Si-Do workshop, we will be offering two sessions on Saturday, May 5. The first will be from 9 to 12

and the second from 1 to 4. Be sure to indicate which session you would like to attend on the sign-up sheet at our May 3 guild meeting, or call Phyllis Campbell at 714 821-6967 and leave a message.

If you haven't seen this quilt yet, go to www.make-it-easy.com and click on Susan Mayer/Ann Anderson to see the Do-Si-Do pattern. This pattern and several of their other patterns will be available at our May guild meeting. What makes this pattern special is that you sew straight blocks together, cut twice, sew two seams, and everything is on point!

You do not need to purchase a pattern to take the class. the 50" X 50" size will be taught in the class.

See the Materials List on the [Workshop page](#) of the Acacia Quilt Guild website for what you need. It looks great done in batiks, or in a all to medium print with a coordinating near-solid.

