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*Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County, 5175 Ball Road, Cypress California, 90630  
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## **President's Message**

Thank you all for a wonderful year!

I've enjoyed this year as president because of the teachers, BPSC staff and most importantly, all of the Acacia Guild Members. It has been a year of many milestones including moving to a new location, a very active philanthropy program that made and donated many, many quilts, highly successful fundraising by Ways & Means, Secret Pal and Acacia's very first opportunity quilt.

It has been a pleasure working with this year's board who were a very fun and hardworking group of quilters. Things went very smoothly (very few glitches).

June is a very important month for several reasons. This year marks Acacia's 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday and anniversary which we will celebrate with a potluck and birthday cake. Check the newsletter for details on what to bring – categories are assigned by the alphabet. Acacia will provide a yummy cake!

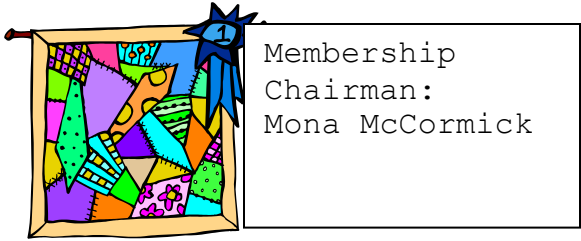
June also is the month for installing the new board and thanking the outgoing board. Because of this dedicated board, we have had a great year. I hope that my second term as President is just as successful!

Acacia has purchased a gold leaf for the Buena Park Senior Center's Legacy Tree (the Center's fundraiser). We have a good location on the tree – take a look at the meeting!

The guild is always in need of more volunteers to help on different committees. Please help out – it is actually a lot of fun and it makes the guild even better.

Come and celebrate with us on June 7!!

Sonia Das, President



In order to keep the Guilds directory up to date we ask that our members report any changes in their personal information that is needed for the Guilds Directory, which will be compiled for the new term of 2007 - 2008. This information needs to be given to Kit Boyd either at the meeting or via phone at 714-827-1155.

**May General Meeting Attendance:**

**Members Attending: 49**  
**New Members: 0**  
**Guest: 9 including**  
**our four speakers**  
**+3 product**  
**testing group**

Thank you,  
Mona McCormick  
Past Membership Chairperson

**Total Guild Membership Ending The Term Of 2006-2007.....76**

WELCOME quilters to Acacia's new term of 2007 - 2008. Yes it is time to wish our Guild Happy Birthday and time to re-new your membership. Dues are \$25.00 for the term from June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008. Your new membership chairperson is Kit Boyd and serving with her on the committee is Beverly Russell.

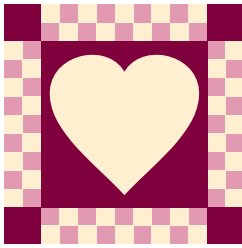
Remember to check in at the Membership desk and get your name checked off and receive your red ticket for the door prize drawing. June is the Guilds potluck night so additional red tickets for bring refreshments will not be given at the June General Meeting. If you bring a friend let Kit know so you can receive a small gift for helping to promote our Guild. If that guest joins some time during the evening that guest will receive a small gift as well. Name tags are for the benefit of all so please wear yours.



**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!**



*Philanthropy  
Chairman: Phyllis  
Campbell*

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS NEEDED ASAP**

Please remind our members that we need a Philanthropy Committee Chair. This position can be shared by two persons. The commitment is small; plan one Sewing Bee per month, write a paragraph or two for the newsletter each month, and arrange for charities we help to receive our donations. ( I will continue to take the Veteran's items to the VFW.) Giving to others is a vital part of our guild. We need someone to take charge.

We also need someone to Chair Ways and Means. This committee raises funds to help pay for our speakers and supplies. This committee is in charge of our brown bag auction 3 times a year, and may utilize the monthly Sewing Bee to make small items to sell at meetings and elsewhere. They may also choose to have other sales and drawings.

### **STORAGE SPACE NEEDED**

We need storage space for our donated fabrics until the remodeling is completed at the Senior Center. If anyone has a dry, safe place to store several boxes of fabric, please contact Mona.

### **PHILANTHROPY**

I hope you have the list from Chosen to be Loved that was passed out at our last meeting. They are opening a clothes closet for foster mothers to visit for clothes for their newly arrived foster children. They want new and "gently used" baby clothes and new supplies like baby wipes, diapers, soaps and lotions,

etc. You should have the information on the list.

For the Veteran's Hospital, we will still be collecting puzzle and game books, cards, and 41 cent stamps. Thanks to all who brought or made items for the vets in the last year. The VFW auxiliary goes there every month to pass out these items, t-shirts, socks and toiletries. These items are very much appreciated and help to show the Vet's that they are not forgotten.

### **WORKSHOP**

I'm pretty sure we will be skipping the June workshop since we will have mini-demonstrations by Sand and Surf Designs at our June meeting. I should have sign-ups for at least July by the night of the meeting. As soon as I confirm, I will let you know. I hope to have Vicki Channell (our April Speaker) for our July workshop.

### **MEMBER SURVEY**

Please be sure to remind everyone to fill out our 2007-2008 Member Survey if they want any say in our upcoming speakers and workshops. This is **our** guild, and we want to plan meetings and workshops that will be of benefit to our members.

### **FREE PASSES**

Free pass cards will be available at our June meeting. If everyone takes one and invites someone, we will have great attendance for our August meeting. Remember, if you bring a guest and they join, both of you get a surprise gift.



**WTLC**

**Women's Transitional Living Center  
(WTLC) of Fullerton**

Donations will be accepted at our June General Meeting, please see the current "Summer Wish List" (for ideas) located in this newsletter. These donations and previously donated items will be delivered to WTLC the week following our Guild meeting. I thank you again for all of your support in giving the ladies and their children hope and encouragement.



Chosen  
to be  
Loved

Just so I understand this a little better, in May, Robin Hatten from Chosen to be Loved spoke to us about the foster children who are involved with their program. One of the things she talked about was "The Life Book" which would follow a child from home to home to be filled in by the foster parent and to provide a history for the next home and for the child's future. To aid in providing Life Books for each foster child, a donation of \$10.00 may be sent to:

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

To see what the books look like:  
[www.chosentobeloved.com](http://www.chosentobeloved.com)



"QUILT  
KIT"  
DRAWING

Did you sign out a "QUILT KIT" and return it completed? Or did you make a quilt and donate it? If you turned the quilt in during the months of March, April, May or June you are eligible to win one of the three prizes.

Prizes for this drawing are:

Free Workshop Certificate  
Natural Daylight Lighting Compact  
Folding Desk Lamp  
Large Table Top Cutting Mat  
33"x58"

There is still time to enter this drawing, just complete that "Quilt Kit" or donate a quilt and turn it in at the June General Meeting and receive your ticket, then deposit it for the drawing. Good Luck to all.

Thank you,  
**Mona McCormick**

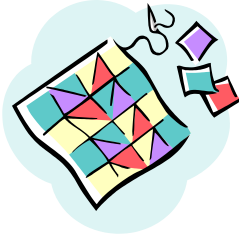


Happy  
Birthday  
to You

Happy Birthday Wishes to all of you  
with JUNE Birthdays:

*Pamela Cannell  
Theresa Costell  
Pat Golonka  
Eva Selnick*

Joyce Rekstad



"Sew-So-Late"  
Chairman:  
Sharon Monge

**Friday May 25, 2007**

**11:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Dear Quilters**

Please join your fellow quilters from Acacia Quilt Guild at Bunney Hutch in Los Alamitos. There is **no charge** for this fabulous day of fun, fabric and friendship.

Bring a quilting/crafting project to work on (or just come and visit) and a dish to share (your choice - quilters aren't picky about food; we start filling our plates at 11:05am!)  
*Friends are welcome.*

This is a another great opportunity to get to know your fellow Acacia Guild members, work on UFOs or other projects, do some shopping, socialize and enjoy some yummy food!!

**See you there!!**

Bunney Hutch Quilt 'N Sew is located at  
4478 Cerritos Avenue  
Los Alamitos, CA 90720  
(714) 226-9647  
(1/2 mile west of the Los Alamitos Racetrack at the corner of Lexington & Cerritos).

If you have any questions about Sew-So-Late, please contact our chairperson:  
**Sharon Monge at: 714-891-5024**



Newly  
Elected  
Guild  
Officers

(Pending ratification at the June meeting, of course)

President: Sonia Das

Vice President-Programs:  
Phyllis Campbell

Vice President-Workshops:  
Karen Waterbury

Secretary: Charlotte Avant

Treasurer: Phyllis Victor

Reminder: There are still openings for Chairpersons. Please consider helping out in this way.



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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!



# WTLC WISH LIST

SUMMER FUN, HERE WE COME!!!!!!

**Gift Cards from:**

Target / Wal-Mart / Costco / Sam's Club / Payless Shoes  
Albertson's / Ralph's / Stater Bros. / Food 4 Less  
AMC / Regal / Mc Donald's /Burger King / Carl's  
Home Depot / Lowe's / Ace Hardware

**Juices** (Lemonade, Apple, Orange, Cranberry)

**Snack Foods** (Cookies, Crackers, Fruit Cups)

**Canned Foods** (Soups, Spaghetti, Ravioli, Chili)

**Boxed Foods** (Cereal, Potatoes, Noodle Dishes, Rice Dishes)



*Mother's Day,*

Journals, Photo Albums, Personal Care Gift Baskets  
Chocolates, Warm Weather Sleepwear

*Summer begins, Independence Day*

Sun Screen, Insect Repellent, Swimsuits, Towels, Sleeping Bags  
Outdoor Games, Party Supplies



WTLC would love to hear from you regarding potential corporate sponsors and donors

Please contact Jamie Bazell at  
714-992-1939 ext 101 or [jbazell@wtlc](mailto:jbazell@wtlc)  
Please visit us at

[www.wtlc.org](http://www.wtlc.org)



## **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 bead-ers;**  
**or whatever you do that you think will sell to help our guild.**

Bring your handcrafted items to our 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](http://www.crafttown.com/free.htm)

Free craft projects: [www.aokcorral.com/](http://www.aokcorral.com/)

Free knitting, crochet and quilt patterns:

[www.freepatterns.com/list.html?cat\\_id=4](http://www.freepatterns.com/list.html?cat_id=4)

Free craft stuff and patterns:

[www.coolfreebielinks.com/Craft\\_Freebies/index.html](http://www.coolfreebielinks.com/Craft_Freebies/index.html)

Free bazaar gift patterns: [www.allfreecrafts.com/homemade-gifts/gumball.shtml](http://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>

***Happy Birthday  
Acacia Quilt Guild***

## *A Very Special Invitation*

*You are invited to a Birthday Party!*

*The Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County  
is celebrating its 3rd birthday.*

*Come celebrate with us*

*June 7, 2007*

*at the Buena Park Senior Center*

*6:45 pm - 9:00 pm*

*A potluck dinner will be served.*

*To help with the potluck, we request you bring the  
following:*

*If your last name begins with*

*A - H side dishes*

*I - R main dishes*

*S - Z desserts (but not cake) & fruit*

*Birthday Cake will be provided.*

*Please bring any Special Occasion Quilts you may have  
to share with us for Sew and Tell.*

## ***SEE YOU THERE***



*Secret Pal*

*Coordinator:  
Sherri Vasquez*

*We are coming to the end of the first  
(almost) year of the Secret Pal program  
and things are getting exciting!*



*At the June 7 meeting we will reveal the identities of the Secret Pals. I'm getting antsy just thinking about it (and about that microphone Sonia is going to stick in front of my face again!)*

*For this meeting, please remember to bring not only a last gift for your Secret Pal, but also a Thank You gift for the person who has been giving to you for the last 8 months.*

*I sent out a survey and have gotten some really good responses regarding how to upgrade the Secret Pal Program. Thank you all for sending me your ideas and suggestions—for taking the survey seriously. When I roll out the program for next year I will incorporate some of these changes.*

*To participate in the Secret Pal Program for the year July, 2007-June, 2008, you will need to fill out and submit a new questionnaire. The questionnaire can be found on the [www.AcaciaQuiltGuild.org](http://www.AcaciaQuiltGuild.org) website or picked up at the next meeting. They can be handed to me at the meeting, filled in and returned via e-mail to [crafty\\_gramma@verizon.net](mailto:crafty_gramma@verizon.net) or snail-mailed to my home address which appears on the back of the form.*

*I will be collecting your answered questionnaires from now until June 14<sup>th</sup>. After that I will be working hard to match you up with a new Secret Pal. This process is very confusing and has me scratching my head and talking to myself, but I think it's worth it (if only because it bugs my husband!) when I see the delight on the faces of the folks as they open their gifts. I will try to have those questionnaires in your hands by June 21 so you will be able to have your gifts ready to give for the July 12 meeting.*

*Thank you for opening my eyes to the kindness and thoughtfulness that lies in the hearts of you wonderful ladies and gentlemen. I think I had become somewhat jaded over time and have been reawakened to the truth that it truly is "better to give than to receive." As I stand on the sidelines and watch this process, my heart, too, has been opened and blessed.*