

Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County, P. O. Box 6821, Buena Park, California, 90620 www.acaciaquiltguild.org

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# President's Message

A very big "Thank You" to Phyllis 2006-2007 Board for making this past year so very special.

June's meeting was a wonderful! Acacia celebrated its THIRD birthday with a delicious potluck that made many tummies happy and a yummy birthday cake while the president's quilt was presented, the outgoing board was thanked and the new board was installed.

I would like to thank everyone who accepted a Board and/or a committee position this year. We still have need of a Secretary, a Parliamentarian and a Philanthropy Chair. If any of these interest you, please contact me to get the ball rolling. We will continue to have a wonderful and friendly guild and I am delighted to be your returning President!!!

Acacia is a volunteer organization and we have many accomplishments to our name especially from our Philanthropy Committee. Several bags and boxes of donations have been given away to charitable organizations and over 165 quilts have been made and donated. The number 165 is truly amazing considering this was the first year that quilts have been created for charity.

Acacia will continue to experimenting with new activities, a variety of different speakers covering techniques (old and new) while increasing the number of workshops and providing more opportunities for members to quilt.

What will never change are the wonderful members who form the heart and soul of Acacia. The desire to have a good time as a guild whether it be taking a class, sewing philanthropic quilts, making new friends, etc., will remain the same as well.

If you have any problems or need help in any way, please do not hesitate to give me a call or send an email. We're all in this together!

Sonia Das, President



FOR MY WONDERFUL QUILT!
Sonia Das, President

I would like to thank Acacia Quilt Guild for my beautiful, lovely, whimsical, charming, cute and fantastic President's Quilt. It has been shown at OCGQ and will be shown at QBS in the near future. Also, please look for it a quilt show near you because I plan to show off MY PRESIDENT'S QUILT as much as possible!

Special thanks are in order to the following quilters for their time and generosity in creating an unbelievable quilt:

Design: Phyllis Campbell

Construction: Phyllis Campbell and Charlotte Hansen

Quilting & Cat Collage: Rosemary Harding

Cat Label: Tricia Savage

Embroidered Labels: Dell Childs

Binding: Susann Woods

#### **Blocks**

January Winter Cat – Jody Burtch

February Valentine Cat - Rosemary Harding

March St. Patrick's Cat-Kit Boyd

April Easter Cat – Dell Childs

May Flowers Cat - Pat Golonka

June Bride Cat - Robin Moore

July Patriotic Cat- Phyllis Victor

August Beach Cat-Phyllis Campbell

September School Cat - Charlotte

October Halloween Cat-?? PLEASE HELP – WHO MADE THIS BLOCK?

November Thanksgiving Cat-Mary Scharfenberg

December Christmas – Jeff Reay



We welcome in the new Quilt Guild Year!

June was a great beginning with our potluck. We would like to welcome our newest members: Rochelle Ralphs and Tiffany LaMerre.

Remember to renew your membership by paying your dues at the July meeting (if you haven't already done so). Dues not paid by the July meeting will result in you being dropped from the membership list. The new membership list will be distributed at the August meeting and I will need time to compile and print it.

Attendance at the June 2007 General Meeting:

Members 36

New Members 2

Guests 3

Total 41

Remember to report any changes in your personal information regarding address, phone number or email address to Kit Boyd at 714-827-1155.



### 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!



Happy Birthday to You

A BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH GOES OUT TO OUR CELEBRANTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY!

CHARLOTTE AVANT 7-9 7-29 ELAINE MERRILL SHIRLEY MURCH 7-1 ELLEN MURPHY 7-14 JANICE PHILBROOK 7-12 **JEFF REAY** 7-14 LESLIE SUTHERLAND 7-29 SANDY VASQUEZ 7-31 SANDY WILCOX 7-12 GEORGAN ZIERES 7-8



Ways and Means

Chairman: NEEDED

### **IT'S BROWN BAG TIME!**

Please bring any items you'd like to donate to the July meeting.

It will be Christmas in July!

ALSO—we still need a chairperson for the Ways and Means Committee; someone to lead a wonderful, experienced committee that stands by ready to help.

PLEASE SEE OR CALL CHARLOTTE HANSON ON 714-827-2633

# Philanthropy Workday, Saturday, July 21,

10 a·m· to 3 p·m·

We will be making items to sell at "Super Senior Saturday" at the Buena Park Senior Center and also at our guild meetings. Anyone wanting to work on philanthropy projects may do so. Let's have a good turnout for the first workday of our guild year. Bring food or drink to share.

We need someone to be in

charge of our Ways and
Means and Philanthropy
workdays for this coming
year. We don't have to
meet on Saturdays, if
another time is better for
you. These committees are
an integral part of our guild,
so please step up and help.



Sew So Late Chairman: Sharon Monge

Get ready to <u>mark your calendars</u> for the next FEW Sew-So-Lates

The following dates have been set aside by the Bunney Hutch for Acacia Quilt Guild members to come in and work on their projects:

> JULY 27 AUGUST 24 SEPTEMBER 14 OCTOBER 26

(The potluck is an extra treat!)

That September 14 date is due to scheduling problems with one of the Bunney Hutch guest teachers. Normal Sew-So-Late dates are the last Friday of each month from 11:00 Am to 4:00 PM.

Bunney Hutch Quilt 'N Sew is located at 4478 Cerritos Avenue

Los Alamitos, CA 90720



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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



Coordinator: Sherri Vasquez

The new Secret Pal Program is underway. Participants have been mailed the names of their new Secret Pals and are, even now, planning and plotting the gifts and surprises they will be giving that person.

A couple months ago I sent out a survey to evaluate the existing program and to determine any changes that may be necessary before the new program was launched· I sat down with the responses (which were unsigned, by the way) and attempted to evaluate them in a logical and open-minded manner. I took each question and typed it into the computer and then typed in the responses from the questionnaires. I then read and re-read them to come to a conclusion. Then I wrote down all my conclusions and ran them past a few different people, as well as my mentor in the program. Then I reevaluated my conclusions and guess what! There will be (almost) no changes to the existing program during this "round".

1. The length of the program will remain 12 months-BECAUSE the participants I talked to signed up for a

- 12 month program and wanted it that way. If YOU are interested in participating in a 6 month program please contact me and we will talk about starting one in January.
- 2. I will revise the questionnaire during this round and have a cleaner, clearer form available for the next round.
- 3. The amount to spend will be stated as "not to exceed \$10.00". That means you can spend anything up to that amount—even using coupons and sale items. The ceiling is in place so people don't go overboard and set a precedent that others cannot meet.
- 4. When asked if gifts should be given each month or on certain holidays, the answers were all different. There was no consensus, so the program will remain the same for now. If you are interested in a program which exchanges gifts only each quarter OR only gives

hand made items and/or patterns and/or fat quarters, please let me know·

someone cares for them--just to make them feel good· That's a joy for me!

I sincerely want to thank you who participated in this survey. I got a lot of good ideas and am still mulling over how the program can be upgraded. I am thrilled to be part of a program that is designed just to help other quilters have fun and feel delighted and special because

Please contact me at <a href="mailto:crafty\_gramma@verizon·net">crafty\_gramma@verizon·net</a> if you have any comments or questions. Or call me on 714-892-3720.

Your Secret Pal Coordinator Sherri Vasquez

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

July 4 Piecemakers "Fourth of July" sale—40% off

July 12, 2007 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting

July 12-15, 19-22 2007 Southern California Quilters Run

August 2 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting

August 4-5 Santa Monica Quilt Guild Quilt Show

"Quilting by the Sea"

at Loyola Marymount University

September 6 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting

September 8 North Cities Quilt Guild presents "Quilts on the Ranch"

A one day quilt show in Placentia

September 8-9 Quilting in the Valley Quilt Show 2007

In Van Nuys

September 15-16 TLC Quilters presents "Quilt Round-up at Hurst Ranch"

September 22 Desert Winds Quilt Guild Quilt Show

In Hesperia

October 4 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting

October 6 Valley of the Mist Quilt Guild Outdoor Quilt Show

At old Towne Temecula

October 13 Orange Grove Quilters Guild in Garden Grove

Live Auction and Tea at the Garden Grove Methodist

Church

This Information was taken from websites:

www.orangegrovequiltersguild.com

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Philanthropy Chairman: NEEDED

"Quilt Kit" Drawing - Who Won What?

At our June General Meeting we held the final drawing for completed quilts and/or ditty bags returned. The "Quilt Kit" project was introduced to the Guild at our July 2006 General Meeting and ran through June of 2007. A big thank you to all our members and friends who made this project a success (and it was a BIG success).

At that July 2006 meeting we started off with 40 "Quilt Kits". At this date we have received over 160 completed quilts, both from "Quilt Kits" as well as fully donated quilts. Over the past 12 months we have held 3 drawing for those that participated. At each drawing we have had three

prizes and at the latest drawing that took place on June 7th the lucky recipients are:

<u>Carolyn Craig</u> her choice Compact True Lite Desk Lamp

Beverly Russell she chose 59"x36" Table Top Cutting Mat

<u>Judith Hunsaker</u> she received Free Workshop Certificate

Congratulations to Carolyn, Beverly and Judith I hope you enjoy your prize.

Thank you to all who made it possible for the Guild to give these quilts to those that will find comfort in them.

All quilts and/or ditty bags were divided between WTLC, Foster Care,

Chosen To Be Loved and Veterans to benefit those in need.

With Great Appreciation To All, Thank you.

Mona McCormick



**Women's Transitional Living Center** 

Philanthropy Committee 2006-2007

Women's Transitional Living Center-Donation

On Friday June 29th Dana Matsukawa and myself (Mona McCormick) delivered the fifth and last load of donations to WTLC for the Guild term of 2006-2007. These donations consisted of 12 quilts, food



Speakers And Workshops

Upcoming Speakers and Workshops (Subject to change)

**July** "Christmas in July" demos by Karen Waterbury (table runner) and Phyllis Campbell (cathedral window ornament/door knob hanger)

Workshop - Vicki Channell - scrap blocks and chicken pincushion/toy/knick-knack.

**August** "Choosing Fabrics, cutting with accuracy, and Quilt in a Day by Jill of Singer Sewing Center Workshop-Kaleidoscope Quilt in a Day

items, toiletries, gently used clothing, belts, caps, ring binder and some comforting plush animals. Jamie Bazell with WTLC greeted us warmly as always, then accepted your donations with many thanks on behalf of the ladies and their children currently residing at the women's shelter.

On a sad note Acacia Quilt Guild finds its self without a chairperson for Philanthropy for the new term of 2007-2008. I know from past experience the members of Acacia Quilt Guild have big hearts and are willing to give of themselves through time and talent. The Guild has always given to a women's shelter since the beginning, it would be sad to not continue.

Thank you to all who have helped in touching so many and in giving hope to those who are truly in need.

Mona McCormick Philanthropy Committee 2006-2007

**September** "Ugly Fabric Trade and Challenge" and "Zip-Lock Treasures" exchange.

Workshop-Billie Lauder (more details soon)

**October** Trunk show with Peggy Timmons. Workshop- "Easy Crazy Quilts"

**November** Lyn Brown speaker and workshop "Friendship Strip Quilt"

**December** Don Beld speaker "History of Biblical Blocks" and workshop "World Without End" Celtic style quilt - hand piecing and appliqué.

There will be sign-up sheets and/or interest lists for all upcoming workshops at our next guild meeting. CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED so don't

wait too long to sign up.

### VICKI CHANNEL WORKSHOP JULY 14

Vicki Channel will be demonstrating her "scrap blocks" and that cute chicken she showed us in April, also made of scraps. The class will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Buena Park Senior Center Picasso Room. The cost will be \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. This will include the ultra-suede for the chicken's beak and comb.

Bring your sewing machine with accessories, a fairly small ruler with 1/8" markings (she likes 8" x 4", but bring what you have), any scraps you have available, or your choice of fabrics (nothing bigger than a fat quarter). The chicken can be made as a gift for a child or adult, can be done in holiday fabrics, or whatever you like.

Bring or plan to purchase a lunch. If you want to purchase a lunch, please have something smaller than a \$20 bill. We will be taking orders to pick up lunch at Pat and Oscars.

### **JOIN COSTCO FOR \$40.00**

Also, July is the month that our members can join Costco at a discounted cost of \$40. Please contact me, as I will need to be there when you join. I do not need to be there for a renewal.

Phyllis Campbell

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