

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you to all the quilters who supported Bears Quilt Shop during their recovery from their recent burglary and to those who stopped in at The Quilt Cupboard during their opening at their new location. Our local shops do so much for us – lets continue to support them!

October is an exciting month for Acacia. We are delighted to be hosting the wonderful Peggy Timmons who is famous for her appliqué patterns and workshops. She will teach us a simple and painless method for creating crazy quilts. There are only a few spaces left so please sign up at the meeting. Also please check out our upcoming workshops and sign up for them as well.

September was personally busy for me. One quilt workshop and two quilting retreats – what a wonderful month it was! It is so inspirational being around other quilters – seeing their color choices, variety of projects in progress and just getting to know each other better.

The holiday boutique was very successful in September so we'll hold it again in October. Our small but delightful holiday boutique has several holiday gifts (all handcrafted and handmade) for friends, family and co-workers. Our offerings include sewn items, craft items and food items; the jams disappeared in less than 5 minutes so come early for best selection.

Happy Sewing

Best wishes - Sonia Das, President

Attention

uilters - Grab your scrap bag, check your stashes and find some bright pieces of fabric. Bring 17 assorted 21/2" bright squares in a zip lock bag to the October guild meeting, and join in the swatch swap!

No limit to the number of bags, but only 17 squares per bag

The more, the merrier!



(For those of you who are unfamiliar with Don Beld, our guest speaker for December, he has provided us with a "bio". Thanks, Don!)

"On the Road to Damascus" looks at the history of Bible quilts and patterns, including my discussion of my personal spiritual journey through quilting.

Background on me: I hand piece and hand quilt; have been quilting since 1992. Was featured artist at Road to California in 2007. Have quilts in the permanent collections of several museums and hanging in government buildings across the United States, including my "Let's Roll, Flight 93, Heroes All" quilt which is part of the permanent collection at the Flight 93 National Memorial in Sommerset. Penns.

I am founder and national coordinator for the Home of the Brave Quilt Project, which is making replica Civil War soldiers guilts to honor the fallen heroes from Afghanistan and Iraq conflict and presenting them to their families. HOTBQP is in 47 states, England, and Germany and has presented over 2300 quilts to date. HOTBQP has been recognized by the Pentagon, International Quilt Study Group, Encyclopedia Britannica, and will be mentioned in an upcoming quilt history book due for publication in October.

I have appeared on Simply Quilts, NBC, Telemundo, and CNBC as well as being featured in numerous local and national newspaper articles.

I am a retired health care administrator and live with my two dogs and brother-inlaw near Dodger Stadium in downtown Los Angeles.



When you come to the Guild meeting, 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!



Susann Wood: Hospitality Chariman

Happy October birthday wishes to our following members: Betty Chadek,
Cecelia Carey, Tracy Fryer, Robin
Moore, Karen Waterbury and Diane
Rice.

We thank you for providing refreshments for our October general meeting. Sweet treats are welcomed, as well as soft drinks, veggies or any other culinary surprises you wish to share.

We are happy to receive goodies from members who are not celebrating an October birthday, and please know that all donations are gratefully accepted and truly enjoyed!

Hospitality Committee



Membership Chairman: Kit Boyd

Thank You to all who helped put the Membership List together. Our total Membership is 59, and 1 Honorary member.

Attendance at the September General meeting:

Members 39

Guests 7

Total 46

Kit Boyd Membership



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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



Ways and Means

Chairman: Charlotte Hansen

Last Month was very successful because of all the wonderful donations and helpers and, of course, those who bought treasures!

In October, we'll be having a fabric sale (all at \$1.00 a yard), quilt journals and lots of extra items. We'll also have a free quilt magazine table. Take lots and enjoy, please.

Your donations, ideas and help are always welcome.

THANKS SO MUCH

P·S· November is Brown Bag!!!



Philanthropy Day at the Sew So Much!

On October 26 The Day set aside for Sew So Much will be shared again with Philanthropy From 11 a·m· to noon, Judy will be enlisting help with organizing packets for Philanthropy distribution. After lunch, the time will be all yours to work on your own projects—or sew for Philanthropy if you wish.

Library Chairman: Linda Sterns

This month the Library is featuring Books by Better Homes and Gardens to help you enhance your holidays:

Better Homes and Gardens Christmas Joys (1985) Better Homes and Gardens Christmas Ideas (1985)

Better Homes and Gardens Christmas Ornaments (1989)

Better Homes and Gardens Holiday Crafts (1990)

Better Homes and Gardens Treasury of Christmas Crafts and Foods (1980)

Scrap Savers Christmas Stitchery (1986)

Crafting Traditions (1998)

In an effort to reduce the weight of publications on hand, magazines will be set out for free pick up at the October meeting. (See Ways and Means article)

Almost a dozen people showed up to help organize the kits (that are to be distributed to YOU to take home and quilt) or to sew together projects that were already started. The room buzzed with the sounds of sewing machines and the murmur of friendly interaction.

AND THE FOOD! BOY, more people at a pot-luck means more delicious munchies.

YUM!

Sew-So-Much Chairman: Sharon Monge

The Sew-So-Much on September 14 was sure a lot of fun! It was used for cutting out and sewing up

charity quilts!

Mark your calendars now for the next three **Sew-So-Much** days:

Friday, October 26th, from 11 to 5 Friday November 16th, from 11 to 5 Friday December 28th, from 11 to 5 Thank You, Bunney Hutch, for opening your doors to the Acacia Quilt Guild every month!

The Bunney Hutch Quilt "n" Sew

is located at:

4478 Cerritos Avenue

Los Alamitos, CA 90720(1/2 mile

mile west of the Los Alamitos

Racetrack at the corner of

Lexington & Cerritos)



Hi, Secret Pals!

As the Holidays approach, I know things are already getting hectic. Please remember as you shop to pick up something special for that Secret Pal.

I have been debating about starting a **short Secret Pal program**—one that will go from January 'til June—when our guild year ends. SOOOO....

If you are interested in participating in a short Secret Pal program that has a ceiling of about \$5.00 for gift giving, please contact me. Either call me on 714-892-3720 or e-mail me at Crafty_Gramma@verizon.net (there is an underscore between the words!)

It is really important that you get in touch with me because we will need at least 3 or 4 people to participate to make the program work.

Thanks Sherri Vasquez



For those new to the Guild this section is where anyone can communicate with me via the phone or e-mail.

Any happy news or sad news. Examples are a new baby or new grand-cat/dog in

the family, a graduation from any level of school, and, yes, we do report sad news of serious kind, and the silly kind like falling off of something & breaking bones.

So please alert me (by phone preferably) Tricia Savage (562) 420-6736 or e-mail quiltertricia@charter.net.

In the past two months, cards were sent to: Congratulation cards to Rosemary Harding & teacher Sylvia Davis, other cards sent to were to Joyce Whitaker & Bears Quilt Shop



OPPORTUNITY BASKET

Nancy Malm

Thank you to everyone who supports the basket with their donations and ticket purchases.

At our October meeting, I will be collecting for the theme, "ALL ABOUT CHICKENS" to be raffled in November. Please bring chicken theme FAT QUARTERS plus any theme -related items. Free raffle ticket's for your donation.

Our October raffle basket will have the theme "CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER"

For future planning (I will accept donation's for any theme at any time.)

Collection Month Theme/fabric

October **Christmas** November Chickens December none

Black and White January

prints

February I love spring

March

pastel & floral I love Batiks

all colors

Buy some raffle tickets 3 for a \$1. Nancy Malm



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Future Philanthropy Days are being negotiated at a more spacious location which will accommodate more bustling bodies and stacks of donated fabrics.

Let's talk about "KITS"!
Putting together the kits
was fun, but now we have
to get them all sewn
together so they can become
quilts and be put to use!

That's where YOU come in!
Kits will be available at the
front table at the next
meeting. Please take one—
check it out like a library
book—and complete it on
your own time and return it
to Judy.



(Thank You, Phyllis, for finding this website for us!)

My Fingers aren't so nimble, And my sight is failing fast. But for future generations, This quilt will share their past.

World wide the cloth was

gathered
With "swaps" galore, a pattern
was set.
Friendships, made with love and
sharing,
through Cyberspace on the

Internet.

Some lines are a little crooked, a few corners not quite square. But every stitch was taken, With tender loving care.

So rest your head and dream away,

As worries and turmoil fade.

Let this quilt extend its love, And wake to a beautiful new day.

By Donna Lawicki, Michigan August 2000

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Upcoming Events

October 4 Acacia Quilt Guild General Meeting 6:45 pm

Trunk Show with Peggy Timmons

October 6 Workshop with Peggy Timmons:

"Easy Crazy Quilts"

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

October 16 Board Meeting, 6pm

October 26 Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

November 1 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting 6:45 p.m.

Speaker: Lyn Brown (Brown Bag)

November 3 Workshop: Lyn Brown

"Chains of Holiday Friendship" quilt

November 7 Grand Re-opening of the Buena Park Senior Center

November 16 Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

November 20 Board Meeting 6 pm

December 6 Acacia Guilt Guild General Meeting 6:45 p.m.

Christmas Potluck and Gift Exchange

Speaker: Don Beld: "History of Biblical Blocks"

December 8 Workshop: Don Beld "World Without End" Celtic style quilt

hand piecing and appliqué.

December 18 Board Meeing 6 pm

December 28 Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.