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Halloween

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**Membership
Chairman:**

Sonia Das, Judy
Hunsaker, Susann
Wood



SECRET PAL

Attendance at the August 2009 meeting: 45 members & 4 guests

As of September 30, 2009, Acacia has 65 members.

Five new members joined Acacia in September. Please welcome these quilters into the Acacia family:

Bette Harmon
Pam Ratkosky
Annette Rivera
Stella Serna
Janice Turpin

Please pick up your *Roster* and Membership Card at the Check-In/Membership Desk if you have not done so already.

Opportunity Basket

Linda Stearns and Phyllis Victor, co-chairs for the opportunity basket would like to thank those who so graciously supplied baskets while we were making up our minds.

Thank you also to those who have signed up to supply baskets in the future.

Anyone who would like to sign up for future baskets, please see Linda or Phyllis at the Opportunity Basket table.

Hi, Secret Pals

This is me talking to you from the hot desert regions of Arizona. The weatherman said that there had been 106 days over 100 degrees this year so far. WHEW!

How's that Secret Pal exchange going? October finds so many bright colors and beautiful fabrics on those shelves! And the pictures and patterns in the magazines are just great. Really makes me want to get to the machine and start a new project! I'm sure your Secret Pal would be just as inspired with a gift of fat quarters and a pattern. And don't forget the candy corn (one of my faves!)

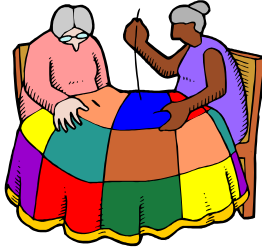
And right around the corner is Thanksgiving--more fall colors--and Christmas! OOOHH, we're revving up for a wonderful time of surprises and fun.

But no new projects for me! I brought UFO's to Arizona with me. When I have a few minutes I'm going to finish what I started! I AM, I AM, I AM!

That is after I finish making 35 ribbons for Heather and her team to use in a half-time show. And between watching the baby while Mamma works. I had forgotten how time consuming that can be.

Well, happy gifting to you! Remember, if you have any problems, please see Helen Whitaker...

Sherri



Workshop Corner

by Diane MacRill

I was unable to attend the September workshop, as I was out of town visiting with one of my brothers and his family. I heard though that the workshop was great, that Verda did a great job teaching the Tessellating Flower pattern. If you attended the workshop, please bring your quilt to share, no matter how far you have gotten with it. I will try hard to remember to have you come up at the time that I give the Vice President's report to share with the others.

In October we will be having Sharon Camping teach us African Folklore Embroidery. She has some beautiful kits that we can purchase. The price depends on the size- \$18 for the small, \$28 for the regular, or \$42 for the super. ALL supplies are included. All that you need to bring is a pair of scissors! That sounds great to me! Please come to the long side table to see sign up for the class. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members. Hope to see you there!

Programs

By Sonia Das, Acting
Vice-President
Programs

African Folklore Embroidery By Sharon Camping

Sharon Camping is a certified African Folklore Embroidery Educator. African Folklore Embroidery was founded by Leora Raikin, originally from South Africa, to share knowledge about South Africa and its arts, wildlife and culture. Sharon will have a fun and entertaining presentation for us.

Kits of various sizes and prizes will be available and feature many lovely African folk art designs of wildlife, Ndebele tribeswomen and village life. Kits feature nicely edged fabric (less likely to unravel), hand-dyed rayon threads and unique designs. All kits and threads are crafted by African village women and provide a source of income for them and their families.

Sharon will also be teaching a workshop titled "African Folklore Embroidery" on Saturday 3, October. Please see Workshops at the meeting for more details.

Sew So Events

We're so sorry for the confusion at the Bunney Hutch last month! The manager got so caught up in restocking the store she failed to notify Sharon that there was no room for Sew-So-Much to set up. We have been assured that there will be no problem in October--AND we will have a bunch of newly cut kits to see, feel and buy.

So get out the ol' sewing basket and one of those projects you have been dying to finish and join the ladies at one or all of the "Sew-So's". You'll be surprised how much you can accomplish when you are away from the phone and interferences!

And remember, the stores support us because we support them by buying products to help us with the projects. So take time to browse and buy.

If you have any question, please contact Sharon Monge, 714-891-5024



*Happy
Birthday
to You*

Happy October birthdays to our following members:

Betty Chadek 1st Cecelia Carey 14th
Julie Atkinson 15th Tracy Fryer 19th
Karen Waterbury 27th Diane Rice 31st

Thank you for providing refreshments for our General Meeting on October 1st. We are also happy to receive items from members who are not celebrating August birthdays. Soft drinks, fruits and veggies are appreciated as well as sweet treats.

**Fall
Yummies**



Fall is in the air!
Time to snuggle in with a good book, a cozy quilt and some fun Fall Treats from See's. Whether your fancy is for chocolates, brittles, candy sticks or lollypops, See's has a special assortment of very yummy, very clever shapes and flavors that are only available once a year. And don't forget Orange Krispys and Pumpkin spice lollypops do count as fruits and vegetables! Indulge Yourself or Someone You Love! For just \$14.50 you can purchase a See's Candy Gift Certificate. See Kim Hogan and pick up your certificates at any Acacia Meeting!

**Recipe
Corner**



**Porcupine
Meatballs**

Hello fellow Acacia Quilt Guild Members. I'm sending along this delicious and delightful recipe that has stood the test of time. If you have never tried Porcupine Meatballs before I'm sure you and your family will enjoy them.

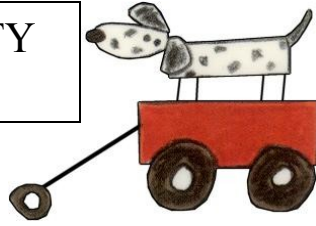
- 1 pound ground beef (I use 1/2 gr beef and 1/2 gr turkey for good flavor and lower fat and lower cholesterol)
- 1/4 cup uncooked long-grain rice
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 Tablespoon snipped parsley
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion (I added 1/4 cup each finely chopped celery and bell pepper. More veggies means I get to eat more food and have a fuller tummy for fewer calories)
- 1/2 tsp. salt (I added 1/2 tsp. each basil and Mrs. Dash)
- Dash pepper
- 1 10 3/4 oz can condensed tomato soup
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- 1/2 cup water
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

Combine meat, rice, egg, parsley, onion (celery-bell pepper), spices, and 1/4 cup tomato soup. Mix thoroughly; shape in about 20 (or 15 or 16 or) small balls. Cook in skillet until browned on all sides, drain.

Mix remaining soup, water, and Worcestershire sauce; pour over meatballs. Bring to a boil; reduce heat; cover and simmer for about 40 minutes, stirring often. Serve, Eat, and Enjoy!

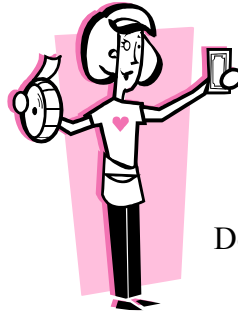
Verda, the Careful Quilter

OPPORTUNITY QUILT



“Dog Day Afternoon”
Opportunity Quilt is off to a great start. We’ve sold over 500 tickets in the first month! We have several possible events for October and November to display the quilt and sell tickets and we’re asking for volunteers to help out with these events. In the meantime, keep selling those tickets you were given in your packets. If you need more tickets, let us know. Those of you who haven’t picked up your ticket packets yet, please do so. It’s important that we all do our part. The money goes to support our guild and its many activities.

Jody Burtch



Door Prizes

The winners of the
September meeting

Donna Holly, Bette Harmon,
Carolyn Craig, Georgia
Zieres, Phyllis Campbell,
Sharon Monge, Sonia Dias, Susan Stokes,
Ruth Kennedy Phyllis Victor, Susan
MacVicar, Diane Sanchez, Randy Haller,
Sandy Eckhardt, Mary Hicks, Margot Taub,
Cathy Drace, Kim Hogan. Congratulations
to all. Please remember to send the ‘Thank
You’ cards to the shop owners so they know
we appreciate them.

Thank you,
Anna Lee
Door Prize Committee

Philanthropy



Thank you everyone. Our donations are greatly appreciated. Thomas House sent us a thank you and they have asked us to come and visit the shelter. All who are interested please let me know. We should do a field trip to the shelter that includes a stop at a quilt shop could be a real fun time.

Our donation included:
27 quilts and a pillow + 2 boxes of school supplies + 3 boxes of toys (stuffed and beanie and games). + 2 boxes of personal care items + 1 bag of woman’s and baby clothes mixed.

Thank you to all the members who do their best to support our efforts in the community.

Lisa Sullivan
714-642-1127
call anytime
Time--Talent--Donations

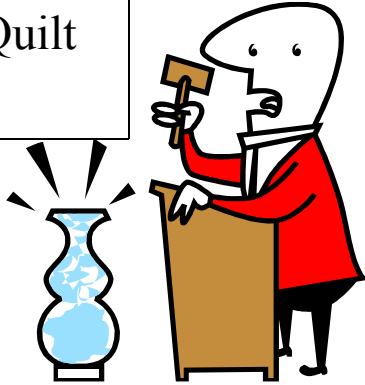
Tea and Quilt Auction

Tea and Quilt Auction needs YOUR help

We need every member to participate in some way in our first major Acacia event. If you can't sell tickets, then help by volunteering your time as a greeter, server or seater. If you love to cook, volunteer to make scones or dessert. We need volunteers to make the sandwiches at the center and to clean up after the event. If you have a tea set and/or like to set a beautiful table, then volunteer to loan your set and decorate one of our tables. Tables can be set for 4 to 10 people, depending upon how many cups and saucers you have. We appreciate the loan of tea pots, cups and saucers, cream and sugar sets, table toppers and centerpieces.

If you belong to any other clubs or organizations, please suggest to the members that they should reserve a table at the tea. It would be a fun outing for bridge clubs, bunco groups, Red Hat groups, church groups, etc. If you want to invite quilters who don't live nearby, remind them that M & L Discount Fabric is just down the street. Grandmothers, bring your granddaughters to their first formal tea. They can bring their dolls or teddy bears too.

If you haven't contributed a quilt, table runner, throw or wall hanging, please complete one before November. If you have an unfinished quilt top to contribute, bring it to our October meeting or call and we will pick it up for someone to complete. If you have a long-arm or like to do free-motion quilting, volunteer to complete a quilt top.



If you do other crafts, then contribute to the boutique. We accept all handmade items. We need volunteers to be at the boutique table and to sell opportunity quilt tickets.

Why are we having this tea, you ask. We are a non-profit organization and need to meet the requirements to have operating funds in the bank. We have never had as much as we should have, because we are new and small. This event will help us meet the requirements and allow us to schedule outstanding speakers and workshop leaders. It will also help us to become better known in the community. Please do your part to help this event become a success.

Thank you,

Phyllis Campbell,
Secretary and Founding Member



Upcoming Events

October

- 1** General Meeting at Buena Park Senior Center from 6:45pm
- 8** Sewing at the Tall Mouse, from 5 pm to 8 pm
- 20** Board Meeting at Buena Park Senior Center from 6:00pm
- 22** Sew So late at the Quilt Cupboard from 5pm to closing
- 23** Sew So Much at the Bunney Hutch from 10 am to 5 pm