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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mary Ann West has started an appreciation award called The Acacia Shoutout! (Marianne Mahoney coined the name). If you know of an "unsung hero" who has done much behind the scenes or has been kind/helpful or done something good, please let Mary Ann West know. The first two awardees were Joyce Berry and Wendy Dillon. All Acacia members are eligible except for elected Board Members (rats!)

Acacia has a tradition of providing quilts to the public either as direct donations or fundraisers. Most recently, Barbara Mead created, quilted and donated a fundraising quilt for the Buena Park Concerts in the Park. The lucky winner, Lupe Nunez, came to the September meeting to receive her quilt. Many thanks Barbara!

The September workshop - Shibori dyeing in 2 colours with Shar Taira - was wonderful. How often do you get to play around with all sorts of variations and techniques of fabric dyeing?! We had so fun and the patio next to the Picasso room was festooned with all manner of colourful hand-dyed fat quarters.

October is an exciting month for Acacia. We are delighted to be hosting the fantastic art quilter Mary Tabar who is the San Diego County counterpart to Lyn Brown. She will be teaching us Colour Theory and the workshop is a Water Colour Striped Quilt. There are some spaces left so please sign up at the meeting. Also please check out our upcoming workshops and sign up for them as well.

We are also having a big fundraiser this month called Quartermania which will be held in conjunction with the Senior Center. Ticket prices include a light lunch, raffle ticket, paddle and lots of fun. Sandy Smith of Acacia will conduct the Quartermania and was kind enough to give us a demo at the September meeting. Tickets will be available at the October meeting.

This will be my last message for some time as I will be going to India for three months for personal reasons. I look forward to reading about guild exploits in future newsletters since I will miss a lot of the fun activities to come later this year. The guild will be in the capable hands of Kathy Fortune and Barbara Mead and they will do such a great job that I may be out of a job when I return!.

Happy Quilting and early best wishes for 2015!

Sonia Das, President

2nd Vice-Predisdent:

Hello Ladies,

Our August Workshop was our own Shar Taira and her Shibori Dyeing. We did 2 colors Navy and Magenta. It was a fun day and extra special because we had a young lady who was having such a good time. Her name was KC and she reminded me of my childhood and my grandmother teaching me

how to sew. If you had been there you would have seen KC's eyes light up when she took the material out of the dye vat and saw the design she had created. It was a real joy to watch her. She was excited and ready to try another piece of material. We all enjoyed her and her enthusiasm. So ladies don't miss the next workshop, fun things happen when we girls get together to sew and learn.

Our October Workshop is a beautiful "WATER COLOR QUILT" by Mary Tabor Still time to sign up, The quilt is beautiful and I'm excited. Supply list will be available at the general Meeting.

Our November workshop is a beautiful quilt called "Wibbons" by Sylvia Davis

Our Shout Out for October is ???????? You have to com to the meeting to find out who!!!!!!!!!

I also have a new thing to present to you and I will tell you all about it at the meeting. Do you like surprises?=-O It will be fun and rewarding

A THOUGHT

You have a choice everyday.
Choose to be BLESSED
Choose to be EXCITED
Choose to be GRATEFUL
Choose to be THANKFUL
Choose to be HAPPY

See you at the meeting, Mary Ann:-)

Maryanne West, 2nd Vice President

1st Co-Vice President -

Kathy Fortune has had major surgery and is recovering and so I am sort of solo here. But don't worry, I am sure she will be up and going very soon. My prayers go out to her for a speedy and successful recovery. Now on to the other stuff. The TEA: Well to say that Kathy and I are not overwhelmed with the responsibility of putting on a very

successful tea is putting it mildly. Our biggest concern is Where are our donations for the Auction? I know that April 25th seems a very long ways away but we need to know who is donating quilts. We desperately need quilts. Some of you wonderful people donated quilts to our last tea and we are hoping that you are up to do that again. We have had table runners donated but we really need large items like Quilts. Did I mention we needed quilts? I hope that you are not intimidated by thinking that perhaps your quilts do not measure up to being auctioned off. I know they will be. I am donating some to be auction and to be honest, it is a little scary because I don't want to make anything that is not worthy of someone to buy. I have never ever made a quilt that was sold and I know that is a scary thought. So if you are thinking like me, let's ban together and try making a quilt that can be auctioned off. So here is something to help you to decide. Maryanne West has make over 100 quilt tops. She did this to keep herself busy a few years ago when she was battling cancer. She wants to donate them to us. Her idea is that you take a top, you add the batting and backing and get it guilted. You can guilt it yourself or send it out to a long arm person. Then donate it back to the guild for the tea. Another issue I wish to discus is the Opportunity Tickets. Many of you received tickets to sell and you need to be turning that money in at the meetings. If you need more let us know.

Barb Mead, 1st co-vice-President.

Membership

At the September meeting there were 32 members present and 6 guests. Brenda Howard, Susan Magpayo and Carole Eady were true guests. Mary E. Hicks brought her mother, Mary Hicks. Lupe Nunez was the winner of the concert quilt and came to pick

up her prize. Jack McMango came to thank us and say some lovely things about our quilt guild on behalf of his daughter, Kim Garber.

The winners of door prizes were Carolyn Craig - a gift certificate from Mel's; Joyce Berry - a fat quarter bundle from Sue Green; Anne Killian - a gift certificate from Sue Green; Sonia Das - a fat quarter bundle from Sue Green and a thread spool and gift certificate from Moore's; Sally Ketler - a pattern from Quilt Cupboard; Lisa Sullivan - a pattern from Quilt Cupboard; Theresa Craig - a thread spool and gift certificate from Moore's; Frannie Donoghue - flowers from Phyllis Campbell.

Again, I would like to invite anyone interested to come sit with me at the membership table. It's a great way to meet your fellow quilters and put names to faces.

****Sign-In Reminder****

Please remember to sign-in when attending the Acacia Quilt Guild General Meeting. This gives the guild an accurate picture of our attendance. This information is also used by the senior center, particularly in case of an emergency. In the event of a major earthquake or disaster and the building collapses the center needs to know who was in the building. Thank you for your cooperati.

Membership: Phyllis Victor

Opportunity Baskets

The opportunity Basket will be filled with some wonderful quilt and sewing items. Please come by the table and buy some tickets, 2 for \$1.00 and take a peek at what is in it! And if you have any items that you don't need or want and would like to bless others in our group with, you can drop them off to me, Shar at the same place!

Thank you, Shar

Hospitality

PHILANTHROPY

CHALLENGE: You have been challenged at the meeting to make Christmas Stockings by the next meeting. Please remember to bring you Stockings. Your name will be in a drawing which we will do in October because Barbara will be in Boston for the Sept. Meeting. No your prize will not be Boston Beans. DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS. DRAWING FOR A CHARM PACK.

We need everyone to make up those stockings. I know we can!! Its going to be another great Christmas for the families of the Military and Thomas House.

We have kits and directions and many of our members can share their insights from past years of making these.

We are still looking for gifts from our members.

Here are just a few things I can think of:

• Toy Cars	Knit Hats	 Jigsaw Puzzles 	• Trial Sized Toiletries (always need)
 Crayons 	• Scarves	 Bouncy Balls 	 Stuffed Toys
 Coloring Books 	• Mittens	• Books	• Toothbrushes (always need)
• Pencils	 Pretty Socks 	• Word Activity Books	 Nail Files
• Pens	 Comb/Brush Sets 	• Math Activity Books	 Nail Polish
 Small Toys 	 Coin Purse 	 Puzzle Books 	 Hair Accessories
• Small/Cute Note Pads	• Tee Shirts	• Gift Certificates (Fast Food \$1.00)	• Gift Cards (For The Older Kids)

Don't forget this project if your employer is looking to assist the community in this way. We are a 501 nonprofit for tax purposes.

Please bring all you finish to the November meeting. We need to have the stockings filled for Thomas House to receive at our December meeting.

Sew on Ladies!

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SEW DAY

Philanthropy sew day Oct 12 from 9am to 3:30 +- . We will be making stockings to get to our goal and seed for next year if we get to our 200.

Bring you machine and basic sewing supplies. Pack a smile and your lunch. Sew you there!!!! Picasso Room

Lisa's Ladies

(what is Lisa's Ladies? These are a few women who could use more women to help them. Every month they meet and make up the pillow cases kits and the Christmas stocking kits. They meet for 2 hours and make as many as they can.) (sidebar added by editor)

This is our schedule for the next few very busy Months:

Sept 30th 6pm

Oct 28th 6pm

Nov 25th or 18th TBD

No meeting in December. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We are 4 years old.

We need all our Ladies as well as any new or curious Ladies to join us for our Philanthropy efforts for the Acacia Quilt Guild.

Please call with any donations of TIME- Talent-Materials-?????

Lisa's Ladies est. January 2011

All are welcome to come visit and help in any way.....

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Tie One On! with Sue Green

We begin at 5:15 PM before the meeting starts. If you can't be there at that time, you can join us when you arrive and stay as long as you want. Tying a quilt requires no previous experience and I am there to guide you. We enjoy visiting and getting to know each other.

Another benefit is that you receive TWO tickets to a drawing for a Fat Quarter Bundle (four of which are given out each month). Also you can know that you have helped to further our Guild's Philanthropic Goals of helping those less fortunate when we give quilts away to them. Please come before the meeting and help us tie quilts for philanthropy. It's a great way to meet other quilters in Acacia and your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday evening. If you have any questions, Please feel free to call me. 714/686-7496. Sue Green

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:

Please bring snacks if it is your birthday month. However, snacks from all members are welcome every month. You get an extra door prize ticket for bringing snacks.

Birthdays:

Joey Corwin 10/18 Michelle Smith 10/27 Karen Waterbury 10/27



Phyllis Victor New Granddaughter - Fiona

Shadows:

Kathy Fortune - Had surgery on Oct. 22 and is doing well. Staying at her daughter's home while she recuperates.

Barbara Mead - Grand Niece - Maia Mead passed away on her 1st birthday on Aug. 29th.

QUARTERMANIA IS COMING!

Mark the DATE: October 25 10:00 - 2:00

To participate for that particular item you would place the appropriate number of quarters in the pot and hold up your paddle.

If your number is drawn-you win!!! It is that EZ!!This is a fast paced event that is guaranteed to be a lot of FUN!

So invite your friends and start saving your quarters!

Buena Park Youth Theater Group

Several months ago Linda McGafrey from the Buena Park Youth Theater Group asked us to make a quilt for them to raffle off. Since their next production is "Shake, Rattle and Roll", that theme seemed to be a good starting point. Fabric was collected by Lisa Sullivan, Barbra Riley, and Patti Paschall. The top was pieced by Barbra, it was quilted by Jean Fernandez, and the binding was done by Patti.

At the October meeting we will be presenting out "Elvis" quilt to a representative from the theater group. Think 1955! Rock and roll forever!

That is our newsletter for the month of October

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PS. I am going to add an extra PDF file on here from Sonia with the Show and Tell pictures. I have tried to copy and paste them into the newsletter but I am having trouble translating the programs from a PC to a Mac. Bear with me.

