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1st VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To say I'm flying solo is a real understatement. Sonia is still in India and, from the pictures I'm seeing, is having a marvelous time. We truly miss her. And this month, Barbara Mead is visiting her brother in Northern California. We hope she is also having a great time. As Barbara said last month, I can't believe I'm the one sending this message but here goes...

Ho! Ho! Ho! December's meeting, Thursday December 4, is our annual Holiday Pot Luck and Program. Family member are also invited to this celebration. So bring your favorite dish and celebrate the season with some of your favorite quilting friends. Dinner will begin at 6:30. There will be no workshop in December. Also if you want to be part of a gift exchange, bring a quilting gift that is not more than \$15.

Important Reminders: Don't forget to nominate that "Unsung Hero" who does so much behind the scenes for Acacia Quilt Guild. Please turn in your Acacia Shoutout! to Mary Ann West.

Candy Cane Lane is Saturday, December 6 from 10 AM - 4 PM. We will also need help setting up and taking down. There will be a sign-up sheet at the General Meeting. Please come help our guild - and you can do some Holiday shopping, too!!

I know by now you are probably tired of hearing about the "Mad Hatter's Tea and Auction" on April 25, 2015 but it will be here before you know it. Think of the guild while you are out holiday shopping. If you come across that perfect item for one of our many opportunity baskets, pick it up and donate to the cause. It takes all of us working together to make this event a success. And, of course, keep making those quilts, table runners, pillows, etc. coming.

December Board Meeting will be Thursday, December 18 at 7:00 PM. It will be a pot luck dinner with a gift exchange at Kathy Fortune's home. Please RSVP to Kathy if you will attend 714-968-7516.

January General Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8 because New Year's Day falls on the first Thursday of 2015. Our guest speaker will be Ann Sonner presenting Family History Quilts. Also in attendance will be Richard White from West Coast Hospitality, who will answer any question about the "Mad Hatter Tea and Auction." He will also be selling discount tickets at that time. Please mark your calendar for this change of date.

Happy Holidays,
Kathy Fortune

2nd Vice-President

Hello Ladies;

Lynn Miller's Historic Route 66 was so interesting. Makes me want to travel the route especially the Pasadena coffee shop.

Our Nov. Workshop was just great. We learned her easy technique and enjoyed Sylvia. She is a great teacher and we are her favorite guild because we were the first guild that she taught at.



**Dec Meeting
Holiday Program and
Annual Potluck and
Gift Exchange**

**Jan. Lecture
Ann Sonner**

No Workshop

**Jan 10th. Workshop
Ann Sonner**

**Family History Quilts
transfer**

**Feb. Lecture
Jan Raymond
How did I get here**

**March Meeting
Quilters University
Several techniques Planned**

Memory Quilts w/Photo

**Feb.7th. Workshop
Jan Raymond
Tile Quilt**

**March 7th. Workshop
Our own Susan Stokes
Modern Dresden Plate**

Ladies I need Names for our Shout Out. My Phone Number is 714-776-2125

**Mark your calenders for Jan. 22nd.to 25th. Road to California at the Ontario
Convention Center**

THOUGHT:

Don't Just count your Blessings--SHARE THEM

See you at the meeting,

**Mary Ann
Ways and Means**

Brown Bag

**We made \$62.00 at our last Brown Bag. Thanks to all who participated,
either by bringing items or buying tickets, or both.**

**Our next Brown Bag will be in January, so start looking for those unneeded
items to bring. They do not have to be quilt related. You might even want
to bring those white elephant and disliked Christmas gifts you receive - just
be sure they didn't come from one of our members!**

Candy Cane Land

**Saturday, December 6 is Buena Park's Candy Cane Land Arts and Craft Fair
at Ehlers Community Center. We have a booth for boutique items and our
opportunity quilt. Please sign up at the meeting to help with the booth that
day.**

Wild Lilac Designs Fundraiser

If you want items ready by Christmas, order now online or bring your order form to our next meeting. Susan is giving us a 25% commission on all orders through the end of the year. If you have a favorite saying, quote, or scripture, Susan will make you a custom wall hanging, tumbler, ornament, plate, candle holder or ??? just for you. Be sure to check out her website at wildlilacdesigns@yahoo.com. You can find more ideas on her Facebook page too.

Blowout Sale

We have a few coupon books still available. They sold originally for \$25. These last few are good through next March, and we are blowing them out at \$5 each. Use one coupon and you will more than get your money back!

Scissors

We have a few pairs of embroidery scissors left. They are priced at \$4.00 and make a great gift for a crafty friend.

Coming in January

We will be having a dinner out night at Aroma Italiano Cafe in Cypress. They will be giving us 15% of our purchases that night. Their food is amazing and reasonably priced too. It is located on Katella, just west of the race track entrance. I will announce the date at our December meeting.

Phyllis Campbell,
Ways and Means Chairperson

Opportunity Baskets

I need and am collecting things for the opportunity Baskets for the Tea and monthly baskets.

Thank you, Shar

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:

Birthdays:

Sue Green Dec. 7
Susan Stokes Dec. 22
Mary Hicks Dec. 23 (101)
Carolynn Machado-Guarino Dec. 24
Sherrill Lumley Dec. 26
Laurene Smith Dec. 28
Sue Towler Dec. 30



Equipment Report

Many thanks to Patti Paschell for, once again, stepping in to cover the job of Equipment Chairman for the November meeting. If anyone else would be interested in acting as “assistant” to the Equipment Chairman, setting up quilt stands and signs, please let me know. The attendance record is not good for our current Equipment Chairman, so there will be other opportunities to fill in.

We are still waiting for “Suggestions” on how we can improve our guild. If you have been in other guilds that did something you thought was a good idea, let us know. We are a relatively new guild and open to change. Ideas for improvement go nowhere if nobody knows about them but you.

Barbra Riley
Equipment Chairman

Off-Kilter Quilters

Off- Kilter Quilters has decided to take a “bye” month for December. We currently have three ongoing projects, including one intended for the tea in April, so there will be no “new” projects for awhile. With all the other activities in December it seemed a good idea to schedule our next meeting for January 17,

2015. The January meeting will be a “sew day” at Kathy Fortune’s place, so we hope to finish up some things and be ready to start new ideas and activities in the new year.

Barbra Riley
Off-Kilter Quilters

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

November 2014
Pumpkin

Orange Pumpkin

5 - 2 x 8 ½ rectangles (F)

Light colored Background

2 - 2 ½ x 5 rectangles (A)

2 - 1 ¾ x 8 ½ rectangles (C)

4 - 2 “ squares (D)

1 - 1 ½ “ square (B)

Brown Stem

1 - 1 ½ x 2 ½ rectangle (E)

Finger press Square (B) in half diagonally or draw a line
Sew square (B) to rectangle (E) on the pressed or drawn line
Cut away extra then press open.

Sew rectangles (A) to each side of the stem block

Finger press 4 (D) squares in half diagonally or draw a sew line.

Sew two each (D) squares to the top and bottom of two of the (F) rectangles. Cut away extra then press open.

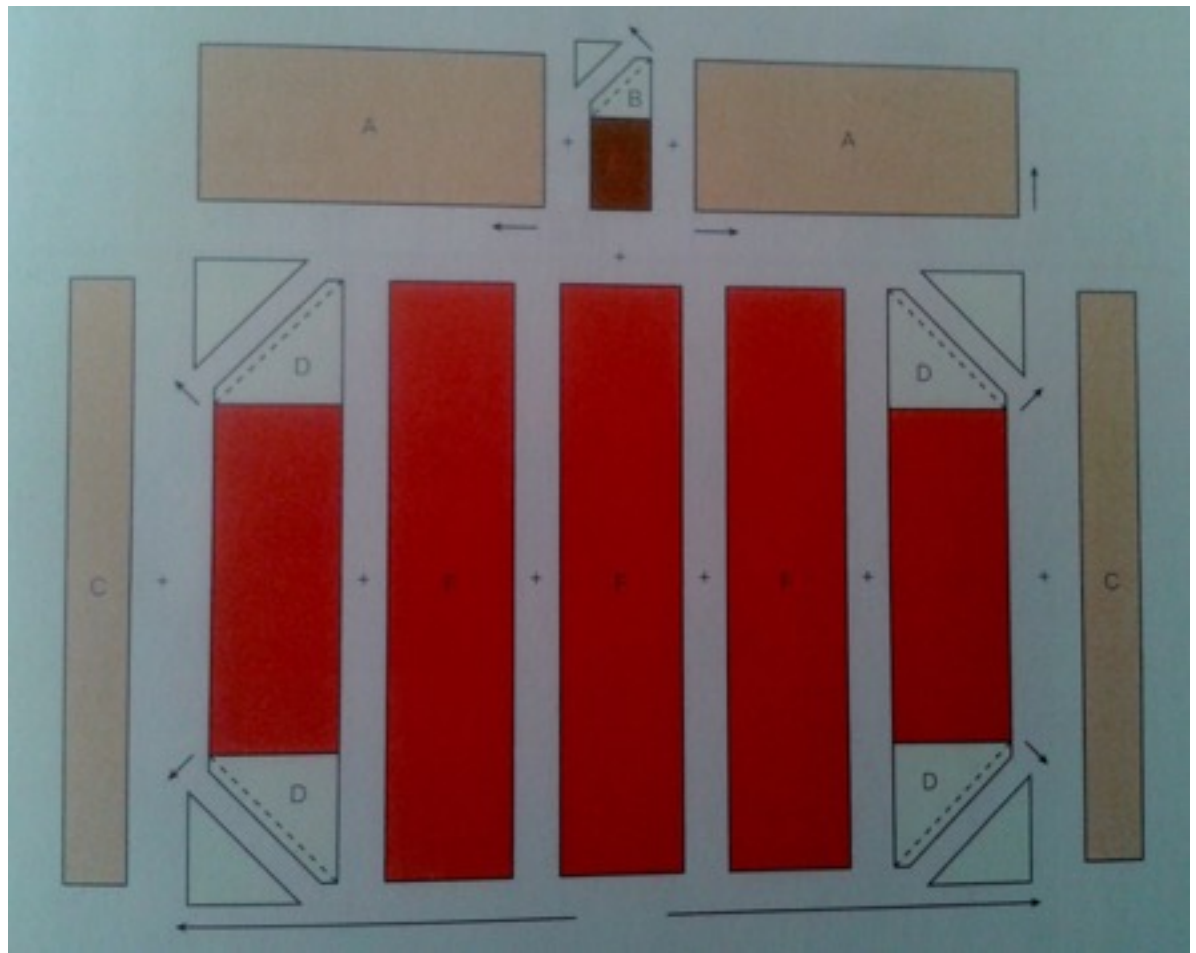
Sew together the three remaining (F) rectangles lengthwise.

Sew the snowballed (F) rectangles to each end of the block just made in previous step

Sew a rectangle (C) to each side of the pumpkin.

Attached the top half with the stem to the pumpkin block just made





Show and Tell

See attachment to Newsletter.

That is our newsletter for the month of December

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