



ACACIA QUILT GUILD – SMALL, BUT MIGHTY!
NEWSLETTER –MARCH 2019
President's Report – Barbra Riley

Dear Members,

Even though we are currently focused on the upcoming Tea and Auction and everyone is frantically finishing up projects for our most important fundraiser, we should not lose sight of one of the important aspects of Acacia: Philanthropy. We are currently looking at new places to donate quilts; if we had a specific destination with a designated use it will be easier to determine what type of quilts to make.

Recently, the Buena Park Police Department requested four quilts for children taken into custody due to a difficult situation. We donated two quilts to them last year, just as a trial run, and they found they do use them. Child Services are usually called to care for the children involved in a bad situation, but occasionally this job falls to the local police. We have child-sized quilts, but it would be better if we had some fun, brightly colored, themed quilts to offer. We told Jessica Lopez, our contact at the Buena Park Police Department, that we would bring them four more quilts after the March 7th General Meeting. *** Does anyone have any small, cheerful, child-friendly quilts to donate to a child in a difficult situation?

Our supply of quilts to donate is currently low because we donated 43 quilts to Thomas House in November. More donations were made around Christmas, and many quilts have been designated for the Tea & Auction, leaving only about five or six completed quilts left in the storage unit. We donated a lot more than that though: there were 34 quilts given to the firemen at Buena Park Station 61, 32 quilts donated to Thomas House in March of 2018 by Lisa Sullivan, over 100 stockings and pillowcases, and 54 pet beds donated to displaced pets from the Paradise fire through the Butte Humane Society. We have done a lot in one year and we deserve a pat on the back, at least! But, after the Tea & Auction, let's get back to making quilts. 😊

There are, however, a number of quilt tops that have been donated to Acacia that are still in need of quilting, so that will be our first priority. If you would like some quilting practice, we are making plans to schedule some workshops to quilt those UFO's. Quilting a quilt is like most things in life: *practice, practice, practice*. If you'd like to practice quilting, we can help you out!

Barbra Riley, President

2nd Vice President– Upcoming Programs & Workshops – 2018-2019

(Subject to change. Please see website for current schedule & links)

Shar Taira, Chair

Hi, Ladies!

At the March General Meeting, we will be having a Quilter's University. Instructors will provide 20-minute segment on topics regarding quilting and sewing.

- Phyllis Campbell – Crumb Quilt Blocks – using scraps to make new fabric.
- Jo Melis – Learn useful techniques and tips for planning and constructing your quilts.
- Patti Paschall – A Pinwheel Ornament
- Lori Ramsey – Quick and easy French Seam Pillowcase construction.

For the workshop in March we will be making opportunity baskets for the Tea on March 23, 2019. (Note this is not the usual workshop date.)

The program for the April General Meeting will be Nancy Ota's trunk show of Japanese textiles. There will be no workshop in April due to the Tea & Auction.

PROGRAMS

- March 7th – Quilt Challenge and Quilter's University
- April 4th – General Meeting – Japanese Textiles

WORKSHOPS

- March 23rd – Opportunity Baskets for the Tea (meeting at M.Mahoney's home)
- April 6th – NO WORKSHOP – Tea & Auction (**SOLD OUT**)

JELLY ROLL RACE WINNERS!

Three entries were judged at the February General Meeting and Team Tiger was deemed the winner!
Congratulations, Team!



Three entries for the Jelly Roll Race.

“Spring in Paris” Tea and Quilt Auction
April 6, 2019
Marianne Mahoney, Tea & Auction Chair

A little over a month to go, can you believe it? We have been talking about the Tea & Auction for almost a year, and it's next month.

All items for the Tea & Auction are due at the March 7th General meeting. **That is this month's meeting.** Yes, it is already March. There are many things that need to be done after all the items are turned in, so please try to meet the deadline.

The next “Tea” meeting will be on Thursday, March 28th from 7-9pm, at my house. Please see the directory for my address. If you are not already participating in some capacity, we need your help. This event needs everyone in order to be the success that it was last time. It is the biggest fundraiser we do and it is only every other year, so let's have some fun and see how much money we can raise for Philanthropy at the same time.

We now have someone who is doing a Dog basket. If you picked up a few items, please bring them to the meeting and we will add it to the basket.

We have 26 finished quilts physically turned in for the “Tea”. Thank you, ladies, for all your hard work; I am sure we will hit our goal of 30!! I am super excited to announce that one of the quilts is a Vintage quilt that Barbra Riley picked up. She will be sharing this quilt with everyone at the March General meeting.

We are still looking for a few items for the Boutique, Silent Auction, and Baskets that would make Mother's Day or Easter gifts. I have been notified that there will be a small wall hanging and a table topper. We also have someone working on several scarves. Let's give our guests an opportunity to get some of their shopping done.

The Basket wrapping day will be on March 23rd, at my house from 10am-3pm approx. We had many ladies show up to help last time and finished early. The day was a lot of fun, much like a workshop.

I am so excited about our “Paris” theme and looking forward to leading our guild through another successful event.



Tea & Auction Quilt Contest

PRIZES!!!

Just a reminder that there is still time to enter our Tea and Quilt Auction quilt contest. First prize will be a \$50 gift certificate to Sue's Creating Cottage. Second place will be a \$25 gift certificate to M&L Discount Fabrics, third prize will be a \$10 gift certificate to Joann's.

All entered quilts will be added to our April 6th Silent Auction to benefit our guild.

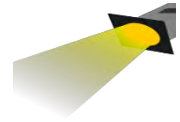
RULES:

- Size: 24" x 36" portrait mode
- The subject must be anything Parisian: Eiffel Tower, flower carts, French poodles, bicycles, French fashion, etc.
- Embellishments are encouraged.
- Quilt must be 3 layers with finished edges, 4" sleeve, label with quilt name, your name, and guild name.
- My quilt will be entered, but I will not compete for prizes. Quilts will be displayed in the lobby and our guests and members will have the opportunity to choose their favorite quilt while waiting.
- During the Tea, we will announce the winners, then move the quilts to the Silent Auction.
- Our goal is to have 8 to 12 quilts to display, but more are welcome. Quilts are due by the March General meeting on Thursday, March 7th.

Phyllis Campbell



QUILTER OF THE MONTH – *Lori Ramsey*



Our March 2019 Quilter of the Month is Lori Ramsey! Lori was born in the Midwest in Columbus, Ohio. She has an older brother and a younger sister. Her mother taught her to sew when Lori was in elementary school and she honed her skill as a Campfire Girl by sewing different projects which included a beaded Indian gown, Campfire vest, and a swim suit jacket.

Lori's dad was relocated to California for work when she was in the 8th grade. She remembers the plane descending into LAX through a bank of thick brown smog, leaving behind her beloved Campfire Girls and her Palomino. While in high school she took Home Ec over the summer and joined the Chess Club and the German Club during the school year ("all those guys!") She attended Harbor College and CSULB, majoring in Forensic Chemistry and Law Enforcement. She worked in security for Northrop, which gave her the opportunity to travel to almost every state in the U.S. Lori presently lives in Lakewood with one of her three sons, and two cats.

Lori learned to quilt in 2010 at a friendship group. Prior to that she and her husband went to county fairs to look at the quilts and he was her biggest cheerleader in encouraging her to make one of her own. She joined Quilters by the Sea in 2012 and has been an active member of that guild ever since, holding numerous Committee and Board positions. Lori has been a member of Acacia since August 2017. She dug in and got involved immediately and we so appreciate her willingness to help and careful attention to detail.

Lori said she is most attracted to the colors, patterns, and designs in quilting; she loves the sharp, crisp corners of paper piecing. The precision satisfies both her analytical and creative side. She most wants to learn how to make specialty borders for quilts.

Thank You, Lori, for all you do for Acacia. We Love You. 😊



Membership

We had 28 members and 5 guests at our February General Meeting. Thank You for always being helpful and encouraging to new members and guests.

Link to current Membership Application:

<http://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/files/Membership/MembershipRenewalForm2018-2019.pdf>

Questions? Please contact Maryjo at maryjedgar@quietgrove.info.

NEWSLETTER

*Please submit newsletter articles and photos to Maryjo at maryjedgar@quietgrove.info.
Deadline for the Newsletter remains the Sunday after the Board meeting, which meets
monthly on the third Thursday.*

EQUIPMENT

We are making some progress on cleaning out some boxes and non-quilting material from the storage unit. We have a huge number of books that are not being used and are difficult to access. If anyone is interested in specific books, please contact me.

Thanks,
Lori Ramsey, Chair

FABRICATORS

There will be two Fabricator / Philanthropy / Free Sew Days in March: Saturday, March 2nd, and Saturday, March 30th. Both dates will be dedicated to Tea related projects. If you have no projects that still need completing, please come and work on something for the Boutique. We plan to do small, quick items and always have fun while working. Bring a snack if you would like. There is always iced tea and iced coffee to go with whatever munchies turn up. Join us!

Barbra Riley, Fabricators



FUNDRAISER AT RUBIO'S

FRIENDS, FAMILY AND FUN NIGHT

Monday, March 11, 2019

7063 Katella Avenue, Stanton, CA 90680

(corner of Knott & Katella)

2:00 pm - 9:00 pm

On Monday, March 11th, from 2 pm until 9 pm, we are having a fundraiser. It is not like other fundraisers that require you to sell or buy tickets or other items. This fundraiser only requires you to go to **Rubio's** with your flyer and eat and drink -- no preparing food or cleaning up the dishes!! Give them your flyer (see link below for the flyer) when you purchase your food and/or drinks and **Acacia will receive 20% of your sale!**

Flyers are also available on the Acacia website under the 'Fundraisers' tab. You can either eat there or take your food to go. Some quilters go for lunch and then purchase dinner to go. Please come, eat, and support Acacia. Feel free to share this with your friends, family, and neighbors. Let's make this a huge success!

** - This is not the flyer. Follow this link to access the flyer on the website, then print it:

LINK TO FLYER ON WEBSITE: <http://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/files/WaysAndMeans/2019/Rubio-fundraiser-flyer-2019-single.pdf>

Opportunity Quilt – 2018-2019

The opportunity quilt has been making the rounds. Plans are being made for it to visit other local quilt guilds over the next few months. Please see Sonia if you are interested in accompanying this beautiful quilt on any of its journeys.



MARCH BLOCK OF THE MONTH

'Wildflowers and Clover'

After all our rain, Spring is bound to have a bumper crop of wildflowers and clover. That is the inspiration for this block.

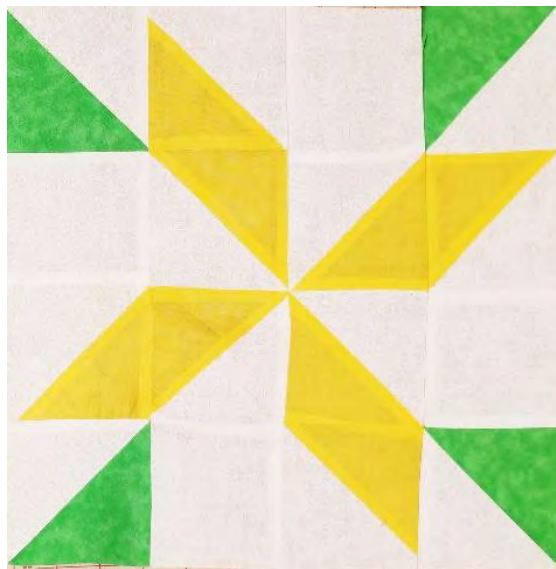
Directions:

- White on white: 2- 8" squares, 4- 3 1/2" squares, 1- 5 1/2" squares
- Yellow: 1- 8" square
- Lime green: 1- 5 1/2" square

Place white and lime green 5 1/2" squares right sides together (RST). Pin and sew 1/4" from all 4 edges. Cut "x" corner to corner, open all 4 HST's and square to 3 1/2".

Put white and yellow 8" squares together RST, draw "x" diagonally, sew 1/4" on both sides of lines, cut horizontally and vertically across center, then cut on drawn lines, open all 8 HST's and square to 3 1/2".

Sew together row by row, following photo layout below.



SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Acknowledging life events of the following guild members

- **Phyllis Campbell** - *Thinking of You* card for her recent skin cancer surgery.
- **Jill Shuman** (Sewing Center of Orange County) - *Get Well* card for her recent cancer surgery.

Sonia Das will be handling ***Sunshine & Shadows*** for Acacia this year. If she has omitted anyone or anything, corrections and updates will be made in future newsletters. Please contact her with news about guild members at 562-607-2384 or soniadas@yahoo.com.

STOCKING STUFFERS FOR 2019

Each November, Acacia Philanthropy stuffs many of the stockings that guild members made and donated and then gives them to Thomas House to distribute to the children in their programs. In 2018, approximately 70 stockings were stuffed and donated and Acacia has now depleted its inventory of stocking stuffers.

Starting in March, Sonia Das will be collecting stocking stuffers at guild meetings and guild events. Items for all ages from 1-18 are requested for both boys and girls. All stocking stuffers will be kept in the Acacia storage unit until November.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Sonia Das
Stocking Stuffer Supervisor
562-607-2384
soniadas@yahoo.com

Ideas/Suggestions for Stocking Stuffers

Toy Cars
Knit Hats
Jigsaw Puzzles
Nail Polish
Small Toys
Coin Purses
Crayons
Pencils
T-Shirts
Scarves
Bouncy Balls

Stuffed Animals
Mittens/Gloves
Books
Pretty Socks
Nail Files
Pens
Hair Accessories
Lipsticks/Cosmetics
Coloring Books
Puzzle/Word Activity Books

Toothbrushes
Trial Sized Toiletries
Math Activity Books
Small/Cute Note Pads
Comb/Brush Sets
Gift Certificates (Fast Food)
Gift Cards (For Older Kids)

We Have Been Served...!
Quilters by the Sea Quilt Guild Challenges Acacia to a Jelly Roll Race

At the February Board meeting, Acacia was served with a formal challenge from Quilters by the Sea to a Jelly Roll Race on Sunday, April 14th. The Challenge will include Acacia Quilt Guild, Quilters by the Sea, and two other guilds. We will need at least three members, but not more than five members to form our team. Additional information will be provided at the March General meeting. We were the first to have a Jelly Roll Race in this area, so we have our pride to consider!

Go, Team Acacia!!!!





SHOW AND TELL



Darling scrappy quilt of colorful flowers by Maria C.



Anne K. explains the Shibori process and shows beautiful fabric she made from the class.



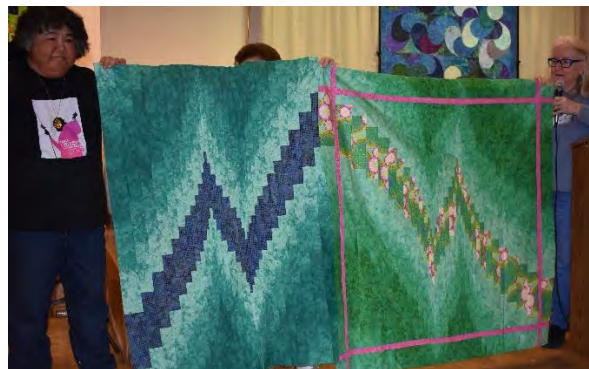
Barbara P. Mug Wall Hanging – awesome work, Barbara.



Beautiful black & white quilt finished by Barbra R. for the Tea Auction. Top made by MaryAnn W.



Jo M's "Jelly Roll Dash" quilt for the Auction. Love the directional changes! Gorgeous.



January's Workshop was 'Two Color Bargello'. Here are two beautiful quilts from the class by Shar (left) & Phyllis C. (right)



Beth S. continues to finish her mom, Mary Hicks', quilts. Here is the latest beautiful creation: Yellow Lemoyne.



Paris-themed quilt by Phyllis V. for the Tea. Beautiful, Phyllis!



Above left, Phyllis V. beautiful crocheted baby blanket. Above right, a four patch creation, also by Phyllis V. and destined for the Auction. Beautiful work, Phyllis. Always amazing. Below, a blue table runner by Phyllis V. for the Silent Auction.



Calendar at a Glance



2 nd	9:00 AM	PHILANTHROPY / FREE SEW DAY
7 th	6:30 PM	GENERAL MTG – Program: Quilt Challenge and Quilter's University
9 th	9:00 AM	WORKSHOP – No Workshop.
21 st	7:00 PM	BOARD MEETING
23 rd	10-3 PM	OPPORTUNITY BASKETS FOR THE TEA (at M. Mahoney's home)
26 th	6:00 PM	LISA'S LADIES
28 th	7:00 PM	TEA VOLUNTEER MEETING (at M. Mahoney's home)
30 th	9:00 AM	PHILANTHROPY / FREE SEW DAY



4 th	6:30 PM	GENERAL MTG – Brown Bag Fundraiser
6 th	9:00 AM	WORKSHOP – No Workshop – Tea & Auction (SOLD OUT)
13 th		'MEET THE TEACHERS' – SCCQG EVENT
18 th	7:00 PM	BOARD MEETING
30 th	6:00 PM	LISA'S LADIES

ACACIA BOARD 2018-2019

President: Barbra Riley
1st VP. At Large, Programs/Workshops: Shar Taira
Secretary: Maryjo Edgar
Treasurer: Phyllis Victor

STANDING COMMITTEES

Birthdays: Membership Team
Door Prizes: Team led by Bev Tyler
Equipment: Lori Ramsey
Historian: Susan Wei
Hospitality: Sandy Brown
Membership: Maryjo Edgar & Brenda Howard
Newsletter: Maryjo Edgar
Opportunity Basket: Shar Taira & Bev Tyler
Opportunity Quilt: Sonia Das
Parliamentarian: OPEN
Past President: Shar Taira
Philanthropy Team: Mary Ann West –Leader
Photographer: Anne Killian
Publicity: Phyllis Campbell
Secret Pal: Sonia Das
SCCQG Representative: Susan Stokes
Special Events (Tea & Quilt Auction) Marianne Mahoney
Sunshine & Shadows: Sonia Das
Ways & Means: Phyllis Victor & Sonia Das
Website: Patti Paschall

GENERAL MEETINGS are held on the 1st THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH. If this is a holiday, the meeting will be moved to the 2nd Thursday. Doors open at 5:15 pm; meeting starts at 6:45 pm

**Ehlers Event Center
 8150 Knott Avenue
 Buena Park, CA 90620**

BOARD MEETINGS are at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the same location.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS THE SUNDAY AFTER THE BOARD MEETING.

Please email articles to: Maryjo Edgar at maryjedgar@quietgrove.info

The purpose of this guild shall be to promote cooperation and exchange of ideas among those persons interested in or engaged in quilting; to further the education and skill levels of the members of this guild; to preserve the heritage of quilt making and to educate the public as to the significance and history of quilting as an art form as well as an ongoing craft; to utilize the skills of members to make items for those in need and to assist other philanthropic organizations.

Dues are \$25.00 per year, June 1 through May 31st. Dues for members joining after 11/30 will be \$15. Due for members joining after the last day of February will be \$10.00. Guests will be asked for a donation of \$3.00 at General Meetings.



3/1 Phyllis Victor
 3/3 Denise Howard
 3/13 Sonia Das
 3/25 Jody Burtch

**MEMBERSHIP**

Maryjo Edgar & Brenda Howard

At the February 2019 Meeting we welcomed 28 members, and 5 guests.

Don't forget to introduce yourself to new members and visitors at all events and keep inviting friends to our programs and workshops.

Applications for membership are available at the Welcome Table at each General Meeting or via the website (use "Membership" tab), or through the newsletter. If you have any questions, please call Maryjo at 714-232-3806.

ACACIA QUILT GUILD

Membership Year: June 1, 2018 – May 31, 2019

Date: _____	New Member: _____	Renewal: _____
Name: _____		Birthday: _____
Address: _____		
City: _____		Zip: _____
Home: _____	Cell: _____	
E-mail: _____		

Can you help Acacia Quilt Guild with any of the following:

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| _____ Setting up at meetings | _____ Making Photocopies |
| _____ Making coffee at meetings | _____ Sending out emails |
| _____ Setting out refreshments at meetings | _____ Phone Tree |
| _____ Tidying up after meetings | _____ Website |
| _____ Teaching a class / mini-demo | |

What can you teach? _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

_____ \$25.00* (w/o mailed newsletter); _____ \$43.00** (with mailed newsletter)

* Dues for members joining after 11/30 will be \$15, after February 28th will be \$10.00.

**OPTIONAL NEWSLETTER MAILING FEE: \$18.00 (for 12 months)

The Acacia newsletter is sent to the membership via email and is available for free on the Acacia Quilt Guild website. If you wish to have a newsletter mailed to you, please add \$18.00 to Membership Dues for a total of \$43.00.

Amount: _____ Cash: _____ Check #: _____ (Payable to Acacia Quilt Guild)

Dues can be paid at the Membership Desk at General Meetings.**If mailing your application, please send your form and fee to:**

Acacia Membership
Attn: Maryjo Edgar
6612 San Diego Drive
Buena Park, CA 90620

If you have questions, please call or email:

Maryjo Edgar - 714 232 3806 – maryjedgar@quietgrove.info

OR

Brenda Howard - 714-952-4798