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PRESIDENT'S NOTE

December, 2008



**Merry Christmas Quilters!**



We are going to be celebrating at our meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Please check Susann's article, under Hospitality, to find out what food item you are signed up to bring. We are privileged to have Dr. Rogers come visit us again. He will be entertaining us with music and helping us with our posture while to sit and quilt. Don't forget about the Table Runner Exchange. Make a table runner, any color scheme, pattern, season, holiday... You just want something that the winner will love to display on their table. It can be complex or simple. Just have fun. Dress in Christmas attire; bring your food item, table runner and a Christmas spirit. We are starting something fun with our door prizes this month. Check out the Membership section for details. Hope to see you all there!!

There will not be a workshop on December 6<sup>th</sup> because we going to be a part of Candy Cane Land at the Buena Park Senior Center. The time of this event is 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. This is a [holiday craft boutique](#) with **Santa Claus**, snow and many fun and exciting booths. *Thank you to the ladies who have offered to help so far!* I am in need of 2 more quilters to help at our booth anytime after 12 noon. We are going to be selling hand-crafted items and opportunity quilt tickets. Also, we need more hand-made items to sell. The money that is made will help us be able to get good speakers and quilt teachers in the future.

We are proud to announce Acacia's 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea and Auction next fall. We are working with the Buena Park Senior Center to confirm a date. We are in the planning process. Diane MacRill and I are co-chairing the event. We are going to be planning and starting up committees for the event in the next couple months. We will keep you informed as we go. We are going to need *everyone* to help to make this event successful. Please keep this in mind over the next couple months.

I hope that you all have a great holiday season. With all of the hustle and bustle that goes on this time of year may we all have moments to relax and enjoy our families and friends.

I want to personally thank all who have made this year go so well. Acacia wouldn't be the awesome guild that it is without all of the help no matter how big or small.

Thank you,  
Karen Waterbury  
President



Sunshine and  
Shadows  
Chairman: Kim  
Hogan

Here's the scoop for this month.

Please keep **Judy Hunsaker** who has recently undergone eye surgery in your thoughts and prayers, as well as **Kit Boyd** whose husband is going through chemotherapy.



*Yea!*  
*The sample people, Jim & Gayle McDiarmid are coming to our December meeting!*



**XEROX IS DOING  
SOMETHING COOL**

If you go to this web site,  
[www.LetsSayThanks.com](http://www.LetsSayThanks.com) you can pick out a thank you card and Xerox will print it and it will be sent to a soldier that is currently serving in Iraq . You can't pick out who gets it, but it will go to a member of the armed services.

How **AMAZING** it would be if we could get everyone we know to send one!!! It is **FREE** and it only takes a second.



Wouldn't it be wonderful if the soldiers received a bunch of these? This takes just 10 seconds and it's a wonderful way to say thank you. Please take the time to send to our troops and then please take the time to pass it on for others to do. We can never say enough thank you's.



Thanks for taking to time to support our military! **God Bless America!**



**Speakers And  
Workshops  
Submitted by:  
Phyllis Campbell**

We have a real treat coming to our December guild meeting. Many of you will remember Dr. Will Rogers, who came to our December meeting two years ago. Not only is he going to help us learn how to feel better and avoid injury while quilting; he is going to bring his guitar and serenade us with some Christmas music.

Dr. Rogers brings a unique blend of enthusiasm, humor, and old-fashioned caring about people to the practice of chiropractic. He practices at both Seacoast Chiropractic in Cypress, and the Queen Mary Spa in Long Beach.

A graduate of Cleveland Chiropractic College in 1983, Dr. Rogers is licensed in both California and Georgia. His large family and personal injury practice specializes in the treatment of workplace injuries and personal injuries

such as auto accidents, whiplash, headaches, back injuries, and sports injuries.

When working with patients, Dr. Rogers looks at both the physical and nutritional components of health. He has completed postgraduate studies in nutrition, injury prevention and treatment, ergonomics, and the study of healing. Dr. Rogers is a motivating and inspirational speaker in the areas of personal health, nutrition, and massage for health, workplace safety, and injury prevention.





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### **WANT AN EXTRA DOOR PRIZE TICKET?**

You can get an extra door prize ticket each month by doing the following:

- Bring refreshments (except during our potluck months of June and December)
- Carpooling
- Helping set up the room for the meeting
- Helping take down the room (ticket given for helping at the prior month's meeting)
- Having a birthday
- Bringing a guest
- Selling 12 or more Opportunity Quilt tickets
- Attending a Philanthropy Workshop (ticket given for attending the prior month's workshop)
- **Especially for December: dressing festively!**

**Just ask the Membership Table for your extra ticket. Thank you for being an active guild member!**



Membership  
Contributors:  
Judy Hunsaker,  
Linda Sterns,  
Sonia Das

Attendance at the November 2008 meeting: 45 members and 5 guests

One new member joined in November and we warmly welcome her to the Acacia family:

**Sandy Eckhardt  
Buena Park, CA**

As of December 1, 2008, Acacia has 66 members.

The 2008-2009 Rosters were distributed at the October 2008 meeting. Please see the Membership Table if you did not receive one. Rosters will be mailed out upon request.



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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.



*Happy  
Birthday  
to You*

**Happy Birthday** to our  
following members:

**Sue Green**

**Mary Hicks**

**Kim Hogan**

**Mona McCormick**

**Susan Stokes**

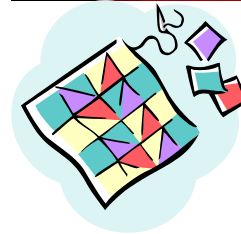
**Helen Whitaker**

What a grand time we are  
going to have at our  
Christmas Party. In  
preparation for our  
feast, here is the  
alphabetical breakdown on  
what to bring:

<b>A-G</b>	<b>Main dish</b>
<b>H-P</b>	<b>Salad, veggies, fruit</b>
<b>Q-Z</b>	<b>Dessert</b>

**Please join us one and  
all. See  
you on December 4th.**

**Susann Wood  
Hospitality Committee**



Sew-So-Much  
Chairman: Sharon Monge

## **Happy Holidays, Acacia Quilters!**

We had a wonderful turnout for the  
Sew-So-Much on November 21.  
It was so much fun to sit and listen to  
everyone talk and see the projects  
they are working on! And to munch  
on the treats that they brought, as  
well!

The Sew So Much for December will  
be on the 19th. Why not plan to join  
us to finish up some of those last  
minute projects. You just come to  
the Bunney Hutch at any time  
between 11 am and 5 pm, and leave  
when you come to a stopping point  
in your work.

Bring a dish to share is optional—but  
much appreciated!

***Bunney Hutch Quilt 'N Sew***

*is located at*

**4478 Cerritos Avenue  
Los Alamitos, CA 90720  
(714) 226-9647**

*(1/2 mile west of the Los Alamitos  
Racetrack at the corner of Lexington &  
Cerritos).*



**Birth  
month  
stones,  
flowers  
and trees**

Many years ago (at least 35) a friend showed me a very special birthday present she had received from her artistic sister-in-law. It was a painting that included her birthstone, birth flower and other things that represented her personality and interests. There was a small picture of a married couple and one of a couple of boys posing—both sitting on a table with a lace tablecloth. There was a pot of tea and a cup and a book lying open on the table—her favorite title.

All were thoughtful representations of the individual.

I got to thinking, “I may not be able to paint a picture, but wouldn’t that be a nice theme for a small quilt for someone special in your life?”

It could be done in blocks or in picture style.

Let’s see...if I were to do one for my daughter, Heather, what would I choose??? Heather’s birthday is in October, so I would use warm, fall colors and maybe include an opal (her birthstone). I would put in a vase of marigolds (birth month flower) and possibly Sunflowers (she loves these). I would include pumpkins or Jack-O’Lanterns—because she dearly loved cleaning them out for Halloween. I would put in the symbols for the cheer squads she has been on or coached—especially the San Diego Chargers and Arizona Cardinals—and the schools she attended (Cal State Long Beach and NAU). I’d put in Psychology books (her major) and romantic movies and letters and postcards from friends. I would put in an antique armoire like the one my husband has been refurbishing for her and a single wedding ring block, like the one I made when she got married.

There are so many wonderful ways to express the personality of someone you love and make a truly personal, special and endearing quilt or wallhanging for them. So, I have decided that each month in 2009 I will include in the newsletter a blurb which will tell you the birthstone and birth



flower and tree for that month—and the meanings of each. You will have to figure out the other things. Don't forget to add the "LOVE!"

Sherri Vasquez-Editor



**Merry  
Christmas,  
Secret Pals**

**Sherri Vasquez**

What a wonderful time of year it is! It is so exciting to launch into the Holiday Season with plans and ideas and gifts to make and buy and hide and... well, you know!

Secret Pal gift giving is special too! I know you are all planning a special treat to surprise your Secret Pal at our meeting on December 4. I can hardly wait to see the happy faces!

Sometimes it's is hard for me to remember that the Acacia year is from **July to June, and that we aren't starting** over again with January! As these Holidays draw to a close, remember that we have 6 more months of birthdays, holidays and surprises to plan for our Secret Pals!

I sincerely hope you have been having fun being part of the Secret Pal program so far. I think you are all special, thoughtful and generous ladies and I am grateful to be watching over a program

that is based on bringing out the best in the hearts of giving people.

So, to all you special ladies, I just want to say that I hope your Holiday Season—whichever holiday you observe—is filled with love, warmth and the joy of giving to others.



The Acacia Quilt Guild meets on the first Thursday of each month at 6:45 PM in the

**Buena Park Senior Center**  
8150 Knott Avenue (Corner of Santa Irene, between La Palma and Crescent))  
Buena Park 90620-3159  
(in the Walter D. Ehlers Community Recreation Center)  
**(714) 236-3870**

**For more information about our Guild, please see our Website:**  
**[www.acaciaquiltguild.org](http://www.acaciaquiltguild.org)**

**or contact**

**Karen Waterbury: 714-209-0165**

Please excuse the confusion during our current construction project. Also, please remember that there is a parking lot to the rear of the building if the front lot is filled.



## SANTA'S Holiday Hop

Friday, Saturday and  
Sunday  
December 5, 6, and 7  
From 10 AM to 6 PM

Come and be part of the  
2008 Santa's Holiday Hop.  
All you need to do to  
participate is to pick up  
a passport at the first  
shop you visit.

To qualify for the Grand  
prize of 40 yards of  
fabric or a gift basket  
valued at \$100 from one  
of the 8 "Santa's Holiday  
Hop" shops, you MUST  
visit ALL 8 of the  
participating shops and  
get your passport stamped  
at every shop.

Even if you do not  
complete the entire  
"Santa's Holiday Hop" you  
are still eligible to win  
one of 8 gift  
certificates valued at  
\$25 each from one of the  
8 participating Quilt  
Shops you visited during  
"Santa's Holiday Hop".

Also, at each of the  
"Santa's Holiday Hop"  
participating Quilt Shops  
you will receive a free  
pattern, a fat quarter  
and a return coupon. For  
kids 8-16 yrs of age, we  
have a special passport  
for them, too. If they  
complete the entire  
"Santa's Holiday Hop"  
they will be eligible to  
win a tower of 40 fat  
quarters. We even have a  
special gift for kids 7  
and under!

The participating shops  
are:

Bears Quilt Shop  
10722A Trask Ave.  
Garden Grove, CA 92843  
714-590-9209

Cozy Cottage Fabrics  
740 N.Brea Blvd.  
Brea, CA 92821  
714-544-9349



Flying Geese Fabric  
307 El Camino Real  
Tustin, CA 92780  
714-544-9349

Quilter's Garden  
2007 E.Orangethorpe Ave  
Placentia, CA 92807  
714-223-9566

Leah's Fabric Gallery  
1321 E Katella Ave  
Orange, CA 92867  
714-639-3245

The Calico House  
1279 E Imperial Hwy  
Placentia, CA 92870  
714-993-3091

The Quilt Cupboard  
5246 Lampson Ave  
Garden Grove, CA 92845  
714-891-8639

Timeless Quilts  
1135 E Lincoln Ave  
Anaheim, CA 92805  
714-520-5304



*Opportunity  
Basket*

Thanks to everyone who supports our guild by buying tickets and making donations for the opportunity basket. Tickets are

three for one dollar and you will receive a ticket for each donation of sewing or quilting related items.

For the month of **December** our basket theme will be Christmas. For the month of **January** will be bears, the month of **February** hearts and valentines, or red and white fabric. The month of **March** will be our brown bag, so there will be no opportunity basket drawing that month. For the month of **April** we will have an Easter or spring themed basket. **May** will be baby or juvenile fabric, and **June's** basket will have a sewing theme.

I will accept any donation for any theme any time. Thank you for your support.  
Dana Matsukawa Opportunity  
Basket Chairman

**Isn't this a beautiful afghan??? Wouldn't it look lovely in your home? Or maybe it would make the perfect Christmas gift for someone you love!**

You can see it on display in the Senior Center Lobby. It was donated to the center to be raffled off by the Adult Day Program to raise money for the Day Care Room.

**Raffle tickets are available at the front desk for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.**



### **ACACIA DOOR PRIZE WINNERS – NOVEMBER 2008**

**Sonia Das**

Congratulations to the following lucky door prize winners at the November 2008 meeting. In the interests of time, only a few prizes were distributed.

Many, many thanks, as always, to our generous donors. Don't forget to send in or turn in those ***Thank You*** notes to let our donors know how much their generosity is appreciated!

***Please remember to support our local quilt shops whose collective generosity helps support many Acacia activities!***

<b><u>QUILT SHOP/DONOR</u></b>	<b><u>PRIZE</u></b>	<b><u>WINNER</u></b>
<b><i>BEAR'S QUILT SHOP</i></b>	GIFT CERTIFICATE \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE \$10	<b>Sonia Das Helen Whitaker Mary Scharfenburg</b>
<b><i>BUNNEY HUTCH</i></b>	FABRIC FABRIC FABRIC	<b>Diane Rice Dell Childs Jody Burtch</b>
<b><i>MOORE'S</i></b>	FQ PACK FQ PACK	<b>Sonia Das</b>
<b><i>PHYLLIS CAMPBELL</i></b>	VASE OF ROSES	<b>Phyllis Victor</b>
<b><i>TIMELESS QUILTS</i></b>	FQ PACK	<b>Kit Boyd</b>
<b><i>THE QUILT CUPBOARD</i></b>	BABY QUILT KIT	
<b><i>THE QUILTER'S PATH</i></b>	QUARTERLY VOLUME GIFT CERTIFICATE \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE \$10	<b>Stephanie Doyle Carolyn Craig Pat Golonka</b>
<b><i>ANN TURLEY (NOVEMBER SPEAKER)</i></b>	<b><i>PATTERN</i></b>	<b>Mary Scharfenburg</b>

# Upcoming Events

<b>December 4</b>	Acacia Quilt Guild General Meeting 6:45 p.m. Christmas Potluck and Tablerunner Exchange Speaker and entertainer: Dr. Will Rogers Jim & Gayle McDiarmid will bring samples to buy
<b>December 6</b>	Workshop: THERE IS NO WORKSHOP IN DECEMBER
<b>December 6</b>	Candy Cane Land at the Buena Park Senior Center 10 am to 4 pm
<b>December 5, 6, 7</b>	Santa's Holiday Hop 10 am to 6 pm (See article)

<b>December 16</b>	Board Meeting, 6 pm
<b>December 19</b>	Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.  There will be no Philanthropy Sew Day in December
<b>December 25</b>	Merry Christmas to all
<b>December 26</b>	Put your needles down! Santa's already come and gone!
<b>December 31</b>	New Year's Eve

## **2009**

<b>January 1</b>	Collapse on the couch and watch the Rose Parade/Bowl Day
<b>January 15-18</b>	Road to California, Ontario, CA.