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## **President's Message**

I'm back from India! Soon you will all be subjected to stories of my trip and my hundreds of photos!!

A huge "thank you" to Phyllis Campbell for doing such a terrific job as acting-President during the last three months. I was able to enjoy my time abroad without worrying about Acacia because of her.

We're up to 69 members now and have become a fully functional guild with plenty of activities and programs for our members. However, to continue having a variety of fun events for our members, we need more volunteers to help with different committees. If you would like to help out or just check out a committee to see what they really get up to, please let one of the Board members know at the meeting and we'll be glad to provide you with more information.

Next month will be Acacia's 4th birthday and we'll be celebrating with a cake and potluck. Start making room in your tummies!

Don't forget to renew your membership and stay tuned for an exciting year ahead.

See you on May 1<sup>st</sup>!

Sonia Das, President



*Opportunity  
Basket*

Thanks to everyone who supports the basket with their donations and ticket purchases.

At our May meeting I will be collecting for the theme "Plaids and more Plaids" to be raffled in June. Please bring any Plaid fat quarter or theme related items and you will receive a free ticket for your donation.

For future planning (I will accept donations for any theme at any time).

Collection Month    Theme/fabric

June                                    Plaids

The winners for the April basket were Mary Hicks and Lisa Sullivan. Congratulations!!!

The tickets are three for one dollar or bring a donation of a fat quarter or a gently used or new sewing/quilting related item and receive a free ticket.

Thank you again for your support of the basket, with the great donations and ticket purchases.

Nancy Malm



IT COULD  
HAPPEN  
TO YOU

Have you ever been known to say, “Well, I’ll buy a ticket to the raffle---but I never win **anything?**” Well, both Helen Whitaker and Ardelle Stenson are living proof that winning a raffle prize can happen!

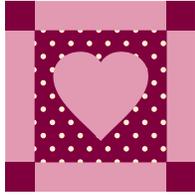
Helen and Ardelle both took time to zip around to the seven stores who participated in the Spring Fling Shop Hop and dutifully **got their “passports”** stamped at each. At the end, the passports were turned in and fingers were crossed.

GUESS WHAT! Helen was called on Tuesday to tell her she had won the \$100 gift basket from Timeless Quilts. WOW! What a full basket it was! She won a case for storing her sewing tools, a red Mini Crafting Iron, 2 notepads, 14 fat quarters, 6 quarter yard cuts, backing and a pattern—everything she needed to make a quilt! And all the gifts were coordinated and set up in a beautiful basket!

Ardelle received her box—from Calico House. **It was so luscious Ardelle hadn’t** even opened it at the time I talked to her, but she had peeked in and saw a jelly roll of fabrics, 2 quilting books and a package of squares by Moda.

So let Helen and Ardelle be your inspiration! Get out there for the Shop Hops. Buy raffle tickets when you see them, give yourself a chance to be a big winner—Just like Helen and Ardelle!

CONGRATULATIONS, HELEN AND ARDELLE!



Sunshine and  
Shadows  
Chairman:  
Tricia Savage

This position is wonderful because it has helped me learn to put 'a name with a face'.

For me the hardest part of "maturing" is remembering.

Another great feature: No Heavy Lifting!

At Guild night and at the Board meeting all you need to bring is your memory and maybe your notepad.

The job entails sending Guild cards out to anyone who needs one either for an illness, for encouragement, after surgery etc. or something fun like a "bigee" birthday, 1<sup>st</sup> grandbaby or great-grandbaby!

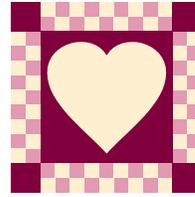
Sincerely  
Tricia Savage



**Bulletin Board  
/Announcement  
Table**

When you come to guild, take time to read the Minutes and Treasurer's Report on the bulletin board in the back of the room. On the same table you will find announcements of quilt shows, business cards, and often discount coupons.

**Check it out every month!**



Philanthropy  
Chairman:  
Judy Hunsaker

A TRUE SEWING BEE!

The Philanthropy Workshop for the months of May and June will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 12 to 5 at the Buena Park Senior Center in the Picasso Room. (That's May 17 and June 21) Bring your Sewing Machines and be ready to quilt the prepared kits that have been waiting for your tender loving sewing abilities!

Humming Machines, chit-chat and helping others-Wow! A three pointer!



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*Secret Pal*

*Coordinator:  
Sherri Vasquez*

*Merry May, Secret Pals!*

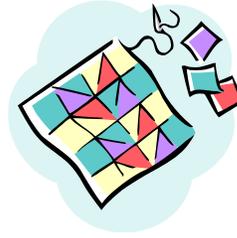
*I have been working on the questionnaires for next year—revising a little—and I found out how much work I had forgotten to do in order to make the “revelation of Secret Pals” at the June meeting a success.*

*First of all, I have to send you each a copy of the original questionnaire sent in by your Secret Pal—the one who has been **giving** to you all year—so you can get a really cool “Thank You” ready for that person. But I have to be sure I send you the right one—and not let any secrets out! You should receive the form at the May meeting or in the mail shortly afterward.*

*Let’s see—it can’t be all that easy! What else should I do for next year? I could make up a calendar to go along with the questionnaire that will give you an idea of what holidays are when you can buy gifts accordingly. AND a calendar with the dates of the next meetings so you know when you have to have everything ready. Then just print out the instructions I already have and the new sheets and stick ‘em together and everything will be ready to hand out for a wonderful new year of Secret Pal Surprises! I can get that ready for the May meeting, too!*

*The thing is... once the organization of this job is done, it runs itself so smoothly that I forget about the organization part. You guys are so cool and thoughtful and responsible! You make it all a pleasure!*

*THANK YOU  
Sherri*



*Sew So Much*

*Chairman: Sharon Monge*

Written by Sherri Vasquez

Forget about the end of the year stuff for the guild! Sew-So-Much just goes on as usual. Here are some dates for your calendar...

**MAY 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**JUNE 27<sup>th</sup>** from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and

**JULY 25<sup>th</sup>** from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

That’s when we get together at the Bunney Hutch and work on our own special projects, finish up some UFO’s and help one another with ideas and problems. In April, I brought the fabric to cut out a quilt for my mom. Bev was working on a quilt using special material she had gotten in New York. When she had a problem matching pieces, Ardelle lent a helping hand and eye and, voile, it all came together. The time just flies when you have people to talk with and no phones to answer or interruptions. You get so much done!

And the food for the potluck is always a treat—especially if your husband has been on a diet like mine!

So come for an hour—come for a day—come just to snack (bring a dish!)

To the Bunney Hutch Quilt 'N Sew

This 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).



**WORKSHOPS**  
 Karen Waterbury  
 V.P. of Workshops

We had a fun philanthropic workshop in April. We had 12 ladies (2 younger ones) sewing a “Wickedly Easy Quilt” to donate to “Chosen to Be Loved”. It was a relaxing and enjoyable day for all.

For those of you who made tops and want someone else to quilt them for you, please bring them to the May meeting and turn them in to Karen Waterbury. We have ladies who will quilt them for you. For those of you who are willing to quilt their quilts, please turn them in when they are finished. We will let you know soon when we would like them to be turned in.

Have you wanted to take a watercolor workshop? Well then May is the month for you. Phyllis Campbell will be teaching us how to make a watercolor quilt. This workshop is only \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. Phyllis taught a watercolor workshop when Acacia was first forming and it went over very well. So, come have a fun day and learn how to make a watercolor quilt.

In June, Delilah Angulo is teaching our workshop which is titled “Less Than Traditional”. Last month, we had a sample at guild. For those of you who missed it, please keep an eye out for it at our upcoming meeting. I will also be emailing out a photo of it. It is an easy to make quilt that looks harder than it is.

Thank you to all of the quilters who make workshops a successful part of Acacia!



*Happy  
 Birthday  
 to You*

Happy May birthdays to our following members:

- 1-*Phyllis Campbell*
- 3- *Lisa Sullivan*
- 6-*Yolanda Satterthwaite*
- 11- *Carolyn Craig*
- 16- *Heather Garlinghouse*
- 18- *Rosemary Harding*
- 21- *Brenda Gibson*

Thank you for providing refreshments for our General Meeting on May 1. We are grateful to those who also bring treats to share when it is not their birthday month.

Susann Wood  
 Hospitality Committee



Membership  
 Chairman:  
 Kit Boyd

**Welcome** to our newest member, **Marilyn Gulickson** who joined at our April general meeting. And welcome back **Dell Childs** who rejoined after a short hiatus! We now have 70 members. Until June, that is! Then we start all over! May is the month when we begin renewing **memberships, so don't forget to bring your \$25.00 in check or cash and sign up at the door.**

# Upcoming Events

- May 1** Acacia Guild Guild General Meeting 6:45 p.m.  
Speaker: Kris Giannette from Cozy Cottage  
"What's New in Quilting"
- May 3** Workshop: Phyllis Campbell - a watercolor quilt workshop  
Time: 9 AM to 3 PM, Cost: \$15 for members, \$25 for non-members
- May 3-4** TLC Quilters Quilt Show, Sat 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.,  
at the Covina Woman's Club, 128 S. San Jose Ave. Covina, CA .  
Website: [www.tlcquilters.org](http://www.tlcquilters.org) "Alice in Quilter Land"
- May 3-4** Camarillo Quilters Quilt Show
- May 20** Board Meeting, 6 pm
- May 23** Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- June 5** Acacia Guild Guild General Meeting, 6:45 p.m. Installation of Officers,  
POTLUCK
- June 7** Workshop: "Less than Traditional" with Delilah Angulo  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Cost: \$25 members, \$35 non-members
- June 7-8** Beach Cities Quilt Guild Presents "FantaSea of Quilts" Quilt  
Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Gen adm.: \$8.00 at SOKA University Gym  
100 University Drive, Aliso Viejo Website:beachcitiesquilters.org
- June 17** Board Meeting, 6 pm
- June 27** Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- July 3** Acacia Guild Guild General Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- July 6-10** Camp Watch-A-Patcher at Concordia University  
In Irvine
- July 10-13, 17-20** Southern California Quilters' Run 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- July 15** Board Meeting, 6 pm
- July 25** Sew-So-Much at the Bunney Hutch 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- July 25-27** Long Beach International Quilt Festival