



Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County

# JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Did you make a New Year's resolution? Was it to buy more fabric for your stash; or refrain from buying more fabric for your stash?

I hope everyone had a wonder festive Holiday season and were able to enjoy good company and good food.

Thank you to all that helped at Candy Caneland. We had another successful event with many items sold.

The Country will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the United States Declaration of Independence (Semiquincentennial). I see many patriotic quilts and crafts in the future.

The Guild will be hosting our Tea and Quilt Auction on April 25, 2026. Please consider donating a quilt for auction or an item for the boutique. Tickets are now on sale on our website.

Our General Meeting will be on January 8, 2026. There will be no Workshop on January 10; however, we will be in the Picasso Room for free sew day.

Wishing everyone a Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

*Isabel*



## AUGUST GENERAL MEETING

### HOLIDAY POTLUCK



# SHOW AND TELL





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# PHILANTHROPY

BY SONIA DAS

Acacia added several new projects to our philanthropy list this year.

Several quilts and bedding sets were sent to the San Carlos Apache Reservation in Arizona earlier this year in an ongoing philanthropy project. This is an annual donation we have made in the Spring for the last several years.

The special needs students at the George Key school in Buena Park received 40 stockings that were made by Helene Born and Isabel Cervantes. North Cities Quilt Guild made another 40 stockings for the school. Helene also spearheaded a project to make grocery bags for the new food pantry opening in Buena Park that was initiated by Council Member Lamiya Haque. Over 150 were made.

Acacia donated 51 placemats to the local Meals on Wheels office. The placemats were well received, and the guild plans to make and donate more in 2026.

We also donated to Thomas House at the holiday party. Two representatives, Nate Shepherd, Development Manager, and Martha Figueroa, Operations Manager, came to receive the 46 filled stockings (made by Acacia members), over two dozen quilts and blankets, as well as several bags of clothing and a stroller/baby car seat combo.

They expressed their gratitude and Nate gave us some background information about Thomas House. They plan to send photos after the holidays.



Adding to our donations to Thomas House this year was Saran Rencher, the author of a children's book, who donated copies of her book as Christmas gifts. Saran was introduced to Acacia by Colleen Drafton, who met her at the dog park. Since she was expecting a baby girl in December, Acacia presented Saran with a pink baby quilt, made by member Stephanie Calderon.

# PHILANTHROPY

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BY SONIA DAS

We would like to thank all the Acacia members who helped fill the stocking going to Thomas House on the Saturday before our holiday party. A special thanks goes to Maryjo Edgar who made over 2 dozen stockings.

Thanks also go to all those guild members for their donations of money and stocking stuffers; Phyllis Campbell, Sonia Das, Robin Faxas, Julie Golini, Shari Gray, Judy Heard, Mel Little, Mary Kay O'Neill, Judi Phillips, Barbra Riley, Tammy Rooke, Tricia Savage, Michelle Smith, Beth Swift, and Phyllis Victor.

If there are any questions about ongoing or new philanthropy projects, please contact Sonia Das or Phyllis Victor, Philanthropy Committee Co-Chairs.

# PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

BY AMY ESTRADA

## JANUARY 2026 - LYN BROWN

Lyn will be giving a lecture on *Friendship Quilts*. She'll be sharing her quilts in a trunk show and discussing the topic during her presentation.



## FEBRUARY 2026

Program: "Sewing with No Bad Words" by Steve Shulman

Workshop: "Sewing Machine Maintenance" by Steve Shulman

Class participants will be able to bring their sewing machines and Steve will show how to do basic maintenance on them





# RUNNING DOE TOP-A-LONG

## NOVEMBER'S TOPS



[WEAVE](#)



# CALENDAR (Refer to email blasts and website for latest details.)

## JANUARY 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8	6:30 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center, Legacy Hall
9	10:00 am	SubQ Art Quilters	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
10	9:00 am	Philanthropy Sew	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
15	6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
17	9:00 am	Philanthropy Sew Day	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
21-24		Road to California Quilt Show	Ontario Convention Center
25	10:00 am	Phyl's Place	Member Home

## JANUARY BIRTHDAY

1/19 Evelyn Anderson



## FEBRUARY 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
5	6:30 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center, Legacy Hall
7	9:00 am	Workshop	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
13	10:00 am	SubQ Art Quilters	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
19	6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
24	10:00 am	Phyl's Place	Member Home



# SISTER GUILD HAPPENINGS

## QUILTERS BY THE SEA

### PROGRAMS-

<https://quiltersbythesea.com/programs/>

### WORKSHOPS -

<https://quiltersbythesea.com/workshops/>



Remember—Since QBS is our sister Guild, you can go to their Programs for free and attend their Workshops for the same fee QBS Guild members pay. Workshops are in person.

Go to QBS website to sign up for the workshops ASAP! All meetings are in person.

# GENERAL MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETINGS are held the 1st THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH. If this is a holiday, the meeting is moved to the 2nd Thursday. Doors open at 5:30 pm, meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Refer to the calendar.

Walter D. Ehlers Event Center  
Legacy Hall  
8150 Knott Avenue  
Buena Park, CA 90620

BOARD MEETINGS are currently on zoom at 6:30 pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

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 will be \$30.00 per year, June 1 through May 31st. Dues for members joining after November 30th will be \$15. Dues for members joining after the last day of February will be \$10.00. Guests will be asked for a donation of \$3.00 at the general meeting. Guests attend for free when the general meeting is held by zoom.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Please submit newsletter articles, jokes, puzzles, events, photos (especially Show and Tell), recipes etc. to Carol (see roster for email address) by the 3rd Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Anyone in the guild can submit items for the newsletter.

BE OUR GUEST: Please note, we have a form on the home page of our website for visitors to join us at a general meeting.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## ELECTED POSITIONS

President	Isabel Cervantes
1st VP at Large	Shari Gray
2nd VP (Programs/Workshops)	Amy Estrada
Secretary	Farzana Molvi
Treasurer	Helene Born

## STANDING COMMITTEES

Door Prizes	Robin Faxas
Equipment	Shari Gray
Historian	Susan Wei (TQA only)
Hospitality	Julie Golini
Memberships/Birthdays	Maryjo Edgar Cheryl Fujii
Newsletter	Carol Sova
Opportunity Basket	Judy Phillips Beverly Provost
Opportunity Quilt	Helene Born
Parliamentarian	Diane Sanchez
Philanthropy	Phyllis Victor Phyllis Campbell Susan Wei Sonia Das
Photographer/Facebook Admin	Shari Gray
SCCQG Representative	Isabel Cervantes
Secret Pal	Kim Read
Special Events/Tea	Maryjo Edgar Shari Gray
Sunshine and Shadows	Sonia Das
Ways and Means	Shar Taira Phyllis Campbell
Website	Sauni Rae Dain
Buena Park Mayor's Breakfast Committee Representative	Diane Sanchez





## ACACIA QUILT GUILD of ORANGE COUNTY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

[acaciaquiltguild.org](http://acaciaquiltguild.org)

**Membership Year: June 1, 2025– May 31, 2026**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ New Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Phone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Cell ☐ Home  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact(s): Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- \_\_\_\_\_ Assist Hospitality with set-up at meetings (arrive 5:30)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assist with clean-up after meetings
- \_\_\_\_\_ Teach a class / mini-demo on: \_\_\_\_\_

*Dues can be paid at the Membership Desk at General Meetings or at any time via the website: [acaciaquiltguild.org/join-us](http://acaciaquiltguild.org/join-us). (Scroll down on page.)*

### MEMBERSHIP DUES:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00\* (includes emailed newsletter)

*\*dues after November 30<sup>th</sup> will be \$15.00; dues after February 28<sup>th</sup> will be \$10.00.*

An information email, "The Blast", is sent weekly, and the newsletter will be sent via email monthly.  
The newsletter is also available on the Acacia Quilt Guild website.

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

If mailing your application, please send your form and fee to:

Acacia Quilt Guild Membership  
Attn: Maryjo Edgar  
P. O. Box 6853  
Buena Park, CA 90622

If you have questions, please call or email:

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OR

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