

SMALL BUT MIGHTY

President's Message

By Sonia Das



What a busy summer it has been for Acacia this year!

The Concerts in the Park began on June 14th and will run through August 3, 2022. A raffle quilt (cute dog design) was created by Barbra Riley and beautifully quilted by Caroline Carpenter. Several boutique items were made (and continue to be made); many thanks to the Boutique team for their productivity!

Acacia will also participate in Super Senior Saturday in August. Volunteers will be needed to sell Opportunity Quilt tickets and to engage with the public about Acacia's philanthropic and educational mission. A report will be published next month.

On a sad note, we lost another wonderful quilting sister. Lori Ramsey passed away from cancer in July. Acacia has lost three members this year. As a guild, Acacia makes a memorial donation in the late quilter's name. We will share more information about the donations when they are made.

Acacia is planning many exciting events and informative programs in the future but help is still requested from the membership. We still need a Tea & Quilt Auction chair or co-chairs for the April 2024. We are also looking for a First Vice-President to help the President with various tasks as well as a Door Prize Chair. Please contact Sonia if interested.

Stay cool and hydrated - Sonia



PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

By 2nd Vice President Barbra Riley

The August General meeting will include a modified Jelly Roll Race. "Modified" because the strips are to be sewn together end to end prior to the meeting. There are currently four Acacia teams signed up for the race, "Team Tiger", "Speedy Strippers", "Lightning Fast Ladies", and "Fast and Fabulous". Each team has three members, so that is only 12 Acacia quilters involved in the race. Participating is always more fun than observing so sign up on the web site or call Barbra at 562-416-2005 to be included. Other quilt guilds were invited to be included in the race but, as of this date, none have said they will be joining us.

Due to the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach there will be no workshop in August.

In September, the in-person speaker will be Anne Sonner, talking about Hawaiian quilts and their history. If the Covid news gets worse, she can present this lecture by Zoom. This is one of Anne's newer lectures and she has will share her slide show. She is probably best known for her family history quilts involving photo transfers and, more recently, has a lecture about quilting during Covid. We don't need that reminder!

The workshop on September 3rd will be in person, in Legacy Hall, we will make a small sampler quilt. Hawaiian quilts usually involve hand applique. The workshop will be with both Hawaiian applique blocks and more conventional blocks. A Zoom workshop is not an option in this case. There will be an example of the planned project at the August meeting. The example shown is not included in Anne's lecture or workshop. Her versions are more colorful!



CALENDAR (see website for details)

August 2022

Date	Time	Event	Location
4	6:45 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center
6	9:00 am	Workshop-Postponed due to IQF	Ehlers Event Center
13	9:00 am	Super Senior Saturday	Ehlers Event Center
18	7:00 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
30	2:00 pm	Phyl's Place	A Guild Member's Home

September 2022

Date	Time	Event	Location
1	6:45 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center
3	9:00 am	Workshop-Anne Sonner, "Hawaiian Sampler"	Ehlers Event Center
10	10:00 am	Fabricators	Ehlers Event Center, Legacy Hall
15	7:00 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
27	2:00 pm	Phyl's Place	A Guild Member's Home

October 2022

Date	Time	Event	Location
6	6:45 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center
8	9:00 am	Workshop-No workshop due to SCCQG Meeting	Ehlers Event Center
8	10:00 am	SCCQG Quarterly Meeting	On Zoom
15	10:00 am	Fabricators (Tentative)	Ehlers Event Center, Legacy
20	7:00 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
25	2:00 pm	Phyl's Place	A Guild Member's Home

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

By Sonia Das

Shadows (Thoughts and Prayers)

Lori Ramsey passed away in July. She had initially recovered from abdominal cancer but then the cancer returned with a vengeance and had metastasized significantly into other organ systems. She had been hospitalized last week for severe pain and weakness. She was expected to return home and start hospice care. Lori is survived by her mother and her three sons and two daughters-in-law. She was predeceased by her husband several years ago. No details regarding services at the time of publication.

Condolences may be sent to Lori's home (The Ramsey Family, 5909 Graywood Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712-1129).



Sonia Das will be handling **Sunshine & Shadows & Shout Outs**. 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

BUENA PARK CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Acacia will have a table again at the Summer Concerts this year. We will sell raffle quilt tickets and boutique items. Please see the photo of quilt. Thanks to Barbra Riley for making this adorable quilt and to Caroline Carpenter for quilting it.

Volunteers from the guild are needed to help out this summer.

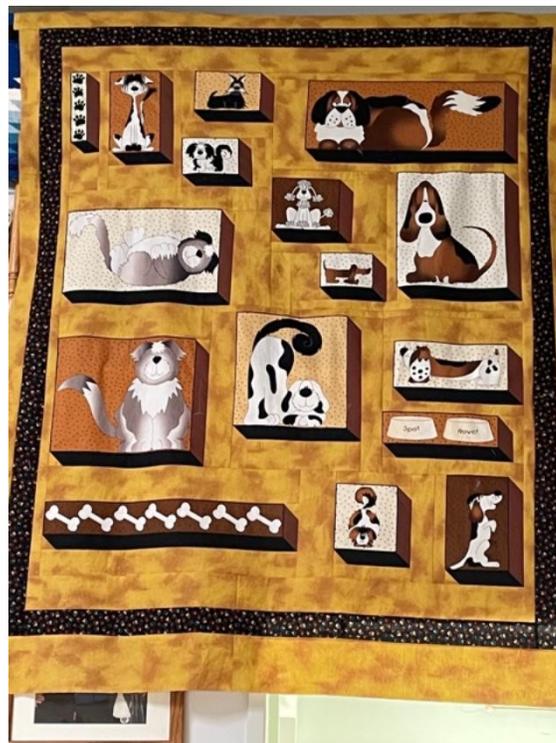
Please signup on the website:
<https://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/activities>

Boisseranc Park

7520 Dale Street
Buena Park, CA 90620

Vendors begin at 5:30 p.m.

Concerts begin at 7 p.m.



August 3, 2022 Pop Gun Rerun
80s Night is time to Rock out to the 80s hits



SECRET PAL By Diane Sanchez

The deadline to complete your on-line Secret Pal Questionnaire form is Thursday, August 4, 2022. The Acacia website has the details of what to expect if you want to join in on the fun

There will be 4 Secret Pal gift nights during our guild meetings in September, December, February and May. Find or make gifts for your Secret Pal based on their responses from their questionnaire.



This is a fun way to make new friends in the guild, get to know guild members better and receive some fantastic fabric, treats or personal items.

PHILANTHROPY

By Sonia Das

Thomas House

Please bring any donations (quilts, clothing, household items, school supplies) that you have for Thomas House to either Phyl's Place or the general meeting. We will be making a donation delivery run prior to Labor Day. Thomas House is requesting gift cards for places such as Target or Ross in any amount so children can buy clothing.

Philanthropy Kits

Now that it's summer, please consider making quilts, pillowcases, and stockings for our philanthropy – we gave away many items and now it's time to replace our supplies. We will be distributing these items later this year. We will have plenty of kits for you to choose from at the August guild meeting.

Summer Travels

Many Acacia quilters will travel this summer. If you are cruising and/or staying in a hotel, please consider collecting the unused toiletries (soaps, shampoos, etc.) and bringing them to guild. We will collect these for the Navigation Center – a transitional homeless housing center in Buena Park. They prefer individual sizes over large bottles or bars.

Phyl's Place

Phyl's Place will take place on August 30, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Phyllis Victor's home. We will continue work sorting out and creating kits (pillowcases and quilts.)

LINK TO FREE PATTERNS

Here is a free quilt pattern from the Fat Quarter Shop. This site has a variety of free patterns that you can download. Have fun browsing!

<https://www.fatquartershop.com/flower-wall-super-bloom-quilt-free-pdf-pattern>

Super Bloom

EDYTA SITAR OF LAUNDRY BASKET QUILTS



Flower Wall
Quilt designed by:
Edyta Sitar
Quilt Size: 60" x 60"
Skill Level: Intermediate
andoverfabrics.com

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Free Pattern Download Available
1324 Broadway New York, NY 10018
Tel. (800) 223-5678 • andoverfabrics.com

USS California (SSN 781) Quilt Project 2022

Hi, my name is Patti Westberg and I am one of the co-leaders of the Encounter Quilting Group in Ventura, California. I am also the Santa Barbara Navy League Liaison for the USS California (SSN 781) which is a submarine, named after our great state, that is currently home ported in New London, Connecticut. In my role as Liaison for this military command for the Santa Barbara Navy League, I have made lap-sized quilts for the Sailor of the Year and Junior Sailor of the Year (one each per year) and hand them their quilts after they have been recognized with honorary certificates and an award for all their hard work in achieving these distinctive titles.

The quilts have been a tremendous morale booster on board this submarine for those who have received them and I would like to make quilts for each crew member. Would you be willing to donate **one or more homemade quilts** to help me meet the goal of 138 quilts by December 1, 2022? I will be happy to ship them to the submarine as there is an interested benefactor who will donate towards the shipping costs.

USS California (SSN 781) quilt project guidelines:

- Lap-sized quilt not to exceed 50” wide by 70” long
- Patriotic themed fabric
- Include USS California (SSN 781) Command logo in to the quilt top or on the backing through inkjet printable fabric that can be integrated as a block, applique, or embroidery
- Backing can be cotton or flannel
- Complete entire quilt (pieced top, batting and backing, quilted, and finished with binding) by December 1, 2022

Command logo can easily be downloaded to your computer from this link:

<https://i.pinimg.com/736x/3e/7f/23/3e7f23b87f2d92547a8c209d9dc62d54.jpg>



Here's my contact information:

Patti Westberg

Email : pwestberg@ymail.com

Mobile : 805-407-5550

Please let me know if you are interested in helping with this project, soon! These young men make so many sacrifices in service to our country and this would be a terrific project for thankful hearts.

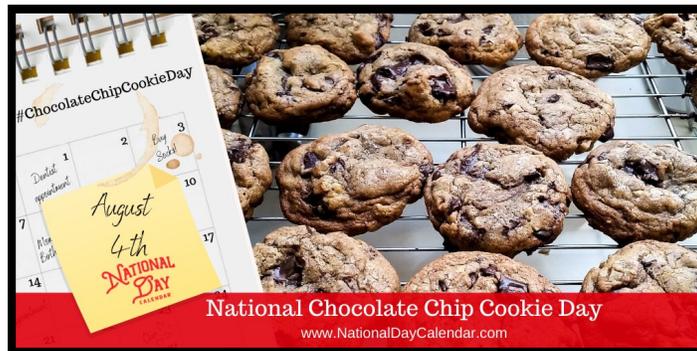


AUGUST

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/11 Lori Young

8/13 Brenda Howard



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF QUILT GUILDS (SCCQG)

By Sonia Das



SCCQG

Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds

SCCQG LEADERSHIP MEETING SUMMARY-- JULY 9, 2022

There were two sections to the meeting. The business portion and the program portion.

During the business portion, information was provided about the following:

- Long Beach International Quilt Festival - Paid "Volunteer" Positions
- Quilts for the USS California
- California Heritage Quilt Project

After break, attendees went into different breakout rooms based on their positions in the guild. Once again, there was a productive discussion about a variety of the leadership positions within the Member Guilds. SCCQG has post notes from those breakout rooms.

Click on Program Notes below to view these files and the breakout room notes:

<http://www.sccqg.org/program-notes.htm>

The following Acacia officers attended and participated in the breakout rooms: Sonia Das (President/ Membership), Barbra Riley (Programs), Mary Jo Edgar (Secretary) and Caroline Carpenter (Treasurer) . Caroline made a very good impression at SCCQG with all of the tech innovations and procedures that she has been implementing at Acacia.

The next SCCQG meeting will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2022 via Zoom. The topic is to be finalized but elections will be held at that time.

What's happening at our sister guild?

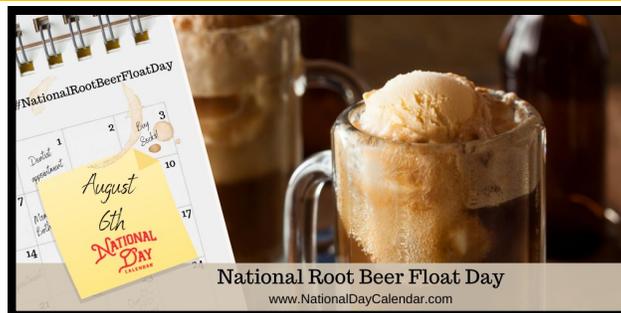
Quilters by the Sea

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.



BLOCK OF THE MONTH By Shar Taira

Hi Ladies, a very simple quilt block! Patience Corner Quilt block: make (4) 4"x 4", (4) 6 1/2"x 3" and (4) 4"x 3". Make with Red, white and blue! I hope you can make a couple and turn it into me so we can make a quilt! This basic unit can be altered in any way that you would like.



BOARD REPORT SUMMARY OF JULY 21, 2022

By MaryJo Edgar

1. The Board is in the process of developing a document retention policy. If you have any binders or files pertaining to guild activities from a position you might have held in the past, or currently hold, please submit them to a Board member for digitizing.
2. The Board positions of 1st Vice President and some Committee positions remain open. If you are interested in filling a position, please contact Sonia.
3. There will be a "Fabric Pull" at the storage unit for sorting to make fat quarter bundles for the July General Meeting. If you'd like to be a part of this Pull, please contact Caroline or Janine.
4. Donations to Thomas House may still be made for a delivery later in the month.
5. Barbra and Phyllis V. are in the process of finishing the 2022-2023 Opportunity Quilt for reveal at the next General Meeting.
6. The Guild will have a boutique booth at the Summer Concert. Volunteers are still needed to help with the booth throughout the six-week concert series, which begins on June 29th. Contact Sonia or see the website for sign-up. Barbra is in the middle of finishing a doggie-themed quilt to raffle at the Concerts.
7. The Secret Pal Activity will resume in September. It's fun! We hope you all sign up.

FABRICATORS

By Barbra Riley

There will be no meeting of Fabricators during August. Acacia normally has the first two Saturdays of the month for our workshop and Fabricators. On the first Saturday in August (the 6th), the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach will have it's last day and we can't compete with that! On August 13, 2022, Ehlers Event Center is holding their Super Senior Saturday event from 9:00am until 1:00pm, so the facility is unavailable to us.

If you need a project to work on, and would like a kit to finish for philanthropy, stop by Phil's Place(Phyllis Victor's house). There will be a wide variety of options, from pillowcase kits to Ohio Stars. (Normally, we make up kits for philanthropy at Phil's Place, but we need to distribute some first, before making up new ones.)

The next Fabricators meeting will be September 10th. We will be using the various width strips to make diagonal strip blocks also known as string blocks. After finding out that the "2 ½ inch strips" in the storage unit were not all cut correctly to that size, we needed another plan to use them up. Colleen Drafton suggested the perfect solution. She is even providing the paper patterns to use. This should be fast and fun!

WEBSITE UPDATES

By Caroline Carpenter

“The Scammers Are Getting More and More Sophisticated”

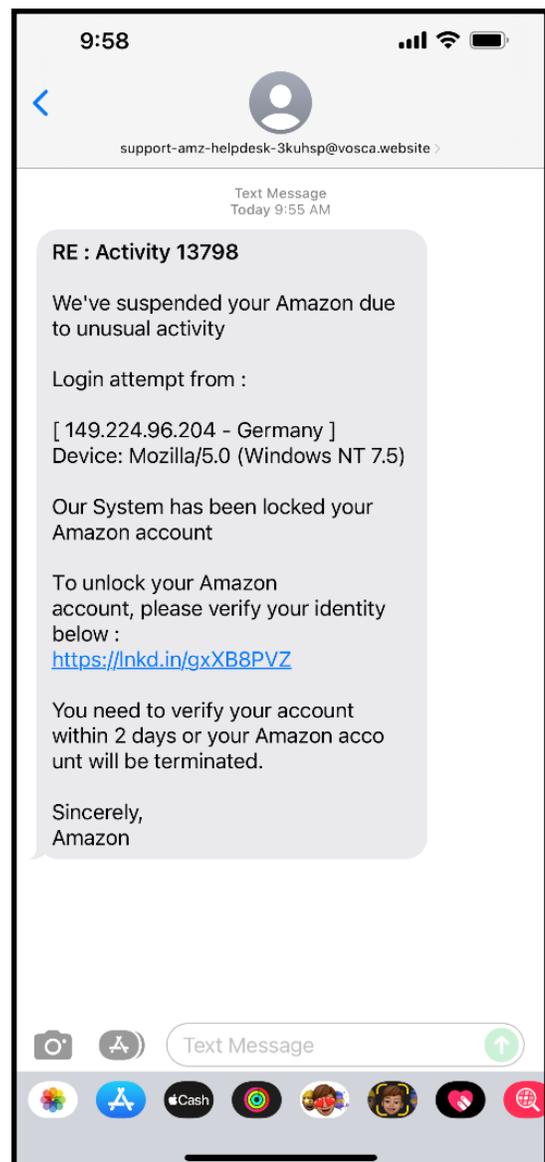
This month I got a call from a friend of mine who wanted to know if Mr. Caroline could take a look at her laptop to (in her words) “reset everything.” When I asked why, she said she was embarrassed to admit that she had been scammed into compromising her computer.

This friend of mine is pretty computer savvy, so I was a little surprised. But I was not completely surprised because scammers are getting more and more sophisticated in their attempts to get your information and gain access to your financial information. You really have to be on your A-game to stay ahead of them.

My friend’s scam came *via an email that she thought was from McAfee, the well-known anti-virus software company, whose product she already had installed on her computer. It indicated that there was an update to the software, and she clicked on the link. The link did install software—but rather than installing a program update, it installed a remote desktop application that ran in the background on her machine, allowing the scammer to have the same access as my friend would while sitting at her computer. The scammers emptied her bank accounts (\$23,000 in accessible cash) and ran up her credit cards to their maximum limit with fraudulent purchases shipped to anonymous mailbox service addresses.*

How to beat this one? Don’t ever click on a link in an email. Ever. Even one from a company whose products you use. Even if it looks like it came from a friend. Perform all program updates from within the operating system (Settings > Update & Security for Windows users, Apple Menu > System Preferences > Software Update for MacOS folks).

My own “scam of the month” this month came *via text message on my phone. I received a text informing me that my Amazon account had been suspended due to “unusual activity.” It’s a fairly sophisticated scam attempt because it could ring true. It reported a login attempt from Germany, where I was visiting my family earlier in the year. This adds authenticity, and is designed to make me think that someone got access to my account while I was traveling. There’s a link in the text message for me to “unlock” my Amazon account. It is more likely that this link will install a root kit—a piece of software that would give the installer access to my phone in the same way as my friend’s laptop was compromised.*



WEBSITE UPDATES (Continued)

By Caroline Carpenter

I knew immediately that this was a scam. First, Amazon doesn't do any kind of account support via text messages. I am not familiar with a single reputable firm that does. Second, even if they did, the text doesn't come from an amazon.com address. Third, the threat is silly. Amazon doesn't "terminate" accounts. (Amazon likes our money way too much!)

The last threat that I'd like to remind everyone comes *via Facebook or other social media sites*. *Social media sites are littered with seemingly innocuous little quizzes, games and surveys urging people to reminisce about specific topics, such as "What was your first job," or "What was the name of your first pet?" or "What street did you grow up on?"*

On the surface, these simple questions may be little more than an attempt at online engagement by otherwise well-meaning companies and individuals. Nevertheless, your answers to these questions may live forever online, giving identity thieves and scammers ample ammunition to start gaining backdoor access to your various online accounts.

Consider, for example, the following quiz posted to Facebook by San Benito Tire Pros, a tire and auto repair shop in California. It asks Facebook users, "What car did you learn to drive stick shift on?" I hope this is painfully obvious, but for many people the answer will be the same as to the question, "What was the make and model of your first car?", which is one of several "secret questions" commonly used by banks and other companies to let customers reset their passwords or gain access to the account without knowing the password. The problem with participating in these informal surveys is that in doing so you may be inadvertently giving away the answers to "secret questions" that can be used to unlock access to a host of your online identities and accounts.

Stay safe online folks! You will never go wrong assuming something is a scam and calling or visiting the person you think is trying to get in touch with you instead. Remember: contact initiated by YOU is always a much safer option.



PUZZLE

Hello Quilters I thought you might enjoy this Summer wordsearch.

Summer

Find and circle all of the summer words that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell an additional summer item.

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CAMPING

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GARDENING
GOLF
GREEN GRASS
HAT
HIKING
HOLIDAYS
HOT
ICE CREAM

JULY
JUNE
MOSQUITOES
NO SCHOOL
PICNIC
ROLLER BLADES
SANDALS
SKATEBOARD
SOCCER
SOLSTICE
SPRINKLERS

SUNBURN
SUNGLASSES
SUNSCREEN
SUNSHINE
SUNTAN
SWEAT
SWIMMING
U V RAYS
WASPS
WATER FIGHTS
WATERMELON

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Secretary	MaryJo Edgar
Treasurer	Caroline
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Walter D. Ehlers Event Center
Legacy Hall
8150 Knot Avenue
Buena Park, CA 90620

BOARD MEETINGS are currently by zoom at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS 7PM THE 3rd MONDAY OF THE MONTH. Contact the Newsletter Editor for specific details.

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 \$25.00 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.

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 6:15 pm, meeting starts at 6:45 pm Refer to the calendar.

ACACIA QUILT GUILD of ORANGE COUNTY
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

acaciaquiltguild.org

Membership Year: June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023

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

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

- _____ Assist Hospitality with set-up at meetings
- _____ 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. (Scroll down)

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

_____ \$25.00* (with EMAILED newsletter); _____ \$43.00** (with MAILED newsletter)

*dues after November 30th will be \$15.00; dues 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 to cover postage and mailing materials.

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

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

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

If you have questions, please call or email:

Maryjo Edgar - 714-232-3806 - maryjedgar6612@gmail.com

OR

Brenda Howard - 714-952-4798

NEWSLETTER

SUBMISSIONS

Please submit newsletter articles, jokes, puzzles, events, photos (especially Show and Tell), recipes etc. to Diane (see roster for email address) by the Sunday after the Board meeting. Anyone in the guild

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. Let a friend know they can join a guild meeting if they would like to see what we do on Zoom. Until we can resume our in-person meetings, we have removed the "\$3.00 visitors fee" notation.

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