



Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is traditionally the time of the year we are thankful and grateful in many ways. I'm especially thankful for Acacia and its members.

We will also have our legendary Acacia potluck at our Holiday Party in December. We encourage guild members to invite friends and family at this festive event.



As Ehler's Legacy Hall will not be available for our November General Meeting, we will meet at the Church of Latter-Day Saints, 7600 Crescent Avenue, Buena Park. Thank you to Diane Sanchez and her Bishop for hosting our meeting.

Don't forget to sign up for 2 Workshops this month. November 8 we will create a t-shirt quilt and November 15 and 22 Phyllis Campbell will teach us Jewelry Art.

Hope to see you there!

Isabel

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING



PRESENTATION OF SHAR'S PRESIDENT QUILT



PHILANTHROPY

BY SONIA DAS & PHYLLIS VICTOR (CO-CHAIRS),
SUSAN WEI, and PHYLLIS CAMPBELL

MEALS ON WHEELS

Thanks to your generosity, Acacia was able to donate 50 instead of the initially planned 36 placemats. Colette Chencinski from Meals on Wheels in Buena Park came to the October meeting to receive the placemats; she was brought to tears by all of the placemats. Distribution of these placemats to the clients began the next day. The office is based at the Senior Center.

Thank you to all of the quilters who made placemats for Meals on Wheels.

- Barbra Riley
- Phyllis Victor
- Shari Gray
- Mary Jo Edgar
- Kathy Christiansen
- Robin Faxas
- Brenda Howard
- Helene Born
- Stephanie Johnston Calderon

STOCKING KITS

Thank you to Mary Jo Edgar for making two dozen stockings!

However more stockings are still needed for Thomas House. Kits will be available at the meeting. Please see Phyllis Victor for a kit or two.

STOCKING STUFFERS

Thank you to all of the generous Acacia members who donated money to purchase stocking stuffers to fill the stockings for the children of Thomas House.

Many fun and many practical items were purchased to bring smiles to the faces of the children living at Thomas House.

The stockings will be stuffed on November 29, 2025 at 10am at Phyllis Victor's house.

GEORGE KEY SCHOOL

George Key is a school for special needs students in Placentia. They requested 80 stockings for their students.

- Helene Born and Isabel Cervantes helped make 40 stockings on behalf of Acacia.
- The remaining 40 stockings will be made and donated by North Cities Quilt Guild.

A representative from school has been invited to the Acacia November

PHYL'S PLACE – NOVEMBER 2025

The meeting will be held after Thanksgiving. We will stuff the stockings for the children of Thomas House at that meeting.

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

BY AMY ESTRADA

NOVEMBER 2025

Program: Lecture on 6th will be a trunk show of the T-Shirt Quilts by Tina Hawbaker, and as a bonus her husband makes lovely wood crafted items for quilters. He will bring and have his wares for sale!

Workshop: Workshop on the 8th will be making T-Shirt Quilts.



HEADLINES FROM HELENE

BY HELENE BORN

MIDNIGHT GARDEN - OPPORTUNITY QUILT

Below is the list of locations set up and we are always looking for assistance in attending these events. Please let me know if you'd like to take the quilt or attend with me at any scheduled showing. The quilt is getting a very nice reception at each location and many compliments.



Event	Details	Date	Time
African American Quilt Guild (Inglewood)	Helene & Sandra Washington	16-Nov	1:00 - 5:00 Set up at 12:30
Candy Caneland (Ehlers Ctr)	See attached	13-Dec	7:30 am set up 9 am - 5 pm
Inland Empire Corona)	Helene & Amy?	12-Jan	(5:30 - 6:00 6:30 - 8:30
Road 2 CA (Ontario)	See attached	22-Jan	Arrive at 8:30 am for set up 9:30 am -
LACQG (Downey)	Helene ?	18-Feb	(9:00) 10 am - 12
North Cities Quilt Guild (Placentia)	Helene & ?	23-Feb	(6:00) 6:30 - 8:30
Surfside (Dana Point)	Helene & ?	10-Mar	(9:00) 10:00 -
Beach Cities (Mission Viejo)	Helene & ?	12-Mar	(6:00) 6:30 - 8:30 PM
OGQG (Garden Grove)	Janinie & Helene	8-Apr	(8:15) 9:30 am - 12PM
El Camino (Oceanside)	Helene ?	14-Apr	(8:30 - 9:00) 9:30 am - 12 pm

Thank you to Tammy Rooke for attending the Flying Geese meeting on October 9th to sell tickets. We made \$96.00 at his event.

AQG was provided with a free booth in cooperation with the Lions Club at Silverado Days Friday 10/17 & Saturday 10/18. I help Stacy McCay's team decorate the photo booth prior to the event.

Thank you to MaryJo, Amy Estarda, Susan Wei, Phyllis Campbell and as extra special thank you to Isabel who worked at the booth at Silverado Days! We distributed coupons and gifts as this year's



We took the quilt to the Friendship Square guild meeting in La Habra on Monday 10/20/25. This guild was so welcoming. Thank you, Isabel, for being available to sell tickets, we sold \$ 117.00 at this meeting.

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HEADLINES FROM HELENE

BY HELENE BORN

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The next events we need to prepare for with multiple timeslots for volunteers are:

- Candy Cane Land at Ehlers Center on December 13, 2025 (sign up at the meeting or online)
- Road to California Ontario Convention Center. We need all volunteer forms (white glove & sales table). All volunteers for this event will receive free entry for the day they work. We will be in the atrium selling tickets on Thursday January 22, 2026. Each volunteer will need to complete the authorization form below and return it to Helene Born by November 12, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Helene.

The SCCQG Quarterly meeting was held via Zoom on October 11, 2025. The slate of new officers was presented by Marian Mapes, Parliamentarian, and the election was completed during this meeting. The budget presented by treasurer, Diane Bonner, was also approved during this meeting.

Other items and reminders:

Have any information to share? The newsletter is published a month prior to the next quarterly meeting. The deadline for articles to the next newsletter is NOV 1, 2025. Send information to newsletereditor@sccqg.org. The newsletter will be posted on the SCCQG site for anyone to download.

- If your guild is having a special event, please send the information to Sandy Scott via email at info@sccqg.org so it can be added to the calendar. Check out the Calendar at the bottom of the SCCQG Home Page!
- A volunteer is needed to chair or be the Zoom moderation at the Meet the Teachers event which will occur in April 2026. If interested contact Pam Overton: president@sccqg.org
- A new Ronald McDonald house at UCLA campus was announced. The SCCQG supports this organization and currently 11 of 33 units are open.
- Review of insurance. The certificates are being sent so please be patient. Do not contact the insurance company directly. If issues, please email insurance@sccqg.org and include the name of your guild in the topic.

Road to California 2026 - Call For Entries SCCQG 2026 - I'd like to encourage you to submit a quilt for the SCCQG display at Road to CA. The theme is "Home is..." Group and individually made quilts accepted for consideration. Quilts of all styles and techniques are welcome so long as they meet the requirements.

DETAILS AND ONLINE ENTRY FORM AT:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1W8jpx12PnBCmlgyodBWgDZDrxUESM1NBO8kWgFJVND8/edit>

Treasurer's Report

Our finances are stable. We are working on creating a budget for the TQA. Should you have any questions regarding or financial status feel free to contact me at: treasurer@acaciaquiltguild.org.

Thank you,
Helene Born

IMPORTANT NOTICES

GENERAL MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

Ehler's Event Center was not available for November meeting;

We will be meeting at:

CHURCH OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

7600 Crescent Avenue

Buena Park

Reminder to those participating in Secret Pals;

SECOND SECRET PAL EXCHANGE HAPPENING AT NOVEMBER MEETING!

Please don't forget!

EMERALD COURT

BY SONIA DAS

ACACIA'S VISIT TO EMERALD COURT RETIREMENT HOME IN ANAHEIM

In October, Isabel Cervantes, Helene Born, and Sonia Das visited Emerald Court Retirement Home on behalf of Philanthropy and the Guild.

Helene had connected with Emerald Court at Super Senior Saturday in August. The purpose of the visit was to ascertain the feasibility of teaching the residents quilting/sewing/crafting with on-site class. Terry Berry of the Sales Department showed us around as the Activities Director was unable to join us due to prior meetings. We were also treated to a delicious lunch and had a lovely time.



We were shown three potential class spaces that had ample light and electrical connections. Some of the residents had brought their sewing machines with them but handwork classes are a strong possibility. There were even few quilts displayed on the walls of the various building of Emerald Court.

Tess was extremely excited about the possibilities with our sewing/crafting classes. The initial plan was to start next June/July with quarterly classes where Acacia members would teach the residents and the guild would provide kits for the classes – some would be seasonal projects.

However, when Isabel and Helene attended the monthly Quilt Guild President's Round Table after our visit and shared information about the project, some of the other area guilds were interested in participating. There is now discussion about monthly classes with each guild teaching quarterly in rotation.

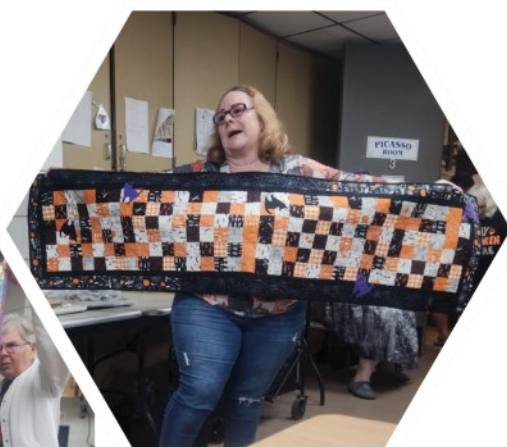
In a happy development, Emerald Court has offered to host Acacia's New Member Celebration and will provide refreshments for the event. They often host non-profit organizations at their facility in Anaheim.



This will be a wonderful community outreach opportunity for Acacia!



SHOW AND TELL



SUMMARY OF BOARD MINUTES

BY FARZANA MOLVI

For October 16, 2025

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Standing Policies—Approved

EMERALD COURT

Sonia and Helene visit—very fruitful

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Location change—The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saint, Buena Park (Diane Sanchez's church)

OLD BUSINESS

HOLIDAY POTLUCK

Signup sheets will be available at the November General Meeting

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Completed & paid—awaiting proof of insurance

GUILD T-SHIRT SCREEN PRINT

Still taking quotes

SILVERADO DAYS

Shared booth with Lions Club—Helene will attend—Oct 17-18—
Need people to decorate the booths.

UPDATE ON QUILT MACHINE

Tin Lizzie—Helene Born & Phyllis Victor—Status quo

OPPORTUNITY QUILT COMMITTEE

For 2026-2027—Quilt chosen by members at October Meeting

TEA & QUILT AUCTION 2026

Mary Jo & Shar—Waiting on proof of insurance to confirm dates
with Ehlers—Contracts to be finalized

CANDY CANELAND FAIR

December 13, 2025—Shar and Phyllis C—members volunteered
to make items to sell—website sign up

NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION

Emerald Court has volunteered to host & pay for this event

OFFICER REPORTS

1st Vice President; Shari—2 huge donations of fabric to our guild

2nd Vice President; Amy—Not present

Treasurer; Helene—In the black

Philanthropy; Sonia—Need to continue making stockings—need
more quilts

Ways & Means; Shar & Phyllis C—No update

Membership; Mary Jo & Cheryl—Status Quo

Newsletter; Carol—All articles to newsletter are due October 18

Secret Pal; Kim—In November General meeting

SUMMARY OF BOARD MINUTES [CONTINUED]

BY FARZANA MOLVI

Sunshine & Shadows—Nothing to Report

Website—Sauni Dain—no update

NEXT BOARD MEETING

On November 20, 2025, via Zoom at 6:30pm

MEETING ADJOURNED

7:35pm

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Acknowledging life events (happy or sad) of the following guild members. Some events were mentioned in previous email blasts.

SUNSHINE

- Congratulations to Sauni Rae Dain who had a quilt displayed at the International Quilt Festival in Houston in October 2025.

SHADOWS

- No shadows were reported



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 (see roster for her email).

RUNNING DOE TOP-A-LONG

SEPTEMBER'S TOP



STARGAZER



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

NOVEMBER 2025

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
6	6:30 pm	General Meeting	Church of Latter-Day Saints, Buena Park
8	9:00 am	Workshop	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
14	10:00 am	SubQ Art Quilters	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
15	9:00 am	Philanthropy Sew	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
20	6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
22	9:00 am	Free Sew Day	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
25	10:00 am	Phyl's Place	Member Home

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/11 Barbara Mead



DECEMBER 2025

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
4	6:30 pm	General Meeting	Ehlers Event Center, Legacy Hall
6	9:00 am	Workshop	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
12	10:00 am	SubQ Art Quilters	Ehlers Event Center, Picasso Room
13	10:00 am	Candy Caneland & Craft Faire	Ehlers Event Center,
18	6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Zoom (3rd Thursday)
30	10:00 am	Phyl's Place	Member Home

SISTER GUILD HAPPENINGS

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF QUILT GUILDS (SCCQG)



Next SCCQG Quarterly meeting – October 11, 2025 –
Update on Websites

More detailed information can be found <http://www.sccqg.org/program-notes.htm>. The meeting topic in July will touch on some of the subjects in the January meeting *Money Matters for Quilt Guilds* pro-

gram that we did not fully explore. Our featured speaker will be Fred Duenas, CPA and formerly of the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, to chat about Sales Tax. Raffle registration and more will also be discussed. Do you have questions about sales tax or other areas related to Money Matters for the guild? Send them to Program Chair, Liz Pickering, at programchair@sccqg.org by June 27.

SCCQG DISASTER FUND

Disaster Fund grant checks have gone out to the six affected guilds: Santa Monica Quilt Guild, Westside Quilt Guild, Glendale Quilt Guild, Wandering Foot Quilt Guild and Camarillo Quilters Association. The guilds will help their affected members replace some of their sewing supplies and tools.

EATON, PALISADES, AND MOUNTAIN FIRE VICTIMS

Call for Quilts and Pillowcases for Kids

The Camarillo Quilt Guild team has held their final distribution for quilts for the Mountain Fire Survivors. In the meantime, quilts are currently being distributed to the survivors of the Palisades and Eaton fires. While we received a lot of quilts at Road to California, and many more since then, they have been distributed, and we need more!

We are requesting new quilts, lap size and bed size, which will be distributed at recovery events in the Palisades and Eaton areas. We're also collecting **Pillowcases for Kids** to distribute to the children who attended schools that were destroyed.

Please email us at sccqgfire@sccqg.org, if you have quilts or pillowcases to donate. We will work with you to help shuttle them to the correct location or provide a shipping address. We have some storage capability in the South Bay, Santa Monica, and Glendale areas. In addition, the Simi Valley Quilt Guild is also providing storage space. However, currently, the quilts seem to find new homes on a regular basis through what we're calling the "everyone knows someone who knows someone that was affected network." Thus, storage hasn't been a big problem.

Several of our Southern California quilt shops have offered to serve as "drop off" locations for your quilt and pillowcase donations. See the list below. We will update the list of shops as others agree to participate. Please spread the word to your membership.

- **Cotton and Chocolate**, 380 Thousand Oaks Blvd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 - 805-371-3042
- **Orange Quilt Bee**, 628 E. Katella Avenue, Orange, CA 92867 - 714-639-3245
- **AAA Sewing and Fabric**, 3873 Pacific Coast Highway, Torrance, CA 90503 - 310-257-1744
- **The Sew'n'Sew**, 160 N. Glendora Avenue E, Glendora, CA 91741 - 626-852-2223
- **Sewing Arts**, 2306 Corinth Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90064 - 310-450-4300
- **The Fabric Shoppe**, 642 Las Posas Road, Camarillo, CA 93010 - 805-383-7183
- **Fabric Town**, 2686 E. Main St., Ventura, CA 93003 - 805-643-3434
- **Superbuzzy**, 1794 E Main St., Ventura, CA 93001 - 805-643-4143
- **Quilt Passions**, 27001 La Paz Rd, Suite #116, Mission Viejo, CA 92691 - 949-934-1199

Quilts and pillowcases can also be shipped, but please contact us first at sccqgfire@sccqg.org so we can provide a shipping address to you.

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

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. (Scroll down on page.)

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

_____ \$30.00* (includes emailed newsletter)

**dues after November 30th will be \$15.00; dues after February 28th 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:

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

OR

Cheryl Fujii - 562-233-3184 - cpfujii@msn.com