



NEWSLETTER – July 2017

President's Report

Shar Taira

ACACIA QUILT GUILD – SMALL, BUT MIGHTY!

Hi Ladies! Well, Summer is here! I am expecting a new granddaughter in the next several days! They still have not agreed on a name yet. Last time I prayed that the baby would come quickly so my daughter would not have to go through a long birth and I missed the whole thing! I watched my grandson earlier that day and my phone was running out of energy. My daughter told me she was having contractions but I thought, "Oh, well. I have some time." I think I went home to charge my phone and everyone else got to the hospital before me. I missed the whole birth! This time, I am on 'Baby Alert' and am trying to keep my phone charged up and read. I'd better get those portable chargers ready too. I just checked the calendar and my daughter is due the week of our workshop. I hope the birth doesn't happen that day. I told my bosses at work that I might need to leave work to help with the grandkids if she goes into labor or I may need to take her to the hospital if her husband is working, but after talking to my daughter yesterday, both of her kids came late. I am praying that this one comes early! My sister in law predicted the 25th, and I said that would fit better into my schedule! So we'll see.

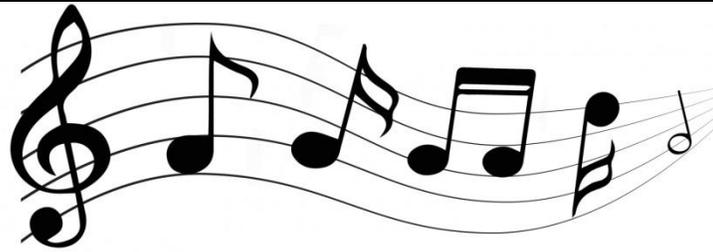
I hope you all are having a cool summer. It's starting to heat up. The Summer Concerts (Wednesdays at 7PM, Boisseranc Park) are going well so far. Lisa has asked that we make brightly-colored table runners and patriotic things to sell the next few weeks. If you have anything for boutique sales, please contact Lisa and make arrangements to get the items to her before the next Wednesday concert.

Please sign up for the Shibori workshop in July. We will be doing several different things this time – you'll just have to sign up to see for yourself! It will be REALLY fun. My bosses came to about four of my workshops before they burned out – that is how much fun they are! There will be more things to do than last time because I am always learning more interesting and exciting stuff.

Acacia has an exciting year planned for meetings and workshops. Membership is low, however, so please invite your friends and fellow sew-ers to our events.

Stay Cool and Happy Sewing!

Shar Taira,
President, Acacia Quilt Guild



SUMMER CONCERTS

Our boutique booth will be set up at each Summer Concert on Wednesdays from 7PM to 9PM. Help with setup at 5:30PM is greatly appreciated. We sell Opportunity Tickets for the Summer Concert Quilt (photo below) and boutique items. When not selling, bring a chair and relax and enjoy the music and fellowship. Thank you so much for all your help. Thank you also to MaryAnn for donating the quilt top, Donna for quilting and Lisa for binding the Summer Concert Quilt – Great job, ladies!

Boutique items are needed! We had a great evening for sales on June 21st. We need to replenish our stock of brightly-colored table runners and patriotic-themed items. Bags, craft items, aprons, market bags and drawstring bags sell well.

Happy Sewing!
Shar



NEWSLETTER

Our new Newsletter Editor is Maryjo. Please submit any newsletter articles to her at maryjedgar@quietgrove.info. Deadline for the Newsletter remains the Sunday after the Board meeting, which meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday. Please be patient with her as she learns to keep us all informed.



SCCQG

Bylaws & Standing Rules Seminar

Bylaws and Standing Rules and Regulations are the rules we follow in running our Guild. This year, Acacia will be looking over our Bylaws & Standing Rules to see where they might need revising. If you are interested in learning more about this process, the Southern California Council of Quilt guilds is hosting a seminar on July 8th in Newhall. If you are interested in going, a carpool is being arranged and we will go to lunch following the seminar. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Susan Stokes if you are interested in attending this meeting.

June General Meeting:



Outgoing officers were thanked for their service to the Guild and incoming officers were welcomed. Entries for our 2017 Quilt Challenge were on display and everyone enjoyed a lovely potluck and cake for our 13th Anniversary.



WINNERS OF THE 2017 QUILT CHALLENGE

(See January newsletter for Challenge instructions)



Two entrants for the 2017 Quilt Challenge.

Left: Fish quilt by Phyllis Campbell and

Right: Santa's Workshop by Susan Stokes.

Great job, ladies!!

OPPORTUNITY QUILT 2016-17 "ENCHANTED GARDEN"

The winning ticket for the 2016-2017 Opportunity Quilt titled, "Enchanted Garden" was drawn on June 1, 2017 and the winner is ????? We don't know the exact name of the winner because they put their address and phone number on the ticket stub, but not a name, however, Phyllis Campbell contacted them and one of them will be coming to the July meeting to receive their quilt.



FAT QUARTER BOX RAFFLE ITEM

The winning ticket was drawn June 1, 2017 and the lucky winner was Acacia member Daryl Thomas! Congratulations Daryl - we look forward to seeing the beautiful quilts that you make with these gorgeous fat quarters! Thank to everyone who purchased tickets for these raffles. Acacia appreciates your support!

2nd Vice President’s Report – Upcoming Programs & Workshops

Phyllis Campbell

Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County 2017-2018 (Subject to change)

GENERAL MEETING	WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS
<p>7/6/17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Threaducation-All about Thread - Alicia , ‘The Batty Lady’</i> – Annual Ice Cream Social <p>8/3/17:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>‘7 Keys to Unlocking Your Creative Power’ – Laretta Crites</i> 	<p>7/8/17:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Fabric Dyeing</i> Shar Taira & Phyllis Campbell <p>8/5/17:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Cutting Mat Tote Bag</i> Laretta Crites

JULY WORKSHOP – FABRIC DYEING

In July, we will offer a Fabric Dyeing Workshop with Shar Taira and Phyllis Campbell. We will be exploring several methods of dyeing fabric. Bring a PFD (Prepared for Dying) fabric (available at Joann) or any prewashed (no softeners) all-cotton fabric including white-on-white or tiny prints. (More details when you register.)



AUGUST MEETING AND WORKSHOP

August 3

"Create - Seven Ways to Unlock Your Creative Power" with Laretta Crites.

August 5

At this workshop, Laretta will be teaching us to make a cutting mat tote bag. This tote will carry your full size cutting mat, ruler and fabrics and notions you will need for a class. Make extras for gifts for your quilting friends. You can purchase pre-quilted fabric or quilt your own ahead of time so you can complete this project in class.

Photo taken from Laretta Crites’ blog



WAYS AND MEANS

The “M&M’s” (MaryAnn & Michelle) unveiled the “Treasure Chest” fundraiser featuring over 25 yards of fabric—enough to make 6 quilts! Tickets are 1 for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. This 3 month fundraiser ends at the August meeting, so make sure you bring your cash for this “sweet” opportunity to help Acacia meet its fundraising goals for this year.

July Fundraiser

It’s Christmas in July: A New and Improved Brown Bag

Bring your new or gently used items for our Brown Bag to our July meeting, no later than 5:30 p.m. If you’d prefer pick-up of brown bag items from your home prior to the July meeting, call Michelle at 714-856-3480.

****Sometimes we receive donations that would serve a better purpose elsewhere such as in our Opportunity Baskets. Please allow us to make this determination because it allows us to raise more funds in a different context. Thank you in advance for your graciousness regarding this.*

August Fundraisers

“You Look Marvelous” Costume Jewelry Sale

We’ll be collecting your new/ gently used costume jewelry at the July meeting for our Costume Jewelry Night that will be held in August. We’ll accept gently used necklaces, earrings, bracelets, or pins/brooches.

AND

Rubio’s “It’s Too Darn Hot to Cook” Food Fundraiser

Invite your Family, Friends, and Neighbors to our food fundraiser on Monday, August 21, 2017 from 2:00 pm-9:00 pm at Rubio’s on Katella and Knott in Stanton. 20% of our pre-tax/beverage bill will be donated back to Acacia after \$250 minimum sales. Get the word out to your co-workers, church friends, and community groups to come to Rubio’s with their appetites and to support Acacia.

Thank You!

PHILANTHROPY

Lisa Sullivan

June 27th - Lisa's Ladies will be meeting at the storage unit at 4:30PM. We will be cleaning and organizing for a little while, then going out to dinner. If you can come, bring water and a chair.

July 9th – (NOTE CHANGE in date) for Blocks for the Brave which will meet in the Picasso Room at the Ehler's Event Center from 10am-4pm. Bring a lunch, sewing supplies, and a pattern that works well with three to four colors. Fabric is provided for quilting projects. If you need more information, call Lisa at 714 642-1127.

July 25th – Lisa's Ladies, 6PM to 8PM at P. Victor's home. We will be making Philanthropy kits. Please bring cutting tools: ruler/mat/scissors/pins. Simple patterns and items to share are always welcome. Everyone is welcome – we can find "something" for you to help with! Don't forget the smile too! 😊

July 29th - Philanthropy Sew Day in the Picasso Room at Ehler's Event Center, 10AM to 4PM. Bring whatever you want to sew. It does not need to be for Philanthropy. Just come and sew! Bring your lunch or plan to go to lunch, it is up to you. Join us!

Thank you all for your continued support!!

Lisa Sullivan
Time Talent Donations
714-642-1127/Text
zquilt.ls@gmail.com

QUILTS NEEDED

Quilts are always needed for our reserve to be given out when we are contacted about community or individual need. Please let me know if you have any quilts you would like to donate for this purpose or if you know where one might be that can be retrieved. Thank you!

SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

The following cards have been delivered/sent out recently:

- A sympathy card was sent to the family of former Acacia member **Nancy Malm**
- **Shar Taira** - *Congratulations* card upon the birth of her 2nd granddaughter

Sonia Das will be handling *Sunshine & Shadows* for Acacia this year. Please contact her with news about guild members at 562-607-2384 or soniadas@yahoo.com.

Acacia sends cards for the following *reasons*:

- **Milestone birthdays** (50, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100) – however we won't be publicizing quilters' ages unless they are close to 100!
- **Milestone anniversaries** (25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and beyond).
- **Get well card** for a member or their spouse.
- **Sympathy card** for death of an immediate family member
- **Congratulations** for new babies, grandbabies, great grandbabies, etc.
- **Congratulations for something super spectacular** such as starting a new job, opening a new business, having a quilt selected for a show, winning a quilting ribbon/prize, winning the lottery, etc
- **Thinking of You** where encouragement is needed.
- **Missing You** if a member has missed a few Acacia meetings.
- **Anything other card and category** that deserves a card from the guild.

Show and Tell – June 2017



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Jo Melis' 'On
Pointe'
creations!
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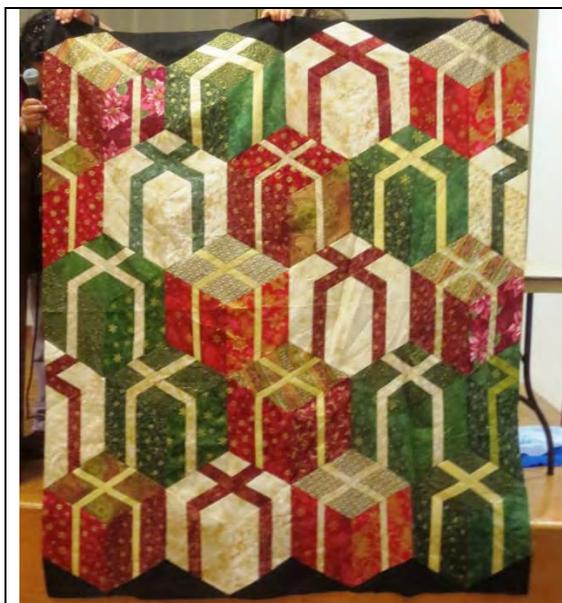


Joalyn 's beautiful wool creations:

(Left): Pincushion
(Right) Hoop Wallet



Latest quilt from 'Tie One On' – Thank you, Julia for your creative touch and for guiding your helpers to such beautiful work.



Pennants & the Presents Quilt presented by Lisa.



Calendar At A Glance

June

- 27 4:30 PM Lisa's Ladies - Meet at storage unit; dinner to follow
- 28 5:30 - 9PM Summer Concert at Boisseranc Park

July

- 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th:
5:30 - 9PM Summer Concerts at Boisseranc Park
- 6 6:30 PM General Meeting - Program: "All About Thread" (& Brown Bag)
- 8 9:00 AM Workshop - Shibori / Fabric Dyeing
- 8 8:00 AM SCCAG Seminar on Bylaws & Standing Rules
- 9 9:00 AM Blocks for the Brave (Note New Date - This month only)
- 20 7:00 PM Board Meeting
- 22-23 ABS' Quilt Show - Expo Arts Center, Bixby Knoll
- 23 Newsletter articles due ☺
- 25 6:00 PM Lisa's Ladies
- 29 9:00 AM Philanthropy Sew Day / Fabricators

ACACIA BOARD 2017-18

POSITIONS - ELECTED

President: Shar Taira
 1st VP. At Large: Sonia Das
 2nd V.P. Programs/Workshops: P. Campbell
 Secretary: Maryjo Edgar
 Treasurer: Chris Mattison

STANDING COMMITTEES

Birthdays: OPEN
 Door Prizes: Daryl Thomas
 Equipment: Barbra Riley
 Historian: OPEN
 Hospitality: OPEN
 Membership: Maryjo Edgar
 Asst: Brenda Howard
 Newsletter: Maryjo Edgar
 Opportunity Basket Frannie Donoghue
 Opportunity Quilt: OPEN
 Parliamentarian: OPEN
 Past President Sonia Das
 Philanthropy: Lisa Sullivan
 Photographer: OPEN
 Publicity: OPEN
 Secret Pal: OPEN
 SCCQG Representative: Susan Stokes
 Special Events (Tea & Quilt Auction) OPEN
 Sunshine & Shadows: Phyllis Victor
 Ways & Means: Michelle Smith & MaryAnn West
 Website Patti Paschall

GENERAL MEETINGS are held on the 1st THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH. If this is a holiday, the meeting will be moved to the 2nd Thursday. Doors open at 5:15 pm; meeting starts at 6:45 pm

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

BOARD MEETINGS are at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the same location.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS THE SUNDAY AFTER THE BOARD MEETING. Please email articles to: Maryjo Edgar at maryjedgar@quietgrove.info

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 are \$25.00 per year, June 1 through May 31st. Dues for members joining after 11/30 will be \$15. Due for members joining after the last day of April will be \$10.00. Guests will be asked for a donation of \$3.00 at the general meeting.



7-2 Maryjo Edgar
7-2 Sandy Smith



MEMBERSHIP

Maryjo Edgar & Brenda Howard

At the June 2017 General Meeting we welcomed 17 members! Don't forget to invite your friends to our programs and workshops.



Printing for the 2017-2018 Membership Directory is finalized as of June 24th. Renewals received after that date will not be included in the Directory, but will still be eligible for membership benefits and fellowship groups. We are always open to new members and welcome questions about our Mission and activities in the community.

Applications are available at the Welcome Table at each General Meeting or from Maryjo or Brenda at Board. You can also download a copy via the website (use "Membership" tab), or through the newsletter. If you have any questions, please call Maryjo at 714 232 3806.

ACACIA QUILT GUILD
Membership Year: June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018

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

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

- Setting up at meetings Making Photocopies
Making coffee at meetings Sending out emails
Setting out refreshments at meetings Phone Tree
Tidying up after meetings Website
Teaching a class / mini-demo
What can you teach? _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

\$25.00* (w/o mailed newsletter); \$43.00** (with mailed newsletter) *prorated to \$12.50 after Jan 1

**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.

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

Dues may be paid at the Membership Desk at General Meetings.

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

Acacia Membership
Attn: Maryjo Edgar
maryjedgar@quietgrove.info
6612 San Diego Drive
Buena Park, CA 90620

If you have questions, please call or email:
Maryjo Edgar - 714 232 3806 –
OR
Brenda Howard 714-952-4798