

## A few words from the Quilt Market Chair...

I hope you've recovered from the Quilt Market and are busily planning items to make for the next one! In my opinion, we had an incredibly successful Market this year. I think you'll agree when you read the Treasurer's Report. Thank you so much -- to everyone who helped, shopped, sewed, worked shifts, posted signs, set up, cleaned up, brought food, and did whatever else needed to be done. As they say, "it takes a village" and the LAP and JBP guilds really came together as a "village" for this event. Everyone worked so hard and it showed. We received numerous compliments on the location, the room layout, the huge variety of items for sale ... and the quality of the items. Thanks to each of you for everything you did to make the Market so successful and fun this year! Many of you worked double and triple shifts -- and your efforts were greatly appreciated.

I'd like to send special thanks to my QM Co-chair, Brenda Edeskuty. She served as our liaison with the Jemez Bear Paw Guild -- plus did a ton of behind-the-scenes work. I'd also like to thank Margaret Hendricks who served as Publicity Chair. The steady stream of customers was a direct result of her efforts! Thanks to all the LAP members who helped "spread the word" too. In addition, I'd like to thank Jo Beth Steinhaus for serving as our Staffing Chair (probably the most thankless job of the Market.) She was tireless in her efforts to get the staffing sheets filled in. And, special thanks to Susan Roach, Lyn Olson and Margaret Hendricks for developing such a good layout plan. I think we may have had the shortest QM set-up time ... ever. We had everything (approximately 2,400 items) displayed or hung by about 5:45p on Friday night. Evonne Holder did a wonderful job setting up the secondhand section and Jo Ann Painter did a great job with the Silent Auction tables. And, a heartfelt thanks to Donna Smith (and her assistants, Fran Suchocki and Joan Williams) who did a yeoman's job keeping track of the sales receipts, inventory sheets ... and the money! I hope I didn't leave anyone out. If I did, I apologize. Everyone worked so hard. I really appreciate everyone's efforts on this event. Please give my thanks to the husbands and other family members who helped with the set-up and take-down. We couldn't have done it without their assistance.

I'm now working on a Quilt Market notebook to help whoever volunteers to organize/chair the next Quilt Market, so I'd appreciate it if you'd send any suggestions for improvements or "lessons learned" to me while they're still fresh in your mind. Any - and all - feedback will be appreciated. I'd especially like to get short reports from everyone who took on one of the special QM jobs (Publicity, Staffing, Layout, Silent Auction, Treasurer, etc.) if possible.

Again, thanks everyone!

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2012 Quilt Market Co-Chair