

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Quilt Show is Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2006

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Donation Quilt - 2006

Open

Quilt Show - 2006

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FEBRUARY GUILD MEETING

February 28, 2006 7:00 pm United Church on Canyon Road
Lynne Horpedahl will talk about quilts with curves. If you have a drunkard's path quilt please bring it for show and tell.

MARCH BOARD MEETING

March 14 at 7 pm at 1001 Oppenheimer in the meeting room

MARCH GUILD MEETING

March 28, 2006 7:00 pm White Rock Baptist Church
Irma Gail Hatcher will be speaking on *Quilt Designs: What to Put Where*. Ideas are presented to show how to come up with designs which can be used to quilt a particular quilt. Slides are also shown. Members of the audience are invited to bring quilt tops for quilting design considerations.

MARCH WORKSHOP

March 29 2006 Workshop with Irma Gail Hatcher.

3-D Applique -- All Levels

Participants learn basic finger press applique in addition to stuffed applique, yo-yos, gathered flower, folded rose, and ruching. A pattern is given to participants before class so that design can be marked on background fabric before class.

DONATION QUILT 2006

Please bring ideas, pictures, suggestions for the next donation quilt to the February meeting.

CHALLENGE ISSUED BY THE ART QUILT STUDY GROUP

ART QUILT CHALLENGE

Theme: Monochromatic Texture. Quilts are to be monochromatic in color and display or depict texture.

Size: Width to be no less than 32 inches and no more than 40 inches
Length to be no less than 32 inches and no more than 50 inches.

Deadline: LAP Quilt Show (will be hung in the show).

Technique: Any but no kits please.

Quilts must have a 4 inch sleeve and a label on lower back.

Please contact Phyllis Holland if you have questions about this challenge.

COMMUNITY SERVICE from Lynn Pruvost

Many thanks to Barbara Addressio, Carolyn Bush, Debbie Claytor, Sue Conner, Kathy Enloe, Barbara Forslund, Linda Goforth, Thelma Hahn, Jean Marie Havrilla, Evonne Holder, Myrna Landt, Heide Payne, Claire Swinhoe, Myrna Strong, and Micki Taylor for their delicious food, quilts, and help with the R.S.V.P Senior Quilters luncheon on February 15. We all had a good time.

We have received two personal thank you notes from quilters of the Gulf States Quilters Association sending their appreciation for the quilts they received from LAP. The notes will be on view at the meeting and then given to the Historian.

WORK DAY!! Mark your calendars and join us for a Community Service work day on April 22 at the United Church, 9:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. Bring your sewing machine to create a quilt, work on a previous project, or finish quilting. We will have fabrics and thread but you supply the ideas and creativity! We only have three quilts to pass on at the present so please help us add more to the "give-away box"! See Lynn Pruvost or Debbie Claytor for information or to sign-up to attend the work day.

Thank you to Barbara Barnes and Phyllis Holland for donating two beautiful quilts.

Aspen Ridge Visit

Phyllis Holland has suggested that LAP members consider visiting Aspen Ridge and present a Show 'n' Tell of quilts for the residents. Phyllis, Carolyn Bush, Barbara Forslund, Betty Oliphant, and Sue Friar did a presentation in January and it was very well received. Tuesday or Thursday are the best days with a program of less than one hour in the afternoon. If any small group wishes to do this community service please contact Vicki Griffiths of Aspen Ridge at 661-0066.

QUILT SHOW 2006 from Jean Havrilla

2006 QUILT SHOW is September 30th – October 1st at the Knights of Columbus Hall .Reminder – please bring your ideas and suggestions for the Quilt Show Name/Theme and Donation Quilt Pattern and volunteers to the February 28th meeting. We will vote on the name/theme and quilt pattern at the meeting. Please attend!

Request for chairperson for the following committees:

- Signs/Publicity
- Vendors
- Staffing
- Receiving and Labeling
- Setup Facilities
- Door Prizes
- Refreshments

Community Services – Lynn Provost
Security – The Old Bats Cluster – Carolyn Bush
Ballots & Prizes – Barbara Forslund & Kay Eccleston

Please mark your calendars and volunteer for the chair positions which are open as listed above. I have a list of members who are willing to help by just asking with a friendly phone call. "Thank you" to those who have already volunteered.

See you at the meeting.
Jean
662-0647

DIY ROUND ROBIN QUILT CHALLENGE

To your center add borders that are pieced and include triangles. Borders should be no more than 6 inches wide.

Remember that there are many shapes of triangles besides half square triangles and quarter square triangles.

Have fun.

Regional Doings

February 25 and 26, 2006 in Las Cruces, NM
Desert Spirit

sponsor: Las Colcheras Quilt Guild

cost: \$5.00 per person

EEmail: linnealascruces@aol.com

Comments: View over 300 quilts at this judged show held at Corbett Center on the New Mexico State University campus. There will be special exhibits, an Opportunity Quilt drawing, demonstrations, and over 30 vendors. Nancy Chong, Seattle, Washington, will speak and teach two workshops on two fabric applique. For more information contact Mary McKinney, POBox 15181, Las Cruces NM 88014, 505.522-4902, j_mmckinney@totacc.com

March 17 and 18, 2006 in Phoenix, AZ

A Denim and Diamonds Celebration of Quilts

sponsor: Arizona Quilters Guild

ASU West Campus

4701 W Thunderbird Rd

Glendale, AZ 85306

Featuring:

Quilt exhibits, Judged competition, Merchant Mall featuring quilt-related products from fabulous vendors from around the country. Quilt appraisals cost: \$7

EEmail: quiltshow@azquiltersguild.org

Four Corners Quilters

Spring Quilt Gathering, with several different workshops and presentations to choose from on Friday, 3/31/06, Saturday, April 1, 2006 and Sunday, 4-2-06. Flyers were available at the January meeting and more information can be gotten from Barb Morgan,

lrbcc@frontier.net, (970) 259-1079 or Jill Fischer, mjffischer@frontier.net, (970) 375-9744.

Newsletter Advertising

Business card is \$10, quarter page \$30, half page \$40. Please contact the LAP Newsletter Editor for more information.

COOKIE RECIPE Here is the recipe for the cookies Judy Verzino baked for the last guild meeting.

Coconut Macaroons

2 eggs whites

1/2 tsp vanilla

2/3 C sugar

1 31/2 oz can or 1 1/3 C flaked coconut

Beat egg whites with a dash salt and the vanilla till soft peaks form. Gradually add sugar, beating till stiff. Fold in coconut. Drop by rounded teaspoons onto greased cookie sheet. Bake in oven (325) about 20 minutes. Makes about 18 cookies. I like to use parchment paper on the cookie sheet. The cookies brown evenly. From Better Homes and Garden new Cook Book.

CRAZY QUILT INFORMATION

The internet is a great source of information about crazy quilting. At <http://inaminuteago.com/crazyquilting/cq-samplerquilt/quiltindex.html>

there are photos of crazy quilt blocks as well as directions on how to do the various embroidery stitches and diagrams of several rows of stitches done together to make a pattern.

If you go to <http://www.caron-net.com> and click on classes you will find a free crazy quilt class that has pictures of how to piece the fabric to the muslin background as well as information about crazy quilt stitches.

Quilters enjoy life in bits-n-pieces.

FEBRUARY BLOCK OF THE MONTH - RIBBON QUILT BLOCK

Color 1 (dark) needs: two 4-7/8" squares

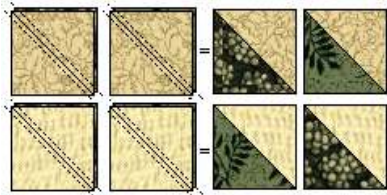
Color 2 (dark) needs: two 4-7/8" squares

Color 3 (light) needs: two 4-7/8" squares AND one 4-1/2" square

Color 4 (light) needs: two 4-7/8" squares

** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block **

Place a Color 4 and a Color 1 4-7/8" square right sides together and all edges aligned. On the back of the top square draw in the diagonal. Sew a scant 1/4" away from the drawn line on each side. Cut apart on the drawn line. This will give you two half squares. Press to the darker side. Trim these back to measure 4-1/2" if needed. Repeat this with a Color 4/Color 2 set, and Color 3/Color 1 set and a Color 3/Color 2 set to get two each in that color arrangement...



Now just lay out all your pieces, using the extra Color 3 4-1/2" square as the block's center. Sew three horizontal rows, pressing seams in the top and bottom rows to the outside, and the middle row seams to the center...and you are DONE!...with ONE.



Makes a 12" (12 1/2" unfinished) block.

Directions on-line at www.quilterscache.com

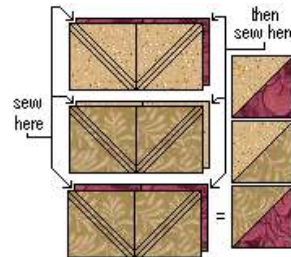
MARCH BLOCK OF THE MONTH STARFLOWER

Color 1 (dark) needs: two strips 3-7/8" x 7-3/4"

Color 2 (medium) needs: two strips 3-7/8" x 7-3/4"

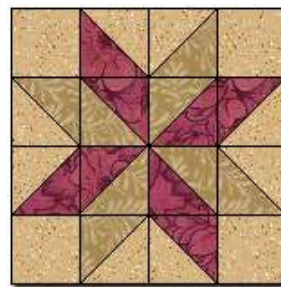
Color 3 (light background) needs: one strip 3-1/2" x 14" AND two strips 3-7/8" x 7-3/4"

Start by cutting the Color 3 3-1/2" x 14" strip into four 3-1/2" squares...



Then speed piece the half squares...by stacking the Color 3 and Color 1...Color 2 and Color 3...and Color 2 and Color 1 3-7/8" x 7-3/4" strips, right sides together and all edges aligned. On the backs of the top strips, lightly mark off the 3-7/8" square lines, and then mark the diagonals in the direction shown at left...Now sew a scant 1/4" above the marked diagonals in one continuous seam from the upper left corners to the upper right corners...pivoting at the 3-7/8" square lines...then turn the fabrics, and sew back a scant 1/4" on the other side of the marked diagonals...cut apart on the square lines, and on the marked diagonals...this will give you four of each color combo of half squares...press seam allowances towards the darker fabrics...

Now you can piece the block, by first making rows, and then sewing the rows together to make the block! Alternate pressing directions by row.



Makes a 12" (12 1/2" unfinished) block.

**Registration Form for
Irma Gail Hatcher Workshop**

**March 29, 2006
9 am - 4 pm**

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Workshop cost is \$50. Make checks payable to LAP.

Submit form at meeting or mail to: LAP PO Box 261 Los Alamos, NM 87544