

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Quilt Show is Sept. 30-Oct. 1 Have you turned in an entry form?

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Hello Fellow quilters!

It seems to me that fall is starting to nip the air this week, and for me that means more time spent indoors and more quilting! I hope everyone has started a new quilt recently or perhaps completed one for our quilt show!

Our quilt show is just around the corner. Our entry deadline is almost here and we really hope that you will consider entering a quilt. This is the time that we get to show off a little and let the people of our community see what we are doing, have accomplished and hopefully inspire a whole new group of quilters! So remember the deadline for the entry form is Sept 15, please, please enter a quilt! I love seeing what everyone has done, and they look so good all together at the show, don't you think? I am literally inspired daily with your efforts. Let's give others the chance to see that effort. We need your quilts to make this show a success.

Also, I would like to ask every one of you to consider serving on the Los Alamos Piecemakers board next year. I know, I can hear the groaning. But would it make a difference to tell you that I was scared stiff to stand up in front of all you wonderful people? So, if I can do it, you can too! Believe me, all I had to do was think about the fact that I could not find a more wonderful group of supportive, creative, encouraging ladies (and let's not forget our dude quilter!) that there is and my nervousness went away. No matter how much I forget, or babble, or make you stand up or ooh and ahh, the whole group will support you with absolutely no questions asked. You guys are amazing and inspiring to me. It is really not that hard! So, we are asking that you consider being of service to this organization (and by extension I believe the community at large) and serve as president or vice president (we need two of them!), treasurer, historian, secretary, (Laura Erickson has already volunteered to do membership for one more year, yeah!) librarian, to do the newsletter, web site coordinator, and I am sure I forgetting other positions needed.

We also immediately need volunteers to serve on the Budget committee to get our budget set for next year and on the nominating committee. We need your help! Everyone can do it! Thanks,

Nicole

SEPTEMBER GUILD MEETING

September 26 is the annual potluck dinner at the United Church on Canyon Road. **Dinner starts at 6 pm** Please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert to share. The guild will supply beverages. There will be a showing of poster quilts made by the Loose Threads and Sew Bee clusters. Please bring any quilts from the recent Sewathon (finished or unfinished) for show-and-tell to the September meeting.

OCTOBER GUILD MEETING

October 24 at the White Rock Baptist Church at 7 pm. The Keepsake Quilting Traveling exhibit will be at the meeting. The exhibit showcases the First and Second Prize winning quilts from many of the Keepsake Quilting Challenges held since 1989. Approximately two dozen 30" quilts are in the exhibit.

NOVEMBER GUILD MEETING

November 28 (Tuesday after Thanksgiving) at the United Church on Canyon Road. The program will be done by all the members with a special show and tell of winter holiday theme quilts. If your quilt was made from a pattern or a book please bring it to show also.

DECEMBER GUILD MEETING

No meeting this month.

JANUARY GUILD MEETING

January 23, 2007 at the White Rock Baptist Church. We will have a Garage Sale of quilting/sewing items so start rounding up your unwanted/unused items to sell.

COMMUNITY SERVICE from Lynn Pruvost

Many thanks to Phyllis Holland, Judy Verzino, Christie Wilson and her cluster for donating beautiful quilts. Please bring any completed quilts to the September meeting so we can deliver them.

QUILT SHOW 2006

"Quilts of Enchantment" will hang Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2006 at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 9 - 4 pm.

Quilt show entry forms will be available at the guild meeting or may be picked up at Pandey's Quilt Store or Dunn Quilting. **Entry forms need to be turned in by**

Sept. 15. They may be dropped off at the Pandey's, Dunn Quilting, Barbara Forslund's or Kay Eccleston's. **A 2 day extension has been given.** You may turn in entry forms at Pandey's through Sunday Sept. 17 (1 - 4 pm) or give them to Barbara or Kay through the 17th. **HELP!!!** Staffing needs help! Please sign up at the September meeting to be at the entrance desk, sell donation quilt tickets, or as a white glove lady. If you don't know what each area means, please ask me. If you can't attend the meeting, please call Lynn Pruvost, 672-1448 and volunteer. Remember, that we all need to volunteer to make the quilt show a great success!

The Silent Auction will happen! Thanks to all the donations volunteered. Please get the donated items to me, Nicole Dunn or Pandey Lolos by September 26, 2006. We could use some help manning the silent auction area at the quilt show. Please sign up at the September meeting! Thanks - Lynn Pruvost

A big THANK YOU to the chairpersons who have volunteered for the Quilt Show 2006 committees. They are listed below:

Chairperson for the following committees:

Signs/Publicity - Claire Swinhoe

Vendors & Door Prizes - Brenda Edeskuty

Receiving and Labeling - Loose Threads Cluster - Gayla Myers

Refreshments - Myrna Landt

Community Services/Staffing - Lynn Pruvost

Security - The Old Batts Cluster - Carolyn Bush

Making Ballots, Labels & Viewers Choice Prizes - Barbara Forslund & Kay Eccleston

Setup Facilities - High School Honor Society

Members will be helping with the frames as part of their community service project. Please tell them "Thank You" when you see them helping.

I hope you have your calendars highlighted for the Quilt Show. Please volunteer to help these chairpersons when called. Many hands will make light work for all of us. Your reward will be a great 2006 Quilt Show.

See you at the meeting. Jean Havrilla 662-0647

ART QUILT CHALLENGE RECAP

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: 2006 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.

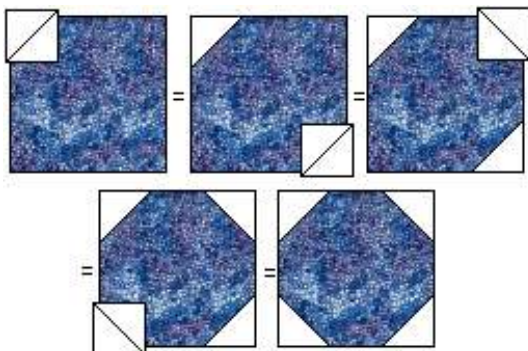
DONATION QUILT 2007

It's not too early to start thinking of ideas for next years donation quilt. If you or your cluster would like to be in charge of next year's quilt, please tell Nicole.

PRESIDENTS QUILT

Jacqueline Krohn is collecting blocks for Nicole's presidents quilt. 6 inch (6 1/2 with seam allowance) snowball blocks are requested. Please use a white or beige for the main part of the block and reds for the corners. Use a permanent pen to sign your name on the white or beige part.

It is suggested that since this block is so small you make two to give - one signed and one unsigned.



Lay a red 2-1/2" square atop the top left corner of the white 6-1/2" square, right sides together and edges aligned. On the back of the top small square, lightly draw the diagonal in the direction shown. Sew on this marked line. Cut off the excess seam allowance, and press the remainder towards the outside. Repeat with another square on the opposing corner, and then with the two open corners ...

Note: The graphic is for the opposite coloring of the blocks requested. Please make the centers white and the corners red

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Information and registration brochures available at guild meetings, or online at www.rickytimes.com/rtqs.htm

REGIONAL DOINGS

"Quilts of Enchantment" Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2006 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Los Alamos from 9 - 4 pm. Admission is \$2.

"Quilt Pink" Make blocks for "Quilt Pink" quilts at Pandys' Quilt Store booth at the "Quilts of Enchantment" show. Quilts will be auctioned off in 2007 with all proceeds going to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

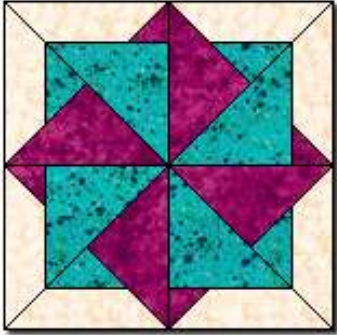
The Northern NM Quilt Guild is presenting Quilt Fiesta 2006 on October 13 & 14 (10-5 PM) and October 15 (12-4) at the County Extension Building at the County Fairgrounds. Admission is \$3.

San Juan Quilters Guild Quilt Show Oct. 13 & 14, 2006 from 10 - 7 on Fri & 10 - 5 on Sat at the Farmington Civic Center. Admission is \$2.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

There will be a couple prizes for people that have made all the blocks for the block of the month. Please let me know if you have made them all.
Myrna 989-8218

SEPTEMBER BOM - TWISTING STAR



Directions may be found in the block of the month packet included in your membership envelope or at www.quilterscache.com

You may use any colors you wish for the blocks. If you have won a set of blocks you need to participate in the rest of the bom drawings for the year.

QUILTING TIPS

from quiltaholics.com

Before washing your fabric, trim the corners off the selvage edges at a diagonal. This prevents the cut edge from ravelling in the wash, and is a great way to tell at a glance if you've prewashed that fabric!

A good tip when washing flannel so that all those loose ends don't tangle is put it in a pillowcase first. I wash "like" colors together and dry them the same way. No more tangles mess when done!

Another good tip for washing small pieces of flannel is to serge the edges first...time taken is made up in less lost fabric in all the loose threads.

A SHOW OF HANDS

We need your very own HAND to hang with all the others, a HANDy way to show off your art and do a good deed, too. All HANDS donated for our Show of HANDS exhibit at Festival will be sent after the Houston show to the Creative Spirit Center to be part of its permanent collection (<http://www.creativespiritcenter.org>). To give our exhibit in Houston a HAND up, please send your art HAND to us to arrive no later than October 15:

"A Show of Hands"

c/o Q, Inc.

7660 Woodway, Suite 550

Houston, TX 77063

Think of all the fun ways to make a HAND! Here's the chance to use up some of those old kid gloves you'll never wear again, for example--stuffed and embellished, maybe dyed or painted, wow! Or what about tracing your HAND onto stiffened fabric, embellishing the dickens out of it, and satin stitching all around? You could do a HAND of you, your child, your grandchild, your significant other...the possibilities are endless. Your HAND can hold something, assume a graceful position, or just be flat out there like a traffic cop. But however you make your HAND, please remember to attach some kind of a ring or loop on the back for hanging purposes. And the back-of-your-HAND should be finished, of course, since these will be visible from both sides. I know I can count on you--you can make at least one with both HANDS tied behind you!

More info at <http://home.att.net/~kareyb/Hands.htm>

QUILTING TIP

from quiltaholics.com

When pressing the seams in your quilt block, always press the seam flat first, the way it was sewn. This sinks the thread into the fabric and reduces the bulk of the seam. This habit can eliminate the "hanging-up" on the walking foot while machine quilting.

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild Membership
September 2006 - August 2007

NAME _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

If you prefer we not publish your phone number (list is distributed to members only), please check here _____

Email _____ **Newsletter via email? Yes or No**

Returning member? Yes or No **Have nametag? Yes or No**

Please volunteer for one or more of the following:

_____ **County Fair** _____ **Donation Quilt Ticket sales**
_____ **Meeting Refreshments** _____ **Quilt Market**
_____ **Valentine's Day Luncheon**

Please send check for \$25 payable to: Los Alamos Piecemakers or LAP

Mail to: LAP, Attn: Membership, PO Box 261, Los Alamos NM 87544

For LAP USE **Payment** ___ **Database** ___ **Name Tag** ___ **Packet** ___ **Membership card** _____

Your LAP Board of Directors wants to make sure our Quilt Guild is everything you want it to be! Please help by responding to this brief questionnaire:

What areas of quilting are you interested in?

Do you have any suggestions for guest speakers or workshops?

Do you have any suggestions for monthly programs?

Rank your preference for workshop times - weekdays ___ **weekends** ___ **evenings** ___

Do you need a ride to evening meetings?

Are you looking for a cluster to join?

What do you appreciate about guild membership? (Monthly programs, workshops, quilt show/market, clusters, community service, library, newsletter, etc)

What could we do differently to make the guild more attractive to you?

Please continue comments on the back.

