



Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

May Your Bobbins Always Be Full

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President's Message

Thank you for making the last guild meeting such a huge success. We decided to have Quilt Market (instead of a Quilt Show), we unanimously decided to change the date (to November 1, 2008), and we have found a chair for the Quilt Market, thank you Sarah McCreary. We also had some ladies volunteer to help with Quilt Market, thank you. We also want to thank Claire Swinhoe for being the chairman of the County Fair, thank you. We need two more individuals to volunteer for Ticket Sales & Historian. Let's make this the last plea of the 2007 Presidents, OK?

March Meeting - wear red (If you can't that's alright, but try). We'll be telling you something at the March Meeting and it will be better if everyone is wearing the same color. More at the meeting . . .

Your Presidents,
Marian & Shelly

Cluster News –

A new White Rock afternoon cluster is forming. If you are interested, please contact Evonne Holder at evonneholder@earthlink.net. If you have recently filled out a cluster info sheet, I have your information. Thanks, Evonne

March Guild Meeting - March 25th at the White Rock Baptist Church

This month, our own Nicole Dunn will be telling us “Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Long-Arm Quilting.” Learn what a long-arm quilting machine (and quilter) can do, and what it can’t. Learn how to prepare your quilt, and discuss ideas for quilting patterns. This will be a lot more fun if members will bring quilts to share that have been quilted by Nicole at Dunn Quilting, or you can bring in a quilt top to discuss quilting ideas!

“Creating Abstract Designs”



Fourteen quilters had the pleasure of spending two days with Katie Pasquini Masopust, expanding our horizons, thinking outside the box, and generating multiple



designs for our future art quilts! Starting with basic design and color concepts, we found possibilities in shapes, photographs, and our own abstract paintings. We learned to look at small portions of a photo or painting to find an interesting subject. We even donned blindfolds to paint on newsprint, guided by different music. What a surprise to find exciting designs in our scribbles! Be on the lookout for new art quilts spring from the many ideas we took home

Block of the Month--

We had 19 Puzzle Path blocks turned in at the February meeting. They were won by Donna Smith. Nicole Dunn won the Heart blocks at the January meeting. The block for March is a butterfly. If you didn't pick up the directions and fabric at the meeting you can still get them at Pandy's Quilt Store and they are still \$1.00. The background and butterfly body need to be the fabric you get with the pattern. Bring your block to the meeting to be in the drawing. The block of the month directions and the fabric for April will be available at the March meeting for \$1.00.

Guild Calendar -- 2008

March 25th, White Rock Baptist Church

Nicole Dunn – Long-arm quilting

April 22nd, Los Alamos United Church

May 27th, White Rock Baptist Church

Louisa Smith – Stripping

June 24th, Los Alamos United Church

July – No meeting

August 26th, White Rock Baptist Church

Libby Lehman

September 23rd, Los Alamos United Church

Pot Luck Supper

October 28th, White Rock Baptist Church

Addition to the February story on the show “Fabrications” at the Capitol Rotunda at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe: Julie Filatoff is an additional guild member who will be part of this exhibit.

Remember the exhibit will start on April 4th with an opening from 5 to 7 p.m. and continue through August 22nd.

Happy Easter Happy Easter

The Wonderful Art of Stripping!



I am a stripper and I am darn good at it! This lecture let us take a closer look at strip piecing. There are so many design possibilities that start with simple strip piecing. We will explore just some of these designs namely:

All the Strips and Curves designs as well as the many Bargello type quilts. Exploring color and texture that are so vital to the success of these techniques. The simple procedure of strips piecing and counter cutting, whether with curves or straight lines can make you become a great stripper as well!

Louisa Smith - <http://www.quiltescapes.com/>

THE MUSEUM of INTERNATIONAL FOLK ARTS in Santa Fe still has the “Gee’s Bend Quilts and Beyond” through May 11th. It also has the program below on March 30th. More info at: <http://www.moifa.org/home3.html>

Sunday March 30, 2008

1 to 4 p.m.

Quilting Demonstration

The Chimayo Valley quilters demonstrate and discuss how to make baby quilts. The simple block construction highlights diverse quilting techniques including appliqué, embroidery and traditional patterns. All use recycled fabric scraps and include the child’s name and date of birth. The quilts are filled with polyester batting, backed with pinwhale corduroy and tied with colorful yarn. Instructions for making baby quilts will be available during the demonstration. By Museum admission, New Mexico residents FREE on Sundays!



What is the Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild ?

We are a group of quilters of all levels who get together for learning, sharing and giving.

We meet on the 4th Tuesday evening of each month – even months at White Rock Baptist Church, odd months at United Church of Los Alamos. We don't meet in December and we usually take a month off in the summer.

We have interesting speakers and several workshops by well-known speakers throughout the year. Each meeting also has a show-and-tell opportunity and a short business meeting.

In alternate years we hold a Quilt Show or a Quilt Market – both giving an opportunity for our quilters to share their beautiful creations!

We (individually and as a guild) provide many donation quilts for worthy organizations, and do other community service.

We have a wonderful library, with hundreds of quilting books available for members to borrow. Books are displayed at each monthly meeting.

Many members of LAP also meet in small clusters, sharing common interests and encouraging each other.

Thinking of joining the Los Alamos Piecemakers? We'd love to welcome you! Members receive the monthly newsletter (either by email or post) and get discounted fees on workshops. For a membership form, visit our website at www.vla.com/lap.

