

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Hi, Ho; Hi Ho; it's off to sew we go!!

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October, 2009

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County Fair

*This position is open.
Plan now for next year!!*

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Deadlines for Newsletters is 10 days before each monthly meeting

October Guild Meeting

Tuesday, 10-27, at 7 p.m.

At White Rock Baptist Church

Sew-a-thon time is here!!

Plan ahead, if you can, for a team of three:
two sewers and one presser.
Organized by Marian Kirchner
(more details on next page)

Sew-a-thon:

Ideally, each team will consist of two sewers and one cutter/presser. Please bring:

2 sewing machines with thread to match whatever fabric you choose

Rotary cutter and mat

6 ½" Easy Angle

Iron and Ironing Board

Fabric: Scraps of lights and darks with good contrast

Come to the Sew-a-thon with your fabrics pre-cut as follows:

12 darks 6 ½" x 9"

12 lights 6 ½" x 9"

12 darks 2 ½" x 18"

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Can also be made using 6 fat quarter darks and 6 fat quarter lights. Cut:

--one 6 ½" x 18" and two 2 ½" x 18" of each of the darks

--one 6 ½" x 18" and two 2 ½" x 18" of each of the lights

Membership Packets:

In October and November (after the quilt show), Libby Carlsten needs a few volunteers to help gather coupons, giveaways (and any other free goodies) for the 2010 membership packets. Our membership packets have gotten fairly thin over the past few years and she would really appreciate some help trying to "fatten" them up. Volunteers should be willing to make phone calls or write letters to quilt shops and/or manufacturers. Thanks much. See Libby or e-mail her if you're interested:

carlstens@msn.com.

REMINDER: the LAP guild year was changed from September 1 thru August 31 to January 1 thru December 31. (Libby has received several calls from people who thought they'd missed the membership drive.) The membership forms will be included here and in the November newsletter. Everyone who paid their membership dues last year actually got four months for "free" because this is the transition year.

The 2010 membership forms can be turned in any time in November or December for the new membership year beginning January 1, 2010.

Donation Quilt News:

Our winner, Crystal Dale, a Los Alamos woman, has not been able to pick up her quilt yet. We are wishing her many warm nights this winter!!

We sold \$2,712 in donation quilt tickets. I do not have the cost for the fabric, quilting, tickets and other costs that maybe associated with the quilt so I do not yet know the amount we made after costs.

--Susan Roach

Block of the Month—this month Nicole shows several ways you can put the blocks together. If you receive the newsletter in the mail, you will see two of them. The others will be on our web site and in the e-mail version of the newsletter.

Stars of Enchantment Quilt Show

Congratulations to all of you!!!! What a beautiful show we had thanks to all your creative talents and very hard work. We had about 550 visitors divided equally between the two days. The donation quilt did fantastic--see Susan's report. The silent auction was also much fun and profitable, look for Sue's update. The free stuff disappeared, like anything free, door prizes were plentiful and so nice, food was exceptional, vendors were busy and I hope they made some money. The children's activity was fun for the kids and their parents. We made 50 bags and had 12 left. I felt the trunk show was well received and I know I had fun revealing each piece and hearing the ooh's and ahh's. Many thanks to each and every one of you for what you did, I hope you had as much fun as I did, hard work and all.

Those of you who headed a committee, will you please send me a report--a page or two telling what you did, what worked and what didn't and anything else you feel is pertinent. Also I would like to know how much you spent, just for further reference. Make sure you give your bills to Shelly.

Now for the winners... Yeah!!!!

The Stars of Enchantment Quilt--Crystal Dale, a local woman.

Best of Show went to Betty Oliphant "Winter Wonderland" Yeah!! Betty

Viewers choice Awards are:

Bed quilts:	1st	Betty Oliphant	Winter Wonderland
	2nd	Shirley Klosterbuer	Mariner's Compass
	3 rd	Jacquie Krohn	Peace Garden
Kit Quilts	1st	Kay Eccleston	Night Bloom
	2nd	Fran Suchocki	O Tannenbaum
	3 rd	Gayla Myers	Tequila Sunrise
Wall Quilts:	1st	Nicole Dunn	Memories
	2nd	Sue Friar	Autumn
	3rd	Gayla Myers	Fortieth Anniversary
Crib/Lap	1st	Heide Payne	Peter Rabbit and Friends
	2nd	Heide Payne	Something Fishy
	3rd	Mada Jones	Safari Dream
Miniatures:	1st	Betty Oliphant	Crown of Thorns
	2nd	Betty Oliphant	Untitled
	3rd	Betty Oliphant	Baby Bricks
WAS:	1st	Shirley Klosterbuer	Quilted Jacket
	2 nd	Dee Martinez	My Bag
	3rd	Kathy Gillespie	Full Circle

And I almost forgot:

Guild Challenge

1st	Libby Carlsten	Happy Halloween
2 nd	Wilma Cowan	Where's Auntie Em?
3rd	Gayla Myers	Greener on My Street

HEARTS TO ALL OF YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Guess that does it, so thanks again, Happy Holidays, Happy New Year and see you next year.

Take care, Judy Verzino

Looking to next month:

Our November program is Mary Lou Weidman. She will be bringing quilts to show to illustrate her talk "Creative You".

Her lecture covers all kinds of ways to become more creative. Mary Lou explains avenues of creativity, the personality of the creative person and how you can stretch and become more creative with your thoughts and your quilts. Prepare to be inspired and to go away thinking of things you want to do to be a new "creative YOU."

If you have never taken a guild workshop before, this one would be a great one to start with. It's not about precise piecing so you can not do it wrong.

Her workshop is on Wednesday, Nov. 18th from 9 am. to 4 pm. The topic sounds like a blast: "Hoochy Mama Quilts". This workshop introduces new friends to the technique called "Hoochy Mama" which uses 4" strips of fabric to make wonderful traditional blocks wonky and fun. These blocks can make any everyday block into something interesting, exciting and fun. And even better, once you get the hang of this technique and style, you can make a quilt in much less time. For baby quilts, hangings and gifts this is the perfect class. Come prepared to learn about color, value and a new way to make fabulous, funky blocks. Smiling and laughter is a part of this experience too.

Sign-up forms and supply lists will be available at the October and November meetings. For more info, see Pandy.



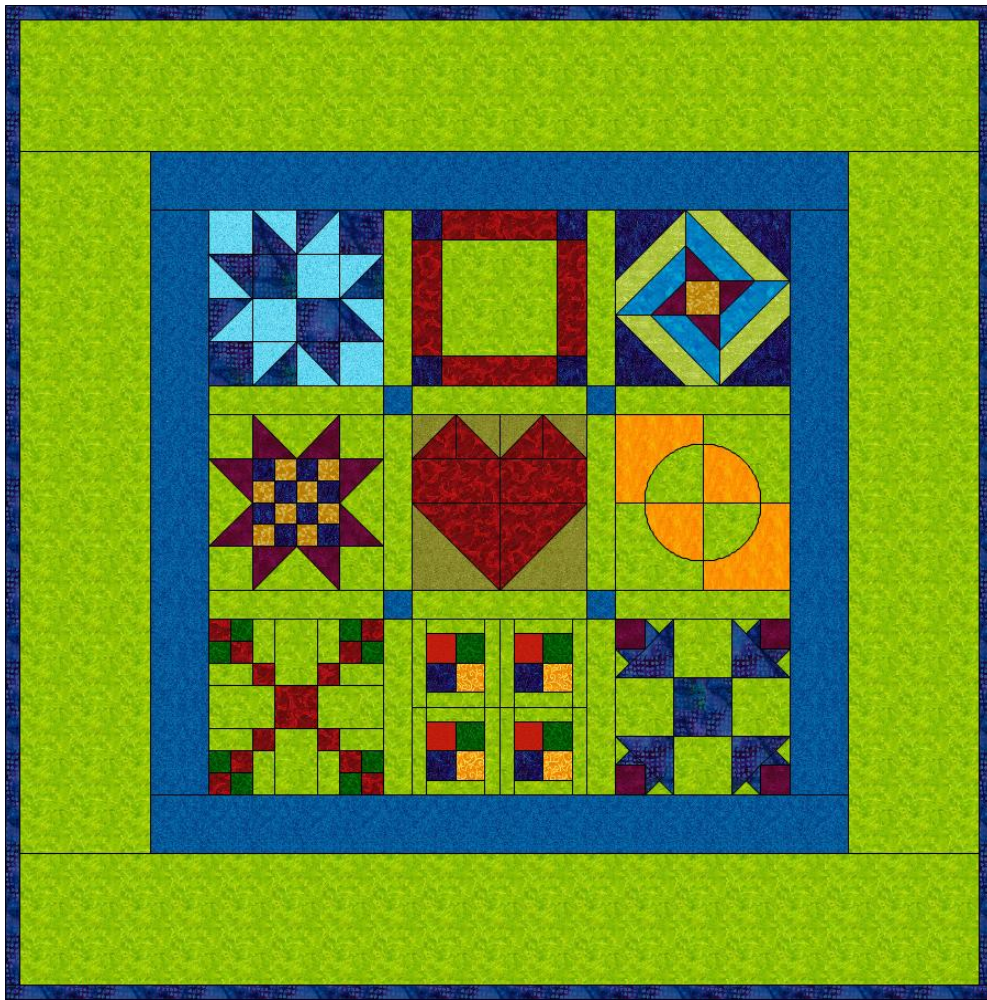
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Election of New Officers and committee chair-people:

Now is the time to think about how you can help the guild for the next year. We need lots of willing people to help with the running of the guild. We especially need someone (or two) to commit to planning and setting up for the programs and guest speakers; that is the vice-president position. Please consider giving some time to the guild in any capacity you can; any gift you might have in communication, organizing, phoning, arm twisting (just kidding) can be beneficial for the guild.

Paid advertisement:

<p><u>Kama's Custom Catering Service</u> All events: holiday parties, birthday, family parties, bridal showers, private dinner parties... Private chef service (1 to over 100 people) Baking specialties: breads, cinnamon rolls, pies. Reduce your stress, call... 505-412-2150</p>
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Block of the Month 2009.

This is just one suggestion for the final layout of our Block of the Month for this year. If you are interested in a different layout please let me know as I have several ideas. So to finish this quilt top as pictured above you will need:

4 turquoise blue cornerstones for the sashing that are 2.5" x 2.5"

½ yard of lime green for the sashing

1 yard of turquoise blue for the first border,

2 yards for the lime green outer border.

½ yard of a dark blue for the final binding.

You will also need 4 yards for the backing, or a backing made from your "leftovers" from the front that measures 75" x 75".

Cutting:

Cut 7 strips of 2.5" binding out of dark blue.

Cut 4 strips that are 2.5 inches wide, and then sub cut in to 12 strips that are 2.5" x 12.5".

Cut 4 2.5" x 2.5" turquoise blue squares for the sashing.

The first turquoise blue border I cut at 4.5 inches wide, so you will need 2 borders that are 4.5" x 40.5" and 2 borders that are 4.5" x 48.5"

The second green border I cut at 9.5" wide. You will need 2 borders cut at 9.5" x 48.5". And 2 borders cut at 9.5" x 66.5".

HOWEVER, I strongly recommend that you wait to cut your borders until you have measured your actual quilt, which may be slightly different than my measurements.

Sewing:

I like to layout the entire quilt (up to the borders) to make sure I like the way it all goes together. So, I would recommend laying out all the blocks you have made with the sashing, and corner squares on the floor or your design wall, and look back at it to make sure all is where you want it. This is a great time to change a block's position with another until you are satisfied that you like it. Sew all together. Then, once all your blocks are sewn together, measure thru the middle in both directions and you will know what length to make the first and second side of the first border. Measure again, including those first borders and make the 3 and 4th sides of the first border to that measurement. After sewing on all four sides, measure again and cut the last four borders as before. Measuring your borders this way makes for a flatter, square quilt.

Good luck and make sure to bring it to the quilt meeting to show off when you are done. Pat and I both would love to see it! Call us with any questions, 662-0829.

Thanks,
Nicole and Pat.

LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS MEMBERSHIP
January 2010 – December 2010

Please print all information clearly

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Cell # _____

E-mail address _____

Do you want to receive the LAP Newsletter via e-mail? Yes No (Circle one)

Please volunteer for one or more of the following by placing a check mark next to items(s):

____ County Fair ____ Donation Quilt ticket sales ____ Valentine's Day luncheon

____ Meeting refreshments ____ Quilt Show/Quilt Market ____ Serve as officer

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

Mail to: LAP, Attn: Libby Carlsten, Membership Chair, 36 Loma Del Escolar, Los Alamos, NM 87544

LAP Use only:

Payment _____ Entered in database _____ Nametag _____ Packet _____ Membership Card _____

Future Programs for Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild

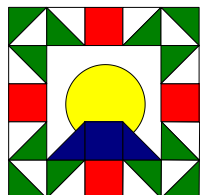
Tuesday, October 27—Sew-a-thon led by Marian Kirchner (White Rock)—details in this newsletter

Tuesday, November 17—Talk and workshop by Mary Lou Weidman, who has a book coming out in November. You can see her work at: <http://www.marylouquilt designs.com>. (Los Alamos)

Wednesday, November 18—workshop with Mary Lou Weidman: “Hoochy Mama Quilts”. (Los Alamos)

December—NO MEETING—HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!—KEEP ON SEWING!!

Tuesday, January 26, 2010—TBA--guild meeting, White Rock



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