

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Share the love of sewing and quilting!

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April 2011 Guild Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

United Church, Los Alamos

QUILTING FOR OTHERS (QFO)

Our April guild meeting is on Tuesday, April 26 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Los Alamos United Church.

We have a really fun, "beginner friendly" project for everyone to work on. Bring all those 2-1/2 inch strips that you don't know what to do with (who doesn't have left over jelly rolls...) and we will show you how to turn them into a quick and easy quilt to share with others! The strips could kind of go together, they could be scrappy or you could exchange strips at the meeting. If you'd like to get a head start, trim the selvage edges, press your strips and arrange them in the order you'd like to sew them together in.

What to bring: your strips, sewing machine, sewing tools (scissors, etc.) and an iron, if possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Jo Ann Painter at 672-1583, 490-3438 or jpainter@q.com OR Liz Martineau at 670-5069 or liz4_always@yahoo.com.

Mystery Quilt Block 2 is called "Pieced Tulips." If you are receiving this newsletter as e-mail, the directions will be in a separate attachment.

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Just a short note from the President:

Hi everyone,

I hope your April is going well.

For a brief summary of the last Guild's meeting, we will NOT be having a Quilt Show this year or make a Donation Quilt. Sometimes organizations need changes, encouraging new ideas and energy. I'm hoping with the break we will get energized and we'll be off to a good start in 2012.

If any of you would like to work on ideas for a Donation Quilt, please bring your ideas to any of our Guild meetings.

If you attended the Judy Niemeyer workshop or purchased one of her patterns, please bring in your completed quilt. We love to see them!

Don't forget that April's program will be making a QFO (Quilt for Others). Jo Ann has the necessary information in this newsletter. It should be a great sewing night!

See you at our April 26th meeting.

Fran

Future Fun for Piecemakers:

May 2011 GAME NIGHT!!! Our May guild meeting is on Tuesday, May 24 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the White Rock Baptist Church. We have another fun game for everyone with wonderful prizes!! HINT: What do you know about block names? If you have any questions, please contact Jo Ann Painter at 672-1583, 490-3438 or jpainter@q.com OR Liz Martineau at 670-5069 or liz4_always@yahoo.com. (No, we are not going to give out answers ahead of time!)

August 2011 SHARON SCHAMBER Here's your opportunity to learn and/or hone your skills with freemotion quilting!! Sharon Schamber, of Payson AZ, will be presenting a lecture and trunk show for our evening program on Tuesday, August 23, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. She will also conduct a workshop the following day entitled "Basic Freeform Feathers" from her series "Domestic Machine Quilting." The workshop starts with learning to free motion quilt with four basic shapes. Then you will learn to put them together to create a meandering feather and many other quilting patterns without having to mark your top. Sharon has a long background in fabrics and was head designer-owner of Deja Vu and Time and Eternity Fashions in Phoenix, AZ for over 25 years. She retired from her upscale bridal and formal wear business in 1994 and has since devoted her energies toward designing and making quilts. She actively competes and wins awards at shows across the country. Sharon teaches hand and domestic machine quilting, hand painting, applique, longarm quilting, beadwork and binding techniques. Sharon has won multiple Best of Show awards at both IQA, Houston TX and AQS, Paducah KY among others. You can read more about Sharon at her website: www.sharonschamber.com. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Ann Painter at 672-1583, 490-3438 or jpainter@q.com OR Liz Martineau at 670-5069 or liz4_always@yahoo.com.

Library News: The library committee met earlier this month and we now have 61 books for sale at the April meeting. All the books are between 50 cents and 3 dollars. Please have checks or cash as we can't do credit.

There are still 28 books and several videos checked out to members. Please check your quilting materials for these items and return them at the next meeting.

Individual phone calls and/or emails regarding these materials will be made in May. If you wish to keep the books you currently have checked out, you may pay for them at the current rate of about 10% of their face value.

Thank you,

Evonne Holder (672-3578)

Out and About...

Calling all quilters, fiber, embroidery and beading enthusiasts who would like to win \$ 500 Cash. Entry forms for the 2011 African Folklore Embroidery Challenge are now online at www.aflembroider.com THE GRAND PRIZE is \$500 cash, 2nd prize \$50 and 3rd prize \$25.00. All entrants will receive certificate of participation and be considered for inclusion in a new book.

All entries will be on display at the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach at the African Folklore Embroidery Booth. July 29th - 31st 2011, Long Beach Convention Center, California

Entries will also be on display at the American Sewing Guild Conference in Los Angeles, Aug 19th-21st 2011. The deadline for entries is July 15th 2011

Thank you, Leora Raikin, fiber artist, teacher and curator of the African Folklore Embroidery \$500 Challenge, (818) 999-6094 info@aflembroider.com

Beginning quilters!! Marilyn Minshall would like to get a group started to help beginning quilters. Please call her at 672-3499 to get together and find out needs of beginners. She needs helpers (teachers) and someone to teach!! Give her a call if you're interested.

Future Programs for Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild

Tuesday, April 26: **Quilting For Others (QFO)**, Los Alamos United Church (no workshop)

Tuesday, May 24: **Game Night**, White Rock Baptist Church (no workshop)

Tuesday, June 28: TBD, Los Alamos United Church

No meeting in July—Enjoy your summer!!

Tuesday, August 23, **Sharon Schamber**, White Rock Baptist Church

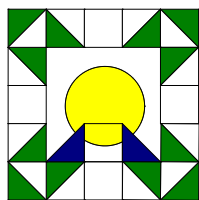
Wednesday, August 24, **Sharon Schamber workshop**, White Rock Baptist Church

Tuesday, September 27, **Potluck/Membership**, Los Alamos United Church (no workshop)

Tuesday, October 25, TBD, White Rock Baptist Church

Tuesday, November 15, TBD, Los Alamos United Church

No meeting in December -- Happy Holidays!!



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