

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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August 2011 Guild Meeting
Tuesday, August 23
White Rock Baptist Church

Sharon Schamber

Here's your opportunity to learn and/or hone your skills with free motion 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

A NOTE From the President OF YOUR GUILD:

It's hard to believe that August is here! With no meetings in June or July a lot of us haven't had contact with each other. I hope that all of you are doing well and have been able to settle into cutting pieces of fabric, sewing them together, sandwiching the top, batting and back, and then quilt it now that the fire gone and the heat subsiding. What a great way to spend part of one's day!

2011 is going by quickly. We only have four more Guild meetings this year! We've made some changes this year in regards to our Guild. The Guild members discussed and voted not having a Quilt Show/Quilt Market this year and not to make a Donation Quilt to be raffled this year; but the members did vote on having a Donation Quilt started and possibly finished this year for the usage in 2012. The pattern was voted on and material purchased. A small group with Donna Smith and Evonne Holder as co-leaders has already assembled the quilt! It is now with Nicole Dunn to be quilted. We are so blessed to have this project making such magnificent progress. Thanks to all of you who helped with this project.

We voted on only having two presenters and workshops this year. This month on August 23rd Sharon Schamber will be presenting a lecture and truck show for our evening program. The meeting will be held at the White Rock Baptist Church beginning at 7 PM. On Wednesday, August 24th Sharon will be leading a full day Workshop entitled "Basic Freeform Feathers" from her series "Domestic Machine Quilt." This will be a wonderful experience for all of us attending the workshop, as we will be taught this technique using our own machines!!! I know that I am looking forward to a day of learning and fun. You can sign up for the workshop with JoAnn Painter or Liz Martineau. You can contact either of them by email, calling, or signing up at the August 23rd meeting. I hope to see you all at both the meeting and the workshop.

Another item we discussed and voted on was to down size our Library. With Evonne Holder chairing this position, a group of Guild members have been working on the books. I hope you are taken advantage of the opportunity of purchasing books when they are being displayed for sale during our meetings. The money is going back into our Guild's funds.

Are you working on your "Mystery Quilt" yet? It's fun to see how this is coming along. It's never too late to start this project. I'm looking forward to seeing yours later this year. Remember if you have any questions...just email or call Debbie Claytor or Debbie McLin. They have the answers!

As the year ends, so will all of the Officers and Chair positions for our Guild. Each of these positions has been held for 2 years by these members. PLEASE think about taking one of these positions, if not filled our Guild will have many problems. We will be talking about this briefly at our meeting.

See you all at the meeting! Family and Friends are always welcome!

Cheers,

Fran

Report from the library committee:

The Library committee still has 43 used books that will be for sale at the August and September meetings. The cost of the books is about 10% of the cover price so they are a really good deal. These are books we have culled from the library. There are still 87 books in the library. There are 48 books and videos that are missing and unaccounted for so check your shelves to see if you have a library book or video. If you wish to keep what you have, you may choose to buy it for 10% of the listed price. We will not be acquiring new books this year, but will accept ideas from members for new books next year.

The library committee will meet two more times to sort and catalog the remaining books as well as to make sure each book has a check out card in it. Books may be checked out for three months at a time The library will be available at United Church meetings only.

Evonne Holder

Mystery Quilt Block 5: Whirling Square

Please find the directions in another attachment.

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Workshop notes:

Go to sharonschamber.com for examples and more info. Look under classes, then to "Domestic Machine Quilting-Basic Freeform Feathers". You will find the supply list of things recommended to bring to the workshop. It will also be attached to the e-mailed newsletter, and printed for the mailed newsletter. There is also a \$15.00 materials fee for handouts at the workshop.

Check your calendars and sign up NOW!! It looks very interesting!

Future Programs for Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild

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

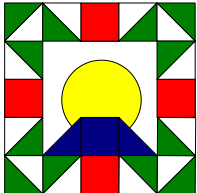
Wednesday, August 24, **Sharon Schamber workshop**, White Rock Baptist Church

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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