

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

So Much Fabric, So Little Time!

P.O. Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544

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January, 2012

2012 Officers

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Volunteer needed

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Publicity:

Volunteer needed

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Volunteer needed

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2012 Quilt Show/Market:

Volunteer needed

2012 Donation Quilt Ticket

Sales:

Dennise Swanson
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2013 Donation Quilt:

Volunteer needed

January 2012 Guild Meeting **Tuesday, January 24th** **7 p.m.** **White Rock Baptist Church** **"Quilt Label Workshop"**

Many quilters neglect or avoid adding labels to their quilts.—Have No Fear! We will share ideas for creating interesting and informative labels for quilts. Materials will be available for each person to create a label to take home. If you have creative labels or ideas, please come ready to share!

Of course our January meeting will also have time for Show and Tell – so come ready to be *inspired*!

February 2012 Guild Meeting **Tuesday, February 28th** **7 p.m.** **United Church in Los Alamos**

"Got Fabric Scraps?"

Trish Spillman has answers! She will share ideas for unique Yo-yo projects and gift ideas that use up those small pieces of fabric. You are invited to bring any of your personal yo-yo projects to share. Please bring scraps at least 3 inches square (We know that you have them!), a needle and some thread.

Liz Martineau

President's Report

Welcome to 2012. We hope that it will be a great year for you personally and for the Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Lyn Olson is currently on vacation in sunny Florida. Lyn and I will share the office of president. We both tend to travel, but we believe that our schedules will allow one or both to be at the monthly meetings. We hope to make this year fun and low stress.

We are grateful to the members who have committed to serve on the board and committees for 2012. We encourage you to support them and say thank you whenever possible.

We send a really big thank you to the 2011 board members and committee chairs for the hard work and time they donated to the guild. THANK YOU!

Please read the section on the budget as like many organizations our expenses currently exceed our income. We do have a reserve, but as a guild we will need to determine our future.

The board does not have a list of the current clusters. We would love to have the name of the cluster, a contact and phone number for each cluster. If your cluster is willing, please send the information to sroach9@mac.com. There are times when it would be helpful for the board to ask a cluster to provide refreshments or help with a project.

We did not have the quilt show in 2011. Traditionally we would have a quilt market this year. We will need to decide what we want to do in 2012. Please think about what you would like the guild to do and how you would like to contribute. We have 13 members who have signed up to help. Comments can be sent to Susan sroach9@mac.com and Lyn olson@losalamos.com.

Suggestions:

- * Combine the quilt show and the market and have it every other year.
- * We could hold our show/market during odd years. The Santa Fe Quilt Fiesta is even years.
- * Combine with other local groups include beading, knitting, stitchers, etc. and making it a Fiber Arts Festival.
- * Ask each cluster to be responsible for one area.

We are looking forward to a fun year filled with sharing. We encourage each member to get to know at least one new person or get better acquainted with someone at each guild meeting. Share your ideas and skills. Come and have fun.

Susan Roach

2011 Community Service Quilts

The following persons have contributed to community service since July 1st 2011:

Donna Smith – 2 quilts
Beverly Wright - 2 quilts
Micki Taylor – 1 quilt
Judy Verzino – 2 quilts
Irene Aikin – 1 quilt
Jackie Krohn – 3 quilts
Carolyn Macdonell – 1 quilt

Thank you so much !

7 quilts were given to the Crisis Center of New Mexico.

11 quilts were given to Self Help to distribute to Las Conchas fire persons who lost their homes.

I hope I remembered everybody ... *Marilyn Minshall*

2012 LAP Donation quilt

A special thanks goes out to Evonne Holder, Jo Ann Painter and Donna Smith who designed and pieced together our 2012 donation quilt. Also thanks to Nicole Dunn from Dunn Quilting who quilted the quilt. The quilt is beautiful! This is our largest money maker of the year so we are very excited to begin selling tickets (soon).

2012 Community Service Chair

Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild Members, please join us for the annual RSVP Senior Quilters Valentine Luncheon on Feb. 8, 2012, 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. We will enjoy lunch, show and tell and the company of friends and fun quilters! We will have a sign-up sheet for soup, salad, breads and dessert at the Guild Meeting on January 24th in White Rock. If you want to sign up early or can't make it to the guild meeting, call Deb McLin at 672-9811 or email at damclin@gmail.com to RSVP.

RSVP Quilters Donation

The LAP 2012 budget does not have a line item for the RSVP quilters' donation due to our lean budget this year. The board decided to ask for member donations this year until our budget shapes up. The RSVP quilters have asked for yarn, cotton fabric, cotton sheets, batting and/or money to buy batting. The RSVP quilters know money is tight and do not expect a donation. So, anything we are able to donate will be welcomed!

If you are able, please bring donations to the January meeting in White Rock, the Valentines luncheon or if you are not able to attend either, then donations can be dropped off at Dunn Quilting – 3801 Arkansas Ave (next to Papa Murphy's) 662-0829. The donations will be given to the RSVP quilters on February 8th at the Valentines luncheon.

Treasurer's Report

1. Reviewed the books and accounts as provided by Joan Williams, the previous Treasurer. The condition of the records was excellent and easy to review. A big THANKS to Joan!
2. I verified 17 random transactions of the 63 total (27%). All checks and deposits were properly documented.
3. I verified all checks on the LANB statements. All were properly documented.
4. Balanced the Checking Account for December 31, 2011.
5. We have 14 Enamel Quilt Block Pins to sell.
6. Verified paid memberships with Membership Co-chair. 47 Paid memberships for 2012 as of Jan 3, 2012.
7. Checking Balance as of Jan 1, 2012 is \$6317.88.
8. Gross Receipts Tax were filed on Jan 3, 2012 for \$0.

Submitted by *Donna Smith*

Budget

As of January 5, 2012, we have 47 paid members. Dues are \$25.

Current Membership Income \$1175.00

Fixed Expenses

Storage Locker	\$840.00
Monthly Programs	\$500.00
Church Rentals	\$700.00
Post Office Box	\$50.00
Web Site	\$130.00
Newsletter/Postage	\$300.00
Total	\$2520.00

We will need to have 100 members to cover the fixed expenses.

We all know that there are always expenses that are not in the fixed category, i.e. copying, library books and fun. We will also have income from the 2012 Donation Quilt and hopefully more members.

The board is looking at ways to reduce expenditures. We welcome suggestions from all LAP members.

Library

The library committee has the library books ready to check out this month. The books are newly categorized and it should be easier to find the books you are looking for. You may check out books for 3 months and if you want them for a longer time, they must be renewed. Please be sure to put your name AND phone number on the card when you check books out. We hope you will enjoy using our library. If you see a book on the inventory that you want to check out when it is not a meeting time, you may call Evonne at 672-3578 as I am storing the books at my house for now.

Evonne Holder

Give a hand and make a friend.

Have you ever wanted someone to talk to while driving to the meetings? Would you like to encourage others to enjoy our meetings? Here is one way to make that happen. We are compiling a list of members who would be willing to pickup a fellow quilter that needs a ride to the guild meetings. Please email Deb Claytor coolclaytors@att.net and Marilyn Cayton at th23cayton@gmail.com.

Ricky Tims Seminar is coming to Socorro August 24-25, 2012.

We will share details as we receive them. If you are interested contact sroach9@mac.com or olson@losalamos.com

Suggestion: You may want to get a room reservation in Socorro if you plan to attend the seminar.

Membership

Marilyn Cayton and Deb Claytor would like to welcome all of you back. Please remember to renew your membership and pay your dues. This year we will have two tables at the January guild meeting in White Rock. Marilyn's table will be for those who HAVE renewed and paid. At this table you can get your name tag, pick up a membership packet, check our membership list for corrections and buy an enamel quilt pin for \$2 (all money goes to the guild). At Deb's table you CAN renew your membership and pay your dues. Pick up your name tag if you were in the guild last year, pick up a membership packet and buy an enamel quilt pin. Any donations for door prizes are appreciated. Let's have a good year!

Marilyn Cayton and Deb Claytor

Membership Renewal

I know some of you are asking yourselves "why would I spend \$25 to re-join the Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild." Well we found a membership survey from 2006 and apparently there are MANY reasons to join! To begin with, we offer 10 monthly programs, occasional workshops and have an extensive library (I've seen the list!). We also normally organize a quilt show/market, which gives our members an opportunity to display their finished projects for the community or to make money selling handmade items. We also have show & tell each month to share with other quilters our quilt projects and the stories behind them. There are many opportunities for inspiration, sharing information, hearing what's new in quilting and learning new (and old) techniques and ideas. The quilt guild also has opportunities for community service such as the RSVP Valentines luncheon and the sew-a-thon where we make quilts to donate to people/organizations in need of a little color, warmth and love. And most of all, the quilt guild gives members an opportunity to make life long friends!

WE NEED YOU!!

VOLUNTEER FOR A BOARD POSITION FOR 2012 NOW!!

We have several positions that are available and we would love to have you join us. We encourage you to consider one of the following positions. You could work with a friend or two or volunteer as a cluster.

Second Vice President - Traditionally works with the current vice president and serves as the vice president the following year. It is nice to start planning programs a year in advance.

County Fair - Receive quilts, hang the quilt exhibits and return quilts. Not sure about the judging. A great cluster project. Easily divided into 3 parts.

Donation Quilt 2013 - Select a pattern and fabric, prepare the packets for distribution and/or organize a workshop to construct the top, arrange for quilting and binding. A good group/cluster project.

Quilt Show/Market - A big job. We will discuss this at the guild meeting. A chair would be a great start.

Publicity - Keeping us in the local news.

Webmaster - Keep our webpage up to date so we are all in the know.

Shirley Klosterbuer has been our webmaster and has done a wonderful job. Shirley was so dedicated to LAP that she continued updating the LAP site from her new home in Minnesota. We will miss her, and wish her well in her new home.

The LAP website is a wonderful way for those electronically enabled members to keep up to date with the guild. The web is also a great way to store information that allows convenient access by more than one person. Please consider being the new LAP Webmaster. This position does require web experience.

Please note that the web page is not currently up to date. Hopefully we can get it updated soon.

LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS MEMBERSHIP

January 2012 – December 2012

Please print all information clearly.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, & Zip Code _____

Telephone number _____

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):

2013 Donation Quilt _____ Valentine's Day Luncheon _____

Quilt Show/Quilt Market _____ Serve as officer _____

Payment - Make check for \$25 payable to: Los Alamos Piecemakers or LAP. Mail payment to LAP Membership, PO Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544 or hand in at guild meeting.

LAP Use only: Payment ____ Entered in data base ____ Name tag ____ Packet ____
Membership card ____

Future Programs for Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild

Tuesday, February 28, "Got Fabric Scraps?", 7pm Los Alamos United Church

Tuesday March 27, 2012: TBD

Tuesday April 24, 2012: Sew-A-Thon

Tuesday May 22, 2012: TBD

Tuesday June 26, 2012: TBD

July 2012 – No Meeting

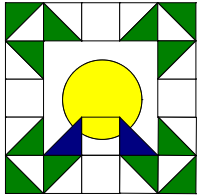
Tuesday August 28, 2012: TBD

Tuesday September 25, 2012: Potluck

Tuesday October 23, 2012: TBD

Tuesday November 13, 2012: TBD

December 2012 – No Meeting



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