



# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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### PLEASE NOTE THIS NEWSLETTER IS BOTH FEBRUARY AND MARCH

## OFFICER REPORTS

### **Vice Presidents –**

Community Service Challenge - This challenge was offered to the guild as a means to keep members connected and at the same time contribute to our Community Service quilt stash. This challenge started July, 2020 and was extended to February 14, 2021 in hopes that we would be meeting in person again.

Grand Prize - A \$50 gift certificate from Atomic City Quilts

A reminder of the rules:

Each person that turned in a completed quilt to Flo by the deadline earned an entry for the drawing for each part they completed.

1) Piecing/binding

2) Quilting (If the quilter charged for the quilting, the person who paid for the quilting gets the entry).

Sew Many Masks – Do you remember what you were doing 11 months ago? Many of you helped make hundreds of masks for the caregivers and firefighters in our community. Thanks to all of you “Sew Many Masks” has been awarded the 2020 Community Asset Award.

The Mourning Project – During our last guild meeting (February, 2020) we finished making 100 pairs of booties for The Mourning Project. Although the display was cancelled because of the Pandemic, it was displayed virtually.

You can find an update on the project and view our panel (6E) at this site: <https://maryvanecke.com/progress/>

---Clara

**2021 Star-Gazing Exchange** – Last month when I exchanged boxes for the Star Exchange, I really enjoyed opening each box and seeing the beautiful stars our members created to start their box of stars. (It will be my “transportation fee” to take a peek at everyone’s stars as I move boxes between houses.) We’ll be having another exchange on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. I hope everyone is enjoying the challenge of working with other member’s choices of fabric and guidelines. This is an open exchange, so if anyone else would like to join, please contact me. ([melodie.gustavsen@gmail.com](mailto:melodie.gustavsen@gmail.com))

**Future Plans** - We continue to adjust plans as we wait for the day that we can hold Piecemaker’s meetings again. Jenny Kae and Michelle Watts have rescheduled their visits to 2022. Debbie Maddy and Susie Parron are still scheduled for later this year. We’re hopeful that once we’re able to be vaccinated and the churches open for groups again, WE WILL HAVE MEETINGS AGAIN! Until then, keep quilting and stay safe!

Thanks!  
Melodie

### **Community Service** – Flo Carr

We received 20 quilts for the challenge started last spring, some of us submitting one quilt, others more. **Carolyn Mangen** tops the list with 4 quilts donated!! Many, many thanks go out to all of you who contributed to the effort!!!! Hopefully it made a nice change from mask-making. Melodie and Clara were able to have a virtual drawing of names on Monday, Feb. 15, and the winner is **Joan Williams!!!** Congratulations, Joan!

Some of the challenge quilts were among those shipped last year to the Sew Creative quilt guild in Ashland, Oregon, to be given to victims of the fires ravaging the West Coast. Currently I have several donation quilts at the ready, but I expect that as the year goes on that amount will soon diminish.

I think many of us are concentrating on quilting and crafting for our families and friends right now, maybe as one of our coping skills to get us through these very troubling and difficult times. If anyone has any time or energy to spare, please keep the community service treasure chest in mind. Also, First Born LA is in need of baby quilts throughout the year, so if you have just a *little bit* of energy to spare, that might be an option. :]

Hope you're all staying home, warm, and safe!

Thanks, Flo