Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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2022 Quilt Market/Show:

LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS United Church of Los Alamos Tuesday, June 28th at 7:00 p.m.

June has arrived in full force – warm and breezy weather. We can be thankful that many of our quilters are back in their homes and (knock on wood) hopefully we will not face another fire in our immediate area.

May's program by Julie Goen was very informative and inspiring for some. There was a very good turnout for her workshop and I can't wait to see everyone's finished projects.

We will have Michelle Watts give a program in June and a workshop the following day, so make plans to attend.

NASA has recently changed their UFO's to the official study to UAP's (Unidentified Aerial Phenomena) which is great for quilter's as we know we have many UFO's.

"My friend told me he holds a world record in quilt making. I suspect his whole story is fabricated."

See everyone on June 28 at United Church of Los Alamos.

Yours in quilting, Linda

Upcoming Calendar

MARKET 2022 – Not this year!

Based on the feedback we received, the board decided we lacked sufficient participation to hold a successful Market this year. In the past, we have had 27-29 individual Market participants. This year we were well below with only 16 individuals indicating interest. We hope to get back on track with a Quilt Show next year!

DE-STASH SALE

Although we will not have Market this year, we are going to have a De-Stash sale in July - yes next month!

The De-Stash sale will be held Sat Jul 30th, United Church/Graves Hall from 10-3. We plan to invite other guilds and the public to shop our sale.

The guild will be selling donated high quality quilt fabric at discounted prices as well as books from the extensive LAP library.

LAP members are welcome to sell craft/quilt items, fabric, etc from their stash! Tables/chairs will be provided free of charge for participating members. Members will need to manage their own table and sales.

If you would like to participate as a seller let me know at <u>edeskutyb@gmail.com</u>. You need to be a current LAP member.

We do need volunteers to help with transporting the numerous bins of donated fabric to venue, set-up, guild sales, take down, etc. LAP Co-VP Shelly of Atomic City Quilts is developing a volunteer sign-up sheet that will be available for the June meeting. I'm sure you can also pop in the store and sign up there.

Volunteers will be allowed to shop sale prior to opening to the public!

PROGRAMS

We are happy to announce we plan to have our annual pot luck in Oct at the United Church/Graves Hall, 6pm.

We will have a sew-a-thon at the Nov meeting. Details TBD.

Don't forget to sign up for Michelle Watts' upcoming Stencil/Paintstik Workshop on Wed June 29th! To sign up contact me at edeskutyb@gmail.com

In August we will host Jeni Kay Parks for a light hearted presentation called "Confessions of a Fabric Snob". The evening will include a trunk show. Jeni Kay will give a workshop titled "Dangerous Curves" on August 24 at The United Church. The cost of this workshop is \$45.00 for members and \$55.00 for non members.

The Julie Goen Batik Landscape Workshop was a huge success with 16 participants. Julie shared her knowledge, skill, and talent with participants as they started and worked on their own landscape wall hanging.

Julie is a LAP member who offered her workshop for free, and encouraged participants to make a donation to the guild. As a result, \$310 was donated to the guild! A big **THANK YOU** to Julie, and we hope to see some of the landscape quilts started in class at the June meeting!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at <u>edeskutyb@gmail.com</u> Thanks! Brenda

Treasurer's Report (Donna) - The Enterprise Checking account balance on May 31, 2022 was \$7998.06.

Community Service (Flo) - Hi everyone. After giving all of our quilts to Santa Fe Quilts for fire evacuees, our donation coffers were actually empty. For about a day. We currently have 6 new quilts (thanks Carolyn!), and If I ever finish my current project, I hope to add at least one more.

With all the fires around and the temperatures in the 90's, it seems a bit odd to be offering quilts to anyone. But quilts are as much for comfort as for warmth, right?

Thanks to everyone for all your marvelous quilts. They're appreciated more than we will ever know!

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild May 24, 2022 Secretary Report - Deb McLin

Linda K. called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. There were no new members or guests.

Vice Presidents Report- After a board meeting today it was decided that because of low response from the e-mail sent out regarding interest in having a market or show in 2022 that there would be none. But on July 30 we would hold a "De-stash Sale" at the United Church. There will be tables set aside for LAP members to sell items. There will be no fee charged for use of the table but the member selling must manage the table. If you have questions contact Brenda or Shelly.

We will plan and promote a Quilt Show in 2023. It was decided, citing budget concerns, that we would only have one national speaker in 2023.

This June we will welcome Michelle Watts to present a program titled "How Does it Get From Idea to Quilt". She will present a workshop on Wednesday "It's Easy With Stencils". Fee for LAP members is \$45.00 and non- members \$55.00.

In August, Jeni Kay Parks will present a program titled, "Every Quilt is a Learning Quilt". She will present a workshop on Wednesday August 24 titled "Dangerous Curves".

Looking ahead to 2023, Shelly would like to invite two sisters that taught a workshop Shelly attended at Quilt Con. They presented English Paper Piecing. She will try to plan it for April 2023.

Shelly also had some fun ideas for the guild members to participate in 2023. One idea is similar to the old "telephone game" we played as children only this game uses a picture that the quilter shares with another quilter to begin the game. The quilter receiving the picture then interprets the picture using any quilting technique she chooses. That quilter then takes a picture of the block she made and sends it on to the next chosen quilter who in turn makes a block from that sent picture. This game of interpretation continues for several more rounds with each new block made being the inspiration for the next block. The blocks are collected and returned to the quilter who presented the original photo that started her "telephone" game. We get to see how the original photo and blocks were interpreted after passing through many makers. This is a different kind of round robin and she would like many LAP members to join in to make it a success.

Another idea Shelly would like to present in 2023 is a mini quilt exchange. It would begin with each quilter filling out a "profile" sheet and it would be given to another quilter to build a 24"by 24" quilted and bound mini quilt according to the profile.

Treasurer's report- Donna assures us we are not in the "Red" yet.

Committee Reports

Community Service- Flo is taking LAP quilts and two knitted afghans to Santa Fe Quilting to be sent out to forest fire victims .

Membership- Clara reports that we have no new members.

Newsletter- Laura has no new report.

Publicity- Joan continues to contact our online news sources to promote our meetings and workshops.

UFO for 2022- Joan will handle the set up for our annual UFO Challenge. The LAP member estimates the number of UFO's they will finish by November with one dollar given to Joan for every project. At our November meeting we will receive a tag for each finished item. Joan says that to receive credit you must make a reasonable item like at least four placemats equals one UFO. After all of the money is collected we will have a drawing and the money will be split between two winners. This is a big show and tell event but phone pictures of item sent out before November's meeting are still acceptable.

Program- Julia Goen, a LAP member presented a program about her journey of designing landscape wall hangings using fabric. Julia learned to sew at 10 years of age using a Featherweight machine. She did a little sewing during her time as a teacher for LAPS but really started exploring art quilting after she retired. She found a book by Cathy Grier called "Lovely Landscape Quilts" and she was fascinated by the techniques and decided to try out the several different ways of composing a small fabric wall hanging using her own photos from her travels. One technique mentioned in the book was seaming with a tear away interfacing. However Julia preferred using an iron on interfacing technique that will be used in the workshop. The quilter will lay down strips to compose a picture and will iron on the strips to the fusible interfacing and then will use clear thread to secure the fabric to the base. When the landscape is composed the quilting begins using variegated thread and decorative embroidery threads and maybe ribbons to add texture and depth. It's also a way to use all of the decorative stitches on your machine. She showed her landscape wall hangings of the Valle Grande, Los Conchas Trailhead and Williams Lake in Colorado.

Julia says that problem solving is easy because if you are not satisfied with the way it looks you can cut it out and fuse another fabric that better shows what you want your landscape to look like. Her motto "No Rules, Have Fun".

Show and Tell- Last month we decided to use Facebook to post our Show 'n Tells. If you do not want yours posted let us know when you show them.

Clara and Melodie showed their quilts made from the pattern by Edita Sytar titled "Alaska". Clara's quilt was made of a back round of cream fabric and an assortment of blue batiks and it was quilted by Susan Tesch. Melodie's Alaska quilt was made with blue batiks and had a white back round and was hand quilted by Melodie.

Donna showed a burgundy and navy quilt with a star design mixed with a medallion from the round robin exchange. She showed the last quilt available for the veteran's quilts that the Bear Paws give out to the family of a veteran that has passed. She asks that if anyone has a quilt of red, white and blue of any design that they could use for this program it would be greatly appreciated.

Donna's also showed a stash buster quilt using green fabrics that looked like they were woven strips.

Louise brought her 2020 BOM quilt with a minkie backing. The fabrics were turquoise and grey with many different quilting designs using rulers and feathers.

Next meeting is June 28 in Los Alamos.

Jemez Springs Bear Paws Guild Show is July 23-24 at the Madonna Hall in Jemez Springs. If there is space they have invited LAP members to bring up quilts to show.

Adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Find us on Facebook! Search for Los Alamos Piecemakers. Ask to join, and Deborah or Laura will bring you in!

What is the origin of the word quilt?

"Quilt" is derived from the Latin word culcita, which means "stuffed sack." The earliest depiction of quilting was discovered in Egypt; it was an ivory figurine of a pharaoh wearing quilted clothing, ca. 3400 BC. Quilted clothing was popular in Europe, especially under chain-mail armor for soldiers.



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