



# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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### **2022 Quilt Market/Show:**

**LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS**  
**Los Alamos United Church**  
**Tuesday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.**

Dear Piecemakers,

We sadly report the death of a faithful quilter and our dear friend, JoAnn Painter. May your UFO's be finished, may your quilts keep you at peace and may you continue to quilt for the angels.

We had a great meeting with Jenny Kae Parks and a workshop following. Can't wait to see projects created at the workshop. It will soon be time to pay our dues, the officers met and we feel that we have to raise the annual dues and prices for workshops. You may mail your dues, but we hope you will personally bring them to the meeting so that we may see you. See the new membership form for prices.

*"The best kind of sleep beneath heaven above is under a quilt, handmade with love."*

See you at Los Alamos United Church, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Yours in Quilting,  
Linda

## OFFICER REPORTS

### **VICE PRESIDENTS –**

#### **Sept Mtg**

LAP will be hosting Debbie Maddy for the Sept 27th mtg (7pm) and Sept 28th workshop (9am to 3pm). Both meeting and workshop will be at United Church/Graves Hall.

Debbie has studied with Shibori masters, mainly in Japan, and her lecture on the 27th will be a combination slide/trunk show. She will discuss the concept of Shibori and the various techniques; show slides of her studies in Japan; and display a collection of hand dyed fabrics and quilts made from Shibori fabrics.

Her workshop on the 28th is "Shibori Resist with Indigo Dyeing." We will make an Indigo vat first thing in the morning, and then set to work on tying fabric for dyeing using a variety of fun and interesting techniques and objects.

Workshop cost is \$45 for members, and \$55 for non members. There is an additional \$25 supply fee. Prepared fabric or a scarf for dyeing will also be available for purchase at the workshop. Donna Smith has indicated she has a bolt of already prepared muslin for dyeing that she is willing to share.

If you are interested in taking this class contact me at [edeskutyb@gmail.com](mailto:edeskutyb@gmail.com), and I will sign you up, and send you a more detailed supply/instruction list.

#### **Oct 25th Mtg**

After a several year hiatus, due to you know what 😊, I am happy to announce we will have our annual pot luck! The Meeting/Potluck will be held at the United Church/Graves Hall at 6pm - one hour earlier than normal. I'm looking forward to sharing friendship and a meal with my fellow quilters!

Reminder: If you plan to renew your membership at the Oct meeting, the fee for 2023 membership is \$35. Also, 2023 workshops will be \$55 for members and \$65 for non-members.

#### **Nov 29th Mtg**

Community Service Sew-a-thon

#### **2023**

Shelly and I are working on next year's programs, so if you would like to present or have suggestions - don't hesitate to contact us!

Hope to see you at September's meeting and workshop! Brenda [edeskutyb@gmail.com](mailto:edeskutyb@gmail.com)

Brenda

Please remember, if you have signed up for the Telephone Quilt Game, to pick out your picture by the meeting on September 27. Who you will send all your photos to will be sent out 2 days after the meeting (September 29) so verify Shelly has your correct email address & phone number. You then have to send a photo of your chosen picture to the next person by October 1 so they can get started making MiniQuilt1. You will have 2 months to create your MiniQuilt1, but don't share with anyone!

I will be sending out emails to those participating reminding of deadlines & what to send.

If this is your first hearing about this & would like more information, email Shelly (shelly\_kuro@yahoo.com) & we can sign you up.

Shelly

## **TREASURER --**

Treasurer's Report

The Enterprise Bank checking account balance on Aug. 31, 2022 was \$8,324.81.

(Donna)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE --**

Hi everyone. I hope you're having a good Fall and enjoying some quilting time.

I donated 7 quilts to the LAMC ATU last week, which leaves us with 2 quilts in our community service treasure chest.

**Please note: My contact information has changed. My new phone is 505-709-7378; new email is quilteercarr45@icloud.com.**

**Thanks, Flo**

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Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild  
August 23, 2022 Guild Meeting  
Secretary Report - Deb McLin

Call to Order 7:05

We welcome one new visitor, Kathy.

Officer reports

Vice Presidents-Shelly presented thank you cards to all volunteers that helped out with the de- stash sale. Shelly also explained the details for the "telephone" mini swap. The list of participants will be divided into smaller groups. In the first round each quilter will receive a photo and will use any quilting technique to produce a 12"x12" quilted and bound mini quilt based on how the photo inspired them. In the next round the second quilter will only receive a photo of the mini quilt and gather inspiration from the mini and never see the original photo. Quilters will have two months to render a mini quilt and when four rounds are completed there will be a reveal of the

photo and the collection of the four mini's. Shelly would like to have a presentation of this swap at the Quilt Show in 2023.

In September, Debby Maddy, will present a program recalling her adventures and experiences while learning the Shibori resist technique of hand dying fabric. She will hold a workshop on Wednesday Sept. 28 on Shibori resist dying. Both meeting and workshop will be held at the United Church. Cost for workshop is \$45.00 for members and \$55.00 for nonmembers.

Brenda wanted to remind members that the pot-luck will be in October.

Secretary- Please remember to turn in your blocks.

Treasurer- Donna was absent but entered in her report to the newsletter.

#### Committee reports

Community Service- Flo has three quilts left after dropping off six quilts at the ATU department at the hospital. Flo has begun to show photos of the quilts given to Community Service on our Facebook page.

Membership- Clara reminds all that the new membership forms are in the newsletter. There is an increase of dues to \$35.00 per year and workshops will increase to \$55.00 for members in 2023.

Newsletter- Laura thanked Joan for doing the newsletter this month.

Publicity- Joan is still working on getting media outlets to announce our meetings and workshops. They do not update their webpages so it's hit or miss with them.

Webmaster- Deborah states that our website carrier has undergone various trial and error experiences. With a lot of back and forth emails between them and Deborah, she is happy to report that we are up and running.

UFO's – Joan has the clipboard and money pouch. Members are encouraged to sign-up and predict how many UFO's they will finish by the November meeting. They put in a dollar for every project they expect to finish. At the November meeting they bring the finished projects by showing the item or photo of the item. For every UFO that is finished a slip of paper with their name is put into the box. A drawing is held and two lucky quilters split the money.

Sunshine report- Donna Smith is doing well after undergoing her first hip replacement. Her second is scheduled for October. JoAnn Painter is presently at Sombrillo recovering from complications related to a fall. UPDATE JoAnn passed away 9/9/22.

Program- Jenny Kae Park started out in the quilting business in 2000. She began as a quilt shop worker. She has filmed over 150 videos for various companies demonstrating various quilting techniques. Her talk is titled "Confessions of a Fabric Snob." Her involvement with fabric makers and designers has given her appreciation for better quality fabric. Jenny has come tonight to share information on what to look for when buying finer fabric. She suggests that buyers should start with the thread in the fabric and observe the warp and weft. All fabric starts out as grey goods. Grey goods are woven but untreated. Fabric companies will contract with the factories and determine the type of sizing they want to be added to the warp thread so it won't break while

processing. That treatment determines the quality of the fabric. The second feature to look for in fine fabric is the hand of the fabric and the third is the color.

But the most important feature overall is the predictability of the line of fabric. The quilter should be able to expect that when fabric is cut or ripped that it will be straight of grain. You should be able to cut, stitch and press your fabric and have it remain stable and not stretch out of the shape. Brand names are a good indicator but not a guarantee. So look for no stretch in the crossgrain in the selvedge edge and minimal stretch on the side to side and a lot of stretch on the bias. It should contain a “soft hand” and good drape. Also check the fabric using the blouse test. You don't want to see through it.

Jenny has tips for prewashing or not prewashing. She only prewashes when there is a compelling reason. She washes if she is using blue or red fabric. She uses color catchers in her washing machine. She always washes flannel fabric but chooses to not wash most other fabric. She recommends using her starching technique before cutting. She first sprays fabric with water to get it wet then she sprays it with fabric starch. She likes the Faultless brand. Then she irons the wet fabric dry being careful not to scorch it. This produces a stable product to cut and sew without stretch.

Jenny closed by suggesting that quilters buy the best fabric they can afford and to finish quilts and use up as much of their stash fabric as possible.

Show and Tell- Brenda brought two former workshop projects to share. The first wall hanging was a combination of the Shannon Brinkley Fabric Collage workshop where she designed a bear and Stencil class taught by Michelle Watts where she added stars. Her second wall hanging was a still life applique from the Landscape class taught by Julia Goen.

Micki told the story behind the Hogan potholder she received for her donation to promote the issues important to the Native American community.

Renita brought a block from a quilt she is making for a friend for Christmas. She found the quilt pattern in an old magazine. In that same magazine she read an article about a woman who collects treadle sewing machines. Renita also collects vintage machines and she then exchanged emails and enjoyed finding a fellow collector.

Adjourned at 9:15.

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2023 Membership Form

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LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS MEMBERSHIP

Membership Year \_\_\_\_\_

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)

Do you need a ride to meetings? Yes No Can you drive someone to meetings? Yes No (Circle one)

Please volunteer for one or more of the following by placing a check mark next to items(s):

Donation Quilt ticket sales \_\_\_\_\_

Valentine's Day Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_

Quilt Show/Quilt Market \_\_\_\_\_

Serve as Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Payment - Make check for \$35 payable to: Los Alamos Piecemakers or LAP.  
Mail payment to LAP, Attn: Membership Chair, P.O. Box 261, Los Alamos, N.M.  
87544 or hand in at meeting.

LAP Use only: Payment \_\_\_ Entered in data base \_\_\_ Name tag \_\_\_ Packet  
\_\_\_ Membership card \_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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