



Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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2023 Quilt Market/Show:

LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS

7 pm Tuesday, January 24th

White Rock Presbyterian Church

Piecemakers,

WOW!! 2023 is here and we should all be ready to quilt, quilt and quilt some more. It looks like an exciting and productive year, thanks to Brenda and Shelly.

I am posting my 2023 quilting resolutions (which I know I cannot keep):

1. To pull fabric from my stash instead of buying new fabric (already ordered some fat quarters).
2. Keep you sewing space neat and organized (just piled some "to do" projects by the sewing machine pile).
3. Finish your works-in-progress before starting something new (have not started anything new as of today, but tomorrow is another day).
4. Finally make a quilt for yourself.
5. Start your holiday gifts and projects early (haven't even put away the remnants from last year's projects. Another thing to add to #2).
6. Do your own quilting instead of sending it to a quilter (have to get to that stage first).
7. **To stop promising you'll make a quilt for your [friend's sister, neighbor's nephew, etc].**
8. **Make more time for quilting.**

Yours in Quilting

Linda

OFFICER REPORTS:

Vice Presidents (Brenda & Shelly):

January program - Have you ever wondered what Shasiko is, or EPP, or Manx quilting? If so, the Jan meeting of the Los Alamos Piecemakers (LAP) Quilt Guild is for you!

LAP will start off the year with demos of hand work by guild members Donna Smith/Shasiko; Shelly Kuropatwinski/English Paper Piecing, and Brenda Edeskuty/Manx quilting. We may also be adding a 4th demo to the program.

If there is interest, Brenda will offer a free 2-3 hour workshop on Manx quilting on Wed 1/25; Graves Hall, 10am (note time change from schedule posted on LAP web page). If you are interested in the workshop contact her at edeskutyb@gmail.com. Attendees are welcome to make a small donation to LAP in lieu of workshop fee.

A NEW monthly activity is coming to LAP - the FQ Exchange. Everyone loves to collect FQs - So let's help each other out. Take a 1-yard piece to make 4 FQs (or 2-yards for 8 FQs) - then bring them to the meeting. After the meeting, we will get all those who brought FQs together to exchange. If you bring 4, you will leave with 4 new FQs for your collection! The theme for January FQ Exchange is Valentine's Day. So think red/pink/hearts/candy/etc & cut a yard (or 2) up into FQs. (If you need help cutting or your mat isn't big enough, bring by Atomic City Quilts on a Tuesday or Wednesday & Shelly will help you cut your fabric up!)

Each meeting will have a different theme for FQs. (see <http://www.losalamos.com/lap> for list of monthly FQ Exchange color themes). February's theme is Primary colors (Red/Blue/Yellow) & March's theme is African prints - so you can be on the lookout for some great fabrics to exchange!

I hope we have peaked your interest and you will join us at the Jan meeting!

Brenda & Shelly

Looking ahead - Cindy Barfield will come discuss "Questions for a Long-Armer" in February. She will have a bit of show & tell and chat about all the ins & outs of working on a long-arm. Bring your questions for Cindy.

Secretary (Deb)

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild
November 29, 2022 Guild Meeting
Secretary Report - Deb McLin

Call to Order 7:15

Members had set up for sew-a -thon and started sewing kits together in teams. The guild meeting began at 8:15.

Officer reports

Vice Presidents -Brenda announced that the next meeting will be on January 24 in White Rock. It will be a four corners demo activity. There will be an announcement of what members

should bring to do the handwork portion of the program. The February meeting will be in Los Alamos and the program will be a local speaker or "In House" presentation.

Shelly told the group that the feedback from the Telephone Game was positive and the first swap should be completed today. (Nov. 28.). The photo of the constructed block should be sent to the next name on the list.

Treasurers Report- Donna is recovering from surgery and was not present but she says we are still in the black!

Committee Reports

Community Service-Flo told us no requests have come in recently for quilts and she has begun organizing community service fabric for members if they want to do any quilts for donation. She also mentioned that quilters might make twin size quilts for foster teens as she did get a request and suggestion from a friend.

Membership- Clara reminded everyone that dues increased to \$35.00. They are due in January.

Newsletter- no report

Publicity- no report

Webmaster- no report

UFO- Joan reported that \$62.00 was collected and anyone could still participate before the drawing.

Sunshine report-Donna is recovering from her second hip replacement and might be able to drive soon. She thanks everyone for thinking of her and sending good wishes for her recovery. Linda asked the guild members to let us know of any illnesses or recovery of members so that would then allow us to send get well wishes.

A slate of officers was presented. The guild needed the following positions filled. President, Newsletter, Publicity,. The following members agreed to serve in 2023.

President-Linda K.

Vice Presidents- Shelly K. and Brenda E.

Secretary- Deb M.

Treasurer- Donna S.

Chairs-

Community Service- Flo C.

Membership Clara V.

Webmaster- Deborah K.

Positions to be filled are Newsletter, Publicity.

Our UFO raffle and Show and Tell were combined.

Jackie showed a wallhanging of a Pueblo scene and a trapunto wallhanging.

Brenda showed three UFO wallhangings and a pillow. Her snowman and folded hexie's were her favorites.

Michelle had a "gift to her daughter" full size quilt. It was made with Grinch themed fabric.

Joan showed a project she had been working on for several months. She was making two wall hangings using vintage Grandma's Flower Garden blocks. These would be gifted to friends of a friend.

Shelly showed a quilt she started in 2017 and quilted in 2021 and was now ready to give to her husband.

Karyn showed her Gypsy Wife quilt by Jen Kingwell. Her two quilting friends bought the same kit with the same fabric and they did them together but each one came out different because of the fabric choices available in the kit.

Flo showed a chair caddy she had designed with hope that the clickers would find a permanent home.

Clara Showed a full sized pieced and appliqued quilt called Ambrosia. Fabric was batik with a white back ground.

Other Business-Linda brought photos of a DAR quilt. The blocks were contributed by every chapter in the US and were arranged by order of statehood.

Quilters returned to work on their donation kits and the room finished up by 9:00.

The next meeting will be January 24, 2023 in White Rock at 7:00.

Adjourned at 8:45.

Community Service (Flo):

Hi everyone. In December I was made aware through a local friend of a woman in Kansas who does "foster respite", which means that she "fosters foster children" for a period of time to give relief to foster parents, and/or the child, for any number of reasons.

We donated several of our quilts to her so she could welcome her charges with something they can call their own.

My friend forwarded a thank you email to me, which I'd like to paraphrase here:

"Once again, I'm blown away by the generosity of people. The Piecemaker's Quilt Guild of Los Alamos New Mexico sent me a beautiful bundle of quilts for our foster children. Aren't they amazing?! Both the quilts and the people! Many, many thanks on behalf of the children who will enjoy these.

You have many friends with good hearts. I am very appreciative, and I know the kids will be also. I hope these women understand that the fruits of their labor will actually be delivering warmth and comfort to kids in need."

We don't always have a chance to hear how much our donation quilts mean to those who receive them, so this means a lot.

We currently have 12 donation quilts on hand, including the first quilt-a-thon quilt, made by Clara, Melodie, and Renita! I know many of you are still working on the ones you started, and all of you are light years ahead of me.

Many of the rest were donated by Carolyn Mangeng, who's been putting in a lot of hours with her machine! Many, many thanks to everyone for their continued efforts!!!

We always have places locally for our quilts, but has anyone heard of any efforts or contacts regarding donating quilts to the California flood victims? If so, please let me know.

Thanks, Flo

Treasurer (Donna): Treasurer's Report

The Enterprise Bank checking account balance on Jan 1, 2023 was \$7535.80.

I need a couple of volunteers to meet before the FEBRUARY meeting at 5 to review the books for the last couple of years. This review is to ensure that someone other than the Treasurer has looked at the payments, documentation, etc (and to ensure that LAP has not paid for an extravagant trip to Cabo - or any other place).

We will meet at the United Church and be done by time for the regular meeting.

Please let me know at the Jan meeting or by email if you can participate.

Membership (Clara):

Please remember to turn in 2023 membership and dues -\$35. (Membership form at the end of this newsletter.)



2023 Membership Form

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 _____

