



# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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## 2023 Quilt Market/Show:

## LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS

7 pm Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

United Church of Los Alamos

Piecemakers,

It is hard to believe that April is almost over. Where has the time gone? I don't know about everyone else but I have not accomplished many of the goals (quilts) I planned to have done by now.

This month is "Quilter's Strip Poker". Wonder what the Vegas odds will be as to the winner. With the roll of the dice or the luck of the draw, let's hope I only lose strips of fabric. If I lose all my strips, I will have a GREAT excuse for not finishing my UFO's.

I hope to see everyone at the April meeting, so let's get ready to STRIP AWAY.

Yours in quilting,  
Linda



"If you get chilly, use that crazy quilt."

## OFFICER REPORTS:

### **Vice Presidents (Brenda & Shelly):**

#### April Meeting

#### Save Your Strips!!

For the April Meeting, we will play Strip Poker using strips of fabric. To play, plan to bring a minimum of 10 strips (2-1/2" by WOF - width of fabric).

No strips? LAP will provide strips free of charge.

LAP member Julie Goen will also give a brief presentation on Landscape Quilts using Batik fabrics. We are also delighted to announce she will give a repeat workshop on Wed, 4/26, United Church/Graves Hall, 9-12.

For those that previously took the class, please bring your project for show and tell. Project not finished? The April workshop is an excellent opportunity for you to complete with Julie's guidance!

Julie will not be charging a fee, but asks participants to make a donation to LAP. If you would like to take the workshop and receive supply list, contact Brenda Edeskuty at [edeskutyb@gmail.com](mailto:edeskutyb@gmail.com).

#### May Meeting

Our guest speaker for May is native New Mexican artist Andrea Armitage. As a quilter, long armer, and pattern designer - her work is inspired by NM cultures and colors.

Her patterns have been featured in AQS and Simply Moderne magazines including a Christmas pattern in the Nov 22 issue of AQS magazine.

Her lecture will consist of a trunk show of her work, and the design process she uses. On Wed (5/24) she will give a workshop on her Dream Big Mondo Bag. She developed the pattern to use Hoffman Dream Big floral panels, but any fabric will work. If you are interested in taking this class, please contact Brenda Edeskuty at [edeskutyb@gmail.com](mailto:edeskutyb@gmail.com).

#### June Meeting

#### Telephone Block Reveal

FQ Exchange - well, we learned how not to swap - Shelly now has a better plan for swapping! So.... at the end of each meeting we will swap FQs (bring 4, 6 or 8 FQs to swap)

April is Pastel fabrics

May is Reproduction fabric

June is Patriotic

See you all soon,  
Brenda & Shelly

## **Treasurer (Donna):**

### Treasurer's Report

The Enterprise Bank checking account balance on April 1, 2023 was \$7015.72

### Enchanted Threads Quilt Cluster

By popular demand (we'll see how popular) we have scheduled a restart for the Enchanted Threads Quilting Cluster. This group is focused on the design and techniques for quilting. We do show and tell with finished quilts and design and options for pieced tops. All skill levels, including beginners are welcome.

We can see how many folks actually want to get together again and how we want to proceed.

### First meeting

May 4

10am - 12

Graves Hall, United Church.

After that, the schedule used to be the 1st Thursday of the month.

## **Community Service (Flo):**

Happy Spring everyone! We still have a fair number of donation quilts for the moment, but about 10 of them are earmarked for Project Linus and I'm working on finding others who are in need of our quilt comfort and hugs.

As always, please let me know via phone, text, or email if you know of anyone who could benefit from one or more of our quilts.

I've recently had a request from Dottie Hu, project coordinator for the Sandoval Project Linus chapter (which encompasses Los Alamos county) to please make donation quilts no smaller than 42" x 42". The nurses she delivers quilts to at various hospitals are saying that anything smaller is too small even for the babies. If any of you are interested in making quilts to go to Project Linus, please make them no smaller than that. Thanks!

And thanks again for all the hard work you all put in to make the donation quilts! They're very much appreciated!!

Flo Carr

## **Secretary (Deb)**

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

March 28, 2023 Guild Meeting

Secretary Report - Deb McLin

Call to Order at 7:05

We welcomed two new members. Paulette and Lauri.

Before the reports began the members watched Lana demonstrate the best quilting and craft tool! Her chopstick technique and suggestions for use were very impressive. Every quilter needs one in the tool box!

Officer Reports- Vice Presidents -Vice President Brenda informed the guild that the April program is titled "Strip Poker". Members are to bring at least 10 WOF strips that measure 2 1/2". Brenda will have plenty of extra strips to share if you forget to bring them. At the April meeting Julia Goen will give us a short review of her fabric landscape technique and prepare us for a workshop on Wednesday. Workshop will be at the United Church from 9 AM to 12 PM. Suggested donation is \$20.00- \$25.00. If you started a landscape last year this is an opportunity to finish it or try a new idea using the book, "Lovely Landscape Quilts" as your guide.

In May our speaker and workshop presenter will be Andrea Armitage, pattern designer. Workshop will be on Wednesday May 24 at the United Church. More details to follow.

Vice President Shelly reminds us that the sign up sheet for the English Paper Piecing Workshop on October 4 by Brinfield Awakening is available now.

Shelly also announced that the time has arrived to send on your photo of your mini quilt for the "Telephone Game".

Donna announced that she will present a "Domestic Machine Quilting" workshop later in 2023.

We also arranged a new technique to do the fat quarter exchange which was African or Aboriginal designs.

Secretary- Deb had no corrections or changes to announce.

Treasurer- Donna announces the bill for the storage unit has been paid.

#### Committee reports

Community Service- Flo reports that many plans are in the works for quilt distribution.

Membership- Clara reports that we have 51 members and is seeking help to review the list from past years to remove those names that have moved away or passed away before she sends it to the board.

Publicity- Still need the position filled.

Webmaster-No report

UFO- Joan has the sign-up clipboard and money bag to collect the dollars. She also has donated her time and expense to design an information card explaining guild activities and opportunities for members. These cards will be distributed to various quilt shops and bulletin boards in our area.

Quilt Show- Deb stated we are expecting to hear from Crossroads Church soon regarding our request to have a quilt show on September 22-23 with September 21 as our set up time.

Sunshine Report- Linda is sharing her birthday with us tonight as her family visited and celebrated with her over the weekend. Cookies await after the meeting.

Business- Linda announced that Roberta requested to use our quilt racks for a DAR gathering in Albuquerque. We had two usable ones and one disabled rack we could use as parts. Roberta's husband was able to fix our wounded rack and all three racks were used to display DAR's Legacy Quilts. Roberta thanks the guild for sharing the racks.

Program-OOPS Melodie once again reminded members that we should measure twice and cut once with her story of blocks being sized wrong.

Donna brought a quilt she felt did not finish as she had planned. The fabric colors in her blocks did not get placed in her quilt according to their value in the way that was pleasing to her.

Brenda showed a baby quilt made of charm pack that had a strip of dark navy running down the middle that made the quilt too dark. She fixed it by placing appliques from a coordinating panel to break up the dark strip.

Paulette brought a great library memory quilt and she was not happy with the quilting. Members encouraged her to stream her favorite TV show and take it apart and redo the quilting as it was too wonderful to discard.

Shelly brought a quilt top with blocks that she likes but thought the outcome was disappointing. Members thought that her blocks were great but if the background would have been darker instead of white it would make the blocks pop out.

Show and Tell- Lauri showed her finished quilt from the workshop Landscape Quilts. Her mountain and sky fabrics were well chosen to give a great view. Brenda showed her landscape quilt too. Her picture directions were from the book that was used in the workshop.

Two community service quilts were shown by Lana. She used two kits that were made by guild members. They were light colored and very spring like in fabric choice.

Melodie showed us her most recent Kaleidoscope quilt. She cut her blocks from six identical panels. Beautiful teals, purples and hints of pinks and blues made a truly one of a kind project.

Donna showed a tote bag that she made from a pattern by our May presenter, Andrea Armitage.

Other Business- Donna announced a plan to maybe restart the cluster that focused on quilting design suggestions. It met on the first Thursday of the month at Graves Hall. Details to follow.

Adjourn at 8:45.

Next meeting on Tuesday, April 25 at 7:00 PM at Graves Hall in the United Church in Los Alamos.

**Membership (Clara):**

It's not too late to pay your 2023 dues! - \$35. (Membership form at the end of this newsletter.)

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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