



Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS

7 P.M. Tuesday, April 23rd

United Church of Los Alamos

Dear Piecemakers,

March blew in like a lion and I am not sure that April is not going to be the same. As I have listened to the wind blow on several days and think about starting my yard work, I think "Who wants to be outside when I could be quilting inside?"

This month's program is "Cutting IT Up!!" This month program we will be cutting fabric to make placemats for the Senior Meals Program at Betty Ehart Center. I will have printed instructions at the meeting, but you may also view a video at YouTube.com/Shabby Fabrics tutorial – How to Make a Self-Binding Placemat.

Front fabric: 10-1/2" x 16-1/2"

Back fabric: 14-1/2" x 20-1/2"

Will see you all with your cutting mats, rotary cutters and new blades, rulers and fabric on April 23.

"Creative clutter is more blessed than tidy idleness."

Yours in quilting,
Linda

The instructions can be found at:

https://shabbycdn.blob.core.windows.net/free-downloads/251745930232615_self_binding_placemats_instructions_final_6_27_22.pdf

OFFICER REPORTS:

Vice Presidents (Brenda & Shelly):

April Meeting, 4/23, United Church, 7pm

The April meeting is being held in Los Alamos to get us back on the original schedule.

Put on your dancing shoes, and bring your rotary cutter and mat! We are having a Cutting Party! We will be cutting fabric to make placemats for the seniors in Los Alamos/White Rock that have meals delivered. Interested members can take placemats home for completion. The plan is to have a placemat delivered with each meal.

We will have guild fabric available, but also feel free to bring your own.

May Meeting, 5/28, White Rock Presbyterian Church, 7pm

The May meeting will host Kay Sutt and the SAQA Traveling Quilt Show. She will bring two traveling shows to share. One of them will be the Telephone Game.

Thanks! Brenda and Shelly

Treasurer (Donna):

The Enterprise Bank Checking account balance on April 1, 2024 was \$11,394.88. The storage unit rental of \$990 was paid after that date for a balance on April 4, 2024 of \$10,404.88

Donna

Community Service:

We currently have 11 quilts available to give. 9 of these are large throw (short twin) size and two are children's quilts. (Thanks to Donna, Fran, Melodie and Joan for these quilts!). If you know of someone who could use a quilt, please text or email Melodie.

If you need batting for a community service quilt, also text or email Melodie. (505-500-6051 - melodie.gustavsen@gmail.com)

Secretary (Deb):

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild
March 26, 2024 Guild Meeting
Secretary Report - Deb McLin

Call to Order at 10:00 am United Church

Welcome to Carolyn visiting from the Embroiderers Guild in Los Alamos, also hello to Claire.

Officer reports

President -Linda is once again asking for a member to take over her position as President as she needs to monitor family members as they bid on silent auction items. Linda also has provided the plan for the April guild meeting. She printed out a pattern for members to make placemats. We will have a cutting party to make kits for members to make these placemats and return them at a future meeting. They will then be gifted to the Senior Centers. They will distribute them to those that receive home delivered meals. There are over 80 seniors in our community that receive delivered meals during the week.

Vice Presidents-Brenda / Shelly- Brenda announced the April plan to have a cutting party. She asked members to bring a cutting mat, rotary cutter and ruler. If we own fabric that would make a good placemat she asks that we bring it to share. There will also be a shed run to gather more fabric. The secretary asks, "Since this is a party, will there be cake?" This meeting will be held at the United Church in Los Alamos.

Brenda also extended an invitation to the guild members to join the Bear Paws group on April 13 for a sew-a-thon. The plan is to make cat carrier liners for a cat rescue group in the Jemez. They plan to meet at 10:00 AM at the Madonna Hall in Jemez Springs.

Brenda announced that at our May meeting we will host Kay Sutt from SAQA. She will bring two traveling shows to share. Brenda knows that one of them will be the Telephone Game. Guild members are very familiar with that swap as we did the telephone game in 22/23. It will be interesting to see what other quilters have done.

In June the guild has invited Ann from Thread Bear. TB is a quilt store in Las Cruces that formerly was in Las Vegas NM. It was a favorite stop for many guild members. The topic is Deb Tucker Rulers. There will be a workshop on Wednesday taught by Ann. Also, Michael her husband, will be filling tubs with fabric from the shop that will be for sale during her visit.

Secretary- Deb reports no changes or corrections.

Treasurer- Donna has all financial information in our newsletter that is on our website.

Committee reports

Community Service-Melodie has agreed to collect and distribute our quilts. Melodie was not able to attend the meeting so Clara volunteered to collect any donations.

Membership-Clara announced we have 50 paid members. She reminded attendees that they need to bring their checkbooks and get those dues paid. The cost is \$35.00 and the forms are on our webpage.

Newsletter-Joan mentioned that if you haven't received your newsletter lately please let Deborah Kubicek know. The newsletter is generally posted on the LAP webpage one week before our monthly meeting.

Publicity-Abbey Howard has agreed to be our new publicity person. Thanks Abbey!

Webmaster -Deborah Kubicek – no report

UFO- Joan brought the clip board and money bag for UFO sign-up.

Put in one dollar for every unfinished project you started in past years but think you might finish this year. If you finished the project before our November drawing you get a chance to win the cash collected throughout the year.

Sunshine Report-We sadly announce the passing of two great supporters of our guild. Keith Carr, husband of Flo Carr has passed away this month. Keith was better known as “the tall guy with the drill” and having patience in abundance. For many years he volunteered to put quilt racks together and take them down for our quilt shows and markets. His easy going and gentlemanly spirit will be missed.

Our other loss was Louise Taylor. She was an early and sustaining member of our guild. She held several positions on the board and helped guide and inspire many LAP members.

Program-Brenda introduced our speaker, Celeste Raffin. Besides being Brenda's sister-in-law she is a Los Alamos native who has returned from Utah with her husband to retire in the Land of Enchantment.

She is an avid skier and mountain biker and a gifted and creative artist.

Her talk began with a lesson in physics. Her handout covered the information necessary for Dye Sublimation on anything that can withstand 400 degrees. She covered the topics of creating images using the computers and then producing the image on a specific “for dye sublimation” printer. Ink and paper must be specific for this purpose. The heat press to transfer the image to item must reach 400 degrees.

Celeste will be returning to her studio to begin creating again as soon as her home remodeling projects are accomplished.

Celeste was able to host LAP members at her home following the meeting to demonstrate the steps in dye sublimation and she showed other items she has made with this technique. Afterwards many LAP members remarked how much they enjoyed the program and studio visit. They look forward to seeing more of her work at shows and craft fairs.

Show and Tell-Roxanne brought a wonderful lap quilt that will be used as a raffle items for her dog club. Her second beauty was a pale orange “race strip” quilt.

Brenda brought her project from the workshop given by Nicole Dunn. It was a small wall quilt composed of a pine tree in winter using Nicole's technique of manipulating fabric to look like drifted snow and adding snippets of fabric to arrange flakes on tree limbs and on the ground. Brenda added sparkles to the snowfall by adding beads.

Donna showed her workshop piece which was a snow scene with trees in the background as well as the fore ground. Her satin fabric was manipulated to create large snowdrifts and the grey blue sky gave an authentic picture of a mountain snowscape.

Announcements- Micki announced she will be picking up donations this month to take to the Dine quilters near Gallup. She is hoping to gather more machines and fabric before she packs up the car to meet the women in Gallup.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 23 at the United Church in Los Alamos. We will be 'Cutting it Up' Bring cutting mats, rotary cutters and some fabric.

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 the item(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 _____