

Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Quilts of Our Lives Quilt Show
September 25 & 26, 2004
at Knights of Columbus Hall on DP Road

PO Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544

www.vla.com/lap

April 2004

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Comments, Submissions,
Suggestions, etc. should be e-mailed
to tfeller@losalamos.com.

*Board Members serve one calendar
year January-December, unless
otherwise stated.

Programs 2004 – Note following are corrected dates

April 27, 2004 – White Rock Baptist – 7:00 pm

Cynthia England - "Creating a Pictorial Quilt"

WORKSHOP

April 28, 2004 – WRBC – Cynthia England 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Small Landscape
Class #2

May 25, 2004 – United Church, 7:00 pm

Lynne Horpedahl, Demo on fusible appliqué and a trunk show. Lynn is a teacher
at Santa Fe Quilting and a pattern designer

June 22, 2004 – White Rock Baptist – 7:00 pm

Bethany Reynolds - "Stack-n-Whackier!"

WORKSHOP

June 23, 2004 – WRBC – Bethany Reynolds 9:00 am-4:00 pm, "Stack-n-Whack
Lazy Daisies" Check out www.bethanyreynolds.com Go to the Teaching Schedule
for our workshop to get the Supply List.

July – No Meeting – No Newsletter

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August 24, 2004 – Location TBD – Challenge Quilt Judging and Rummage Sale

September 25 & 26 – Quilt Show at the Knight's of Columbus Hall

September 28, 2004 – UC – Membership Potluck and Celebration of 20 years as a guild

October 26, 2004 – WRBC – Sew-A-Thon 7pm

November 16, 2004 – UC – Barbara Barber 7pm, "A Cat's Tale"

November 17, 2004 – UC – Barbara Barber 9am – 4pm, "Edges For Pleasure"

Check out www.barbarabarberbritishquilts.com for details about the lecture and workshop.

December – No Meeting

Please contact our Vice Presidents - Kerry Vitkus at 662-0456 (vitkus72@hotmail.com) or
Fran Suchocki at 672-3703 (fsts4442@cybermesa.com) for information on programs or
registration for workshops.

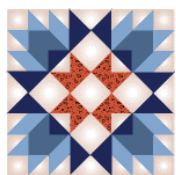
All workshop classes are \$50 for LAP members and \$70 for non-LAP members (includes
LAP membership). Registration and a check must be presented to secure a seat in the
workshop. Please make checks payable to LAP for each class and put the name of the class
in the memo line. Mail these to Kerry Vitkus, PO Box 344, Los Alamos, NM 87544. You
may also call Kerry at 662-0456 or Fran at 672-3703 if you are close to the deadline.

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Church of Los Alamos, 2525 Canyon Road, and White Rock Baptist Church, 80 La Paloma Drive.

Program Chair Report

All Programs for the 2004 calendar year have been completely filled. Check out the front-page listings for dates, time, and locations. The 2005 calendar for out of town speakers has been determined and will be announced in September. We are looking for local presenters for lecture nights. If you know of someone in our guild or from near by towns that could give an interesting lecture, please contact Kerry at 662-0456 or Fran at 672-3703.

Block of the Month for April 2004



Delectabel Mountains Compliments of
McCalls Quilting
For instruction please see your membership
packet or go to:
http://www.mccallsquilting.com/qb/pattern_203/index.html

Cluster Information:

Beginning Cluster looking for members: Meets 3rd Thursday of every month at main library at 6:30. Please contact Greg or Alyson Wilson @ 662-6975

Looking for a cluster, forming a new cluster or have an opening in an on-going cluster. Please e-mail tfeller@losalamos.com and I will put that information here.

Quilt Show 2004

September 25 & 26, 2004 are the dates for the Quilt Show, which will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Los Alamos.

Chairpersons are needed for the following positions:

Signs
Facilities Setup
Demonstrations
Ballots & Prizes

The following have volunteered as chairpersons for:

Staffing - Lynn Pruvost
Receiving and Labeling - Nicole Dunn
Door Prizes/Vendor - Marian Kirschner
Refreshments - Myrna Landt
Security - Caroline Bush & The Old Batts

If you would like to volunteer please talk to me at the guild meeting or call me. I'm looking forward to meeting and working with you to make this year's Quilt Show a success.

Jean Havrilla
662-0647

Treasurer's Report

Thanks to everyone who brought and/or bought things at our rummage sale last month. We made \$305.00! That's quite a bit for a little bit of work.

Here are the figures for income and expenses for our January and February lectures and workshops.

January - Debbie Caffrey
Income \$400.00
Expenses \$616.00

February - Janet Jones Worley
Income \$450.00
Expenses \$1522.91

Check your schedules - there is still room in the both the April and June workshops.

Thanks, Karyn Harrington

Quilt Block Challenge

American Patchwork & Quilting magazine is sponsoring a "Quilt for the Cure" quilt block challenge.

Blocks are to be made with predominately pink or white 100% cotton fabrics. Size is 10 inch finished (10 1/2 inch with seam allowances). Blocks may be pieced, appliquéd or embroidered.

Quilt blocks must be received by April 30, 2004. Please include your name, address and any story behind the block with the block.

Send to:
Quilt Block Challenge
1716 Locust St. GA205
Des Moines, IA 50309

Blocks will be made into quilts and auctioned in October '04 with net proceeds going to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Show and Tell

If you have recently had a gallery opening, a special award, or you just created your own web page. Please e-mail tfeller@losalamos.com and I will put that information here.

Thank You

The Nimble Thimbles' cluster wants to thank Bink Designs, and particularly Micki Taylor for quilting our queen sized quilt for the Mexico Mission Auction. The quilt brought in \$460.

Lynn Parker

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Request for Wallhangings

We have received a request from Family Strengths Network for quilted wall hangings to decorate their center. Any member or cluster wishing to donate a wall hanging, please contact Lynn Pruvost, 672-1448 or email: nlpnlp@worldnet.att.net.

RSVP Quilters

A lovely thank you note was sent to us by the RSVP Quilters: "Dear Piecemakers, Thank you very much for the wonderful Valentine lunch and "show & tell"! It was a special treat. The RSVP Quilters: Maria Medina, Patricia Tatro, Irma; Yum! Ruth Parker, Louise Taylor, Ella Jacobson; Ruth Kunkle - thanks a 1,000,000! We look forward to seeing your works of art -- Carmen Lucero; Thanks for the wonderful lunch and quilt show, Maggie E.; Claire G.; Thanks piecemakers bunches, Jane Duran; Thanks again, Louise Hassman." In April our guild donated a \$100.00 check to the RSVP Senior Quilters to help with their quilting expenses.

Art Center Exhibit

LAP has been asked if we would like to do a show at Fuller Lodge Art Center in March 2005. When LAP first did this show a few years ago the cost was about \$100 to the guild. Now the cost is about \$1000. Due to that and the fact that the guild does their own show and market, the guild board has decided that the guild will not participate in a 2005 show. However, this is a great opportunity for a cluster or a group of art quilters. Yes, there are expenses involved but you can also sell you quilts at the exhibit, with the art center getting a commission. Contact Chris Ward at the Art Center is you are interested in pursuing an exhibit.

Mentor Program

At the January meeting we asked for volunteers for mentors and for those that would like to have a mentor (mentorees). If you are having problems with the guild block of the month blocks, a mentor could help you through them. We have had volunteers for mentors but no one filled out a card that they would like to be a mentoree. If you are a relatively new quilter and would like to have a quilt mentor, sign up at the membership desk at the meeting or contact Pandy at 672-2004.

County Fair

Quilts are exhibited at the county fair and LAP has traditionally provided a person to be in charge of this activity. Nicole Dunn was last years volunteer and could fill you in on exactly what needs to be done. If you would like to be in charge of the quilt exhibit for the fair please tell Pandy (672-2004) and we will get you connected with the county fair people.

Block of the Month

We need a volunteer to do the guild block of the month for the 2004/2005 year. The blocks need to be in the membership packets that are handed out in September so it is a project that needs to be completed in the next few months. Duties include getting the instruction and diagrams ready for the membership packets then showing the block at the monthly meetings and handling the drawing for the blocks. This can be a good cluster activity. Contact Pandy (672-2004) if you would like to volunteer for block of the month.

Happenings Around the Southwest

Los Alamos, NM

The Embroider's Guild of America, Inc.
18th National Exhibit
April 16 – May 22, 2004 – Exhibit, Art Center at Fuller Lodge

Santa Fe, NM

Museum of International Folk Art - A Free Evening of Films about Quilting. 5:30 - 8 PM, Thursday, May 20, in the Museum of International Folk Art Auditorium, located at 706 Camino Lejo, off Old Santa Fe Trail. Films include: Arbie Williams' Recycled, Re-Seen; The Quilts of Gee's Bend; Any Woman Worth Her Salt: New Mexico Country Quilt Makers and Pat Ferrero's Quilts in Women's Lives. For more information, contact Laura May: 476-1200 / lmay@moifa.org

Santa Fe, NM

May 21 –23 - Santa Fe Figurative Art Show
www.sfade.com

Taos, NM

End of May - The Martinez Hacienda Quilters have a show running from now until the end of May at the Taos Inn. They have large bed quilts, crib quilts and wall hangings in the lobby area and a few pieces in the dining room and library.

Estes Park, CO

June 6-10 - Harriet Hargrave's Machine Quilting Celebration
<http://www.harriethargrave.com/celebration/>

Albuquerque, NM

June 24-27 - Enchanted Doll Artist Conference
Howard Johnson's Convention Center
<http://www.enchanteddollartistsconference.org/>

Flagstaff, AZ

July 18-25, 2004 - Quilt Camp in the Pines
www.quiltcamp.com

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2004 Quilt Show Quilt Challenge

We will be having a quilt challenge for the quilt show this year with a twist. Final pieces will be donated to the guild for a silent auction at the quilt show to help raise money to defray the costs of bringing in speakers.

Rules:

Fabrics used: Your project may include reproduction fabrics OR batik fabrics.

Size Restrictions: none

Limitations: none - you may make what ever your heart desires (quilts, wall hangings, dolls, table runners, vests, etc)

Final pieces are due by Tuesday August 24th at the August guild meeting. The attending members will be voting on the entries. Several great prizes will be awarded for each fabric category.

For questions please contact Deborah Kubicek at kubicek@lanl.gov or 662-4865 or Jacquita York at kitajer2@aol.com or 662-2348.

LAP E-mail Group:

It is really easy to subscribe or unsubscribe to the LAP e-mail group. You just send an e-mail to:

lapiecemakers-subscribe@egroups.com to subscribe

or

lapiecemakers-unsubscribe@egroups.com to unsubscribe

If you have any question about the Yahoo group, please contact Pandy at 672-2004.

Newsletter Editor

If you signed up to get your newsletter via e-mail and did not receive it, please send an e-mail to tfeller@losalamos.com, I will cut and paste your correct one in the database.

Membership

Membership to the guild is \$20. Make check payable to LAP and mail to Membership PO Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544. Please include your e-mail address if you would like the newsletter via e-mail. Membership year is October-September.

Advertising

Business card is \$10, quarter page \$30, half page \$40. Please contact the LAP Newsletter Editor at tfeller@losalamos.com for more information.

Take An Exercise Break!

Here's an exercise from Carolyn to help you stay in shape for all quilting activities...including shopping!

- Just five repetitions of this exercise twice a day can improve the strength of your stomach, low back, and legs. Be sure to breathe normally during all exercises.*
- Sit up straight on the front half of a straight back chair, without leaning against the chair back.
- While maintaining the natural curve of your low back, tighten your stomach and abdominal muscles.
- Keeping your feet and knees a few inches apart, raise both knees in front of you, until your feet are lifted one or two inches off the floor. Do not lean backwards. If you feel any discomfort in your low back, keep your toes on the floor as you raise your knees.
- Pause in this position for a few seconds, then slowly lower your knees and return your feet to the floor.
- Relax all muscles for a few seconds, then repeat four times, as tolerated.

* This information is not a substitute for professional medical advice. See your health care provider for diagnosis and treatment of any health problems.

<http://my.execpc.com/~taucher/ideas.htm>

Get Organized for Storing Your Fabric Stash!

There are several ways to sort your fabric for storage. Use one or any combination of these to keep your stash in order.

- Sort by *type*, such as cotton, blends, flannel, knits, polyester fleece, etc.
- Sort by *color and design*, using categories such as novelty prints, stripes, plaids, holiday themes, etc.
- Sort by the *size* of your pieces, labeling the yardage if it's more than 1/2 yard, and using a separate container for scraps.

Store your fabric in non-airtight containers or on shelves, away from light and humidity, and at moderate temperature. Sew What Works™ readers Lucy Zeldenrust and Carlene Klickner suggest using new pizza boxes to store current projects or fabric. Your local pizza place can sell you some of those.

Cheri keeps a five-gallon plastic pail right next to her cutting table. Any time she has a scrap of fabric that's too big to toss, but too small to bother folding, she puts it in the pail. When she works on a paper piecing project, she sews from that pail.

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New Mystery Quilt

New Case: The Case of the Crossing Squares

Detective in Charge: Micki Taylor, 662-9294

Mystery Quilt

"The Case of the Crossing Squares"

Clue #5: Bold Fabric - Cut 3 strips • 2 1/4" x 45"
Light Fabric - Cut 3 strips • 4" x 45"
Dark Fabric - Cut 3 strips • 2 1/4" x 45"

CLUE #5: Remove your #5 Clues from their Baggie. With right sides together sew a bold fabric strip to a light strip. Press to the light strip. Repeat this step two more times to make 3 sets of sewn strips.



With right sides together sew a dark fabric strip to a bold-light fabric strip. Press to the light strip. Repeat this step two more times to make 3 sets of sewn strips.

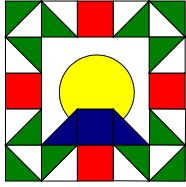


Do Not Use SELVAGES and cut the sewn sets apart every 2 1/4".



Need: 40 Units
Set clue aside till later.

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Post Office Box 261
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544

LAP Workshop Registration Form

Workshop: _____

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Fees submitted: \$ _____ Please see program list for workshop and other fees. (Non-members add \$20 to each class fee, which also gives you a LAP membership)

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: LAP with workshop title in the Memo

Please mail the registration form, payment, and a business size, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Kerry Vitkus, LAP Programs, PO Box 344, Los Alamos, NM 87544.

Your class supply list will be mailed to you in the envelope as soon as it is available.

LAP CANCELLATION POLICY:

LAP will not refund your money if you have to cancel, however, you may transfer your spot to another LAP member for the same workshop. Check with the Program Chair to see if there are those on a waiting list.

If you have any questions, call Kerry at 662-0456 or e-mail at [vitkus72@hotmail.com](mailto:vitikus72@hotmail.com)