

# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Cooking is for those who don't know how to quilt.

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### **2013 Donation Quilt:**

*Volunteer needed*

## **March 2012 Guild Meeting Tuesday, March 27th 7 p.m. White Rock Baptist Church**

### **"Quick Quarter Trip Fabric Selection"**

Thanks to a generous quilter, Myrna Landt, this is going to be an interesting meeting! Myrna will be show how to choose color and fabric selections to create pleasing outcomes. Members who sign up for the class (or not) are encouraged to bring their fabric selections to the guild meeting Tuesday evening. Everyone may bring 25 to 30 pieces of fabric to play with. Myrna will work with fabric choices and talk about how to arrange the fabrics for a nice flow. Arranging fabric will be done dynamically; we will work as group and help each other. Hopefully we will all leave with increased confidence in fabric selection for our projects.

## **March 2012 Workshop Wednesday, March 28th 9 am – 4pm United Church in Los Alamos**

### **"Quick Quarter Trip"**

Myrna Landt will teach a workshop centered around the Eleanor Burns' book "Quick Trip Quilt". The cost of the workshop will be \$35.00 and \$45 for non-members. (This is a real bargain-- since the class in Santa Fe is \$60.00!) Books will be available for purchase at the March meeting, as well at the workshop.

**Important note:** Please do not buy fat quarters. You will need 24, 1/4 yard fabric cuts.

## President's Report

I'm really happy about getting back to the quilt guild. There are so many UFO's in my sewing room. The guild activities are really motivating me to get busy on these projects. Would any of you like a daytime workshop where we all bring at least one of our UFO's to finish in the company of our quilting friends?

There were about 30 people at last month's meeting. Trish Spillman gave the program on yo-yos. She did a great job. She had many beautiful examples of how to use them and some wonderful shortcuts in making them. I had no idea that they could be used in so many ways. Thank you so much, Trish, for treating us to such a wonderful evening. Myrna Landt is the speaker for the March 27<sup>th</sup> guild meeting at the White Rock Baptist Church. Myrna will be helping us in making good color selections for our quilts. She will also be doing a workshop on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the United Church. This should be lots of fun. For those of you who are attending Susan will be happy to take lunch orders for a box lunch from the Co-op. These will be \$5.99. We will provide iced tea and cookies to go with these.

Susan and I went to look at a shed that Phyllis Holland is willing to let us use. We think that it will work out very well. There are windows, ceiling lights and shelves and it's large and very accessible. Susan will check the agreement that we have with the storage company to determine when we should move the things into this storage space. Thanks, Phyllis for your generosity.

We had a chance to talk about how things are going for the guild. We think the programs that we have had have been both fun and filled with ideas that we can use. The upcoming ones look great, too. So many of you have special skills that you can share with the group and we thank you for doing that.

The guild should really become what you want and need it to be. We gave out some questionnaires at the November meeting and some good ideas have come out of that. Unfortunately, we have received only 5 of those. We will hand them out again at the March meeting. Think ahead about kinds of programs you would like and about what kind of variations in our meeting times could be introduced so that members who aren't comfortable coming in the evening or on weekdays would have a wider choice for attending. Think, also, about whether or not a quilt market or a quilt show is really important to you.

The guild has had a lot of enthusiasm this year and it's a privilege to be a part of it.

Lyn  
Co-president

## Community Service Quilts

Los Alamos Piecemakers are really busy these days sewing charity quilts. Since our guild meeting in February we have received seven new quilts. Micki Taylor showed us three more quilts she sewed that guild members are helping to finish by sewing down the binding. So that brings the total to thirteen so far in 2012! Many thanks to the following quilters: Ann Daley donated two children's quilts, Irene Aiken donated two lap quilts, Judy Verzino donated a children's quilt, Donna Smith donated a kaleidoscope block lap quilt and Marilyn Cayton donated her 2011 Sew-a-Thon strip quilt.

We are still receiving great fabric donations for RSVP Senior Quilters at Dunn Quilting. The box is under the table to the right of the front door.

Please remember we can still collect pillowcases if you don't have time to prepare a quilt for donation. If you know of someone who could use a comfort quilt please contact Deb McLin at [damclin@gmail.com](mailto:damclin@gmail.com) with your information.





### **Give a hand and make a friend**

Have you ever wanted someone to talk to while driving to the meetings? Would you like to encourage others to enjoy our meetings? Here is one way to make that happen. We are compiling a list of members who would be willing to pickup a fellow quilter that needs a ride to the guild meetings. Please email Deb Claytor [coolclaytors@att.net](mailto:coolclaytors@att.net) and Marilyn Cayton at [th23cayton@gmail.com](mailto:th23cayton@gmail.com).

Roberta Day Idzorek is willing to pick up & give a ride to members to Guild meetings. She lives on Alabama Ave, on the hill. Call 505-662-5701.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Checking Account Balance as of Feb 28, 2012 was 6916.88.

*Donna Smith*

### **Library**

The Library will not be available in March. If you have books to return, please wait to bring them back until next month.

Thank You,  
*Evonne Holder*

### **Membership**

We now have 65 members in the guild!

## **Future Programs/ Workshops**

Tuesday, April 24, 7:00pm United Church in Los Alamos

Sew-a-thon: "Disappearing Nine Patch" - Bring all of those crazy fabrics that you don't know what to do with and we will turn them into donation quilts. Also bring cutting tools or a sewing machine or an iron. Clusters may want to coordinate bringing tools. We will be starting with 5" strips or blocks. United Church, Los Alamos.

May 22-23 - we will find ourselves "Floating in Color Soup" with Michelle Jackson. The following day she will teach a class on "Color Manipulation." (Personally, I can't wait!)

Michelle Jackson will be presenting a trunk show "Finding Ourselves Floating in Color Soup" on Tuesday, May 22. The class "Color Manipulation" will be held the following day. During the class you will learn everything you need to know to do your own piece later and have the color experience necessary to choose great colors to make a stunning quilt. The outline for the class will be as follows:

What is Color

Value and Dominance

The Temperature of Color

Fabulous Color Combinations

The Character of Color

Pattern Texture and Scale

The Color Shift

Adding Unique Colors is as easy as 1,2,3

Her website is [www.quiltfashions.com](http://www.quiltfashions.com)

*Liz Martineau*

## **International Quilt Festival of Ireland**

June 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012. For more information go to <http://www.iqfoi.com/>

Caitlin Hacker from the International Quilt Festival of Ireland contacted our guild inviting members to show quilts at their. The deadline to complete these entries is April 1st, which would mean the creativity and quilting would need to start soon. The sizes are not very large, so we feel it is very doable within the timeframe, especially making the 3-D flowers and plants for My Quilted Garden. As a member of a quilt guild, we would like to extend to you the invitation to join us next year in Ireland as we present our second annual INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL OF IRELAND. Maybe you would like to help us gather a small group of twenty people from your guild to join us? If that is something that would interest you, we will provide for you a complimentary trip for helping us put this small group together, or if you don't want the free trip, we will donate \$100 back to your guild for every person who joins your tour. Please let me know if this is something you might want more information about. I will be happy to send it to you.

## **Ricky Tims Seminar is coming to Socorro August 24-25, 2012.**

If you are interested contact [sroach9@mac.com](mailto:sroach9@mac.com) or [olson@losalamos.com](mailto:olson@losalamos.com)

You may want to get a room reservation in Socorro if you plan to attend the seminar.

## QUICK QUARTER TRIP QUILT



### *March Program -- Fabric Selection*

*Tuesday, March 27, 2012 Myrna Landt will discuss color combination. Bring your fabrics for the workshop or 24 fabrics that are all cotton. They should range from light to dark. As you place the fabric next to each other they should blend nicely. You may bring a couple extra pieces of fabric if you are not sure if they blend. We will work as a group to see what works to make a quilt flow.*

### *March Workshop -- Quick Quarter Trip Quilt*

*Myrna will teach us how to make a "Quick Quarter Trip" quilt by Eleanor Burns. This quilt looks like a Bargello, but is easy enough for a beginner. You sew strips from 24 fabrics, sew a tube, cut strips and sew the strips together.*

*Books available at the February and March meetings.*

*Wednesday, March 28 2012 from 9 am - 4 pm , Location Graves Hall, United Church  
Cost \$35 members, \$45 non-members. Sign up by email [sroach@mac.com](mailto:sroach@mac.com)*

*Send check to LAP, PO Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544*

## **Board Positions Still Open**

We have several positions that are still available and we would love to have you join us. We encourage you to consider one of the following positions. You could work with a friend or two or volunteer as a cluster.

**Second Vice President** - Traditionally works with the current vice president and serves as the vice president the following year. It is nice to start planning programs a year in advance.

**Quilt Show/Market** – A chair would be a great start. Find a friend to join you if a little daunting. We have plenty of documentation to help you out! If we are unable to find a volunteer there will again be no show/market this year.

**Donation Quilt 2013** - Select a pattern and fabric, prepare the packets for distribution and/or organize a workshop to construct the top, arrange for quilting and binding, have tickets printed, and arrange to have the quilt displayed. A good group/cluster project.

**Webmaster** - Keep our webpage up to date so we are all in the know. The LAP website is a wonderful way for those electronically enabled members to keep up to date with the guild. The web is also a great way to store information that allows convenient access by more than one person. Please consider being the new LAP Webmaster. This position does require web experience.

## **Quilting 101**

So sorry that this is not in this month's newsletter. The article was ready to go to the printers but I had not heard back for permission to reproduce material from a website. Hopefully I will hear back before next month's newsletter or I'll have to make this up on my own (yicks!)

### Future Programs for Los Alamos Piecemakers Guild

Wednesday March 28, 2012: Quick Quarter Trip Quilt Workshop, 9am - 4pm, United Church in Los Alamos

Tuesday April 24, 2012: Sew-A-Thon "Disappearing Nine Patch", 7pm United Church in Los Alamos

Tuesday May 22, 2012: "Finding Ourselves Floating in Color Soup" by Michelle Jackson, 7p WR Baptist Church

Wednesday May 23, 2012: "Color Manipulation" Workshop, 9am - 4pm, location TBD

Tuesday June 26, 2012: "Game Night- Fabric Bingo" - Back by popular request! 7pm United Church in LA

July 2012 - No Meeting

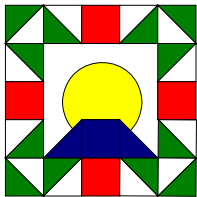
Tuesday August 28, 2012: Local Talent, 7pm White Rock Baptist Church

Tuesday September 25, 2012: Potluck & Membership Kick-Off, 6pm , United Church in Los Alamos

Tuesday October 23, 2012: "There is no such thing as ugly fabric", 7pm White Rock Baptist Church

Tuesday November 13, 2012: TBD

No Meeting in December - *HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!*



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