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LOS ALAMOS PIECEMAKERS February Meeting

The Ugly Fabric Challenge!

Los Alamos United Church, Los Alamos
Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m.

From the President:

Dear Piecemakers,

We had a lovely time with the LAVA Quilters (formerly "Senior Quilters") at our annual Valentine's Luncheon! The ladies were inspired by our show & tell, and inspired us with their dedication to service - donating quilts, walker bags, booties, etc.

Sharon Kapple, our new Vice President, has some wonderful ideas to keep us entertained and informed in 2016. See more about what's happening elsewhere in this newsletter. I am looking forward to our programs and workshops!

If you haven't renewed your membership for 2016, please do so this month. And encourage your friends to join - at \$25 it's a bargain! (The form can be found at the end of this newsletter.)

See you all next week!

Laura

UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS AND WORKSHOPS

SATURDAYS, MARCH 19 and 22 - A workshop, "Color and Design," with Melissa Bartlett

The workshop is scheduled for two Saturdays, March 19th and 26th from 9-1. We are offering it at \$40.00 for members and \$50.00 for non-members with an additional \$20.00 for supplies. This is a bargain. If you were to take Melissa's class individually, it would cost about \$180.00. Our class size is limited to a maximum of 10 participants to be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Anyone interested can sign up at the February Guild meeting, or send me an email at skapple@cybermesa.com.

February 5-March 4 "Not Your Grandma's Quilt" by cutting edge textile artist Katie Pasquini Masopust. Works showcase Katie's talents as a crafts person and as a fine arts painter. Palette Contemporary Art and Craft, 7400 Montgomery NE, Mossman Shopping Ctr., ABQ, NM
10 am-6 pm Monday-Saturday Free to the public www.palettecontemporary.com

February 27-28 Las Colcheras Guild Guild 13th Judged Show "Desert Blooms"
Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 University Ave., Las Cruces, NM www.lcgg.org

February 13-May 1 "Medicine Bough Mountain Retreat, 2015" by Terrie Hancock Mangat.
A 27-foot, 3-part quilt that uses color, texture, pattern, zippers, scraps, and carabiners that are used for mountain climbing. Harwood Museum, 238 Ledoux Street, Taos, NM Gallery: Curator's Wall
10 am-5 pm Wednesday-Saturday Noon-5 pm Sunday \$10 Adults \$8 Seniors (65+) www.harwoodmuseum.org

March 19 National Quilting Day at Atomic City Quilts

Atomic City Quilts will be hosting a day of activities. Come for the morning, come for the afternoon, or stay all day. There will be quilting challenges, prizes, quizzes/puzzles and food! Shelley will have more details to follow.

OFFICER REPORTS

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Sharon Kapple

This month's meeting is an "ugly fabric" challenge. Look through your stash for your ugliest fabric and bring it to the February meeting. Make sure it's a fabric you can part with because it will be cut up and distributed to see just how creative we can be.

We also have a request for quilt magazines for an upcoming workshop. If you have any quilt magazines you no longer want, bring them to the meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- Dorothy Smedley

The meeting was held on January 26, 2016, at 11:30 a.m., at the Los Alamos United Church, called to order by Vice President Sharon Kapple. She began with a log cabin quiz, encouraged the group to sign up for the upcoming Color and Design seminar, and asked if there was interest in the Guild holding a fabric dyeing workshop during the summer. She also announced that we have a new venue in White Rock: the Presbyterian Church. The March meeting will be held there. Sharon reviewed the year's meeting calendar, noting that February will be an Ugly Fabric

Challenge (bring your ugly fabric, cut it up, make blocks for a charity quilt) and a Karla Alexander Tips review (please write your memories of her sewing and quilting tips to share with the group this fall).

Donna Smith, Treasurer, informed the group that members audited her records and that the Guild closed the year with an additional \$2500.00 over the preceding year.

Flo Carr, Community Service, reminded the group that the annual Valentine's Luncheon with the LAVA Quilters, formerly the RSVP Quilters, is February 10th. Volunteers are needed to complete the menu. Thelma Hahn, last year's Community Service Chair, reported that the First Responder's Dinner, for which we made gift ornaments for the families, was a huge success. "They were overwhelmed with the love shown them."

Linda Boncella, from the LAVA Quilters (662-8923), attended our meeting and stated that the LAVA group meets every Wednesday morning, completing 2 to 4 quilts a week that are donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Albuquerque. She encouraged our members to come by anytime.

Deb McLin, Library, brought paper copies of the entire Guild Library, asking members to call her prior to a meeting should they wish a specific book as each month she brings only a representative group. She brought log cabin books to the February meeting. She had special thanks to Judy Crocker, who put such nice pockets in all the newer books. The President's Quilts still needs 20 people and 10 houses, reminding people that she has patterns for the people as well as white background and "skin" fabrics.

Marion Good, Membership, ask that the people who have paid to pick up their new membership cards, and reminded others that 2016 membership is still \$25.

Micki Taylor, Quilt Market, suggested that we represent the Guild in the County Fair parade, showing on our float the WR Quilt Cozy (on a trailer) and that members walk and show quilts we've made, pulled in little red wagons. The Quilt Market has been booked in to the Crossroads Church on Saturday, Sept 24th, with set up on Friday. She asked that the September Guild meeting be moved to the Tuesday before the Market; the consensus was to do so.

Donna Smith suggested that her workshop on paper piecing later this year be the basis for making next year's raffle quilt. She showed an amazing piece and the group was enthusiastic about the suggestion.

Show and Tell: Charlene McHale presented a hearts quilt made for her niece's baby; Lana Kelsey was prolific: an angel wall hanging, a circular little girl quilt, a black and batiks quilt, and a quilted chemical elements chart with embroidered lettering; Sharon Kapple had a huge dog and cat quilt; Donna Smith finished her Karla Alexander (a modified Savannah) in dog and cat fabrics; Debbie McLin finished her Karla Alexander Savannah in earth tone batiks; and Linda Kohler combined quilting and cross-stitch with 2 Halloween and Christmas pieces.

The group then turned their attention to sewing log cabin blocks for the raffle quilt, completing and exceeding the needed 72 blocks. The meeting then adjourned.

Community Service - Flo Carr

I would again like to thank everyone who contributed soups, salads, desserts, breads, and drinks, and everyone who gave their time and effort helping out at the Valentine's Luncheon for

the senior center quilters. Everyone seemed to really enjoy the beautiful quilts for show & tell, and the chance to meet and visit with the ladies from the LAVA quilters.

The Sandoval County Chapter of Project Linus is selling copies of "The Quilters Cookbook" as a fundraiser. The plentiful and varied recipes were submitted by Project Linus volunteers and their friends and families. The books also contain pictures of quilts, including at least two made and donated by members of our Piecemaker's Guild. The cost is only \$15.00! If anyone is interested in purchasing one, please contact me at 505-660-4980 or at ks_carr@msn.com.

LIBRARY - Deborah McLin

As I cannot attend the February meeting, please give any returned library books or completed blocks for the President's Quilt to Dorothy Smedley.

As an added surprise, we've gotten the delicious soup recipe from Thelma Hahn that knocked them dead at the Valentine's Luncheon.

Asparagus Mushroom Soup

4 cups Chicken Stock,
1/2 lb. asparagus diced

Bring stock to a simmer and cook asparagus for approximately 10 minutes.

6 Tabs. butter (no substitutions)
1/2 cup diced onions
1/2 lb. sliced mushrooms
3 Tabs. flour

Sauté mushrooms and onions in butter. Blend in flour over low heat. Do not brown. Add stock and asparagus.

1 Cup Carnation evaporated milk or light cream
1/4 tsp. garlic powder or to taste

Whisk in milk over low heat. (Do not boil)

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