



# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Please Mail your Membership form in before September 15

PO Box 261, Los Alamos, NM 87544

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August 2003

## Message from Our President

Steve Moore

We have scheduled a board meeting for September 2nd, 6:00 to 7:00 pm at Sew Enchanted Appliances kitchen. The topic of discussion will be By-Laws & Policies. I will prepare packets with all the information and distribute to officers/chairs before the meeting. Also, I want to extend a sincere THANK YOU to Theresa Feller who has agreed to take over the newsletter for the remainder of the year and will be on the list for newsletter editor for next year. I am still looking for a Nominating Committee Chair.

## Secretary's Report

Marian Kirchner

Copies of the Minutes are available at each meeting.

## Treasurer's Report

Deborah Kubicek

It is that time of year again when we need to form a budget committee. The committee will consist of Treasurer, President, both Vice Presidents and a couple guild members at large. At the September guild meeting we will be asking for volunteers to be on this budget committee. The committee will meet ONCE to decide on a budget for 2004. The budget committee will meet sometime between the September and the October guild meeting. This is a great opportunity to learn about the workings of the budget and finances. If you are interested you can contact me at 662-4865.

## Historian's Report

Teri Devine

## Librarian's Report

Mardel Schmiedicke

## Community Service's Report

Liz Martineau

The guild has collected quilts for Project Linus this year, but we are always interested in more. I'm sure that you have boxes of scrap fabric, and creating a child size quilt for charity is a creative way to use it up! It is also a great way to practice a new pattern, technique, or color scheme. Best of all, it warms the heart of a child! Individuals or clusters may bring their Project Linus quilts to any guild meeting and we will make sure that it is passed on to the appropriate sources.

## Membership's Report

Anita Stone / Theresa Feller

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 September-August.

## PROGRAMS FOR 2003

August – No Meeting

September 2 – Board Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm (Board and Chair Members only)

September 23 - United Church, Los Alamos

Membership Potluck – A-I dessert, J-M main dish, N-Z salad

There will be a Fat Quarter Exchange (start saving now).

Suggestions for the Donation Quilt 2004

October 28 - White Rock Baptist

Vote on 2004 Board Members

Amy Sandrin, Flower Pounding Quilt Projects -

Imagine preserving a rose from your wedding bouquet or your daughter's prom corsage—in a quilt! Now you can do that and much more with flower Pounding. Learn easy methods for transferring pigment from fresh flowers directly onto specially treated muslin. Display treasured mementos or your summer garden's bounty for many years to come. Amy Sandrin will speak on Flower Pounding at the October 28<sup>th</sup> Guild meeting (7pm) and then conduct a half-day workshop on Wed. the 29<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 am. Both will be at the White Rock Baptist Church. The workshop is only \$25 and a kit with the treated fabric will be provided for \$8. Pick up a supply list when you sign up at the September meeting.

October 29 - Amy Sandrin Workshop

November 18 - United Church, Los Alamos

Sew-A-Thon (one week early)

December - No Meeting

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

The fees for each class will be determined by the cost of the speaker to do the workshop. This will include her workshop fee, travel expense, food, and lodging. The total of this will be divided by the maximum number of students allowed in the workshop. Instead of a sign up sheet for each workshop, we will go back to a registration slip for each speaker, which will show the amount for that workshop on the slip. Only registrations with checks or cash will be considered "in" the workshop. The Lecture fee comes out of our dues.

The guild meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held alternately at the United Church of Los Alamos, 2525 Canyon Road, and White Rock Baptist Church, 80 La Paloma Drive.

## PROGRAMS A LOOK AHEAD

### Programs 2004

Jan. - Debbie Caffrey

Feb - Janet Jones Worley

April - Cynthia England

June - Bethany Reynolds

Nov - Barbara Barber

Sign up for Jan and Feb workshops will begin in October.

### Message from the President

At the last Board Meeting (held 8/5/03, 6:00 to 7:30, Sew Enchanted kitchen/conference room) the board discussed an array of topics. Most of the time was spent discussing our budget and expenses. Program expenses have gone up as our Guest Speaker fees have increased. Speakers are charging more for lectures and workshops. Speaker fees are paid out of membership fees as all members attending enjoy the benefits of the lecture. And, we have had some very exciting ones! Workshops are supposed to be covered by the workshop registration fee (\$45.00 per member, per workshop). With non-members paying more for the workshop. Some Speakers fees for workshops are more than others. This overage comes out of the budget. With Speaker fees going up, the guild must use more budget money to cover. This problem became evident in an analysis performed by Kerry Vitkus, 1<sup>st</sup> VP.

The solution to problem as agreed by the board is to allow workshop fees to fluctuate with the Speakers workshop fee and total expenses incurred for that speaker. For example, if the workshop speakers' fee is \$500.00 and the associated expenses (lodging, meals, travel) are \$350.00, the complete cost of the workshop is \$850.00. Then each workshop has a "maximum" number that can attend. Let's say that is 20 members. By taking the total cost of the workshop and dividing it by the maximum attending members, the fee would be \$42.50 for this particular example workshop. Keep in mind, some Guest Speakers charge more than others, therefore, the fee would fluctuate depending on the fees and expenses incurred. This method would insure that the workshop support themselves and by the members interested in attending a particular workshop.

Also, a friendly reminder, those members who volunteered to sew the Pillow Angels for Margaret Carter, they are due at Sew Enchanted by the 7<sup>th</sup> of September. Again, thank to all who volunteered!

It is time for form the "Budget" committee for next years budget. We will need 3 members at larger to volunteer with this process. Just contact me and I will put your name on the list.

At our next meeting, we will need to make a motion for changing the constitution. It requires 2/3 members present to pass the motion. It is only a technicality. In the constitution (available at [www.vla.com/lap](http://www.vla.com/lap), selection constitution) it states that the budget will be voted on in December. The technicality is that we do not meet in December. Therefore, the motion that will need to be made must move that to November. If you have questions, you can contact me regarding them.

Remember our next meeting is September 23rd at the United Church. It will be Membership Potluck and there will be a Fat Quarter Exchange.

I am always available for information and discussion. You may contact me at 662-1978 or via email ([stevemoore87544@yahoo.com](mailto:stevemoore87544@yahoo.com) or [sewenchanted@losalamos.com](mailto:sewenchanted@losalamos.com)). Thanks!

Steve Moore, President 2003

### Donation Quilt 2003

This is our largest funding raising project. Christa needs the membership to help sell tickets. Please contact Christa Manning at 672-1139.

### Volunteers

Without volunteers LAP cannot run. The best part about volunteering is that you get a chance to change things, you get to meet people, you get have lots of fun, and you get to see how the Guild works. We need the following volunteers:

Nominating Committee

Budget Committee

Quilt Show 2004 Chairperson

### LAP Quilt Market 2003 -

Saturday October 11, 2003 - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
at Fuller Lodge

What is Quilt Market? Well this is one of LAP fund raising events and is held opposite years of the Quilt Show. Members have the opportunity to sell items that they have made throughout the year(s). The guild get a percentage, which is far less then consignment fees, the members get extra spending money, and the public gets to purchase wonderfully handcrafted items. Only one rule, if you sell, you need to help. Forms and information are posted at the LAP web site [www.vla.com/lap](http://www.vla.com/lap) or contact Diane Swan-Megalli at 662-1978

### Quilt Show 2004 – Call for Chairperson

It is not too early to be thinking about Quilt Show 2004. The guild needs a volunteer to head up this event. It is a wonderful way of getting to meet all the members and to prove to yourself and others that you can do anything! Just a hint, staffing has the hardest job.

### Donation Quilt 2004

Suggests for the donation quilt are brought to the September meeting and the general membership votes on their favorite. By submitting the design you will also chair the donation quilt. It is not hard and lots of the members have already chaired this position so they can help you get started. Please bring your suggestions to the September meeting. A sample is not needed just a picture

### VOTE – VOTE – VOTE

The membership needs to vote on these up coming issue(s):

2004 Budget

2004 Board Members

### Membership for 2003/2004 Year

Enclosed is the membership form for 2003/2004. IF you would like your membership packet at the September meeting please mail in your form and include payment, before September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Message from Quilt Market Chair

Dear Members,

Quilt Market is fast approaching, Saturday October 11. Inventory Lists and Tag sheets are available through our website. The completed Lists of inventory to be sold are due no later than October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Pandy's Quilt Shop in White Rock or at Sew Enchanted Appliances up in Los Alamos.

Volunteers are needed now and during Market. For now we need volunteers to pass out flyers around the community and those you may be visiting within the state. Market is an event that brings people in from everywhere.

During Market we will need help with Set Up and Take Down. And those selling will be expected to help with cashiering, bagging and floor shifts. Volunteering is not limited to those selling. Many members in the past have helped because they wanted to.

At the September meeting sign up sheets and additional forms will be at the membership table. Please take a moment to sign up at that time.

If there are any questions please don't hesitate to call me at 662-1978 or email me at [sewenchanted@losalamos.com](mailto:sewenchanted@losalamos.com)

Diane Swan Megalli

### CLUSTER INFORMATION:

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

### Show and Tell

Don't forget to bring quilts from our years-past sew-a-thons to show and tell. If you have quilts tops from past sew-a-thons, bring them to the meeting and pass them on. I am sure someone will be willing to finish them.

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](mailto:tfeller@losalamos.com) and I will put that information here.

### ADVERSITING

Please contact Theresa Feller @ 662-1967 or [tfeller@losalamos.com](mailto:tfeller@losalamos.com)

### 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](mailto:lapiecemakers-subscribe@egroups.com) to subscribe

or

[lapiecemakers-unsubscribe@egroups.com](mailto:lapiecemakers-unsubscribe@egroups.com) to unsubscribe

**Call for Board Members** - LAP has openings in the following positions:

President: You're the boss; do we need to say anymore?

Membership: Accepts dues and turns them over to the treasurer, keeps a record of members (spread sheet), publishes a membership listing yearly (or upon request by Board Members or Members), Makes a membership card and nametag for each member (as needed), gives each member an information packet, prepares labels for newsletter by editor's deadline, provide newsletter editor with e-mail addresses, and takes nametags to every meeting.

Secretary: Takes minutes at all general and board meetings, Types minutes and distributes minutes, Posts minutes at general meeting, Keeps lists of block of the month, programs and workshops

Historian:

Librarian: Orders new book, Prepares cards and pocket for books, Brings books to meetings and supervises check-in and checkout

Community Service:

The above positions serve one full calendar year January-December. For more information on a certain board position please contact the current Board Member.

### Memorial Quilt

For any guild members who feel able to make a block (or more) for Ryan Stone's memorial quilt, here are some details.

Block Size: It will be a simple 9-patch (blocks squared up to 9 inches). Feel free to use string blocks, or other pieced blocks, if you like. Please, no appliques or other embellishments. I would like to collect all the blocks by the end of August, if you don't mind, so that I can decide about layout, sashing, borders, and such. Colors: please use purples (lavender is OK), blues, greens, and ivories. Use prints, solids, or whatever you'd like.

Pandy has kindly agreed to be a "collection point" for finished blocks. If I can't get them from you directly, please leave them at Pandy's Quilt Store and I'll pick them up there.

Thank you so very much. This is a great group! And a big extra thanks to Donna O'Donnell for helping me, too.

Christy

### Newsletter Editor

Comments or Suggestions should be e-mailed to [tfeller@losalamos.com](mailto:tfeller@losalamos.com). The newsletter editor will not edit or correct grammar, punctuation or spelling on articles submitted. If you would like to take on the responsibility for correcting grammar, spelling or punctuation, please contact me. I could use the help and this will allow me more time to quilt.

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**LAP 2003/2004**

**Los Alamos Piecemakers Membership (9/03-8/04).** Please print clearly

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***Gathering Threads:***

***The Heart of the Neutrogena Collection***

This third installation features textiles selected from the Neutrogena Collection. The exhibition highlights the diversity of textures, forms and patterns for a rich display of international textiles drawn from the collection that once graced Neutrogena Corporate Offices. [www.moifa.org](http://www.moifa.org) for more information. This exhibition closes October 12, 2003



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