

# Los Alamos Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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#### 2014 Quilt Market

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### 2014 Donation Quilt

Open

Tuesday, March 25th at 7:00 pm White Rock Baptist Church "The Ins and Outs of the Fuller Lodge Art Center." Speaker Ken Nebel, Director Fuller Lodge Art Center



Phyllis Holland's Reverse Applique Class

## From the President:

I hope you are all busy quilting your items for the Quilt Market, because IT'S ON! Thanks to Libby and Micki for stepping up. I'm sure we will all jump in and help when the time comes.

Happy quilting and see you March 25th,

Laura

# VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT - Deb Claytor and Deb McLin

We hope everyone that joined us at the February Guild meeting found the great information from Cindy Lawton useful to improve your quilting experience. She covered topics that ranged from correcting postures to stretching to time management to preventing those aches and pains by using ergonomic tools. It was obvious that she was a quilt lover. In her words, "Follow my advice and save your physical therapy co-pay to buy more fabric!"

There are four more opportunities left to participate in the mug rug challenge. The challenge rules are listed below. Bring your mug rugs for Aspen Ridge to the next guild meeting to enter the June drawing.

A cloudy rainy Saturday was the perfect setting for a fun quilting workshop. On March 1, Phyllis

We now have a Facebook page, Los Alamos Piecemakers. It is a Closed group so you need to request that Laura adds you to the page. This will be our forum to post ideas, suggestions, questions and photos of the quilts we make. Holland shared her method for Reverse Applique. She guided us through the steps with great patience and gave us license to experiment. We had a wonderful day and left with an "almost" finished project. We will "show and tell "our work at the March Guild meeting. We would like to thank Phyllis for presenting this workshop and helping to raise funds for the guild.

At our March 25 meeting our speaker will be Ken Nebel, director of The Fuller Lodge Art Center. Ken will discuss the different

activities going on at the center and explain the process of producing a gallery show. We asked him to include fiber arts and its place in the gallery during his discussion. Please plan to join us at the White Rock Baptist Church at 7:00

Our April 22 meeting at the United Church will be our annual sew-a- thon. We plan to make red, white and blue blocks for quilt tops to be donated to the Bear Paws Quilt Guild. Deb Claytor has designed a placement pattern for the blocks and will have a few samples to show at the March meeting.

And, looking ahead to the rest of the year  $\dots$ 

*March 25*, White Rock Baptist Church. 7:00pm KenNebel, Speaker "The Ins and Outs of the Fuller Lodge Art Center."

April 22, United Church, Graves Hall. Sew-a-thon. 6:30pm

May 27, White Rock Baptist Church.

June 24, United Church, Graves Hall.

August 26 White Rock Baptist Church.

September 23, United Church, Membership Potluck, 6:00 pm

October 28, White Rock Baptist Church, 7:00 PM. Nicole Dunn, fiber artist, presents trunk show and lecture.

November 18, United Church Graves Hall. Virginia Walton speaker Workshop

November 19, "Whirlpool" using Creative Curves Ruler.

#### THE MUG RUG CHALLENGE RULES

We have received a lot of interest from our members so we hope that there will be many mug rugs for our Aspen Ridge reception during the holiday season. Remember even if you don't want to participate in the Challenge you may make mug rugs of any size or shape.

This 2014 challenge is in honor of Phyllis Holland who suggested in 2012 that the guild present a quilt program with refreshments to the residents at Aspen Ridge Lodge. Along with our "show and tell" and cookie trays we gave every resident a mug rug. So this year we would like to make our 2014 challenge to benefit that event that was started with Phyllis's suggestion.

As with any challenge there are going to be guidelines but we would also encourage you to make mug rugs of

any size and shape that don't conform to the guidelines but will be needed for our visit. But only those that are built using the criteria laid out in the challenge will be entered into the drawings. We will have drawings in June and November. We hope to have many prizes that any quilter would enjoy.

The guidelines are as follows:

- 1. The mug rugs should measure 9"x6" with an allowance of 1/2" smaller or 1/2" larger then the 9"x6" template that will be available at our guild meetings.
- 2. You may enter as many mug rugs as you like that meet this challenge. You will be given a paper to write your name and contact information for each mug rug.
- 3. The mug rugs can have binding or be top stitched.
- 4. The mug rugs can be appliqued or pieced or a combination of both.
- 5. The mug rugs must have a minimum of 6 fabrics on the front not counting the binding. The backing can be pieced or of one fabric but it is not counted as part of the 6 fabrics that are necessary on the front.
- 6. The theme on the mug rugs can be holiday or non-seasonal.

Please remember that this is Community Service challenge and mug rugs will go to Aspen Ridge and will not be returned to members. Again we encourage all members to make mug rugs of any size and shape but only those made within the challenge guidelines will be eligible for the drawings. I made some last year just so I could practice free motion quilting.

The first drawing will be at the June Guild meeting. After that the paper entries will be retired and we will begin fresh for the November drawing.

## **CLUSTER NEWS**

New Cluster is forming - "The Beginners" - Geared to those who would like to learn to quilt, people with not much experience quilting, or those that love basic quilts. Moms or sitters with small children at home are more than welcome to join. We will meet the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Tuesday of every month in members' homes (the  $1^{st}$  Tuesday during the day, the 3rd Tuesday in the evening). IF you are interested please email Theresa Aguilera -  $\frac{1}{1000}$  the  $\frac{1}{1000}$  Cluster will close at 6 (since there are children).

# **2014 QUILT MARKET**

This is our year to hold a Quilt Market. Libby Carlsten and Micki Taylor have volunteered to chair the Market. The tentative date is September 27, 2014 at the Crossroads Bible Church.

## **DONATION QUILT**

Nicole is going to sell the Guild a quilt that she is making. It is called North by North West Artisan using Northcott shimmer fabric. She will be offering the block of the month at Warm Hearts Yarn the second Saturday of the month starting in April.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

There is going to be a Quilt Craft and Sewing Festival May 22-24, 2014 in Albuquerque.

http://ryansewnvac.com/rustybarn.pdf

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE** - Lyn Haval

Thanks for all of your support for "Komfort Kits" to be placed in LAPD patrol cars in case of emergency involving children. They will continue to collect blankets (quilts, knitted or crocheted blankets, tied fleece) as well as snack items, stuffed animals and backpacks). The email for contact is: komfortforkids@gmail.com

KEEP THOSE MUG RUGS COMING!! We had several mug rugs entered in our competition last month. The guidelines for mug rugs were posted in the last newsletter and are on our website. The short version is: 9" by 6" with six different fabrics. See the posting for more details. There will be prizes--in June and November. Please continue to make other mug rugs (not for prizes) of any size and any

fabric--we need 80-100 by our December cookie fest at Aspen Ridge.

In April at the sew-a-thon we will be working on patriotic-themed squares to help out the Jemez Bearpaws Quilters with their 'Quilts of Valor". More details to follow.

Thanks for all your support of new and on-going community needs. I love how you all reach out with your sewing skills to make the world a better place!

Also, if you know of anyone who needs a quilt, please let me know. I have several ready to give

# TREASURER'S REPORT - Donna Smith

The checking account balance as of March 1, 2014 was \$11,217.66.

The Reverse Applique workshop by Phyllis Holland made \$225 in profit (as there were no expenses).