

Hello Stitchers,

It's the month of LOVE! I love my family and friends and my adorable four legged family (we make a pretty solid pack!) I also love my quilting family! Here is a link to a pattern for a pixelated heart quilt. A few of us have made this one. It is beautiful in so many colors. It's a free pattern! Enjoy!



**FEBRUARY 2023** 

https://www.robertkaufman.com/assets/pdf/PixelatedHeart.pdf

February might also be the month that my daughter questions my senility. At this moment there are 70 chicken eggs and 1 duck egg in an incubator in my dining room. It's true, I might just be crazy but waiting is so hard! Stay tuned for updates! LOL

This is also the month we show our UFO's since last month was a little interesting, but we made it through! Bring your finished UFO to the meeting this month and make sure it has a label attached to it. It's going to be fun!!

If you are new to Stitchers, make sure you are working on your name tag! After 3 months of being in the group, you need to be wearing your name tag to be eligible for door prizes. I've seen some basic name tags and some that took a lot of time to create! The bigger the better so we can see your name! LOL



Thanks! Barbara

Sincerely, Dayna Fentress

Dayna Fentress County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences

### **LOUCON 2023**

Reservations and deposits are being accepted to reserve your spot at our annual



retreat at the Loucon Center near Leitchfield. Dates are Thurs, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> (9 am CST) to Sun, Nov 5th (2pm CST). Cost is \$170, includes all meals, except Saturday night at group dinner off site, at your expense.

Loucon is a rustic multi use facilities and Stitchers has a large building, with sleeping rooms downstairs and sewing room upstairs. There is drop off sleeping supplies downstairs, so you don't need to carry your bedding, towels and clothes downstairs.

Bring your own sewing projects, machine, tools, fabrics and notions for a fun filled 4-day retreat with friends. There are only spots for 24. Bedrooms sleep 2, in septate queen size beds and a private bathroom. You bring your own bedding, towels, pillows and bathmat. A \$25 deposit will assure your inclusion.

Contact Vonnie Ryan @ (530) 945-9420



### **PILLOWCASES!**

We will be collecting pillowcases for children. They will be taken to Austin's in Louisville. They are sending them to kids in Honduras.

The pillow cases will be collected at guild meetings Feb - March- April and May by Patty. If unable to make a pillowcase you can donate \$ that will be used to help with the shipping.



# Happy **Birthday! February Janice Conder**

Linda Griffiths **Mary Lois Hill Fran Hodges** Michelle Masterson **Kathy Nesler Cathy Smith** Ann Wilson **Tracee Young** 

## **Stitchers Quilt Guild Officers**

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### Carla's Corner



1st a BIG thank you to Barbara and Mary Lois for being able to pull

together a meeting in January



So February will be our UFO meeting.. I hope everyone is ready, looking forward to seeing all of the beautiful quilts, don't forget your label!

We also would like to have Vonnie do a demo on pillowcase making. If we hold it off longer it could cause a delay in getting them made in time.

March is label making with Beth Hunter and Linda Griffiths, I'm super excited!

April is Christina with a unique pin cushion.

I want to Thank her for being so flexible with all the rescheduling.. I'm am very grateful.. this is going to be a very cool project! And Patty is going to show us about organizing our stash.

May.... Hmmmmm I am STILL looking for someone to demo mitered borders.. if I can't find anyone I will find a video on you tube.

June.. this is our quild dinner. I am wanting to make it a vacation theme.. any vacation place.. warm.. colorful and umbrellas in drinks.. I am hoping to get a committee together.. as Mary Lois says many hands make a light task ??? Well I'm

paraphrasing Please contact me if you're interested in this or any other program idea!

Ask not what your guild can do for YOU, but what YOU can do for your guild !!

Looking forward to seeing everyone on 22 February @6:30.

Carla Herald 1VP Stitchers Quilt Guild

### <u>Workshops</u> With Vonnie Ryan

## 2023 STITCHERS WORKSHOPS



MARCH 24, 25 Amy Labriola Wave Quilt - \$7 + \$5 optional lunch

April 21, 22 Sara Medina's Jelly Roll Rug \$10 + \$5 optional lunch

**April 27----** bus trip to Paducah Quilt Show leaving Hardin County Extension Office at 7am. Max passengers is 48. \$25 for stitchers, \$50 for non-Stitchers. \$25 will be refunded to Stitchers that volunteered a minimum of 3 hours at the 2022 Heartland of Kentucky Quilt Show. Ridership is now open to non-Stitchers. Get your reservation into Vonnie to assure you can ride the bus.

May 6 9am-3pm Barn Wood Quilt Painting by Elizabeth Summar

2'x2' \$65, includes lunch; 3'x3' \$125, includes lunch; 4'x4' \$185, includes lunch

June 2, 3 Ilsa Comenzind's Portfolio/Block Carrier - \$5 + \$5 optional lunch

July 14, 15 Christina Cooper's Wool Applique pillow top -\$5 workshop + 10 wool kit + \$5 optional lunch

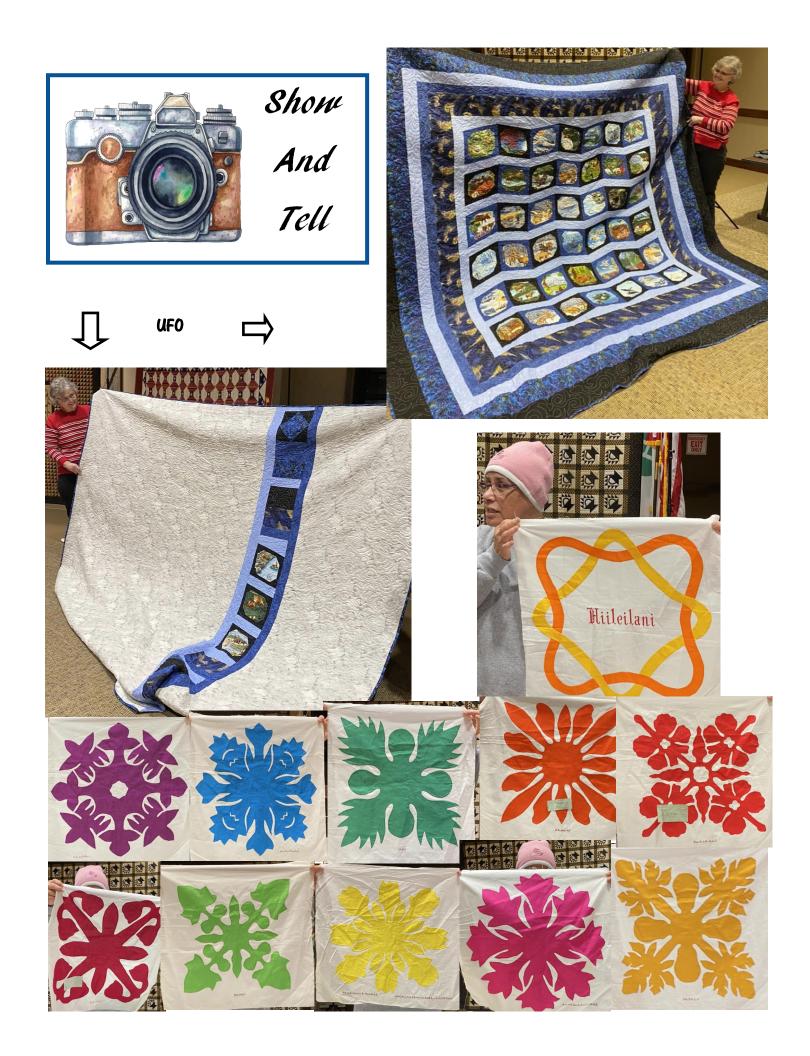
*Times for workshops are Fridays 5pm to 9 pm and Saturday 9-5, unless otherwise noted.* 

When signing up and paying for a workshop, you'll be on the "YES LIST". You'll be on the "WAITLIST" until the workshop is completely paid.

If you're unable to attend the workshop, let me know at least 2 weeks in advance and you'll receive your fee back, except the barn wood painting class. The barn wood painting class fee will not be refunded after April 1, 2023. If unable to attend, you can travel to her business in Northern Tennessee to take a class, have her paint it being responsible for shipping or forfeit your funds.



Any questions or suggestions on any workshop, contact me : Vonnie Ryan (530) 945-9420 (cell phone) call or text. Vonryan126@outlook.com





## Blue Wave Workshop by Amy Labriola

Fri, March 24 5-9 and Sat, March 25 9-5 Workshop \$7 Optional lunch \$5 Finished size 38" x 48" Limit 20

Materials 1/3 yard of 6 different colors Scissors- one pair for cutting paper and one for cutting material A pen that erases with water Lots of pins Scotch tape Rotary cutter with a fresh blade Basic sewing supplies: sewing machine, bobbins, rulers, etc. Backing fabric 1 ½ yard Binding 3/8<sup>th</sup> yard



### WOOD BARN QUILT PAINTING WORKSHOP

By Elizabeth Summar Minimum class size 7 – Maximum 20 Saturday, May 6, 2023 9:30 – 3 Lunch provided by teacher Elizabeth

There are 3 sizes of wood for you to choose from and 6 different designs. You paint your own Wood Barn Quilt wall hanging, with outdoor paints. There are multiple colors to select, day of.

You do need to bring a blow dryer and your own beverages for the day.

ALL FEES MUST BE PAID NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2023. The payment is to be via check, made out to Stitchers Quilt Guild., <u>No exceptions</u>

2' X 2' is \$65

3' X 3' is \$125

4' X 4' is \$185

If unable to attend workshop on May 6<sup>th</sup>, there are 3 possible solutions.

1) you drive to Elizabeth's studio in Tennessee, at your expense and paint there, when she's available.

2) Make arrangements with Elizabeth for her to paint your barn wood and have her mail it to you. You pay shipping

3) Money is non refundable

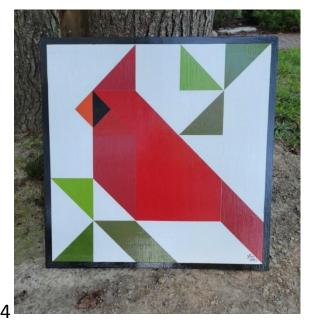
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Jelly Roll Rugs with Sara Medina, of Redwood City, CA

#### Friday, April 21 5 pm – 9pm and Saturday, April 22 9-3 Workshop \$10 or \$15 with optional Saturday lunch

To make one oval 30" x 44" rug or one 38" round rug you will need:

One Jelly Roll 40 - 42 fabric strips 2 1/2" x WOF

1 ¼ yards of 100% cotton batting 96" wide cut into 2 1/2"strips OR
1700" roll of batting strips. Any brand will do. They usually come in two sizes ~25 yard roll = 900" so you will need two OR
~50 yard roll = 1800" so you will need one

Non starch ironing spray such as Mary Ellen's I Hate Ironing **OR** Best Press

Any sewing machine that makes a wide zig-zag stitch

Size 14-18 Denim Sewing Machine needles

1 large spool of thread (at least 1200 yards) to blend with your fabrics, filled bobbins to compliment fabrics

An extension table or any type of extension setup for your sewing machine to give the rug an even surface to rest after it is sewn... this is one of the ways to help the rug not to curl when assembling it

A rug gripper for the bottom of your rug will your completed jelly roll rug

#### **BEFORE the class:**

Please have all of your strips joined edge to edge sewn diagonally into one very long strip (approximately 1,700 inches). Strips can easily be daisy-chained. There is no right or wrong way to join your strips. The pattern for the rug can be designed by joining light strips to darker strips (you can assemble it starting either with the dark or the light strips) or you can mix and match your strips depending on your vision of your rug.

Also, you should have your 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" of batting cut into 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" strips and joined to make one very long strip of batting **OR** your pre-cut batting strip rolls ready.

We will start our class by joining the batting strip within the very long fabric strip to create the fabric/ batting tubes.

## OVAL OR ROUND JELLY ROLL RUGS







## LOUCON ANNUAL RETREAT Thurs Nov 2nd 9 AM CST – Sun, Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 2 PM CST

Loucon Retreat is open to all Stitchers in good standing. Loucon Retreat Center is a multi-use, rustic campground with a larger building that we completely occupy, located outside Leitchfield, KY. Bedrooms, located downstairs, have 2 queen beds and 1 upper bunk. Each bedroom has 1 private bathroom. Maximum occupancy is 3 persons per room. No pets nor children.

Each attendee brings their own bedroom, bathroom linens/supplies – TP is provided. The great room upstairs is our shared sewing room. Sewing areas have a long table for each attendee. There are community raised cutting tables and ironing boards. Attendees will have a long table to set up their own machine, cutting area and ironing area, as attendee wants. There is room for each Stitcher to bring one additional sewing machine table set perpendicular to the provided table, if wanted. Chairs are provided. Chair pad/pillow is encouraged to be brought by attendee. Machines, fabric, notions, etc. are brought by each Stitcher-please label your items.

Day trips to Bee Positive and Whittles quilt shops are close enough to visit but not required.

There are beautiful trails to walk on the grounds. The building is secured each night. There is an off-load area downstairs for your room gear and upper drop off area for your sewing gear. Parking is adjacent and in close proximity to the building.

Eight meals will be eaten together in the Loucon dining hall, except Saturday night when we go to a local Mexican restaurant. Those meals to be: Thurs. dinner; Fri breakfast, lunch, dinner; Sat breakfast & lunch; Sun breakfast and lunch. There maybe other groups sharing the dining hall.

### Total Cost: \$170.00 per person. Flat rate.

Payments, after a \$25 deposit to save your spot, can be paid monthly but needs to be totally paid by October 1, 2023



#### Minutes of Club Meeting – Stitchers Quilt Guild Date of Meeting: January 25, 2023 Place: Hardin County Cooperative Extension Time of Meeting: 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Dixon, she welcomed 26 members and 1 guest Kathryn LaRoche. Due to a Covid outbreak, President Dixon said the UFO Challenge Quilts would be due at the February meeting.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes were emailed out prior to the meeting Amy Labriola moved for the minutes to be approved as presented, seconded by Anne Aubrey. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's report** – The Treasurer's report was emailed out earlier, as there was no discussion the report will be filed for audit.

#### **Report of Officers and Standing Committees:**

**President:** Barbara Dixon thanked everyone for helping with the Christmas dinner. She commented that Carla Harold is an excellent planner! She went on to thank Patty Pruitt for a wonderful Bargello class held the week-end of January 20-21. She informed the group that the next Homemaker lesson would be held at the Hardin County Extension building. The topic was "Elements and Principles of Art". All Stitchers are welcome to attend. The class will be Friday, January 27 at 1:30 in the Sewing Room. Barbara said she would try to send out some additional information on the lesson. Barbara reminded the members that they might want to think about applying for one of the Stitcher mini grants. She explained that several grants are available to all Stitchers. To qualify a candidate must fill out a form for a quilt related class, and be selected by a committee. In return the Stitcher needs to share with the membership during a club meeting something learned at the workshop. She mentioned that there are a limited number of mini grants available. A need for a phone tree was discussed. Anne Aubrey volunteered to head up a committee of about 10 to get this started. Other volunteers: Kathryn LaRoche, Pat Sego, Marlene Ruby-Suarez, Amy Labriola, Mary Lois Hill, and Paula Sifferd.

#### 1st Vice President: Carla Harold - Absent

2nd Vice President: Vonnie Ryan – Absent, but sent in the following report: LOUCON: Beginning signups and deposits are beginning tonight. Loucon is our annual sewing retreat at the rustic camp outside Leitchfield – about 45 minutes from E-town. There's room for 24 Stitchers. The cost is a flat rate of \$170 for room and meals. Thursday, November 2 @ 9AM (slow time) to Sunday, November 5 @ 2PM ... except Sat dinner at a local Mexican restaurant – at attendees own cost. There's more information on the handouts. A \$25 deposit will hold your reservation. Please any discussion of costs, splitting costs can be held at the Feb Stitcher meeting. BUS TO PADUCAH QUILT SHOW: We have a large bus reservation to the Paducah AQS Quilt Show on Thur, April 27<sup>th</sup> – leaving the Hardin County Extension Office approx. 7AM, driving to Hancock's and then to the quilt show. The bus holds 48. Our guild voted that 35 seats need to be reserved or the bus trip is canceled. To date 9 have paid the \$25 for the trip. The \$25 will be refunded to riders that volunteered at least 3 hours at the 2022 Heartland of Kentucky Quilt Show...so the cost will be free to ride. Admission to the AQS is your responsibility. There are other groups requesting to ride with us. Our guild members take precedence over non-members. However, admittance will be opened to non members beginning Feb 1, as agreed previously @ \$50 per rider. It's going to be fun!!!

#### WORKSHOPS:

FEB 10<sup>th</sup> (5-9) and Feb 11<sup>th</sup> (9-5) Kelly Pruitt's Pineapple Quilt – 23 have paid and there's a maximum 25 to attend. We will be utilizing the conference room for this workshop. PLEASE, if you have signed up and paid, let us know tonight if your plans have changed and you won't be able to attend. A refund will be given, if notified tonight. Optional \$5 lunch...Chicken Pot Pie and dessert.

Also on Saturday, Feb 11 at 4PM, we are planning a SURPRISE...SURPRISE...SURPRISE going sway, thank you and happy trails to legacy Stitchers founder and active member Kelly Pruitt. All are wlcome and encouraged to meet in the foyer of the Hardin County Extension Office at 3:55. Meet there and then walk to the conference room at 4PM to SURPRISE Kelly diring the last hour of her workshop. There will be cake, beverage, and a card to sign. REMEMBER it's a SURPRISE.

MARCH 24<sup>th</sup> (5-9) and 25<sup>th</sup> (9-5) Blue Wave Quilt Amy Labriola 14 have signed up and 20 is max. Workshop \$7, Lunch optional \$5

APRIL 21 (5-9) and 22 (9-5) Jelly Roll Rug by Sara Medina, teacher from Redwood City, CA. 16 have paid and 25 is max. Workshop \$10, lunch \$5 optional.

MAY 6<sup>th</sup> 9:30-3 Wood Barn Quilt Painting by Elizabeth Summar - 3 sizes of wood square to choose and 6 designs. 2'x2' is \$65; 3'x3' is \$125; 4'x4' is \$185...these costs include all paints, wood pattern and lunch prepared by teacher. Max class size 25 -10 have paid. ALL PAYMENTS NEED TO BE PAID BY APRIL 1. NO REFUNDS. If unable to attend, Stitcher will make arrangements directly with Elizabeth to go to

Tennessee or have Elizabeth paint and mail at Stitchers expense.

JUNE 2 (5-9) and 3<sup>rd</sup> (9-5) Portfolio Block Carrier by Ilse Comenzind – Workshop \$5, \$5 optional lunch. Max class size 25 – 6 have signed up.

JULY 14<sup>th</sup> (5-9) and 15<sup>th</sup> (9-5) Wool Applique by Christina Cooper – Workshop \$5, Wool kit \$10, optional lunch \$5. Max class size 25 – 13 have signed up.

Vonnie's 2<sup>nd</sup> VP term is up the end of June. If interested in the position, let us know as soon as possible as you'll want to get the workshop dates arranged with the very tight Hardin County Extension Office calendar.

Please pay for any workshops, Loucon or bus trip with checks tonight, instead of cash, as it will help with Vonnie's absence.

Secretary: Darlene Chenault - Absent

Treasurer: Rebecca Gary - n/a

Quilt Show: Patty Pruitt - Absent

#### Announcements:

Homemakers Big Blue Book Club will be reading Is Butter a Carb? Meetings will be on Thursdays March 2, 9, 16, 23, at 10AM (ET). Amy Labriola has agreed to be the contact person for the Loucon Retreat.

Anne Aubrey announced that Bee Positive Quilt Shop in Clarkson will be conducting a Touchdown Sunday sale on February 12 from 10-4 Central time. **Program:** Mary Lois Hill presented a program on "Technical Points of Judging" quilts at quilt shows. She gave out a handout and displayed many of her beautiful quilts throughout her talk.

**Show and Tell:** Several quilts were shown along with some quilts for Hosparus. **Door Prize Drawing** (Members only per standing rules) **Next meeting**: February 22, 2023

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Anne Aubrey

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