



Nimble News

Fourth Quarter 2017 Newsletter

Meeting twice monthly at the
Jeffersontown Community
Center, 10617 Taylorsville Rd.,
Louisville, KY

First Thursday at 6:30 PM,
Third Thursday at 10 AM



Message from the President

When I tell people I am involved in a quilt guild, they often ask, "Oh, so your group meets to sew every month?" I just laugh! And then I give them a recap of the many things we do. The 3rd quarter was no exception. It included:

- ✓ a class on making a Victorian Crazy Quilt Stocking,
- ✓ quilting Cuddle Care quilts at Quilted Joy,
- ✓ an all day Sit and Sew,
- ✓ the LNT Birthday Dinner,
- ✓ outings to the modern quilt show at the Carnegie Center,
- ✓ a class on making a snack tote,
- ✓ making monster dolls for the kiddos at the state fair,
- ✓ LNT Day at the Fair,
- ✓ a presentation by Jane Adolf on modern quilting, and
- ✓ making a Christmas Tree Cuddle Care quilt.

Moss will never grow under our feet! Thanks to all the folks who make possible so many exciting opportunities; it would not be LNT without you!

Piecefully yours,
Luann

REMEMBER: If Jefferson County Schools are closed or if they close early because of inclement weather on our meeting day, our meeting will be cancelled.

October Business Meeting

Per the LNT Standing Rules and By-Laws, the following nominations will receive a vote at the next quarterly business meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 5.

Officers for 2018

President	Luann Johnson
President Elect	
Vice-President of Programs	Marilou Jacob
Vice-President of Membership	Pam Soto
Secretary	Linda Slye
Treasurer	Polly Wagner

Standing Committee Chairs for 2018

Cuddle Care	Debbie Hampton and Ann Roggenkamp
Newsletter	Terrie Catron
Webmaster	Susan Hatton
Hospitality	Angelique Shah

We will also vote on the board proposed LNT sponsored class for the 2018 Kentucky State Fair:

Hand or machine pieced, domestic machine quilted (where the quilt is moved, not the machine and frame), minimum perimeter of 100". Made by a non-professional.

Luann Johnson, President
Louisville Nimble Thimbles

IT'S A QUILTING RETREAT!

October 14, 2017
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Shelby County Cooperative Extension Office
1117 Frankfort Road
Shelbyville, KY

\$15.00 is due by October 5, 2017, and includes lunch, light refreshments, and door prizes. You will need to turn in your lunch choice with your payment. This may be done at a meeting or you print the form from the docs on the member area of the website. Thanks to Deanna Schley for organizing the retreat again this year!

AND THE QUILT TELLS A STORY AND THE STORY IS OUR PAST.

2017 Kentucky State Fair, Textile Division Louisville Nimble Thimbles



Debbie Hampton

Best of Show
*Machine Quilting of a
Wall Hanging*

2nd place
*Unique Technique Wall
Hanging— hand or
machine work on top,
hand or machine quilted*



Debbie Hampton

1st place
*Wall Quilt,
machine
appliqued &
machine quilted*



Luann Johnson

1st place
New Quilt from Old



Kim Wright

4th place
*Hand or machine
pieced, domestic
machine quilted*



Bill Briggs

3rd place
*Pillow (other
than needlepoint,
petit point, or
crewel)*

*Congratulations to all that entered something in the 2017 Kentucky State Fair.
Please view all the beautiful LNT entries on our website blog.*

Upcoming Programs and Events

EVENING PROGRAMS 6:30pm – until our bobbin thread runs out

October 5

Stencil Discharge Dye (Susan Hoferkamp)

Susan will demonstrate a two-part surface design technique for fabric. Part one is a discharge dye technique whereas a bleaching agent is used to remove the dye using a stencil on pre-dyed fabric. Part two entails coloring the discharged area with colored pencil, paint, or markers. She will bring the blocks for us to work on and the bleaching agent as well as some pencils, markers, and paints to share. You are welcome to bring your own colored pencils, children's water colors, or fabric crayons in order to jump right in to the process.

November 2

Origami Dresden Plate (Susan Wolfe)

Supplies:

- Center Flower - 9 inch square of fabric
- Button- 1 inch **shank button** to cover stitching and create 3D effect
- Petals- 20 (Twenty) 2-3/4 x 5-1/2 inch strips in colors of your choice
- Background Fabric- 16-1/2 inch square to compliment / contrast with center flower
- 16-1/2 to 17 inch square of batting
- 17 inch square of fabric for the backing
- Matching Thread
- Basic sewing supplies



Pre-Class cutting instructions: Templates available upon sign-up.

Trace Hexagon shape onto the 9" center fabric and trim. On the WRONG side of the fabric mark the center point of each of the six sides.

Trace Petal shape onto the 20 (twenty) 2-3/4" x 5-1/2" strips and trim.

December 7

LNT Annual Christmas Party at J'town Community Center, 6:30pm



Bring a side dish or a dessert. Meat, drinks, and fabulous door prizes will be provided by the guild. Feel free to bring a guest. Many thanks to Angelique for agreeing to organize the Christmas Dinner for us!

Hope you've been working on your Victorian Crazy Quilt Christmas Stocking from the class Barb Rogers taught so you can enter it in the viewer's choice award.

Note: Sewing machine & basic supplies = Machine, manual and tools, extra needles, thread, bobbins, pins, scissors, seam ripper, rotary cutter, small cutting board (12x18), rulers, ironing mat and extension cords.

Friendship is SEWN WITH LOVE AND MEASURED by kindness.

DAY PROGRAMS

October 19, 10am-2pm

Thread Painting (Barbara Rogers)

Our own artist in residence, Barbara Rogers, will be teaching *thread painting*! She will bring samples of her work and will demonstrate a few techniques to get us started. ***In addition to the supplies listed below*** you will need to sketch (or trace) a simple image (butterfly, flower, etc.) onto white cotton fabric that has been stabilized with two layers of fusible stabilizer. Barbara will also have a few images to share if you like.

Supplies:

- Sewing machine set up for free motion stitching
- Topstitch needle
- Bobbin (or two) filled with invisible thread
- Several assorted colored threads to “paint” your image



November 16, 10am-2pm

Dresden Neighborhood (Mary Bauer)

Learn to make a whimsical Dresden plate variation that turns the wedges into a housing neighborhood. You can plan to make a single block and turn that into a pillow, or make three blocks for a table runner and six blocks for a small quilt.



Materials Needed:

For a Pillow:

- Background fabric for a 20” pillow
- Scraps for the houses at least 4” x 8”
- Smaller scraps for the roof, doors, windows
- ¼ yd. of your favorite fusible
- 1/8 yd. Heat n Bond Ultra Hold

For Table Runner:

- 2 yds. – Background & Backing
- 1/8 yd. each – 11 to 12 different fabrics for houses and binding
- Scraps for the roofs, doors and windows
- ½ yd. Heat n Bond Lite
- ¼ yd. Heat n Bond Ultra Hold
- For Small Quilt: (list does not include backing)
- 2 ¾ yds – Background
- Assorted scraps for houses (minimum 4”x8”), roofs, doors and windows
- ½ yd – Black & White Houses print
- 1 ¼ yd Wonder Under

Supplies:

- Sewing machine with a ¼” piecing foot and an open toe applique foot
- Paper & Fabric scissors
- Rotary for fabric and another for paper
- Monofilament thread
- Dresden ruler and/or freezer paper*
- Sewing machine & basic supplies
- Rotating cutting mat is helpful

*Bring freezer paper if you wish to learn how to make a Dresden without a ruler.

Preparation:

Pre-wash all fabric that will be used with fusibles (roof, doors and windows).

REMEMBER: There will be no day program for December!

Asking a SEAMSTRESS TO MEND, is like
Asking PICASSO TO PAINT YOUR GARAGE!

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Congratulations to the winners of the President's "Flower Power" Challenge: Barbara Rogers, Deb Hampton, and Polly Wagner

Yo-Yo Mania

On November 11th, LNT will again be participating in the Greater Louisville Girl Scout Festival of the Arts. This is our third year and response in the past has been rewarding to both Scouts and LNT members. It must have been... they keep asking us back, and we keep going!

This is an opportunity to share your talents, skills and knowledge with potential future quilters.

There are 3 sessions: 9 am; 11 am; and 1:30 pm all of which will be held at the Girl Scout Headquarters, 2115 Lexington Rd (close to Grinstead Rd, at the back side of Cave Hill Cemetery)

Please consider signing up for 1, 2 or all 3 sessions. A sign-up sheet is already in the meeting sign-up book.

Come join in the fun. No preparation necessary. Just show up.

-- Susan Wolfe



2017 Monthly Strip Club Exchange! (every meeting)

Easy Rules:

- ◆ Bring 3-6 jelly roll strips in theme for month.
- ◆ Put your name on each strip and place in box.
- ◆ One strip will be pulled from the box and the winner receives all.

4th Quarter Themes:

October – "Anything Goes", Anything

November – "Black and White", Black and white prints

December - No exchange. Instead, bring a 4 ½" strip of any fabric to be used in making 9-patch quilts for Cuddle Care next year.

CUDDLE CARE 2018

Everyone, dig into your stash and pull out those cute fabrics that have been there for years.

Cuddle Care needs fabric strips 4.5 inches by WOF (width of fabric).

A basket will be available at all meetings for collection.

Questions? Call Debbie Hampton. (502) 435-9526.

AUTUMN IS A SECOND SPRING
WHEN EVERY LEAF IS A FLOWER.



LNT members Marilou, Sarah Jane, Linda, Shirley, and Terrie pictured with one of their favorites at the "Form, Not Function" Contemporary Quilt Show at the Carnegie Center in New Albany.



LNT members Debbie and Luann pose with "Sunshine Joe" after his quilt art presentation at The Carnegie Center.

BLESSED ARE THE PIECEMAKERS.

DONATIONS FOR QDO BOUTIQUE

It bears repeating!

It may seem a long way off today but it's not too early for our guild to start thinking about Quilter's Day Out. As you may or may not know, the **LNT Boutique is our only fundraiser**. The proceeds from the boutique are important in bringing to the guild all the inspirational, educational, and just plain fun events that our guild enjoys throughout the year.

The boutique is also one of the big draws for QDO. We've been told that people head to our boutique before any other booth because they know we have a *huge* variety of items at great prices and they never know what they might find!

Now is the time to start setting aside all those items you run across in your sewing/quilting room that you no longer have use for or never really needed in the first place! It is the perfect time to clean and organize your sewing space and gain a fresh start! Anything sewing or quilt related may be donated to the boutique. If you don't have room to store it, *contact me, Terrie Catron*, and I will be glad to solve the storage issue until the boutique rolls around!

Help your guild provide another year of great programs, events, and fellowship with your donation to the boutique!

Ideas for donations: scrap fabric (fill a bag with your scraps!), magazines, fat quarters, yardage, or any cut of quilting fabrics, UFO's, quilt tops and orphan blocks, threads, yarn, any type of needlework pattern including quilt, crochet, knit, cross stitch, and needlepoint, crochet hooks and knitting needles, embroidery hoops and supplies, . . . *any sewing related items you would like to donate!*

THE OBJECTIVE OF CLEANING IS NOT JUST TO CLEAN, BUT TO FEEL HAPPINESS LIVING WITHIN THAT ENVIRONMENT.

Cuddle Care Appreciation

We want to take this opportunity to thank EVERYONE who has contributed to the Cuddle Care program by helping make quilts for Norton's Children's Hospital. Ninety-nine quilts have already been delivered this year.

There is no such thing as a small contribution. It has taken all of us to accomplish what we have done.

If you:

- ◆ made complete quilts, pieced quilt-tops, made quilt sandwiches,
- ◆ quilted tops at home or added bindings,
- ◆ set-up machines or quilted at Quilted Joy,
- ◆ donated money or fabric,
- ◆ cut fabric for quilt kits or bindings,
- ◆ picked up donations, stored fabric or quilts, or delivered quilts,
- ◆ shopped for fabric or supplies,
- ◆ helped a new quilter,
- ◆ taught a Cuddle Care class, attended a Cuddle Care meeting,
- ◆ helped with ironing or cutting blocks or assisting other members at a meeting,
- ◆ or did anything else as part of the Cuddle Care,

THANK YOU!

Each one of you and each of your contributions is greatly appreciated, not only by us, but by the many children and families at Norton's who have been wrapped in and comforted by our quilts.

Vivian and Luann





LNT Day at the Fair



Workers at the LNT demo booth stitched away on Maryhurst bags and Cuddle Care quilts, with a time-out to observe the eclipse.

QUILTERS' DAY OUT - 2018

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, February 24th

9am – 3pm

Paroquet Springs
Conference Centre
Shepherdsville, KY
2018 Theme – Back To
The Basics – 9 Patch
Admission - \$6 plus
Charitable Donation

Contact Your Guild for More
Information or Visit:

www.QuiltersDayOut.com

or Call: Vivian Armstrong at
(502) 439-2830 or Connie
Newton at (502) 558-6836

BUTTONS AND PATCHES AND THE COLD WIND BLOWING,
THE DAYS PASS QUICKLY WHEN I AM SEWING.

TIPS & TRICKS

- Rather than handling a sharp rotary cutter blade with your fingers **when changing to a new blade**, use a small magnet to remove the old one as well as to replace the new one.
- When **disposing of dull rotary cutter blades**, put them into a small tin, such as a lozenge tin. When the tin becomes full of old blades tape it securely and toss it into the trash.
- Dull rotary cutter blades are still sharp enough to cut paper. Purchase another cutter and mark it for **paper only**!

Great links harvested from the wonderful WWW:

For your funny bone: <http://www.chicagonow.com/quilting-sewing-creating/2017/08/reasons-we-quilters-give-for-not-finish-a-project/>

Using magic numbers to design your quilt:

<http://www.sewkatiedid.com/2011/08/21/magic-number-quilt-tutorial/>

How to apply a wide machine binding to extend size of quilt:

<http://www.keepnunistitchesquilting.com/watch-the-easy-way-to-do-wide-binding-for-our-quilts/>

FOURTH QUARTER BIRTHDAYS

October: Bill Briggs, Shirley Cole, Candalyn Frytear, Susan Hatton, Marilou Jacob

November: Dottie Brentlinger, Frieda Fentress, Sarah Jane Lynch, Pat Metzger, Ann Roggenkamp

December: Yvonne Meredith, Sandy Shawhan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LOVELY LADIES (and GENTLEMEN!)

Louisville Nimble Thimbles 2017 Officer Roster

President: Luann Johnson

Vice President, Programs: Debbie Bates, Barbara Rogers

Vice President, Membership: Sarah Lee

Recording Secretary: Linda Slye

Treasurer: Polly Wagner

Hospitality: Angelique Shah

Cuddle Care: Deb Hampton, Anne Roggenkamp

Newsletter: Terrie Catron

Website: Susan Hatton