



Nimble News

First Quarter 2016

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*Meeting twice monthly at the
Jeffersontown Community
Center, 10617 Taylorsville Rd.
First Thursday at 6:30 PM,
Third Thursday at 10 AM*



Welcome 2016

I always love the start of a new year. It seems like a time to reflect and then start anew.

We are all excited about the New Year in Louisville Nimble Thimbles and our program leaders have some great stuff planned for us.

Looking forward; we will have an exciting visiting teacher bringing a two day program, some new quilt designs to learn, the possibility of a one or two day retreat, hundreds of quilts for our dear Cuddle Care project, the much anticipated trunk show brought to us by Donna Duncan and soooo much more. You won't want to miss a minute of it.

I have two goals to offer you; one is to increase our membership so I am asking you to invite someone to join you at a meeting, the second is to offer you a challenge to make a quilt (of any size you wish) made ONLY WITH SOLID COLORS, no mottles or prints or batiks. Think Amish.

See you soon,

Marilou

A message from your new Program Chairs:

On behalf of Jean Weller, Susan Hoferkamp and myself, I would like to let you how very excited we are to provide interesting and challenging programs for your quilting pleasure in 2016.

Since the roof leaked we haven't had a storage space at the Community Center. We believe this has deterred members from volunteering to Chair several positions in the Board. To that end we are asking members to help "carry the load". Many of you already bring a few of the extras we are asking members to bring to sessions. *For that* we thank you. *For the rest of you, we hope to provide you with opportunities to help expand your supplies, at least in the pressing department.*

First let's start with our definition of Sewing Machine & Basic Supplies. I have highlighted the new items.

Sewing machine, manual and tools, extra needles (hand & machine), thread, bobbins, pins, scissors, seam ripper, rotary cutter, rulers, small cutting board (12x18), iron & ironing surface, and extension cords and/or power strips.

Please note. None of these requirements differs from those you are asked to bring to retreats. Should a full size cutting mat or 24" rulers be required for a specific class, they will be provided by LNT.

Susan Wolfe

Upcoming Programs and Events

EVENING PROGRAMS

January 7th – There's always something new to learn

Let's start the year off right by learning a new skill, or polishing up on an old one. Fellow guild members will demonstrate how to square up blocks, create mitered borders, make continuous bias binding, produce perfect mitered corners in your binding and connect the ends of your binding with no overlaps or bunching. Before leaving for the evening you will have the opportunity to flip through quilting magazines and select a new project to practice your new skills.

Supplies: Bring a magazine to exchange (and maybe a pad to take notes).

February 4th – Why isn't my machine working right?

Cleaning House or taking personal responsibility for the cleaning and maintenance of your sewing machine. Learn from a specialist, the things you can do to extend the life of your sewing machine and keep it sewing correctly.

Supplies: Bring your sewing machine and all the tools that came with it. We'll supply the rest.

March 3rd – Did you like the Jelly Roll Race? Well, we're making a twist on the project.

History tells us quilting is a social activity. Join your fellow quilters to produce a Round Robin Log Cabin community quilt. We'll form a production line and pass the squares as we sew blocks for a cuddle care top (or two). We'll supply the center squares.

Supplies: Sewing machine & basic supplies **AND**

Twenty (20) 2 ½" x WOF strips. They do not all have to be the same fabric. Leftover strips from other projects will work.

DAY PROGRAMS

January 21st – Cuddle Care Quilts & Maryhurst Bags

Bring your favorite block or crib quilt pattern, rotary cutter, and cutting mat as we continue to give our two philanthropic causes; Kosair Children's Hospital and Maryhurst. LNT has a large stash of assorted 100% cotton fabrics that we can assemble as "kits" for members to use through the year. Cutting and planning not your thing? Bring a cuddle care project that you already have in the works and sew away! Soft drinks will be available, so bring your brown bag lunch.

Supplies: Sewing Machine and Basic Supplies

February 18th – "The Donna Duncan Trunk Show"

This annual event will feature the winners of the 2015 Kentucky Heritage Quilt Society President's Challenge "The Gift of Music" and will be presented by Donna Duncan. LNT has invited all of the guilds from the Metro area to enjoy this Trunk Show. A "light" lunch will be offered to all in attendance, so please watch for information about what to bring.

Even if you have a full time job, *this is a good day to call in sick.*

Supplies: None

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Day Programs, cont.

March 17th – Iron Caddy Tote Jr.

Carrying around a hot iron and fighting with an ironing board makes bringing requested items to class and retreats unruly. Reserve a pattern to make an Iron Caddy Tote to hold a 6-8¼ inch travel iron, provide a safe ironing surface as well as a “cool” ride home.

Reservations and some pre-class cutting and sewing REQUIRED to participate.

Feel free to come and watch if you want.

Supplies: Sewing Machine and Basic Supplies AND

Fabric Supplies:

- 1 fat quarter of your main fabric
- ½ yard Insulbrite, (cut into 2 fat quarters)
- 1 fat quarter of heat resistant fabric (silver stuff)
[buy ½ yard and split it with a partner]
- ¼ yard contrasting fabric for binding & handle
- 6” of ¼ inch elastic
- 2 buttons

Additional machine supplies:

- Size 90/14 sewing machine needle
- Walking foot

NOTE: ***This project requires some prep work before you come to class.*******

From the ¼ yard of binding /handle fabric, cut as follows:

- Cut 2 strips fabric binding for binding - 2-1/2 inches x WOF. Connect ends and make into @ 80 inches of binding. Press.
- Cut 1 strip binding fabric for handles- 3-1/2 inches by WOF. Sub-cut into 2 rectangles 3-1/2 x 12 inches. Press pieces in half the long way. Unfold the strips and fold each long edge to the center crease and press the new edges. You should now have two handles, each 1” x 12” with the raw edges hidden in the middle. Top stitch along each edge One - eighth inch in from the edge.

closed for toting



open for ironing



JANUARY

GARNET (DEEP RED)



FEBRUARY

AMETHYST (PURPLE)



MARCH

AQUAMARINE (PALE BLUE)

First Quarter Birthdays

January

Kathy Ausmus, Joyce Boston, Claudette Hahn, Deb Hampton Vivian McCauley

February

Ann Adamson, Tammie Metten, Susan Wolfe

March

Robbie Altman, Vivian Armstrong, Debbie Bates, Janet Larmee, Deanna Schley, Jean Weller

January Fat Quarter drawing: New Year's Eve Sparkle & Shine

February Fat Quarter drawing: Valentines Day – Red or Pink

March Fat Quarter drawing: Quilters' Day Out – Florals

Cuddle Care Workshops

Our quilting group loves to bless the community with joy only a quilt can bring. Join us as we stitch love covers for the patients of Kosair Children's Hospital and other charitable causes..

No sewing experience necessary, just come ready to help and bring a machine if you have one!

January 21, 2016 10 am to 2 pm – Bring your favorite block or crib quilt patterns, rotary cutter, rulers, and cutting mat as we prepare for an awesome 2016 supporting our two philanthropic causes; Kosair Children's Hospital and Maryhurst. LNT has a large stash of assorted 100% cotton fabrics that we can assemble as "kits" for members to use through the year. Cutting and planning not your thing? Then bring a cuddle care project that you already have in the works and quilt the day away! Soft drinks will be available, so bring your brown bag lunch.

April 21, 2016 10 am to 2 pm – De Stijl: a quilt inspired by Piet Mondrian's art. This quilt features a stunning visual composition and uses only primary colors along with black and white. Soft drinks will be available, so bring your brown bag lunch. Supply list to be made available soon.

July 21, 2016 – TBA

October 20, 2016 10 am to 2 pm – Gator Quilt. Bold black and white stripes and a colorful appliquéd green gator on this quilt will help brighten the day for a sick Kosair kid. Soft drinks will be available, so bring your brown bag lunch. Supply list to be made available soon.

Louisville Nimble Thimbles 2016 Officer Roster

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