

# Nimble News

Louisville Nimble Thimbles Quilt Guild Second Quarter 2021

Meeting at The Jeffersonian, 10617 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY 40299 First Thursday at 6:30 p.m. • Third Thursday at 10 a.m.

Meetings for 2021 will continue to be held on Zoom, until further notice.

# Message from the President



Well, as I'm sure you all have heard, we are now one year into the Covid pandemic, which also means that it has been one year since we

**Greetings Everyone!** 

were able to actually have our meetings inperson. I don't know about you all, but I am so over this. I feel very lucky that we have been able to continue meeting on Zoom, and again want to say thanks to Angelique Shah and Susan Wolfe for making sure we are connected. I also want to say thanks again to Mary Cleary for suggesting the "drive by" pick up and donation days. Those have not only been a lot of fun in getting to actually see everybody, but they have also been successful in getting the Cuddle Care quilts in and out and continue to gather all the goodies for the LNT Boutique. Thanks to the generosity of our members, both are doing very well.

March brings two celebrations for us. First, of course is St. Patrick's Day. Here's a little Irish Blessing for you – "May your troubles be less, your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door." So, I hope you enjoyed some green beer and maybe even danced a little Irish jig! The other celebration in March is National Sewing and Quilting Month. So, let's celebrate this wonderful craft that we all love and give ourselves a big round of applause.

Sadly, we did not have QDO this year. Let's remain hopeful we will be able to resume this in 2022. However, Terrie Catron and the Boutique group are continuing to organize and list items on Facebook Market Place. So, tell all your friends to go online and take a look at many treasures that are available. I'm sure they will be able to find that "one thing" they just can't do without. Please join me in saying thanks to Terrie and the group for the work they are doing.

Kentucky is starting to relax public health orders and many of you may be getting your vaccines, but stay vigilant! It is not the time to forget your 3 Ws: WEAR a mask, WATCH your distance & WASH your hands. Stay healthy, so that when the time comes that we can resume our meetings, we will all be ready.

So, everyone, hang in there!! Please keep joining us on our monthly Zoom meetings. Our programs committee has some good things planned, so stay tuned. Please keep sending photos of your fabulous work to Luann so that we can enjoy them during show-and-tell. And lastly, please let us know if you have any suggestions for the meetings —maybe even teaching us a new skill or showing us a new technique.

See you all in April. Bill

# **Upcoming Events**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in-person meetings are still on hold.

We're hoping to be able to begin in-person meetings again later this year.

We will have virtual meetings via Zoom at the regularly scheduled meeting days/ times. Invitations for Zoom will be sent via email a day or two prior to the event.

### LNT Pick Up/Drop Off

April 17 - 2-3 p.m. - Jeffersonian

#### Drop off any of these

- · Donations for QDO
- Plastic bottle tops for Mary
- Plastic Kroger type bags for Luann
- · Maryhurst bags
- · Cuddle Care quilts
- · Cuddle Care tops needing to be quilted
- Solid colored binding for Cuddle Care (2 1/2 inch pre-made binding strips measuring 160 inches in length)
- Small fabric scraps for Mary to use in crumb quilts and scrap quilts for Cuddle Care.

#### Pick up any of these

- · Maryhurst bag kits
- · Cuddle Care quilts for binding

We will practice social distancing and welcome face masks. Please note that this is NOT intended as a gathering, just an exchange/swap opportunity.

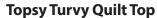


# **Upcoming Programs**

### **Small Changes for Big Improvements**

Thursday, April 1, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

Kim Wright will share a vareity of tips to help you cut faster, piece more accurately and get your quilts ready for long arm quilting.



Thursday, April 15, 2021 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Mary Cleary will lead the group in creating this "scraptastic" quilt top. The quilt has sixten 12" blocks and will finish at 48"x48". The size is customizable by adding or removing blocks.

Cutting instructions (from scraps):

• Dark: Cut (16) 8.5" squares / Medium: Cut (32) 4.5x8.5 strips / Light: Cut (16) 4.5" squares



Thursday, May 6, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

Barbara Rogers will show us how to make this must have accessory for any phone or tablet. The useful little stand is a quick and easy sew. We will be sewing a tablet size stand, but the phone stand can be adapted easily.

Class supplies:

- 1 Fat Quarter (or 18"x22" fabric)
- 1 to 2 cups of dried beans
- 1 to 2 cups of dried rice
- Fiberfill stuffing (can also use batting scraps)
- · Cutting instructions will be shared at the meeting.

#### **Ten-Minute Table Runner or Placement**

Thursday, May 20, 2021 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Julie Mackell will show us how to make this very quick and versatile pattern. It requires only two pieces of fabric and four seams. It is so easy, you may want to make one for every occasion.

#### Supplies:

- Theme (center) fabric cut 9"x WOF (or desired length of runner)
- Border/Back fabric cut 18" x WOF
- Batting or interfacing (if desired) cut 18" x WOF
- Embellishments (decorative topstitch, 2 buttons, tassels, bows, yo-yo's, bells, etc.)

#### **Kentucky State Fair Presentation**

Thursday, June 3, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

#### **TBD**

Thursday, June 17, 2021 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.











### **Program and Project Updates**

#### **Maryhurst Tote Bags**

So far in 2021, LNT donated over 40 weekend tote bags to Maryhurst for the girls to carry their personal belongings as they go on at-home visitations. Fabric, kits and patterns are available to anyone interested in making these simple bags that mean so much. For pattern information, check out the links on the members only section of the LNT Website.



Kits will be available at the drop-off / pick-up event on April 17.

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binding strips measuring 160 inches in length are needed for Cuddle Care quilts.

2 1/2 inch pre-made solid

#### **Cuddle Care**

From Mary Cleary

The Cuddle Care Committee again would like to thank our hard working LNT membership for all of their support for our chosen charity. The production of quilts of all sizes for Norton's Children's Hospital continues to grow with two deliveries of quilts thus far this year. Have you ever wondered what creativity can be done with simple blocks donated to CC? Just by adding sashing & borders to those blocks, they can come alive for a child at the hospital to enjoy! If you have questions about ways that you can participate with CC, please feel free to call me.





# The Rules of Quilting

- 1. Don't bleed on the quilt.
- 2. Measure twice. Cut once.
- 3. It's not a mistake. It's a creative opportunity.
- 4. There are NO quilt police.
- 5. Rules? There are no rules.



# **LNT Boutique Gone Virtual!**

#### From Terrie Catron

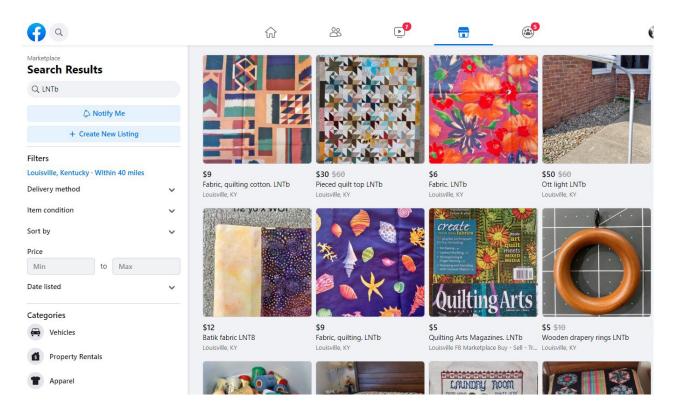
We may be missing out on the fun and excitement of attending Quilter's Day Out 2021, but the boutique is still going strong. We have had to change our approach to fundraising this year, and as a result, the boutique has gone virtual via Facebook Marketplace.

"Beautiful things come together one stitch at a time"

If you would like to shop the Louisville Nimble Thimbles "Virtual" Boutique, you will need access to Facebook. Click on the Facebook Marketplace icon, a little shop with an awning. In the search bar, type in "LNTb". This enables you to see all the items we have listed without a lot of other seller's items being included in the results. There will be some, but that is an anomaly in Facebook. Our listings will have LNTb in the title. There is a lot of work involved in producing a listing, so we will be adding items as time and life allow. Just check in periodically to see what's new! We have had some very nice donations this past year. Trust me, you don't want to miss out!

Keep in mind, prices on some things will be listed a little higher than we price them at the QDO boutique, but there are still very good deals to be had. Also, what you see as the listing price may not turn out to be the final sale price. Buyers do like to dicker for a better bargain and if an item doesn't have the interest we would like, we may lower the asking price. Once the item is marked as sold, Facebook removes it from Marketplace and you will no longer be able to see it.

Marketplace is a great alternative to our usual fundraising venue, but we all look forward to being able to share the in-person experience of QDO. Hopefully, that will be a reality for 2022!



## 2021 LNT Membership Dues

"My sewing room is my happy place."

#### From Pam Soto

Hello 2021! 2020 was a very different year, but I am proud of our guild for continuing to meet monthly via Zoom to keep those ties between us. Looking forward to those meetings until we are able to see each other again.

Even though we are not yet meeting in person, we will be collecting membership dues for this year. These dues will help support programs that we have budgeted for the year, including our charity protects such as Cuddle Care quilts and Maryhurst bags.

Due to the inability to meet in person, we are asking that everyone please mail in your check - payable to Louisville Nimble Thimbles - in the amount of \$25. Thank you in advance and will see you all soon!

Please mail membership checks to:

Louisville Nimble Thimbles PO BOX 119967 LOUISVILLE KY 40299

# Louisville Nimble Thimbles 2021 Officer Roster

President: Bill Briggs
Vice President: Susan Wolfe
Programs: Brenda Cook
Julie Mackell
Membership: Pam Soto

Secretary: Luann Johnson
Treasurer: Sandy Davis
Hospitality: Robbie Altman
Cuddle Care: Mary Cleary
Newsletter: Kim Wright
Website: Susan Hatton



#### **Happy Birthday!**

#### April:

Sandy Davis (4/1), Joann Reilly (4/3), Melissa Knight (4/4), Linda Pennuto (4/5), Yolanda Miles (4/6), Becky Payne (4/16), Angelique Shah (4/19)

#### May:

Sangeeta Deshpande (5/4), Susan Hoferkamp (5/9)

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Debbie Hofelich (6/9), Arline Hawkins (6/14), Terrie Catron (6/19), Kim Wright (6/19), Ruthann Rosch (6/29)

"It started out as a harmless hobby ... I had no idea it would come to this"

