



Nimble News

Louisville Nimble Thimbles Quilt Guild
Third 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.

In-person meetings will resume with
the guild birthday party in August. See you soon!

Message from the President



Here we are in July 2021. Like last year, the first half of this year has been interesting, to say the least. We have gone from quarantine, through vaccinations

and cicadas. Fortunately, things are now getting back to normal. It has only been 6 months, but WOW!

So, it's a time to celebrate. We've made it! Luckily, through Zoom, we were able to stay in touch and get together each month. We have continued to enjoy excellent workshops and presentations. We have even been able to keep up with what each other has been working on throughout the pandemic. Technology is great, isn't it? We are very lucky to have members who understand how to make it all work.

As you know, we finally got the good news that the Kentucky State Fair is a go this year. This year's fair should have one heck of a quilt display. I hope you are all busy getting your entries ready. Even with some of the minor changes, it is going to

be fantastic to be back together in one of our area's major events.

And for more good news, we will be celebrating the LNT birthday in-person this year. I hope you are all making plans to attend our August meeting at the Veteran's Park. It will be our first time in-person meeting since last March 2020, so you don't want to miss this one. I'm really looking forward to seeing everybody.

I also want to remind everyone that it is time to start thinking of who will be on our Board next year. Several positions will be vacant, so please consider taking a Board position. It's a lot of fun and a good way to be involved.

In closing, I will say — Here's to the rest of 2021! I look forward to more in-person meetings, some great programs, and just having a lot of fun together. Let's do what we do best — support each other and make the world a more beautiful place through our generosity, compassion and beautiful quilts.

Bill



Let's Party!

Louisville Nimble Thimble Birthday Party
BYOD (Bring Your Own Dinner)
Veteran's Memorial Park - Pavilion 6
10707 Taylorsville Rd (near The Jeffersonian)
August 5, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Upcoming Events

July 1 - Third-quarter business meeting and Machine vs. Handing Binding
Zoom - 6:30 p.m.

July 15 - Bow Ties and Snowballs
Zoom - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

July 17 - LNT Pick Up/Drop Off
The Jeffersonian Parking Lot - 5 - 6 p.m.

Aug 5 - LNT Birthday Party Picnic
Veteran's Memorial Park, Pavilion 6
10707 Taylorsville Rd
Bring your own food/drinks/chairs
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Aug 19 - Postcard Workshop
Jane Adolf - The Jeffersonian, Kentucky Room - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Aug 19-29 - Kentucky State Fair

Sept 2 - Designing with Stripes
Marilou Jacob - The Jeffersonian, Kentucky Room - 6:30 p.m.

Sept 8 - Coat of Many Colors Luncheon
with special guest Kim Johnson - \$15
See Barb Rogers for more details

Sept 16 - Pinwheels with a Twist
Sandy Davis - The Jeffersonian, Watterson Room - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This will be a bring your own picnic affair, including all tableware. Come join us as we get to meet face-to-face for the first time in over a year!!

Sewing machine & basic supplies

Machine, manual and tools, extra needles, thread, bobbins, pins, scissors, seam ripper, rotary cutter, small cutting board (12x18), rulers, travel iron, ironing mat and extension cords.



LNT Pick Up/Drop Off

July 17 - 5-6 p.m.

Jeffersonian Parking Lot

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

Q3 Programs

Machine vs. Handing Binding w/ Mitered Corners - Kim Wright

Thursday, July 1, 2021 - Zoom - 6:30 p.m.

Kim Wright will share a tips on preparing, attaching and finishing quilt binding by hand and by machine.

Bow Ties and Snowballs - Cuddle Care - C.J. Joaquin

Thursday, July 15, 2021 - Zoom - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

C.J. will show us how to make a Bow Tie and Snowball quilt.

Fabric Requirements:

- Background: 25" X 40"
- Print: 30" X 40"

Cutting Instructions:

- Background Fabric A: Cut 5"squares (36 total)
- Print Fabric B: Cut 5"squares (36 total) and Cut 2 1/2"squares (36 total)

Louisville Nimble Thimble Birthday Party

Thursday, August 5, 2021 - Veteran's Memorial Park (Pavilion 6) - 6 p.m.

Our first in-person gathering will be our birthday party on August 5th. This will be a bring your own picnic (including all tableware) affair. Come join us as we get to meet face-to-face for the first time in over a year!!

Postcard Workshop - Jane Adolf

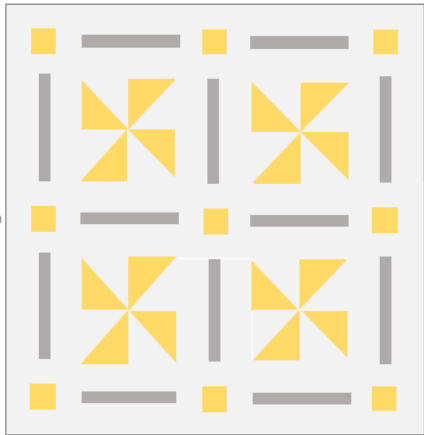
Thursday, August 19, 2021 - The Jeffersonian - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Jane Adolf will walk you through the basics for creating a quilted postcard, and then show you variations to make your creations unique. As the day progresses, you will find yourself planning, improvising, playing with fabric, browsing your machine's stitches, and thinking about leftover odds and ends in your stash.

- 6" x 4" piece of Pellon 71F Peltex Ultra Firm Fusible Stabilizer
- 9" x 12" piece of double-sided light weight fusible
- 4" x 6" piece of card stock 80 - 110 lb weight - light color.
- Fabric for background pieces, fabrics for fussy cutting embellishments, and fabric scraps you love. Cards are 4" x 6" so pieces under 5" x 7" are big enough.
- Several colors of thread on spool, light and dark thread for bobbins.
- Scraps for flat embellishment such as ribbons, rick rack, lace, cord, translucent fabrics, etc.
- Glue Stick - white, like Elmer's All Purpose Glue Stick
- Scissors for fussy cutting
- Sewing machine with at least a zigzag stitch.
 - *Presser foot with wide opening (suitable for decorative stitches)
- Basic sewing supplies with rotary cutter, cutting board, iron and pressing cloth
- If you are comfortable free motion quilting, bring your hopping foot. Technique will not be taught, but is an option when embellishing.

Jane will have the Peltex, double-side fusible and card stock available to purchase.

<https://sweetwaddyjane.com/collections/quilted-cards>



Designing with Stripes - Marilou Jacob

Thursday, September 2, 2021 - The Jeffersonian - 6:30 p.m.

Marilou Jacob will talk about new ways to use striped fabric in quilts, including a demo of piecing to make new shapes like Tumbling Blocks and Waves.

Demo - no supplies needed.

Pinwheels with a Twist - Cuddle Care - Sandy Davis

Thursday, September 16, 2021 - The Jeffersonian - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This Cuddle Care sponsored workshop will focus on using half square triangles to make pinwheels. The pinwheels will be used as part of a pattern designed by the Cuddle Care team. We will work on techniques to make the half square triangles and then assemble them with pieced sashing and cornerstones.

Bring your sewing machine, basic sewing supplies and a brown bag lunch.

Boutique Update

From Terrie Catron

Our plan to hold a "Virtual Boutique" through Facebook Marketplace has exceeded all expectations!

In our storage area there were items that were too big and bulky to take to QDO, things that were hard to market to other quilters (such as unfinished quilt tops, quilt blocks, yarn, craft items, and decorative items), and several vintage items that typically don't sell for very much at the QDO venue, but do sell well online.

Luann Johnson and I decided a trial run was necessary to determine if this would be a viable alternative to the in-person boutique sales. We cleaned out space in our homes, loaded up our vehicles, and started listing heavily the first week of March. The response was immediate and overwhelming. We were working 24/7 to get items listed, taking multiple responses to our listings, setting up meeting times, meeting with buyers, and listing more items. Things were moving fast and furiously!

My early hopes were to reach \$800 in sales. However, by the end of April we not only hit the goal I had set in my mind, but we near tripled it!

It was my intent to utilize several member volunteers to help sort and sell items. But truthfully, Luann and I took the larger bulky items and things that we felt would sell quickly, and because the sales took off at such a fast pace, we did not have time to arrange to meet for sorting, pricing, and sale instruction with our volunteers. But no need for disappointment as there remains PLENTY to sort and price before the 2022 QDO.

None of this would have been possible without our members' fabulous donations and members picking up carloads of donations from our quarterly meetups and from people outside the guild. Thank you for all the suggestions and encouragement. I know that for myself, and I'm sure for Luann as well, this was a labor of love. We are thrilled at the Marketplace success and the option for moving forward with a "hybrid model", as Sandy Davis calls it, with online sales AND our annual booth at the QDO venue. With successful boutique sales come the prospect of a bright year ahead for our guild. Possibilities have opened up!

Program and Project Update



2 1/2 inch pre-made solid binding strips measuring 160 inches in length are needed for Cuddle Care quilts.

Cuddle Care

From Mary Cleary

Our LNT sewers keep on sewing, our diligent quilters keep on quilting, and our faithful binders continue to bind all of the quilts before they are donated to Norton's Children's Hospital. The total of donated quilts, so far this year, is 483. Thank you LNT members for your continued hard work and generosity!

Our quilt donations are used throughout the hospital to bring warmth to body and soul. They are used to cover isolets in the NICU, to keep the bright lights from glaring onto the babies, and are given to toddlers and older children (up to 18 years old) who are patients, so that they have something warm and colorful to hold on to. The quilts bring so much color to their rooms. Donated quilts are also given to young mothers who are having difficulty with their pregnancies.

Our dedicated LNT members use their talents to create quilts of different sizes to meet the needs of so many children at the hospital!



Note: Cuddle Care quilts should be bound with traditional double-fold binding, to ensure durability. Binding made by folding the backing over and sewing it down should not be used for CC quilts, as it wears out more quickly.



Membership Report

We have a total of 55 members this year, which is fantastic after a pandemic year! All contact information has been updated as requested, so if you see something that is incorrect on [the roster](#), please let Pam know so that it can be corrected. Everyone should be receiving meeting reminders and have access to the LNT website. Thank you to everyone for sending in your dues!!!

How to Bind a Quilt – YouTube Style

From Kim Wright

If you missed the July 1 meeting, here's a list of excellent YouTube videos that do a great job covering the various binding methods we discussed.

Binding a Quilt – bias join - no special tools needed

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8iE3QmdSrVk&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jt1-kX_cc18&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp&index=6

Tuck and stitch – machine finished – no special tools needed:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YEGX6-EnEbU&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp&index=7>

Fons & Porter Binding Tool

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjMU4OXOdgg&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp&index=3>

The Binding Tool

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1c0RFHCmtKI&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp&index=5>

Turning Binding Corners Perfectly with Marianne Fons

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w6fnAvuUBHA&list=PLsLcF2vxQWGazr36GkFy6yiOH6scd4oAp&index=2>

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!

July:

Barbara Rogers (7/2), Linda Slye (7/15), Brenda Foley (7/20), Nan Lambert (7/28),

August:

Susan Churchman (8/1), Cindy Payne (8/7), Luann Johnson (8/18),
Cheryl Merten (8/29), Polly Wagner (8/30)

September:

Angela Huffman (9/7), Sylvia Kummar (9/20), Carol Hollon (9/24),
Bettye Smith (9/28), Deborah Ahern (9/30)