Quilters Guild of the Bluegrass

Monthly Newsletter

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Guild Meeting: November 10th

- 6:00pm - Social Time
- 6:30pm - Marjorie Baker- "Marjorie's Mini Masterpieces"
- Block of the Month Lotto Drawing
- Show and Tell

Meeting will take place at the Fayette County Extension Office

Looking Ahead

- Nov 13th- Marjorie Baker class on miniature quilts- fee required TBA
- Nov 14th - Sit & Sew
- December 8th - Guild Meeting (more info below)



December Meeting

Tuesday, December 8th, 6pm

- We are excited that our annual Christmas meeting is on the horizon!
- We will be serving a traditional Christmas dinner with turkey, dressing, dessert, and all the fixin's!
- There will also be some games, crafts, door prizes, and general merriment!
- **Cost is $16 per person- please pay by Nov 25th!**
- Cash or check can be given to Treasurer Sarah Frye to secure your reservation



CALL for VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to help with setup and clean up! Contact Mary Colvin if you're able to lend a hand at marycolvin@twc.com

Save the Date!



Our “Sleep in Your Own Bed Retreat” will be happening January 15-17th!

If you’d like to be on the planning committee, contact President Liz Kingsland

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will be meeting every 3rd Monday of the month at noon at the Extension Office.
For November 16th, we will be discussing:

“Ultra-Processed People”
Chris van Tulleken

Tree of Giving



The second year of "Tree of Giving" will start November 9th. and end December 9th, 2026. The tree will be in the back hall of the Extension Office. Please help us decorate the tree with gloves and mittens for children under the age of five. All gloves and mittens will be donated to "The Nest" to aid in their annual "Reindeer Express Program". Any questions please contact Pam Pfister by email pam.pfister@gmail.com or call 859-992-9918.

Block of the Month Lotto

by Lissa LaGreca

November's Block





It's time to fill the house with sweet smells!!! I'm not baking in the kitchen though, it's all about the quilt block!

This month's Block Lotto is a make your own Gingerbread person! For $1 a bag each participant will receive a background block, a gingerbread person, and several accessory choices to make it your own.

Participants can add their own twists using ribbons, buttons or anything else their heart desires.

This month has 25 available bags.

Thank you to Janet O'Keefe!

We had a great time listening to Janet O'Keefe talk about her quilting journey during the October meeting! Her range of techniques (including wool applique, hand embroidery, One Block Wonder, and custom quilting detail) was amazing and the amount of high quality work she has done was truly humbling! It was easy to see why she won "Best of Show" at the KY State Fair this year. We will hopefully be seeing her again, as she is willing to teach a class using one of her techniques.

Think about...



Which technique would you like Janet to teach?

Wool Applique

One Block Wonder



Table Runner



Mosaic Tiles



We will discuss and vote in the November meeting

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Community Quilt Round Up!



If possible, please turn in any Community Quilts you have been working on by December 1st. We will be doing a final 2026 delivery in December with a push to deliver children's quilts in time for the holidays. Please bring these quilts to the November meeting or call Jennifer Olsen for pickup, 859-300-2016.

As always, thank you for all the beautiful quilts you have helped make this year! Jeff Johnson from Eastern State Hospital sent me an email last month thanking us for our quilts and shared the following:

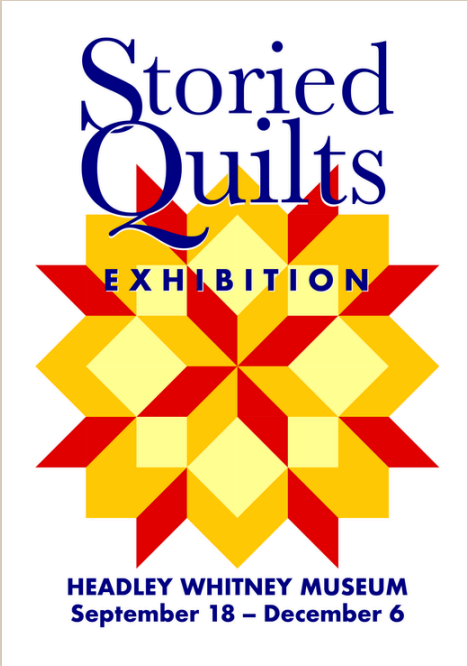
"Just wanted to let you know how special the Quilters' Guild of the Bluegrass are to the patients of Eastern State Hospital😊! One the last quilts we had left with a patient being discharged today and the joy seeing this patient with one of your quilts was so heartwarming. They've been eyeing this particular quilt for a couple of days and we knew they were leaving soon so we had set aside for them. When the patient came into the shop they had thought it was gone already but when we brought it out for them they were so happy and joyful with emotion, almost tearful in receiving it. The patient left the hospital with the quilt draping around them😊! The power of the quilt is so strong and it brings our patients a sense of safety and security that they can take with them always."

Thanks so much to all of you😊!!
What we do makes a difference!

QUILTING EVENTS

Exhibition on View: September 18 - December 6
Hours: Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm

A remarkable exhibition featuring 70 quilts on loan from private collections, museums and renowned quilt artists





The "Storied Quilts" exhibit features 14 quilts from the Legacy in Motion series by Dr. Eugene Poole, a Kentucky native and self-taught artist whose debut quilt series focuses on Black jockeys who won the Kentucky Derby.

QUILT SALE
Sunday,
November 1
10AM to 4PM
Buy, Sell, Swap
Vintage & New!

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