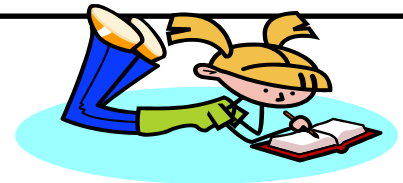




Stitchers Quilt Guild Newsletter

A HARDIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION HOMEMAKER CLUB

AUGUST 2009



NEXT MEETING

**Wednesday,
AUG 26, 2009**

6:30 to 9:00 p.m.
Hardin County Extension
Office — Auditorium

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President's Letter

To tell you the truth, the last six weeks of my life have been such a flurry of activity that I actually had to concentrate for a minute or two to remember our July meeting. And when I did remember, I couldn't believe I could have even momentarily forgotten the tasty and creative refreshments presented to us by Eileen, Jessica and Frances. Then there was our featured Stitcher, Sharon Whitfield, and her granddaughter who is already starting to quilt. And, of course, we always enjoy show and tell and meeting our guests. Thanks to everyone who contributed to another great meeting.

The quilt show is fast approaching and in the interest of getting back to binding the quilts I plan to show, I'll be brief: Bring your quilt entry forms to the August meeting. Our fall retreat registration form is in this newsletter. Notice that we have scheduled an "adventure" this year. In addition, we will have block kits available for anyone attending the retreat who would like to donate an hour or so to our Festival of Trees benefit quilt. Hannah is already lined up to quilt it for us and she's expecting it right after the retreat.

Also in this newsletter is a survey. All responders will have a chance at a fabric store gift certificate -- so fill it out and bring it to the August meeting.

I'm getting back to work. See you on the 26th. Bring a quilt and bring a friend.
Brenda

"May all your ups and downs in life be with needle and thread." Author Unknown



Featured Stitcher Sharon Whitfield with her granddaughter Cami. Patty Pruitt shows a sample of the quilt she'll be teaching in Nov.

Caroyln shows her completed top from the Mariner's Compass workshop and this is one of the couple of quilts that Dixie Franklin bought for show and tell.

Stitchers Round Robin 2009-2010

Rotations take place in July, Aug, Oct, Jan, Mar and May.

If you are participating you need to bring the container back this month that you were given at the July meeting so that it can be rotated again.

If you have any questions, or need any assistance, please contact Patty Pruitt who is coordinating the Round Robin at: gypsyquilter7@yahoo.com or 307-2226.

Patriotic Blocks

We are requesting everyone to make and donate patriotic blocks that are unfinished at 12-1/2 inches. Your name will go in a drawing that will be held at the December meeting for a chance to win \$50.00. Your name gets entered everytime you donate a block. The blocks will then be put in quilts that will be donated to the Warrior Transistion Unit at Fort Knox.

Go to the listed website and lets make some of these blocks this month. It is an easy paper-pieced star. Make the center star red, the background white and the outside edge blue.

<http://www.quilterscache.com/G/GiantStarsBlock.html>

Quilt Show Country Store

Is everyone ready to do some summer quilt room cleaning? You can bring your donations to Kathy Mitchell at each meeting. Remember this is one of our biggest money makers during the show. Please make sure items being donated are clean, not broken, missing parts of the patterns, etc. We want sellable items not your trash.

FEATURED STITCHER:

BRENDA EDWARDS

I started sewing on a Singer treadle machine when I was nine years old. I participated in various aspects of quilt-making all through my childhood but the first quilt I made on my own was in 1968. I enjoy everything about quilting. In the early days, I hand quilted, but old, worn out, wrists and fingers don't do that so well any more. I've been lucky enough to be around the craft when all the best innovations were introduced and, trust me, no matter the cost, I've tried them all, even some pretty goofy ones. With all that exposure, I have yet to find anything that I like to do any better than traditional piecing. The best thing about quilting these days is the fabrics (state-of-the-art sewing machines designed especially for quilting are a close second) – they're just so beautiful. You can never have enough.

A recent phone conversation with a friend went something like this:

Me: "What are you doing?"

Her: "Piecing."

Me: "How 'bout you?"

Her: "Quilting."

Me: "You realize this is an addiction, don't you?"

Her: "Yea. We would probably benefit from therapy."

Me: "Sure. We could English paper-piece or hand-quilt while we were waiting to see the doctor – that way it wouldn't be a total waste."

That's how I feel about quilting, sometimes it has driven me crazy and sometimes it's kept me sane. Whichever mode I'm in, it's always been the right thing to do.



Featured Stitcher for September is Maxine Warnshuis



REFRESHMENT LIST

Please bring cups, plates & napkins for the drinks/snacks you're providing. These are not supplied by the Extension Office. **If you can't attend the meeting that you've signed up for, please find a substitute.**

AUGUST

Margot Van Lengen, Carolyn Jones
Eileen Heinen, Brenda Edwards

SEPTEMBER

Maxine Wainshuis, Sharon Lutz
Ilse Commenzind, Kelly Pruitt

Meeting Projects & Upcoming Activities

AUGUST Meeting

- ♥ Foundation Piecing Demos
- ♥ Foundation Pieced Quilts Showcase
- ♥ Round Robin Row 1 Due
- ♥ Bring quilt show entry forms
- ♥ Surveys Due

SEPTEMBER Meeting

- ♥ Showcase of Quilts - Leaves on quilts
- ♥ Fat Quarter Swap Fall Leaves

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ♥ Sept 18 and 19—

Heart of Kentucky Quilt Show

- ♥ Oct 10th—"Bargello

Workshop" Brenda Arnett

- ♥ Oct 22-25

Retreat at Loucon



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

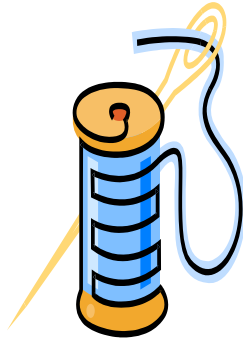
& Many More Quilts To Go!

We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:

Kathy Conway – Aug 3rd
Judy Cox – Aug 6th
Jean Mindock – Aug 22nd
Brenda Edwards – Aug 25th
Carolyn Jones – Sep 13th
Jessica Robbins – Sep 25th

EMPTY SPOOLS NEEDED

We need your empty spools!
Save all your empty spools, it
doesn't matter what size they
are. Bring them into each
meeting or hold until quilt
show set-up day!!!!



Featured Stitcher for August Sharon Whitfield
Block of the Month done thru Hancock Fabrics.

2009 FEATURED STITCHERS

Jan – Cammie Brown	Jul – Sharon Whitfield
Feb – Sarepta Phillippi	Aug – Brenda Edwards
Mar –	Sep – Maxine Warnshuis
Apr – Marleny Duque	Oct – Debbie McQueary
May – Kristen Otte	Nov – Suzanne Shircliff
Jun – Frances Heinen	Dec – Kathy Goodman

Quilt Show Meeting

Our next meeting is Aug 24, 5pm at Panera Bread.

We need all the help we can get.
Don't be bashful please show up and
give us a hand. All the jobs are very
easy and you'll get lots of assistance
from other board members and other
Stitchers during the show.

A Day At The Races

Heart of Kentucky Quilt Show Challenge 2009

You can pick up your challenge packet with either a fat eighth at \$1.00 or a fat quarter at \$2.00 during the meeting each month. Get them early, they usually go fast. Rules are in the packet.

Quilt Show Demos and Volunteers - Brenda Arnett, Chairperson

Below is a listing of demos we presented at the 2008 quilt show. I have added a few new demo suggestions and want your input on demos you would like to see this year. We will discuss which ones we want to keep and which new ones to add at the August meeting. I also NEED you to volunteer to present a demo. We have so much talent in our guild and we need to showcase that talent at the quilt show. Please consider volunteering in this area.

2008 quilt show demos – Pre-cut kits, English paper piecing, hand quilting, quilting tools (how to use), flying geese (one seam), mitered corners, machine satin stitch circles, crayon magic, needle turn applique, buttonhole stitch.

New demos for 2009 – Machine quilting, foundation piecing, Thangles, flying geese rulers, hand embroidery (red work), fusible applique, beautiful bindings, marvelous mitered corners, crazy quilt stitchery, EQ6 demos (possibly a station where one person could demo the program and then let people design their own quilt, print it out and take it with them.

I will also have a sign-up sheet for the Admissions table, Country Store, Food Court, Vendor breaks, Floaters, Selling Opportunity Quilt tickers, Glove Ladies, Set-up and Tear-down. We need you in these areas, too. We had a very successful show last year. Let's make it even bigger and better this year!!

Stitchers Survey

2009-2010

NAME: _____ Will draw for door prize at the end of the August meeting from all completed surveys.

1. Nominate a national teacher for consideration and why.

2. Nominate a regional teacher and why.

3. Suggest classes you would like to have taught by a guild member

Class

Member

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. Would you come about an hour and a half earlier every other month to learn a short class?
For example: Bindings, paper-piecing, flying geese, mitered corners, making labels, thangles, etc.

YES

NO

5. Would you come on the odd months a different evening to do the same?

YES

NO

6. Would you be willing to teach a workshop and if so what?

7. Would you be willing to volunteer for the following?

Door Greeter YES NO

Scrapbook YES NO

8. Do you think we have enough UFO nights?

YES NO

9. Do you like the extended weekend workshops (Fri – Sun) rather than the 4-6 hour Saturday workshops.?

YES NO

10. Do you prefer the Mystery Quilt to be in the newsletter or a workshop?

NEWSLETTER WORKSHOP

11. Please list all your ideas for guild meeting activities, demo's, lecture's, make-it/take-it's, etc. Even if it is something done in the past and you want to see it again list that also.

12. Any other ideas, suggestions or comments.

Stitchers Quilt Guild Fall Retreat
Loucon Camp and Training Center
8044 Annetta Road, Leitchfield, MI

October 22-25, 2009

Name: _____

Please check the overnights and meals in which you will participate. \$25 and this registration form are due at our August meeting. The balance is due at our September meeting. Rooms are double occupancy with two queen size beds and a full bath in each. Please indicate roommate preference in the Notes section.

	overnight \$25	breakfast \$3	lunch \$4	dinner \$5	road trip*	Legacy*	Notes:
Thursday - 22nd							
Friday - 23rd							
Saturday - 24th							
Sunday - 25th							

*Road trip : Visit Whittles new building. Leave for Whittles at about 3:00. Return for 6:00 dinner at Legacy Restaurant. Dinner is dutch treat - it will cost approximately \$10.00. Legacy is a nice, extensive buffet restaurant on the golf course in Leitchfield.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

from
Stitchers July Potluck

Hot German Potato Salad

(Eileen and Jessica Robbins)

1-1/2 lbs smoked sausage or precooked bratwurst	
9 medium potatoes	6 bacon strips or precooked bacon bits
3/4 cup chopped onion	2 Tbsp all-purpose flour
1 tsp salt	1/2 tsp celery seed
1/8 tsp pepper	1/4 cup sugar
1-1/3 cups water	2/3 cup cider vinegar

In a saucepan, cook potatoes in boiling salted water until tender. Meanwhile cut sausage into 1/2 inch slices; sauté in a skillet until browned. Drain and place in a large bowl. Drain potatoes; peel and cut into 3/4 inch cubes. Add to sausage; keep warm. Cook bacon until crisp; crumble and set aside. Saute chopped onion in 3 Tbsp of reserved bacon drippings until tender. Stir in the flour, salt, celery seed, and pepper, blending well. Add sugar, water and vinegar, bring to a boil. Boil for two minutes. Pour over potato mixture and stir gently to coat. Sprinkle with bacon, Serve warm. Yield: 12-14 servings

*Recipe is from Taste of Home magazine.

Look for their All American Pasta Salad recipe next month.

QUILT MAKER WANTED

I'm looking for a quilter to make 6 memory quilts. The quilts are to be keepsakes for my family using shirts of my son, who was killed in an accident two years ago. These would certainly be a treasure to his children who were 4 years old and 11 months old when their daddy died.

Can you help me? I live in Horse Cave, KY and will anxiously await a reply.

Thank you,
Jenny Kieswetter, 270-746-4307, jk96@scrctc.com

QUILT SHOW

The quilt show committee is moving right along with this years show plans. There is a quilt show entry form in this newsletter, please make as many copies as you need.

We will be building some shorter frames in early September for this years show to hang smaller quilts on. These frames will be about 5 feet tall. We'll have dates at the Aug meeting for getting this done and we'll need help.

If you have any ideas for demos you are willing to do or you would like to see done please talk to Brenda Arnett.

Bring your completed quilt entry forms to the meetings. We need those entries.

NAME TAGS

Remember to wear those quilted name tags to not only help new members and old remember your name but for a chance to win a FQ. There is also a 25 cent fine for not wearing them.

Treasurer's Report

Aug 2009

Balance Brought Forward.....\$4243.91

INCOME

Name Tag Fines.....	2.25
Fair Premium.....	8.00
Opportunity Quilt.....	168.00
New Membership.....	11.00
Total Income.....	\$189.25

EXPENSES

Homemaker Dues.....	5.00
Checks.....	19.00
Total Expenditures.....	\$24.00

Ending Balance.....\$4409.16

Submitted by: Kathy Goodman
Treasurer



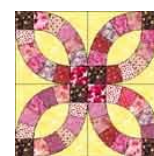
GET WELL WISHES

**It was great seeing
Sharon Lutz at
the July meeting.**

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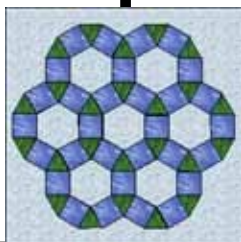
AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

Foundation Piecing Demos

***Foundation Pieced Showcase
of Quilts***

Round Robin Row 1 Due

Quilt Entry Forms



SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Fall Leaves

Leaves on Quilts

Quilt Show