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LOVELAND BRANCH CELEBRATING QUILTS COMING IN MAY!

Once again the Loveland Branch Library, 649 Loveland-Madeira Road, will be hosting its quilting festival during the month of May. For generations, Americans have turned to quilting as a form of expression. In their quilts they have sewn their hopes, stitched through their sorrows, and pieced together connections and stories through fabric and thread. The branch will pay tribute to the long-standing family tradition of quilting with their *Fifth Annual Celebrating Quilts*.

The kickoff of the series will begin with an exhibition of quilts and an Open House on Saturday, May 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon for quilters and their guests. Exhibitors will include members of the Grailville Quilters, Ohio Valley Quilters Guild, Library staff members, and area residents. One of the quilters, Barbara Harrison of Loveland, will have her quilt *Winter Night* hanging at the show. It was featured in *Quilter's Newsletter Magazine's Quilt It for Christmas* last year.

Mark your calendar for these events:

- Saturday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon: Open House for quilters and guests
- Saturday, May 10, 10:00 a.m.: *Fabulous Flower Folding* with Jan Doench of Best Friends Quilt Shoppe
- Friday, May 16, 7:00 p.m.: *The Ohio Bicentennial Quilt* with Rita Fishel of Creations Sewclever in Chillicothe
- Saturday, May 24, 10:00 a.m.: *Quilters UFO Day*

“The show last year was a total success,” said Loveland Branch Manager Rosemary Ogg. “I am often amazed that something that started out as such a simple idea has grown in five years to such a ‘Happening.’ This provides a wonderful opportunity for quilters who enjoy the opportunity of showing off their work, but really are not

comfortable being judged. The various events also provide a chance for quilters to come together, meet other quilters, and hear interesting discussions on their favorite subject.”

Celebrating Quilts is sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library. For more information, call the branch at (513) 369-4476.

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