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A Hello from the Executive Director

" I am so excited to be joining the HPBC/Hopewell family as the new Executive Director of the Hopewell Museum! Years ago, I interned at the Hopewell (when I was still in high school, which felt ages ago, but really isn't) and I fell in love with the museum. Not only the museum—I fell in love with the stunning building that houses it, the glimpses into the history of the county and city that raised me, and the dedicated volunteers that keep the whole thing afloat. It was interning here that first sparked my love for museum work and all the quirks and benefits that the field entails. That love followed me out of high school to Morehead State University, where I received the George M. Luckey Honor's Scholarship, and earned my bachelor's in Public History and a minor in Art History. It followed me out to D.C., where I worked for the National Children's Museum and the Courts, and drove me back home to the beautiful bluegrass skies I couldn't forget. That love drove me to my position working on the collection at the International Museum of the Horse and *finally* to my position here. I am so grateful to be a part of this community, and this wonderful organization. My goal here as Executive Director is to make everyone love the HPBC and the Hopewell Museum just as much as we all do. I look forward to meeting everyone and working along side them."

- Elizabeth DeBord, *Executive Director*

The Special Exhibit "*One Stitch After Another,"* celebrating Bourbon County quilts, opened February 8th. It features several beautiful quilts in notable styles, made by Bourbon County artists and are a testament to the quality and tradition of textile art in the area. Make sure to visit and see for yourself!

Thank you to everyone who helped make this exhibit come to life.

***One Stitch After Another* is on exhibit through Mid-September 2025!**

Vintage Quilt Raffle!

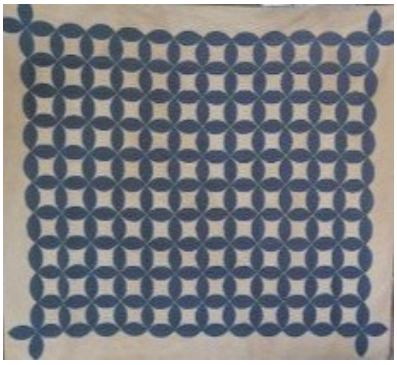
Get a chance to win one of two beautiful vintage quilts, made by the Paris Bourbon County Younger Women's Club in 1979 (left), and Bourbon County resident Annabel Shropshire Wallace (right).

Tickets are $5 each, or 3 for $10

Purchase tickets **in-person** at the museum **or online** at:

https://www.hopewellmuseum.org/quilt-raffle/

Winning draws will be during the Spring 2025 Artwalk, **April 25**



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March 22nd, Hopewell Museum celebrated Women's History Month with a special Kentucky Chautauqua performance of "Mary Carson Breckinridge : *Call the Midwife."* Breckinridge, played by Janet Scott, was the founder of the Frontier Nursing Service which provided life-serving service to thousands in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky.

The Hopewell Museum has several exciting additions to Paris' Spring Art Walk this year, including a featured Kentucky artist in our gallery, our quilt raffle, a booth with a family-friendly craft on the Main Street Stretch and a history scavenger hunt. These events will be held at the Artwalk on April 25th from 6-9:00 pm. Join us for a free reception, including light refreshments.