

History of Barn Quilts In Mercer County

Mercer County started making and hanging quilt squares in 2007. Ohio however was the first state to have a barn quilt square hung in 2001. Donna Sue Groves grew up in West Virginia and would play a game where she counted barn advertising signs during long trips. Their family used barn watching as an opportunity for discussion to pass the long hours in the car as a history lesson.

Donna Sue and her mother purchased a farm in Adams County, OH with a tobacco barn. Donna Sue promised her mother that one day she would paint a quilt square on the barn for her mother who loved quilts and barns. She felt that an empty barn wall was a great place for public art to show community pride, support community self expression and serve as a catalyst for economic development as a tourism destination.

As Donna Sue had wished, several counties throughout Ohio started painting and hanging barn quilts. This quickly become an interest throughout many other states including Kentucky. Mercer County takes great pride in involving their community in helping create these wonderful quilts. Extension Homemakers, High School Art students, friends, and family members have all come together to make and celebrate the local farming and quilting heritage of Harrodsburg, KY through the local and expanding quilt trail.

Harrodsburg—Mercer County Barn Quilts

Future Block Locations

The Old Country Store—Main Street

Harrodsburg Herald—Main Street

Noel Turner, CPA—Main Street

Gateway Building—207 West Lexington Street

Irma Woodrow—485 Highway 33 S

Ison Farm—127 Bypass

Stan & Rita Holman—2607 Cornishville Road

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION



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Location of Barn Quilts



Grandmother's Flower Garden

Barrington
459 Buster Pike
Danville, KY 40422



Delectable Mountains

Christerson
1911 Vanarsdall Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Ohio Star

Dunn
1472 Warwick Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Hole In The Barn

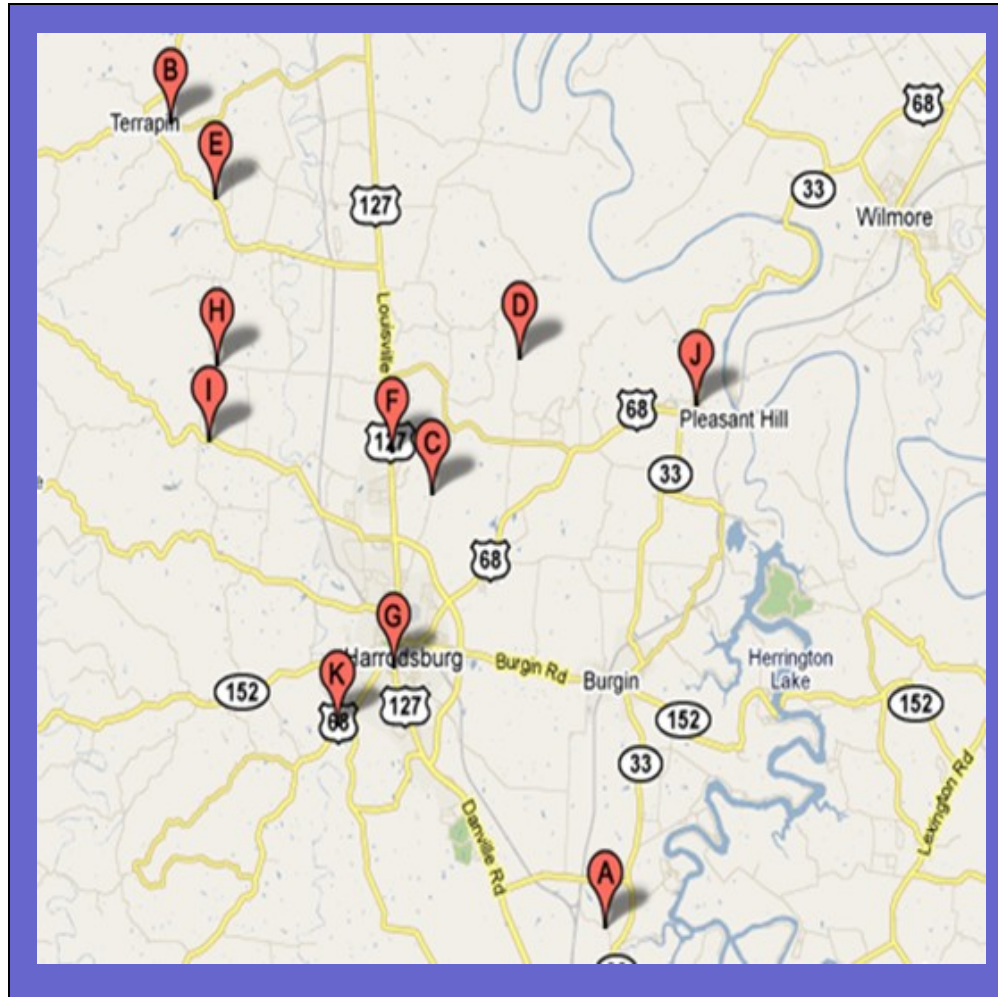
Ellis
1149 Curry Pike
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Goodlett
1715 Talmage Mayo Rd.
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Lane
1581 Louisville Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



County Fair

Mercer County Fair and Horse Show
Linden Avenue
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Nelson
591 Hopewell Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Ruble
2212 Bohon Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Tree of Life

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill
3501 Lexington Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330



Wheeler
1259 Perryville Road
Harrodsburg, KY 40330

