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examples pictured on their webpage! Good project/contest for

people of all ages? Using their own books or the Library's

books? Could break it into categories, e.g., any books, kids

books, mysteries, romance, science fiction, biographies, et al.

Lots of different ways you could do contests around this concept

in ways to educate people about different categories of books

(and/or other material, e.g., music, DVDs), how to find things in

the library, visiting other branches, etc.

Staff Comment:

This suggestion has been shared with programming staff. Currently we have an annual poetry contest for Adults at the Coldwater Branch. This has been a successful contest and we look forward to hosting it every year. - Kimberly Feltner

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Fran Fletcher of Bronson with two quilts she entered in the Sauders Village quilt show. Behind her is the bookshelf quilt that will be raffled in September by Bronson Friends of the Library. ROSALIE CURRIER/THE DAILY REPORTER

Stitching for Friends of the Bronson Library

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Fran Fletcher of Bronson makes quilts the old-fashioned way. She takes bits and pieces of material and hand stitches them into works of art.

Handcrafting quilts is her thing, so Fletcher has often donated one to the annual Friends of the Bronson Library quilt raffle.

She has also entered her creations into quilt shows.

This year, for the library raffle, Fletcher created a quilt that looks like a bookshelf complete with a 3-D teddy bear sitting on a stack of books, a couple kittens snoozing and a bird in a cage.

This is the second time Fletcher made a bookshelf quilt and they are probably the most popular for the library raffle, said Lynnell Eash Bronson librarian.

In the past, the fundraiser has brought in \$600 to \$800, “but my goal this year is \$1,000,” Fletcher said.

Tickets are \$1 each and the raffle will be held in September. The quilt is on display at the Bronson Branch of the Branch District Library.

As for quilt shows, Fletcher has entered two of her favorites into a juried quilt show

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at Sauder Village in Archbold, Ohio, to be held May 6-8. One made of blocks embroidered with state flowers that she made in 2019-20.


The second was started in 1970 by

Fletcher’s grandmother of with state birds and flowers. Grandma only embroidered two blocks, but Fletcher found it and finished the other 48.

It is one of Fletcher’s favorites, maybe because it took some creativity since Grandma’s blocks weren’t uniform. But she was up for the challenge.

“Quilting is peaceful,” Fletcher said.


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