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**LOCAL QUILTER TO BE HIGHLIGHTED AT HOOSIER HOMECOMING**  
*Hoosier Homecoming is a free, family event to celebrate Indiana's 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday*

**HAMILTON COUNTY, Ind., Oct. 11, 2016** – Kathryn Nickey, Hamilton County native, will showcase her Bicentennial quilt at the Bicentennial signature event Hoosier Homecoming on Oct. 15. Nickey has quilted since 1985, and what started as a hobby is now a way for her to mark life's milestones. Nickey is also a member of the Carolyn Scott Harrison Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. It was her passion for quilting and history that drove her to create a quilt for Indiana's Bicentennial year.

Her Bicentennial hanging quilt is divided into three sections. The top row panels include quilting blocks commemorating the state flower and bird as well as the Bicentennial flag. The middle row pays tribute to her chapter of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. The bottom three panels pay tribute to the 100<sup>th</sup> running of the Indianapolis 500, the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution and the rededication of the National Road Monument at the Statehouse – which her DAR chapter gave to the state in 1916.

"I am happy to share my quilt for public viewing with other Bicentennial quilts during the very special Hoosier Homecoming at the beautiful newly completed Indiana Statehouse Plaza and Mall complex," Nickey said. "The planners have done a masterful job in connecting the new Plaza to the prestigious Indiana State Library which provides such valuable services for the public and the Indiana Historical Society. This access will be another big plus for the citizens and tourists."

Nickey's Bicentennial quilt will be on display in the Indiana State Library during Hoosier Homecoming. Guests will see her quilting techniques including traditional piecing, pictorial or landscape techniques with applique, paper piecing, thread painting, photo transfer, machine embroidery and machine quilting.

**About Hoosier Homecoming**

[Hoosier Homecoming](#) is a free, family event to celebrate Indiana's Bicentennial year on Oct. 15 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Indiana Statehouse Campus in downtown Indianapolis. This day will be full of excitement for all Hoosiers to enjoy – a little bit of history, a little bit of entertainment and a whole lot of fun. Guests will be part of the dedication of the [Bicentennial Plaza](#), [Statehouse Education Center](#) and two public art pieces. Entertainment will include the [Hunter Smith Band](#), Cook & Belle and others. The [Bicentennial Torch Relay](#) will finish the final leg of its journey. There will be food, tours of the Statehouse, reenactors of famous Hoosiers and free commemorative photos.

There will be free parking available in the Senate Avenue and Washington Street parking garages. For more information about the event please visit [www.indiana2016.org](http://www.indiana2016.org).

**About the Indiana Bicentennial Commission**

Indiana's 2016 Bicentennial celebration aims to honor our state's 200 years of history, but to do so in a way that engages all 6.5 million Hoosiers and leaves a lasting legacy for future generations. The Commission has endorsed more than 1,400 Legacy Projects in all 92 counties that focus on the four Bicentennial pillars: youth and education, historical celebration, community involvement and nature conservation. A large emphasis throughout this year is on the health and well-being of Indiana children, as they are the true legacy of the Bicentennial. To learn more visit [www.indiana2016.org](http://www.indiana2016.org).

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