

**POSTER:** Event poster and book complement each other

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came up with the idea to create an 18th-century-looking storybook of quilts. I am going to design the leather-bound book that will be held up by an elegant book stand.”

The book will be available to browse through during the quilt show July 2-7 in the courtyard at The Open Door restaurant

“When Dan was selected, he asked to meet with the Board to present his idea of the storybook,” said Jeannette Pilak, executive director of the SOQS. “The board was enthusiastic to Dan’s idea and, through a series of meetings with him, helped to develop further how his idea would be successfully implemented.

“What the Board appreciated was Dan’s continued look at the ongoing funding needs of producing the free Quilt Show event.”

SOQS has had a long relationship with the Rickards, Clearwater Gallery, and The Open Door. Both Clearwater Gallery and The Open Door are presenting sponsors of the annual Fiber Arts Stroll.

“Annually, the Clearwater Gallery hosts our Featured Gallery Fiber Artist (this year



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Dan Rickards with his new Quilt Show poster.

Sheila Finzer),” Pilak noted.

This year the artists that will quilt a “page” for the book are those that have been honored by SOQS as featured quilters and have been instrumental and supportive of the SOQS over the years.

Quilts will be on display and available for purchase at

silent auction at the courtyard of The Open Door during quilt week, July 2-7. A reception for Rickards’ Storybook quilt artists will take place on Thursday, July 6 from 3:30 to 6 p.m. in the courtyard.

The poster may be ordered online from Stitchin’ Post at [www.stitchinpost.com](http://www.stitchinpost.com).

# Regulators approve mega-dairy despite opposition

PENDLETON (AP) — Despite vocal opposition from environmentalists and small farm advocates, Oregon regulators have agreed to permit the state’s second-largest dairy in eastern Oregon.

The *East Oregonian* reports that The Oregon Department of Agriculture and Department of Environmental Quality on Friday announced that they have issued a wastewater and manure permit for Lost Valley Farm, which plans to add 30,000 cows on 7,288 acres in Morrow County.

The mega-dairy can now

start milking cows sometime in the next few weeks.

Oregon regulators received more than 4,200 public comments about Lost Valley’s proposal. Many opponents criticized the effect the dairy would have on air and water quality. Environmental groups argued that the dairy could produce as much waste as a mid-sized city.

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