

Gloucester County Parks, Recreation & Tourism
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The popular exhibit titled “The Underground Railroad: Legend of the Secret Code of Quilts” will be on display at the Gloucester Visitor Center, 6509 Main Street, Gloucester, through March 31.

The display this year has a new twist, actual pieced squares are now part of the 10 posters describing the symbols and what they may have meant to escaping slaves. Two quilts, using several of the designs, including Log Cabin, Flying Geese and Bow Tie, are also on display. The quilts are the work of Sandy Barnes of Moon, a long-time quilter and member of the River Country Quilters Guild.

While there is no historical evidence that the quilt code existed, many believe it was real. The story was handed down orally through families and was not written down. The exhibit includes sources of information so you can read more about this interesting part of our history.

Bring the entire family to enjoy this free exhibit. The Visitor Center is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

