Make a Versatile No-Glue Bound Book
Emeritus College Workshop with Donna Reiss

We’ll make a 4.25 by 5.5 book bound with a 3-hole pamphlet stitch and, if time permits, a second version with a 5-hole running stitch. Using these versatile books as models, you can make notepads, sketchbooks, journals, and scrapbooks in a variety of sizes for your own writing and drawing and as personal, handmade gifts for friends and family.

I’ve made books with plain or decorated covers and with a variety of papers for the covers and pages and will bring examples to the workshop.

You will need these supplies:

- 2 pieces letter-sized (8.5 x 11) card stock or similar weight paper
- 12 pieces letter-sized (8.5 x 11) or similar weight copy/computer paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- 12-inch ruler
- Thread, preferably but not necessarily thicker than standard sewing thread (consider a color to complement your cover)
- Needle with eye large enough for thread you’ve chosen (can use as your awl)
- Awl or large needle to make holes

Optional supplies:
- Craft knife with snap-off blade or exacto knife with sharp blades
- Cutting mat (a heavy plastic place mat or thick piece of cardboard can substitute)