



Quilt Shop News

February 2011

Quilt show entries needed!

Please consider entering one or more of your treasured quilts in the March quilt show, Stitches in Time. This show is special because of the wide variety of quilts that you are willing to share! We happily accept recently made as well as vintage quilts by both beginners and experts.

This year judging is available for those who would like to have their entries judged.

If you are unable to bring your quilts the day before the show, we can accept them at the shop.

Our very first UFO day was unexpectedly cancelled due to the snow storm. That was the first day the shop has been closed due to weather. I'm glad that spring is near. We'll try again the first Wednesday in March.

It was great to see so many of you come to cut and trade on our first Friendship Strip Exchange Saturday. The new Sizzix machine worked hard all day. Pat, Linda and the rest of us hope to see you the fourth Saturday of February. The fourth Saturday of March is Quilt Show so we will talk about a March date during the Feb. exchange.

The need for quilts at Hospice is increasing and we could use the help of another machine quilter. Fancy quilting isn't necessary. Please come in on the third Tuesday afternoon if you can help with quilting or piecing.

As always, we have new fabric, books patterns and notions coming in almost daily.

See you during the Quilt Show and Spring Stroll,
Karen

Events

Stitches in Time Quilt Show

March 26-27 2011

Sat. 9-4 & Sun. 10-4

Marshall Middle School

\$5.00 admission

Carol Loessel will present

Joys of Scrap Quilting

Saturday from 1-2

and

Vintage Quilts & Blocks

Sunday from 1-2

Spring Stroll Shop Hop

March 31, April 1 & 2

9-5 all days

Join us for an adventure in stashbusting!

Quilts at the Marshall House-Marshall, MI

Quilt N Go-East Leroy, MI

Big Island Quilt Co.-Schoolcraft, MI

The Quilt Shop @ Essenhaus-Middlebury, IN

Caroline's Cottage Cottons-Rome City, IN

Nancy's Stitches-Kendalville, IN

Passports \$5.00





Basics:

Machine Quilting ...Joyce

Here are the basics of machine quilting. You will learn how to set up your machine, the needles, threads and notions to use and free motion stitching. There is ample time for hands on practice.

Saturday April 16 from 10 - 4
\$40

Machine Quilting II ...Joyce

This class concentrates on choosing designs to use in quilting. Bring your tops to discuss what to use to compliment your quilt.

You will also practice additional designs.

Saturday June 4 from 10-4
\$40

Color...Pat Abersold

Here is your chance if you missed this the first time!

Never be afraid of choosing colors again! Pat taught this series of 7 classes when she owned a shop in Monroe MI. Each session presents a small quilt to reinforce what you have learned.

Sundays; May 22, June 12 & 26, July 10 & 24,

August 14 & 28

All from 2-4

\$70 plus *Color from the Heart* by Gai Perry (available from Amazon.com)

Paper Piecing...Melissa

This class covers the basics of paper piecing using Alex Anderson's newest book and Melissa's hands on instruction.

Saturday May 7 from 1-4

\$20 plus book

Projects:

Machine Appliqué with Garden Patch Cats...Sharon

Learn fusible machine appliqué while making your favorite Garden Patch Cat.

Saturday March 19 from 10-4
\$30 plus pattern

Mariners' Compass...Joyce

Learn this stunning classic block (can you tell it's one of my favorites) using Judy Mathieson's method of construction. This class is for those new to the technique as well as anyone who would like a refresher.

Several people have requested this class, be sure to sign up early to reserve your spot.

Thursday April 14 from 10 - 4
\$40 plus book

Stellar Quilts...Gail

Make a quilt using stars, stars and more stars from Judy Martin's book of the same name.

Thursdays; April 21 & 28 from 10-4
\$30 plus book

Hawaiian Appliqué...Joyce

Learn to design and make a traditional Hawaiian quilt. These are breathtaking two fabric quilts and much easier than they look.

Tuesday April 26 from 10-4
\$35 plus pattern

Chatelaine...Sharon

Everyone needs a chatelaine to keep all their tools nearby. Come sew this cute pattern with Sharon.

Saturday May 21 from 10-4
\$30

One Block Wonder Encore...Gail

That fabulous One Block Wonder with hollow cubes for added interest. Gail will teach the basic technique, and then show you how to add cubes for a truly unique look. Some piecing experience is necessary.

Saturdays; June 18 & July 16 from 10 - 4
\$45 plus book



Magic Squares... Gail

This is a hugely popular pattern. Gail will help you with fabric selection to maximize the impact.

Wednesday March 9 from 10-4

\$30 plus pattern

Is there a technique or project you want to learn that we don't have listed?

We will happily schedule a "class on demand" for three or more people. Talk to your friends and give us a call.



Monthly:

Civil War Stitch Along...Gail

Commemorate the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War. Come on in for an old fashioned sewing bee with fabrics appropriate for that time. If you have been working on Dear Jane or the Civil War Tribute block of the month bring those blocks along for help or encouragement.

Every first Sunday from 12 - 4

\$5/month

UFO Day

Once you cut into the fabric it's a UFO until it's finished. We all have too many of them so come finish a few with other "project collectors". The only requirement is that you work on a UFO.

Every first Wednesday from 10-4

Home Sweet Home...Pat

Pat is starting to work on Wild Rose from Blackbird Designs newest book, *Garden Club*. Come join Pat every month or occasionally for this all day sit and sew. You are welcome to work along on the current project but can bring whatever you wish to work on.

Every second Saturday from 10 - 4

\$5/month

Ruby Red Dots...Sue Webster

The latest book the majority of these quilters are using is *Appliqué a Garden* by Pat Sloane. Come work on this quilt or another project.

Every third Sunday from 12 - 4

\$5/month

Friendship Strips & Scraps...Pat & Linda

Edyta Sitar has written a new book featuring patterns made from strips. The more different strips in a quilt, the more interesting it will be. Come in the fourth Saturday of the month, exchange strips from your stash and spend the day with old and new friends.

Every fourth Saturday from 10-5

Appliqué Circle...Joyce

Joyce loves appliqué and invites others who feel the same way to join her. Bring your own project and stitch for the day.

Every third Wednesday from 10 - 4

