



Quilt Shop News

January 2012

Christmas is over, the decorations are put away and it's time to decide what quilts to enter in this year's Stitches in Time quilt show. You can choose to have your quilts judged (limited to the first 60 entries) or just displayed for everyone's enjoyment.

Entry forms are available at the shop or by e-mail. If you use the e-mail address lcllc@cablespeed.com it will be easier for me to respond.

We are very excited to have a "Super Star" participating in the show this year so be sure to save the dates. There will be many of your quilts on display and Edyta has offered to let us hang many of her quilts in a special display.

The shop will be open until at least 6 the day before the show. We'll also be open from 9-6 Saturday and 10-? Sunday.

The Spring Stroll is always a fun, relaxing shop hop. Nancy's Stitches in Kendallville, IN is no longer participating. The new addition is Emma Town Fabrics and Gifts in Topeka, IN. It will be interesting to visit an Amish quilt shop. Every shop will have a project and an recipe to share as well as specials for hoppers.

The Quilters' Road Trip is brand new this year. There are 16 shops participating and it lasts for three months! You will be able to visit each shop once each month to take advantage of the shop hop specials. There will also be a prize from each shop once a month chosen from all hoppers who have visited during the month. Each shop has a pattern from Pieced Tree Patterns to give hoppers.

Please welcome Diane Lincoln and Sally Belson when you are in the shop. They are both ready to help with whatever you need.

Be sure to visit during one of our UFO days. It's a great way to keep up with the local Guild challenge and your own New Year's Resolutions.

Events

Leap Day

Wednesday February 29

Join us for a full day of demonstrations

Stitches in Time

Marshall's Community Quilt Show

Saturday March 24 and

Sunday March 25

Edyta Sitar is this year's featured speaker and the show will have a special exhibit of her quilts.

We have tickets available now

\$5 in advance or \$7 at the door

Spring Stroll

April 12-14

Visit six shops in southern MI & northern IN

Passports \$5.00

-New Shop Hop- Quilters' Road Trip

April, May & June

16 shops · 3 months

Passports \$5.00





Classes

Beginning Quilting...Pat Abersold



Learn the basics or take a refresher course. Learn accurate cutting, pressing, basic piecing, appliqué techniques, Y seams, $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams and much more.

This is a queen sized sampler quilt that you will be proud to display and you will be able to produce many other quilts with the skills you learn in this class.

Seven sessions

Every Friday from 1-3 February 17-March 30

\$45 plus book

Raw Edge Machine Appliqué...Melissa

Learn to fuse fabrics and then use the blanket stitch to add a design element as well as permanently attach the fabric to the background.

Tuesday March 27 from 1-4

\$25



Hand Appliqué ...Joyce

Traditional needle turn appliqué doesn't need to be frightening. Come learn the tips and tricks from an expert.

Monday April 30 from 10-1

\$25

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 May 19 from 10 - 4

\$40

Paper Piecing...Joyce

Learn to paper piece using the Judy Niemeyer pattern of your choice. This class is for those new to the technique as well as anyone who would like a refresher.

Tuesday May 22 from 10 - 4

\$40 plus Judy Niemeyer pattern of your choice



Dancing Batiks

Circle Quilt...Denise Olson

Here is a new twist on a basic circle pattern quilt. This quilt as you go method is easy to make into any size and is reversible.

This quilt was in the Stitches in Time Quilt Show this past March and generated lots of attention.

Saturday June 23 from 10-4



Diamond Dazzler...Gail

This is a quilt that a customer brought in to show off and graciously allowed us to hang for awhile. It's a lovely way to show off a collection of batiks.

Thursday March 8 from 10-4

\$25 plus pattern



Spinning Spools...Lori Buhler

This is out of Lori's new book *Fuss Free Machine Applique*. Come join her and make this lap quilt from fabrics of your choice.

Saturday March 17 from 10-4 (be sure to wear green)

\$25 plus book



Big Baby Star...Sally

When you are in need of a quick baby gift this is an easy, fast, fat quarter friendly option.

Wednesday March 14 from 1-3

\$20 plus pattern



Curvaceous Delusion...Vernita Dailey

Curvaceous Delusion - Paper piecing and curves all in one! Master and experiment with this originally designed piece using an innovative technique. Vernita says: "I am out to bust all myths regarding the difficulty of these two scary precision piecing ideas. Unleash your imagination to the many possibilities of the use of the block. Quilters of all levels are welcome. Come learn this exciting technique that defies the odds and will amaze you!"

Saturday March 31 from 10-4

\$35 plus \$12 kit fee



Motion Commotion...Gail

This quilt practically dances off the wall! Although it looks like curved seam piecing, all the seams are straight. Use pre-cuts or yardage.

Thursday March 15 from 10-4

\$25 plus pattern



T Shirt Quilt...Sally

Use those old t shirts. Sally has a favorite pattern.

Tuesday April 24 from 1-4

\$20

Dance Partners...Diane

Fast, easy, fat quarter friendly.

Saturday April 28 from 10-4

\$20 plus pattern



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

UFO Day

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

Every first Tuesday from 10-4

And, beginning in April

Every fourth Friday from 10-4

English Paper Piecing or the Insanity Quilt

This is once again becoming popular and at least two new books are scheduled for release soon. All English paper piecers are welcome to come in and stitch for an hour or all day. Some are making the Insanity Quilt (English paper piecing with $\frac{1}{2}$ " hexagons) but this certainly isn't a requirement.

Every first Wednesday from 10-4

Home Sweet Home...Pat

This is a long-standing sit and sew. Come join us while you work on your current project

Every second Saturday except September from 10 - 4

Farmer's Wife...Sue Webster

The Farmer's Wife Sampler Quilt by Hird is the latest book the majority of these quilters are using. Come work on this quilt or another project.

Every third Sunday from 12 - 4

Hospice Helpers

This group meets monthly to work on quilts for Oaklawn Hospital's Hospice program. Some cut, some sew and others put on binding or pick up a kit. Come and join them if you can.

Every third Tuesday from noon to 4

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

Miniatures...Gail

Are you out of room for another quilt? Make your next one a mini! We have been collecting fabrics and patterns appropriate for these quilts so come and join in.

Every fourth Wednesday from 10-4

In Feb. Gail will show how to do a mini Lone Star

Friendship Sit-n-Sew...

Pat & Linda

Lots of fabric has been exchanged and now this is an open sewing day. You never know who will be here or what project they will be working on.

The Sizzix cutter is here for you to use if you want to cut strips, squares or any other shape we have in a die.

Every fourth Saturday from 10-5

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.

Regular Hours

Mon.-Sat. 10 - 5

Sun. 12-4

