



## Events

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### A Quilter's Harvest

Cal-Co Quilters

Saturday, September 10

9-5

Sunday, September 11

10-4

Marshall Activity Center

15325 West Michigan Ave.

This show is during Marshall's Historic Home Tour so there are many things to see and do in town.

### Harvest Hop 2011

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sept. 22, 23, 24

and

29, 30 & Oct. 1.

Watch for details.

Four new shops have been added:

Big Island Quilt Co., Schoolcraft

Friends Quilting Basket, Lake Odessa

Quilted Memories, Inc., Montague

Sew Unique Threads, Battle Creek

Ask about busses

## Quilt Shop News

June 2011

July is usually a busy month with events and festivals in Marshall. Here are a few of them in case you want to plan for an entire day in town. You can find more information at the Chamber website

[www.marshallmi.org](http://www.marshallmi.org)

July 1-2 Cruise to the Fountain car show

July 4 Band concert and chicken barbeque

July 9&10 Garden Tour

July 14-17 Dog Show at the Fairground

July 16 Blues Festival downtown

Quilt market was inspiring as usual.

What I really wanted to do was order some of everything but managed to restrain myself. I did come home with new patterns and books as well as a large fixture of those Aurifil threads that we have fallen in love with. These are the small spools that have 220 yards each. I still am carrying the large spools of Aurifil in neutral colors for most piecing.

You will also find some bright wool kits from the Woolylady and wool pincushion kits from Just Another Button Company.

Christmas and Halloween fabrics are threatening to push us out the door! Come in while there is still a good selection.

Remember...we will create a class for you and two or more of your friends at a time that is convenient for your group.

Regular Hours

Mon.-Sat. 10 - 5

Sun. 12-4





## Basics:

### 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.

Pat will be in the shop Oct. 1 (the Saturday before class begins) to assist you with fabric selection.

7 two hour sessions

Thursdays from 2-4 or 6:30-8:30

Beginning October 6 through Nov. 17

\$45 plus book

### 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 August 9 from 10-1

or

Saturday October 15 from 10-1

\$25

### Hand Appliqué ...Joyce

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

Thursday August 25 from 10-1

or

Saturday October 8 from 10-1

\$25

## Projects:

### Kyoto from Judy Martin's book *Stellar Quilts...Gail*

This is a stunning quilt. Gail will teach the technique for this wall hanging or bed size quilt.

Thursday July 21 from 10-4

\$30 plus book

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 150<sup>th</sup> 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

### WIPS Day

Once you cut into the fabric it's a WIP (work in progress) 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 WIP.

Every first Tuesday from 10-4

### Insanity Quilt

You really need to see this to believe it. This is a support group for anyone making the Insanity Quilt (English paper piecing with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hexagons).

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

## 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! This is still in the planning stages so come in and add your input.

Every fourth Wednesday from 10-4

## 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

