

## October 2009

### **Custom Quilting Special**

Now through October 10<sup>th</sup>, you may choose any edge-to-edge custom quilting design for your quilt at the basic quilting price of \$0.015 per square inch (plus \$25 set-up fee). Choose from any design in our notebook or on display in the shop. Save a bundle on the quilting design you want! As always, you must use our Star quilting thread and Quilter's Dream batting. Quilts must be brought in no later than October 10<sup>th</sup> to receive the special quilting price.

### **Fall Shop Hop is Coming Soon!**

The 3rd Annual Quilter's Road Show Shop Hop will take place October 15 – 17, 2009. Participating shops will be Sew Little Time (Norwalk), The Doormouse (Bettsville), Quilts & Kreations (S. Amherst), Black Swamp Quilt Shop (Milbury), Threads of Tradition & Corner Quilts (Archibold), and Sunflower Quilts & Gifts (Sylvania). Participants will receive a very nice book, filled with patterns, information, and recipes! Passports are on sale now for \$10 each.

### **Trick or Treat for Grown-ups Sale**

No tricks though! Pick a treat from the basket and open it up to reveal your own personal discount! Your discount will be good on the purchase of any in-stock, regular-priced merchandise, excluding sewing machines, frames, BOM kits, machine repair, and custom quilting. Discount amounts will vary from 10 – 50 % off. This sale runs from Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**'Make It You' New session starting!** This is a program designed to help the younger generation to discover the fun, creativity, and endless potential of sewing and quilting. It's open to young people ages 8 – 18, boys and girls. Our younger participants may require a parent's or grandparent's assistance for the first few times. There is a \$20 one-time fee to join. The club meets on the second Saturday of the month from 12 -3 pm. Please call for schedule & supply info. Sessions are free. We will be making some really cool individual projects. New members are welcome!

### **Knitting & Crochet Classes Now scheduled!**

Over the past couple of years, we have had occasional requests for classes on learning to knit or crochet. Karen Hedrick has volunteered to take on teaching some basic knitting and crochet classes here at the shop. We will be starting with a beginner crochet class, in which you will learn basic techniques and work on a simple project. It will be from 10 am – 12 pm on Saturdays October 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Come either day or both! Cost will be \$10 per session. Call or stop in for a list of needed supplies (not included).

### **Hush Little Baby**

Hush Little Baby, which features gently used clothing, toys, furniture, and accessories for babies and toddlers and maternity clothes, occupies the other half of our building at 32 E. Main St. New items are being added daily! **Many adorable Halloween costumes available!** Shop now for the best selection. Christmas outfits will be coming out this week. Having company for a weekend or the holidays? She also rents baby equipment like cribs and highchairs. Make your reservation now! The store hours are Tuesday – Friday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm and Saturday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. It is closed on Sundays and Mondays. Anyone interested in selling their items or doing consignment should call Tassie directly at 419-217-0209.

### **Custom Made T-shirt Quilts**

T-shirt quilts use your old t-shirt fronts and backs to form the blocks and make a wonderful keepsake for a graduation, birthday, anniversary or wedding gift! Bring us your t-shirts, pick out a fabric color, and we'll do the rest! Cost includes piecing, quilting and binding! Four sizes to choose from. Call for details!

### **New Arrivals**

Fabric has been arriving left and right! Our Christmas section has been growing steadily. We have also added 3 new Moda collections and several black and white selections. Stop in to see what's new! Don't forget, whenever we get new fabric in, we have to make room for it by moving selected older fabrics to our 40% off section.

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

### **Thimbleberries Club 2010**

It's that time of the year again! The new Thimbleberries Club quilt is out and we are currently signing people up! You may have seen this year's quilt, Village Green, in one of your quilting magazines. **We have decided to do what they are calling the "Queen Variation"**. It is done in the darkest of the 3 colors, but don't let the darkness of the pictures deceive you! We have samples of the fabric in the shop for you to see, and we're sure you are going to love it as much as we do. You may also choose to make the traditional Village Green quilt, and use any leftover fabric for making one of the 12 extra patterns you will receive as a member of the club.

We will be offering 3 different payment plans this year. You may make a one-time payment of \$258 in December or January, 2 payments of \$132 with the second payment due in March, or 3 payments of \$90 with the last payment due in April. There will not be a monthly payment schedule for this quilt because Thimbleberries has changed their club program and will be shipping all of the fabric to us at the beginning of the year instead of by quarter as they have in the past. We have ordered enough fabric for 20 participants, so it is first come, first serve. Sign up ASAP!

### **Elegant Garden Hand Appliqué**

We are still accepting sign ups for the Elegant Garden block of the month by Laundry Basket Quilts. In this series, you will learn beginning basics of needle turn appliqué, such as making templates, placing the pattern, and a variety of stitches. You will also learn how to make circles the easy way! There are a total of 24 block patterns in this series. You will be required to purchase at least your first 6 patterns prior to starting the class, which are \$5 each. The class fee will be \$5 per session. Each person will be picking out or bringing her own fabric for this project. We will be running the class as a continuous block of the month, so jump in any time. The class meets once per month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. They will be meeting this month on Tuesday, October 27th. Please let us know ASAP if you are interested so we have enough patterns!

## **CLASSES, CLASSES, CLASSES**

### **Scrap Therapy!**

Scrap Therapy addresses the stash problem by teaching quilters how to turn their mounds of beautiful fabric scraps into usable sizes...which are then ready to create quilts and other projects with custom-designed Scrap Therapy patterns. Inquire at the shop if you want to see this month's project. You can check it out at [www.Scrap-Therapy.com](http://www.Scrap-Therapy.com). The club will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Join any time!

### **Beginner Quilting**

This class starts with square one! During the four class sessions we will cover rotary cutting, piecing, borders and much more. By the time you are finished, you'll have all the skills you need to complete your quilt top. Sessions will be on Saturday afternoons October 24 and 31 and November 7 and 21 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm. The cost is \$60.00. Fabric is not included. (Most participants follow this class with the Basic Machine Quilting class.) Beginner Quilting is only offered once in the spring and once in the fall. Call to get your name on the list if you are interested!

### **Machine Quilting**

We've had lots of requests for this class! You will practice several different machine quilting techniques on fabric we will provide, including stippling, straight line, and free motion quilting. Bring your own machine and walking and darning feet if you have them. Class meets on Saturday, December 5 from 12:00 – 3:00 pm. Cost for the class is \$30.

### **Beginner Machine Frame Quilting Training**

Individuals must already own a machine frame quilting system in order to sign up for this class. The class is free to those who have purchased their frame from Sew Little Time, or you may call to set up a private session. Otherwise, the cost of the training is \$30. The 2-hour session will include such topics as:

- Creating your quilt backing for best results
- The importance of batting selection
- How to load a quilt on the frame
- Understanding draw-in
- Maximizing your available quilting area
- Learning simple edge-to-edge patterns

The next beginner training session will be offered on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. If you've purchased your frame and need a little help getting started, Rachel will have you off and running and ready to complete your first quilt in no time! This training will be offered in odd numbered months.

### **Advanced Machine Frame Quilting Training**

Individuals in this training session must have previous machine frame quilting experience or complete Beginner Machine Frame Quilting Training (see above). As in the beginner training, we require that those in this class already own a machine frame quilting system. The class is free to those who have purchased their frame from Sew Little Time, or you may call to set up a private session. Otherwise, the cost of the training is \$45. The 3-hour session will include such topics as:

- Squaring up
- Importance of and creating side tension
- Understanding & using pantographs
- Turning a quilt for border quilting
- Learning more advanced patterns/techniques

The next advanced training session will be offered Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12 - 3 pm. This class is offered in even numbered months.

### **Day & Night Quilt or Runner**

You will be absolutely amazed at how easy this quilt by Eleanor Burns is to make! Choose whatever size you want to make, from table runner to king size. Even though it may look tricky, this project is suitable for a confident beginner. The cost for the class is \$20, which does not include the book (required template comes with the book). The class will be held on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. See the table runner sample at the shop! **Room still available! Call ASAP if you are interested.**

### **Yin-Yang Scrap Bag**

Many of you have admired the cute little black and white Yin-Yang purse at our shop, so we've added it to our fall class schedule. It's quick and easy to make and you'll be making them for all of your friends! The class will be on Monday, November 16 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. The cost of the class is \$10. Pattern and fabric not included.

### **Crazy Quilt**

We have many inquiries regarding how to make a traditional crazy quilt, so we're going to have a class! A crazy quilt is made of many irregular shaped pieces of fabric sewn together and then topstitched with a fancy stitch. The class will be on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. The cost is \$20 and does not include the pattern. Put your name on the list now and start collecting fabrics to use!

### **Aunt Philly's Toothbrush Rug PURSE Postponed!**

It may sound funny, but this quick and easy rug-making method is nothing but fun! The "Toothbrush Rug" is made from torn strips of fabric and a modified toothbrush. These rugs are quick to make and require no sewing and have a fast tearing technique which shows you how to tear all your fabric in just minutes. Go to [www.AuntPhillys.com](http://www.AuntPhillys.com) for more information and to see some of the available patterns.

**We will be rescheduling either the purse or rectangle rug for after January 1<sup>st</sup>. Please add your name to the list if you are interested in an Aunt Philly's class.**

### **Classified Ads**

**Singer Featherweight Machine** This machine is in excellent condition and comes with the original case and accessories. Asking \$500. Call the shop at 419-660-0200 if you are interested.

**Janome 11000 Embroidery & Sewing Machine: Reduced!** This machine is just a year old and is in excellent condition! Additional accessories included are the clothsetter, CD-rom, 200+ spools of polyester thread in all different colors, plus many embroidery designs. A steal of a deal at \$3900! Call Laura at 440-242-9867. Must sell!

**Janome 350 E Embroidery only machine:** Excellent condition. Comes with clothsetter. Asking \$800. Call Karen at 419-668-6831.

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