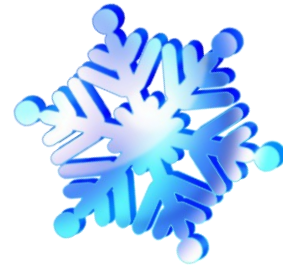


January News From Needles & Pins



Begin Your New Year With Us!

January 1, 2010

Welcome to 2010! Here's to a great start for a new decade of quilting and stitching!

We're continuing our tradition of re-opening on **New Year's Day** with a return of last year's popular **Shopping Spree**.

To qualify for the Shopping Spree drawing, you must enter by **1:30 pm** for the 2 pm drawing and you **must be present to win**. The winner will have 1 minute to fill a large basket with notions, fat quar-

ters, books and patterns. (Shopping Spree rules will available at registra-



tion.) You can put a lot in a basket in 60 seconds, as we saw last year.

We'll also have our annual drawing for a year of monthly \$10 gift certificates, give away a 2 1/2

pound chocolate bar, a cookbook and other goodies.

Come see what's new for the new year, visit with friends and cheer on the Shopping Spree winner. We're looking forward to seeing you!

***In case of bad weather, this event will move to Sunday, January 10th.** If you have any doubts about the weather, please call the shop before making the trip to see us!

Please remember to call before traveling to visit with us! Weather conditions here may not be what they are at your home.

We will CLOSE at NOON on Friday, January 15th to prepare for our monthly Saturday programming and will close at 5 pm on Saturday, January 16th.

Thanks From Montevue Home — And Us!

The staff at the Montevue Home was truly stunned when we delivered your generous gifts for residents early in December. Director

Diane Grove sent a lovely note that included, "...I could not believe how much has been collected for our residents for Christ-

mas...words cannot express how grateful we are...".

Our thanks to everyone who participated! You've made many seniors very happy with some simple gifts and a lot of caring.

Choose A Stitching Program For The New Year!

Need some motivation to get you going after the holidays? Don't let a stitching day go by without enjoying it! Join us for any or all of our program offerings in 2010 and see what you can accomplish this year.

Saturday Programs At The Grange Hall:

Imagine. Create. Enjoy. A Saturday Fabric Arts

Gathering: This is the first of two every-other-month programs we're offering this year at the Grange Hall this year. Brunch; program themes on designers, methods, seasonal and more. Demonstrations, make-it-take-its, show & tell. 3rd Saturday of the month; 9-noon. Begins in January.

19th Century of Quilting, Fabric & Needle Arts:

The second of the two Saturday programs. Brunch; program devoted to the 19th century—quilts, stitchery, methods, history, etc. Demonstrations, show & tell and more. 3rd Saturday of the month; 9-noon. Begins in February.

Each session is \$120.00.

Applique Groups: The number of our customers

enjoying hand appliqué has grown dramatically since Joanne Langan began these appliqué sessions. Everyone is welcome, from beginners to those with advanced skills, and you can work on any project you wish (a great way to complete an appliqué UFO hidden away in a closet). This January, Joanne will also be showing techniques for McKenna Ryan's intricate fusible web/machine appliqué patterns for those interested. One group meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 10 am at the New Market Grange Hall, the other meets on the second Saturday of the month at the shop at 1 pm. \$5 per session for attendees who are NOT members of either the Imagine. Create. Enjoy or 19th Century groups.

Skill Boosters I: The perfect monthly session for beginners who've done a bit of piecing and want to improve/expand their skills. Lois Clow leads this group on the first Sunday of the month at 1 pm at the shop. \$5 per session plus book and fabrics of your choice.

Advanced Skills with

Joanne Langan: This advanced group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the shop at 1 pm. The group will begin the year working on a piece from *Mariner's Medallion Quilts* by M'Liss Rae Hawley. \$5 per session plus book and fabrics of your choice.

Advanced Skills With

Lois Clow: This advanced group will focus on the blocks in this year's Civil War Tribute Quilt block of the month. This group will meet on the 4th Sunday of the month at 1 pm at the shop. The sessions are free for anyone purchasing the complete Civil War Tribute Program; \$5 per session for those purchasing just the patterns.

Early Bird Program:

Meet with us at 9 am on either the 1st Wednesday or the 2nd Saturday of each month to walk through the construction of a block. Check with us for cost. Participants need basic piecing skills.

Put Some Spring In Your Stitching With New Fabrics

We're beginning the new year with great new fabric lines that will add color and fun to your winter and early spring sewing.

Elizabeth Anne from P&B has graceful, soft, large-scale flowers in Alex Anderson's newest collection. Three pastel colorways.

Frolic from In The Begin-

ning Fabrics is pink and green and cute, cute, cute. Look for the raccoon and owl among the flowers and birdhouses.

Wild Thyme is a line from artist Carolyn Gavin for P&B. This lively contemporary eco collection has stylized birds, dots, pods and stars. Brown, orange, blue, green and pink.

Luna from Maywood serves up large florals and dots in bright apple green and rose pink. Look for it in new models of bags and totes.

Sweet Pea from RJR has a large, feminine floral on white with small floral coordinates. **Crazy For Dots & Stripes** from RJR is just that—fabulous geometrics in lots of colors! Great fun!

Civil War Tribute Quilt Block-Of-The-Month Begins

Celebrate the beginning of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War by piecing the **Civil War Tribute Quilt** from Marcus Brothers Textiles and Homestead Hearth designs.

We'll begin this quilt in

January. Participants purchasing the entire program will receive all of their fabric at the start and pick up their patterns each month. The 4th Sunday Skill Boosters session is available to participants for help with

piecing.

You may also purchase just the pattern set and use your own fabrics.

Program costs will be available after January 1.

Please call us for more information.

Start-The-Year-Off-Right Coupon

You might be watching what you eat this month, but you can splurge on **fat quarters** without gaining an ounce!
Purchase 10 Fat Quarters @ \$2 Each & Get 1 More Free

One coupon per quilting household. Valid January 1-31, 2010. In-Store Sales Only. Pre-cut fat quarters only.

New Quilts To See This Month

We have a variety of new models in the works, including two new **ba-tik quilts**, one of which is a model of



Atkinson Designs' new pattern **Fire Escape**.

Splendor is a lovely throw

made in the fabric line of the same name from In The Beginning fabrics. Muted winter colors in sage, deep scarlet, cream and gold in a star and four patch pattern combine for a beautiful project.

Winter is the time for flannel, so we have two new cozy throws to show you this month. A pretty **Yel-**

low Brick Road in Maywood's pastel *Woolies Flannels* and a new version of the popular Thimbleberries pattern **Tree Farm Throw** made in Timeless Treasures' *Mountain Air Flannel*, depicting mountain and wildlife scenes in rust, tan and green.

Watch for new wall quilts, too!

Catching Up On Baby Quilts

It's easy to fall behind on new baby quilt models during the last part of the year, so we're catching up in January.

We're showing a quilt using a panel of rescue vehicles and fire trucks and alter-

nate blocks of bright solids and another new one with framed fussy-cut blocks of a cute kid's print.

A new easy quilt from the book **Baby Wraps** makes the perfect gift—we've made ours in blue flannels.

We'll be adding to our excellent selection of baby fabrics in January and February, with new lines that include *Benjamin Bunny & Peter Rabbit* and *Animal Alphabet Games* from Quilting Treasures.

Thank You For Supporting Advocates In 2009!

We are delighted to tell you that our annual Ornament Tree project benefiting Advocates For Homeless Families was a great success again this year. We expanded our offerings with a table of hand-crafted gifts to go along with

the ornaments, and it was very well received by our shoppers.

As this is written, we are still selling gifts, so the total isn't



known yet, but we believe we will meet our annual goal of \$1000.00 or more. Thanks go out to everyone who contributed gifts and ornaments and to those who made purchases. Please keep us in mind for the coming season!

Valentine's Day Is On The Way!

From where we're sitting now, this looks to be a long and cold winter. Brighten the days of February and make everyone smile with fun decorations and gifts for Valentine's Day.

We'll begin the celebration with two Valentine pin make-it-take-its on **Saturday, January 30th.**

Join us at 10:30 am to make a **Heart Yo-Yo Pin** with the Clover Yo-Yo Maker. All materials provided. \$3 per person.

At 1:30 pm we'll make a **no-sew heart pin** with fabric and embellishments from the Need'l Love book **Here's My Heart**. \$10 per person, all materials for pin provided. Class is \$5 with pur-

chase of book.

Be sure to see our new Valentine stitchery models and patterns from Crabapple Hill as well as our new Woolfelt *Welcoming Heart* wreath and *Hearts Abloom* pillow from Need'l Love's **Folk Heart Threads**.



Embroider A Beautiful Year

We invite you to be part of the embroidery revival in 2010! Lois has been recuperating from surgery this winter and doing quite a bit of beautiful work for us—stop by and see the models of tea towels, pillows, and

pillowcases for spring.

You might also like to put your stitching skills to use on Christmas tree ornaments for next year and heirloom gifts for very special occasions this year, such as weddings, anniver-

saries and christenings.

Visit crabapplehillstudio.com for great pattern photos and her free tips and patterns.



New On The Shelves

- **Texture Magic** uses the heat of your iron to turn quilted fabric into something quite different. Come see our model!
- We have a new table

runner pattern from **Atkinson Designs** that uses your **60 degree ruler from Creative Grids**.

- New from **McKenna Ryan**: 8" fusible appli-

qué blocks in her new series: *"All Cooped Up."*



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Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! I was taken aback when I realized that this is the start of a new decade. Where did the last one go? There's never enough time for all the stitching you'd like to do, so make a resolution not to waste a minute of time on "what ifs" or "if only I had..." this year. Let's jump right in to a year of possibilities and "I'm going to..."

As most of you know, we begin to work on projects for Valentine's Day and spring as soon as we can in December so you have lots of new ideas to contemplate as January begins. 2010 promises to be a wonderful fabric year with lots of great lines, so you'll have great choices for your new work this season.

*Be sure to check out the Jan/Feb issue of **The Country Register** newspaper; it's the annual quilting/needlework edition. You can also read it (as well as editions for other states when you are planning travels) at countryregisteronline.com.*

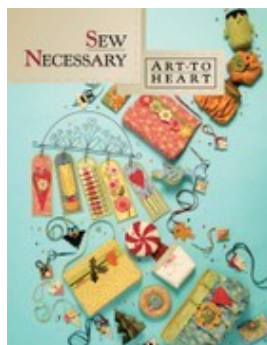
We're looking forward to seeing you on New Year's Day (be sure to check the snow date!) for our annual welcome back party. Meanwhile, Happy Winter Stitching!

Coming Soon....

We will have Nancy Halvorsen's new spring line from Benartex, **Garden Song** and her new book, *Sew Necessary* in January.

Look for several new projects from her book *Love Is* as great ideas for Valentine's Day, too.

If you were a fan of last



year's Construction line for kids from Avlyn Fabrics, you'll be delighted to know that a second line is coming this spring.

Hardhats includes a new play-

mat panel and other great pieces.

We've ordered lots of panels and we'll let you know when they arrive.

We'll be offering **new**

books in January that are too numerous to list here. Plan some time to peruse new titles when you get a chance.



Does your kitchen need a post-holiday pick-me-up? We'll be showing an apron, potholders and *Braid Runner* in Clothworks' **Coffee Café** collection this

month.