

Quilt N Paint News

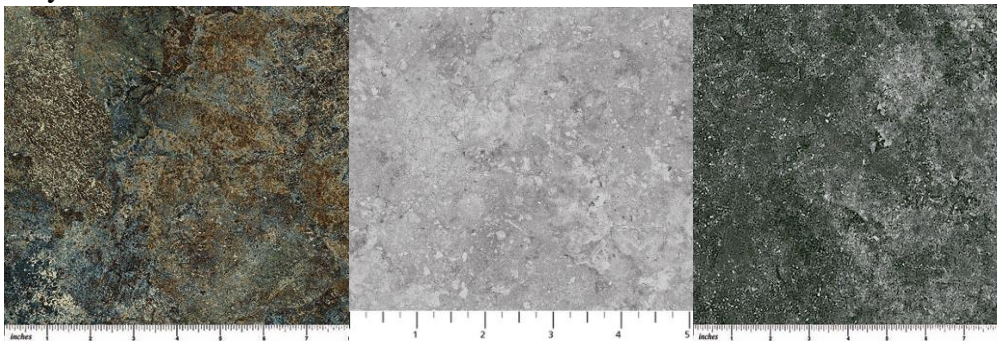
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March 2013

A Note from Sheryll

Well, I think we have finally met our snow quota! It is awfully pretty but it makes your back hurt after shoveling for hours on end! I hope everyone is staying warm! It won't be long till it is all melted and the crocus will be peeking their heads out!

The Stonehenge material has arrived! If you would like to see it come on in! There are still a few spots left for our block of the month starting in late April or early May!



There are tans, grays, & the most beautiful metallic fabric!

Important March dates:

March 10th : Daylight Savings Time Begins (change the clocks and the batteries in your smoke detectors and check your carbon monoxide detectors)!

March the 16th, because it is the day before **St. Patrick's Day**, my birthday and also **National Quilt Day!** That means a bonus for you! Come in on the 16th wearing green and receive a 15% discount off of your entire purchase plus be entered to win a goodie bag full of surprises! We will be having all kinds of sales that day!!

March 30th, the shop will be closed, please have a safe weekend if you are traveling!

On inclement weather days please call the shop to make sure we are open! I do not close just because the schools are closed!

Happy quilting & painting!
Sheryll

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- Store Hours:
Sunday: Closed
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 10-
Wednesday: 10-5
Thursday: 10-5
Friday: 10-5
Saturday: 10-4

If you need me to stay late all you have to do is call and let me know!

Creative Hands Word Search

There's Love in the air!

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BLARNEYSTONE
CABBAGE
CELEBRATION
CELTIC
CHARMS
CLOVER
CORNBEEF
CROCUS
DAFFODILS
DAYLIGHTSAVING
FAIRY
GAELIC
GOLD
GREEN
GREENBEER

IRELAND
JIGS
KISSME
LEPRECHAUN
LIMERICK
LUCKY
MYTHS
PARADE
PATRICK
RAINBOW
SHAMROCK
SNAKES
SPRING
STPATRICK
TRADITION

March Club and Group Updates

Main Street Strippers: March 12th, watercolor pencil on fabric with Sheryll

Thimbleberries: March 19th @ 1:00

Heart 'N Tolars: March 10th bring your painting supplies! @ 1:30

American Sewing Guild: Tues. March 18. 10AM-noon. Jennifer Merriman, designer/sewist of Jenny Lynn's Designs, will present the program, to include information on purses and bags, costumes, accessories, and doll clothes and more. Visitors are welcome, and bring a friend! Hancock Fabrics classroom in Belton. Anita: 540-2096.

Painted Garden: BOM: Bring 14x14 fabric square, paint brushes & palette!

Sew As You Go BOM: March 20th, this will be a catch up class, bring all of the blocks in progress and work on finishing them!

Corned Beef Spread Recipe

Ingredients

- 2 cups *mayonnaise*
- 2 cups (16 ounces) *sour cream*
- 1 *medium onion, finely chopped*
- 2 *tablespoons dill weed*
- 1 *teaspoon seasoned salt*
- 2 *cups diced cooked corned beef*
- *Onion bagels, split and cut into wedges or snack rye bread*

Directions

- In a large bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sour cream, onion, dill, seasoned salt and corned beef. Cover and refrigerate until serving. Serve with bagel wedges or rye bread. **Yield:** 4 cups.



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Open Scrapbook Night 6-???	2 Dr. Suess's Birthday
		5 Skills Class	6 Open Sew	7	8	9 Painted Garden 11-3
10 Daylight Savings	11	12 Main Street Strippers	13 Open Sew	14	15	16
17 St Patrick's Day	18	19 Thimbleberries 1:30	20 First Day of Spring Open Sew Sew As You Go BOM	21	22	23 Embroidery & Cross Stitch
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27 Open Sew	28	29 Good Friday	30 Closed
31 Easter Sunday						

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 All Fool's Day	2	3 Open Sew Rag Flannel Quilt	4	5	6 Painted Garden 11-3
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14	15 Taxes Due	16	17 Open Sew	18 Butterflies & Blossoms 1:30 or 6:00	19	20
21	22	23	24 Open Sew	25	26	27 Abigail's Purse Class 10:30 - ???
28	29	30				

April 2013

Upcoming Classes

Flannel Rag Quilt:

Have you seen the adorable rag puppy quilt in the classroom? Come join us on April 3rd & April 10th to make one of your very own! We will have 6 different patterns for you to choose from! You can make a rabbit, bear, dog, turtle, dinosaur or lady bug! Registration \$10.00 (includes pattern price), Class fee: \$25.00! Plus price of fabric! Instructor: Cheryl Hunter



Quilting 101 with Leona Ragsdale!

Learn to make a quilt in just 6 easy lessons. Class will begin May 23rd. This is a beginner's class for people that have sewing experience. Registration fee \$5.00 plus price of book due at sign up, Class fee, \$80.00 (Half due at first class, balance due 2nd class)

Are you looking for private sewing lessons, or do you know someone who is? Fran Pralle offers lessons for any sewing or quilting needs. She is just a phone call away at Fran's Quilting & Sewing School! 816-779-4838

As a courtesy to our instructors if you are signed up for a class and are not able to make it please give us a call and let us know! 816-331-1992 Thanks so much!

Butterflies & Blossoms April 18th at 1:30 or 6:00

\$20.00 deposit
This class will begin in April! Sign up fast as seating is limited! Instructor: Leona Ragsdale

Class price to be announced!



Abigail's Purse Class April 27th 10:30 - ???

Using only 2 yards of fabric make this fancy flirty fun purse with lots of pockets on the inside! Registration: \$10.00 (includes pattern), Class fee: \$20.00 plus fabric. I will have the elastic and magnetic purse snap available for purchase at a 40% discount! Instructor: Leona Ragsdale & Sheryll Bentley Please sign up fast so that I can order your pattern!



Do you want to learn how to embroidery or cross stitch???? Then sign up for our class on March 23rd! We will walk you through the basic stitches and help you start your first project! Class Fee \$20.00 includes all supplies needed! Instructor: Sheryll Bentley & Leona Ragsdale

Class Policy

All classes are filled on a first-come, first serve basis. Classes fill FAST and are limited in size. **Registration fee is due at sign up.** If you need to cancel or reschedule, we would appreciate 12 hours notice.

As a courtesy to others, no babies or children under 8 are allowed. Children over 8 are welcome to attend if they have paid the regular class fee and are accompanied by an adult registered for the same class.

Please arrive early for classes, as they will begin on time. Please check each class description for supplies you need to bring or come early and we'll be happy to assist you with finding what you need.

Class participants receive a 20% discount on any purchase made during class

Quilting Hints and Tips

Make Your Own Laundry Color Catchers



A color catcher catches loose dyes found in the wash water and prevents the dye from **running** or **bleeding** onto other clothes. By using a color catcher in your **washing machine** you can wash darks and lights together which **saves you time** by reducing the need for sorting, **and money** by reducing the need for half-size loads. **Makes sense!**

The color catcher is a piece of white something with soda ash solution dried onto it. Soda ash changes the pH of the fiber-reactive dye and cellulose fiber so that the dye reacts with the fiber, making a permanent connection that holds the dye to the fiber. It actually activates the fiber molecules so that they can chemically attack the dye. (It can also be used with silk, but not other protein fibers such as wool.) **Just put a tablespoon of the dry soda into a cup of hot water until it dissolves.** Put in a yard of white junk fabric, or ratty toweling, and let it become saturated. Let it dry. Cut off a piece and wash it with your bleedable fabric. The soda ash grabs and holds the dye. You can make a lifetime supply of color catchers with a buck or two of soda ash. For those of you who tie dye, this is exactly the technique for pre-treating fabric before applying dye. Soda plus cotton grabs loose dye molecules. Cheers!

Painting Hints and Tips

5 Ways to Ruin an Art Paint Brush

- 1 If, when you clean a paint brush, you don't bother to get *all* the paint out of the bristles, the paint will dry in the brush and stiffen it. Yes, it can be tedious to get the last little bits out of the bristles near the ferrule, but think about it how much paint will accumulate if you leave as little as shown in the photo here every time you half-heartedly clean a brush.
2. You know what a bath is like when you first get in -- lovely and warm, relaxing and refreshing. But after a while the water gets cold and your skin gets all wrinkly, so you get out. So now why do you think your brush likes to be left to soak for extended periods? For starters, the brush is resting on its bristles, which are the most valuable and delicate part. Then the water is soaking into the wood of the handle and the glue that holds the bristles in... While it takes extended abuse for the ferrule to loosen and the glue to dissolve, why risk it with a decent brush?
3. Scrubbing paint on with a brush is very harsh on the bristles. It bends them out against the brush ferrule, and with extended abuse the brush will be reluctant to reshape itself into its 'normal' shape. Keep an old brush for doing this, or buy a cheap one.
4. Which is the hardier part of a brush, the handle or the bristles? If you want to store your brushes upright, put them into the container so they're standing on their handles, not the soft bristles. This applies regardless of the size of the brush.
5. When you've finished washing a brush, use your fingers to guide the bristles into the 'normal' shape of the brush. If they don't want to co-operate, take a piece of tissue or toilet paper and wrap this around the bristles while the brush is still damp. As it dries, it'll contract and help reshape the brush.

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Weekly Sales:

March 5th – March 9th: All batting and extra wide fabric 30% off

March 12th – March 16th: All green fabric 30% off, come in on the 16th for
bonus sales!

March 19th – March 23rd: All books and Kansas Trouble fabric 30% off!
March 26th – March 30: All notions 40% off