

Your 2011 Fall Newsletter!

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THE BIG ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

You might have heard the rumors...and they are TRUE! Merry's Stitchins is expanding! We are pleased to announce that we are building a new shop — just across the driveway. We will almost double our current space and be able to house even more of your favorite fabrics, patterns, books, and quilting accessories. We will be breaking ground in the next few weeks and hope to have the new building enclosed before the snow flies. Our current shop area will be turned into a retreat center so we have room for our quilting friends (like You!!) to enjoy the peace and quiet of our little neck of the woods and quilt 'till you wilt! Stay tuned for more details…

Our 3rd Annual Merry's Stitchins Garage/Tent Sale will be held September 9 through 11. This event gets bigger and better every year. You NEVER KNOW what you might find...that fabric you wish you had a little more of; a project all cut out, but not quite sewn together; scrap bags; flannels; fats; kits; books; patterns; fabric; gift items; and the list goes on. And yes, the shop is open, too!

In October, we are excited to host **Sue Daley** of Eumundi, Australia for a trunk show and classes. Even if you don't enjoy hand work, the trunk show/dessert is worth your time just to see the gorgeous quilts she has designed. Besides...who can turn down a little dessert while you are looking at quilts? Call the shop or stop out to reserve your spot or to sign up for a class.

Our After Market Shindig will be held November 18-19. Mark your calendar to come to the shop and check out the newest patterns, notions, and fabrics we have brought back from Houston.

For the Patch Abilities fans... Julie has been in the shop the last couple weeks working on a new set of Monthly Mínís. She's got some really cute designs for Series #5. Check our website for details and/or sign up at the After Market Shindig for this 12 month program.

Don't forget — we still have Fat Thursdays and our Merry's Stash Society (free for anybody to enjoy!). See you soon! Happy Quilting!!

New Fabric Collections arriving soon at Merry's

Butterscotch & Rose



- Lily & Peony by Clothworks
- Elizabeth Town by Jo Morton
- **Buttons and Blooms** by Whimsicals for Red Rooster
- Butterscotch & Rose By Fig Tree Quilts for Moda
- Cattails & Clover by Kansas Troubles for Moda
- Little Gatherings by Primitive Gatherings for Moda ...and so much more!

Snail Mail and Email

Many of you have switched to email - THANK YOU!! If you haven't...you are missing out! Go to www.merrysstitchins.com and sign up for our online newsletter. Also, if you are receiving it in paper form *and* on your computer, drop us an email so we can save a tree and a little postage. Email: <u>merrys@jtt.net</u> Thanks!

We're On the Web! www.merrysstitchins.com

SEPTEMBER 2011



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Sampler Quilt
Six sessions on
Tuesdays
1 PM to 4 PM
Sept 13 - Oct. 18

Just a beginner or want to

brush up on your quilt making basics? We will complete a Sampler Quilt with six simple blocks and teach you the skills you need to tackle your next project. Bring your own machine.

Class Fee \$75, plus materials.



"No Sew" Floor Cloth Friday, Sept 23 9 AM to 12 PM OR

Saturday, Sept. 24 9 AM to 12 PM

You can even invite your non-quilting friends to take this class with you! Create functional floor cloths to match any décor. Some pre-class prep work required. Supply kits available.

Class fee \$15.00 plus supplies



1:00 PM or 7:00 PM

meets the last Thursday of each month

If you haven't joined yet you are definitely missing out! Join Merry's Stash Society to socialize and have some well deserved fun! Buy a MSS shirt and if you're caught wearing it when we meet, you will receive a free pattern! Show n' tell your finished projects and your name goes in for our big year-end drawing. We have demo's, treats, door prizes and more! Don't forget your 3 ring binder!









October 2011







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Merry's Stitchins welcomes...



Sue Daley

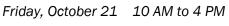
of Patchwork with Busyfingers Eumundi, Australia

Specializing in English Paper Piecing and Needle Turn Appliqué

Thursday, October 20th 7 to 9 PM American Legion, Jesup, Iowa

Join us for a trunk show of Sue's fabulous quilts and designs . . . each hand appliquéd or English paper pieced.

Tickets for the trunk show are available at Merry's Stitchins. Price of \$10 includes dessert and a \$5 coupon toward Sue's patterns, papers, or notions.



Faith, Hope, and Love

English Paper Piecing and Needle Turn Appliqué
This project will show you the techniques
required for English Paper Piecing and Needle



Turn Appliqué. Includes instruction on fussy cutting for interesting design. Class fee \$65 includes catered lunch. Pattern purchase required. Fabric kits available.

Sat., October 22 10 AM to 4 PM

"This Goes With That"

We are launching a new block of the month program with this quilt comprising of 16 different blocks made up of 2.5 inch hexagons made with various paper pieced shapes. You can



Pie and Tarts

choose different setting options to make your quilt unique. Get started on your quilt with Sue during this fun class and learn the tips and tricks to make your English Paper Pieced quilt magnificent. Class fee \$65 includes catered lunch. Pattern purchase or registration for block of the month program required.

Stuff Your Bag Day
Bring your Merry's
Tote Bag and fill it up!
Receive 10% off
everything you can
stuff inside! Need a
bag? Get one at
Merry's for just \$6.00

Selvedge Bag Class

Sat. Oct 8 9 AM to 3 PM



Start saving now!!

Use every bit of that precious fabric...make a bag with the selvedges! You will need to save A LOT of selvedge strips, or cut some from your stash (be sure to leave 1/4" above the selvedge). Bertha will show you the steps involved for this unique project. \$25.00 Class fee Pattern required.

Machine Quilting 101 Class Saturday, Oct. 15 9 AM—12PM

In 3 hours Merry will have you quilting like a pro. Learn the rhythm of free-motion quilting, machine settings and stitch patterns. Bring your own machine. *Class fee*\$15 includes muslin & batting)

AFTER MARKET SHINDIG!



On a quick trip to Houston, TX, we loaded up our market basket with all the latest and greatest in new fabrics, patterns, notions and other quilting goodies...so stop over to our After Market Shindig and load up your basket! November 18-19. Get a door prize while you're here, too!

Merry's Stask Society



November meeting on
November 17th

1:00 PM or 7:00 PM

Remember to bring your "show and tell" to earn tickets for our year end drawing!

November 2011

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Machine Quilting 101 Class

Weds, Nov. 9 9 AM—12PM

Have you always wanted to learn how to machine quilt? Here is your chance! In 3 hours Merry will have you quilting like a pro. Learn the rhythm of free-motion quilting, machine settings and stitch patterns. Bring your own machine. Class fee \$15 includes muslin & batting)

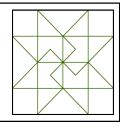


English Paper Piecing Block of the Month

Join us for our <u>free sew day</u> on the second Thursday of each month. Stop in anytime between 10 AM and 7 PM to pick up your kit and stitch on your blocks. We'll have some prizes for sharing new designs and other fun stuff, too. Add in fabrics from your own stash to make it bigger and uniquely yours.

Remember your Buck-A-Block!

Look for the 2012 Buck-A-Block quilt samples unveiling soon. Double blocks again this year — Get TWO blocks for your buck!





Finish Your Project Day! "Soup & Sew" Thursday, December 1st 10 AM to 6 PM

Get away from the house and finish those Christmas gifts! Need a little help with a binding? Bring it in and let us help you with those finishing touches. Call to reserve your spot. Class fee \$15 includes lunch & snacks.

Wool Table Mat Saturday, December 3th 9 AM to 12 PM

Need a quick gift? Whip up this cute wool table



Class fee \$15. Pattern mat. required. Kits available.

5th Saturdays Stuff Your Bag Day Bring your Merry's Tote Bag and fill it up! Receive 10% off everything you can stuff inside! Need a bag? Get one at Merry's for just \$6.00



Merry's Stash Society Year End Party

You do not want to miss our BIG drawing and all the fun at our year-end party!

1:00 PM or 7:00 PM December 29th

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A little birdie told me that there is a new set of Monthly Minis from Patch Abilities for 2012. Watch for photos and information coming soon!





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Class Registration Form for

Merry's Stitchins

1923 Baker Road, Jesup, IA 50648 319-827-6703



Name:				
Email:				
Address:	Phone:			
Class Name:	Class Date:			
Please include this form along with your check and send to Merry's Stitchins at the address listed above. Call the shop if you have any questions or to check about additional supplies needed. 319-827-6703				

Things to bring to class...

- 1. Sewing Machine
- 2. Cutting Mat
- 3. Rulers
- 4. Rotary Cutter
- 5. Thread
- 6. Scissors, seam ripper, etc.



*All day class fee includes lunch and dessert.

Class Cancellation policy:

Class payment is required at time of registration to guarantee space. Cancellations made less than two weeks prior to first class date are non-refundable (unless we are able to fill the spot from a wait-list); store credit is issued for cancellations made prior to two weeks before first class.

You can see our class information on our website:

www.merrysstitchins.com

Email your friends and sign up for a class for a fun day together!

Business hours:

Tuesday—Friday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Thursday 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Closed Sunday/Monday

Email: merrys@jtt.net

www.merrysstitchins.com

Shop will be closed on:

- November 24
- December 24



3rd Thursday of the month, get 12 fat quarters for \$25



English Paper Piecing Block of the Month

We will start this 8 month program in October. Kits will be available by the second Thursday of each month. There are 16 block designs using 8 shapes and templates for the designs. You can make up your own designs, too!

Each month we you will receive:

- 4 fat 1/8's for fussy cutting
- 4 coordinating 10"x10" squares
- 2 packets of papers

to sign up!

• 1 pattern sheet with two block designs

For the first four months, you will also receive 2 clear plastic templates for cutting your fabrics. An instruction book accompanies the first kit. **Cost is \$25 each month** (plus shipping if applicable).

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