

THIMBLE TOWNE

Issue 4

January - March 2012

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HOT OFF THE PRESSES

Everyone at THIMBLE TOWNE is happy to have the holidays behind us and we're ready to start a New Year! As we prepare for the start of a new year we have to reflect back at what 2011 has brought us. 2011 was a HUGE year for THIMBLE TOWNE! We achieved things beyond my wildest dreams. The year was filled with great success and milestones. Traditions were created and bonds of friendship were formed. Through the ups and through the downs, you have been a part of the THIMBLE TOWNE community and we've all shared stories of happiness and sorrow. As we look toward 2012, we wipe the slate clean and begin the year with new resolutions, ideas, and goals. It's a new year, and new beginnings, what will you do to make it your best year?

This year will switch things up a little by transitioning from a 4 month newsletter to a quarterly newsletter produced four times a year. By making this change Thimble Towne can offer a greater variety of classes. We have put together a great list of classes and workshops for the first quarter that offer a little for everyone. And, as always, we are open to suggestions for classes you'd like to see taught at THIMBLE TOWNE.

Strip Club 2012 promises to be packed with fun quilts and projects. We will be offering more variety this year and change things up by using more fat quarters and jelly roll patterns. Strip Club will be offered 3 times a month to accommodate every schedule and is FREE to attend with the purchase of the monthly pattern.

We are excited to start "The General's Wives" block of the month quilt by Jerry Stube beginning in February. We will complete the quilt over a 10 month period finishing just in time for you to quilt and bind it for the holidays. This class is also FREE with purchase of The General's Wives quilt kit from THIMBLE TOWNE.

This year is going to start off with lots of fun and exciting classes and projects for you to enjoy. If you thought 2011 was a great year wait until 2012!

Thank you for your support, feedback, and words of encouragement this last year. We will continue to provide you with the best fabrics, patterns, classes, sewing machines and furniture in 2012.

Keep Stitching,

Jeremy & The Amazing THIMBLE TOWNE Crew

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2012 STRIP CLUB

Join us for another fun year of Strip Club! THIMBLE TOWNE offers 3 different class times per month. Each month we will work from a strip set or fat quarter bundle to complete the project. Strip Club is free to attend with purchase of the monthly pattern. Come every month or whenever fits your schedule.

Saturday 1/21, 2/18 & 3/17: 1pm-4pm

-OR-

Tuesday 1/24, 2/28 & 3/27: 10am-1pm OR 6pm-9pm

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BEGINS
JANUARY
2012

FREE WITH
PATTERN
PURCHASE

SEWSATIONAL SUNDAYS

Looking for a day to get away and sew? This all day sew gives you just that. You get a full day of sewing and run of the shop. Bring your own projects or start a new one!

Space is limited.

Sunday 1/22: 8am-6pm

Sunday 2/26: 8am-6pm

Sunday 3/18: 8am-6pm

Cost: \$20.00

THE GENERAL'S WIVES

April 12, 2011 marked the 150th anniversary of the firing of cannons on Fort Sumter, South Carolina. It marked the opening day for the Civil War; a war that would divide families, friends and a country. It ultimately took the lives of over 618,000 soldiers (about 2% of the population of our country at the time).

The generals who served during this time had been friends, classmates or roommates at West Point prior to the war. Theirs was now the task to destroy that friend to support the cause in which they believed. This was not an easy decision. The wives of these generals had to support their husbands as they wrestled with those decisions.

This gorgeous quilt is 100 x 100 inches and includes 13 blocks, 3 different setting blocks, border and binding. Every block is prettier than the next and will entice all quilters!!! This amazing quilt comes with additional "easy to do" bonus projects that you are sure to love! Each block offers the history of these valiant women in the hopes that the quilter will enjoy learning a bit more about them.

Saturday 2/18 & 3/17: 9am-12pm

FINISH IT

Have a pattern you want to start but no class? Have an unfinished project you need some help finishing. Come get the help the individual attention and help you need.

Friday 1/13: 10am-3pm

Friday 2/17: 10am-3pm

Friday 3/23: 10am-3pm

Class Fee: \$15 plus supplies

CURVED PIECED LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP WITH SUE RASMUSSEN

This class is an introduction to the curved machine piecing technique for landscape and pictorial quilts. In this class, students will cover design techniques, fabrics choices, marking, sewing and pattern development working directly with fabric. To simplify and allow more time for learning these techniques, Sue has designed a simple landscape pattern (22" x 28") of a Single Tree Landscape, available to students in this class. By utilizing this pattern, students will immediately begin learning the process of working on landscape quilts with out taking hours to design an individual piece.

Workshop includes breakfast and lunch and a full day of fun.

Date: Friday February 3rd

Fee: \$75.00 plus supplies

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REGISTRATION & POLICIES

Class fees must be paid at the time of registration.

We accept cash, personal checks, and all major credit cards.

Phone registrations are welcomed with any major credit card.

Mail registrations require check or money order.

- Please call in advance to ensure class availability.
- You will be placed on a wait list until payment is confirmed.

Registration Inquiries by Email

If you have questions about classes (availability, difficulty level, etc.) please do not hesitate to email us. Write "Class Registration" in the subject line.

- Please include a phone number, class number/ name, and dates you're interested in.
- A staff member will contact you.

Cancellation Policy & Missed Classes

We cannot transfer you to another class session or refund your fees unless we cancel the class.

No make-up classes or refunds are provided for missed classes. Class fees are non refundable once paid.

If your class is cancelled

Classes may be cancelled if the minimum number of students is not met seven days prior to the class start date. We will call to notify you if your class has been cancelled. You will be issued a refund or class credit for any fees you have paid in advance.

Supply Lists for Classes

All classes will require a supply list. Students who register in shop will receive their class supply list at that time. If you register by mail or phone, it will be mailed to you upon payment confirmation. Supply lists come with a **15% Off** coupon good toward any regular priced merchandise that you may need for your class. Please have necessary class supplies purchased prior to the start of class.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Rotary Basics

Whether you are just starting your quilting adventure or you have been quilting for awhile this class will teach you the basics of proper rotary cutting. You will learn the proper way to handle your fabric, rotary cutter, and rulers.

Instructor: Barbara Phillips

Wednesday 1/11: 10am-1pm

-OR-

Monday 1/16: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$15 plus supplies

Beginning Quilting

Learn the basics of quilt making with Barbara. You will complete your quilt top in two short weeks. This new class allows you to make the quilt any size you wish while learning proper quilting techniques.

Instructor: Barbara Phillips

Wednesday 1/18, 1/25 & 2/1: 10am-1pm

-OR-

Monday 1/23, 1/30 & 2/6: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level: 

Pattern: Just Can't Cut It

Class Fee: \$40.00 plus supplies

Amish With a Twist aka Beginning Quilting 102

This beautiful sampler quilt from Nancy Rink Designs replaces the previous Beginning Quilting 102 quilt. In this 5 week class you will sharpen your skills and complete a stunning quilt.

Instructor: Barbara Phillips

Wednesday 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 2/29 & 3/7: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Monday 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/5 & 3/12: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Pattern: Amish With a Twist

Class Fee: \$60.00 plus supplies

CLASS SKILL LEVELS:



Beginner



Intermediate



Advanced

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Faux Knitting

Do you love the look of a knitted scarf but don't know how to knit? Then this is the class for you. Let your sewing machine do the work or knitting needles. You will shock your friends and family with your finished scarf. These make great gifts for the holiday season.

Instructor: Priscilla Girard

Tuesday 1/17: 10am-2pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

Flower Show Quilts

It's time to create a spring garden of flowers. First we will make an easy background. Next we will layer with beautiful fused flowers and bring it all to life with thread play.

Instructor: Juanita Carins

Friday 1/27 & 2/10: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Tuesday 2/7 & 2/21: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Book: Flower Show Quilts by Lynn Ann Majidimehr

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

Basic Embroidery Placement

Take the mystery out of getting your embroidery design in just the right place. We will be working with multiple designs and placements during this informative class.

Instructor: Jeremy Swaim

Monday 1/23: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Wednesday 2/8: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

E-Reader Holder

Do you have a new Kindle or Nook? Need a cover uniquely yours? This class is for you. This cover is easy to make and will leave your family and friends asking where they can get one!

Instructor: Dyanne Cox

Monday 1/30: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Tuesday 3/13: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level: 

Pattern: Reader Wrap by Atkinson Designs

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

Dragon Bones

Grab your favorite Stonehenge, Batiks or any other combination and make this fun quilt. This quilt is full of straight angled lines making a great quilt for a special guy in your life.

Instructor: Brenda McCutchen

Thursday 1/26 & 2/9: 10am-2pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

Texture Class

Priscilla takes you to the next step of embellishment in this first ever Texture class. The class is designed to teach you different ways of adding texture to any project using your sewing machine.

Instructor: Priscilla Girard

Tuesday 1/31 & 2/7: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Thursday 3/1 & 3/8: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

CLASS SKILL LEVELS:

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  Intermediate

   Advanced

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Hand Quilting

If you have wanted to learn hand quilting now is your chance. Suzie Will take you through the basics of preparing, marking and hand quilting your projects. You will learn several different techniques during this informative class.

Instructor: Suzie Kisler

Thursday 2/2 & 2/9: 6pm-9pm

-OR-

Saturday 3/24: 10am-3pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$30.00 plus supplies

Spicy Spiral Table Runner

Make this unique table runner with just 8 fabrics. Betty will guide you through simple cutting and piecing to make this unique table runner.

Instructor: Betty Pendola

Saturday 2/4: 10am-3pm

-OR-

Thursday 2/16 & 2/23: 6pm-9pm

-OR-

Tuesday 3/6: 10am-3pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

Flag Quilt

Use your Little Twister ruler and create this beautiful flag wall hanging. This simple technique will create your flag in no time!

Instructor: Priscilla Girard

Saturday 2/11: 10am-4pm

Skill Level:  

Pattern: Twisted Flag

Class Fee: \$30.00 plus supplies

Helter Skelter

Don't let the name fool you! This fun quilt gives you a new twist to the word "square". Any fabric choice will make a great Helter Skelter quilt!

Instructor: Jeremy Swaim

Monday 2/6 & 2/20: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Wednesday 2/22 & 3/7: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Pattern: Helter Skelter by Abbey Lane Quilts

Class Fee: \$30.00 plus supplies

Kaleidoscope Quilt

Are you tired of the same old quilt pattern? If you are ready to make a truly unique quilt, start to finish, you will love this class. Juanita will guide you through the steps of making your very own Kaleidoscope.

Instructor: Juanita Carins

Monday 2/13 & 2/27: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Tuesday 3/6 & 3/20: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$40.00 plus supplies

Binding Basics

Perfect bindings are fun and easy. Learn the basics with this hands-on technique class. You will learn how to miter corners, connect the final seam for a perfect fit, and the basics of hand stitching it down.

Instructor: Barbara Phillips

Wednesday 3/14: 10am-2pm

-OR-

Monday 3/19: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level: 

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

CLASS SKILL LEVELS:

 Beginner

  Intermediate

   Advanced

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Quilt With Embroidery

Grab your embroidery machine and let's quilt a quilt. Jeremy will guide you through the basics of using your embroidery machine to get those quilts quilted!

Instructor: Jeremy Swaim

Wednesday 2/15 & 2/29: 6pm-9pm

-OR-

Friday 3/2 & 3/16: 10am-2pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

Skirt Class

Make this sassy skirt for you or your little one! There is a pattern for all sizes. Choose if you want it with a raw edge finish or finished edges. There is no curved piecing in this skirt!

Instructor: Brenda McCutchen

Tuesday 2/21: 10am-3pm

-OR-

Saturday 3/3: 10am-3pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$30.00 plus supplies

Felting Class

Learn how to felt using both hand and machine felting tools. Priscilla will teach you the basics while making a small project. If you already have a felting or embellishing machine this is a great opportunity to use it.

We will have machines available for use during this class.

Instructor: Priscilla Girard

Saturday 2/25: 10am-4pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

Abby Bag & Pincushion

Make this cute trash bag and pincushion from Abby Lane Quilts. It has always been a popular shop sample and now you have the chance to make one of your own!

Instructor: Dyanne Cox

Saturday 3/10: 10am- 4pm

-OR-

Thursday 3/15 & 3/29: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Pattern: Abbey Bag by Abbey Lane Quilts

Class Fee: \$25.00 plus supplies

T-Shirt Quilt

Learn how to take the t-shirts you have been saving and turn them into a memory quilt. Barbara will teach you the proper method for stabilizing and cutting up the t-shirts

and you will turn it into a one of a kind heirloom.

Instructor: Barbara Phillips

Wednesday 3/14 & 3/21: 6pm-9pm

Skill Level:  

Class Fee: \$35.00 plus supplies

15% OFF

Your regular priced merchandise for your

THIMBLE TOWNE class!

NOT AN ACTUAL COUPON

Coupon will be received upon payment for class. Phone and mail registrants will receive coupon by mail upon payment confirmation.



Beginner



Intermediate



Advanced

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