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January 2017 **NEWSLETTER**

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Dear Quilters,

Lately I have been thinking a lot about all of you who come to the shop. I am grateful for your support throughout the years we have been open. So often, we don't tell people how important they are to us. Well, here goes. I am grateful for all of those who work for me. They have become more than employees as our lives intertwine. We have gone through illnesses, knee replacements, losses, marriages, grandchildren, and more. I treasure all of you and fear I haven't told you so. I am grateful for my volunteers who come to help during sales. You work all day long, putting away fabric, writing tickets etc. Will you accept pay, oh no, just a hug. Well, thank you for all that you do.

I am grateful for my family and their support in my "crazy retirement adventure" they have had to move all family events to Sunday, as I am the Saturday help at the shop. They built shelves, helped when we were shorthanded and, as grandchildren grew older, helped in the shop. Thank you all.

Thanks to the Merchants Association and the Chamber of Commerce, and the Pioneer Museum who have created all the wonderful events that bring people to the Dade City area. So many of these people work tirelessly and volunteer their time to make these events unfold. You are all appreciated, more than you know. I am thankful for those of you who come to our evening group events. You are family. You have brought many recipes and friendship to the shop.

What I am trying to say is, a quilt shop is not just a place to work, it is a home for all who enter. We care about all that you are going through in your lives and are happy to divert your pain with the joys of picking colors and figuring amounts. We all love it when you bring in your finished quilts to admire and inspire us. Thank you for sending texts and photos of your quilts when you are traveling.

Please, don't forget to let those around you know how much they are loved and appreciated, life passes in a blink of the eye.

I want to wish you a Happy New Year, and just know my one resolution is to use up some of my stash!!!

Love to all,
Donna

Carol's Corner

Hi Ya'll,

Are the years flying by as fast for you as they are for me? I swear someone (maybe those pesky Gremlins) are stealing hours from my days and days from my weeks. I'm sure it was a very short me ago I was wishing you a good summer-now I'm asking how it went! I hope you all had an enjoyable and healthy few months.

I visited my sister for a week in August and of course had a grand me. We went to a nice shop on Cape Cod. Lots of Kaffe Fasse and Australian fabrics which are some of my favorites. I was good, I only minorly indulged! Les bought for two projects that we got started on but didn't finish. Other fun stuff had to be done! A trip to Block Island, facials (OMG! If you've never had one, indulge. It was heavenly!) And a Jimmy Buffet concert. It was so much fun and all those crazy tail-gaiting parrot heads were a riot! UPS delivered two boxes to me just yesterday filled with Les's UFO's. She'll be here for ten days and as you can tell we have big plans to finish them up but who knows how far we'll get. One thing is for sure, fun will be had and wine will be drunk!

Did I ever mention the booties I made for my ironing board? My sewing room is small (poor me!). My board sits in front of my design wall which covers shelves holding fabric. When I want something I have to slide the board out of the way and it was scratching the floor. What to do? Make booties! I had some gray Sherpa (don't ask me why), cut four circles, ran a heavy thread around the edge and tied them on. Works like a charm! They do pick up dust, threads, cat hair etc. so occasionally I have to clean the crud off but it's not a big deal. Works like a charm.

The other thing I have that I love is a bungee cord chair. It's a regular office chair, goes up and down, rolls, swivels but the seat and back are bungee cords. Very comfy. Best sewing chair I've ever had.

I know I've talked many times about organization and here I go again. I've been going through my stuff again, purging (some of) the things I've been hanging onto for years-I'm SURE I'll have a need for it...yeah right! You know how much I love wool. Well it finally dawned on me that if I switched my wool with all those UFO's I wouldn't have to step over bags and shift containers every time I wanted something. Another plus, the UFO's are not staring me in the face anymore. It's so much better! So, get organized but think about how and when you use things, kind of like your kitchen. And if you're looking for suggestions I'm always happy to help.....the important thing is JUST HAVE FUN!

Looking forward to seeing you and of course bring in your projects and share them with us. You all are such a huge inspiration, thank you!

Still Happily Stitching. Carol

UPCOMING CLASSES

TEACHER: LISA ARNDT

MACHINE QUILTING

Saturday: February 25 10:00 - 3:00

Friday: March 3 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$30 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Learn to do your own machine quilting. Lisa has extensive quilting experience and specializes in helping you get the most out of your home sewing machine. Combine straight line and free motion quilting in this beginning quilting class. You will also learn how to choose the best quilting for your quilt and logistics of how to actually get the quilting onto your quilt.

TEACHER: RHONDA BINGHAM

BEGINNING MACHINE PIECING



Mondays:

January 30 February 6, 13, 20, 27 March 6

First Class 10:00 - 4:00 All other classes: 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$65 6 Sessions

Sewing Machine Required

If you've ever wished you could make those beautiful quilts you've seen in magazines or on television, this class will make that dream come true. Learn basic to intermediate skills. Even if you've been quilting for a while, this class will help you iron out those annoying little problems. Come join the fun & see just how wonderful quilting can be!

CATHEDRAL WINDOW



Monday March 13 10:00 - 4:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

This time-honored technique is fast and easy done on the sewing machine. Start small with a pillow or table runner or make a quilt of any size. Coordinate your window fabric or make it scrappy - anything goes!

YELLOW BRICK ROAD



Monday: March 20 10:00 - 4:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

This versatile pattern has never gone out of style. Choose your fat quarters and simply come to class. A great class for a beginner with basic rotary cutting and sewing.

TEACHER: CAROL BRADSHAW

OB-LA-DI



Wednesday: January 25 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

This quilt is a great beginner project - not a lot of seams to line up. Three simple blocks twist and turn across your quilt and the pieces are large enough to showcase your fabric choices.

WOOL APPLIQUE



Wednesday:	February 1	10:00 - 3:00
Wednesday:	March 8	10:00 - 3:00
Fee:	\$35	1 Session

This class is a basic introduction to wool appliques. You'll make a small project, a pincushion or needle case. You'll learn a new technique and end up with a cute usable item.

FLYING GEESE



Wednesday:	February 8 & 15	10:00 - 3:00
Wednesday:	March 22 & 29	10:00 - 3:00
Fee:	\$45	2 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Another easy "Eleanor" pattern. I just love her method for making flying geese. They are perfect every time! This is a strippy quilt. The rows of geese alternate with rows of "cookie cutter" flowers. Fuse them on for a fast finish. Or use your favorite method of applique. Multiple sizes are offered.

Choose from 3 different leaf patterns to learn this interesting technique. Patterns are printed on paper and you'll place your fabric underneath and sew on the line. EASY!

TEACHER: DARLENE LEOSH

TILE QUILT REVIVAL



Saturday February 4 10:00 - 4:00

Friday March 10 10:00 - 4:00

Fee: \$30 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Lots of designers are doing Broderie Perse these days but we are going to do another version from the late 1800's. This style quilt is also thought of as a precursor to the fancy crazy quilts. It's an applique quilt that leaves spaces (grout) between pieces which then look like tiles. During class we are going to explore drawing our own tile blocks using various items and experimenting with our fabric choices.

CLAM SHELL WALL HANGING



Friday February 10 10:00 - 4:00

Saturday March 11 10:00 - 4:00

Fee: \$30 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Clamshells are the new "in" thing. In class you will learn to make different size clamshells to fit other projects. For the class, we will be using a 3" shell and you can choose to make a pillow or this wall hanging.

MULTI-PURPOSE CLAMSHELL CLUTCH BAG



Friday February 3 10:00 - 2:00

Thursday February 9 10:00 - 4:00

OR

Wednesday March 15 10:00 - 2:00

Tuesday March 21 10:00 - 4:00

Fee: \$40 (plus pattern fee) 2 Session

Sewing Machine Required (second class only)

This class is a two session class. Also a great beginners applique. I will teach you a full proof way of putting in a zipper. Be careful, these bags are addicting!

TUFFETT



Saturday February 18 10:00 - 3:00

Thursday March 16 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Get on the tuffet band wagon! These are so addictive that you will have to make more than one. Once your friends and family see them they will want one too. These tuffet "stools" take only 8 fat quarters to make the wedges and are so easy you just won't believe it. At the end of class you will be going home with it all done! Yes, all done!

TEACHER: DONNA LILLIBRIDGE

TOOTHBRUSH RUG



Wednesday	January 18	10:00 - 3:00
Saturday	February 11	10:00 - 3:00
Friday	March 17	10:00 - 3:00
Saturday	April 8	10:00 - 3:00
Fee:	\$35	1 Session

Do you have extra fabric lying around? Join in the fun of making your own braided rug that you can throw in the washer and dryer!

STUFFED MONKEY



Thursday	January 19	10:00 - 3:00
Saturday	March 4	10:00 - 3:00
Fee:	\$30	1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Make a darling stuffed monkey from the book "Tilda's Toy Box". A great gift for that young child in your life.



Tuesdays: 5:30 PM

January 10 February 14 March 14 April 11

Fee: \$19.95/mo

Do you want to get ahead of the rush? Schedule a me in December to have your quilt quilted and get started now. The quilt is a 60 X 75 inch quilt made of co on and wool. Each month you receive co on fabrics for background and sashings and wool to complete the center square for that month. The kit will include all the wool and co on fabrics to complete the project, plus binding as well as pa erns. You can embellish as you desire with beads, embroidery, etc. The price is \$19.95 per month. I will be meeting at the shop on the second Tuesday at 5:30 pm. If you bring in a completed month, you will be in the drawing for prizes! If you can't come please send us a picture of your completed work. Join us for the fun.

TEACHER: MARLYN MOREY

BEGINNING NEEDLE-TURN APPLIQUE



Friday January 27 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Learn the secrets to successful needle-turn applique. We will start at the very beginning choosing fabrics and tools. Using a "Rose of Sharon" pattern designed by your teacher, you will learn the applique stitch, how to make an applique overlay, how to prepare your background fabric and how to make the freezer paper templates. This class is designed to teach you most of the hand applique techniques so you can apply them to your future projects.

TWO FABRIC NEEDLE-TURN APPLIQUE



Friday February 17 10:00 - 3:00
Fee: \$35 1 Session

Two fabric applique requires no templates, no numbering system, no borders, and no positioning of small pieces to create this design. Choose your Holiday - Christmas, Easter or Hannukah, then chose 2 fabrics, a light and a medium or dark (batiks work well). Using reverse needle-turn applique sometimes referred to as channel applique, we will get a good start on this project.

TEACHER: SANDI MORGAN

KITTY CORNERED TABLE RUNNER



Friday March 24 10:00 - 3:00
Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

If you are like me, you have a lot of scraps. This is a great way to use them. Don't let all those little squares scare you. There is a great tool to make it a snap. I will show you how. It's easy!

WHAT TO DO WITH SELVAGES



Monday January 23 10:00 - 3:00
Saturday April 1 10:00 - 3:00
Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Start saving those selvages and make some fun projects with them, including needle cases, pincushions, thread catchers, zippered pouch and more. A fun class to make small gifts for your quilting/sewing friends. So save those selvages and join us for some fun. I will have extra selvages for those of you may not have enough.

TEACHER: SARA ROSS

MORNING SUNSHINE QUILT

Thursday January 26 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$35 1 Session

Sewing Machine Required

Love paper piecing? Haven't tried it? This is one to begin with or one to feed your love of this technique. Choose your fabrics - there are only five - to make this easy paper pieced beauty.

FANCY FOREST



Tuesday: January 31 February 7, 14, 21 March 7 & 14

10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$65 6 Sessions

Sewing Machine Required

Do you have children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren who love animals or do you love them? If so, this quilt of cheerful foxes, bunnies, owls, hedgehogs and fireflies with a few thistles to frolic in is for you! Organization is your friend in making this quilt!

Be sure to sign up early and pick up a card to make your color chart.

TEACHER: JACKIE THACKERY

BRAZILIAN EMBROIDERY

Summer Bouquet



Saturday January 14 & 21 10:00 - 3:00

Fee: \$35 2 Sessions

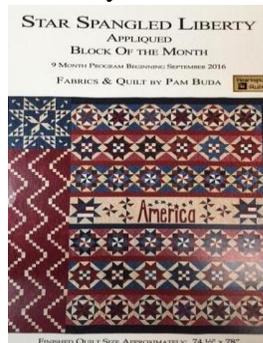
This beginner/intermediate Brazilian embroidery design comes with a 6 page basic stitch instruction booklet as well as design instructions. The basic Brazilian embroidery stitches are all included in this piece which fits a 5" x 7" mat or frame.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

STAR SPANGLED

LIBERTY

by Marcus Fabrics



This is a nine (9) month program called Star Spangled Liberty. If you love Americana quilts this one is for you. There are 15 openings and we are currently accepting reservations

CLASS PREVIEW

SATURDAY JANUARY 7, 2017

10:00 - 12:00

Come meet the teachers and see what new and exciting projects and techniques they have planned for the upcoming year.

RECEIVE A 20% DISCOUNT ON CLASS SUPPLIES ONLY, with your paid registration.

**FAT TUESDAY
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28
10:00 - 5:00**

All Fat Quarters \$2.00

**TRUNK SHOW AND TALK
BRENDA GRAMPSAS, AQS CERTIFIED QUILT APPRAISER
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12 -
10:00 LECTURE FEE: \$5.00**



Miniature and Doll Quilts

Quilts are beautiful to behold and marvel over! Then make a miniature quilt and the marvel increases. Come and see a wonderful collection of miniature and doll quilts along with suggestions for displaying them. Brenda will also give tips on making your own tiny quilts during this trunk show on Thursday, January 12th. Come for the info. Come for the fun. Come for the shopping.

The trunk show begins at 10:00 a.m. with written appraisals and verbal evaluations to follow. Please call the shop to be placed on the appraisal/evaluation list. A written appraisal is \$45.00 and a verbal evaluation, per item, is \$20.00. A written appraisal is a wonderful addition when gifting one of your treasured quilts. A written appraisal is also a valuable tool in recovering the value of your quilt if (God forbid) a loss occurs. See you there!!

PILLOW CASE SEW-IN

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 9 10:00 -
4:00 ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH 37637 Magnolia Ave.
Dade City, FL**

We will be making pillow cases for critically ill children in the Tampa Bay area again this year, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Please come and help us with this worthy cause. **THE MORE THE MERRIER!** Simply bring a covered to dish to share, a sewing machine or serger. If you don't sew and would still like to help just come and iron and/or pin.

This is a great cause and we have lots of fun making them.

PILLOWS FOR MASTECTOMY PATIENTS

Saturday March 18

Time and location to be announced

30% OFF STOREWIDE SALE**

Saturday March 25 9:00 am - 7:00 pm



**Sale and Consignment items are exempt

Be a Quilts on Plum Lane Bag Lady!

On the 3rd Saturday of each month, come shopping with your Quilts on Plum Lane Bag and you will be able to take advantage of Surprise Specials. For example come in Saturday January 17th and see what is on sale just for you! You will find it is cool to be a Bag Lady. If you happen to come in on that day and you don't have a bag yet, DON'T FRET you can buy it that day and take advantage of the bargain! Cost for the bag is \$14.99

SEWING MACHINE REPAIRS

Drop off at the shop and pick up within week.

Call the Shop for further details



DADE CITY SPECIAL EVENTS

Farmer's Market - Hibiscus Park	First Saturday of each month
Classic Car Show - Downtown	First Saturday of each month
Kumquat Festival	Saturday January 28
Farm Festival and Quilt Show Pioneer Museum	Saturday and Sunday February 4 & 5

SPECIAL SHOP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sales and Special Days

Saturday January 7 10:00 - 12:00	Class Preview
Thursday January 12 10:00	Brenda Grampas Lecture and appraisals
Saturday February 9 10:00 - 4:00	Pillowcase Sew-in
Tuesday February 28 10:00 - 5:00	Fat Quarter Sale
3rd Saturday of each month	Plum Lane Bag Lady Day
Saturday March 18	Pillows for mastectomy patients
Saturday March 25 9:00 - 7:00	30% Storewide Sale