

# Piecing it Together Newsletter



**SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2017**

## Shop News

We are participating in the **2017 Mystery Quilt Challenge for Project Linus**. This is an eight-week mystery quilt reveal. This year's quilt is called "Exploring the world with Ethan." The first clue will be revealed on September 17. See page 2 for details on this worthwhile cause.

The **Row-by-Row Nationwide Shop Hop** ends September 5, but you can still get your free pattern or purchase a kit. The rule was to collect patterns from eight different shops, make the quilt, take it to the shop of your choice and get 24 fat quarters. Ann Walizer, quilt pictured on the right, was the first to bring hers to *Piecing it Together* to collect her prize. Congratulations Ann!

We will be starting a new block of the month in November titled **Floral Menagerie**. See page 2 for more details and a picture of the finished quilt.

**Potluck Dinner** kits are ready. The next dinner will be Saturday, October 28. To celebrate Halloween, wear a mask to the dinner and you'll receive a surprise.

Our **Community Service** days are Saturday, September 30 and Friday, October 20. Thanks to all you do for this worthwhile cause. We really appreciate your help.

We will be vending at the **Beaver Valley Piecemakers Quilt Guild Quilt Show**, October 14-16. Hope to see you there.



*Ann's Row-by-Row patterns came from: Piecing it Together; Quilting Needle, Amy Baughman's Sewing Center, Gloria Horn, Quilter's Corner, Airport Sewing Center, Pine Tree Quilts, and Common Thread.*



*Johanna and Doris busy making kits for the Row-by-Row project, pictured in last month's newsletter. Stop in or call the shop if you are interested in a kit.*

## Block of the Month: Floral Menagerie

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This bright and fun quilt features easy piecing and simple appliqued animals in fun colors. We will be using the exact fabrics pictured here (not yet in the shop but stay tuned).



The registration fee is \$20 and \$16 per month for a complete block kit. If you use your own fabric for the pieced blocks, the monthly fee is only \$8.

We will start in November and run for 12 months. Each block is 24" x 24" and features an applique animal and two pieced borders. The finished size of the quilt is 72.5" x 96.5".

We will notify you when we have the sample in the shop and when we will get started.

## 2017 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Challenge

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The Project Linus Mystery Quilt Challenge is an eight-week mystery quilt reveal. This year's quilt is called "Exploring the World with Ethan."

The first clue will be revealed on Saturday, September 16. The "big reveal" will take place on Saturday, November 4.

The cost of participating in the challenge is a \$15 (tax deductible) donation. If you'd like, you can earmark your donation to go to a local Project Linus chapter. After all the clues have been revealed, you can enter your quilt in the national contest with the top three quilts getting some cash rewards.

You can sign up at the shop or you can go to the Project Linus website at [www.projectlinus.org/contest](http://www.projectlinus.org/contest) to sign up. The shop will have all the supplies and fabrics you need to make your quilt.

### Interested in joining a Group?

We are considering forming a Project Linus Mystery Quilt group to work on that week's mystery clue. Please call the shop if you are interested and we will work out the details.



*Leslie Miller brought in her lovely pigs quilt (made from Laura Heine's animal collage patterns) to the shop to show how she used the machine quilting rulers from Annie's class.*

## September Classes

- 1 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff  
 2 Crazy Woolies. 10-12, Esther  
 5 Quick-Step Quilts. 10-1, Carol  
 (2nd class is 9-12)  
 6 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff  
 7 Ruler Work. Beginners. 10-12, \$15, Annie  
 9 Ruler Work. Feathers. 1:30-3:30, \$15, Annie  
 11 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:00  
 12 Quick-Step (continued from 9-5)  
 13 Ruler Work. Beginners. 10-12, \$15, Annie  
 13 Ruler Work. Spin-e-fex & Spinning Circles.  
 1:30-3:30, \$15, Annie  
 14 Play Mat for Kids. 11-12, \$10 (includes kit)  
 14 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9, Phyllis Jones  
 15 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff  
 15 Compass Star. 2-5, \$15, Staff  
 16 Ruler Work. 6" Spiral / 4" Arc. 10:30-3:30,  
 \$30, Annie  
 18 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:00  
 19 T-shirt Quilt. 10-4, \$40, Staff  
 19 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Group. You must  
 have signed up in advance. 11-2  
 20 Stack & Whack with Borders. 10-4, \$30  
 (continuing 9-27), Georgia  
 21 Pineapple Placemat. 11-1, \$15, Staff  
 21 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9. Phyllis Jones  
 22 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff  
 25 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:00  
 26 Star of all Seasons. Beginners welcome. Esther  
 26 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Group. 11-2  
 27 Stack & Whack with Borders. 10-4, Staff  
 28 Woven Placemat. 11-1, \$10, Staff  
 28 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9. Phyllis Jones  
 29 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff  
 30 Community Service. 10-4, all welcome.



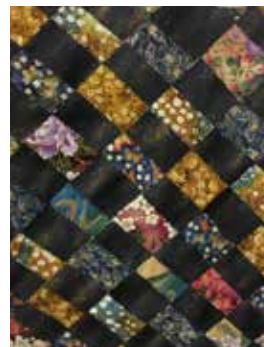
**Seasonal Placemats**



**Quick Step (Four Patch)**



**Tshirt Quilt**



**Woven Placemat**



**Ruler Work**



**Stars for All Seasons**



**Stack & Whack with Borders**

## October Classes

- 2 Monday Afternoon Bee 1:30-3:00
- 3 Tree Skirt or Fall wreath. 11-1 or 3-5, \$10, Staff
- 3 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Group. 11-2
- 4 Rulers Support Group. 10-12, \$15, Annie
- 4 Ruler Work. Advanced. 1-3, Annie
- 5 Turning 20. 11-2, \$20, Staff
- 5 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9, Phyllis Jones
- 6 Help with Finishing a Project. 11-2, Staff
- 7 Crazy Woolies. 10-12, Esther
- 7 Artistic Animal Collage. 10-4, \$40, Vivian
- 9 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:00
- 10 Six-Hour Baby Quilt. 11-2, \$15, Staff
- 10 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Group. 11-2
- 11 Ruler Work. Beginners. 10-12, \$15, Annie
- 11 Ruler Work. Clamshell/2" circles, 1-3, \$15, Annie
- 12 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9, Phyllis Jones
- 12-14 Beaver Valley Piecemakers Quilt Show
- 14 Easy, Breezy, Curvy Flower. 10-4, \$40, Vivian  
Full-size pattern included. No machines!
- 16 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:00
- 17 Dresden Tree Skirt. 11-2, \$15, Staff
- 18 Rag Quilt Pillow or Smart Bag. 11-1, \$10, Staff
- 19 Halloween Table Runner 11-1, \$10
- 19 CCAC Sewing. 6:30-9, Phyllis
- 20 Community Service. 10-4. All welcome
- 21 The Lost City. 11-4, \$25, Doris
- 23 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:30
- 24 Feathered Star. 1-4, \$45, Esther  
(2nd class is 11/7; 3rd class is 11/14.)  
Must pre-order book and templates.
- 25 Paper Piecing. 11-12, \$10, Staff
- 26 Hand or Machine Appliqué. 12-1, \$10, Staff
- 27 Windmill. 12-1, \$10, Staff
- 28 Mickey Mouse Panel. 2-4, \$20, Ann Walizer  
(2nd class Nov. 11)
- 28 Potluck Dinner. 3:00
- 30 Monday Afternoon Bee. 1:30-3:30
- 31 Binding. 11-1, \$15, Staff



**The Lost City**



**Easy, Breezy Flower**



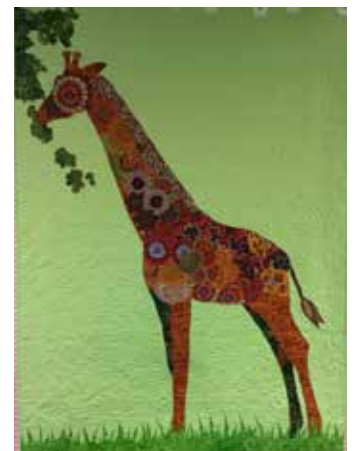
**Rag Quilt Pillow**



**Feathered Star**



**Halloween Table Runner**



**Artistic Animal Collage**

# Vivian's Artistic Animal Collage Class

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## FYI, Reminders, and Thank You

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Would you like to give something back to the community? If so, Community Service is calling you! Not only will you be giving back to the community, you'll also get to meet other quilters, have lunch and perhaps even learn something new. We really could use your help. Next meetings are **September 30 and October 20.**



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Need a place to lay out your quilt? You're welcome to do it at the store. Just call first for an appointment.

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We offer private quilting lessons for only \$20 an hour. Call us if you need help and we'll schedule a time for you.

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Need to make a quilt fast? Come in and check out our new selection of panel fabrics and other fast-finish kits.

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Did you know that with store receipts totaling \$100 (regular-priced items only) you get a free yard of fabric? (Offer does not include wool and minkee fabrics.)

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Happy Birthday to You! Come in on your birthday and receive a special one-time discount of 20%. Just show your ID within one week of or one week after your birthday to receive your discount.

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Need to cut strips or other quilt block designs fast? We have just what you need. Our AccuQuilt Studio Fabric Cutter can cut those for you in no time. We have LOTS of shapes. Call the shop to find out if we have the shape you need. We're getting in new ones all the time. (Fabric must be purchased from the shop for free cutting.)

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Do you have a quilt that needs to be batted?  
1 session with Staff - \$40  
Thread-basted, full size or larger

1 session with Staff - \$25  
Pin-basted, full size or larger

Or you can do it yourself for free using our tables.

Please call to schedule an appointment with staff.



### LEARN MACHINE QUILTING ON A MID-ARM MACHINE

Piecing It Together provides one-on-one training classes to anyone who would like to learn to quilt on a mid-arm machine. You must take the training class (1 session, \$75) before you can rent time on the shop's machine. We provide three leads which you can use again and again. The class is three hours long and is by appointment only. After this class, it is \$12 an hour to rent time. If you have taken the class but have forgotten some of what you learned, we are offering a refresher class for \$11. Call the shop for details.

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