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Hello Quilting Friends,

Happy Labor Day to you! I hope you enjoyed this wonderful holiday weekend. Maybe you found some time to complete a couple of fall tasks that needed to be finished or just time to relax with your family and friends. Ray and I did a little of both, labor and relax. He definitely has labored much more than I. This weekend Ray helped his brother and best friend, Brian build a new fire pit and patio area with a beautiful design using a variety of sizes of patio pavers. A lot of work! Plus, he put in a new additional window in our living room area which meant taking down a whole heap of siding. The treat at the end of the holiday weekend was going to Alma to drop off a quilt and trying a new ice cream stand, Twisters, for an enormous chocolate ice cream cone. A little time to relax!

Maybe you have noticed our weather is starting to change just a bit. A little cooler in the evening and the fading of our sunshine a bit sooner. I have to say that I am enjoying picking up my hand embroidery work more often this time of year after sunset. My thoughts are going to my fall decorating and dream of Christmas shopping and gift giving. Our garden is showing the hints of fall too. The tomatoes are being crammed into cans and the potatoes and onions are ready to be harvested. Fall is in the air...

## Events Happening at Our Quilt Shop –

**\*Our Featherweight Ladies will be meeting on Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 2 pm for a wonderful sewing day together.** Don't forget to bring a project or two to work on during this time sewing. You are welcome to pack a sack lunch or go out and pick something yummy up.

**\*Going to Pieces Paper Piecing club is starting back up on Thursday evening, September 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 9 pm.** I am excited about offering this club again! However, I am not sure if ladies would like a new paper piecing project or would like to time to work on an older paper piecing project that is not completed. We are almost full – call quickly! (989) 317-8700.

**\*Hooray for sewing time - Quilt Till You Wilt, our open sewing time will be held on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 4 pm.** This is a wonderful opportunity for you to come into the shop and have a fun time sewing on your own project on Friday. You will have ample room to spread out your quilting supplies and sew. All we ask is that you give us a call to let us know that you are planning on coming. Space is limited. (989) 317-8700. There is not a charge to attend.

**\* Quilts of Valor – Stars and Stripes Forever will be holding our regular meeting on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – noon.** This is a week later due to Labor Day. Please plan on attending. Remember, your individual quilt blocks are due on or before October 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Shirley for planning is fun project!

**\*Our Blueberry Stars September Block of the Month meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 7 pm and Saturday morning, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 – 11:30 am.** Wow, the time is quickly passing on this beautiful quilt. Only four more months to go then we can start putting all our cute blue blocks together! Please remember to pick up your blocks in a timely manner. Thank you.

**\*Quilts of Valor Stars and Stripes Forever will be hosting a sewing day together on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 – 4 pm.** All member are welcome to come and sew together. Grab your sewing machine and the necessary supplies to work on your individual block for Shirley's QOV quilt. Please call to let me know that you are planning on attending (989) 317-8700.

**\*The Featherweight Stitchers Club will be meeting on Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 4 pm.** We still have room available in this club day for ladies who have a cute little featherweight sewing machine and would love to sew together with others. Both groups have a small number of ladies participating. Call for more information (989) 317-8700.

**\* Our Cottage Embroidery Block of the Month Club will be meeting on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6 – 7 pm.** We will be sharing information about our September cottage and hints on pressing our finished embroidered blocks. Always helpful hints and tricks to make all your stitching the best it can be. This month please bring with you something to “show and share” with the other stitchers. It's always fun to see what others are working on!

Thank you, ladies for your willingness to use cash or to write a check for payment. It does make a huge difference. If you choose to use cash or write a check, your name will go into a drawing for a free quilting gift. It means less in credit card fees for me and a chance to win a great informational book for you (MSQC Block book). So many cool quilt projects inside one book!

We will continue to watch the number of guests that we allow into the store to provide social distancing and the most comfortable shopping experience for you. We ask that you continue to wear a mask while you shop with us. Please know that our staff still works each day to sanitize throughout the shop to provide a safe environment for everyone. Thanks for helping with this initiative during a truly unusual time. I look forward to seeing all of our quilting friends.

We are open our regular hours Monday through Friday from 10 am to 5pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

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