



Merry's Stitchins

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Gee..those summer months fly by, don't they? We hope you've enjoyed the mild weather and have found some time to sit and stitch! We have lots of fun projects and events to share with you this fall..be sure to check them all out.

Make sure to mark the Annual Garage Sale dates on your calendar – Sept. 13, 14, and 15th. Not only will we have a great selection of items under the tent and in the garage, but the classroom will be full of sale fabrics on the bolt. Time to make room for some new stuff!

Speaking of "NEW"...Merry has finally done it. We've ordered our first two collections of batik fabrics! Jo Morton will debut two wonderful collections this fall and the colors work so well with the other fabrics in the shop, we just couldn't resist! We'll test the waters with these collections and see where we go from there :-). We also have a NEW wool block of the month starting in November. Join our wool club, or just have the kits mailed to you!



Dovetails Batiks by Jo Morton

We're participating in another Bus Hop in October with seven other shops in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois. Catch the bus here at Merry's for a two day, one night excursion. We'll have some fun prizes and games along the way, too! Don't delay – limited to the first 45 to sign up.

Our After Market Shindig and the One-Stop Shopping Spree in Clear Lake are on again this November. We also have a couple of new classes this fall, one featuring the *Angles with Ease* book from Anka's Treasure. She's come up with a slick way of creating difficult looking blocks with a strip pieced technique. Brilliant!

Our Return the Favor Sew Days continue to be a fun time to gather with quilting friends and share your talents. We gather each month on the second Tuesday of the month. Merry makes a great lunch for the gals, too!

Please note the shop will be closed on Thanksgiving and we will be closed the end of December, the 24th through January 1st. Little Lewie is expecting a baby brother, so Grandma Merry will be on duty!

Happy Stitchin'!

Merry, Jennifer & the team

**FAT
Thursday**

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

Return the Favor Charity Sew Days

Days for making simple quilts to give to those in need in the Cedar Valley

Join us on the *second Tuesday of each month* at Merry's. Bring that fabric from your stash that you no longer need and let's put it together with some others to make a fun quilt to donate!
10 AM to 4 PM —Lunch provided.



Merry's Stitchins FALL 2013 BUS TRIP October 11 & 12, 2013

Mark your calendar for this fall's Bus Shop Hop on October 11 & 12! Ride in the comfort of a charter bus and visit 7 fabulous Quilt Shops located in Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, & Iowa.

You will love visiting these new shops, each with its own unique characteristics!
The shops on this trip include:

The Quilt Box, Kewanee, IL

Quilt Corner, Sparta, WI

Quilters General Store, Rockford, IL

Quilters Window, New Hampton, IA

Inspirations Quilt Shop, Hills, IA

Calico Hutch Quilt Shop, Hayward, MN

Hidden Quilts, Platteville, WI

Merry's Stitchins, Jesup, IA

The trip includes: transportation, one night lodging (double occupancy), meals, snacks,
and a goodie bag from Merry's all for \$150.

A non-refundable deposit of \$75 due at sign up. Balance Due by October 1st.
(Note: The deposit may be transferred to another person.)

The bus leaves at 7 AM SHARP! Be here early to get signed in and find your seat on the bus.

Merry's Sample Spree!

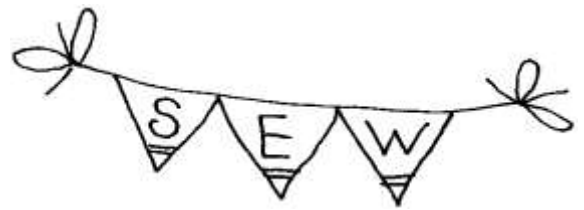
Here's your chance to win one of our retired samples! For every \$75 you spend in the shop (before tax), you'll get your name in the jar. We'll have a drawing every couple of months. Must be present to win!

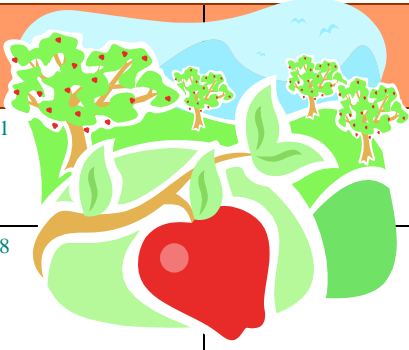
First drawing will be Saturday, Nov. 2nd — must be present to win! Shop opens early at 9 AM. Drawing will be at 9:30 sharp. Names collected Sept. 1 through Oct. 31 will be eligible for the first drawing. We'll have an assortment of Christmas items up for grabs.

Our second drawing will be January 4th.



September 2013



		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1		3	4	5	6	7
8		10 RTF Charity Sew Day	11	12 Wool Club	13 Garage Sale!	14
15 Garage Sale!	16	17	18	19 FAT Thursday	20 EIHQ Quilt Show—Cedar Rapids	21
22	23	24 <i>Angles with Ease</i>	25	26 Merry's Stash Society 1 PM or 7 PM	27	28 
29	30					



Angles With Ease Rising Star Topper Tuesday, September 24 9 AM to 3 PM

Turn simple strip units into pinwheels, stars, paddle wheels, octagons and more! Kathy will show you all the cool things the "Triangler" ruler from Anka's Treasures can do. We'll make this table topper, and she will demo the other blocks you can make with this unique method. *Class fee \$25 (includes lunch).*

Book and Ruler Required. Kits Available

*Get Inspired...come to
Merry's Stash Society!*



*1:00 PM or 7:00 PM
meets the last Thursday
of each month*

MSS is a great way to stay motivated to finish those UFO's, and to see the latest and greatest in the quilt world. Wear your Merry's Stitchins shirt and 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! Join us this month!

Merry's Stitchins HUGE Garage Sale!

September 13, 14 & 15
Hours: Friday 10-5 Saturday 10-4
Sunday 11-3

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October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Machine Quilting	3	4	5 Machine Quilting
6	7	8 RTF Charity Sew Day	9	10 Wool Club	11 Bus Hop!	12
13	14	15	16 Charm Party Tote	17 FAT Thursday	18	19 Angles with Ease
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Merry's Stash Society 1 PM or 7 PM	Happy Halloween	



Charm Party Tote

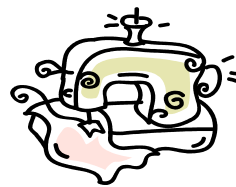
Wed. Oct 16
9 AM to 3 PM

Pick your favorite charm pack and start stitchin!
This beginner bag class makes a perfect sized tote bag. Jennifer will show you the simple steps.
Class fee \$25 (includes lunch). Pattern Required. Kits Available

Machine Quilting 101 Class

Wed. Oct 2 or Sat. Oct. 5
9 AM to 12 PM

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)



Angles With Ease

Rising Star Topper
Saturday, October 19
9 AM to 3 PM

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Bus Hop!

Friday & Saturday, Oct. 11-12

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November 2013

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					1	2 Sample Spree Drawing! 9:30 AM
3	4	5	6	7	8 After Market Shindig!	9
10	11	12 RTF Charity Sew Day	13	14 Wool Club	15 North Iowa Quilters One-Stop Shopping Spree	16
17	18	19	20	21 Merry's Stash Society 1 PM or 7 PM	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Happy Thanksgiving --Shop Closed-- 	29	30

Live Simply



New Wool Block of the month!

We'll start a new Wool Block of the month this November from Buttermilk Basin. The background is beautiful on the tobacco silk, with an individual block to hang in the center each month. Background kits are \$25.00 and the frame is \$35.00. Kits each month will be \$15.00. Call to sign up! Join us on the second Thursday of each month for stitching on your wool projects! No fee...just come and stitch.
1 to 3 pm OR 6 to 8 PM

Sat., Nov. 2nd: Merry's Sample Spree Drawing!
Shop opens early at 9 AM. Drawing will be at 9:30 AM.

Win one of our retired shop samples...your name goes in the drawing for every \$75 you spend in the shop during the months of September and October! Must be present to win.

After Market Shindig!

We can't wait to show off all the latest and greatest finds from the fall Quilt Market in Houston, TX! Join us for a preview of new things that are on the way and buy some of the new patterns and gadgets available now! Door prizes for those who bring their reminder email or postcard :-)

Friday, Nov. 8 10 AM to 5 PM and Saturday, Nov. 9 10 AM to 4 PM

North Iowa Quilters One-Stop Shopping Spree

Best Western Holiday Lodge
Clear Lake, IA

Friday, Nov 15 10 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, Nov. 16 10AM to 4 PM



On this Autumn Weekend, 13 vendors will be offering books, fabric, kits, and notions! Make it a fun filled weekend with your friends. Have a fantastic shopping day all under one roof.

Be sure to tell Santa you want a Merry's Stachins Gift Certificate!



December 2013

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1						7 Demo Day! <i>Just a Roll</i>
8	9	10 RTF Charity Sew Day	11	12 Wool Club	13	14 Demo Day! Dimensional Pinwheels
15	16	17	18	19 Merry's Stash Society 1 PM or 7 PM	20	21 Demo Day! Fun Focus Table Topper
22	23	24	25 <i>Merry Christmas!</i>	26	27	28
----- SHOP CLOSED -----						
29	30	31	Jan 1, 2014			
----- SHOP CLOSED -----						

December Demo Days: Great Ideas for last minute gifts!

Dec. 7: Just a Roll — see what you can make out of one jelly roll. Purchase a jelly roll and get a free pattern!

Dec. 14: Dimensional Pinwheel—a quick runner out of any size squares! Purchase a charm pack and get a free pattern!

Dec. 21: Fun Focus Table Topper — see how one cut makes a perfect octagon shape. Purchase any three fat quarters and get a free pattern!



Merry's Stash

Society Year

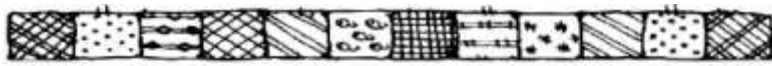
End Party

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 19th



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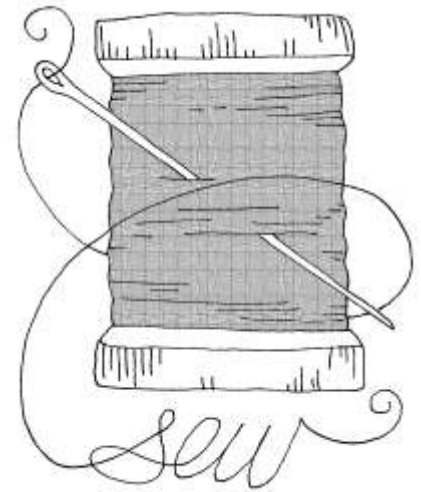
RETREAT CENTER

Gather your friends and get away from it all at Merry's Stitchins Retreat Center! Set on 12 acres in the Iowa country side with full access to a 5-Star quilt shop just steps away from your sewing machine.

- Accommodates 10 to 12 people.
- Minimum of 4 people per booking.
- Provided: Ironing boards and irons, tables and chairs, cutting tables, linens and pillows, television & DVD player.
- Breakfast provided each morning, other meals are on your own with kitchen access
- Cost is \$40 per person per night.
- Deposit of \$80 per booking required.
- Just want to come sew for the day? \$15

Things you need to bring: Towels, toiletries, sewing machines, rotary cutters and mats, other cutting and sewing supplies, snacks and other meals.

Cancellation policy: Two weeks notice required for any refund of deposit



Class Supply List

- Sewing Machine
- Cutting Mat
- Rulers
- Rotary Cutter
- Thread
- Scissors, seam ripper, etc.

**All day class fee includes lunch and dessert.*

Class Registration Form for

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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	

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2013 FALL Newsletter!

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

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