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Hours

Tuesday **10:00 to 9:00**
Wed – Sat . **10:00 to 5:30**
3rd Sunday... **1:00 to 5:00**
Other Sundays... **Closed**
Monday **Closed**
Other ... **By Appointment**

SewSewNEWS November & December 2006

Quilt Pink

A heartfelt and HUGE thank you to everyone that participated in our Quilt Pink event, held September 30th in conjunction with Better Homes & Gardens American Patchwork and Quilting Magazine. The event raises money for the Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

In six hours the participants and volunteers pieced 355 6½” blocks either purchased by the participant or donated earlier by individuals who couldn’t attend the event.



Forever In Stitches arranged the blocks into two quilt tops. The queen size and the full size (shown at left), were long armed and then bound. Both quilts will be on display at the store until November 30th before being shipped to Better

Homes & Gardens for auction.

Starting in February, watch quiltpink.com to see and/or bid on any of the quilts produced by quilters all over the US and abroad.

Forever In Stitches also sponsored Mrs. Boehm’s 3rd & 4th grade from Trinity Lutheran School in Jenera, OH in making a Pink Quilt. They used the same block as our other two quilts, except their blocks were enlarged to 9½”.



The children sewed the blocks in the church basement with the guidance of mothers and other volunteers. Once the top was pieced the class took a field trip to our store this past Monday, where they all participated in using the long-arm and its computer to start the quilting on their project quilt.

Pirate Quilt

Congratulations to Tim Falk of Bluffton for winning the Pirate Football Quilt. Tickets were sold at Forever In Stitches and by the cheerleaders at all Bluffton HS home games. The raffle raised \$404 for the Bluffton HS Football Cheerleaders.



Bluffton Holiday Open House

Mark your calendars for the beginning of the holiday season. Saturday, November 11th, Bluffton businesses are sponsoring their Holiday Open House. Many of the stores will be having gift drawings, prizes and product discounts.



Forever In Stitches will be:

- Serving Hot Cider & Cookies
- \$50.00 Gift Certificate for winner of “Guess How Many...” contest
- 10% discount on all “in-stock” Holiday Fabrics Collections & Kits (See list at counter for exact collections on sale)
- 10% off selected Holiday Books & Patterns

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SewSewNEWS

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Rotary Cutting	Tuesday Nov 7 - 11-12pm
	Wednesday Nov 22 - 11-12pm
	Tuesday Nov 28 - 11-12pm
Salt Water Taffy	Friday Nov 10 - 2-5pm
	Thursday Dec 7 - 10-1pm
	Friday Dec 8 - 2-5pm
	Saturday Dec 16 - 2-5pm
Sweatshirt Vest	Thursday Nov 9 - 2-5pm
	Friday Nov 10 - 10-1pm
	Thursday Dec 14 - 10-1pm
	Friday Dec 15 - 2-5pm
	Tuesday Dec 19 - 10-1pm



Thimbleberries Club 2007



This year's 2007 Thimbleberries "House and Garden" Big Club Quilt is very beautiful. It comes in two color ways: the "Light & Bright" and the "Warm & Cozy". The quilts are 96" x 118" (queen-size).

Club members are provided with:

- All fabric for the blocks, sashings, borders and bindings of the Big Club Quilt.
- Four quarterly project patterns, which include the instructions for the Big Club Quilt.
- 12 monthly newsletters.
- 12 additional project sheets.

Register early to reserve your membership. They are limited in number and can not be expanded. In-Store Club membership requires:

- An initial, non-refundable payment of \$25 is due at registration. You can register on-line.
- A monthly payment of \$16 is due when you pick up your packet.
- Packets may be picked up any time within the month in question. (There are no late or substitute fees)
- You agree to complete the club upon making the initial payment as we will have purchased the fabric and pattern booklets for you in advance.

New Service!!! See our new web store for details on having your Thimbleberries Club packets mailed directly to you each month.

Web Store Up & Running

For those of you who like to browse the web, Forever In Stitches has a web store [See link on our home page fisllc.com].

However until recently there wasn't much to view. As of October 1st, we have loaded 16 full collections into the web store and every new collection received from now on in our physical store will be added to the web.

Spring Challenge

Now that the days are getting colder and darker earlier, lets get through winter fast by thinking of SPRING!!!!

Forever In Stitches announces our "Hop into Spring" challenge.



\$50 gift certificates will be awarded to two winners. One voted on by employees of FIS and one by customer vote. 2nd place customer vote will be awarded if Employee & Customer's #1 same quilt. Winners will be announced Sat March 31, 2007, and entries may be picked up starting April 3, 2007.

The rules are as follows:

- Vertical Style Sampler Wallhanging (Must be longer than it is wide), 18" or less width, 36" or less length
- Must contain **ALL** of the challenge fabric pieced into the top, not appliquéd.
- Must contain at least one rabbit
- Quilt does **NOT** have to be quilted and bound.
- Quilt must contain Two 9-Patch blocks (of any size)
- One entry per person
- Owner's name and phone number must be attached to the back of quilt.
- Entry deadline is Sat. March 1, 2007

Holiday Hours

Our normal hours will be in effect throughout the holiday season with the following exceptions:

November 23 & 24 (Closed)

December 25 & 26 (Closed)

January 1 & 2, 2007 (Closed)

Christmas Quilting Gifts

Need a quick gift for a quilting friend? Gift Certificates, scissor, & rotary cutters make excellent gifts. Or consider one of our kits.



Newsletter Mailing Update

Thank you to all of you that responded to our mailing address clean-up campaign. Our initial goal was to identify customers who enjoy reading our newsletters and wished to continue receiving it.

We do recognize that many of you do not have access to computers and/or Email. To all who read and enjoy our newsletters it is available for US Mail Delivery, In Store Pick-up, or Email Delivery.

Year-End Sale

Each business day during the entire month of December we will be having 10 – 25% off specified fabric groups/collections. Stop in often and check at the register as each day the percentage and groups/collections change.

Long arm – Help us Help You

When you are ready to bring a quilt to FIS, please call ahead to make an appointment. It doesn't have to be a specific time, hour ranges are fine (e.g. 10-12am, 3-5pm etc.) Your quilt can only be checked in by one of our quilting specialists and we don't want you to have to make a 2nd trip back if one is not available.

Also our long-arm services brochure was updated. We made the following change:

Thread charges is now based on a "per bobbin" usage rate, previously a flat \$3.50 rate was used.

Where did the training room go?

The answer is - Right beside us. We've taken over the office space connected to our building and moved the training room and Rick Grihalva's office over there. It's much quieter away from the Longarm machines and larger too.

Eventual we plan to cut an archway in the wall to connect the space. When scheduled for a class, we recommend parking in the back parking lot and using the back entrance to the training facility.

November/December CLASSES

Appliqué - Hand	Thursday Nov 16 - 10-1pm
Buttonhole Finish	Friday Nov 17 - 2-5pm
	Tuesday Dec 5 - 10-1pm
	Wednesday Dec 13 - 10-1pm
Appliqué - Machine	Friday Nov 17 - 10-1pm
Buttonhole Finish	Wednesday Dec 6 - 10-1pm
	Thursday Dec 14 - 2-5pm
Better Borders Construction	Thursday Nov 9 - 10-1pm
	Thursday Nov 16 - 2-5pm
	Saturday Nov 18 - 10-1pm
	Thursday Nov 30 - 2-5pm
	Friday Dec 1 - 10-1pm
	Friday Dec 8 - 10-12pm
Easy Table Runner	Tuesday Nov 21 - 6-9pm
	Saturday Dec 9 - 10-1pm
	Wednesday Dec 20 - 10-1pm
	Wednesday Dec 20 - 2-5pm
In A Bind	Wednesday Nov 8 - 2-4pm
	Tuesday Dec 5 - 6-8pm
	Thursday Dec 7 - 2-4pm
	Saturday Dec 9 - 2-4pm
Log Cabin Star	Wednesday Nov 8 - 10-1pm
	Wednesday Nov 15 - 2-5pm
	Tuesday Nov 28 - 6-9pm
Machine Quilting	Saturday Nov 11 - 2-5pm
	Tuesday Nov 14 - 6-9pm
	Saturday Dec 2 - 6-9pm
	Tuesday Dec 12 - 6-9pm
My 1st Quilt	Tuesday Nov 7 - 6-9pm
	Tuesday Nov 14 - 2-5pm
	Wednesday Nov 15 - 10-1pm
	Saturday Nov 18 - 2-5pm
	Wednesday Dec 6 - 2-5pm
	Tuesday Dec 19 - 6-9pm
Patchwork Pet Coat	Tuesday Nov 21 - 10-1pm
	Wednesday Nov 22 - 2-5pm
	Wednesday Dec 13 - 2-5pm
	Friday Dec 15 - 10-1pm
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