



Forever In Stitches, LLC

Your Destination Quilt Shop™
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Open Every Day
Mon – Sat.. 10:00 to 5:30
Sunday 1:00 to 5:00
Check our website for holidays

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Bluffton Arts & Craft Festival

Join Bluffton for their annual Arts & Crafts Festival. Located downtown on Main Street, this event hosts over 50 craft vendors, free entertainment, food vendors, farmer's market, children's crafts and much more.

Forever In Stitches will be giving "Instant" **Velvet Vouchers** during the event giving you an **immediate 10-20% off product purchases.**

As Main Street is closed for this event, remember we have a large parking lot located behind our building.



Summer Sizzle Shop Hop

Join us **July 2, 3, & 5 -10, 2010** for our 2nd annual Summer Sizzle Shop Hop. The Shop Hop hours are **10am – 6pm.**

Passports are available for \$5.00. The passport entitles you to:

- A drawing for prizes
- Discounts at each shop
- \$hop goodie bag\$
- Each shop will have their own project displayed, and a free project pattern is given to each passport holder. Collect all nine project patterns.



Participating shops are:

- **Country Creations**, Decatur IN
- **The Country Cupboard**, Van Wert OH
- **The Engine House**, Berne IN
- **Forever In Stitches**, Bluffton OH

- **Linda's Sew 'n So**, Celina OH
- **Pieced Together**, Fort Wayne IN
- **The Quilterie**, Celina OH
- **Quilts-N-Gifts**, Bluffton, IN
- **Bernina Sewing Center**, St. Marys, OH

These shops are proud members of the Stateline Quilt Shops group.

View of Yesterday

Oscar Velasquez is painting his new mural on the side of Forever In Stitches's building. The title is "View of Yesterday". It depicts a portion of downtown Bluffton with a train on the tracks that crossed Main Street. As you can see, it is in keeping with Oscar's reputation for wholesome historical murals.



He started the project on April 1 [he assures me that the choice of this date was not an April Fools' joke]. He estimates it will take 1 1/2 months to finish the scenes and another month or so to add in the people and other details.

Come by and watch Yesterday unfold before your very eyes! We will provide pictures from time to time for those who can not come by.

See our website for more details.

Upcoming Holidays

Mother's Day: Sunday May 9, 2010

Memorial Day: Saturday thru Monday, May 29 – 31, 2010

Independence Day: Sunday July 4, 2010



Autumn Colors Shop Hop

Just an early advisory to reserve the following dates for the Autumn Colors Shop Hop: **Sept 24, 25 & 27 thru Oct 2, 2010.**

This year's hop will feature a quilt designed by Pie Plate Patterns. As a special treat, the designer will be on hand [days to be determined] during the shop hop to autograph copies of their books at each shop.



Sixth Anniversary

A big thank you to all who attended our anniversary week celebration. Both Deb Beer and I received numerous comments on the helpfulness of the tips, shortcuts & new techniques provided in our free one-hour workshops.



And a big congratulations to the below listed winners of our prizes:

Grand Prize- \$160 Certificate	Diane Warren
1st Prize - Long-Arm of \$125	Jackie Messick
2nd Prize - Long Arm of \$125	Mildred Stewart
3rd Prize - \$50 Certificate	Jean Hohenbrink
Mon- \$20 Certificate	Ramona Martin
Tues- \$20 Certificate	Cheryl Morris
Wed- \$20 Certificate	Pat Betts
Thur- \$20 Certificate	Mildred Stewart
Fri- \$20 Certificate	Lynett Lang
Sat- \$20 Certificate	Mary Alice Patrickson
Sun- \$20 Certificate	Janice Fullington
Pattern or Fat Quarter	Workshop Attendees

St. Patrick's Day Challenge

Congratulations to our St. Patrick's Day Challenge Winners:

First Place: Joanna Gratz (\$50 cert.)

Second Place: Cindy Reynolds (\$25 cert.)



New Raggedy Ruth Patterns

Four-Patch *With Attitude!* –

The shop sample features Moda's "Butterfly Garden" collection. This quilt made use of 5" (charm pack) squares to create 4-Patch & 16-Patch blocks. The 4-Patches have a "we've got to be different" leaning attitude.



Framed Star –

Our featured quilt of the 2010 Quilt Fever Shop Hop, this bed sized pattern features a pieced frame that is wrapped around star blocks and plain blocks.



A-Frame Log Cabin -

Our featured project of the 2010 Fabric Frenzy Shop Hop, this wall hanging is constructed of paper pieced triangular log cabin blocks.



Classes Being Offered

Learn some new techniques, or polish up your skills if you feel a bit rusty.

All Classes currently being offered are:

- Make Your 1st Quilt.(\$25)
- Border Print Table Runner. (\$5)
- Hand Quilting. (\$10)
- Charming Tote.(\$8)
- Fabric Puzzleballs. (\$5)
- Beginning Paper Piecing. (\$10)
- Intermediate Paper Piecing. (\$15)
- Beginning Machine Appliqué. (\$10)
- Snips Pin Catcher.....(\$12)
- Grids & Grommets Purse.....(\$15)

Contact the shop so that we may schedule the actual class date to better accommodate you.

Quick Quilt Quips

- I got a sewing machine for my husband! Good trade, huh?
- If I stitch fast enough does it count as an aerobic exercise?
- Quilting forever, housework whenever!



New Fabric Arrivals

From Moda Fabrics:

Butterfly Garden
Frolic

From Benartex Fabrics:

Noel

From Red Rooster Fabrics:

Harvest Town

From Northcott:

20 Bolts Color Wall Filler