



WELCOME WINTER



Threads of Inspiration

A Season of Sewing

We are welcoming winter and the New Year with warm thoughts! Winter is the ideal season to spend time with your machine and beautiful fabrics. Whether you are working on small or long term projects, sewing and quilting brightens even the deepest days of winter. And we all know fabric makes everything better! Fabric evokes our creative spirits and marries adrenaline with pure love of our craft as we imagine what it could become. We will have new fabrics arriving throughout winter to help inspire you to keep working on current projects and dream about new ones. As always, we would be happy to help you match fabrics from your stash!

We are excited about our winter quarter classes, including technique classes on the first Saturday of each month, a new tote bag and the bali bowl. This winter brings the Fifth Annual Heart of Ohio Shop Hop February 22nd – 25th. As always, our entire stock of flannel yardage as well as all of our BERNINA sewing machines and Tin Lizzie 18 Long Arm machines will be on sale throughout the hop! Enjoy a wonderful time with your fellow quilters visiting five of our area's quilt shops and take advantage of shop hop specials!

We hope you enjoy the winter months staying warm and sewing. Avoid cabin fever and stop by, sign up for a class, or join us for All about ME or Bits & Pieces! Even though it will be cold, we promise we'll make your trip worthwhile and inspire you to keep your creative embers burning!

We look forward to seeing you throughout winter!

Shop Hours:

Tuesday 10:00 - 5:00
 Wednesday 10:00 - 5:00
 Thursday 10:00 - 7:00
 Friday 10:00 - 5:00
 Saturday 10:00 - 4:00
 Closed Sunday & Monday

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 "Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."

- Edith Sitwell



What's New?

5th Annual Heart of Ohio Shop Hop! Details Inside!

Saturday Technique Classes!

Embroidery Classes!

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Any closings or cancellations due to weather will be posted on our website at www.creativefires.net.

Closing early at 5:00 January 19th





Beginning Quilter Series



The Beginning Quilter Series is designed to help you learn and become confident in the basics of quilt construction from fabric selection, measuring and rotary cutting to piecing, borders, quilting & binding. In the series you will completely piece four different project tops (rail fence, flying geese, friendship star & log cabin) and practice grid quilting and binding.

This class is a five session series. Please plan to attend all sessions. Homework will be required between sessions to complete the projects.

Instructor: Kathy Hassig
 Thursday Afternoons 1 - 4 March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
 Class Fee: \$95.00 Book Fee: \$14.95



Bali Bowls



Learn how to create unique projects using clothesline and fabric as you make a medium bowl in class. Beginning sewing skills are required.

Instructor: Kathy Hassig
 Thursday: February 2
 1:00 - 4:00
 Class Fee: \$25.00
 Pattern Fee: \$9.00

Quilt As You Go Table Runner



Learn the quilt as you go technique as you make this beautiful table runner! Beginning sewing skills (including binding) are helpful for completing the top in class.

Instructor: Kerri Tank
 Tuesday: March 13
 4:00 to 7:00
 Class Fee: \$25.00
 Pattern Fee: \$8.00

Class Registration Policy

Payment for class is due at the time of registration to hold your seat in the class. You will receive a supply list at the time of registration. If you need to cancel a class, you must notify us 5 days prior to the class date to receive a credit toward another class. In fairness to all class participants, children and guests may not attend unless registered.

In the event class maximums are met (6) and there is a minimum enrollment (3), we will schedule another class.

Please be familiar with the operation of your machine. Bring the owner's manual and necessary accessories with you to class. Repairs or adjustments cannot be made during class time. Patterns, books, and supplies are not included in the class fee unless stated in the description.

Special Classes

Get together with two or more of your friends, pick your project and we will design a class especially for you! If there is a class we have held previously, we can arrange another class for your group! (minimum 3 students)



WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE

Kindergarten Quilting



Have you wanted to quilt your projects, but are uncertain how to begin? This class will introduce you to a variety of free motion techniques, including stippling, loops & orange peels through a pencil to paper method before quilting your fabric!

Instructor: Kathryn Fowler
 Thursday : March 15 OR
 April 26
 4:30 - 7:30
 Class Fee: \$25.00

Isabella Tote



Looking for a quick bag project? Learn tips for bag construction, including installing a magnet and creating inverted pleats as you make this functional and stylish handbag in just 5 hours! Beginning sewing skills required.

Instructor: Kerri Tank
 Saturday: March 10
 9:00 - 2:00
 Pattern Fee: \$12.95
 Class Fee: \$35.00

Quilt-As-You-Go Grommet Bag



This quilt as you go Grommet Bag is a fun, versatile tote. You will learn the quilt as you go technique and how to install grommets as you complete your bag in this two session class. Beginning sewing skills are required.

Instructor: Kerri Tank
 Saturdays: April 14 & 21
 9:00 - 12:00
 Class Fee: \$50.00
 Pattern Fee: \$9.00

**Technique Classes!**

These classes are *not* project based. You will use scraps of fabric and learn the specified technique in 2 hours!

Instructor: Kathy Hassig

Straight of Grain Binding

Learn a simple and effective binding method.

Saturday, Jan 7 11:30 - 1:30

OR

Thursday, Jan. 26 1:00 - 3:00

Class Fee: \$20.00

Machine Applique

Learn to machine applique in this 2 hour class!

Thursday, January 12

1:00 - 3:00

Class Fee: \$20.00

Embroidery Applique

Learn to appliqué in the Hoop! Any brand of sewing machine is welcome.

Saturday, Feb. 4 11:30 - 1:30

OR

Thursday, Feb. 9 1:00 - 3:00

Class Fee: \$20.00

Kit Fee (includes design): \$15.00

Zippers

Learn the technique to install zippers into a bag or garment.

Zippers available in the shop.

Saturday, March 3 11:30 - 1:30

OR

Thursday, April 5 1:00 - 3:00

Class Fee: \$20.00

Quilt in the Hoop

Learn how to quilt your projects in the embroidery hoop! Any brand of sewing machine welcome.

Saturday, April 7 11:30 - 1:30

OR

Thursday April 12 1:00 - 3:00

Class Fee: \$20.00

Please remember to check our website for closings or cancellations throughout the winter months!

HEART OF OHIO SHOP HOP

February 22 - 25!

Participating Shops:

Creative Fires - Springfield

Mason Jar Quilt Shoppe - Beavercreek

Fabric Crafts by Rosalie - Ludlow Falls

Sulphur Grove Quilt Shop - Huber Heights

Wertz Variety Store - West Milton

Passports are \$5.00

A portion of all passport proceeds will be donated to local food banks.

Over \$1,000 in Prizes, including the Grand Prize, a BERNINA Sewing machine!

Shop Hop Hours:

Wednesday: 10 - 6

Thursday: 10 - 8

Friday: 10 - 6

Saturday: 10 - 6

For more information, directions to each shop and to see the 2012 shop hop quilts, please visit:

www.heartofohioshop.com



We are happy to announce that we will continue All About ME in 2012 on the first Saturday morning of each month at 10:00. Each month we will discuss or demonstrate a new embroidery technique or project. You will receive a pattern or design to take home. Please call ahead for seating.

January 7 - Snap Happy Bags & Embroidery on Tulle

February 4 - Embroidery on Sweatshirts & Fleece

March 3 - Ruffle Pillow & Stabilizer Choice

Individual Session Fee: \$10.00 OR

\$90.00 for the entire year.

All brands of sewing machine welcome!

**Bits & Pieces**

Don't know what to do with your "scraps"? We'll give you ideas & inspiration for how you can use your own bits & pieces to create unique projects and begin our FREE 2012 Mystery Series! Bits & Pieces is a free session.

1st Thursday Evening 6:00 to 7:00

January 5

February 2

March 1

Together, the smallest bits can make beautiful creations.



Please Join us for what is always a delightful time! Don't forget to bring your Show & Tell Projects!

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Look for our **BERNINA**
 Accessory Sale in
March!



Call or stop by for details!

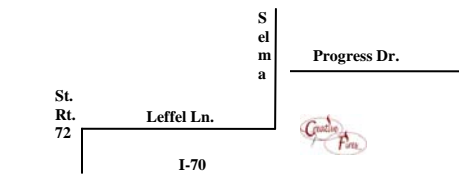
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The Last Stitch 

As many of you know, we lost our beloved Granny (Bob's Mom) this past August. We have always encouraged labeling your quilts, but after losing a loved one, the importance becomes particularly poignant.

What should be included in a quilt label?

We recommend including your name, the recipient's name and occasion for the gift (if applicable), and the year, city and state in which the quilt was made. More information such as the quilt pattern or the name you have given the quilt, the name of the quilter, and anything else you feel is significant may also be added.

Project Bag Labels

Granny had several projects in the works, and as we sorted through her project bags, it would have been helpful if we had direction as to what the projects were and for whom they were intended. If you have fabric kits that you've made or purchased, consider putting the pattern and the name of the intended recipient in the bag. No one is guaranteed tomorrow and if you do not have the time to finish (or start) a gift, your friends and family will cherish knowing what you had envisioned and have the ability to more easily complete your projects and give them to their intended recipients.

Please visit us at www.creativefires.net to sign up for our weekly e-mail specials!