

# The Fabric Patch

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The newsletter was a bit later than usual - my apologies - Brianna and I are trying to get the new website up and running so we can "go live" with the new site on January 5th. It's very time consuming to work on a newsletter and a website simultaneously. Brianna insists things were only typed twice but I'm sure I counted at least five times. I hope you will check out the new site and let us know what you think! You will be able to easily register for classes, see photos of the class samples, purchase kits, patterns and books online, see videos, print free patterns and coupons, and much more. We are excited about the change and REALLY excited about the new look.

So, a few new clubs and ideas in this newsletter. We are combining the Blockwatchers classes and adding a Breakfast Club for early risers (not too early). We've also added a Sweater Club and brought back the Round Table in the yarn shop. We also decided to add many FREE classes. They will be all day demos - stop in any time during the day for a quick tutorial on the newest rulers, tools, gadgets and gizmos.

We've also selected 6 different Block of the Month Clubs for 2010. Two will start in January, two in February, one in March, and one in April. The "BOMmers" is for block-of-the-month-ers that want to come in and ask questions, get a lesson, or even work on their block - bring a machine and we'll get it done! See all of the BOM Clubs on line (...soon) or stop in. Sign up soon, space is limited in some of the clubs.

One final tidbit. I've spent previous pen time talking about "going green", tote bag usage and eco-friendly options. April 22nd is International Earth Day. We have several Market Bag classes scheduled for April (just in case you still need a shopping tote). I just want to mention again that the day of the plastic bag is coming to an end. Achim Steiner, Director of the U.N. Environmental Program, recently declared, "Single use plastic bags, which choke marine life, should be banned or phased out rapidly everywhere. There is simply zero justification for manufacturing them anymore, anywhere." Many countries and U.S. cities have already banned their use or added a surcharge. This will continue. Be ready. Come see me if you need ideas.

Happy Quilting!!!

*Cindi*

# Club Corner (openings available in all clubs)

We at the Fabric Patch certainly recognize the camaraderie of quilting and the desire to be part of a group. We have been offering various 'series' for several years now. They are an incredible amount of fun with great benefits: a common group of friends that you get to know and look forward to seeing each month; a small investment of time (only two hours per month); new ideas, techniques and tools; great door prizes, mysteries and incentives; and finally, often a commitment of only 4 months before the series starts over with a new theme and new people.

So, get involved in a group (or two) that looks interesting - class size is limited. Our choices are described below.

**Blockwatchers** (meets the third Wednesday of the month from 6pm - 8pm) (Cost: \$25/series) (Duration: 4 months)

This series will be "Color Mastery", focusing on 10 color principles that will stimulate color possibilities, pump up color, improve construction methods and build color confidence. We will work on a new color harmony and new quilt each month, as well as participate in a mystery and a challenge. Door prizes and gifts.

**Jo's Club** (meets once a month on the first Wednesday) (Cost: \$30) (Duration: 6 months)

Working through Club #9, we will work on small projects, focusing on hand work and the joy of quilting. We will make wallhangings, small quilts, and "needful things". We have a small mystery project and will participate in a mini challenge.

**IQ Club** (meets the last Thursday of the month) (Cost: No charge) This class is for Innova Quilters only. Those of you that have purchased a machine from us are invited to a once a month gathering where we will have new techniques, tools, ideas and demonstrations to advance your quilting knowledge and skill.

**Introduction to Fiber Artz** (a six month series that began in September) (Cost: \$50)

Our local quilt artist is continuing to teach us all of the special techniques that we see in the juried quilt art shows and exhibits. Working through "hands on classes", we play with innovative techniques, and receive a special pattern to create a fun item with our new found technique. Featured patterns, books and door prizes each month. Class size limited to 15. This series will begin again in May.

**Breakfast Club** (a 12 month program, come every month or occasionally. \$65 for the year/prepaid or \$12/class)

A new club that will meet from 9:00am to 11:00am on the third Monday of every month. New techniques, projects, recipes and complete quilt pattern every month. Join us for food, fun and something new! (see next page)

**Sweater Club** Free to all. Once a month, Monday afternoon from 1pm - 3pm. Bring your sweater pattern and we'll work on it!

## Basic Class Supplies:

When you sign up for a class with us, you will receive a supply list. This will cover fabric needs, any precutting that may be necessary, and any helpful tools you'll want to bring.

In addition to the above, you'll always want to have a machine you are familiar with that is in good working condition. We have two loaners available at the shop that can be rented for \$5/day if necessary.

If you are in a knitting class, you will be expected to know how to cast on, cast off, knit and purl (unless you are in the beginning class). Needle size and yarn weight will be listed on your supply sheet.

If you are in a crochet class, you should know chain stitch, single crochet and double crochet (unless you are in the beginning class). Hook and yarn weight will be listed on your supply sheet.

## 2010 Sun Country Quilt Show June 18th and 19th

For the first year, we will NOT have the show with Sage and Sun. Please mark your calendars.

## Long Arm Custom Quilting

We still have a longarm machine available for customers to use 3 days per week. This is a great opportunity to finish up all of those quilt tops. We will be in the classroom with you the entire time.

You must call to reserve the machine, we require a \$25 deposit which will be applied to your quilting or non-refunded for no-shows. You must give 7 days notice to cancel your appointment. There is a \$25 minimum charge to use the machine.

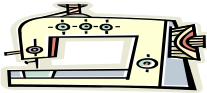
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Another option is to drop off your quilt if you'd like one of us to quilt it for you. You can pick up an information sheet at the shop, or call if you have any questions. Our prices are very reasonable, all work is guaranteed and all work is custom work (hand guided). Our price is figured just like the above, but at 1.70/sq.ft.

We have a wide selection of 112" backings in stock ranging in price from \$8.99 to \$14.99/yd, and we always have several battings in stock.

## Block-of-the-Month selections:

1. Catch a Christmas Star. 66" x 72" \$20 to sign up (pays for pattern), \$8.99/month (pays for fabric). Darling Christmas quilt with some appliqué. 11 months to complete. Begins in January.
2. Under the Garden Moon. 42" x 42" \$20 to sign up (pays for pattern), \$6.99/month (pays for fabric). A very cute country quilt that covers all basic techniques including paperpiecing, appliqué, stack and swap and more. It is perfect for a beginner. 8 months to complete. Begins in January.
3. Progressive Rose 72" x 88" (optional yardage and directions for queen and king) \$65.00 prepaid pays for fabric and pattern. Six months, begins in February. Limited to 15 participants.
4. Catatonia 18" blocks, nine patterns total.
5. Birds
6. American Heritage 75" x 90" (border options to make a 89" x 104" quilt)



## Have you seen the Innova?

After several years of researching home quilting machines; sewing on the Handi-quilter, Tin Lizzy, Prodigy, Consew, A1, APQS, Voyager and even Gammill's new home model, we have finally found the PERFECT home quilting machine! It is fabulous, state of the art, light weight and very affordable.

The **Innova** debuted at the Houston Quilt Market in October 2008 with her designer and manufacturer, Neal Schwartzberger from ABM International. It has **four patents**, an affordable price, and the best warranty in the business. It is the only long arm quilting machine that can run any thread, including Finca perle cotton, YLI pearl crown, Lana and YLI candlelight (just to name a few).

Yes, it actually **EMBROIDERS!!!** The 18" long arm is **less than \$9000** with table and stitch regulator, and the 26" long arm is only \$3000 more for the complete package.

Stop in for a free demonstration and be the owner of your very own affordable home quilting machine.

We are the local dealer and the PNW trainer.

Come in and try it out...

## Breakfast Club

"The most important meal of the day". We will meet from 9 - 11am once a month. In addition to food, door prizes, challenges, a mystery quilt and book reviews, we will learn a new technique and a new quilt pattern each month.

Participants are encouraged to bring their machines and stay for the day to sew.

\$65 for 12 month membership (12 quilt patterns and instruction) or \$12/class.

## Tablerunner/Door Banner of the Month

After years of \$5 blocks, Buck a Blocks, Civil War stories, Mister Rogers quotes and our most recent Tea Time recipes, I am all out of 12 inch blocks. I can't come up with any more.

But.... I did think of something else... table runners! And just in case you don't want 12 table runners, there will be a modification to turn it into a door banner. These patterns will be seasonal and free with any \$15 purchase with kits available for a nominal fee.

In addition, I have selected several fun blocks of the month for every taste, every level (see top of page). Pick out at least one!

## Lessons Available

Staffed with an experienced knitter/crocheter every day of the week. Many classes to choose from, private lessons available for only \$8/hr, or "build your own class" three person minimum, 3 hr session (Socks? Mittens? Hat?) for only \$10 each.

**Shop Hours:**  
**Mon thru Sat: 10 - 5:00**  
**Sunday closed**

# Two Sticks and a String

Stop in to see our large selection of luxury yarns. We have cotton, acrylic, mohair, wool, soy, silk, bamboo and linen yarns. We also have a great selection of needles, notions, books and patterns. All offered with any tips or advice you might need for completion.



**214 Tenth Ave SW**  
**(right next to The Fabric Patch)**

## *A Warm Welcome to New Customers!*

*Newsletter: Our newsletter is mailed out three times a year and is available on our website at [www.fabricpatch.net](http://www.fabricpatch.net).*

*Fabric: We only carry the highest quality 100% cotton, and we have it in every style offered. We have a fabulous Asian section, a great supply of western and reproduction, and we always carry at least an entire color way if not the whole line so you can always find something to match. You should be cautioned that we run out of fabric quickly, and only staple fabrics (solids, blenders) can be re-orders. The best part about our fabric is that we have over 5000 bolts, and the average price is still \$7.20/yard.*

*Classes: We try to offer a variety of classes, often with annual repeats for those favorites that are constantly requested. If there is something you are looking for, let us know. If you want to use the classroom, it's almost always available. Class room policies and registration are below.*

### *Class Room Etiquette:*

- 1. Please be on time. If you are late, please try catching up quietly.*
- 2. Register early, classes fill very fast.*
- 3. Please do not bring small children to class, the classroom can be a dangerous place.*

### *Class Room Policies:*

- 1. The class fee is expected at the time of registration. Space is limited, so without payment, you will be placed on the waiting list.*
- 2. Refunds will be given if cancellations are made at least 7 days in advance. No refunds for late cancellations or no-shows.*
- 3. The class room specials include 10% off any notions or featured books/patterns. And 20% off the class project pattern/book.*

*Class Registration: Can be by phone, in person, by mail or e-mail ([cindi@fabricpatch.net](mailto:cindi@fabricpatch.net))*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

# January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Years Day Event 10 - 2pm	2
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           Christmas Sale on all Christmas fabrics continues through the 9th. Check out our new discount area with deep discounts on books, patterns and notions.         </div>						
3	4	5 Knit/Crochet Guild 1 - 3pm	6 Jo's Club 6 - 8pm Class 1 of 6 month series	7	8 Free Demos, two days: <b>Quilt Smart Interfacing</b> 15% off all QS products	9 Bommers Sew In 10 - 4
10	11 Fiber Artz 6 - 8pm Class 4 of 6 month series	12 Round Table Crocheting 12:00 - 5:00pm	13 Beginning Knitting 3 - 4pm	14	15	16 Linus Charity Sew In 10 - 3
17	18 Breakfast Club 9 - 11am Class 1 \$12 (or \$65/year)	19 National Popcorn Day! Popcorn Quilt Class 4 - 5:30pm	20 Blockwatchers 6 - 8pm Class 1 of 4 month series	21	22 Machine Quilting 10 - 12 \$14	23 Long Arm Quilting 10 - 2 \$22
24	25 Sweater Club 1 - 3pm No charge	26	27 Beginning Crocheting 3 - 4pm	28 IQ Club 6 - 8pm	29 National Puzzle Day	30 Stack the Deck Puzzle Quilt 10 - 3pm \$24
31			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           Plenty of open appointments for the Innova Quilting Machine. Rent the machine this month a finish that quilt top!!!            .99/sq/ft No class required.         </div>			

## Class Descriptions:

- Jo's club and Blockwatchers are starting this month. Both are just two hours in the evening once a month. No machine, just fun, information, gifts and drawings.
- Breakfast Club is starting a 12 month series. Join for the year (\$65) or come when you can (\$12). Come this month to check it out! You'll love it!
- Sweater Club is for anyone. We started this last quarter and decided to continue. We bring whatever we are working on and get advice about sleeves, joining, blocking, etc. Sit, knit, enjoy.
- The Knit/Crochet Guild is another chance to sit and work on projects with Marianne. She is GREAT!!!!
- BOMMers is an all day event free to 2010 block-of-the-month-ers. Stop in for a quick question or bring your machine and get the entire block done. Cindi is in the classroom with her machine!
- You have two opportunities to learn machine quilting, Friday's class is on your home machine (bring your machine and hopping foot) and Saturday's class is on the Innova Long Arm. Space is limited, sign up early. Supplies provided.
- Our Fiber Artz group is in the process of finishing up a six month series. We will start again in May!
- If you haven't had the opportunity to make a stack and swap quilt - now is definitely the time. This is ADDICTING. Very simple, not to be confused with stack and whack, which involves pinning and points. Bring six 2/3 yard cuts and 2 yards for sashing. You'll need a machine and thread, and you'll leave with a quilt top! Pattern and lunch provided with class. Only \$24

# February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Knit/Crochet Guild Open to all. Bring your projects!	3 Jo's Club 6 - 8pm  6 month series	4	5	6 Bommers Sew In 10 - 4  Stop in for lesson or stay and sew!
7	8 Fiber Artz 6 - 8pm  Last class of 6 month series.	9 Round Table Crocheting 12- 5:00pm No charge	10 Beginning Quilting Class I of 2 6 - 8:30pm \$26	11	12 Featherweight Service Class 9:30 - 3:00pm \$30	13 Raggedy Heart 9:30 - 3pm \$26 Lunch provided Quick and Easy!!
14 Valentines Day	15 Breakfast Club 9 - 11am (stay all day to sew)	16	17 Blockwatchers 6 - 8pm  4 month series	18 Pattern Basics How to read a knit pattern and a yarn label. 4 - 5pm \$5	19 Cindi's Birthday all Fat quarters \$1.50	20 1161st Dedication Quilt Show
21	22 Sweater Club 1 - 3pm Free. Open to all.	23	24 Beginning Quilting Class II 6 - 8:30pm	25 IQ Club Autopilot Open House 6 - 8pm	26	27
28						
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">           Knit/Crochet classes need only 2 participants for a class. Find a friend and tell us what you'd like to learn!         </div>						

- Beginning Quilting class is a two-part class for \$26. Two evenings, lots of fun, information, gifts and coupons. Make a modified rail fence quilt and learn all of the tips, tricks and techniques.
- Due to Donna's huge popularity last quarter, we are repeating her Featherweight Maintenance class. Learn how to service and care for your 221 machine. This class will be offered this month and again in

March, then not repeated until fall. Class size is limited to 9 participants. \$30 for all day, 10% off all replacement parts,

- Just in time for Valentine's Day... make your valentine a raggedy heart quilt. Fun, soft and EASY. Pattern and lunch provided only \$26. Bring six different pieces of flannel, one yard each. (See sample at the shop)

*Most of the Knitting and Crocheting classes are scheduled with regard to work schedules and request. We add classes every month, but do not always know in time for the newsletter (which plans for four months). Stop in and check the board, check the website, or call us! We'll teach what YOU want to Knit or Crochet.*

# March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Knit/Crochet Guild	3 Jo's Club 6 - 8pm	4	5	6 Star Gazing and/or Constellation 10 - 3pm \$24
7	8	9 Round Table Crocheting 12- 5:00pm	10 Whoopsy Daisy 10 - 3pm \$24	11 - 12 Free Demos, two days: <b>Square in a Square Ruler</b> 15% off all SnS products		13 Bommers Sew In 10 - 4
14 Daylight Saving's time begins, turn your clocks ahead!	15 Breakfast Club 9 - 11am	16	17 Blockwatchers 6 - 8pm	18 - 19 Free Demos, two days: <b>Fusible Appliqué</b> 15% off all fusible products		20 National Quilting Day  Linus Sew In 10 - 3
21	22 Whoopsy Daisy 6 - 8pm \$14	23	24 Knitted Spring Tank 1 - 3pm Class 1 of 2	25 IQ Club Crosshatching 6 - 8pm	26	27 QFL Kickoff Party 1:00 - 3:30
28	29 Sweater Club 1 - 3pm	30	31	Two new Block of the Month Clubs: American Heritage and Birds start this month. Inexpensive, fun, easy!		

- We are so excited about Spring, we are offering the Whoopsy Daisy class twice. Once as an all day class to finish it up and once in the evening just to teach the block. Very cute quilt or wallhanging. Pattern provided.
- It's time for soft cotton tanks - knit your own with this simple pattern. Learn shaping in class one and joining in class two. Only \$12
- We are trying a star class with two different quilts: the Constellation for the beginner and the Star Gazer for the Intermediate piecer. Learn a new technique (no special ruler required) see both, make one. Patterns and lunch provided. Stop in to see samples or check it out online.
- See club descriptions on page two or page four.

Football season is over, now it's time for the

**QFL!!**

Get your team together, kickoff party is this month!!  
No charge, just information.  
Win prizes, prizes, prizes.

Stop in for an information flyer, or check it out online!

# April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Paper or plastic? No... FABRIC!            It's time to equip you with fun, pretty washable shopping bags.            Big enough for Easter grocery shopping, convenient enough            for quick shopping and sturdy enough for department store shopping.            Lots of opportunities just in time for Earth Day.</p>				1	2	3
				<p>Free Demos, two days:  <b>All in One Scrap Ruler</b>            15% off ruler</p>		
4 Easter	5 Crocheted Market Bag 10 - 12	6 Knit Guild 1 - 3pm	7 Jo's Club 6 - 8pm	8 Beginning Quilting 6 - 8pm \$26	9	10 Bommers Sew In 10 - 4
11	12 Knitted Market Bag 1 - 3pm	13 Round Table Crocheting all day, No charge	14 Knitted Spring Tank Class 2	15 Beginning Quilting 6 - 8pm Class II	16	17 Market Tote Pattern and lunch provided 10 - 2:30 \$26
18	19 Breakfast Club 9 - 11am (or all day)	20	21 Blockwatchers 6 - 8pm	22 <b>Earth Day</b>	23	24 Featherweight Class 10 - 3pm \$30
				<p>Free Demos, two days:  <b>Shopping Bag Options</b></p>		
25	26 Sweater Club 1 - 3pm No charge, All are welcome	27	28 Knitting Round Table all day, No charge	29 IQ Club Machine and frame maintenance 6 - 8pm	30	

There are three opportunities to make a Market Tote Bag: Knit one, Crochet one or Sew one. It's time to get serious about going green. Patterns provided in all classes. Knit and Crochet classes are only \$14.

Featherweight Class offered again this month. Bring your 221, and a towel, you will have it running perfectly when you leave. We have replacement parts, tools, lube, oil, replacement cases, and more. \$30 for all day class.

Beginning Quilting is offered this month. A two class series that will cover fabric selection, cutting, pressing, piecing, tools, notions and more. Gift bag, coupons and patterns provided. Take this class if you are not having consistent results in your sewing. No supplies need for class.

**Quilt Show coming in June,  
 new date, new weekend,  
 are your quilts ready?**