

LSQW February 2011 Shop Talk

Hope everybody is enjoying this Texas weather! Snow, rain, sunshine, and a few warm days mixed in between is what we have been experiencing. You know the old saying; just wait a day, and the weather will change in Texas.

While you are navigating between the flakes and raindrops, we have some great specials going on at the shop this month. We continue to add bolts daily to our **\$3.00** per yard area. At present, we have brought these bolts in due to the cold weather. They are currently placed in our sale area in the back of the shop until the outside warms up. Also in the back of the shop is our regular sale fabric that runs around **\$4.75** per yard. Ladies, with the price of cotton rising, these are bargains supreme!

We are carrying our January specials over into February as they were so well received. This would include our flannels at 30% off with a minimum one yard cut and all yarn at 30% off.



And last, but not least, mark your calendars for our annual **Fat Tuesday Fat Quarter Sale!** The date will be Tuesday, March 8th. Select fat quarters will be \$1.50 each. We have cut, and cut, and cut all year long for this sale. It is our biggest sale each year! We will send a reminder out in early March but wanted to give you a “heads up” for those of you who live out of town.

Due to popular demand, we have added an extra **Batik Wrap** class on Saturday, February 26th from 1-3pm. Please call the shop if you are interested. A class description can be found on our website at www.lonestarquiltworks.com. Click on classes.

Attached to this newsletter is a reminder for our February classes. Please consider taking a new class to further your sewing/quilting knowledge, or just have some plain old fun!

New to the shop is a great light with a 5X magnifier. Do you hand quilt, appliqué, cross stitch, or just need some magnification for your current project? Let us show you our new **Mighty Bright Floor Light and Magnifier**. It has 12 LED lights and places the light over your work, not behind your head as many of the Ott lights do. Our appliquers and hand quilters love it!

We will be vending at the **Dallas Quilt Show** March 11, 12, and 13 again this year. If you have the opportunity to attend this show, please go. It is a nice size, easy to navigate, lots of quilts you can see close up, and many vendors. Go to www.quiltersguildofdallas.org for more info on location and show hours. If you are interested in riding a bus to the show on Saturday, March 12th through the **Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild**, please contact Marijane D at 979 778 2487.

We have received our postcards and flyers for the first ever **Quilt Across Texas Statewide Shop Hop** to be held the entire month of September! We will begin placing these as bag stuffers when you check out; however, if you want advance notice, you can go to www.quiltacrosstexas.com. We are a **Star Shop** and part of Region 6. There are some unbelievable prizes being awarded for this hop so start making your plans to travel now.

Have you ever wanted to do a **One Block Wonder**? Have you wanted to attend one of our famous LSQW Retreats? Well, here is your chance. We will be having a **One Block Wonder** Retreat June 3rd and 4th at **Greenbriar Retreat Center** in Eustace, Texas. Judy Groom will be our teacher for the class, and our hostess at Greenbriar. She will visit the shop on April 21st to help you pick your fabric and give you your “homework” assignment that must be completed prior to the Retreat. Details will be sent in another email soon, however, if this sparks your interest the class will be limited to only 15 students. Please call us at **979 595 1072** for questions.

Awhile back I had told you that we would have three trunk shows throughout the year to accompany Lynn Majidimehr’s new book titled **Flower Show Quilts**. Well, the first one is being delivered today! A little late due to the weather but still going to be fun. Many of you may have seen Deb D’s fish quilt at the Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Show and Tell using this fun machine appliqué technique. Deb’s first class is already full but if there is enough interest we will add a second. Please stop by to see these beautiful quilts. We have twelve autographed copies of Lynn’s book. If you are interested in this technique we would be glad to help you pick out fabrics to create any of the quilts in the book.

We have a super new pattern from Barb L of **Quiltmakers**. If you love Texas A&M or the University of Texas this pattern is a pieced state of Texas background with a center indicating either College Station or Austin respectively. We will be carrying both as either a pattern or a kit.



Do you need your sewing machine cleaned? Remember, it is your best friend. Armando will be here **Monday, February 14th** to work on machines. Please call the shop at 969 595 1072 if you are interested. We will need to have the machine at the shop by close of business on Saturday, February 12th at 4pm.

Need to close and warm up! Watch for a special email I will be sending on Saturday. It is a little treat for all or you!.....**Terry**