Dear Friends:

Did you get out to explore all the wonderful shops in Iowa during the first All Iowa Shop Hop? What did you think? Wasn't it fun? Everyone we met seemed to be having a great time! While we don't have any concrete information to pass along yet, you'll be happy to know that plans are already being discussed about next year's hop. A BIG shout-out to Joyce, owner of the Creston shop, for the work she put into this event. It was her baby, and she did a remarkable job getting it all put together.

And now we're half way through summer already. I can only say I hope we are experiencing the latter half of the summer's weather now, and we'll get our June weather in August! We're already working on our fall and holiday samples. Some are already hanging, and more are in the works. We also have our first wool block-of-the-month ready for signups. There's more information about it in this newsletter. Two favorite events, Christmas in July and Customer Appreciation days, are coming up soon. So come soon and come often...we'll be watching for you!

Connie and the gang

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**Birds of a Feather**

*a wool block-of-the-month quilt from the pattern by Angela Lawrence*

Registration Cost: $30 - begins now, ends July 31
Monthly Cost: $7 (by mail, $9)

Finished Quilt: 40½" x 50½" (10" blocks on cotton background)

A limited number of finishing kits (for sashing and borders) are available for $19.99. They can be reserved with pre-payment.
Congratulations to Stephanie Kubik, who won Creekside Quilting’s door prize during the All Iowa Shop Hop. We hope you all had as much fun as we did! It was great to meet so many new people from around the state. We’re already looking forward to next year! For a list of those who won the big prizes, please visit the All Iowa Shop Hop website. We’ve left the link on our home page.

ARE YOU A NEWBIE?
If you’ve taken our rotary cutting and Turning Twenty classes and want to learn additional piecing skills, check out Pat’s “Beyond Turning Twenty” class (see class schedule). You’ll learn the skills needed to move on to blocks with triangles, how to make and use strip sets for faster piecing, and other techniques. Pat’s a great teacher...you’ll have fun while you ramp it up another notch!

Welcome…..
Karen Abbasi recently joined the staff and will be here on Thursdays. She’s looking forward to meeting all of you, so introduce yourself when you’re in.

At the same time, we say goodbye to Kris Kittrell, who was with us since we opened nearly 10 years ago. We’ll miss you, Kris!! Thanks for all your help!

NEW from "our own" Angela Lawrence
You’ve admired her work, taken her classes, relied on her advice…..now you can have all her techniques right in front of you!

NEW FABRIC...
in the store or coming soon
★ Snow Days by Laundry Basket Quilts (Moda)
★ Ainsley (Northcott)
★ Curiosities (Benartex)
★ Pretty Little Things by Dena (Westminster)
★ Owl Be There (Benartex)
★ Willow (Riley Blake)
★ Independence Trail by Minnick & Simpson (Moda)
★ Modern Shadow (P&B)
★ Chambray Rose (P&B)
★ Let Freedom Ring by Paula Barnes (Marcus)
★ Coventry Court (Robt Kaufman)
★ Phenomenal Fall by Sandy Gervais (Moda)
★ Good Morning by Me & My Sister (Moda)
★ lots more….batiks, fabric from Stof, Kanvas, & other new companies, too

SCRAP BASKET SENSATIONS
Published a couple years ago, but somehow we missed it! A follow-up to Scrap Basket Surprise. Great movement in the blocks. Use up your scraps with these delightful quilts. $24.99

JUST YOUR STYLE
Seven quick quilts, each done in both traditional and modern fabrics. Optional sizes for all projects. Sure to inspire you! $19.95

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❖ Liberated Medallion Quilts by Gwen Marston ❖ Memories of Christmas Past ❖ Pretty Petals ❖ Put Some Charm in Your Quilts ❖ Quilting Modern ❖ Scrappy Firework Quilts by Edyta Sitar ❖ Let's Twist One More Time ❖ Curiosities & Mischief by Art to Heart ❖ Civil War Anniversary Quilts - 150 Blocks ❖ Christmas Favorites by Art to Heart ❖

COUPON
20% OFF packaged batting
July 16-29, 2012
limit 2, please

TRUNK SHOW
AUG 1 - 31

Creekside Quilting
**Electric Quilt Class**

Are you interested in learning to use Electric Quilt software? Ann will provide all the information you need to determine if this is the class for you at a FREE class overview (registration required) on Saturday, July 28 at 10:30. During the overview, a class schedule convenient to most will be determined.

The class will consist of four sessions, 2½ hours each, and will cost $55, but the exact dates and times won't be known until after the July 28th meeting.

**Central Iowa Shop Hop**

**CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAYS**

**DISCOUNTS • DEMOS • TREATS • PRIZES**

**AUG 23-25, 2012**

**THURSDAY 10-7 • FRIDAY 10-5:30 • SATURDAY 10-5**

**NEW!**

**KITS, PATTERNS, AND MORE**

**Snow in Summer** (above)
50" x 62"
Kit: $68.99
also available: Fat Eighths for snowballs (no background fabric) - $35.99

**Hollyhocks Door Pull (wool)**
5" x 20"
Pattern: $10.00
Kit: $26.49

**Twining Tulips (wool)**
7½" x 24"
Kit: $35.99 (includes pattern; pattern not available separately)

**WIN**

Each shop will have a drawing for a $100 gift certificate, a $50 gift certificate, and a $25 gift certificate.

Register at each shop!

**OTHER PARTICIPATING SHOPS:**
- Adel Quilting & Dry Goods, Adel
- Quilting Connection, Ames
- Quilters Cupboard, Ankeny
- The Quilt Block, West Des Moines
NEW KITS, PATTERNS, AND MORE

**Damask Rose** (above)
50" x 62"
Book: Layer Cakes, Jelly Roll & Charm Quilts - $24.99
Kit: $51.49

**Whooo Loves You** (left)
40" x 52"
Pattern: $9.50
Kit: $48.99

**Tower Bridge** (above)
54" x 54"
Pattern: $2.00
Kit: $38.49 (does not include binding)

From the book *Christmas Favorites*
by Art to Heart
Book: $16.00
**Believe** Kit: $17.79 (33½" x 17")
**Ornaments** Kit: $8.99 (7½" x 19½")
NEW KITS, PATTERNS, AND MORE

Spanish Tiles (above)
53" x 65"
Book: *Living Large II* - $16.00
Kit: $51.49

Welcome Banner (left)
16" x 56"
Book: *Bittersweet* - $18.00
Kit: $27.99

Bird & Berries Pillow (above)
Pattern: $8.00
Kit: $21.99 (green wool background)
Kit: $13.99 (black & white cotton background)

TIPS
"Totally Inclusive Projects" include fabric for the front & back, batting, and pattern for a 12" x 12" quilt), $16.99 each

8" x 10" quilts from the book
*Gather the Seasons* - $18.95
Kit: $9.49 each
NEEDLETURN APPLIQUE TECHNIQUE SERIES

Four Square Heart (Level 1)
Tues, Aug 14 - 10:00 to 12:30 OR 6:30 to 9:00
Learn the needleturn applique stitch while making this delightful wallhanging. In addition to learning the needleturn stitch, you get tips for success with points and curves. $30 plus pattern

Floral Wreath (Level 2)
Tues, Sept 11 - 10:00 to 12:30 OR 6:30 to 9:00
Continue to advance your needleturn applique skills in this class that focuses on stems, circles, curves and points. $30 plus book

Simple Delight (Level 3)
Oct 9 & 16 - 10:00 to Noon OR 6:30 to 8:30
Take your needleturn skills up another notch with this class that teaches more advanced techniques including reverse applique while making a more advanced wallhanging. $45 plus same book as Level 2 class

APPLIQUE

Design in the Produce Aisle with Angela Lawrence
Every 2nd Thur Jul-Oct - 6:30 to 8:30 PM
Create an art quilt using a fruit or vegetable of your choice as the main design element. Enlarge, repeat, divide, and/or exaggerate to add interest. Design and color techniques will be taught. $45, no pattern required

Baltimore Album with Angela Lawrence
Every 2nd Wed beg Sept thru Aug ’13
10:00 to 12:00 OR 6:30 to 8:30
Join Angela on a journey back to the 1800's when the original Baltimore Album quilts were the rage. Participants will select album blocks from a pattern of their choice. $130 plus your own pattern/book

Machine Applique Basics with Patty Barrett
Thurs, August 9 - 12:30 to 3:30
Lose your fear of applique! In this technique class, Patty will help you master machine applique using the fusible-web method. You’ll love the results! $20-no pattern required

Wool Applique with Patty Barrett
Monday, August 6 - 6:30-8:30
Whether you’ve worked with wool applique or not, this class is for you! You’ll learn the techniques and stitches while working on the project of your choice. $20

BEGINNING-TO-QUILT SERIES

Accurate Rotary Cutting with Carol Wilson
Wed, Aug 8 - 6:30 to 8:30
Before you take a piecing class, learn the basics of rulers, rotary cutters, and accurate and safe cutting techniques. We’ll teach you to follow typical cutting instructions for strip piecing.

Turning Twenty with Carol Wilson
Wed, Aug 22 & 29 - 6:30 to 8:30
This is a great pattern that's both super simple and so pretty that quilters of all levels enjoy making it. You’ll learn basic piecing skills and how to follow a quilt pattern. You’ll end up with a top worth quilting! (Please note: You must take the Accurate Rotary Cutting class before this class unless you already have rotary-cutting skills.) $30 plus book

Beyond Turning Twenty with Pat Hjelmeland
Thurs, Sept 6 - 6:00 to 9:00
Have you finished your first quilt and want to move on? Learn to make strip sets, half-square triangles, quarter-square triangles, and other pieced blocks that will greatly expand your pattern choices! $35, no pattern required

QUILTING & FINISHING

Machine Quilting with Connie Doern
Thurs, Aug 16 - 4:30 to 8:30
Are you ready to quilt your own tops but don’t know how to begin? Learn how to prepare the quilt, your work space, equipment, and supplies. We'll practice techniques in class and discuss how to extend your skill-building home exercises. Both straight line and free motion techniques are included. $50, no pattern required

Long-Arm Machine Certification with Jeanne Stilley
Sat, July 14 - 10:00 to 1:00
Learn to use our long-arm in this 2-part class. In the 1st session, you’ll learn to wind and load a bobbin, thread the machine, load the quilt, and operate the controls. If you want to become certified for rental, you’ll need a second one-on-one session with the instructor to prepare for your “solo flight.” Session 1-$65; Session 2- $100 for 4 hours of practice (by appointment.)

OTHER TECHNIQUES & PROJECTS

Paper Piecing with Sharon Meisenheimer
Monday, July 23 - 6:00 to 8:30 OR 1:00 to 3:30
Learn the fun and accuracy of paper piecing using a pattern from Alex Anderson’s book. Sharp points, perfect pieces will be yours with this easy technique. $25 plus book

Baskets and Bowls with Carole Floyd
Fri, Aug 24 - 12:30 to 4:00
Learn the tricks for covering clothesline with fabric and then forming it into colorful bowls, baskets and bags. We carry all the supplies! $20

NEW OR BACK FOR A LIMITED TIME;
OTHER CLASSES ARE OFFERED MOST QUARTERS.

Class fees are due at the time you enroll and are not refundable unless you provide notice prior to 7 days before the class begins. Books, patterns, and notions on the class supply list can be purchased at a 15% discount upon your paid enrollment, through the day of the class. All classes are subject to a minimum enrollment; if we cancel the class, we will refund your class fee.