

Stitchin' News

What's in store at Always In Stitches

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Janome vacuum line now available at AIS

Put the power and reliability of Janome to work throughout your home. Always In Stitches now offers the company's line of Bank vacuums.

There are models to suit all floors, and models that are adaptable to any floor.

The Original (pictured) is light and easy to use on tile, wood, laminate, marble, terrazzo, carpeting, area rugs, even the fringe on Oriental and Persian rugs. For deep cleaning, rely on the Bank Heavy Duty. Consider the Bank President for an easy-to-push model with tools on board.

The list goes on. Come see our selection or visit our website for details on each model. To give you complete care, we'll soon offer vacuum servicing and repair, too.



Ride with us to Celebrate America

Pass up the pump, leave the hassle of driving behind and come with us to enjoy the NQA Quilt Show in Columbus, Ohio.

We've chartered a motor coach that will leave at 7 a.m. June 29 from the south parking lot at Noblesville East Middle School (right next to Always In Stitches).

We're planning breakfast snacks to share on the way down, finding treats for a goodie bag for each passenger and thinking up a few surprises to make the ride even more fun. Lunch and dinner (at a Golden Corral on the way home) will be on your own. We'll return by 9 p.m.

You get all of that plus the show ticket for \$74.95. Sign-up has already begun. You can reserve your seat with a \$25 deposit. For more information on the show, visit www.nqaquilts.org

Clean out your crafts, clean up on craft deals

When you're a crafter, you always have more supplies than you're going to use. You're going to accumulate fabric, paper, yarn, paint, wood, clay, embellishments, kits, patterns, and books that you don't use, won't complete, or no longer need.

Instead of risking being the showcase on "Hoarders," clean out your supplies, reserve a space in our Crafters Market and sell them.

The market will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 11 in the parking lot behind AIS. Spaces are \$10 each and must be reserved. You provide whatever you need for your sale, including tables and chairs. You can sell anything you want, as long as it's craft-related. Please, no clothing, furniture, pets, food or the typical garage sale items.

In appreciation of your participation, we'll provide a \$10 gift certificate to each seller who leaves her or his space as clean as it was when the day started.

This is a great way to stock up on craft items at bargain prices, as well. If you're not interested in having a booth, make plans to shop the Crafters Market.



. . . and speaking of great deals

Uh oh. You won't believe what Grandma Ginger has found while spring cleaning the nooks and crannies of the shop's back rooms. But you will have a chance to cash in on it at our Sidewalk and Sample Sale 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 10 and 11. You'll get discounts on discounts, as well as finished samples at great prices.



Shop May 13 in a crazy hat

Wear a crazy topper while you shop May 13, and you just might get treated right down to your toes.

We're declaring it !Outrageous Hat Day! Every shopper who shows up wearing a hat and spends \$5 will get a prize plus a chance to win a free mani/pedi from our neighbor, Nevaeh Salon.

It's like you're there:

After Market After Hours

Wouldn't you love to be packed away in their suitcases when AIS owner and manager Lyneen Burrow and Capi Saxton head to Portland to shop at the International Quilt Market?

We're doing the next best thing. We're setting aside an evening to share their adventures with a few of our customers.

At After Market After Hours, you will experience the Market from their eyes, their stories and their photos. While that's an evening of fun all by itself, light appetizers and desserts will be served, as well.

"It will be just like you're there," Capi promises

After Market After Hours is 5:30-7:30 p.m. May 31. Seating is limited, and cost is \$20. Sign up today by phone (317-776-4227) or in person as this event is sure to be sold out quickly.



Make lacy treasures

Learn to make lace or refresh your skills at our newest classes, Beginning and Advanced Tatting. Mary Rinker will teach a session for beginners from 10:30-12:30 May 9, and one that will build on that session from 5:30-7:30, also on the 9th. The morning session is \$10, the evening session is \$5.

Sew breathable, waterproof diaper covers with Pul fabric

The price and environmental impact of disposable diapers are driving many new parents to use cloth ones with a diaper cover that prevents leaks.

We carry Pul fabric, which is ideal for the covers because it is breathable, stretchable and waterproof and was developed by the hospital industry. It also can be used for home health care supplies, lunch bags, wraps for food and more. The material is soft and flexible yet highly durable and can sustain high heat.

How spools are threaded determine spoolpin to use

The way thread is loaded onto spools tells you the type of spoolpin to use. When threads run horizontally and lie next to each other, they have been stacked. Use a vertical spoolpin for those. When threads run diagonally and cross themselves on the spool, they have been crosswound. Use a horizontal spoolpin for those.

FABRIC ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Class gift certificate started quilter's fascination, stash

When Susie Walden opened a gift certificate one Christmas, she unwrapped the world of quilting.

"I enjoy working with colors and techniques," said Susie, who is our current Fabric Artist of the Month.

"Working with scenic pictures, fussy cutting to get a desired look, and piecing miniatures are some of my favorite quilting activities."

She started making doll clothes when she was about 7, then graduated to making her own clothes. When the former teacher retired in 2002, she wanted to continue learning, which is why her husband, Tony, gave her that gift certificate for a quilting class.

"One of my favorite quilts is Nearly Insane," she said of the stunning, 96-by-96 quilt that is exhibited outside the Hope classroom.

"It is re-created from an 1870s Pennsylvania quilt. Liz Lois drafted the 98 blocks that are 6-by-6 inches to an outline form with no measurements given and printed them in book form. That was my challenge, to figure the measurements."

It and the other pieces on display prove how Susie's work has made the quilting world an even more beautiful one.

"I have also met many new friends with this hobby," she noted.

The quilter that shares her sewing room brings Susie more joy than finishing the most intricate of designs. Granddaughter, Kaia, 4 ½, sets up her Janome Hello Kitty machine to make doll quilts.

"I love sewing with my new quilting partner," beams Susie.

Build, improve your skills

TATTING

May 9 • 10:30-12:30 and 5:30-7:30

\$10, morning session, \$5 evening session

Learn to create treasured possessions of handmade lace. Morning session is for individuals new to this craft. Evening session is a continuation of the morning session or for those who want to refresh their tatting skills.

Instructor: Mary Rinker

SAMPLE & SIDEWALK SALE

May 10 and 11 • 10-5

Discounts on discounts! Shop early for the best buys on specific items from our inventory. You won't believe the stuff we have to sell from our back rooms. Great prices on finished samples.

CRAFTERS MARKET

May 11 • 10-3

\$10 per booth for sellers

Shop our customers' stashes! This fun event allows you to buy that one thing you can't live without, but someone else can. Selling craft items only. No clothing, pets, food or garage sale items. Booth space still available. Bring your own tables and chairs.

GO BABY CLUB

May 11 • 1:30-2:30

\$10

Learn a new technique, share dyes and ideas, watch videos and demos for the Go Baby dye cut system. Instructor: Stephanie Coy-Lykes

VINTAGE NOTIONS

May 11 • 1-2:30

\$5

Beginners welcome to this monthly gathering. This month, make a magic scarf from the book Vintage Notions. Instructor: Ginger Penn

!OUTRAGEOUS HAT DAY!

May 13 • 10-5

Come into our shop wearing your favorite fun hat, spend a minimum of \$5 and you will receive a prize! Plus you'll be entered in a

drawing to win a mani/pedi from Nevaeh Salon.

KNIT IN

May 17 5-9 & May 18 10:30-3

\$15

Enjoy uninterrupted knitting in our comfy shop. Door prizes, discounts and fun fellowship. Call now to hold your spot. We appreciate you using our products when participating in this event. Hostess: Penny Little

QUILT SCHOOL

May 16 • 5:15-7:30

\$19.95 plus supplies

Beginners welcome! We meet every 3rd Tuesday in the evening. Instructor: Kathy Zook

RAVELRY GROUP

May 18 • 10:30-noon

Free

This face-to-face meeting is an extension of our online "Nob City Knitters" group on Ravelry.com. Hostess: Mary Andrews

LUNCH & LEARN

May 20 • 11:30-12:30

\$5

This easy-in, easy-out event is designed to save you time, feed you and teach you something new. Light lunch included, reservations required. This month's lesson will be on applique techniques.

AFTER MARKET AFTER HOURS

May 31 • 5:30-7:30

\$20 per person

This new event offers you the opportunity to experience International Quilt Market with our shop owner and manager. Light appetizers and desserts will be served as you hear about their adventures getting to and shopping at Portland Oregon Quilt Market 2013. Enrollment is limited enrollment and this event is sure to be a sell-out! Sign up today by phone or in person.

