

# Quilter's General Store Newsletter

May 2013



## International Quilt Festival at Rosemont

Yes! It's back! And we want you to get there on our bus!  
What a great way to get to the show and enjoy your day!

**Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>**

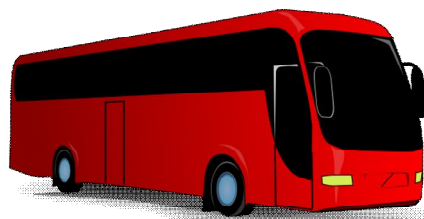
\$39 Includes bus, snacks, admission & program to IQF  
Payment due at time of registration.

Ticket is not refundable, but may be transferred to another person.

Leave QGS at 8:30 AM and return to QGS at 7:30 PM

We MUST have 30 people to make this a "GO!"

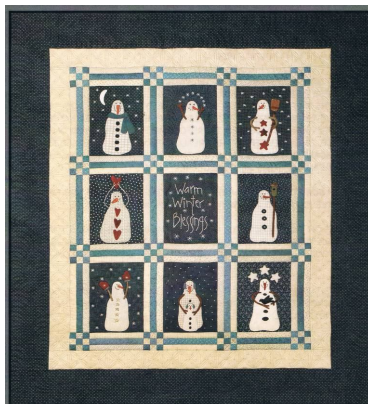
Call the shop today to reserve your spot!



# Two New Block of the Month!

## Warm Winter Blessing by Primitive Gatherings (Wool)

54" x 63"



One of our new BOM starting in May is Warm Winter Blessings by Primitive Gatherings. These sweet snowmen will melt your heart and you'll want to have this hanging in your home next winter! It is a wool appliqué project and will run for six months at a cost of \$23 per month. We actually started sign-ups for this a couple of months ago, but there are a few spots still available, so call the shop today to get your spot reserved! Kit availability each month starting May 15.

## Pieceful Journey by Piece's by Pam

83" Square



Christmas at Quilter's General Store starts in July! We will be introducing our new Block of the Month called Pieceful Journey. This is a 12 month program and we are combining traditional fabrics with our new Christmas fabrics that will be arriving in our shop soon. We will be happy to mail your BOM or you can stop in the shop and pick it up. The cost per month is \$18.00.

# Three New QGS Clubs!

## Civil War Sampler Club by Barbara Brackman 60"x 80"



A great new club is coming to QGS! Our sample is done and turned out exquisite! The quilt is from Barbara Brackman's new book "Civil War Sampler". These are easy blocks and great for the new quilter that has wanted to make a sampler quilt, but felt it was too challenging. This is a lecture class and we will guide you with block demos and other tips & hints to make either 8" or 12" finished blocks. Our sample is made with 8" blocks. This is an 8 month club.

Club Class Fee: FREE

Tuesday's - beginning September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

OR

Saturday's - beginning September 21<sup>st</sup> at Noon

Book purchase required OR 10 Fat Quarters

Instructor: Polly Black

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

## Clubs! Clubs! Clubs! We LOVE our QGS Clubs!!

## **Bernie's Small Quilt Camp August, September, & October**

Join Bernie as she begins her Small Quilt Camp! We all love these miniature quilts and Bernie is going to share three from the book "101 Fabulous Small Quilts". Classes will focus on skill building techniques, such as Prairie Points, on a scale that will be easy to accomplish in a reasonable amount of time. These small quilts will make great holiday gifts or decorating accents! They will also use up your stash of "scrappy" colors! Class time will allow you to sew at the shop or "take home instructions only" to meet your busy schedules!

Club Class Fee: FREE  
Date: 2nd Saturday - beginning August 10th  
Time: 1:00 to 3:00 PM  
Instructor: Bernie Bird  
Skill Level: Confident Beginner

## **Saturday Sampler Club Four Star General**



Saturday Sampler (aka \$5 Quilt Club) is our 4th quilt offered in this format! This year we will be presenting Yellow Creek Design's Four Star General, a beautiful civil war reproduction quilt. Again, this is a "stash buster" with an additional amount of yardage for the sashing & borders. Each month blocks and settings will be demonstrated. It's always amazing to see these quilts come together and enjoy the wonderful fabric selections our quilters have made!

Club Class Fee: FREE  
Date: 3rd Saturday – beginning September 2013 through July 2014  
Time: Choose 10 AM OR 11 AM  
Pattern Required  
Instructor: Polly Black

# Mark your Calendars!

**May 4 & 5**  
**Sinnissippi Quilters Guild Quilt Show**

**June, July, August**  
**Northern Illinois Quilt Shop Hop**

**July 12 & 13**  
**Quilter's General Store Annual Farm Fest**

**August 17**  
**QGS Class Reunion Picnic**

**September 5 – 7**  
**Quilt Expo, Madison, WI**

**October 11 & 12**  
**Fall Bus Shop Hop!**  
**Visiting Shops in Illinois, Iowa, & Missouri**  
**More info will be available in June!**

**Shop Hours \* Monday – Friday 10 AM to 5 PM \* Saturday 10 AM to 4 PM \* Closed Sunday \***

## Quilter's General Store

### Holiday Closing Dates

**Memorial Day – Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July – Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Labor Day – Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

## Class Schedule for May thru September

Civil War BOM, Prairie Women, Jo's Little Women, \$5 and Farmers Market schedules are listed on our website calendar.

### Quilt 'til You Wilt!

Join us as we continue to meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month to sew on a project of your choice! Most of us have UFO's that we need a little prompting to get done. This is the time! You can come and sew for an hour or for the whole day! Polly will be sewing with you and is willing to help, if needed!

Date: Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month

Time: 10 AM to 6 PM

Fee: No fee, but please call & let us know you will be joining us

### Jelly Roll Race! – May 25



In keeping with the great Race Tradition of Memorial Weekend, the Indianapolis 500, Quilter's General Store is challenging you to join us in JELLY ROLL RACES!!!! What is a Jelly Roll Race? Well first it's great fun! Then it's a race to see how fast you can sew a Jelly Roll into a great looking quilt top! You will have a quilt top approximately 52" x 68" which you can then add borders (or not), backing, & quilting! Just sign up and then arrive at the class time with your Jelly Roll Race preparation completed and be ready for some fun. Our quilter with the fastest time will be crowned Jelly Roll Race Queen 2013 and receive a special prize! There will be plenty of Race Day spirit at QGS on this event day!

Date: Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10 AM to Noon

Fee: NO COST – JUST FOR FUN!

Instructor: Ruth Whitney

## T-Shirt Quilt – June 4 & 25 OR June 8 & 29



Do you have a box of T-shirts that you want to do something with? This is the class for you! This is a two session class, with the 1<sup>st</sup> session planning your layout, measuring & cutting your T-shirts and how to stabilize the T-shirt before cutting & sewing. The 2<sup>nd</sup> session will be sewing your T-shirts into a quilt of your preferred design. You will not need your sewing machine at the 1<sup>st</sup> session.

Date: **TUESDAY**, June 4<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>  
10 AM – 12:30 PM

OR **SATURDAY**, June 8<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>  
12:30 PM – 3 PM

Fee: \$24

Book Recommended: You Did What With My T-Shirts  
or any other T-shirt book that you prefer.

Instructor: Polly Black

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

## Beginning Quilting – July & August



For those of you who have basic sewing knowledge and have always wanted to make a quilt, the time has arrived! In this class we will teach and guide you as you begin your quilting journey! This 6 session course will introduce you to quilting, with a focus on choosing fabric, proper tools, seam allowances, cutting, thread, etc. In the class we will be making 6 simple “sample blocks”, which can either be made into a small wall hanging or table topper. Basic knowledge of your sewing machine is a prerequisite.

Dates: 7/22, 7/29, 8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26

Times: 1:30 to 4:00 PM OR 6:00 to 8:30 PM

Class Fee: \$75

Instructor: Polly Black

Skill Level: Beginner

## Gumballs – July 24 or 27



Pick 10 fabrics in your favorite colorway and join Ruth in creating this fun quilt! It is one basic block, 12 ½" unfinished size. We will cut the fabric into several shapes, arrange the blocks and then "shuffle" the fabrics to create this unique block!

Date: **WEDNESDAY**, July 24<sup>th</sup> OR  
**SATURDAY**, July 27<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10 AM – 3 PM

Fee: \$20

Pattern Required

Instructor: Ruth Whitney

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

## Evening Star – August 24



Have you wanted to make a Lone Star quilt, but are afraid of all the points and set-in seams? This class is for you! This is a SIMPLE pattern with NO "diamonds" or "Y" seams! This quilt is made with half-square triangles and setting blocks, so pick your colors and let's get started!

Date: Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10 AM to 3 PM

Fee: \$24

Pattern Required

Instructor: Polly Black

Skill Level: All

### Class Cancellations

Every class we offer has a minimum number of students required to hold the class. When that minimum is not met, the class will be cancelled. We do cancel our classes two weeks prior to the actual class date when that minimum is not met. At that time, the full class fee is refunded. If you need to withdraw from a class you have signed up for, you must notify us at least two weeks prior to the class date in order to receive a refund. Thank you!