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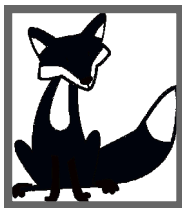
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## To my customers and friends:

As I sit here a week after shoulder surgery doing hunt-and-peck with my left hand, I realize just how important my right hand is. I will be in a sling for another 5 weeks and then on restricted movement for 3 months.

The worst part of all is that I am to visit my sister-in-law and attend the retreat her guild is giving and I won't be able to sew! I do sound a little whiney, don't I? Just cut my heart out! Fortunately, I have a wonderful staff that has been doing a terrific job of keeping



things rolling here at the shop.

Reservations are coming in at a steady pace for the four trips to Paducah. As many of you know, you shouldn't put off reserving your seat. They do fill up fast, and we hate turning anyone down.

Another activity for the spring is the retreat at Toddhall in Columbia over the Memorial Day weekend. It is scheduled for four days rather than the customary

three days. We have very limited space this year because another group will be there part of the time. Further details are below.

Don't forget the super bowl sale and the sew-in that day. A special project is selected and fabrics picked for you to do your magic. We do provide the instructions and kit for you to purchase. It is a mystery until that day.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the shop.

*From my terrific staff and me,  
 Louise*

## Important Dates

- March 22- UFO Night
- March 31-Easter, Shop Closed
- April 1—New Mystery Quilt Starts
- April 4-7—Shop Hop
- April 24-27—Paducah Bus Trips
- April 26—UFO Night
- May 24-27—Toddhall Retreat
- May 24—UFO Night
- May 27—Memorial Day, Shop Closed
- November 4-6—Pere Marquette Retreat

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## Annual Toddhall Spring Retreat— Register Now

**Make your reservation now!  
 May 24, 25, 26, and  
 Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> 2013**

Join other quilters for a time of relaxation, socializing and sharing at our quilting retreat at convenient and beautiful Todd Hall. Leave your kids, husband, work, worries, and cooking behind and pamper yourself for four full days by sewing as much as you want! Retreat price includes room, sewing space and meals for only \$211 per person for a double and \$283 per person for a single room.



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## Classes, Classes, Classes

**Class Policy** — Register in person, by mail, or telephone using charge card, check or cash. All classes must be paid for in full upon registration. There are no refunds on classes unless we cancel the class. If you cancel 12 days in advance, you will be issued a store credit. If you can't make the class, send a friend. If we cancel a class, we'll let you know at least 24 hours in advance and you will receive store credit or a refund. Class supplies must be purchased before class. To help us keep the roof over your head during class, we would appreciate it if you would purchase your supplies at The Quilted Fox and we will give you a 10% discount for supplies purchased at registration. We cannot call to remind you of a class. Your registration receipt is your reminder. Also, the class you pay for is the class you must attend. Any make-up will be at the teacher's discretion. Please review your class supply list prior to class and bring all items requested.

### #100 -- Beginning Hand Piecing-- \$65

by Louise Georgia

This four-session class will take you through all the basics of hand piecing, including fabric selection. You will be making a table runner or wall hanging—your choice. Even if you have never held a needle or just need to learn the tricks to make it simple, this is the class to take. Suggested second class is #105 which covers hand quilting. B

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25 – 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

### #101 -- Beginning Machine Piecing -- \$70

by Linda Grabel and Shirley Plegge

This five-session class will cover everything you need to know to make your first quilt top. It will include fabric and tool selection, rotary cutting, machine piecing, assembling your quilt top, and adding borders. Suggested second class is #114 Basic Machine Quilting. B

Sundays, April 7, 14, 21, 28 & May 5 -- 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Or Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30 & May 7 – 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

### #105 – Traditional Hand Quilting -- \$21

by Marilyn Donovan

If you have ever wanted to create an heirloom quilt or just relax and do hand work, come learn how to do a beautiful quilting stitch, how to layer, mark, and quilt a small sample. Tools of the trade will be covered. Marilyn will teach you to quilt without a frame or a hoop. B

Thursdays, May 23 – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

### #112 – Introduction to Hand Appliqué-- \$60

by Marilyn Donovan

In this three-session class, you'll learn the basic skills and techniques of needleturn hand appliqué, including preparation of appliqué shapes using freezer paper and templates, marking for needle-turn appliqué, reverse appliqué, appropriate hand appliqué stitches, techniques for sharp inner and outer points, and techniques for making bias stems and circles. B

Thursday, May 2, 9 & 16 – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

### #114 -- Basic Machine Quilting - \$40

by Marsha Bray

Using a practice muslin “quilt,” we will learn the basics of machine quilting. We will cover basting, marking, anchoring, stitching in the ditch, and straight line quilting designs with a walking foot. B

Saturday, June 8– 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

### #116 -- Beginning Free Motion Quilting -- \$25

by Marsha Bray

Using a practice muslin “quilt,” we will learn the basics of free motion machine quilting. With a darning foot, we'll practice stippling and other simple filler patterns. We'll practice quilting a marked design. Then we'll learn about threads, tension, tools, and techniques to improve your quilting. Pre-requisite class is #114 B

Saturday, May 11 – 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### #118 – Color Workshop -- \$25

by Louise Georgia

Explore color in a very special and open atmosphere. We won't be using a color wheel or technical tools. We'll just expand our eye to color and what we like

**To see any picture in color, go to our website and open the newsletter by clicking on “newsletter” on the sidebar.**

**Key to class difficulty level**—B— Beginner—No quilting experience; AB— Advanced beginner—Has made at least one to three quilt tops; I — Intermediate— Has made several quilts; A — Advanced— Has made many quilts of increasing difficulty

## Classes, Classes, Classes

and why. This class is a pre-requisite for East Quilts West (#121). B  
Saturday, April 13 – 8:30 am – 10:00 am

### #121 -- East Quilts West -- \$7.00 each class

by Louise Georgia  
Learn to expand your horizons by making a block each month that allows you to try new colors, patterns and designs. In class we will discuss what colors and patterns work well together but which are not predictable. East Quilts West by Kumiko Sudo is used in the class. The color workshop (#118) is a requirement before taking this class AB  
Thursday, March 7, April 4, (No May class) - 10:00 am - 12:00  
OR Saturday, March 2, April 6, (No May Class) – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

### #128--- Painless Paper Piecing -- \$25

by Marsha Bray  
Would you like to have perfect points and precise lines? You can do it with paper piecing. This freezer paper method makes it very easy! Machine required. AB  
Tuesday, May 21 – 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

### 130 -- Basic Machine Appliqué -- \$25

by Marsha Bray  
Do you like the look of appliqué but don't like to do hand work or just want it fast? Try quick and easy machine appliqué. In this class you'll learn

the technique that you can then apply to any appliqué project. Requires a sewing machine with an adjustable zigzag stitch. AB  
Wednesday, May 8 -- 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

### #150 --Intermediate Hand Piecing -- \$7 per month

by Louise Georgia  
Do you love that you have learned to hand piece but would like to refine your skills even more? Louise will help you learn to get the perfect results that you seek while making a quilt that is 68" x 84". The size can be varied by altering the layout. It will take 12 months to complete the blocks and another month to put it together. What a good opportunity to learn while enjoying the company of the other students. AB  
Wednesdays, March 27, April 17, May 29 – 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

### #155 -- Freezer Paper Appliqué -- \$21

by Louise Georgia  
Learn Louise's freezer paper appliqué technique. The class will also cover her favorite notions for appliqué as well as her stitching technique. B  
Thursday, April 18 – 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

### #301 – Falling in Love With Curves-- \$40

by Martha Etheridge  
Create a series of curved and fanciful pinwheels on your quilt the quick and easy way, using the Creative Curves



Quilting System. The Creative Curves Quilting Ruler allows you to rotary cut your curved pieces with seam allowances included. A “no pins” curved sewing technique is a highlight of this class. The speedy cuts make for very little waste of your fabric. Use scraps for the pinwheels and just add background fabric to make this easy but dramatic quilt. AB  
Saturday, April 20 -- 10:30 am – 3:30 pm

### #315-- Celtic Knots-- \$25

by Raymond Houston  
This class introduces new twists to old techniques. It combines the look of needle-turn appliqué with the ease of



fusible appliqué to create a Celtic knot without bias tape. The class includes templates and tools to create additional Celtic knots. AB  
Saturday, May 11 -- 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

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### #330 – Hot Diamonds-- \$30

by Leslie Clark

Do the marvelous, colorful, exciting Kaffe Fassett fabrics make your heart beat



faster? Are you drawn to them and perhaps have started a collection, but you aren't quite sure what to do with them? The Hot Diamonds quilt may be the answer. We will cut strips, use templates to cut diamonds, sew them into rows and voila...a lovely quilt is born! Hope you will come join the fun. AB

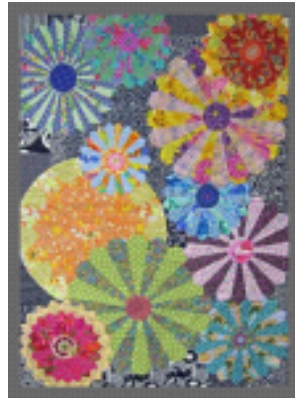
Saturday, May 18 -- 10:30 am – 2:30 pm

### #345 – Modern Dresden Plate -- \$50

by Candy Grisham

In this two session class, you'll design and make a modern, updated quilt that uses a variety of Dresden plate designs made with a single template.

The class will cover 4 different variations of edge finishes. Size variations are endless. You will learn to sew the plates by machine and mix and match your edge finishes if desired. Designed to be a technique class, letting you determine how



many plates, what sizes and finishes and layout you desire. Template purchase required. Intermediate skill  
Wednesdays, May 1 & 15 -- 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### #350 – IRS Quilt-- \$25

by Linda Grabel

This is the perfect quilt in so many ways. You will make a significant dent in your stash and the extra fabric you may have purchased for previous projects; there are absolutely



no points to match; and no color coordination is required. But you have to come to class to learn the story behind the name. AB  
Sunday, May 19 -- 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

### #355 – Stupendous Stitching-- \$40

by Marsha Bray

Yes, you can make an art quilt!



Use your sewing machine's decorative stitches, some yarns, and some hand stitching to make you own unique textile art piece. Carol Ann Waugh's book, Stupendous Stitching, is required. AB  
Friday, May 10 -- 10:30 am – 3:30 pm

### #391 – Beatrix-- \$50

by Wendy Richards

This two session class covers fabric selection and quilt top construction. The first session is all about the fabrics – playing with color, value, and scale. Bring your stash and supplement where needed to get the look you want. The second session is all about construction and layout. We'll finish with ideas for quilting. Pattern purchase required. AB  
Monday, April 8 & April 22 -- 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**See all the newsletter**

**pictures in color. Go to :**

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**And open the current  
newsletter.**

## What to do with old fabric? Donate it!

Charity-Sharity is a group of about 12 women who share a love of fabric. They call their group Charity-Sharity because they distribute fabric to charitable organizations.



The more than 70 charities on their list make all kinds of things using fabric and sewing supplies. These include tote bags for sheltered women and

children, crafts for juvenile centers, sleeping bags for homeless people, clothes for African children, quilts for hurricane victims, quilts for veterans, quilts for children in the hospital and more!

If you have fabric, sewing supplies, yarn, working sewing machines or blue jeans that you no longer have a use for, you can donate it by dropping it off at The Quilted Fox. You'll be helping a good cause while clearing out some clutter in your sewing room!

## Custom Kits

Did you know that The Quilted Fox will do custom kits? Many people don't like to select the fabric for a pattern or don't live close enough to come to the shop to select fabric.

You can send us your pattern or bring it in and indicate your color wishes, and we'll put together a custom kit for you! Best of all, we don't charge extra for this! You'll just pay the normal fabric cost (and shipping if necessary)!

## Groups

### 1st & 3rd Saturday Groups

Mark your calendar to attend: March 2 & 16; April 6 & 20; and May 4 & 18. *The Fox has Spots* started in August. Enrollment for this year is closed.

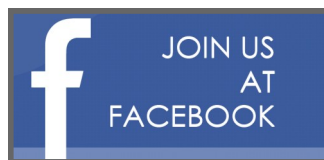
### Sit and Sew

Meets 1:00—2:00 pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month—March 27; April 24 and May 22. This free club is designed especially for those of you who like to get together and socialize. It doesn't matter if you are hand piecing, hand appliquéing or other hand sewing. Please drop in and visit with us.



## Facebook Contest "UFO's Are Us"

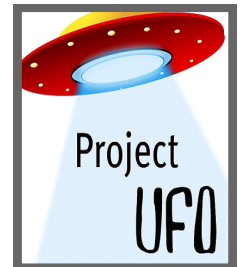
Are you on Facebook? The Quilted Fox is and we would like to have you "like" us. Just search "The Quilted Fox" and then click on the "like" icon on our page. By the time you read this, we'll have reached our first goal. We wanted to reach 500 likes. Out of our first 500, we will draw a winner for a \$40 gift certificate.



Our next goal is 1000 likes. Will you join us and help us reach our goal? We'll draw for a \$50 gift certificate, when we have 1000. You can use it in the store or on the website! Join us now on Facebook!

### Friday Night Retreats! Come and sew or shop from 6:00 to midnight

**Fridays:**  
March 22;  
April 26;  
May 24



Never have enough time to get everything done? Can't get to retreat? Come for a mini-retreat and sew with us. We'll provide the sewing space. You provide the projects, snacks if you want, and good company. It's only \$5! Advance registration is required to stay and sew. Space is limited.

Just want to shop? No registration or fee is needed. Just stop in anytime from 6:00 to midnight to shop. Staff will be there to help you.

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## 2013 St. Louis Metro Shop Hop

Again this year the shop hop hosts 11 quilt shops located on both the Missouri and Illinois side of the greater St. Louis area.



**This year's theme is 'The '70s in St. Louis'!**  
**The dates of the 2013 Shop Hop are: April 4, 5, 6 & 7.**  
**Shop Times are:**  
**Thur, Fri 10am-6pm,**  
**Sat 10am-5pm,**  
**Sun 12pm-4pm.**

Don't forget your passport! This year there are tons of prizes including:

- A Retreat to Toddhall for you and friends
- Gift Certificates from each shop
- Sample blocks, gift bags, books, patterns, notions, and so much more!!



In an effort to help dwindling supplies at local food pantries, the shop hop committee has decided to hold a canned food drive throughout the shop hop weekend. Please, from the goodness of your heart, donate canned food goods at the shops for the drive.



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## New Mystery Quilt Starts April

A mystery quilt is a quilt pattern written in steps and revealed one part at a time to hide the final appearance of the finished quilt. Each month you'll pick up a clue containing your cutting and sewing instructions for the next step. At the end,

you have a surprise quilt!



Our next mystery quilt will start in April! New clues are available free after the first of each month. If you miss the clue for the month, it is available for \$1.

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## Save the Date

### Thimble & Thread Quilt Show

**March 16 & 17, 2013**

Greensfelder Rec Complex in Queeny Park, Ballwin, MO on Saturday and Sunday, March 16 and 17, 2013.

Hours are 10 to 5 on Saturday and 11 to 4 on Sunday.

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## Annual Pere Marquette Fall Retreat—Register Now

Our annual Pere Marquette Fall retreat will be November 4, 5 & 6th, 2013. You'll stay in the beautiful lodge. It has a rich heritage dating back to the 1930's and has a distinctive flavor of native stone and rustic timbers. Today the old has been skillfully blended with the new, providing first-class accommodations in an historical setting.

You'll be able to spend 3 days sewing on your own projects while

enjoying the company of other quilters. Come with your friends or come by yourself and make new friends. We know you'll have a great time.

Retreat price includes room, sewing space and meals for only \$254 per person for a double and \$319 per person for a single room. We're taking reservations now so don't miss your chance. Space is limited and fills quickly.



## Nifty Notion of the Month—Monthly Specials

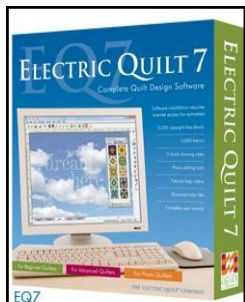
### March

#### EQ 7 Upgrade

**For EQ6 owners only!** The

EQ7 Upgrade is the same top-of-the-line software as EQ7, except this upgrade version of EQ7 will install only if you are a li-

icensed user of Electric Quilt 6 (EQ6) or the Electric Quilt 6 Upgrade (EQ6 Upgrade). **Regularly \$89.95, but 20% off in March.**



### April

#### Mettler 30 wt. Thread

This high-quality, lint-free embroidery thread made of double mercerized, long-staple Egyptian cotton is extremely soft and very easy to work with, making it ideal for colorful motifs on both fine and moderate weight materials. This thread is perfect for machine quilting. **Regularly \$5.80 but 20% off in April.**

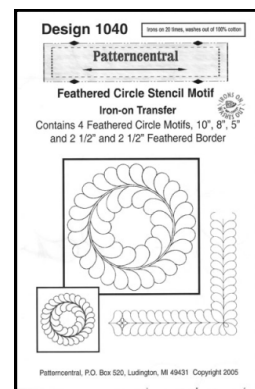


### May

#### Patterncentral Quilting Patterns

Iron-on transfer patterns featuring different traditional quilting patterns. After ironing on, embroider or crayon color designs.

**Regularly \$8.00 but 20% off in May**



\*\*\*For all nifty notions, quantities may be limited. Offer valid while stock lasts.

## The New Elna Lotus —Portable and Versatile

The Elna Lotus was originally introduced in 1968 and featured spectacular and innovative design. The Lotus was Elna's best-selling machine of all time and a world-wide success. In fact, the original machine is included in the collection of the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) in New York City. It's now back in a new and updated fabulous machine.

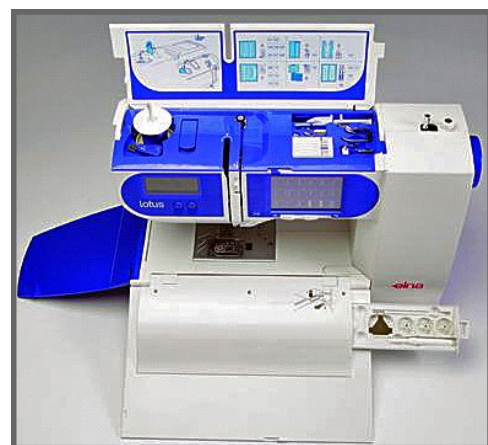
Elna engineers have taken the amazing design elements of the original Lotus and improved upon them, bringing the machine into the modern sewing landscape. Protective shutters are built into the machine's body replacing the traditional heavy carry case. When the shutters open like a Lotus flower, they create a

handy, go-anywhere sewing table.

The new Elna Lotus combines maximum sewing pleasure and minimum fuss. An exclusive integrated upper spool mechanism is specially designed to pop into view for threading, but to retract into the machine itself for easy portability. But the unique and innovative design does not end there!

The needle bar is located in the center of the machine, allowing for much more room to move and maneuver fabric while sewing. 18 stitches, 2 one-step buttonholes, an automatic thread cutter, memorized needle up/down, and an integrated accessories drawer provide a wide range of great features. The new Elna Lotus is

perfectly portable, and ideal for serious sewists who like to travel and attend guild meetings, as well as newer sewists who need to store their machines when not in use.





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- Save resources. Please remove me from the mailing list.

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### **Shop Hours**

Mon. & Wed.-10 am– 5 pm  
Tues. & Thurs.-10 am-6:30  
Fri. & Sat.-10 am-4:30 pm  
Sun. 12 noon—4:00 pm

**Remember, we are happy to mail your order  
if it serves your needs!**

# **Bus Trip to AQS in Paducah**

*Travel with The Quilted Fox to the AQS Quilt Show  
April 24 – 27, 2013*

Paducah is a Mecca for quilters and quilt enthusiasts during the American Quilter's Society Annual Quilt Show & Contest.

The bus goes down in the morning and returns that evening. There will be a bus each day of the show. Sign up now to hold your seat! It's only \$51 per person for your transportation. (Meals and show entrance are on your own.)



You'll stop for breakfast on the way down and dinner on the way back. You'll be able to rest on the trip home and let us do the driving! There will be:

- 400+ beautiful quilts in the AQS Quilt Contest from across the U.S. and around the world
- 400+ vendor booths
- 100+ classes, lectures, and special events
- Visit the Quilt Museum