

#### Good morning!

Beginning of a New Year 2018 so far was a beautiful winter with lots of small snow's and I enjoyed every one. Watching the snow fall so peacefully then the beautiful white scene after wards. To those of you that don't like snow, spring is coming. How many of you had pork and sauerkraut for New Years day? Where I grew up in Berks Co PA. the German natives saying was, "always eat Pork on New Years day they root forward, but don't eat chicken as they scratch backwards." We don't always eat pork on new years day, but I often think about it.

Spring is just around the corner most green houses in the area are heated and being filled. Seed catalogs are coming, making one anxious to try again and have a beautiful weed free garden. LeAnna and I will probably have some fresh cut flowers again just for fun to help fill my large garden or then make it smaller, one or the other. We have not decided yet.

Harvey is out early this morning loading compost to be delivered today and will have quite a few more loads to bag before they can fill all the orders. This compost is what he was working on all last summer, was then screened and piled in a dry shed, now they bag it into 1 ton totes for farmers, and 32 lb. bags for gardeners and road side stands for resale. Also has some in 50 lb. bags for those who need larger amounts.

This winter men have been putting in effort towards the Black Fork River clean out project. There are 13 category D log jams (which are a direct blockage) going from State St. Shelby to State Rt. 13 approximately 10+ miles that are being removed, plus 17 class C = 44 class B = 349 Class A which are single tree jams. Just goes to show what a 50 year negligence of the river can do. Like the old time saying goes, a stitch in time saves nine. These log jams all started out with a fallen tree or a partial blockage. When the rains come water could not move like it should. Also not helping the situation are the many dead and dying ash trees along the river due to the emerald ash bore. This tree was a fast growing hardwood that was well known in the timber industry and thrived well in wet and moist conditions along Ohio rivers and streams.

There are 16 species found in the U.S. Its a hardwood used for shovel, hoe, and rake handles, baseball bats, ores, paddles, tennis rackets, skies and furniture.

On the back cover I will add a local news paper clipping to share instead of my usual recipes.

Congratulations to Son Melvin and Wilma, daughter, Jana, born August 30, 2017. Her two older sisters you see quite often at store Darla - Annie informed me I forgot last time to mention they have a baby sister. Also daughter, Marnita and Eric Brubaker a son Toby Earl born December 17, 2017.

Does anyone know a Helen Manring? We have a question on her partially finished t-shirt quilt. Both phone numbers she gave us are no longer in service. This quilt was to be finished by Christmas 2017.

I am still enjoying my sewing machine, have done quite a few small projects. Fixed jacket zippers, mending and sewed new clothing that will be needed later this summer.

LeAnna is almost done with a star log cabin for herself in purple, lavender, gray and blacks. Also is working on a baby bag for little Toby.

We are getting ready for our March Anniversary Sale 37 years doesn't seem that long, but its telling on us. Like usual daughter-in-law Sandra and a friend will be cooking and serving food those sale days.

Spring is on its way, a very interesting season. Enjoy it!

Rachel & Girls

## Country Fabrics

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#### FLOOD CITY COUNCIL

Maybe you have seen signs around Shelby that say STOP THE DAMS. Here is what you need to know. In May of 2011 Mayor Marilyn John and the Shelby Flood Plain Commission asked the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy district to develop a plan to reduce the potential of flooding is Shelby. In early 2017 the Conservancy proposed the construction of six dams South and West of Shelby and the replacement of a number of bridges and culverts. The six dams would require more than 700 acres of farm ground being taken away from local farmers. The Conservancy has the right of Eminent Domain, which means they can legally make you sell them your land or your home. The estimated cost of the project exceeds 40 million dollars. The Conservancy would issue bonds to pay for the project. Every property owner in the Black Fork Subdistrict would be assessed to payoff the bond (assessments are taxes levied against your property without your consent). A lien would be placed against all 12,000 parcels in the subdistrict for 30 years. The repayment of the bond, interest charged for the bond, and an annual maintenance fee to the Conservancy of \$400,000 would bring the total cost of the project to more than **80** 

Here is what you get for **80 million dollars.** The Conservancy estimates a 42% reduction in the size of the floodplain. They estimate they can only lower the water 4.7 feet. If you remember during the flood of 2007, the water was at the cross bar on the goal post. That is 10 feet deep.

These estimates are based on a 100 year flood. A 100 year flood is defined by the engineers for the Conservancy as 5.8 inches of rain in a 24 hour period. Statistically there is a 1% chance in every year that would happen. There are 12,000 parcels in the subdistrict which drain water into the Black Fork. Only 215 parcels in the 100 year floodplain have buildings on them, that is 1.8 %. Those 215 parcels have approximately 304 buildings on them. Theoretically, under the Conservancy best estimate only 204 buildings would be removed from the flood plain. **That's** \$400,000 dollars per building. 75 of those 204 buildings are detached structures like garages and sheds, each valued at \$10,000 or less. The total estimated value of the buildings removed from the floodplain is approximately \$19,952,000. About 12 million in value remain in the floodplain.

This project fails the test of common sense and economic feasibility. There are a number of elected officials who will decide if the project moves forward. They are Mayor Schag, the city council, Commissioner John (419-774-5695), Commissioner Vero (419-774-5552), Commissioner Banks (419-774-5553) and 27 township trustees. Please note that all 27 trustees have signed a resolution opposing the dams.

The chief engineer for the Conservancy is scheduled to be at the next city council meeting at 7 pm Monday February 5, 2018, at the Shelby Justice Center. I encourage you to attend and voice your opinion. If you can't attend please contact your representatives, and express your opinions. Those who show up decide. Don't become a silent victim of an 80 million dollar assessment.

#### **Classes by Joanne**

#### **OSU CHAMPIONS QUILT**

This is the perfect quilt for the Ohio State Buckeye fan in your life. It's easy enough for a confident beginner and makes a statement that shows Buckeye Pride. The guilt can be made using scraps or yardage and looks great either way. The pattern includes 5 size options and is written for using Thangles, but we'll show you how to construct it without them. While constructing this quilt, you'll learn some



speed cutting techniques, a variety of ways to construct half square triangles, a border technique that is sure to prevent wavy borders, and some simple applique.

The sample is the small lap size (50" x 66")

Saturday, April 7th 10:00am - 3:00pm \$30.00 plus pattern

#### PATTY CAKE QUILT

Patty Cake, Patty Cake, Baker's Man, make me a QUILT as fast as you can! This quilt is fun and fast and can be made using pre-cut 10" squares such as layer cakes, or squares from your stash. It

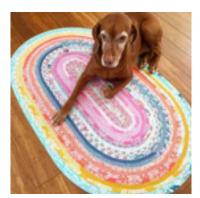
can also be used using yardage, if you want a more controlled look and have multiple blocks using the same fabrics. The pattern includes instructions for four sizes, but you can adjust it to any size you want. The sample is 64" x 72".

Tuesday, April 17th 10:00am — 3:00pm \$30.00 plus pattern



#### **JELLY ROLL RUG**

There's no wrapping, weaving, or crocheting to make this rug. You'll just be sewing and sewing. You'll use a jelly roll or 42" - 2 ½" strips (more or less as desired to make the finished project



whatever size you want), and 2 ½" strips of cotton batting. If you use the 42 strips, your finished oval rug will measure approximately 30" x 44". You can use less strips to make wonderful placemats or table toppers.

Tuesday, May 1st 10:00am — 3:00pm \$30 plus pattern

#### **HOOP QUILTS**

Hoop quilts are a fun way to turn a mini quilt into something really special and unique! To make the quilt top, a basic quilt block is framed inside a pieced circle. You will then use a large wooden hoop that is wrapped in fabric to give the project a wonderful finished look. There are four curves to sew, but do not worry; we will show you a super easy way to do that. The pattern contains instructions for making three different sizes, and you can add as much or



little quilting as you like - hand or machine. This is a fast, fun, and refreshing way to quilt! This project is charm square (5-inch) and scrap-friendly!

Monday, May 21st 10:00 — 3:00 \$30 plus pattern

## SIT AND SEW - BYOP (BRING YOUR OWN PROJECT)

Bring a project (or two) of your own choosing and get some serious work done on it. There is always lots of sewing, laughter, and fellowship, so come join the fun!

Monday, April 16th OR Wednesday, May 9th OR Monday, June 18th 10.00am — 4.00pm \$30.00

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTHS**

#### **GRAPHIC GEMS: LAPIS & EMERALD**

9 month program



Primo Batiks by Studio 37 Fabrics 76"x87" Starts in March 2018

#### **CADENCE COURT**

12 month program



Windham Fabrics 60"x60" Starts in April 2018

#### PIECEFUL PINES

8 month program



Fabric and BOM by Pam Buda 80"x80" Starts in April 2018

#### **INCRED-A-SOIL**

**OUR COMPOST** is made from live-stock manure and carbons (conatins: straw, leaves and corn fodder). The manure is temperature monitored (between 130°-150°) over a 16-week period before composting to insure desirable moisture levels. This procedure ensures a high quality compost.



Spring is a good time to apply compost to feed soil, gardens, lawns, flower beds, shrubs, fruit trees, strawberries, aspargas, green houses, and more.

Bulk Available

#### **Incredible Results**

- · Loosens tight soils
- Holds nutrients in the soil for plant use.
- · Increases root mass
- Increases yields
- · More drought resistant
- · Brings soil into balance
- · Reduces weed pressure
- Disease suppression
- · Building value into the soil

Nothing is so convincing as the silent influence of a good example.

## MARCH - APRIL SAVINGS **SAVE 1.00 PER BAG**

regular price \$8.95/bag or 4 or more for \$8.50 sale price \$7.95 ea. or 4 or more for \$7.50

#### Incred-A-Soil

- High Value Humus Compost
- Improves soil tilth and moisture control
- Is the secret in growing tasty produce

**Expires April 30, 2018** 

# **MAY SAVINGS SAVE \$10.00** on KAI sissors 8"-9" or 10"

SPRING SHOP HOP MARCH 20-24, 2018



## 7 PARTICIPATING SHILOH STORES!

Pick up your passport at the first store you visit and have it stamped at each of the seven participating stores. listed below. Then leave it at the last shop to be qualified for the drawing of fourteen \$25 Gift Cards.

Winners may use at the store of your choice.

## Special Sale Prices, Giveaways

And much more at each participating location listed below.

## Carpool & Enjoy the day!

Home-cooked meal will be served at Country Fabrics (in the classroom) 11AM-2PM. By donation. LARGE GROUPS: Please make reservations.

to,000 Bolts of Fabric In-Stock

## **Country Fabrics**

37th Anniversary Sale

## 10% OFF STOREWIDE

100% Cotton Quilting Fabrics - Flat Folds

Clothina

Toys

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## County Line Store LLC

2465 Baseline Rd., Shiloh

Kitchenware 419-896-3003 Lifetime Tables & Chairs

Mon.-Fri 9-5 Sat. 9-2

10% OFF Storewide (excluding Lifetime Products & Greenhouse Supp

FREE

#### NEWSWANGER MEATS

1585 ST. RT. 603, SHILOH 419-896-3902

OUR OWN FRESH BEEF, PORK & CHICKEN Smoked Meats-Bacon, Ham, 199 Hot Dogs, Bratwursts.

TRAEGER GRILLS & GRILLING PELLETS IN STOCK! MON-FRI 8-5/SAT 8-3



Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri. 8-5; Wed. 8-7; Sat. 8-2

RNERSTONE 7316 Amstutz Rd., Shiloh

#### PER BAG SALE! 15% OFF!

Dairy Supplies • Farm Supplies • Animal Health • Animal Feed • Hardware . Plumbing . Footwear for Men. Women and Children . Clothing . Housewares . Fabric . Gift Items . Toys & More!

Everything that fits in a 16"x12"x6" bag!

the Drive!

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#### PLANKTOWN HARDWARE & *MORE*

DOOR PRIZES . SPECIAL SALES ()

Free Gift with \$5 Purchase . Essential Oils & Diffusors . Loose Look Teas . Lodge Cast Iron . Bird Feeders & Pet Supplies . Solar Lights & SO MUCH MORE!

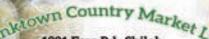
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# ANNIVERSARY SALE



# 2018 March 20-24



#### **Cotton Quilt flat folds**

2 98 yd large selection (no under 1 yd cuts)

## Clearance Dress fabrics

**9**8 yd

Polyesters
Poly-Cottons
Prints and solids

#### SAVE

ON OLFA BLADES

28 MM - 2ct - \$5.39 45MM - 1ct - \$5.39 45MM - 5ct - \$18.39 45MM Endurance - \$6.20 60MM - 1ct - 6.98 45MM Pinking - \$6.39 45MM scallops - \$6.39 Chenille Blade - \$7.69

## ZIPPER BUNDLES

Mixed colors & sizes 10 per pk. - \$2.00 pk.



## **LUNCH AT COUNTRY FABRICS**

Full coarse meal will be served in class room 11 am-2pm by donation

#### **TUESDAY**

dinner rolls
chicken
potatoes
green beans
gravy
coleslaw
red beet eggs
pie
ice cream

#### **WEDNESDAY**

dinner rolls
sliced ham
potatoes
veggie
gravy
lettuce salad
red beet eggs
strawberry trifle
coffee oreo dessert

#### **THURSDAY**

dinner rolls
meat loaf
potatoes
green beans
gravy
coleslaw
red beet eggs
pie
ice cream

## FRIDAY dinner rolls

ham balls
potatoes
veggie
gravy
lettuce
red beet eggs
strawberry trifle
coffee oreo dessert

#### **SATURDAY**

dinner rolls turkey breast potatoes green beans gravy coleslaw red beet eggs pie ice cream

#### ENTER FOR DRAWING OF YOUR CHOICE

#### Goody Basket

Filled with quilt kit, fabrics, notions and more!

## Universal Bosch Mixer Package

Package includes bowl, scraper, cake paddles, slicer, shreader, wire whip, cookie paddles, dough hook - extender



## **Batting Bundle**

1 Dream Wool 1 Dream Cotton

1 Dream Poly
1 Quilt King

#### **JELLY ROLL RUG**

**RJ** Designs

Make your own personal rug using scrap fabric strips or a jelly roll and 100% cotton batting!
Don't feel like cutting your own batting strips? We also carry the precut 100% cotton batting



**RJ** Designs



The stash and store is the perfect device to keep your sewing and crafting notions within reach and ready to go! Easily store marking tools, scissors, stilettos, rulers, even brushes and small rotary cutters, in an easy-to-grab upright position! It is made with a high quality flexible silicone material.

# TRY

#### **IRONING PAD**

Iron safely on a table, counter, dryer, or any flat surface! Nonslip back and heat resistant top. Travels with you wherever you may please to roam.

28 ¼" x 21 ¾"



# WOOLY FELTED IRONING MAT

13 ½" X 13 ½"

Looking for a way to get beautiful FLAT embroidered and pieced blocks? This all natural, tightly felted 100% Wool Ironing Mat does the trick!

Dense 100% Wool Felt has the natural ability to absorb the heat so it's almost like pressing on both sides of any block at the same time!

It works on both pieced or embroidered blocks, with or without steam.

The density of this 1/2" 100% Wool

Ironing Mat keeps the heat & steam from transferring through to the surface below.



## RFID CLOTH

Stop credit card theft! RFID cloth is fabric designed for using in all your wallet and bag projects

## JUST ARRIVED

# LARGE SHIPMENT FELTED WOOL

•Mottled •Spotdyed •Solids Sold by the each, Approx. siz 14" x 17"

# RETRACTABLE SEAM RIPPER + THREAD CUTTER

# HANDY NETS SPOOL COVERS

Use to cover large thread spools to prevent threads from unraveling and getting twisted together.

#### **14 REASONS TO BUY FABRIC**

- 1. It insulates the closet where it is kept.
- 2. It helps economy we need to support the cotton farmers, textile mills, and fabric shops.
- 3. It's on Sale!!!
- 4. A sudden increase in the boll weevil might wipe out the cotton crop for the the next 10 years.
- 5. It keeps without refrigeration.
- 6. You don't have to cook it to enjoy it.
- 7. You never need to feed it, wipe its nose, or walk it.
- 8. You need the weight in your car for traction on icy, snowy roads. This is important even in southern California and Florida because one never knows what the weather might do next!
- 9. It's good for protecting previously empty spaces like the ironing board, sewing machine cabinet, and dining room table.
- 10. It's not illegal, immoral, or fattening.
- 11. It calms the nerves, gratifies the heart, and makes you feel good all over!
- 12. Your relatives are always needing fabric for something or other.
- 13. Buy now before your husband retires and goes with you on all your shopping expeditions.
- 14. A yard a day keeps the doctor away!!!!

#### Classes by Laura

#### SUNRISE OVER THE MOUNTAIN

Sunrise over the mountain is a beginner friendly and scrap friendly paper pieced wall hanging.

Friday, April 13th 10-3pm \$25.00 plus pattern



#### DAHLIA PLACEMATS

Dahlia placemats are a fun paper pieced project. Start small to learn how to make a Quiltworx quilt. Choose your

own colors to match your home decor.

Thursday, April 26th 9:30 am-4:30pm \$30.00 plus pattern



#### PUZZLE QUILT SAMPLER

Beginner friendly. Use your stash or pick out coordinating fabrics to make this easy and fun sampler. There are only six blocks to make but by changing colors and values, you will have twelve different blocks! We will use Marti Michell template set "A".

Wednesday, May 16th, 9:30 am-4pm \$30.00 plus template set



#### **OUTSIDE THE BOX**

Outside the Box is a fun quilt that looks harder than it really is! If you would like to learn rotary cutting and basic sewing this project is for you. Experienced quilters will enjoy piecing this modern quilt.

Thursday, May 31st 9:30 am-4:30pm \$30.00 plus pattern and fabric



## Classes by Kathy

## MASON JAR PICTURE OR WALL HANGING

Sew a little bit of summer to brighten those dreary rainy days of spring. This is a wool appliqué project with lots of beautiful stitchery embellishment. Great for beginners!

May 17th 3-6pm

1 class 3 hours: \$25.00

#### **BALTIMORE ALBUM**

The ultimate Antebellum quilt! Come take a historical quilt journey and create a masterpiece! It is easier than you think! Learn needle turn

and freezer paper appliqué, a variety of flower techniques, ink work and shading, and lots of other embellishment techniques. This is a twelve session class with Elly Sienkiewicz's book "Beloved Baltimore Album quilts" as our guide.

March 10th, April 14 and May 12 10:30-12:30am \$20.00 each session



## BEGINNING APPLIQUÉ QUILTED PICTURE

This 12" x 12" appliqué block can be finished as a wall hanging or framed for a wonderful accent for your home. This class is designed to teach the basics of needle turn appliqué.

April 10th 3-6pm

1 class 3 hours: \$25.00

#### JUST QUILTING

So you finished that quilt top, now what? This class will teach you how to hand quilt it by making a pillow top. From marking the top, basting, and layering, the quilting stitch and Tennessee Waddling, you'll learn everything you need to know to do any size quilt.

April 12th 3-6pm

1 class 2 hours: \$20.00

#### FLAGS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Unsung and unknown men and women patriots of the American Revolution stitched stripes and stars and patches together to create symbols of freedom and carried them into battle. In a new block of the month class, we will replicate these flags and sew them into a stunning quilt any American patriot would be proud to display!

12 sessions (1st session is 3 hours and all other 2 hours)
March 10th, 1-3pm
April 21st, 10:30-12:30am
\$20.00 each session