December 2021 Newsletter

HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 9-5; SATURDAY 9-3; CLOSED SUNDAY SINCE 1981 (419) 896-3785

Good Morning Readers,

While all is quiet around us this early morning I will try to have a silent visit in each and every one's home. Another new day is dawning, a gift from above. May we live it joyfully. It feels good with the wood stove going on these colder days.

Gardening is over for the season but have some canna lilies and elelphant ear bulbs to dig yet. The trees have lost most of their leaves, so raking the lawn is on the list before snow falls. With our Norway maple trees it is always late in fall and sometimes snowfall before the trees are bare. Fall house cleaning and washing windows is on my list. I want to have it all done before butcher season starts. It's a good feeling once all the corners are clean and the spider webs are gone, especially in the basement. Since the wood furnace in the basement is gone, that means no more wood storage in those corners, so I did a little extra cleaning - maybe less spiders?

Looking out the windows looks like butchering is coming. Youth gun was Saturday. Alyssa (11) and Carson (8) each got a doe. I told them it's too bad they got one as now they think they want to go next year again. They assured me they do. Now this week Harvey and the boys want to dress out 3 steers to let hang 1 week, then after deer season we do our yearly butchering. Our son-in-law is building a smoke house in hopes to do our own smoking. He said he will build it but does not want the responsibility to smoke all the meat. With smoking, temperature and timing is very important to have the meat just right. They thought maybe they'll do only part of it this year to see if they can and send the rest to Newswanger's Meat. Just in case we make a flop in our smoker. Newswanger's Meat has done all the smoking in the past and has done a good job. Then after Christmas, plans are to help our two

daughters and son-in-laws do their butchering in Pennsylvania. It usually is a fun three days. They also have a shop they clean up to do the meat cutting, etc. The worst part is cleaning up the mess. But amidst it all, we get to enjoy the 12 grandchildren.

Harvey is working at screening this year's compost and putting it in the shed before snowfall. Between his and the boys he has around 300 ton yet to screen and a few semi loads to deliver yet.

We had a very nice and sunny fall. Corn yields were good, moisture as low as 15 percent. Summer cattle are now all off pastures, either to market or on feed lot. Now they are starting new calves for spring pastures, so that means doctoring sick calves and watching them very closely for around 4 weeks. Some get very sick and others keep right on eating. We have lost quite a few calves.

How is everyone doing? Hope you all have enjoyed this beautiful fall and will enjoy the holidays ahead. I am looking forward to some nice snows, sewing, and quilting soon.

Wishing you and your family a peaceful Christmas season.

Rachel & Girls

Oft upon the rock I tremble Faint of heart and weak of knee But the steadfast "Rock of Ages" Never trembles under me!



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NEW BLOCK-A-MONTHS



AUBERGINE

Wilmington Batiks

86" x 86"



8 month program beginning December 2021

LAKESIDE

Wilmington Batiks

95" x 95"



10 month program beginning March 2022

EMMA

Anthology Batiks

86" x 86"



12 month program beginning April 2022

COLOR SPLASH

Wilmington Batiks

87" x 99"



8 month program beginning June 2022

WEWI

HAND-POURED NATURAL SOY WAX CANDLES

Made in Ohio

12 oz. Jars w/ Vintage Lid13 oz. Ceramic w/ Bamboo Lid24 oz. Wood Dough Bowls



GREAT GIFT IDEA!

14" ROTATING CUTTING MAT



- Specially designed for use with rotary cutters
- · Non-slip base
- Scalloped edge allows for easy rotation with fingertip

FLOSS BOBBINS



Floss bobbins are a great way to store your gloss without creating kinks or tangles. Simply wrap the floss around the bobbin. Bobbins interlock and stack for easy storage. Holds 2 skeins of 6-strand floss.

HOMEMADE BIRD SUET

- 2 cups white flour
- 2 cups wheat flour
- 2 cups corn meal
- · 2 cups oatmeal
- 1 tsp salt
- 11/2 cup peanut butter
- 11/2 cup shortening
- 13/4 cup water

Mix well then pack

into your suet

hold or log. Your feathered friends

really like this!



- Large & Small Bowl Cozy
- Plate Cozy

PRE-CUT BATTING FOR COZY'S

Fast & easy project using this 100% cotton pre-cut batting. Great gift idea!



DISH DRYING MATS

Make personalized dish drying mats for every season. Great project to use up your scraps. Uses Bosal precut 15" x 17" foam.

POPCORN IS PREPARED IN THE SAME POT, IN THE SAME HEAT, IN THE SAME OIL AND YET...THE KERNELS DO NOT POP AT THE SAME TIME.



DON'T COMPARE YOUR CHILD TO OTHERS. THEIR TURN TO PUP IS COMING!

DECEMBER SAVINGS

10% discount

on all Housewares · Notions · Gifts

Excludes Fabrics, Battings, Pre-Cuts, Pellons, Quilts In-stock items only.

Valid December 1-31, 2021. MUST PRESENT COUPON.

JANUARY SAVINGS

15% off

Extra-Wide Quilt Backings

90" • 108" • 120"

Limit 2 cuts; in-stock backings only.

Valid January 3-31, 2022. MUST PRESENT COUPON.

FEBRUARY SAVINGS

12% off

Quilt Battings

Polyester • Cotton • Wool Pre-Cuts and Yardages Excludes Bulk Rolls.

Limit 5. In-stock battings only.
Valid February 1-29, 2022. MUST PRESENT COUPON.

GOD GAVE US A MOUTH THAT CLOSES AND EARS THAT DON'T. THAT SHOULD TELL US SOMETHING.

★ ★ ★ CHRISTMAS STOCKING STUFFER IDEAS ★ ★ ★ ★

PEELS Spool Hugger



Keep your thread spools from unwinding. Made of rubber that adjusts to any spool diameter.

TULIPSBobbin Clamp



Keep your bobbin thread from unwinding. Made of rubber.

BUDDIES

Bobbin Clip



Keep bobbin & matching thread together. Works for most sizes. Made of plastic.

Bobbin Holder



Keep bobbin & matching thread together. Made of rubber. Adjusts to most sizes.

MULTI-PURPOSE SCISSORS



3-in-1 scissors.
Pointed, sharp tip for
precision cutting. Soft
drink can opener. Easy to
use bottle opener. Pocket
friendly size.

GIFT Certificates

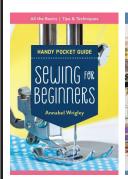


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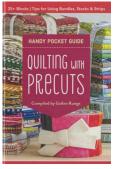
Makes gift giving easier.

HANDY POCKET GUIDES

Basics, Tips, Tricks and Techniques







TERRIFIC TAPE

1/2" and 1"



A self-cling tape that sticks to itself and nothing else! Use it to wrap thread spools, eliminating messy thread tails. Wrap embroidery

hoops together for storage without fear of sticky residue. Bundle up just about anything and never leave stickiness behind! 50 feet per roll.

MIST BOTTLE



Use your favorite starch, starch alternative or water. Evenly distributes mist, eliminating splotches & drips. Even spray distribution ensures a perfect press and conserves product. Bottle designed to fit your hand with a trigger that can be activated with just one finger. Wide mouth is easily filled. Holds 10 ounces.

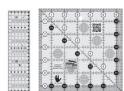
CREATIVE GRIDS

SCALLOP TEMPLATE



Add that awe factor to any quilt by creating a scalloped border in 3 sizes, designed for 2" to 12" borders.

LEFT-HANDED RULERS



Newly designed, we can special order left-handed rulers for you. Give us a call. Sizes: 6 1/2" sq. or 6 1/2" x 24 1/2"

REACTIVE DYE FIXATIVE



Pre-soak cottons before piecing. Stops colors from bleeding & fading, enhances washfastness & reduces backstaining

during washing & rinsing. Hoping this will be our replacement for Retayne.

HANDY ZIPPER JIG





Change your zipper pull with ease. Works great with zipper tape.

Back in Stock!

100% Polyester

Bulk Batting Rolls

Quilt Weight

- 96" x 40 vds.
- 120" x 40 yds.
- 60" x 25 yds.

Comfort Weight

• 96" x 40 vds.

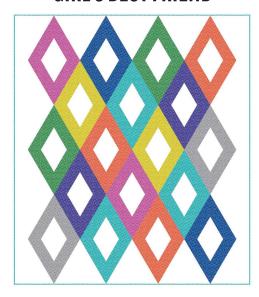
Pre-cut sizes also available.



Christmas is much more than family feasts, show-stopping decorations, and generous gifts. Christmas celebrates the beginning of the greatest life that ever lived, the most incredible gift our world ever received, and the hope we have eternally. Our wish for you and yours at Christmas and throughout the coming year is:

Peace in your heart, joy for the journey, and strength for each day.

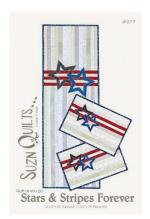
GIRL'S BEST FRIEND

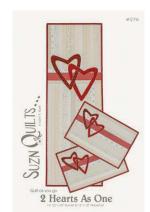


You'll use a 60-degree triangle ruler to create this spectacular quilt. This 63" x 72" quilt dazzles whether you chose to work with solids or prints.

Thursday, January 20th 10:00am - 4pm \$30.00 plus pattern

QUILT AS YOU GO TABLE RUNNER/PLACEMAT SET





Come learn the secrets of making a Quilt as You Go project. In this class, you will lean some special tricks and key points to this wonderful technique. Choose between the two pattern choices and then whip up a new table runner or pair of placemats in no time at all. This is a beginner-friendly project.

Tuesday, January 25th 10:00am - 4pm \$30.00 plus pattern

WONKY WISHES

Sew a field of wonky stars atop colorful scrappy squares and low-volume, string-pieced sashing to create a dazzling quilt that can be made using scraps. Easy rotary cutting, simple patchwork, and basic pressing tips make this Bonnie Hunter pattern great for beginners and experienced quilters alike. Let your imagination run wild with

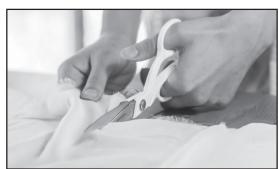


fabric and color as you create this stunning quilt which can easily be adapted to a variety of sizes.

Tuesday, February 8th 10:00am - 4:00pm \$30.00 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!



Thursday, January 27th, or Monday, February 7th 10:00am - 4pm Cost: \$30

People are often unreasonable and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you. Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.

Give the best you have and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway.

For you see, in the end it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

Mother Teresa

Classes by Laura

BECAUSE OF THE CROSS

Choose to learn something new this year. This class is perfect for beginners or those who would like to make a quilt for the first time. This wallhanging will be perfect for Easter and other holidays. All cutting and sewing will be done in class. All you really need is your own sewing machine, scissors and thread! Come early for help with fabric selection.



Monday, January 10th - 10:00am - 4pm - Cost: \$35

MARGO HANDBAG

This cute handbag is the perfect size and can be made in your choice of fabrics. Choose to make yours with a zipper or without.



Wednesday, February 16th - 10:00am - 4pm - Cost: \$35

WIND DRIFTER

This modern quilt is stunning yet simple to assemble. Join this class to make a dramatic new pattern.



Friday, March 11th - 10:00am - 4pm - Cost: \$35

PICADILLY SQUARE

This geometric quilt can be made in your choice of fabrics with a striking result. Come join the fun for a great day of sewing and socializing!



Monday, March 14th - 10:00am - 4pm - Cost: \$35

Classes by Susie

PINE CONE & GREENERY CLASS

This class will teach you how to make the greenery and the pine cones out of wool. We will complete the pine cones first in class and then move on to the greenery. You should be able to complete the project in class. If you do not, you will have the knowledge, skills and know how to finish putting everything together at home!

Supply list: Scissors

The vintage tobacco stake is not included with the class fee, but I will have some available for purchase - \$18



Saturday, February 19th - 9:30am - 3:00pm Cost: \$60 kit + \$15 instruction fee

INTRO TO WOOL APPLIQUÉ

This class will be a great introduction to learning the wool applique process. If you are not purchasing all thread kit, please bring a variegated green and ecru/off white color for bunnies with you. Thread needs to be perle cotton weight.



Supply list: small scissors, chenille needles size 22 or 24

Saturday, April 9th - 9:30am - 3:00pm

Wool kit and Pattern with thread in kit: \$34.50 + \$15 instruction fee Wool kit & Pattern with all threads in kit: \$45.00 + \$15 instruction fee

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

We will be closed on these dates:

December 24-25, 2021 **December 31, 2021 January 1, 2022**

Dressing

Ingredients

1 cup chopped celery

12 cups bread

1 1/2 tsp. poultry seasoning

1/2 tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. pepper

1/4 cup butter

1/2 cup onion (scant)

2 eggs, beaten

2 tbsp. parsley

1 1/2 cup chicken broth

Directions

Cube bread and let dry for a day. Sauté onion and celery in butter until soft. Add remaining ingredients. Bake covered for 1 hour at 300 degrees, then uncovered for 15 minutes. When ready to serve, drizzle with gravy and top with freshly sliced and fried mushrooms. Delicious! Can be pre-fried the day before with lots of butter. Heat in roaster 1 hour before serving.

Apple Cider Punch

Ingredients

1 cup fresh cranberries 1/3 cup water

1/2 cup sugar

4 cups apple cider, chilled

2 cups ginger ale, chilled

2 tbsp. lemon juice 2 cups cranberry juice crushed ice

Directions

In a small saucepan, boil the cranberries and water for 2 to 3 minutes until cranberries pop and split. Remove from heat, stir in sugar. Let cool. Mix with rest of ingredients. Serve in cups with the crushed ice.

Cranberry Sauce

Ingredients

- 1 pk. red jello
- 1 cup hot water
- 1 qt. cranberries
- 3 apples
- 1 small can pineapples
- 1 cup sugar

Directions

Mix together the jello and hot water. Grind or blend cranberries, apples and pineapples. When the jello and water are cool, add the cranberry, apple and pineapple mixture. Then add sugar. Chill in refrigerator until ready to serve. Can also be put in a mold before it is chilled.

