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# STITCHIN' TIMES

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## Quilting Tip for the Month

### Pre-washing fabric

There is quite a lot of discussion in the quilting community concerning pre-washing fabric or not pre-washing fabric. Many quilters are certain there is no need to pre-wash fabric and as many quilters insist that fabric must be pre-washed. Each fabric will shrink at a different rate and this could cause lumps and unevenness in the quilt. If a fabric bleeds too much it can be treated with a salt or vinegar rinse or discarded before using it in a quilt. After a fabric is sewn in a quilt it can easily bleed onto other fabrics. However, if you can use a product called, Retayne, to help with bleeding. Flannel fabric will shrink even more than regular quilting cottons so it should be pre-washed. If flannel fabric becomes too soft from washing and drying, a light spray of spray sizing or spray starch when ironing would renew the body or stiffness of new fabric.

Cotton batting will shrink quite a lot and will give your quilt the "antique" look. If this is the look you wish to have, do not pre-shrink your cotton or cotton blend batting. If you don't want this shrinkage to occur, you would need to pre-shrink your cotton and blend battings. You do not need to pre-shrink 100% polyester batting.

Most brands of batting will have pre-shrinking instructions on the package. If not, simply fill your washing machine with warm water. Unroll and place cotton batting in water. Turn washing machine off and let the batting soak for at least thirty minutes. Do not agitate. Spin water out on a very short spin cycle and dry the batting in the dryer on low temperature.

Pre-shrinking fabric is completely a preference to each quilter.

## New Year...New Look

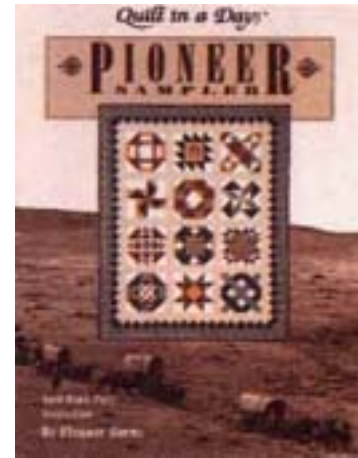
The New Year has arrived with a bang, and so has our shop. We have been working very hard over the last week counting our inventory and putting things away. We have added some additional shelving to the shop, which gives it a great new look. We also have changed the classroom around to make it more conducive to learning. We hope everyone will come in and check out our new look.





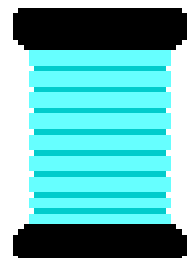
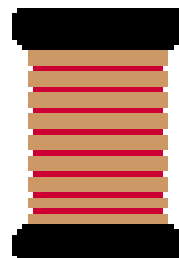
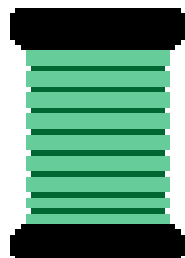
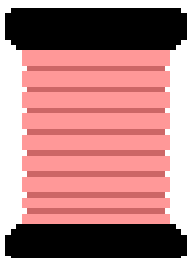
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Bi-Annual Quilt Camp Camp Wah-Shah-She March 28-30, 2008

The quilt we have chosen for camp is a tribute to the pioneer women who endured the hardships of moving their families across the West. The blocks of the sampler represent places they passed through in search of a place to make a home. This is a Eleanor Burns book.



**Early Bird Special for Camp -  
register before Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> - \$299  
Camp cost as of Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$325**

**If you are interested in attending the camp, please contact the Corner Sew and So, (918) 532-5533. We have registration forms available. Limited space available.**



# Class Schedule

## **Jan. 5th : \$5 Club – 2:00 pm**

This is the final meeting of this club. We will have show and tell on the final blocks. We will also draw for the gift certificate from the penalty money. Don't miss it.

## **Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 31st: Tossed 9-Patch – 1:00pm to 3:30pm 6:00pm to 8:00pm Cost: \$25**

This pattern is a signature pattern from Eleanor Burns.

It uses "Charm Squares" or 5" squares.

This is a great pattern to either use a charm pack or cut up your scraps.



Tossed 9-Patch

## **Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, & 22<sup>nd</sup>: 4x4 Time Table Runner – 6:00pm to 8:00 pm Cost: \$15**

This pattern is from Kansas Troubles Quilter designer, Lynn Hagmeier. This is a wonderful winter table runner. This project will include doing the stitching in the ditch, to complete the quilting.

## **Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, & 18th: Beginners 101 – 6:00pm to 8:00pm Cost: \$20**

The quilt we will do is called Flower Garden. The pattern came from Holloway Quilts, in Gatlinburg, TN. It is great for a beginner and requires 12 fat quarters.

The fat quarters need to be 6 light and 6 dark. There is a supply list that will need to be purchased in advance. This class will meet every other Monday. Pre-registration is required.



Flower Garden

## **Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>: Strippers Club – 10:30am to 1:00pm Cost: \$5**

This club meets every other month. During the club, we meet and go over new patterns that have come out for Jelly Rolls. After a brief discussion and show and tell from the last club, it is open sew. This allows club members to work on the Jelly Roll pattern of their choice.

If you are interested in taking any of the classes, please contact the shop at (918) 532-5533, to sign up.

## Quilters' Trivia



Sock monkeys were popular around the 1900's. The **Nelson Knitting Mills** in **Rockford, Illinois** made the original **Rockford Red Heeled sock** in 1890. In 1920 the mill soon began packaging directions for the sock monkeys with each pair of socks after a customer made a doll and sent it to the company.

### STORE HOURS

Mon.	10:00-4:00
Tues.	10:00-8:00
Wed.	10:00-4:00
Thurs.	10:00-8:00
Fri.	10:00-4:00
Sat.	10:00-4:00
Sun.	Closed

### You say it's your birthday?

We will give you a 10% discount in your birthday month

### January Coupon

**25% off One Item**  
Excludes sale items, quilting, and baby lock items.

Not valid after  
January 31, 2007