



Stitcher's Crossing



Dear Friends,

Ah...it's summer and time to promise yourself a break from the everyday routine and create something with your hands ! Discover a new technique or "brush up" an old one.

We've planned something for everyone...classes, clubs, our annual July sale, Mill Hill ornament show and our 12th annual Quilter's Shop Hop!

Watch for the "Vintage Notions" sweepstakes kick off in September.

See you soon,

Sharon



QUILT EXPO and the debut of VINTAGE NOTIONS

...an Inspirational Guide to Needlework,
Cooking, Sewing, Fashion and Fun

Join us at Quilt Expo, meet **Amy Barickman** in our booth and on stage as she **presents her newest book...Vintage Notions** (due out August, 2010).

Stitcher's Crossing will be **hosting** fiber arts entrepreneur **Amy Barickman**, founder and owner of two companies dedicated to the creative arts...**Indygo Junction** and **The Vintage Workshop**.

September 9-11,2010
Exhibition Hall, Alliant Energy Center

Quilt Expo, presented by Wisconsin Public Television and Nancy Zieman Productions, is a fundraising event supporting Wisconsin Public Television. **Six hundred volunteer shifts** are needed during this 3-day event. Quilt Expo will be accepting volunteers in July...go to www.wiquiltexpo.com to find a time that works for you.

Quilt Expo will feature a juried and judged quilt show, workshops, lectures, stage presentations and many vendors!

Advanced ticket sales begin mid-July at Stitcher's Crossing.

DESIGNING YOUR OWN LANDSCAPE QUILT

a three day workshop with
Natalie Sewell

This workshop requires no measuring, templates or patterns. Natalie shows you how to create a **unique landscape** that reflects your own **artistic interpretation** of a favorite scene.

Starting with a favorite photo, you will learn how to use fabric and scissors as your canvas and paintbrush. This is a creative experience with almost no rules. So plan to **have fun** and learn how to **let yourself go artistically**.

Thursday, September 23, 9:30AM-4:30PM
Friday, September 24, 9:30AM-4:30PM
Saturday, September 25, 9:30-4:00PM

Workshop fee \$200.00
(one hour lunch on your own)

Natalie has **co-authored three books** on her techniques and has appeared numerous times on PBS's "Sewing With Nancy". Her books, **Landscape Quilting** and **The Art Of Landscape Quilting**, co-authored with **Nancy Zieman** are available at Stitcher's Crossing.

MILL HILL BEADED ORNAMENT SHOW

You will be inspired by **27 beautiful beaded ornaments** from the **newest Mill Hill collections!**

- Festival Of Trees
- Winter Holiday Collection
- Tiny Treasured Diamond
- Seafaring Santas
- Buttons & Beads Winter Series

During the month of July, the ornaments will be on display and **kits** for each one will be **available** for you to purchase.

This is a great chance to see so many ornaments stitched and to be inspired to start your Christmas gifts!

"where traditional meets contemporary"



KIDS QUILT CAMP

Get your kids started quilting with a fun project! Julie will teach the kids how to piece and finish the lap size "Yellow Brick Road" quilt. They will need to bring a sewing machine to class (they must know how to operate their machine). Minimum age-10.

3 sessions ★

Mon. Aug 2, Tue. Aug 3, & Wed. Aug 4
9:00-12:00

Julie Cowing \$50.00

HARDANGER TROUBLESHOOTING



Join Bernie for an afternoon of troubleshooting your unfinished hardanger project. Bernie will guide you through those difficult "spots" in your project!

1 session ★

Sat. Jul 10 1:00-4:00 or

Sat. Jul 24 1:00-4:00

Bernie Lee \$15.00

MINI ACORN STITCHES



Get ready for Autumn! Mini Acorn Stitches is a diminutive band sampler with some new stitches, a luscious variegated silk fiber and DMC...perhaps from your stash. We will meet twice and you can have this ready to hang on the wall by October. Pattern required.

2 sessions ★★

Thu. Aug 19 & Sep 2 6:00-8:00

M. J. Wiseman \$35.00

COZY COLORFUL CROCHETED SOCKS

What's better than making a pair of socks for someone you love? There is a pattern for you that is so straightforward, you'll be able to memorize it in no time at all because it never changes. You will only change your hook and yarn to get the size you need. Make great socks for the whole family. Must know how to single crochet with ease...we will crochet in the round with sc incr/dec and a slip stitch seam and you have a sock! Pattern included.

1 session ★★

Sun. Aug 29 12:30-3:30

Michele Anderson \$30.00

CROCHET 101

Learn basic crochet stitches, plus how to read a pattern...including the new "picture" patterns. In class we will make patches to illustrate the individual stitches. Learn to increase and decrease, change colors and do seams. You will be provided with a pattern for hand towels, dishcloths and a potholder to take home and turn into a first project.

1 session ★

Sun. Aug 22 12:30-3:30

Michele Anderson \$30.00

BEGINNING KNITTING

If you have never knitted before or need a refresher course, this is the class for you. You will learn the basics: how to cast on, knit, purl, and bind off. Your project will be a beautiful basket weave scarf! Pattern included.

3 sessions ★

Tue. Jul 20, 27 & Aug 3 6:00-8:00

Terry Rutlin \$45.00

NO FEAR TRIANGLES

This is a great next step for beginners. We will learn how to make half square triangles and flying geese, while piecing a quick and easy table runner or add more blocks and make a lap quilt.. Most quilt patterns incorporate strip piecing, squares, half square triangles and flying geese units. Once you are done with your table runner, you will be ready to piece almost any quilt. Pattern included for tablerunner and lap quilt.

2 sessions ★★

Thu. Aug 5 & 12 9:30-12:30 or
5:30-8:30

Anne Smith \$45.00

MACHINE QUILTING

Learn techniques for making machine quilting easier and more fun. In the morning we will cover machine guided, straight line quilting such as stitch in the ditch, grids and diagonals. In the second class we will cover free motion techniques including all-over designs, background quilting, stencils and patterns. You will need a machine that you can lower the feed dogs on. You will also need a walking foot and a darning or free motion foot for your machine.

2 sessions ★

Tue. Jul 27 & Aug 3 5:30-8:30 or

Fri. Jul 16 & 30 9:30-12:30

Anne Smith \$45.00



HAND NEEDLE TURN APPLIQUE

Put your feet up, relax and enjoy hand appliquéing summer flowers. During class you will learn needle turn tricks to achieve smooth curves and sharp points on flower petals and leaves. The book *The New Applique Sampler* by Piece 'O Cake recommended but not required.

2 sessions ★
Thu. Jul 22 & 29 6:00-8:30
Kay Staskal \$40.00

LET IT SNOW WOOL TABLE RUNNER

Join Jeri to learn basic wool embroidery, using blanket stitch and back stitch to create this adorable snowman table runner. It's a great take along project to complete in time for the holidays. Kit and pattern required.

1 session ★★
Sun. Jul 18 12:30-4:00
Jeri McCarthy \$35.00



EMBROIDERED HEART SAMPLER

You will discover that simple embroidery will inspire you to embellish everything from bags to quilts, clothes to bed linens, giving them a personal touch and you...hours of pleasure! Jeri will teach you eight embroidery stitches as you create a pretty heart sampler. This project is easy to finish and makes a wonderful gift. Pattern required.

1 session ★
Wed. Aug 11 6:00-8:30
Jeri McCarthy \$30.00

FABRIC POSTCARDS, ETC...

Learn to use all manner of fibers and embellishments to make trading cards, postcards and scrapbook or journal quilt pages. These little works of self-expression are composed and created in no time...instant artistic gratification! Pieces make great personal gifts from the heart for yourself, family or friends. \$5.00 materials fee paid to teacher the day of class.

1 session ★
Sun. Jul 11 12:30-4:00
Gael Boyd \$35.00

IT'S OK

Get hooked on quilting and the methods of Mary Ellen Hopkins. Included will be choosing fabric, proper cutting, block assembly, borders, layering and simple machine quilting and binding. Good for beginners and advanced beginners. Further classes will be offered building upon these techniques. This is a lecture class...we recommend you know the basics of quilting or take Basic Quiltmaking prior to class. Includes pattern.

3 sessions ★★
Mon. Jul 19, 26 & Aug 2 5:30-8:30
Judy Hasheider \$50.00

PRAIRIE LILY TABLE RUNNER

Simple piecing and machine appliqué are used to create two lily blocks used on the ends of this table runner. Judy used a ticking fabric for the main fabric but you can try plaids, stripes or print for the central strip and add lily blocks for a great classy look. Includes pattern.

1 session ★★
Mon. Aug 9 5:30-8:30
Judy Hasheider \$30.00

UFFIZI

This quilt, with its renaissance look, gets its name from a gallery in Florence, Italy. Judy's design combines two pieced blocks, a simple courthouse log cabin and a cornerstone block, along with alternate appliquéd blocks done in wool. This quilt has a rich, warm appearance and is sure to delight the eye! Pattern required.

1 session ★★★
Mon. Aug 16 5:30-8:30
Judy Hasheider \$30.00

SKILL LEVEL KEY

★ **Beginner:** Easy projects. Little or no knowledge of quilting, cross stitch, or knitting. You must know how to use your sewing machine if one is needed for class

★★ **Advanced Beginner:** Quilters must know basics of quilting and use of rotary cutter. We recommend Basic Quiltmaking class before taking advanced beginner level. Knitters must know how to cast on, knit, purl and bind off.

★★★ **Intermediate:** Fully comfortable with rotary cutting, basic quiltmaking techniques and piecing using 1/2 and 1/4 triangles. Knitters must be comfortable with more advanced concepts, eg, gauge changing and stitch patterns.

★★★★ **Advanced:** More challenging quilts and/or more complicated techniques.



IMPORTANT CLASS INFORMATION

- Pre-registration is a must! Stop in, send check or call with Visa, Mastercard or Discover card number.
- For most classes, there is a **supply list** and/or special instructions. **Please pick one up** when registering for a class or send self-addressed stamped envelope when registering by mail.
- We offer a **10% discount** on all your class supplies and are happy to help in the selection of fabric and supplies needed for classes.
- Stitcher's Crossing respects **copyright laws**. If a pattern or book is required for your class, you must have your own copy.
- Know how to operate your sewing machine** for classes that involve one and be sure it is in good working order *before* you come to class.
- It's best to have your own equipment (rulers, rotary cutter, etc...) in order to accomplish what is necessary to feel success.
- Our quilting workshops are for piecing the top only.
- Cancellations** must be made at least **one week prior to class** in order to receive a refund. If we have to cancel a class, you will receive a full refund or credit can be applied to another class or merchandise.
- All day or evening classes, we have a refrigerator if you bring your lunch.

CROSS STITCH CLUB

Cross Stitch Club is off for the summer but will meet again September-December. The meetings are on the **first Wednesday** of the month from **1:00-2:00PM** or **6:00-7:00PM**.

Sign up will be in the Sep/Oct newsletter.

FOLK ART CLUB

Folk Art Club with **Judy Hasheider** will meet six times in 2010.

You will choose your project from any one of **Sue Spargo's Folk Art Quilts** books.

Meetings are on the third Wednesday of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct and Dec. An afternoon group will meet at **1:30PM** and an evening group at **6:30PM**. The club fee is \$45.00. (Membership will be prorated beginning June).

QUILT SITTER'S CIRCLE PICNIC

**Tuesday, July 13th
12:30PM or 6:00PM
at the shop**

We look forward to our annual **QSC picnic**...lots of good food and fabulous show 'n tell. If you are not a member of QSC, you are welcome to join us...a guest fee of \$12.00 will be charged.

Remember to bring **table service, a dish to pass, beverage, lawn chair, show 'n tell and lottery block**.

Margaret Janowski will be with us to share information on *The Sewing Project...Mending Communities, One Sewing Machine At A Time*.

COLLABORATIVE QUILT FORUM

Kristy and Marilyn share the secrets behind their artistic collaborations and give pointers on working with a partner to create beautiful projects.

Swapping fabrics and "parts" is encouraged. Making original, eye-catching and colorful quilts with others is fun and inspiring.

Forums are on the **third Saturday** of

**June, July, August and September
10:00AM—12:00PM.**

The fee is \$50.00 for four sessions or \$20.00 for a single session. Collaborative book required.

**CROSS STITCHERS & KNITTERS
RETREAT**

Treat yourself to a few hours of working on those unfinished projects packed away or start something new. Coffee will be provided!

**Saturday, July 3rd, 9:30-2:00 or
Saturday, August 14th, 9:30-2:00**

Register early...spaces fill up fast. No fee.



CREATIVE SEWING & QUILT CLUB

This **monthly club** led by **Rose Mary Huber Pauls** will explore the many unique and creative techniques to enhance your quilts, craft projects and wearable art. Each monthly presentation will explore a different technique.

This **demo/lecture** class is open to **all skill levels** with basic to complex sewing machines. We will meet the **third Tuesday** of the month, July—December from **1:00-3:00** or **6:00-8:00**.

Membership is \$60.00 or single visit \$15.00. "Sew & Tell" is encouraged.

The July and August classes are outlined below:

July 20—**Needle Know-How**. The Needle Know-How class was so popular that we are repeating it in Creative Sewing Club. Do you wonder why there are so many different kinds of sewing machine needles, and what they are all used for?
This class will help you to know what needle to use and why it is important to use the correct needle for your project. We will help you eliminate problems that you may be having while sewing with your machine. It may be as simple as using a different needle.

August 17—**X Blocks Fast, Fun Easy**. This is the perfect way to make a complicated looking block to impress your friends, even if they are quilters. The neat thing is that it isn't complicated at all!
See how easy it is to sew strips and then cut them into blocks. By using the X Block tool, you'll end up with a wonderful block that can be used to create any size quilt in no time at all. If you want to try the tool in class, cut a 3-3/4" strip by the width of three different contrasting fabrics.
Before you come to class, sew them together and press the seam allowances all one direction. Bring your favorite rotary cutter and you will go home with four squares to sew into a block when you get home.

JOIN THE ONE MILLION PILLOWCASE CHALLENGE

American Patchwork & Quilting is challenging you to join our efforts to **Make A Pillowcase, Make A Difference!** Every pillowcase can make a difference in our community.

Thursday, July 1st, 3:00-8:00PM

Stitcher's classroom will be reserved for volunteers to sew pillowcases to be **donated to patients** at **American Family Children's Hospital** through **ConKerr Cancer**.

Bring fabrics from your stash or buy materials from us...any fabric purchased at Stitcher's Crossing and used for pillowcases for ConKerr will receive a 15% discount on July 1st.

Hope to see you there!



QUILTS IN BLOOM Olbrich Botanical Gardens September 25-October 17

Enjoy the annual *Quilts In Bloom* show of beautiful botanic themed quilts and fall flowers at Olbrich Gardens, 3330 Atwood Avenue, Madison.

Olbrich's *Quilts In Bloom* has the added excitement of featuring **challenge quilts**. Quilters receive a piece of the same fabric and design their own small piece of quilt art, making for very different designs. **Vote** for your favorite challenge quilt! For more information, go to www.olbrich.org

BUYER'S CLUB

For \$50.00 per year, you may become a member of our Buyer's Club. This will entitle you to **20% off** throughout the year on **all fabric and fibers** excluding DMC floss and kits.

You will receive a card which must be presented each time you make a purchase. Stop in for more details.



NEW CROSS STITCH

- Lizzie Kate Christmas Rules Flip-Its
ABC Halloween
- La D Da The Totin Hare
Bubblegum
- Bent Creek Crow Berry Sampler
A Pumpkin Full Of Fun
- Prairie Schooler 2010 Santa (should arrive in
August...call to reserve your
chart)
- Mill Hill Newest Beaded Ornaments (on
display in July)

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NEW FABRICS ARRIVING

- Moda Halloween Night
October Woods
Kashmir V
Arnold's Attic
- Kaufman Wild Friends
Tufted Treats
Free To Grow-Organic Cotton
Northwoods
Blossom
Elementals-Lot Of Dots
Kona Dimensions
- Shannon Fabrics Cuddle Prints
- Quilting Treasures KP Kids
- Andover Tulip Time
Autumn
Complements by Jo Morton
IQSC Schoolhouse
- Clothworks Hey DiddleDiddle Flannel
Diggers & Dozers
- Windham Fabrics Baltimore Album
- RJR One Bizillion BC
Outback
Lancaster
- Oilcloth By The Yard—assorted prints

NEW YARNS ARRIVING...

...you will be excited to see and touch all the new fall
yarns arriving in July & August!!

- Berroco Black Stone Chunky Tweed
Vintage Chunky
Lustra
Campus
Sundae
- Plymouth Taria Tweed
Zino Sock
Drifting Gardens Mohair
Worsted Merino Superwash
Chunky Merino Superwash
Brunello
Baby Boutique
Mystify
- Lana Gatto Opale
Ambra
- Manos del Uruguay Silk Blend Multi
Manos Lace
Maxima
- Lang Flores
Tosca Light
Lanalux

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NEW QUILT BOOKS

- *City Quilts* by Cherri House
- *500 Art Quilts* (includes five local artists)
- *Fabric Dyer's Dictionary* by Linda Johansen
- *Liberated Quiltmaking II* by Gwen Marston
- *Quilt Art 2011* Engagement Calendar
- *Summer Gatherings* by Lisa Bongean & Carole Charles
- *Simple Shapes Spectacular Quilts* by Kaffe Fassett
- *Fiberart Montage* by Judith Baker Montano
- *Vintage Notions* by Amy Barickman

Stitcher's Crossing Events

2010

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 One Million Pillowcase Event 3:00-8:00PM	2	3 Cross Stitch & Knitting Retreat 9:30AM-2:00PM
Christmas In July Specials—July 1-18 12th Annual Quilter's Shop Hop—July 21-25						
4 Store Closed Independence Day	5 Twilight Quilters 6:30-8:00PM	6	7	8 Basic Quiltmaking 5:30-8:30PM	9	10 Hardanger Troubleshooting 1:00-4:00PM
11 Fabric Postcards 12:30-4:00PM	12	13 QSC Picnic 12:30PM or 6:00PM	14	15 Basic Quiltmaking 5:30-8:30PM	16 Machine Quilting 9:30AM-12:30PM	17 "Collaborative Fun" Club 10:00AM-12:00PM
18 Let It Snow Tablerunner 12:30-4:00PM	19 It's OK 5:30-8:30PM	20 Beginning Knitting 6:00-8:00PM Creative Sewing 1:00PM or 6:00PM	21	22 Needle Turn Hand Applique 6:00-8:30PM	23	24 Hardanger Troubleshooting 1:00-4:00PM
Shop Hop—July 21-25						
25 Shop Hop	26 It's OK 5:30-8:30PM	27 Machine Quilting 5:30-8:30PM Beginning Knitting 6:00-8:00PM	28	29 Needle Turn Hand Applique 6:00-8:30PM	30 Machine Quilting 9:30AM-12:30PM	31

August

2010

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1	2 Kids' Quilt Camp 9:00AM-12:00PM It's OK 5:30-8:30PM	3 Kids' Quilt Camp 9:00AM-12:00PM Machine Quilting 5:30-8:30PM Beginning Knitting 6:00-8:00PM	4 Kids' Quilt Camp 9:00AM-12:00PM	5 No Fear Triangles 9:30AM-12:30PM or 5:30-8:30PM	6	7
8	9 Prairie Lily Tablerunner 5:30-8:30PM	10	11 Embroidered Heart Sampler 6:00-8:30PM	12 No Fear Triangles 9:30AM-12:30PM or 5:30-8:30PM	13	14 Cross Stitch & Knitting Retreat 9:30AM-2:00PM
15	16 Uffizi 5:30-8:30PM	17 Creative Sewing 1:00PM or 6:00PM	18 Folk Art 1:30PM or 6:30PM	19 Mini Acorn Stitches Sampler 6:00-8:00PM	20	21 "Collaborative Fun" Club 10:00AM-12:00PM
22 Crochet 101 12:30-3:30PM	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Crochet Socks 12:30-3:30PM	30	31	Designing Your Own Landscape—Sept 23-25			



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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

We are offering our **annual weekly specials** in July. Most of our Christmas fabrics will be in stock by mid-July along with holiday books and patterns!

This is a great time to plan and stock up for your fall and Christmas projects.

July 1-10...15% Off Yarn

July 5-10...15% off all books and patterns

July 11-18...15% off Quilt & Cross Stitch fabric (1/2 yd min on quilt fabric)

All sale pricing applies to in-stock merchandise only.

12th ANNUAL QUILTER'S SHOP HOP

the summer quilting event in South Central Wisconsin
July 21—25

South central Wisconsin has the good fortune to have many quilt shops each with their own flavor. Experience these shops during our **12th Annual Quilter's Shop Hop**:

- Attic Quilts
- Country Sampler
- Homespun Fabrics
- JJ Stitches
- Mill House Quilts
- Patches And Petals
- Quintessential Quilts
- Saving Thyme
- Stitcher's Crossing
- The Stitchery
- Uniquely Yours
- Village Creek
- Beloit
- Spring Green
- Endeavor
- Sun Prairie
- Wauwaukee
- Belleville
- Reedsburg
- Stoughton
- Madison
- Delavan
- Orangeville, IL
- Lodi

Mark your calendars and gather your friends and join us for fun and prizes. You will receive a free fat quarter and pattern from each shop.

Don't like driving to all twelve shops? Take our luxury bus, make new friends and travel in style!

Stop in for more information.