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3rd Quarter (July – September)

THANK YOU, THANK YOU

John and I would like to thank everyone who visited us during our No Shop Hop Lemonade Party on June 18-22. We were pleased and touched by the number of Shop Hoppers who came by especially to see us over that long weekend. Thank you for your support and thank you for your friendship!

AND THE WINNER IS.....

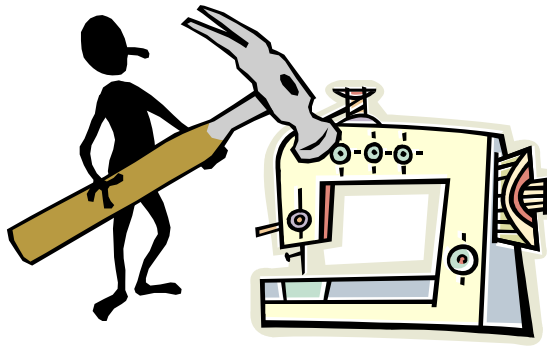
Toni Peters of Tacoma! Toni was one of many Lemonade Party weekend customers who entered the drawing for a new Baby Lock Xscape sewing machine. Toni's name was drawn on Sunday afternoon...when John called her home to tell her she'd won, Toni's husband said Toni was still out Shop Hopping! For every \$10 each customer spent in the shop over that 5-day period, a ticket was put into our 'hopper' for the drawing. Congratulations Toni!



Drum roll, please.....



Toni Peters of Tacoma came in to pick up her brand new Baby Lock Xscape!



DO YOU EVER FEEL LIKE THIS?

STOP! Don't do it! John is now a Certified Baby Lock Service Technician. He is here to calm your nerves... so drop the hammer and bring your machine to him for repair, cleaning and servicing. He is able to perform minor repairs and cleaning on most brands of machines and sergers. However if your non-Baby Lock machine requires a significant repair, you are advised to take it back to your dealer.

GARAGE SALE – SATURDAY AUGUST 23

~RESERVE YOUR TABLE NOW~

We are hosting a Stash Busting Garage Sale on Saturday August 23 from 10am – 3pm! We invite you to join us and sell, trade or donate *quilting and embroidery* fabrics, notions, books and patterns. Please, please: only quality cotton fabrics; no yarn, no polyesters, no old Simplicity dress patterns (you get the idea). Quilt books, quilt patterns, quilting notions...yes! You don't have anything to sell? Come check out what everyone else has!

We will set tables up in the parking lot behind The Wild Rose and the parking lot will be closed off to vehicles. \$10 will reserve you a table and 2 folding chairs. All sales at your table are yours to keep. Start thinking of creative ways to sell or swap or otherwise recycle your stash and restock it with "new!" We will also be collecting fabric, batting and thread to donate to Project Linus that day.

Call the shop at 360-893-0202 or email: wildrosequilts@comcast.net to reserve your table!

GARAGE SALE – SATURDAY AUGUST 23

Are you thinking of buying a new sewing machine or serger? We are in the middle of our own Economic Stimulus Program here at The Wild Rose Quilt Shop. ALL of our machines, from entry level to the top of the line Elleganté 2, are priced well below MSRP. All have been additionally reduced from our regular prices until the end of August. The Ellisimo will be introduced this month... we are told this is going to be an AMAZING quilting/embroidery machine.

See: www.babylock.com for daily updates on the Ellisimo and its unveiling in mid-August.

RETREATS

There are still a few weekend dates through the end of the year to book a retreat! There are lots of dates available if you decide to retreat during the week. Call now to book your 2008 retreat and don't forget: it's not too early to reserve your 2009 retreat! We have several 2009 retreats already reserved and even a couple into 2010.

Congratulations to Gale Marsh's group of Retreaters! Many of Gale's group came from the Vancouver and Battle Ground area near the Washington/Oregon border and were first-timers at The Wild Rose! They had a ball....Below is a picture of their group and the quilts they worked on while they retreated here. Also, I extend a big 'thank you' to Gale's Girls for being such great recyclers!



Gale's Girls

The PIGS Retreat on July 18-20 was a hoot! Everyone had a great time and the projects that were finished were awesome. The ladies had lots of laughs, lots of food to eat and lots of relaxin' time. It was a GOOD weekend!



Katie's paper-pieced quilt will be entered in an upcoming quilt show



Audree finished her "Underground Railroad"



Pam's "Self Portrait"
(Pam and her cat in the garden)

Mary's "Birds of a Feather"
Block one of ???



Thank you to Mary Salmon, one of the PIGS Retreaters, for her photos and for giving permission to use them in the newsletter

NEW STUFF IN THE SHOP!

Oh boy oh boy....Christmas in July. We have the most wonderful Christmas/holiday/winter fabrics coming in. Our Christmas fabrics are beautiful and we have 2 collections with a touch of 'fun.' As a result, we have several gorgeous lines of fabrics, many that don't yell "Christmas!" to you, but are warm and beautiful. You are limited only by your imagination when thinking of projects for these fabrics. Stop by and see for yourself:

See: www.benartex.com and click on Fabric Gallery. You'll be able to see the *Twelve Days of Christmas* fabrics as well as *Splendid Holiday*. While you're on that site, check out the *Williams Inn flannels*—we have several bolts of that collection.

See: www.redroosterfabrics.com and click on Current Collections. Find the *New Year's Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini to see this delicious collection. The kits are cut for The New Year's Quilt and it would be a great idea to buy the kit and Jennifer's new book (*The New Year's Quilt*) at the same time! Click on *Meri Penguins* and *Snow Wonderland* to see two collections of winter fun.

See: www.blankquilting.com and click on Fabric Gallery. You'll find *Snowy Town* in the fabric gallery and see that great line and think of yummy winter projects you can make.

Moda's *Peace on Earth* is delicious. The individual pieces are awesome and when combined, the collection is gorgeous. See: http://www.unitednotions.com/fcc_peace_on_earth.pdf and be prepared to say "Ahhhhhhh."

We have a Halloween panel and coordinates that are just too cute! Clothworks' *Midnight Mischief* by Diane Knott will make you smile! See: <http://www.clothworkstextiles.com> and click on *Midnight Mischief* for a great collection of fall & Halloween fabrics. For a quick and easy project, we have the *Midnight Mischief* wall hanging ready to go for you as a kit.

We now have Nancy Zieman's "Serge With Confidence" Book with CD, "Embroider With Confidence" Book with CD and "Quilt With Confidence" Book (no CD). You'll find all three of these publications and CDs to be excellent reference and learning guides.

We just received a large shipment of new patterns and books, stop by and check them out! We also have new Amy Butler bag patterns and several great new "retro" fabrics. We also have a lightweight denim that is perfect for totes, purses, skirts and other projects you want to embroider on.

***Oh, and guess what else is happening? Jaci's Winter Wonderland is completed and it's hanging in the shop so you can ooh and aah over it. New-to-Orting resident Angela McClelland quilted it and it's awesome. For those of you working on Winter Wonderland, I think you'll be inspired by the finished quilt. Jaci has done an amazing job on it and I truly thank her for the hours she's put into making the quilt and also for the hours she's spent cutting your monthly kits. Thank you, Jaci!

AND...we have plans for another Embroidery Block of the Month beginning in October. The embroidered blocks won't be as complex (big) as Winter Wonderland and there is no pieced border on this one. This a blue work quilt. Keep an eye out in the shop in the next month or so when the shop sample will be on display. Thank you again, Jaci!

FALL CLASSES AT THE WILD ROSE

- **Trail of Threads Trilogy:** We're delighted that Terry Nussbaum has agreed to teach this 3-part historical series in the fall and winter months. We're going to create the series like a book club, and add time in the class to work on your quilt based on each of the 3 books. The classes are on Wednesday nights from 6:30pm – 9pm; the lecture/discussion part will be about 45 minutes long and the rest of the time will be spent sewing. Terry has re-worked the quilt block patterns so they are easy to read and complete. Below is Terry's description of the 3 books we'll be reading and quilting to!

Come join us as we make the historical quilts and read the books of three women whose lives were intertwined with each other as they crossed the plains, struggled to raise their families in a barren land and fight to hold their families together in a land torn apart by war. In the first book, *The Trail of Thread*, we learn of Deborah Pieratt's journey from Kentucky to Kansas. Her stories use humor but also describe the despair the women experienced. You'll feel like you're traveling right along with her while you recount Deborah's journey.

The second book, *Thimble of Soil*, is the story of the widow Margaret Ralston Kennedy. Margaret travels with eight of her thirteen children from Ohio to Kansas in 1855. She was dedicated to the cause of the North, and while the male members of her family were away fighting for a free state, she valiantly defended their homesteads and held their families together through the savage years of "Bleeding Kansas."

The series continues with the third book and quilt *Stitch of Courage*. *Stitch of Courage* tells the story of the orphaned Maggie Kennedy, who followed her brothers to Kansas in the late 1850's. In letters to her sister in Ohio, Maggie describes how the women of Kansas faced the demons of the Civil War, fighting bravely to protect their homes and families. They never knew from one day to the next whether their men were alive or dead on a far away battlefield.

All three books tell the courage of women in uncertain times. These books describe how the women fought for their children, their families and communities and how they stood up for their rights; and through it all, quilts always held a position of great importance in their lives.

I hope you'll join us for this wonderful opportunity to learn about the role of quilts in early American history by reading the books and creating the quilt blocks. How cool is that? *Trail of Thread* and *Thimble of Soil* quilts are on display in the shop.

Trail of Thread Class Series: Thursdays September 25, October 16, October 23. \$95 INCLUDES fabric kit for quilt top, book, pattern and instructor fee. You will need to purchase a small amount of background fabric of your choice. 6:30pm – 9pm.

Thimble of Soil Class Series: Thursdays November 6, 20, December 4. \$95 INCLUDES fabric kit for quilt top, book, pattern and instructor fee. You will need to purchase a small amount of background fabric of your choice. 6:30pm – 9pm.

The *Stitch of Courage* Class Series will resume in January. Dates to be announced.

CLASS LIST, continued

- **Fancy-Schmancie Grocery Tote Bag** by Chris Kramer. Chris has devised a tote bag pattern that's perfect for carrying groceries—hers are lined with clear vinyl! You can personalize your tote by embroidering your fabrics or using free motion or decorative stitches. Chris is a BIG fan of embellishing, so she can help you decide how or if you want to use embellishments on your bag. Learn the basics of Tote Bag construction and be ready to make lots of bags in lots of different sizes for gifts! Two Wednesdays, September 10 (10am – 1pm) and September 17 (10am – 2pm) \$50 includes Chris' own pattern and you can purchase the clear vinyl from Chris.



- **Prairie Points Christmas Tree** by Pat Tackett. Pat has come up with an interesting variation on this pattern. Using lots of green fabrics (check your stash!!), you'll create a fun and different dimensional wall hanging for the Christmas season. SATURDAY September 20, 10am-3pm, \$25 includes pattern. Bring a lunch or snack!

- **Fast & Fun Gifts** by Robbie. My first “class,” (eeeeek!!) We'll meet every other Tuesday afternoon to sew small projects; perfect for gifts for neighbors, co-workers and others you want to remember with a small something for Christmas. Starting Tuesday September 9 and every other Tuesday until December 2. \$25 for 7 meetings. Warning: you must have a sense of humor to register for this class!!
- **Wool Table Runner/Hand Appliqué** with Melody Shinokis. What a great project for the fall! Learn the basics of hand appliqué on a lovely wool table runner (made by you of course!) We sell the wool, you'll get the pattern free in this \$25 class, Thursday September 11 from noon – 3pm.



- **Basic Beginning Quilting** by Sharon Farr. Learn the basics of quilting, tool use (rotary cutting), fabric/color selection and piecing blocks. Sharon has picked the pattern “Elizabeth’s Sampler—Let’s Begin” for this class. How fun to complete this class with a quilt top finished and the skills to do more quilting! This is an 8 week class, from 10am – 1pm. Cost \$110 + \$7.50 pattern (don’t forget the 10% discount on fabrics purchased for the class).



- **Christmas Tree Skirt** by Sharon Farr. Sharon designed this Christmas tree skirt top to be finished in one day. It’s fast, fun and easy and beautiful. Come in and see the sample. 10am – 3pm SATURDAY October 4 (bring a lunch or snack) \$40 includes pattern.

Are you looking for something to do with out-of-town company next weekend? The Orting Chamber of Commerce is hosting *The Festival in The Park* on Saturday August 16. Come on down to take in the events, great food and a look around little downtown Orting (where the sun always shines). See: <http://www.ortingnews.com/festivalinthepark/> for details of the events planned. And of course, stop in *The Wild Rose Quilt Shop & Retreat* for a visit!

THINGS TO DO IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS:

1. **Reserve your table for the August 23 Garage Sale. \$10 for your table and 2 chairs (bring your own ‘sun tent’ if desired).**
2. **Register for fall classes. This is a unique group of classes offered and they are sure to fill up quickly. Don’t be disappointed—register now.**
3. **Stop in now and check out the Baby Lock machines. They are priced well below regular prices until the end of August. Consider buying a sewing machine now as a Christmas gift!**
4. **Be ready for winter classes and sewing! Bring your machine or serger in for John to clean, tune up and repair. He’s ready for you!**

Please join me in welcoming B Bradley to our shop! B moved to Washington 2 years ago from Ft. Lauderdale, FL where she was involved in guild and community charity quilt activities. B owned her own business for 28 years where she made custom sailboat sails and upholstered boat interiors. B is an experienced quilter and we welcome her to The Wild Rose family. Welcome, B!