



# Common Threads Quilt Shop

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**NEW HOURS**  
**M-Sat 9am-5pm**

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Winter/Spring 2010

## Cozy Quilting!

Old Man Winter is here – boo! BUT it’s perfect weather for quilting (of course – ALL weather is perfect for quilting). We quilters like to cozy up to our sewing machines and create those wonderful projects that we have waiting for us. If you’ve run out of projects we would love to help you. We have many new fabrics, books and patterns to show you! With a new year come some changes. Our hours will be changing to Monday-Saturday 9pm-5pm. We have added a new staff member, Julie Olson who will be helping us out on Saturdays this winter and Congratulations to staff member Linda Slack and her family on the birth of their new grandson. We are excited about the new decade and can’t wait for you to read this newsletter to find out about all the fun things we have planned for you – new clubs, classes and crazy events to keep your quilting spirit growing. A new monthly project “As Time Goes By”; a new “Farmer’s Wife “(civil war) club; Joy quilt; Double Wedding Ring club; Holly’s Bag of the Month; new Charm Pack of the Month, the fun just doesn’t stop! Just a reminder – if you have a group of friends that wish to come shopping please let us know in advance and we can do some fun things for you.

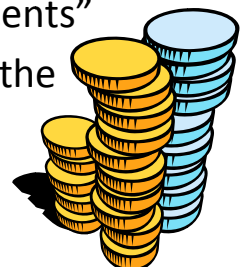
It is our pleasure to be here for you – you make our jobs so much fun because of your wonderful attitudes; love of quilting and the sparkle in your eyes. We look forward to your visits and remember the coffee pot is always on and maybe a cookie or two!

### Happy Quilting from your Common Threads Family

– Julie, Holly, Sandy, Leslie, Kaye, Bonnie, Linda D., Linda S, and Julie O.

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Someone at the shop is having a BIG birthday on March 13<sup>th</sup> and she thinks she’s of the age to need a little common sense so...

Beginning February 13<sup>th</sup>, we will have a jar out to collect some common “cents” for this lady. March is food share month. So, she will donate all monies to the Douglas County Food Shelf and she will match the common “cents” jar up to \$65 (now can you guess her age?).



# Class Schedule

## Beginner Basics

Do Re Mi – If you've never quilted before this class is for you. Learn rotary cutting, accurate seam allowances, machine quilting, basic shapes and how to finish off a simple table square/wall hanging. Then you will be on your way to enjoying the wonderful craft of quilting. This class is also perfect for those who wish to have a refresher course on quilting.

Saturdays, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> 10am-3pm.

Class fee \$25 - plus supplies. Bring sack lunch

Sandy Bessingpas – Instructor.

## Buggy Barn Beginner's

Let me teach you one of my favorite methods of quilting – Buggy Barn! It's crazy fun – Be Careful when you take this class because you will get hooked and will want to make more and more..... We'll create "Crazy About Hearts and Stars". It is a fat quarter friendly project.

Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 10am – 4pm. Pot luck lunch

Class fee \$15 - supplies extra.

Instructor: Julie Satterlie

## Machine Quilting I

Learn the basics of machine quilting on your home sewing machine following the methods that Leslie uses on the long-arm machine. Knowledge of your sewing machine is a must!

Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> 10am-noon

Class fee \$20 - includes your class kit.

Leslie Hoelscher - Instructor

## A Safe Place Wallet

Make this cute wallet to go along with all the cute bags you've made! It has 12-place credit card holder, zippered coin purse, cash and check compartments, and miscellaneous velcro pouch.

Class fee \$15 - includes lunch, supplies extra

Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> 10-2pm

Holly Thoennes - Instructor

## Our Town Table Topper

This progressive meal deal includes class instructions to make a table topper, snacks, meals, and a chance to win a ??????

Class fee \$30 - includes all the above, supplies extra  
March 5<sup>th</sup> 5-9pm and March 6<sup>th</sup> 11-5pm

Julie Satterlie - Instructor

## Machine Quilting II

This is a follow up class to Machine Quilting I where you learn more methods of machine quilting using the "Designs with Lines" techniques.

Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 10am-noon

Class fee \$20 - includes class kit.

Leslie Hoelscher - Instructor

## Beginner Basics II

This class is for those who have graduated from our beginner basics class or have some knowledge of quilting and want to learn how to properly use sashings, apply borders, and do a basic appliqué with a buttonhole stitch.

Class fee is \$15.00 supplies extra.

Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm (Bring sack lunch)

Sandy Bessingpas - Instructor

## Secret Garden Runner

Do you have a stash of 2 ½" strips? Or a jelly roll you haven't used yet? If you would like to use the 60 degree triangle ruler in a fun way this is the class for you!

Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 1-5pm

Class fee \$10 - supplies extra

Julie Satterlie - Instructor

## Paper Piecing Basics

Our expert Bonnie will teach you her tips using paper piecing methods. You will be creating a perfect pointed tulip wall hanging/pot holder. The process looks difficult but is very simple once you learn the technique. You will have fun making many other projects using the paper piecing method.

Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon or 1pm-4pm.

Class fee \$10 - includes pattern, supplies extra.

Bonnie Strand - Instructor

**Reminder** – If you or a group of your friends would like to take a class that we do not offer or if a day that we offer a class does not work for you, we do offer personal and group classes.

**Call the shop at 320-834-2563 or stop in to register for our classes**

**Check Website for Class Project Pictures!**

# Monthly Clubs

## Apron Club

Join us in creating a very cute wall hanging/small quilt made of 30's aprons. We meet the 1st Wednesday of each month from 9-noon. Check out our website for a photo of the project. No charge for this club, but must purchase pattern.

## Buggy Barn Club

Join this group of "crazy" buggy barn groupies who love to share the art of buggy barn techniques in creating some very fun and unique projects. No fee or sign up, but please bring a potluck item to share for lunch or snacks. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday (**NOTE DAY CHANGE**) of each month. Future dates are: Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, and Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> (Note-date change in April). Come for the whole day or part of the day!

## Clothesline Club

If you love 30's fabric you will love 30's club. Darlene Zimmerman has created this club for the 30's enthusiast with special club patterns and fabrics. Club meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month beginning January 26<sup>th</sup> at 10am or 5pm. The 2010 club will be a 6 month short term club with another 6 month club to follow. The first six month projects will be made using Darlene Zimmerman's The Three Bears fabric line. \$30 each month which includes club monthly club project, 20% off on 30's fabric on club day, snacks, door prizes, and monthly newsletter. Mail order is also available.

## Double Wedding Ring Club

Have you had the desire to make a double wedding ring quilt? Join us in learning the template techniques in creating an heirloom quilt. The process is not difficult but is time consuming. We will meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month. You come when you can; the shop is open from 9am – 5pm. What to bring: a dish to share for lunch; sewing machine; double wedding ring templates (we use Shar Jorgenson's – we can order for you!) fabric, basic sewing kit, small rotary cutter and rotating mat. There is no fee for this club, it is a time to get together time for those who wish to create a double wedding ring project.

## Farmer's Wife Sampler Club

Do you love the civil war fabric look? Join us in creating a wonderful sampler of six inch blocks using patterns from the Farmer's Wife magazine. As quilt shop owners AND farmer's wives we are excited in reading about farm life and creating these beautiful quilt blocks. The sampler size will be determined on how many blocks you wish to make. We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at 9:30am for about an hour to share the blocks that we've created. You may also stay and sew till 5pm the same day if you wish. One time club fee of \$50 includes the Farmer's Wife Sampler book, civil war fat quarter pack, snacks and 20% off civil war fabrics on club day.

## Thimbleberries Club 2010

Club meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1pm or 5pm. Club fee is \$75.00 which includes the monthly Village Green Patterns (a \$72.00 value), a 20% discount on Thimbleberries products purchased on club day, door prizes, a Thimbleberries monthly newsletter, and special events exclusive to club members throughout the year. Optional choices for club projects will include the Village Green Quilt (72 X 82), available as a complete kit, and 12 bonus project kits (pick and choose per trimester). Each bonus project pattern is contained within your monthly Village Green pattern you receive as a club member. Mail order is also available.

## Stitchery Club

If you love the art of stitchery, whatever type it is - appliqué, embroidery, etc. please come and spend the day with fellow stitchers working on the craft you enjoy. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. There is no fee or sign-up required, just a potluck item to share for lunch or snacks.

**Call the shop at 320-834-2563 or stop in to register for our monthly clubs.**

# Monthly Projects & Events

## 2010 Thrifty

Join us the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10am, Noon, 5:30pm or 9:30am on the following Saturday for Thrifty. We show you what's new in the shop and encourage you to bring show and tell of your own for a chance to win a prize. This year we will be having an optional \$5.00 Thrifty block with 3 color way options – Civil War, 30's and Batik. To check out the color way options and the rules of this years Thrifty block please check out our website or come into the shop for more information.

## Charm Pack of the Month

"Simply Charming" is the book we'll be using each month to create seasonal projects from charms (5" inch squares of fabric) for you to use in decorating or as gift giving. Projects will range from 47 inches square to 63 inches square in size so they are suitable for table toppers to wall hangings. We will start with the March Shamrocks in January so it will be ready for you to display in March. There will be a limited amount of kits made for each project and they will be available first come first served unless you reserve them ahead of time by contacting the shop. Project kits will be available the first Friday of each month. Prices will vary due to the different sizes.

## Holly's Bag of the Month

Love Bags!?! Love to make bags?! Haven't tried a bag yet? You will love the Bag of the Month! Each month at Thrifty Holly will show you a new bag kit along with any instructional tricks she may have.

## Sit – N – Sew Fridays

Join us the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday each month for sit and sew. Work on your own projects with other fellow quilters. No fee or sign up required, but please bring a potluck item to share for lunch or snacks. We will not have Sit-N-Sew on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays because we are set up for Thrifty Thursday and Saturday in the class room. Thanks for your cooperation!

## Joy Quilt

Let us inspire you to make a wonderful Christmas quilt for your bed or as a wonderful gift for a loved one. This row by row quilt has many different techniques from paper piecing to traditional piecing. Patterns may be purchased separately or you may reserve a kit which includes the pattern and fabrics in either bright or traditional color ways. Patterns and kits will be available the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Prices will vary each month due to the width of each row.

## As Time Goes By

Last year we had fun with the "Be Attitudes" soooooo...what's going on in 2010 you ask well.....we will be creating a 24" x 27" wallhanging. The background is made from cotton fabrics. Each month you make and attach a wool seasonal appliqué to your background. Kits will be available on the Thrifty day each month. Cost each month is \$25.

## The 12 Months of Christmas



*Your quilt shop shared with you....*

*A new project kit for you to do.... On sale....*

Once a month we will pick a fun new Christmas project for you to have ready in plenty of time for the 2010 holiday season! Projects will be shown at Thrifty and kits will be available that day for purchase.

## Frostbite Frenzy

To keep warm and beat the cold weather, each month we will have fabric featured at a discounted price of 25% off per yard with ½ yd cut minimum.

**January – Homespuns**

**February – Reds, Pinks, and Whites**

**March – Flannels**

**April – Batiks**

## January 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Closed	2 Closed
3	4	5 Thimbleberries Club 1 or 5pm	6 Apron Club	7	8 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	9
10	11	12	13 Buggy Barn Club 9-4pm Potluck lunch	14	15 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	16
17	18 Stitchery Club LAQ	19	20	21 Thrifty 10am, noon, or 5:30pm	22 <i>No SIT-N-SEW this Friday</i>	23 Thrifty 9:30am
24	25	26 Clothesline Club 10am or 5pm	27 Double Wedding Ring Club	28	29 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	30 Beginner Basics 10-3pm
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## February 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Thimbleberries Club 1 or 5pm	3 Apron Club	4 Buggy Barn Class 10am-4pm	5 Clothesline Club Sit-n-Sew Day 9am-9pm	6 Farmer's Wife 9:30am
7	8	9 Machine Quilting I 10am-noon	10 Buggy Barn Club 9-4pm Potluck lunch	11	12 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	13 Beginning Basics 10-3pm
14	15 Stitchery Club  LAQ	16	17	18 Thrifty 10am, noon, or 5:30pm	19 <i>No SIT-N-SEW this Friday</i>	20 Thrifty 9:30am
21	22	23 Clothesline Club 10am or 5pm	24 Double Wedding Ring Club	25 Wallet Class 10-2pm	26 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch Habitat Work Day	27
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## March 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Thimbleberries Club 1 or 5pm	3 Apron Club	4	5 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch  Our Town 5-9pm	6 Farmer's Wife 9:30am  Our Town 11-5pm
7	8	9 Machine Quilting II 10am-noon	10 Buggy Barn Club 9-4pm Potluck lunch	11	12 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	13
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28	29	30 Secret Garden Runner 1-5pm	31			

## April 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	3 Farmer's Wife 9:30am
4	5	6 Thimbleberries Club 1 or 5pm	7 Apron Club	8	9 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch	10
11	12	13	14	15 Thrifty 10am, noon or 5:30pm	16 <i>Will have SIT-N-SEW this Friday</i>	17 <i>NO Thrifty This Saturday</i>
18	19 Stitchery Club  LAQ	20	21 Buggy Barn Club 9-4pm Potluck lunch	22	23 SIT-N-SEW Potluck lunch  <b>Spring Retreat at LGCC</b>	24
25 <b>Spring Retreat at LGCC</b>	26	27 Clothesline Club 10am or 5pm	28 Double Wedding Ring Club	29 Paper Piecing Basics 9am-noon or 1pm-4pm	30	

# **“FYP” - (Finish Your Projects!) Common Threads Spring Retreat**

Lake Geneva Christian Center

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – Early bird starts Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12pm**

Retreat officially begins with supper on Friday night at 5:30pm. You may come for early bird Thursday after 12pm or anytime Friday to get started on your UFO projects. You are not considered “in” until we receive your registration and payment. It is a first come, first serve event! Cancellation policy is \$25 non-refund and total non-refund two weeks prior to retreat weekend. You may find a replacement if you can't come! Two- weeks prior to event you will receive an e-mail confirmation including directions and check list.

\_\_\_ \$35 Early Bird Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> – arrive anytime after 12pm

\_\_\_ April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> (2 nights/5 meals – begins 5:30pm Friday)

Kingsriter – (bedding and towels included)

\_\_\_ \$220 – single

\_\_\_ \$190 /pp – double

\_\_\_ \$175 /pp – three or more

\_\_\_ \$150 /pp – Lakeview – 5-or more – (towels and bedding needed)

\_\_\_ Total (weekend, early bird)

\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Check \_\_\_ Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ exp \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate(s): \_\_\_\_\_