

## Mt. Pleasant Quilting Company

### January - May 2017 Newsletter

Dear Quilters,

Happy New Year to you and your loved ones. May 2017 be a happy, healthy and blessed year for you. I was visiting my daughter yesterday who was curled up under a soft cuddle quilt writing in her journal. She has the most beautiful calligraphy writing skills and I enjoy looking at her creations. She has been commissioned at times to write on quilts or write specific letters or certificates for various people. Anyway, I was looking at her journal and she was playing on the 365 blank page book that was penned by Brad Paisley and all over social media. The following was written on Dec. 31st by Brad Paisley: "Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one." Food for thought, isn't it? I'm sure some people will record their days, others will reflect what took place, make a mental note what happened and give it a thumbs up, or maybe decide to tweak their reactions a little. Regardless...I keep remembering a quote from my mom: "Make your good - better, and your better - best." Good philosophy to live by...right?

Once again, there are lots of new classes listed. I always schedule a snowman class in this newsletter as I feel snowmen aren't a holiday item but a winter beauty. Who doesn't love snowmen? The new Judy Niemeyer Technique of the Month pattern "Vintage Rose" will be arriving during the month of January with classes starting in February. We've got butterflies, a Christmas BOM that you will have done in time for Christmas 2017, a patriotic wallhanging, a fusible workshop, three Debbie Tuckers classes using the Hunter's Star tool, a free Arrowhead block technique class, a hand embroidery club, a Spring Bouquet Trio (JN placemats), a Mini's class, and a Cathedral Window Club, plus the two constant classes we always offer: Do Re Mi -a great beginner's class, and the popular-Stack-n-Whack class! I hope I've planned something that will spark your interest.

Check out the monthly sales: January Thaw Sale, February-Deal A Day Week, March's Pajama Sale, and April's Coupon Sale.

Please note: Mt. Pleasant will be closed, Saturday, May 27th, so my staff can enjoy the holiday weekend.

As I always write in my newsletter because it's so true: *you are all fun, friendly and fantastic women! (And men-you are too!)* I sincerely thank you for attending classes and shopping at Mt. Pleasant Quilting.

Sewingly,

Barb

## Classes

**Because our classes fill so quickly and have waiting lists,  
It is necessary to initiate the following policy:**

- **For BOM's (Block of Month), ROM's (Row of Month) or TOM (Technique of Month) or multi month classes: It is understood that you are registering for the entire program. 50% of the class fee is due upon registering. The remaining balance is due midway through the classes. We will require a credit card number to be on file and will charge your card accordingly. It is acceptable, if you wish, to pay by cash or check when you are here. You may pay for total when you sign up-also acceptable. *Your information is kept confidential in a locked box.***
- **For all other classes - total payment is due at signup.**

### **Judy Niemeyer Potpourri Workshop**

*1st Tuesday of the month for 5 months, starting Jan. 3rd, 10:00 - 3:00, OR*

*1st Tuesday of the month for 5 months, starting Jan. 3rd, 5:30 - 9:00*

Is there a Judy Niemeyer project that you want to do, but we haven't scheduled a class for it yet? This class is for you! Karen will guide you every step of the way. Some gals tell me they are afraid to start.....don't be.....if you can sew on a solid line, use a rotary cutter and ruler... you can make a Judy Niemeyer quilt, wallhanging or tablerunner. Choose the pattern you want to do and sign up!

**Teacher: Karen Bryant**

**Class Fee: \$15.00 per month**

***(50% due at sign-up=\$37.50. Remaining balance due midway thru classes.)***

### **Hand Embroidery Club**

*1st Wednesday of the month for 5 months, starting Jan. 4th: 10:00 - 1:00, OR*

*1st Thursday of the month for 5 months, starting Jan 5th: 10:00 - 1:00*

Love to hand embroidery or want to learn how? Barb Higgins will guide you through all the necessary stitches and techniques needed. This class is for any project you are working on or want to work on. NOTE: this includes wool projects and cotton projects! Come and relax at this 3 hour session to learn or brush up on your hand embroidery stitches.

**Teacher: Barb Higgins**

**Total Class Fee for 5 months: \$37.50**

### **Fusible Raw Edge Appliqué Workshop - the McKenna Ryan Way**

**2nd Wednesday of the month for 5 months, starting January 11 , 10:00 - 1:00**

Mt. Pleasant has been teaching the beautiful McKenna Ryan wallhangings for years.

It seems to have evolved into many different wallhangings being worked on during the class as gals are all at different stages and different McKenna Ryan projects. This doesn't phase Pat at all as she can multi-task and help each person no matter what stage they're at. If you've always wanted to try this technique, choose a McKenna Ryan pattern that you love and sign up for class. Or..if you're in the middle of one...bring it and come along! (*You can stay the whole day if you wish, but Pat's responsibilities end at 1:00*)

**Teacher: Pat Lockwood**

**Total Class Fee for 5 months: \$37.50**

### **Crazy For Minis-MC Sampler**

**Wednesday, Jan. 11th , 6:00 - 9:00**

Every other month, Pam has been and will be teaching from Lynne Hagmeier's book, "Crazy for Minis", that uses mini charm packs (2 1/2" squares). January features the 30" MC Sampler mini quilt. (*Probably my most favorite one*). It uses 2 mini charm packs plus background, borders/binding fabric.

**Teacher: Pam Keefe**

**Class Fee: \$15.00**

### **If You're Stuck, Get Unstuck**

**Tuesday, Jan. 24th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Tuesday, Jan. 24th, 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**Tuesday, Jan 31st, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Tuesday, Jan. 31st 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**Friday, Feb. 17th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Friday, Feb. 17th, 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**Friday, Feb. 24th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Tuesday, Mar. 28th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Tuesday, Mar. 28th, 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**Friday, April 21st 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Friday, April 21st 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**Friday, April 28th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Wednesday, May 24th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**Wednesday, May 24th, 6:00 - 9:00**

If you have taken a Judy Niemeyer paper piecing class at Mt. Pleasant and are stuck, or need the push to finish it, come and see us. We will be here to help you! Remember, it's ANY Judy Niemeyer paper piecing class. Let's get you stitching again!

**Teacher: Karen Bryant**

**Class Fee: \$10.00**

### **Brrr...It's Cold Outside!**

**3 Wednesdays: Jan 25th, Feb. 15th, & March 15th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**3 Wednesdays: Jan. 25th, Feb. 15th, & March 15th, 6:00 - 9:00**

Who doesn't like snowmen? When it's cold outside, stay inside and make this easy

36" x 54" wallhanging. Snowmen to me are not a holiday item, but a winter beauty. You will use several techniques to complete it: fusible web, blanket stitch by machine, zig, zag stitch, buttons, wool, cotton and Barb also used a batik. You will have it completed by the end of the 3rd class.

*Daytimers :Barb's responsibilities will end at 1:00, but you can stay the remainder of the day to sew if you wish.* Both classes should have this completed by the end of the 3rd class. Kit

Available.

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Class Fee: \$30.00**

### **Spring Fly Away**

**2nd Thursdays of the month, for 3 months, starting Feb. 9th, 10:00 - 1:00 & one Wednesday: May 3rd: 2:00 - 5:00, OR**

**1st Wednesday of the month for 4 months, starting Feb. 1st, 6:00 - 9:00**

You will get a fresh breath of spring when you see this beautiful butterfly quilt. Nine butterflies adorn this 66" square quilt using the gorgeous fabrics by Flaurie & Finch. The original pattern uses plastic templates to make this quilt, BUT..Barb doesn't like to machine piece with templates, so she changed it into traditional paper piecing. It's very simple paper piecing as the blocks end up being 18" square. *You do not need any paper piecing experience to complete this quilt.* Colors range from peach - greens - yellow - teal - blue -all yummy, yummy colors. *Daytimers: Barb's responsibilities will end at 1:00, but you can stay the remainder of the day to sew if you wish.)* Kit Available.

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Total Class Fee: \$40.00**

### **Vintage Rose TOM**

**1st Friday of the month for at least 6 months, starting Feb. 3rd, 10:00 - 1:00, OR**

**1st Friday of the month for at least 6 months, starting Feb. 3rd, 6:00 - 9:00, OR**

**1st Saturday of the month for at least 6 months, starting Feb. 4th, 10:00 - 1:00 - exception July will be the 2nd Sat of the month.**

Vintage Rose is the stunning new foundation paper pieced Technique of the Month quilt designed by Judy Niemeyer. You have your choice of the wall size: 74" x 74", or queen: 96" x 96". You will use precut fabric pieces, by using fast and easy cutting techniques, stacking techniques, strip piecing techniques, floating points, and curved piecing just to name a few. If you can sew on a printed solid line, you can make this quilt. Then - won't your quilting friends be oohing and aahing over your quilt!! This TOM pattern can be purchased only at a Judy Niemeyer Certified Shop or from a Judy Niemeyer Certified Instructor. The pattern includes complete instructions and all pre-printed foundation papers. *No previous Judy Niemeyer experience needed.*

**Teachers: Barb Miller & Karen Bryant**

**Total Class Fee for 6 months: \$75.00**

**(50% due at sign-up=\$37.50. Remaining balance due midway thru classes.)**

### **Cathedral Window Club**

**2nd Thursday of the month for 4 months, starting Mar. 9th, 6:00 - 9:00, \*\* OR**

**2nd Friday of the month for 4 months, starting Mar.. 10th, 10:00 - 1:00,**

**\*\*Exception: May's 6:00 - 9:00 class will meet on Wed-May 10th**

Many of you bought the Unseen Hands Cathedral Window Quilt pattern with the 9" pressing template at the Schoolhouse last June and have asked for a class. *(We have more for sale if you did not buy one in June.)* Barb has always wanted to make a traditional Cathedral Window Quilt, so here's the plan: She will demo the pressing template and the technique used to make the Cathedral Window blocks - this particular method uses your sewing machine - but you certainly could sew it by hand if you choose. Barb will be sewing too! *(It will give her some dedicated sewing time to get something done!)* You can make a pillow, any size quilt you want from baby to king, or a bed runner, or just some blocks. If you want this class to continue on after June, that can be done too! This will be a free class, but a \$20 refundable deposit will be required at signup to insure you a seat in the class. *Daytimers: Barb's responsibilities will end at 1:00, but you can stay the remainder of the day to sew if you wish.)*

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Class Fee: FREE, but \$20 refundable deposit**

### **Merrie Christmas BOM**

***4th Wednesday of the month for 9 months, starting Feb. 22nd, 10:00 - 1:00,\*\* OR***

***4th Wednesday of the month for 9 months, starting Feb. 22nd, 6:00 - 9:00\*\****

***\*\* Exception: May classes will be the last Wednesday of month=May 31st.***

If you start this 42" x 42" wallhanging designed by Buttermilk Basin now, you will have it completed in time to hang for Christmas 2017. Who doesn't love angels, trees, poinsettias, snowmen, candy canes, presents, ornaments, etc? (Barb fell in love with this pattern after she saw a customer working on it in one of the Sew Along days.) It will be completed with fusible machine applique. Barb is using the blanket stitch and zig zag stitch. Don't shy away from this technique if it is new to you. You will become a master at it. The blocks finish at 12". Kit Available. *Daytimers: Barb's responsibilities will end at 1:00, but you can stay the remainder of the day to sew if you wish.*

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Total Class Fee for 9 months: \$90.00**

***(50% due at sign-up=\$45.00. Remaining balance due midway thru classes.)***

### **Stack- n- Whack**

***Friday, March 31st, 10:00 - 3:00***

This class sure has been a favorite one! Barb has taught it to over 550 gals since we opened the shop. Once you take this class, you will never look at fabric the same way again. You need only one fabric to make the 12 different star blocks, plus a background and accent fabric. It's exciting to see how each block evolves into a new design. You'll be oohing and aahing! Just you wait and see!

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Class Fee: \$25.00**

### **Crazy For Minis-Spring Fling Runner**

***Thursday, March 2nd , 6:00 - 9:00***

Every other month, Pam has been teaching from Lynne Hagmeier's book, "Crazy for Minis", that uses mini charm packs (2 1/2" squares). March features the 16" x 37" Spring Fling Runner using 2 mini charm packs plus background, borders/binding fabric.

**Teacher: Pam Keefe**

**Class Fee: \$15.00**

### **Arrowhead Block Technique Class**

***Wednesday, March 8th, 6:00 - 9:00, OR***

***Friday, March 17th, 10:00 - 1:00***

The Arrowhead block is made with 2 contrasting squares, 2 seams, 3 cuts and viola: you're ready to piece it into a beautiful block! You will learn the technique and then can decide what size project and what size block you want to make: pillow, table topper, or quilt. You'll just keep making the same block in different fabrics to your heart's content! A great way to use up your stash! A fun block!

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Class Fee: \$10.00**

### **Center of Attention**

***Saturday, March 18th, 10:00 - 3:00***

If you love the versatility of the Hunters Star tool, you'll love this class. This project is from Debbie Tucker's Hunter Star Hidden Treasures book. All you need to complete this lap size quilt is 8 dark and 8 light fat quarters or 2 yards of a light fabric and 2 yards of a dark fabric. This quilt is a checkerboard type design. This is a great beginner's class too.

**Teacher: Debbie Thomas**

**Class Fee: \$35.00**

**Do - Re - Mi (Beginner's Class)**

*Tuesdays, March 21st, April 18th, & May 30th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR*

*Tuesdays, March 21st, April 18th, & May 30th, 6:00 - 9:00*

Like the song, "Let's start at the very beginning....a very good place to start.."

This class is for the beginner who would like to start at the very beginning,.... (or the person who needs to sharpen up their quilting skills,) with rotary cutting skills, learning accurate quarter inch seam allowances, piecing, border and binding techniques. You will end up with a quilt that can be used as a couch throw/twin size: ...show it off to your family and friends!

**Teacher: Jackie Roberts**

**Total Class Fee: \$30.00**

**Waves of Glory**

*Wednesday, March 29th, 10:00 - 3:00, OR*

*Wednesday, March 29th, 5:30 - 9:00*

Be ready for Memorial Day, July 4th, or just feeling patriotic! You can have your choice of making a 37" x 45" wallhanging or the larger size of 54" x 66". The dimensional technique by Southwind Designs is easy to do. Let Shirley guide you to being successful!

**Teacher: Shirley Ingles**

**Class Fee: \$25.00**

**Spring Bouquet Trio**

*Thursdays, April 25th & May 16th, 10:00 - 3:00*

This is a Judy Niemeyer foundation paper piecing class. You will be able to choose from three different flower placemat patterns: African Violet, Dogwood, or Impatiens. Each pattern has enough papers in it to complete 4 placemats. You will get all 4 placemats completely paper pieced, and at least one completely sewn together during this time frame. You will learn the JN paper piecing techniques, plus curved sewing and floating points. Have your table all decked out for spring! You do not need JN experience to take this class. If you can sew on a solid printed line, you can make these placemats.

**Teacher: Julie Burger**

**Total Class Fee: \$40.00**

**Crazy For Minis - Ties That Bind**

*Thursday, May 4th, 6:00 - 9:00*

Every other month, Pam has been teaching from Lynne Hagmeier's book, "Crazy for Minis", that uses mini charm packs (2 1/2" squares). May features the 53" x 65" Ties That Bind quilt using 3-4 mini charm packs plus background, borders/binding fabric.

**Teacher: Pam Keefe**

**Class Fee: \$15.00**

**King's Pawn**

*Saturday, May 13th, 10:00 - 3:00*

This project is from Debbie Tucker's Hunters Star Hidden Treasurers book. All you need to complete this lap size quilt is 8 dark and 8 light fat quarters or 2 yards of a light fabric and 2 yards of a dark fabric. This is also a great beginner's class! Come join Debbie for this fun class.

**Teacher: Debbie Thomas**

**Class Fee: \$35.00**

**ADVANCE DATES:**

**Grandmother's Flower Garden Club**

***Four Wednesdays: June 21st, July 19th, Aug. 16th, Sept. 13th, 10:00 - 1:00, OR***

***Four Wednesdays: June 21st, July 19th, Aug. 16th, Sept. 13th, 6:00 - 9:00***

Barb has many fond memories of her mom making "oodles and oodles" of hexi's for a Grandmother's Flower Garden quilt. After her dad was retired, her mom and dad would sit out under a tree in the side yard many summer evenings. Her mom had to keep her hands busy, so she made hexi's for the quilt. Barb will demo the process She loves preparing hexi's with a starch brush and mini iron. They are perfect every time. After we make some in class, maybe we can go outside, weather permitting, sit under the trees and do our handwork. You don't suppose there will be alot of talking going on, do you? You don't have to make a quilt, it can be a tabletopper, pillow, really any size you want. Great way to use up scraps! This is an English Paper Piecing technique.

**Teacher: Barb Miller**

**Class Fee: FREE, but \$20 refundable deposit**

**Aquamarine**

***Saturday, June 24th, 10:00 - 3:00***

Believe it or not - this is a Hunter's Star quilt! This quilt shows the design versatility of the Hunter's Star. You will construct this quilt using a diagonal setting. This project is from the Debbie Tucker's Hunters Star Hidden Treasures book. All you need to complete this lap size quilt is 8 dark and 8 light fat quarters or 2 yards of a light fabric and 2 yards of a dark fabric.

**Teacher: Debbie Thomas**

**Class Fee: \$35.00**

**"Sew Along"**

If you would like to "Sew Along" with your friends, or friends to be, pick and choose your Sew Along date(s). Come and sew, talk, laugh, order out lunch if you choose- just have a day away. You will need to sign up though.

**Cost: \$5.00 The time will be 10:00 – 4:00.**

Dates are:

January: 7th, 12th, 14th, 17th, 18th, and 20th.

February: 10th, 11th, 18th, 21st, 25th, and 28th.

March: 11th and 30th.

April: 8th, 15th, 19th, 22nd, and 29th.

May: 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, and 26th.

**Monthly Sales**

**JANUARY**

**"Annual January Thaw Sale"**

**Friday, January 27th & Saturday, January 28th  
20% OFF STOREWIDE (Regularly priced merchandise)**

**FEBRUARY**

**"A DEAL A DAY"**

**You will be able to make a 15% OFF deal any day during the week of  
February 14th - 18th. Choose any one item and receive a 15% discount.  
(That one item could be one continuous cut of fabric:  
ex: 10 yards of one fabric if you wanted.)**

**MARCH**

**"ANNUAL PAJAMA PARTY SALE"**

**Friday, March 10th & Saturday, March 11th**

**Wear your pajamas 8:00a.m. – 9:00a.m. and receive 35% OFF ALL FABRIC  
Wear your pajamas 9:00a.m. - 10:00a.m. and receive 30% OFF ALL FABRIC  
Wear regular clothes 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and receive 25% OFF ALL FABRIC  
We just love seeing those jammies!**

**APRIL**

**"YOUR OWN PERSONAL COUPON DAY!"**

**Choose any one day this month and use your coupon for 20% OFF any ONE item.**



**20% off any one item  
excludes longarm quilting services)**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_**

**(coupon is good any day during the month of April 2017)**