



News from the Thread Loft Winter 2016

This year has flown by! We've been working to transfer emails to the new system. This is our 1st email from that system rather than the antiquated one we had been using. Three cheers for more efficient email.

Change in Dates/Times:

Block Club is normally the 2nd Sunday of the month from 3:00PM to 5:00PM. In January ONLY, we are moving to the 3rd Sunday of the month, January 15 instead of January 8. We are using both Block Maker and Block Maker II with a lot more resizing and alternate techniques when applicable. Dues are \$5.00 per session. Bring your own fabric, sewing machine, and sewing supplies.

Long arm class is moving to the 2nd Friday of the month. Our Wednesday group has grown so much that we need to make space for more attendees

Reminders:

Sewing machine service/repair is ongoing. Sewing machines that require cleaning and service or repair are collected on Wednesday. There is usually a one week turn around unless a quest for parts is involved.

Upcoming Events:

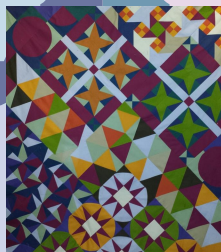
Saturday, December 17th, we will be hosting some demos of ornaments that are quick and kid friendly. We'll be starting at noon(ish) and repeating the demos two or three times during the afternoon.

SALE! The winter solstice is December 21st. In anticipation of the 1st day of winter, we'll be starting our sale on December 18 and continuing through January 7. We've increased the length of the sale to extend after the holidays per customer request. HOWEVER, the sale will change from one year to the next. Prior to 2017, we'll be discounting seasonal items a bit more than after the New Year. The general sale will be 10% off of fabrics, kits, patterns, books, and notions. There may be other discounts depending on the day, so ask for details. As always, there are some items that cannot be discounted; an exclusions list will be posted at the shop.

It's a mystery!!! Yes, we are hosting a New Year's Eve Mystery Quilt!!! We'll start at noon on December 31. Trish will be the MC. The instructor fee is \$45, payable directly to Trish. The quilt is approximately 60" square with an optional border that makes it close to queen size. We encourage you to use your stash for this quilt. It requires 3 "background" fabrics plus scrap. Trish says it's the best so far. Be sure to reserve your space soon.

Classes/Workshops/Clubs/Guild

Classes are currently being scheduled for 2017. We are focusing on stash busting this year. One of our first is a 6 month Block of the Month as pictured below. The instructor/pattern fee is \$35.00. There are several techniques to this quilt. This will start the 3rd Saturday in February.



Miss Muffet's Tuffet class will be repeated. Dates will be posted on the calendar as soon dates are decided.

Kona Bay teamed up with Jason Yenter of In the Beginning fabric to design a new fabric line entitled Shadowland. With the release of the fabric came patterns that emphasize the uniqueness of the colors and design. Trish will be offering a class in one of these quilts during January or February.

The community service oriented sew is still the 4th Saturday of the month. The focus will be projects to donate to military related organizations. This implies that the projects can change based on need and requests from the community. If you have fabric that is appropriate please bring; we'll have some from our own stashes as well. Sewing machine and general sewing supplies will be required. We'll start sewing at 10:00 and continue until 1:00.

Our Dear Jane and Friends club is cancelled for now. This club was mostly handwork. If the interest in handwork increases, the club will be reinstated.

Every Wednesday morning a group of quilters get together and share their work. This club meets from 10:00 till 1:00 or later. This is just an open sew and brings much happiness to all who attend. Grab your machine and project and join the group.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season, a Happy Winter, and a safe and HAPPY 2017!

The Thread Loft Family