



# *The Fat Quarterly*

## **CRAFTY FABRICS' NEWSLETTER**

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The cozy quilting store at the Jersey shore.

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## Sew, What's New at the Shop?



A new season has ushered in not only some lovely cool weather and the beginnings of the annual color-changing of the trees, but also some new additions to our shop!

We have a new long-arm quilter for you to use when your "too big to quilt on my own" projects are completed. **Shirl Ryan** of *Sew Bee It* hails from near-by Manchester, and she has a quick turn-around time of only 2 weeks! She will come to the store to pick up your work, and will return it for you to take home when she's done. Her price list and samples of her wonderful quilting are both at the store. Drop in to see what a fantastic job she does!



A new quilter calls for new projects, and this quarter we are offering Eleanor Burns patterns and Thimbleberries books to go with

the new fabrics in the shop. The difference this time is that YOU can select your own projects instead of committing to a specific class on the weekends. Open sewing offers the opportunity to "play with fabric" at your own pace and to choose the projects that will make your house ready for the upcoming



holidays. Some suggestions for you to consider include any of the lovely Thimbleberries books for the autumn and winter holiday seasons, as

well as several books by Eleanor Burns. We also have Eleanor's individual patterns for *Pumpkin Grins*, an adorable set of small wall hanging and 4 placemats, each sporting a different expression that will have all your trick-or-treat guests smiling during the entire month of October. For a more season-specific feel, try *Pumpkin Farm* or *Autumn Leaves*. The latter pattern is a table runner or wall hanging made from a not-so-traditional maple leaf that can also be the body of a Thanksgiving turkey! The *Pumpkin Farm* pattern offers several options for a 9-patch wall hanging pumpkin patch, or a three-pumpkin table runner that can be customized with or without jack-o-lantern faces.



If you're already beginning to think of the winter holidays, *A Better Star For All Seasons* is the perfect pattern for creating a lap quilt, wall hanging, or table runner in a variety of fabric choices from planned to scrappy. This is the perfect way to decorate for the holiday season! Or if you prefer to create an all-year quilt, try *Storm At Sea*, *How Charming*, or *Fox and Geese*. There are samples of the latter two at the shop to inspire you.



New fabrics are always a treat and inspiration for a new quilting idea, and we have some lovely ones for you to mix and match. We just added some bright and colorful batiks that would be perfect to bring some warm thoughts when the cold and snowy weather arrives later in the season. Always appropriate stars are available in red on a white background, as well as white stars on navy or red. Tonal prints of a small vine have come in in a bright honey-gold and deep pumpkin orange. We've also added some lovely Thimbleberries fabrics that coordinate easily with the others we have in the store, and will work beautifully in Lynette's traditionally styled quilts to decorate your own home, or the lucky recipient of a hand-made gift. Feel free to come in, "ooh and ahh", and build up your fabric stash!

We are still collecting pillowcases for the "Make a Pillowcase, Make a Difference"

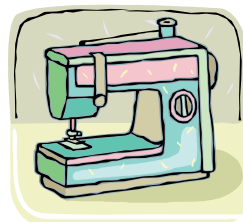


quilting challenge. Feel free to stop in and join us in this worthwhile project as we march towards the goal of 1,000,000 pillowcases for children in Monmouth and Ocean counties' hospitals. You are welcome to either use our pre-selected fabrics, or drop off some you've made at home.



Are you looking to try out some machine embroidery to embellish your quilting projects? **FOR SALE:**

**BROTHER PC 8200 PACE-SETTER EMBROIDERY/SEWING MACHINE.** Includes many accessories. Come to the shop for a look-see and price.



**GOT QUESTIONS OR IDEAS?** There is always someone at the store to help you out and guide you on your way to continue with your sewing and quilting projects. Let us know if there is anything special you would like to do as a project or class. We welcome your suggestions and ideas for future classes.



Our next issue of *The Fat Quarterly* will be ready for January. Till then, we look forward to seeing you at the store. Happy sewing, and happy holidays!

