

Life's A Stitch News Spring 2012

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Hours: Wed. & Fri. 10-5, Tues. & Thurs 10-6, Sat 10-3

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Hi everyone!

Sorry we are a little late with the newsletter . . . but as we all know, “better late than never”! We do wish everyone nothing but the best for 2012 and to kick off the year we have our **schedule of classes, workshops and events listed below for your review.**

We also have our annual customer **“Thank You Sale” – Fri. Feb. 10th & Sat. Feb.11th**. We pushed it back due to the late letter, but we are still putting **everything on sale!** This is our way of saying “Thank you” to all of our great customers for their ongoing support. All Bernina sewing machines and sergers will be on sale along with the demonstrator models– what a great way to get that Bernina that you’ve always wanted and save some money at the same time! NOTE: All demo models are sold with full warranty and our free guide class program.

Please mark your calendars for the Green Bay Area Shop Hop – Thur. Mar. 8th thru Sat. Mar. 10th. Visit all six shops and qualify for a chance to win the grand prize – a Horn Deluxe 6-way adjustable sewing chair – a \$349.00 value! Also, we are collecting “non-perishable” food items at each shop. When you drop an item off at a shop, you qualify for their special door prize.

Please note that **our store will follow local school closings**, i.e., if DePere schools are closed due to weather, then we will also be closed.

Thank you for your support, and we hope to see you soon!

Susie, Mike, and the Life’s A Stitch Team

Special Invitations

- **Sew For A Cause** This group meets every month on the third Thurs. from 4-6pm to make pillowcases for local charities. Everyone is welcome! Give us a call and let us know you are coming, and if needed, we can usually even provide you with a machine to use.
- **1st Tuesday of every month - Afternoon Open Sew** Every Tue. afternoon from 1:00 to 5:00 pm.! A great opportunity to finish your projects or start a new one! Irons and cutting mats are set-up and ready for you to use - Coffee and spring water available. Hope to see you! - Mary
- **Bernina Club** - Each session has a fun virtual show by a Bernina educator exploring new techniques. We meet each month usually on the last Thur. at 6pm. Next meetings are 1/26,2/23/3/22,&4/16. Cost is \$12 per session and includes a CD with handouts. **Must pre- register.**
- **Bernina Free Webinars** – Do not miss the free Bernina Webinars on your computer each month. Check out Berninausa.com for a listing and register for the ones you want to see.It’s that easy! Customer webinars coming up include Bernina software, Quiltmotion, and the 8 series. Call if you have any questions.

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What's New

- **"Thank You Sale" 2/10 & 2/11** – Everything on sale – Fabric (1yd min. cut) at 15% off! All thread 15% off! Bernina sewing machines, embroidery machines and sergers on sale with special financing available! Horn cabinets 20% off delivered! Special Door prizes along with refreshments!
- **Bernina Quilt Motion Software** – check out this cool, new way to finish your quilts. Choose your design and/block, and have the software do your quilting. If interested, call us and we can set-up a personal demo.
- **Green Bay Area Shop Hop 3/8-3/10** Six shops in the GB area will be having a Shop Hop Thur. 3/8 (10-6pm), Fri. 3/9 (10-5pm) and Sat. 3/10 (10-4pm). Grand Prize is a \$349.00 Horn 6-way adjustable Sewing chair! "Shop Hop" quilts, door prizes, and lots of fun – be sure to save the day!
- **All demo models on Sale Thru 2/11– Get that Bernina you wanted and really save some money. All sold with full warranty!**
 - Last 440 QE floor model – list price is \$4399 – Sale price is \$2799!
 - Bernina floor model 1008 – list price is \$1399 – sale price is \$899!
 - Juki 600 floor model – list price is \$2799 – close out price is \$999!

Classes & Workshops

Fun with Circles

Sat. Feb. 11, 10:00 – 1:00pm

Come and learn the technique for making intricate circle designs that can become the focal point of your quilt. This workshop will show you how to use the Bernina circular attachment #83 and give you helpful tips on how to create some beautiful embellishments. Class is limited to Bernina machine owners.

Cost is \$25 -Kim

Back to the Basics

Thur. Feb. 16, 2:00 – 5:00pm

This class is designed for beginners or anyone who has not sewed for some time. The first part of the class is on the “feed and care” of your machine. The second part covers what is new in sewing. A pillow case will be made in the last part of class. Sewing machine must be in good working order, and you must have at least a “working’ knowledge of your sewing machine. Cost is \$35 -Mike & Mary Jo

Picture Quilt

Sat. Feb. 25, 10:00 – 2:00pm

Learn how to make this beautiful quilt that is perfect to display your favorite photos. Great gift idea. Cost is \$40 –Janna Z.

Hand Quilting

Wed. Feb. 22, 1:00-3:00pm

Fri. Mar16 1:00 – 3:00pm

Learn the basics of hand quilting. This class will focus on proper techniques and tips for making hand quilting easier and more enjoyable. Cost is \$20 -Mary Jo

Celtic Sampler

Fri. Feb. 24, 10:00 – 12:30

Wed. Apr. 11, 1:00 – 3:30

Celtic is an “over and under” process sewing bias strips. It imitates the 3-D art of weaving and basketry.

Cost is \$30 (pattern included) - Mary Jo

“Snap Happy” Bag

Fri. April 6, 10:00-noon

Learn how to make the “Snap Happy” all-purpose bag – great to use for sewing notions, school supplies and makes a gift. For all sewing levels. Measuring tape is provided for pattern. Cost is \$25 -Mary Jo

Grandma’s Lucky 4-Leaf Clover

Wed. Mar. 1, 10:00-noon

Learn how to make this fun, versatile quilt block that can be turned into a quilt, pot holder, table runner, or anything using a single quilt block. Great for beginner quilters, or anyone wanting to try something different.

Cost is \$20 - Judy

Fantastic Fabric Flowers

Thurs. Mar. 15, 4:00 – 6:00pm

Fabric flowers are making a fashion statement everywhere – from clothing and accessories to home dec and quilting!

Join us for a creative & fun session using fabric scraps, buttons, ribbons, and other embellishments from your own stash.

Each student will go home with your own “one of a kind” flower pin. Good class for everyone! Cost is \$20 -Karen Kemp

Paper Piecing – Watering Can

Wed.Mar. 14, 10:00 -12:30

Learn the basics of “paper piecing” while making a fun and colorful wall hanging.

Great class for beginners or anyone wanting to learn the basics of “paper piecing” as taught by one of the areas best teachers! (pattern is included)

Cost is \$35 - .Kathy Eichinger

Prairie Point Jacket

Sat. Mar. 17, 10-2pm

Create a very attractive jacket from prairie points cut from fat quarters. This is a great class for beginners, and is taught by one of our most experienced teachers. Great jacket for Spring and Fall.

Cost is \$35.....Karon

Two Color Binding class

Sat. April 14, 10:30 -noon

Finish a wall hanging or table mat beautifully with a binding that matches both sides of the quilted piece. Perfect for reversible or seasonal work or in any case where it is important or desirable, to have the binding match both the front and the back. Lot’s of fun and easy to learn.

Cost is \$15 – Karen Matze

“Cotton Theory - Button Back Runner”

Sat Mar.31, 900-3:00pm

Cotton Theory is a new and different way to quilt – it’s backward! Unlike traditional quilts, which are pieced together, layered with batting, and then quilted, Cotton Theory projects are quilted first, one segment at a time, and then assembled using Betty Cotton’s fold-and –finish procedures. This method makes quilting easy and lots of fun, no matter what the size of your quilt. Alice Brickl, a certified Cotton Theory instructor, will lead you through the workshop, using the Cotton Theory method while making the “Button Back Runner! It’s fast, fun, and completely unique! Kit is required.

Workshop cost is \$50 – Alice Brickl

Yoga for Quilters

Thur. April 12, 10:30 - noon

Try some very soothing Yoga that can ease your muscle aches and pains due to quilting. This class is taught by a certified Yoga instructor who is also a very talented quilter. Cost is \$15 -Kathy Eichinger

Overcoming Embroidery “Phobia”

Tue. Feb. 28, 4:00 – 6:00pm

If you are having trouble getting started with embroidery and have completed your guide classes, then this class may be just what you need. We will be embroidering on towels and discussing some basic info on using proper stabilizer, positioning your design, and more. Great class for anyone wanting a little more confidence with their embroidery. Only for Bernina Embroidery machines. Cost is \$25 -Susan

Serger Play

Sat. April 28, 10:00 – noon

Come and have fun with different decorative threads and techniques. We will “play” with “Poly yarn”, Pearl Cotton, and other threads in the loopers to create different edge treatments. All thread and fabric will be provided. Must have a Bernina serger in good working order and be able to convert from a 3 thread overlock to a rolled hem. “Coaching” will be provided if needed. (supplies included) Cost \$35 - Susan & Mike

New Service Program

Life’s A Stitch has one of the best Technical teams in the Midwest. We **service all brands and have a quick turnaround (usually 10 days or less) with a 90 day warranty.** We now will also accept appointments for your service. With an appt., we “strive” to finish in 2 hours or less! Originally designed for customers traveling long distances, testing concluded that an appointment can, at times, have benefits for all. Please keep in mind:

1. **An appointment is not necessary for everyone - You can still drop off your machine at anytime, and we will get it back to you quickly.**
2. Even with an appointment, **sometimes we will not meet the 2 hour goal due to needed parts or extended diagnosis of a problem.**

Just give us a call to set an appointment or if you have any questions. Thank you!

Class Policy

Pre-registration is necessary for all classes, clubs and workshops. **Class fee is due at time of registration** and a supply list will be provided. Our classes require you to bring basic sewing supplies; these include pins, seam ripper, thread, scissors, and a sewing machine in good working condition. Pattern and supplies are not included in the class fee unless noted. No refunds are given for classes unless class is canceled. If you are unable to attend, class fees will be refunded only with at least 5 days notice. Please remember, in some classes, you may not be able to finish the total project in class; in all classes however, you will receive proper instruction and assistance on how to do so.