



# The Buzz

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### The Newness of Spring

I just love this season. I love the new fresh green popping through the ground. The wonderful flowers unfurling and dressing up in their finery. I wish the season could last a little longer.



It is the season of new beginnings; to me even more so than the first of the year. Speaking of which how are your goals coming? Are those UFO's turning into finished projects? We have gotten in some new wide backing fabrics to help you get your quilts finished! We are also having our Quilt As You Go class again. This time the book is ready! Yes, Beverly has written a book to go along with her method. This class will help you get those unfinished projects done or at least your future projects done.

If you would like to go green we have a bag class waiting for you. You will learn how to make a bag and you will receive 10% off all discountable merchandise when you use your bag to shop here. The kit has durable denim for the main fabric and you should be able to get a lot of use out of your bag.

Our hand quilting class will be on Saturday this quarter. Remember that the method of hand quilting that will be taught is hoop-less! Learn to do this enjoyable and relaxing craft.

If you have been collecting the Jelly Rolls or love the Jelly Rolls and just don't know what to do with them we will be having two classes that will be using them! This is the time to finally untie the ribbon and cut into the roll. I have made at least five quilts using these Jelly Rolls and they speed up the process so much.

We are offering a binding class. In this class you will learn how to bind your quilt top. We are hoping to help you get some of those projects done and have a fresh start this spring!

Check the class calendar for times and details of the above mentioned classes.

### Fabric Lines Scheduled to Come In

**March:** Collections for a Cause - Legacy by Howard Marcus



Legacy is what one leaves behind in an effort to enhance the care of future generations. The newest collection of reproduction prints from Howard Marcus is doing just that. The proceeds from Legacy go to help fund the research to find a cure for Juvenile Diabetes. In ivory, soft blues, chestnut and double pinks the next quilt you make could be as beautiful as it is charitable.

**April:**



**May:**



**June:**



## Appliqué Club



Our appliqué club is just that, a club now. The students are so excited about their new skills that they are off doing their own projects. The teacher has agreed to be the facilitator for an appliqué club. In this club you may work on whatever appliqué project you wish and the facilitator will help you with your questions. You do not need to have taken the class to join the club.

We are offering the option to come to the club on a pay as you go basis again. We still need you to register for the club so we know how many to expect. You may opt to pay for it all at once too.

For those of you who would like to learn needle turned hand appliqué we are also offering an introduction to the technique. Check out the calendar section for times. These classes will run during the club time.

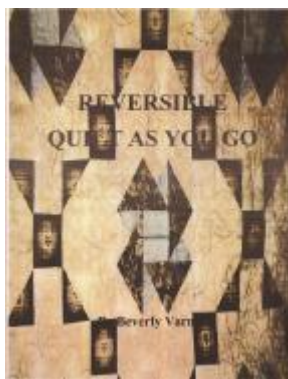
The club will be suspended for the summer months so we are only having it April and May.

*You Are Invited to The Civil War Diary Quilt and The Civil War Love Letter Quilt Clubs.*

*Come and join us, there is still room! The Civil War Diary Quilt club will be on the fourth Tuesday of the month.*

*The Civil War Love Letter Club will be the third Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted on the calendar.*

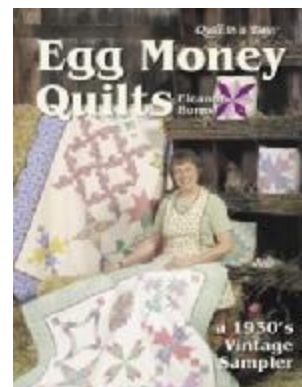
## Hot Off the Press!



Beverly has published a book with her Quilt As You Go method! We now have it in the Shoppe. If you have taken her class and would like a copy we have a good number of them in the Shoppe.

## New Block of the Month Program Starting!

In June we will be finishing up our first in class Block of the Month program and the students have asked for more. Specifically we have had a request to use Eleanor Burns book *Egg Money Quilts*. So starting in July we will be working in this book and if you sign up you will have the opportunity to make a beautiful quilt while learning new techniques. Our next newsletter will have more details.



We Still Have Room In Our Second Paper Piecing Block of the Month!

We have one more space for this block of the month program. It meets on the second Tuesday of the month. We will be working on our skills until we can master the more advanced blocks. Come and join in the fun!

