

# Country Quilting News

May 2012



## Hi fellow Quilters!

May!! the month of flowers or at least it is supposed to be. I have had flowers in my gardens since the end of March, this year, which has been a treat. I am sure that a lot of you have been busy outside and have turned away from your sewing rooms for the time being. I know I have not devoted much of my spare time to quilting projects of my own. If it were not for the fact that I quilt for a living I may not have done any sewing lately (what an awful thought). The good thing about the hobby of quilting is that you can take a break and then pick right back up again when you get a few minutes. The nice thing about fabric is that it doesn't go bad, dry out or spoil while you do other things— it might get a little dusty but then what doesn't. That means that this nice time of year is a great opportunity to visit my quilt shop for inspiration and of course to pick up more fabric for a project or just to add to your stash – then it will be there waiting until you have the time to work with it. **Fabric NEVER goes to waste!**

The start of the nice weather means the start of **Wedding Season** and quilts make beautiful gifts. It doesn't have to be a full sized bed quilt....what about a throw quilt for the couch or even a table runner with matching placemats. There are lots of quick and easy projects that can be done up in a hurry AND look great— Sure, in these days you can pick up a quilt at a department store or from the catalogue for peanuts but wash them a couple of times and see what is left. My grandma used to say *"you get what you pay for."*

May is a busy month for me. My two adorable grandsons turn one this month. Lane on May 12th and Nolan on May 18th. Happy birthday to my little buddies!!!!!! May also marks the return of my daughter Sarah from India where she has

been working during tax season this year. Needless to say, I will be very happy to have her back home. Thank goodness for modern technology, namely Black Berry, which has allowed me to be able to "chat" with her via BBM (Black Berry Messaging) and exchange photos and emails. I would not have liked to be out of contact for that long as would have been the case years ago. Sarah will be back and rested up in time for the **Mystery Reveal Party**, Saturday, June 16th from 9:30 until 12. If you didn't participate in making a mystery quilt, you are still more than welcome to come and enjoy the festivities. I would ask everyone who are planning on attending, mystery quilters or not, to RSVP either by phone, in person or via email, by June 8th. This way we can make sure there are enough treats awaiting all who come. Mmmmmmm..... Treats!

**Something new** that I am offering, at Country Quilting, is **specialty buttons**. I don't know if any of you have heard of the company called **Just Another Button Company**, but I have ordered some of their whimsical buttons and have their catalogue in store for you to look through. If you are working on a project that needs some button embellishing, drop by and have a look. You won't be able to resist taking home some of these buttons. I, also, can order buttons for you at any time but for those who are patient, I will be increasing my selection over time. You can also check out the website [www.justanotherbuttoncompany.com](http://www.justanotherbuttoncompany.com) and email me what you would like me to order as they don't sell retail.

Well I think that is all I will say for now as I need to get back to work on my mystery quilt. Until I see you again, as always, I wish you peace, love, joy and Happy Quilting - Pam

## What's New ?

### **This month's feature:**

**Kim Diehl note cards. This box set of 12 cards, and envelopes, feature 12 different Kim Diehl projects. This would be a great gift item for a quilter or for those Kim Diehl fans out there who would like to have the set for themselves. I know most of us do not send out actual hand written notes anymore but maybe we should and having beautiful note cards on which to do it would be good incentive to do so.**

## Birthday Club

**Country Quilting wants to celebrate your birthday with you!**

Drop in, call or email and we will fill you in on the fun details!!! If you have not registered, don't delay! I know I like a good sale but I love to see fellow quilters save too!

**The block of the month** starts next month so there is still time to sign up. The cost is \$15 a month for 6 months or if you pay up front \$85. That is for all fabrics and the patterns you will need for the top. Please stop by the store to see the sample and you can sign up in the store or give me a call or send an email.



### **Store Hours:**

**Wednesday—Friday  
10 a.m. till 5 p.m.**

**2nd Saturday of each  
month 9 a.m. till 12 noon.**

Would love to see you!!!

## Homespun Happenings at Country Quilting!

### Calling all Mystery quilters and Mystery quilt admirers ...

The date is getting closer for the big Reveal party. Finish up those quilts, call us and let us know if you'll be attending. A wonderful day to enjoy beautiful quilts and wonderful homemade goodies and refreshments.

**Mark your calendars today!**

**June 16th, 2012**

### **The Quilters Romance Mystery Quilt Reveal Party.**

**Special guest: Sherri Hisey**

from Border Creek Station Pattern Co.

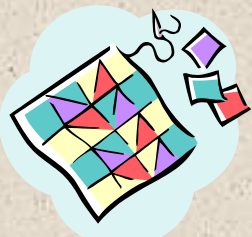
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### **Class Corner**

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you and your friends.  
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happy to tell you how!



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## Quilter Recipe Corner

### **Pumpkin Biscuits**

**Prep Time:** 15 minutes

**Cook Time:** 12 minutes

**Total Time:** 27 minutes

#### **Ingredients:**

2 cups all-purpose flour

1/4 tsp salt

2 tsp baking powder

1/4 tsp baking soda

2 tsp pumpkin spice

5 tbsp cold butter, cut into pieces

3/4 cup pumpkin puree

1 tbsp honey

1/3 cup fat-free buttermilk



#### **Preparation:**

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Whisk flour, salt, baking powder, baking soda, and pumpkin pie spice in a large bowl. Cut in butter pieces using a pastry blender. Using a wooden spoon, add pumpkin puree, honey and buttermilk and combine until just moist.

Turn dough out on to a floured surface. It will be sticky. With floured hands, knead the dough three or four times, then fold the dough in on itself, and roll out to 3/4 inch thickness. Cut straight down with a 1 3/4-inch or 2-inch cutter and place close together on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.

Bake 10-12 minutes, until golden brown.

### **Quotes to Make Quilts By...**

**"I'm creative.  
You can't expect  
me to be  
neat too."**

