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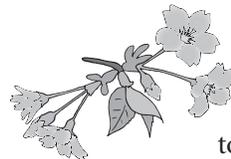
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Happy spring, everyone! My name is Dianne Larson and my husband and I are thrilled to be the new owners of Mill House Quilts. As we eagerly look for the flower shoots to arise, it's easy to compare Mill House Quilts to a rich perennial bed of flowers. We want to thank Debbie and Mike for the strong root system they established. It was a huge job renovating the building and starting the store. Mill House will retain its charming association of fabric and antiques as it grows several new shoots. A web site is being added, classes have been expanded, and we will have some large group events. We expect a gorgeous crop of flowers this year. The same great staff of Lisa, Connie, Kay, Barb, and Mary are still here to help you. We have also added Krista. Please stop in and say hi. I'd love to meet each of you personally.

Dianne



GARDEN PARTY

We're having a Garden Party **Saturday, May 13, 1–3 p.m.**, upstairs in our Big Event Room. Treat yourself to a fun afternoon of flowers, fabric, and food. We'll include some fabulous door prizes, too. After enjoying finger sandwiches and tea cakes, our speaker, Shelley Larson, will inspire us with her Power Point presentation of flowers and fabric. Shelley is a consultant for designing plant communities, specializing in native wetland, woodland, and prairie plants. She has also been a quilter for over 30 years. Our party's finale will be a floral quilt showing. If you have a floral quilt you would like to show, please bring it along. **Fee: \$18**



WATCH US GROW!

One of the beautiful flowers that we will be nurturing this year is our new website. We have some wonderful plans already in the works, but would love to hear from you! Your opinion is very important to us and we want to include the items that matter the most to you. We invite you to take a very quick five minute survey. Everyone that participates will be entered into a **drawing for a \$50 gift certificate** for Mill House Quilts! Please visit www.millhousequilts.com for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

GARDEN PARTY
May 13, 1–3p.m.

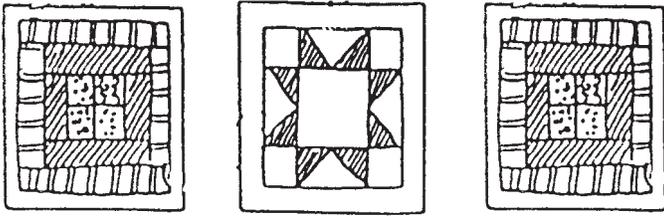
Grand Opening
June 15–17

SHOP HOP
July 26–30

CONVERGENCE CONTEST
Early August

APPLIQUÉ CLUB FORMING
September

FREE MONTHLY CLASSES



GADGET GURU

Mill House has its very own gadget guru—Judy Ward. Those of you who know Judy know she specializes in having just about every quilting gadget she can find. Judy is delighted to do some scouting for us in searching out gadgets. Each month Judy will do a free half-hour demonstration highlighting several of her finds.

April 11, 10–10:30 a.m., May 18, 1–1:30 p.m., and June 21, 11–11:30 a.m. FREE

6-INCH BLOCK OF THE MONTH CLUB

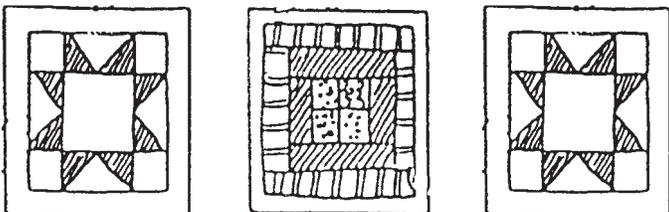
The 6-Inch Block of the Month Club meets the **first Tuesday of the month from 9:30–11 a.m.** Each month a new six inch block is presented using any technique needed for that block. The club is loosely based on the book *Teach Yourself Blocks From the Past* by Marie Henry. This is a great chance to use up scraps! New members are welcome to join at any time. Hosted by Kathy Willis. **FREE**

2006 MACHINE PIECING BLOCK OF THE MONTH CLUB

This year's blocks are from the book *Angle Play* by Margaret Miller. A new block is presented each month. Meetings are the **first Thursday of the month from 10–11 a.m.** This inspirational class is hosted by Lisa Foy. **FREE**

APPLIQUÉ BLOCK OF THE MONTH— "THE NORTH POLE VILLAGE"

Different appliqué techniques are used to create a personalized Santa Village based on the book *Welcome to the North Pole*. The possibilities are endless. April is the last month for this group to meet. Starting in May we will be eagerly waiting to see **finished** projects. Hosted by Kay. **April 13, 6:30–8:30 p.m. and April 14, 12–2 p.m. FREE**



8TH ANNUAL QUILTER'S ROAD TRIP

Mill House is participating in the Quilter's Road Trip, more commonly known as the Shop Hop July 26–30. Nine stores in south central Wisconsin and one just over the border into Illinois are participating. Each shop will have a demonstration of a technique or project, give-aways, refreshments, and a recipe. By visiting each participating shop you'll be entered to win one of 10 specially selected kits. Chartered buses visiting five stores a day will be available for a fee to those who would rather not drive. More information will be available in May.

CONVERGENCE CONTEST

Ricky Timms is coming to Madison July 15–16. Convergence is one of his most popular patterns. It's quick and easy, sewing strips of different widths together. We'll have a viewers' choice contest in early August with Mill House Gift Certificates as prizes. We have some of Ricky's books on-hand if you want an early start. More details will be in the next newsletter.

NEW ARRIVALS

It's been such fun meeting reps and ordering fabric. Hundreds of bolts have been ordered and they are starting to arrive. We'll have soft cozy florals, brights and bolds, batiks, flannels, brushed cottons, and basics, plus lots of patterns and books. Christmas will start arriving in June. Stop in to see the latest additions.

OPERATION SNUGGLES

Operation Snuggles is a program designed to give each child of a military person serving abroad a quilt to snuggle in while their parent is away. If you would like to donate a quilt, quilts for any age are appropriate from babies and children to teenagers. Gold Star quilts are also being made for the families of our fallen soldiers. Mill House is happy to be a collecting point for Operation Snuggles quilts.

CLASS SCHEDULE

CLASS SYMBOLS: PS=Preschool: Knowledge of rotary cutter and basic sewing skills.
M&T=Make it and Take it: The project should be done or almost done by the end of the class.

QUILTER'S PRESCHOOL

Wednesday, April 12, 1–2 p.m. or Saturday, April 22,
10–11 a.m. or Monday, May 8, 1:30–2:30 p.m. or
Friday, June 9, 10–11 a.m.

Learn how to use the rotary cutter. This is the most basic of quilting tools. You will cut and “assemble” several quilting blocks. If you already have a basic sewing knowledge, you will be able to successfully complete classes marked with a PS after taking this class. *No sewing machine needed.*

Instructor: Dianne Larson

Fee: \$18

INTERMEDIATE QUILTING CLASS

Thursdays, April 13, 20, 27, 6–9 p.m.

Ready to stretch and grow? In this class you will learn piecing techniques such as curved piecing, y-seams, acute angles, paper piecing, etc. It's a great way to challenge and expand what you already know. *Book required.*

Instructor: Lisa Foy

Fee: \$48

BEGINNING QUILTING

Tuesdays, April 18, 25, and
May 2, 9, 16, and 23,
9:30–11:30 a.m.

Learn ALL the fast and easy ways to make your first quilt from start to finish! This class will meet each week for six sessions. You should have a completed quilt by the end of class. *No sewing machine needed.*

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$68

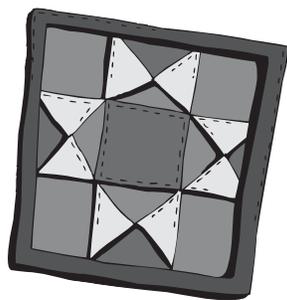
TALL PINES QUILT

Wednesdays, April 19, 26, and May 3, 1–3 p.m.

This striking 54"x54" wall hanging designed by Lois Jarvis uses off-center log cabin blocks to make the tall pine trees and quarter-cut triangles for the zigzag border. It's a stunning addition to any wall. *Pattern required.*

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$38



TULIPS

Thursday, April 20, 6–9 p.m.

Think spring! This delightful bed of tulips will brighten any room. Instructor Kathy Doyle will guide you through the technique of paper piecing. *Pattern required.*

Instructor: Kathy Doyle

Fee: \$28

MACHINE QUILTING

Friday, April 21, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Learn the basics of machine quilting in this all day class. While our main focus will be on free motion quilting, stitch in the ditch and template quilting are also taught. It will be a joy to get your quilts finished!

All levels

Instructor: Kay Staskal

Fee: \$40

FOCUS ON FAVORITES

Thursday, April 27, 9:30 a.m.–12 noon

Just in time for Mother's Day, you can create a quick, personalized bag using photo transfers, your choice of fabric, and a treasured memory. Include in this recipe for fun, photos of children, grandchildren, granddogs, pets, travels, or special events. Learn how to make a versatile bag that looks good inside and out. *Book required.*

Instructor: Judy Ward

Fee: \$25

PS, M&T

Note: Krista at Mill House can transfer your photos to fabric for a fee of \$7.50 each photo.

FABRIC SELECTION MADE EASY

Friday, April 28, 9:30 a.m.–12 noon

One of the hardest parts of making a quilt can be choosing the fabrics. This half-day class will open new doors. You will construct a fabric selection guide book, as well as new knowledge in hands-on exercises that will give you confidence. *No sewing in this class.*

All levels

Instructor: Linda Halpin

Fee: \$28

CLASS SCHEDULE

DESIGN GAMES

Friday, April 28, 1–4 p.m.

Can't draw? This class is for you. Traditional patterns take on a whole new look when you play design games. Tricks for putting colors together and design techniques geared to the non-artist will open doors to creativity. *No sewing in this class.*

All levels

Instructor: Linda Halpin

Fee: \$28

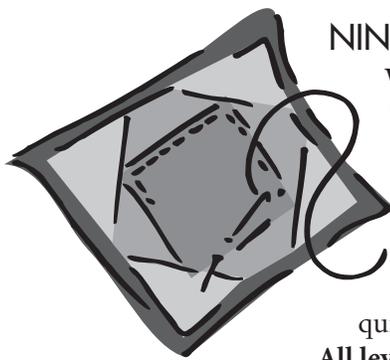
MACHINE APPLIQUÉ

Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Learn the techniques of invisible machine appliqué as you stitch the beauty of a traditional appliqué pattern. Kay will teach time-saving tips and techniques to make this process easy.

Instructor: Kay Staskal

Fee: \$40



PUZZLE BALLS

Saturday, May 6, 9:30–11 a.m. or

Tuesday, June 6, 1–2:30 p.m.

This quick-to-make ball has lots of possibilities—bright colored baby ball, black and white soccer ball, or chic room decor. It's easier to sew by hand than machine, so makes a great carry along project. *Book required.*

Instructor: Dianne Larson

Fee: \$23

PS, M&T

TEMPLATE-FREE HAND APPLIQUÉ

Thursday, May 11, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

This is an all day class to learn template-free and needle-turn appliqué. Learn this fun and fast technique while stitching spring flowers. *Pattern and needle kit included.*

All levels

Instructor: Kay Staskal

Fee: \$40

PATRIOTIC STARS

Thursday, May 11, 6–9 p.m.

Just in time for Memorial Day and the Fourth of July! Kathy will demonstrate paper piecing software using a star pattern. You will then sew three stars which can be put into a 36"x14" table runner or wall hanging.

Instructor: Kathy Doyle

Fee: \$28

M&T

NINE PATCH MANIPULATIONS

Wednesday, May 17, 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Strip piecing techniques transform the ever-popular nine patch into a variety of wonderful designs that will warm the heart and soul of the recipient. One pattern turns into five variations, and best of all, they create the cut-aways Linda has become so well-known for, perfect for three different bonus quilts. That's a total of eight quilts in all!

All levels

Instructor: Linda Halpin

Fee: \$43

CHECKERBOARD STAR LAP QUILT

Wednesdays, May 17, 24, and 31, 1–3 p.m.

This quilt only looks complicated. The secret is... I promise that once you learn it, this quick pieced 58"x73" quilt will become your gift of choice for graduations and anniversaries. *Pattern required.*

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$38

BIG AND LITTLE BABY QUILT

Monday, May 22, 1–4 p.m.

This quickly pieced 36"x52" quilt will become your favorite new baby gift after you learn the secrets of its construction.

Beginner level

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$28

CLASS SCHEDULE

IRIS WALL QUILT

Thursday, May 25, 6–9 p.m.

Recreate the richness of iris in this small wall quilt. Kathy Doyle will guide you through the technique of paper piecing. *Pattern required.*

Instructor: Kathy Doyle

Fee: \$28

TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

Tuesdays, May 30, June 13, and 27, 1–3 p.m.

One of the best loved patterns! Learn all the secrets to creating this wonderful quilt including color selection, quick piecing, and fast accurate no-mark machine quilting.

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$38

BEGINNING QUILTING

**Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15,
22, 29, and July 6, 6–9 p.m.**

This is an 18-hour beginning level class covering all the basics of quilt making from cutting, sewing, sashing, borders, quilting the quilt, and binding. You will experience the fun while constructing this lap sized sampler quilt. Ninety percent of our beginning students finish this project while in class making it a “start to finish” class.

Instructor: Lisa Foy

Fee: \$68

BEGINNING QUILTING

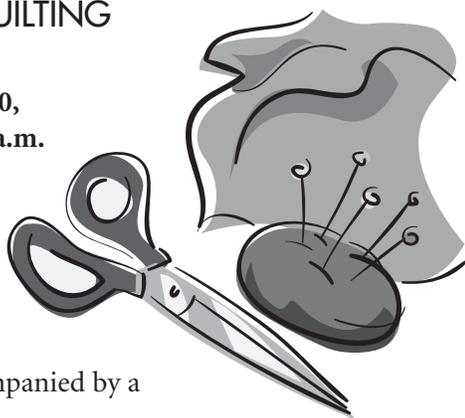
FOR KIDS

**Saturdays, June 3, 10,
and 17, 9:30–11:30 a.m.**

Learn the basics of quilt making including using the sewing machine and quilting tools. Each child must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Instructor: Jane Vaughan

Fee: \$28



FABULOUS & EASY SUMMER TABLE RUNNER

Saturday, June 3, 10–3 p.m.

Make it today, use it tonight. This bright, cheerful table runner is quick and easy to piece. The machine appliqué design on each end adds a great finishing touch. *Pattern included.*

Instructor: Kay Staskal

Fee: \$40

M&T

SCAVENGER HUNT QUILT

Thursday, June 8, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

You’ll end up playing “I Spy” as you add the bright, playful prints to border this pre-printed camping scavenger hunt panel. Great for adults or kids who can sew. *Pattern included.*

Instructor: Judy Ward

Fee: \$28

WHAT QUILTING PATTERN GOES WHERE

Monday, June 12, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Quilting transforms the quilt. You spent hours picking colors, choosing fabrics, and constructing the quilt top. The choice of a quilting pattern deserves the same care. This discussion course helps you to decide what type of quilting best enhances your quilt, whether by hand or machine, traditional or contemporary. Students are encouraged to bring quilt tops they’d like help with.

All levels

Instructor: Linda Halpin

Fee: \$28

QUICK GIFTS

Monday, June 12, 1–4 p.m.

You will stitch along as Linda demonstrates five different quick gifts to make. In today’s busy world, it is nice to leave a class with things that are completed, and this class will give you that. Whether using batiks or specialty prints, you will be able to whip up gifts for year-round giving. You will make a heart hot mitt, an eyeglass/rotary cutter holder, a pillowcase, plus two surprise gifts made from your scraps.

All levels

Instructor: Linda Halpin

Fee: \$28

M&T x5!

CLASS SCHEDULE

FRUIT MEDLEY WALL QUILT

Thursday, June 15, 6–9 p.m.

Fruit that looks good enough to eat! This is a great small summer wall quilt featuring cherries, a pear and an apple. Kathy Doyle will guide you through the technique of paper piecing. *Pattern required.*

Advanced beginner level

Instructor: Kathy Doyle

Fee: \$28



RAGGEDY HEARTS

Friday, June 16, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

You can't make a mistake making this heart-warming wall hanging. The raw edged hearts fray for a cozy look. This is a great pattern for using small amounts of fabric to get big results. *Pattern required.*

Advanced beginner level

Instructor: Lois Jarvis

Fee: \$28

STRIPES SQUARED

Tuesday, June 20, 9:30 a.m.–12 noon

This pattern is a winner no matter how you piece it. No two are ever quite the same. You can create a strong, 3-D visual impact, or a soft, cozy look. Starter fabric bundles are available to help with your fabric selection. *Pattern required.*

Advanced beginner level

Instructor: Dianne Larson

Fee: \$28

APRIL 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <i>April Fool's Day</i>
2	3	4 6-Inch BOM Club, 9:30–11:00 a.m.	5	6 <i>Angle Play</i> BOM Club, 10:00–11:00 a.m.	7	8
9	10	11 Gadget Guru, 10:00–10:30 a.m.	12 Quilter's Preschool, 1:00–2:00 p.m.	13 Intermediate Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	14	15
16 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	17	18 Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	19 Tall Pines Quilt, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	20 Intermediate Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m. Tulips, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	21 Machine Quilting, 10:00–3:00 p.m.	22 Quilter's Preschool, 10:00–11:00 a.m.
23/30	24	25 Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	26 Tall Pines Quilt, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	27 Focus on Favorites, 9:30 a.m.–12 noon Intermediate Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	28 Fabric Selection Made Easy, 9:30–12 noon Design Games, 1:00–4:00 p.m.	29 Machine Appliqué, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

MAY 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>May Day</i>	2 6-Inch BOM Club, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	3 Tall Pines Quilt, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	4 <i>Angle Play</i> BOM Club, 10:00–11:00 a.m.	5	6 Puzzle Balls, 9:30–11:00 a.m.
7	8 Quilter's Preschool, 1:30–2:30 p.m.	9 Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	10	11 Template Appliqué, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Patriotic Stars, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	12	13 <i>Garden Party</i> , 1:00–3:00 p.m.
14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16 Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	17 9 Patch Manipulations, 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Checkerboard Star, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	18 Gadget Guru, 1:00–1:30 p.m.	19	20
21	22 Big and Little Baby Quilt, 1:00–4:00 p.m.	23 Beginning Quilting, 9:30–11:30 a.m.	24 Checkerboard Star, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	25 Iris Wall Quilt, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	26	27
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30 Trip Around the World, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	31 Checkerboard Star, 1:00–3:00 p.m.			

JUNE 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>Angle Play</i> BOM Club, 10:00–11:00 a.m. Beginning Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	2	3 Beginning Quilting Kids, 9:30–11:30 a.m. Summer Table Runner, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
4	5	6 6-Inch BOM Club, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Puzzle Balls, 1:00–2:30 p.m.	7	8 Beginning Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m. Scavenger Hunt Quilt, 6:30–8:30 p.m.	9 Quilter's Preschool, 10:00–11:00 a.m.	10 Beginning Quilting Kids, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
11	12 What Quilting Pattern Goes Where, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Quick Gifts, 1:00–4:00 p.m.	13 Trip Around the World, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	14 <i>Flag Day</i>	15 Fruit Medley Quilt, 6:00–9:00 p.m. Beginning Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	16 Raggedy Hearts, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	17 Beginning Quilting Kids, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
18 <i>Father's Day</i>	19	20 Stripes Squared, 9:30 a.m.–12 noon	21 Gadget Guru, 11:00–11:30 a.m.	22 Beginning Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	23	24
25	26	27 Trip Around the World, 1:00–3:00 p.m.	28	29 Beginning Quilting, 6:00–9:00 p.m.	30	



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Remember, we are happy to mail order if it serves your needs!

CLASS AND EVENT POLICIES: Classes must be paid for at the time of registration. You may register in person, phone or by mail, just send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Mill House Quilts, 100 Baker Street, Waunakee, WI 53597. A class supply lists can be picked up at the store, or mailed for a small fee. Double punches will be given on your punch card for class supplies. Cancellations more than one week before a class will forfeit 10% of the class fee. Cancellations less than one week before a class will forfeit the entire class fee. You may send someone in your place. Our classrooms are upstairs. We are happy to assist you in carrying sewing machines.

MAILING LIST UPDATE: If you are receiving more than one copy of the newsletter or are aware of errors in your mailing address, we would appreciate your assistance. Please e-mail us at quilts@chorus.net with the changes or drop them off the next time you are in the shop. If you have moved or have a change of address, please let us know. If you have moved previously and have not let us know, we do need to remove this old address from our mailing list. With bulk mailing, your newsletter will not get forwarded nor returned. Please help us keep the cost of our newsletter down. Remember, we never remove anyone from our mailing list unless you request it. So help us provide the best possible service to you, our valued customer.

MILL HOUSE QUILTS CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: Day (____) _____ Night (____) _____

Name of Class(es): _____

Method of Payment: _____ Check

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