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## Home Décor Tips

This is the time of year when we hear so much about clean-up, fix-up, and paint- up. In this issue, we will share some forecast tips about colors, fabrics, etc. in case you're bitten by the DIY bug.

**Hot fabrics** of the season include gingham, chenille and high textures like faux furs and shaggy chic, metallic, sateen, and quilted choices.

**Great prints** of the season will be lead by geometric shapes (including color blocking), polka dots, stripes, and camo prints, zebra and other animal prints. Bring the flowers indoors with bold, sometimes abstract, tropically inspired, yet always beautiful flowers.

**Color palettes** will be lead by soft tones of sage, pink, blue, lilac, peach and ecru. Bright tones will include orange, brick red, purple and green. Neutral selections will include sand, navy, gray, and brown. Black and white is still strong and is often combined with red, green or yellow.

**Embellishments** will include a variety of fringes, beads, embroidery, big buttons, and endless trim choices.



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Thanks to the **Mississippi State Visual Merchandising** class, our store, especially the display windows, look better than ever. This group adopted our store again during the Spring Semester and did a fantastic job of helping us market our merchandise more effectively. They also made suggestions for the website that will be implemented in coming weeks. **Dr. Phyllis B. Miller** assisted by **Jane Caston**, who will teach the course next year, and 17 wonderful Fashion Merchandising majors took on the project. Thanks for a job well done.

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## Q and A

Recent questions asked from customers along with the answers we gave:

- Q. How long should a window top treatment (like a cornice or valance) be?
- A. An Extension Service Home Furnishing Specialist, (who taught me most of what I know on the subject) always applied the 80/20 rule as with so many other things. Take the measurement from the top of the treatment line to the floor, use 20% of that length (give or take an inch or two) as the finished topper measurement. For example, if the height of the drapery area is 95 inches, the topper should be approximately 19 inches tall.

- Q. Can you get parts for the Singer featherweight sewing machine?
- A. Yes, in fact I keep many of them on hand (such as bobbins, walking feet, presser feet, etc.). Other parts can be acquired by ordering for this and other machines.
- Q. Are you selling you store? We've got to keep a cloth store in Starkville.
- A. Well, we do hope to sell in just a little more than two years. I promised my Husband, at the opening of the store, that I would do it three years minimum, or six years maximum. The end of July 2010 will be six years and, as much as I love the store, we will be interested in selling.

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## Upcoming Classes and Activities

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QLT-307/Quilt Workshop Star Quilt – One 3-hour session. \$15

### North Wind Star Quilt

Learn to create a beautiful quilt top with the potential of eight different looks from the same technique. This class will be held on Tuesday July 1 from 12:30 until 3:30 p.m. and will be taught by Charlotte Taylor. A supply list and pre-class activity will be provided upon registration.

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**The Fabric Center will be closed Friday and Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in celebration of the Independence Day Weekend. It will open for business again on Tuesday July 8, 2008.**

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ART- 104. Basic Smocking Class – Six total hours of instruction. \$40

### Basic Smocking Class

Create a beautiful panel, using basic smocking techniques that can be inserted into a garment or other item. Nancy Comish will teach you all the basics. The class packet that consists of pleated panel, needles, pattern, and decorative thread is included with registration. Optional supplies and other items can be purchased. Dates and times for the classes are:

**Evening Sessions** – Tuesday and Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 5 until 8:00 p.m.

**Saturday Sessions** – August 16<sup>th</sup> and 23rd from 9 a.m. until noon.

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QLT-308. Quilt Workshop – One 3-hour session. \$15

### Yellow Brick Road Quilt

If you would like to learn how to create this easy, beautiful, and colorful quilt top, sign up today for this workshop that will be held on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. taught by Barbara S. Burrell who has made some really beautiful quilts using this technique. This is an ideal first quilt that can be made in crib to king sizes. Please register by Thursday before to receive pre-class instructions.

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ART-201. Adult Level II Crochet Class – Two 2-hour sessions \$40

### Crochet Christmas in July

If you would like to learn how to create beautiful Christmas projects like wreaths, angels, mini stockings, bells, and much more, sign up today for this level II crochet class taught by Lynn Wampler. Meeting time - Monday and Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Sign up by Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> to receive pre-class instructions.

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TA-101. Beginning Sewing Class – Three 2 ½ hour sessions \$40

**Mother and Daughter Beginning Sewing Class**

Mother and daughter teams are urged to take this class jointly and experience the joy of learning basic sewing techniques together. They will complete two to three joint class projects including a “grow green” tote bag. The class will be taught by Everlyn Johnson on July 22, 24, and 29, from 5:30 until 8:00 p.m.

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QLT -307. Quilt Workshop - One 4-hour session. \$15

**North Wind Star Quilt**

Learn to create this beautiful quilt block that can be used to create eight different options or quilt tops. This class will be held on Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and will be taught by Charlotte Taylor. A supply list and pre-class activity will be provided upon registration.

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QLT-308. Quilt Workshop – One 3-hour session. \$ 15

**Beginning Hand Quilting**

In this class you will learn how to sandwich and baste your quilt, how to choose the pattern and work with stencils, how to mark your quilt, and how to begin the actual process of hand quilting. If possible, bring a top (or block) ready for quilting for class discussion. Kits will be provided from instructor to practice stitches. Lynn McBroom will teach two separate sessions of the workshop:

**Weekend Session** – Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 from 9 a.m. until noon

**Morning Session** – Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30 until 1:30 p.m.

A supply list will be provided upon pre-registration. Participants are asked to sign up two business days before.

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QLT-309. A Quilt Planning Workshop – ONE 4-hour session. \$15

**Color Planning**

Are you afraid to coordinate colors in your next quilt or other project? Would you like to feel confident that your next project will have color harmony? Sign up today for the Color Planning class to be held Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The class will be taught by Michelle Gaona. Sign up by the Thursday before to receive pre-class instructions.

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**CLASS POLICIES**

Participants should bring their machines (in good working order) for sewing classes. If you do not have a machine, one can be provided for a nominal fee. We humbly ask that children not be brought with you to class unless temporarily waiting to be picked up. It is important to pre-register for classes 48-hours ahead of time, so that we might have ample time to prepare materials for you. If class does not make, a full refund will be made, or transferred to another class offering.