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Stimulating imaginations of quilt tricksters everywhere

Quiltrick #23: This binding tip is thanks to Mary Flora who is a member of Southern Wake Quilters in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina. Take a cardboard tube from a toilet paper roll. Thread a ribbon long enough to hang around your neck (24-30 inches) through the center and tie the ends together so you can wear it like a necklace. Using a small piece of painter's tape, tape one end of your binding to the tube. Now roll your binding onto the tube. When you go to sew the binding on your quilt, there will be no twisting, and the binding won't fall onto the floor. Sew much easier.

Happy New Year!

It's a brand new year, and we have a new pattern to share with you. It's not "raindrops on roses," but it <u>is</u> a few of "My Favorite Things." It features an old sewing machine and some supplies that make quilting a pleasure – even a chocolate kiss! It's perfect for your sewing room, and will make a great gift for a friend or secret pal.

We also have a great new product available only at our shows. It's a traveling ironing board with a reversible cover. At 12" x 18" it's cute, practical and fits in a tote bag to take to a class or retreat.

Our next class in Cary, Saturday, January 21st is on "Applique – starch method." It will be from 10 to 3 and cost \$25. There are just a few spots left. Let us know if you're interested and we'll send you the details.

As always, check your calendar and if you're in the area of one of our shows, stop by our booth for conversation and chocolate.



"My Favorite Things"

Come visit us!

- January 6-7
 The Quilting and
 Fiber Art Marketplace
 Sanford, NC
- January 12-14 Myrtle Beach Quilt Retreat Myrtle Beach, SC
- January 21 Applique Class Cary, NC
- ► January 27-28
 The Quilting and
 Needle Art Extravaganza
 Statesville, NC
- February 3-5 (already full)

 Quilt Retreat
 Cary, NC
- February 23-26
 Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival
 Hampton, VA
- March 2-3
 Celebration of Quilts 2012
 Charleston, SC

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