

Gadgets and Notions and Tools, Oh My!

What a fun meeting yesterday!! Here are the cool things that were shared.....

*Deb Brown found the Brother Quilt Gripper to be useful.

*Terry Duncan loves the Clover Needle Threader.

*Carol Richards shared Liquid Stitch. She uses it on her bindings. "Glue first, stitch second" 😊

*Shauna Radunzel really likes her Dynamic Walking Foot by Brother.

*Cindy Stuart uses Bloc Loc rulers and a small Fiskar spinning mat to square up her blocks.

*Jan Howard visits her kitchen and gets her wooden spatula when she needs to push out the edges of turned circles.

*Jennifer Farago uses the black and white/mono setting on her iPhone camera to determine value in her projects.

*Lisa Stephens likes the quilt as you go hexagons she found at Missouri Star.

*Marilyn Smith can't live without her Karen Kay Buckley Perfect Scissors. She has at least one of every size. The serrated edge is the key!

*Emily Robertson Hood found a great marking pen at Joann Fabric. It is marked as a Disappearing Fine Point made in Japan. No more disappearing marks until you actually want them to go away!

Vicki Hammond Smith gets rubber shelf liner at the Dollar Store and uses small pieces to grip her fabric while quilting.

*Cat Allard uses her iPhone as a tool to research techniques, watch YouTube videos, chat/message with friends about projects and much more!

*Renee Christensen loves using her Gypsy Quilter Sip and Snip at her ironing station. Instead of a beverage, she put her spray starch bottle in it!

*Cindy Ochoa found a cool tool at a quilt show called The Sticky Roller. It is great for removing threads from your design wall and your cutting mat. Go to stickyroller.com for more info.

*Theresa Sapp uses a yoga block with a sewing machine pedal gripper pinned to it to compensate for a tall chair (or short stature 😊).

*Jenny Mullins found some great Bobbin Toppers at Joann Fabrics. This handy gadget lets you keep your thread and bobbins matched up nicely.

*Rita Richey and Karen Hayes sometimes have to "edit" their stitches and for this they use a seam ripper/tweezer combo from Famore.

*Judy Lindsey likes the grippiness of Quilters Select Rulers..... until she needs to slide the ruler. The Qypsy Quilter suction handle/gripper solves this predicament. Quilters Select also sells a similar gripper product.

*Mary Bell Fuller and *Kim Hayes are making a By Annie ruler tote and have found the half round Strip Stick useful for pressing seams open. Kim also shared a technique using a strip of selvage to turn fabric tubes right side out.

*Mary Bass showed us a small sewing basket that she received as a gift. The wooden handle has a wooden spindle that holds a spool of thread. There is a pin cushion inside the basket. She thinks it might have been made in Vermont. She also uses a telescoping magnet tool from Harbor Freight to round up stray pins. Mary also shared a unique needle gripper . She is going to find out more about the brand and share the info.

*Glenda Kipp uses tweezers at her sewing machine to pull threads from places they don't need to be in. She finds it extremely useful!

*One of our visitors, Justin Lane, is finding his notebook to be a great tool! Keeping a written record of hints, ideas, patterns, etc... is very helpful.

*And last but not least, our emcee Peggy Caldwell shared a binding tool called Quilt Binding Express.

Thank you to everyone who presented their great ideas and Tools/gadgets/notions. 😊😊