

To our Community of Quilters:

As we all see the news of the rapid spread of the COVID-19 infections I know everyone is concerned for themselves and their family and friends. At Annies Pretty Pieces we have all the same concerns as you may have. While we don't know anyone who has the virus, I expect that in the future that may change. Here is what we are doing and suggesting to help reduce the infection rate in our little corner of the world. Keep reading down to see what we are working on to help you keep quilting even if you can't get out to do your fabric/pattern/supply shopping.

At Annies we are focused on maintaining a clean space, disinfecting all public spaces and hard surfaces. Throughout the day we are checking our door handles, bathroom, cutting and register counter and wiping them down. Before and after every group in the classroom, and at the beginning and end of each day we are wiping down the communal tools and tables. As soon as hand sanitizer is available again we will restock. We are monitoring the spread of the disease in our area and will modify our procedures or make harder decisions about functions as time goes on.

We are asking our customers to be mindful of our other guests. If you are not feeling well please stay home. There are currently no known cases in Hart County, but we do know that our customers come from around the state and into South and North Carolina. If you have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19 or is in quarantine due to exposure we ask you to protect your fellow quilters and stay home. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, sneeze or cough into a facial tissue and throw it away, avoid handshaking and personal contact.

I know that many large groups are canceling functions and we hope to avoid doing that. We can take care of our community by making these decisions based on facts and data, not blanket fear.

In order to better serve our wonderful group of customers we are offering personal shopper services. Libby and I are setting up a system to send us your pattern requirements and color preferences, we will select options and email or text those back to you for your approval. We can either mail your purchases to you (at no shipping cost) or will be glad to bring them to you in the parking lot if you do not want to come inside to pick up your project. We will also be building kits with patterns for quick and easy quilts to give you something to do while the world slows down to deal with this global threat. If you need thread, needles, or other supplies please let us know. We will do our best to get them to you.

Please let us know if there is any way we can help you from here as we as a community and nation address our new reality.

Ann, John and Libby