

## July 2010 News

Who can believe it? It is already the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and summer is flying by. The grass is still growing at a rapid rate and so are the weeds. The good news is that the garden looks wonderful if you ignore the weeds. There should be lots of vegetables to put up for winter this year.

### **New in the world of Basketcases—**

**New quilt frames**—We are offering a great quilt frame for Ulmer Quilt Company. It is a very easy to use frame for hand quilting, larger embroidery projects, and also rug hooking. It folds and takes up no more room than a card table.

**New quilt racks**—Some of you have inquired about quilt racks. We now have 2 styles made for us by a local woodworker. You may choose pine or maple, finished or unfinished. Stop in to see them. We think you will really like them.

**New designer**—We will be carrying patterns by Stacy Nash Primitives. These are sweet primitive stitching projects. You can check out her website or stop in after the 4<sup>th</sup> and the patterns should be here. We will also carry the linens, threads and other artifacts to accompany her patterns.

### **Christmas is HERE!—Fabrics from Moda for Christmas include**

*Lumiere de Noel from French General*

*Makin' New Friends (flats and flannels) from Deb Strain*

*Winter at Walden Pond and Woodland Holiday from Sentimental Studios*

*Fruitcake from Basic Grey*

**Anniversary special this month is 15% off red, white, and blue fabrics. Don't miss out on this one.**

### **Recipe of the Month**

Sun Tea

When it is hot there is nothing like a tall glass of iced tea. Sun tea made with various herb teas are my favorites. Gallon jar of cold water—10-12 bags of herbal tea—Let it brew in the sun 4-5 hours. Remove bags and add fresh, crushed berries, a mint leaf or two, some lavender, or lemon. You can make it however you like. Pour over ice and find a shady spot and a good book or some stitching. Enjoy!

**Speaking of good books**—Have you read [The Help by Kathryn Stockett](#)? Daughter Carrie highly recommends it. It is a trip through our past that is hard for younger people to realize it is how things were.

