Favorite quotes from the Dowager Countess of Downton Abbey:

VIOLET

Yes, I worry about you. That sort of thing is so horrid.

EDITH

Being jilted at the altar? Yes, it is horrid. Multiplied by about ten thousand million.

[Edith sits.]

VIOLET Oh. You must keep busy.

EDITH What with? There's nothing to do at the house. Except when we entertain.

VIOLET Well, there must be something you can put your mind to.

EDITH Like what? Gardening?

VIOLET Well, no, you can't be as desperate as that.



October 17, 2014

I don't know why but I sometimes wake up in the middle of the night and discover a Michael Jackson tune running through my head. One of those ear worms they call them. And it's usually the tune Billy Jean. Now I'm not a real Michael Jackson fan. I like his dancing and the song Thriller is a favorite at Halloween, but Billy Jean is a tune that just gets stuck in my head for no reason and it's just annoying. I'm sure this never happens to you.

So I roll over, grab a pillow to stick between my knees and discover I've grabbed the cat instead, and that doesn't turn out so well.

And then the whole menagerie is awake and we all have to get up to take care of business.

And you sometimes ask me when I find time to get stuff done. You never really get back to sleep after you've slept on the cat and find Michael Jackson in your head.

Bertie's Year: We have all the flannels (36 or 37) to do these patterns. We have made 7 kits, but are still waiting on patterns. If you are interested in a kit, let me know. As time and

fabric allow, we may kit the patterns individually. The bolts of flannel came with only 6 yard put ups, so if you are interest in a complete kit or individual patterns, don't wait to long to decide. Complete kit is \$191, and installment payments are okay.



WHAT'S NEW!!

Because of the Brave from Moda: We only have the charm packs and Jelly Rolls in right now. Fabric on bolts will follow by November.



Snow Happens, from Bird Brain Designs



From Exclusively Quilters:





From Moda: Field guide



October Classes and Events

Beginning Quilting Sun. 1-4, Oct12, 19, 26; Nov.9, 16 OR Wednesdays: 1-4 OR 6-8:30 Oct1, 8, 15, 22, 29 \$65 Barb Boyer ongoing

Monthly Mini Catch up Day! Sat. Oct 18, 10:30-5

For everyone in the Snow Buds monthly mini class, we will use this day as a catch up day - work on your blocks, do your applique, finish your embellishments

English Paper Piecing

Mon. Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15, 1-3 Barb Boyer \$20

English paper piecing dates back to the early 1800s. It is a hand sewing method that uses paper templates to help sew complex angles together, like hexagons. Any number of different designs can be made, including Grandmother's Flower Garden. The new Downton Abbey line is showing a hexie quilt, using the English paper piecing method. We'll get started on a purse using iron on templates, and then move on to larger quilts and learn different methods of paper piecing.

Diamond Alley Sat Oct 25 10:30-5 \$20 Sue Frerich A modern quilt that looks much more difficult than it is! Display your favorite fabrics in these easy-to-construct, but difficult-looking diamonds.



Beyond the Basics: Inset Seams-Attic Windows Thurs. Oct 30, 1-3:30 OR 6-8:30, \$20 Barb Boyer From attic windows, to mitered borders to lone star quilts, inset seams are a must to master. Learn the basics of insetting seams, the "Y" seam construction, while making a small attic window block.

Halloween Jelly Roll Race Fri Oct 31 10:30-5 \$20 Barb Boyer

Ready, Set, Stitch! Well, you don't have to race if you don't want to. This is a quick & easy quilt made from 2 ½" strips - you can either purchase ready cut strips or cut your own-you can use Halloween fabrics for your 2½" strips, but you don't have to. And that's all you use, just strips (unless you want to add a few accent pieces). If you haven't made a Jelly Roll Race quilt, they are lots of fun and we have lots of fun 2½" strip precuts just waiting to be used.

Friday Nighters Fri. Oct 31, 5:30-9 \$10

This class will help you get organized for Christmas 2014 -- or just help you get things done. You give me a list of your "to dos" or unfinished projects you want to finish and then each month I check off what you've completed. Trust me. If you need incentive to stay on track, this is it. You can bring your sewing machine or do hand work.

November Classes and Events

Finish Your Quilt Sale Nov 1, Dec 6

Bring your finished quilt top to the store, and we'll help you find the perfect back and binding. Plus, we'll give you 20% off your backing, binding and/or batting. It's time to finish your quilts!

Block of the Month Sat. Nov 1, 10:30-11:15 FREE

Join at any time. You get a free fat quarter if you come to class with the previous month's completed block. This year we're making a Christmas Quilt -shaped like a tree. Each month will feature a different block.

Monthly Minis First Saturday of the Month, Jan-Dec. 4-6 Barb Boyer \$20 ongoing

Monday Morning Quilts Nov. 3 10-2

Free, if you buy that month's kit

Each month we will feature quilts from the Fons & Porter Love of Quilting magazine or other fun quilts. From Fons & Porter, we will choose one of the quilts from the magazine and make limited kits. In class, we will show you how to put the quilt together and you will have time to get started. Quilts will be big or small or in between. November quilt: Polka Dot Quilt.

Beyond the Basics: Paper Piecing Thurs. Nov 5, 1-3:30 OR 6-8:30, \$20 Barb Boyer

Learn the basics of paper piecing. We will have some simple designs to choose from that can be turned into a mug rug, ornament, or small wall hanging. This is a technique class intended to teach you the basics of paper piecing.

Hand Embroidery Club Sat. Nov 8, 10-11:30 FREE Kathy Sconce

(Club normally meets the 2nd Sat. of each month from 10-noon) This year we're stitching "penny squares" using simple drawings that we create! During class we will draw various designs and stitch then on 5" squares. Each month we will learn new stitches and trade designs and ideas. Then these 5" squares can be made into a sampler quilts, or stitched into a "book" of stitches. You will also make your own notebooks so you can keep your squares, ideas, floss, needles & scissors in one place. You can join anytime.

Park Bench Sampler Sat. Nov 8 Barb Boyer \$20 ongoing

This quilt uses 2 special rulers, the Hex N' More and the Sidekick rulers. There are 8 different blocks and we will cover 2 blocks per class. In December or January, we will schedule a finishing class to put the whole quilt together.

Beginning Quilting Sun. 1-4, Nov.9, 16 ongoing

Learn to knit TBA! Mon. Nov 10 1:30-3:30 OR 6-8:30 \$20 Carol Moler

We are learning a couple new things, so if we get the project mastered, we'll do it in

Beginning Machine Quilting Wed. Nov 12, 1:30-4 OR 6-8:30 \$25 Sue Frerich

Be prepared to quilt! You will practice your quilting skills on various samples, using both your walking foot and darning foot. Batting, threads, needles and patterns will be discussed. Who knows? By the time you leave you may even be able to write/quilt your name!

Underground Railroad Quilt -- ongoing Thurs Nov 13, 20; Dec 11, 18 1-4 Barb Boyer \$25

To celebrate the ending of the Civil War, we will make a sampler quilt featuring 15 different blocks from the Eleanor Burns book, The Underground Railroad. We'll explore a little history during class and learn to make the blocks at the same time.

Knit Pickin' Club Thur. Nov 13, 6-8:30

to knit, it's time for you to simply sit & knit & share ideas. Every second Thursday, we're getting together to practice our knitting. The Club is open to all skill levels. We want to share what we've learned, find new patterns, and simply just sit and knit. You can start simply by making a dishcloth. Carol will teach you the essentials to get you started. For those of you who already know how .

Go With the Flow Fri Nov 14, 10:30-3 Jo Sunderman \$20

This is a wonderful geometric modern quilt. It is a perfect fat quarter quilt and looks stunning done with contrasting batiks. The simple blocks going in different directions give this quilt a lot of movement.



Table Topper with Winter Birds Sat Nov 15 10:30-5 \$20 Barb Boyer

This cute table topper or wall hanging is a perfect decoration for winter. Winter birds in blues, yellows and red (and even a green bird, if you want) sit on aspen branches. The project is fused and appliqued (I used metallic thread for a little glitz). Easy to do, easy to finish.

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Beginning Machine Applique Wed. Nov 19, 1:30-4 or 6-8:30 \$25 Barb Boyer

So many quilts use applique these days. Learn the ins and outs of machine applique, from points to curves. We will practice the blanket stitch, satin stitch, and you can also play around with your decorative stitches. Threads, fusibles and stabilizers will be discussed.

Hand Applique Club Thursday Nov 20 6-8:30 free

Every 3rd Thursday, we're getting together to practice our hand applique skills. The Club is open to all skill levels. We want to share what we've learned, find new patterns, and simply just sit and sew. More and more patterns are showing applique work, and learning how to hand applique is a wonderful skill that can be carried anywhere you go.

Friday Nighters Fri. Nov 21, 5:30-9 \$10 (Note new day) (one time fee for year)

This class will help you get organized for Christmas 2014 -- or just help you get things done. You give me a list of your "to dos" or unfinished projects you want to finish and then each month I check off what you've completed. Trust me. If you need incentive to stay on track, this is it. You can bring your sewing machine or do hand work.

Quick Curve Ruler Quilt Sat. Nov 22 10:30-5 \$25 Sue Frerich

The gentle curves in this ruler do not require pinning (although pinning is allowed). The special ruler has easy to use markings to help you cut a wide variety of curves from



strips. Lots of patterns are available and all use the same piecing and cutting techniques. The quilts are very striking and modern looking.

Pillow Case Party Sun. Nov 23 1-4 FREE

If you've never made a pillow case, or just want some time to sew a pillow case, this class is for you. This is a great mother/daughter styled class and pillow cases make great presents!

Dakota or Lobo or Morley or Randolph Sat Nov 29, 10:30-5 \$20

This is a 1) fusible 2) machine appliqued and 3) a pieced wall hanging. These make great gifts and are fun to put together. You can choose any of the patterns you want (bear, moose, reindeer, lobo, bison, horse and others) and you can use your own fabrics or buy one of our kits. The kits are good sellers and we have a hard time keeping them in stock.



patterns are calling for a lot more applique. The club is designed for quilters who already do some hand applique, but beginners are welcome as well. We will share techniques, suggest patterns, talk about threads and, in general, just stitch. A little quiet time away from the distractions of home is what we need to get our projects done.

HAND EMBROIDERY CLUB

If you want to learn to hand embroider or just brush up your technique, join us on the second Saturday of the month from 10 to noon. We provide free vintage patterns, and this year we will have free patterns of girls with hats, that you can embroider, embellish and color. Each month Kathy Sconce shows us a new stitch to try, plus, she guides us through thread choices, how to knot, fabrics to use, and tracing techniques.

Knit Pickin' Club

This is another get-together class to sit & knit, work on our projects, share information and get some help. We will share techniques, suggest patterns, but mainly we'll sit & knit (or pick).

Toad Toters

On full moon days (as noted in the calendar) you will get 20% off all purchases (not otherwise discounted) that you can fit in your bag. You must bring your bag to participate.

Full Moon Days: October 8, November 6, December 6.

Discount Policy

We will honor only one discount -- whichever is largest. You can't combine a 10% with a 25% discount to get a 35% discount. On this we can't be bribed.

Color of the Month

September brown, October orange, November green, December flannels

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