



Around the Block  
QUILT SHOP

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**October 2, 2015**

I'm building a pool. In October. I figure the ground won't freeze until December, so I'm safe.

When you can stand outside to watch the lunar eclipse on Sept. 27 without a coat until 10 p.m., clearly Cheyenne now has pool weather climate. And I've got plenty of space to build a pool, so that's not an issue. And at the rate things are going, I won't even have to heat the pool.

Of course, just a couple of months ago I was complaining that it was too cold to sit out on the deck & watch for the International Space Station to pass by. So I may have to rethink the whole thing.

I talked it over with Cassidy and Becca. Cassidy was fairly closed mouthed about it all, as she should be. The last time I gave her a pool, she dragged it across the yard-meaning, she sunk her teeth into the side of the plastic pool, which allowed all the water to drain out so she could drag it around the back yard like a toy. That was the same day she ate through Ken Follett's "Fall of Giants." I had a hard time explaining to the Quality Paperback Book Club that it wasn't my fault the postman put the cardboard, bound up, encased-in-plastic package within teeth range of Cassidy, and, no, I can't send you the book back to show the damage, because the pages are shredded and flying all over the yard & many of them are in Nebraska by now.

Becca was worried that if I put the pool in her front yard, she would drown. She pointed out that she has never been taught to swim. I told her dogs swim naturally-it just happens. But Becca wasn't convinced. Although she did think it might be interesting to toss Lydia, the cat, into the pool to see what would happen. So to keep peace in the family, and Lydia alive, I think I should put the whole "build a pool" thing on hold.

In other news: There is salt water on Mars. No, this isn't the plot for the recent movie, The Martian. Scientists have figured out that certain colored bands on Mars expand & contract, & so the theory is that water is involved. Next theory: Life on Mars could exist. Martians! Ain't it great!

And finally, under the category of Martians, the guy that created the anti-virus, which also carries his name, John McAfee, is running for president in 2016. This is welcome news indeed. He's exactly what this country is looking for: Last month he was arrested on charges of driving under the influence of Xanax and possessing a gun at the same time. He actually blamed his doctor-"Doc didn't tell me I shouldn't drive or carry a loaded weapon while taking Xanax." I made up that quote, but that was essentially his argument. Xanax treats anxiety and panic disorders, btw. Wonderful. And this is a guy we want to be in charge of pushing that red button.

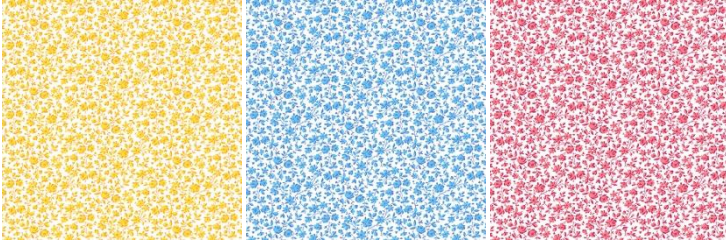
Some of his prior activities include being held in Guatemala, after fleeing Belize when authorities wanted to question him in connection with the death of his neighbor. He was even described by Belize's prime minister as "extremely paranoid, even bonkers." Thankfully, he was soon deported to the US, because, you know, we need more people

like him in the States.

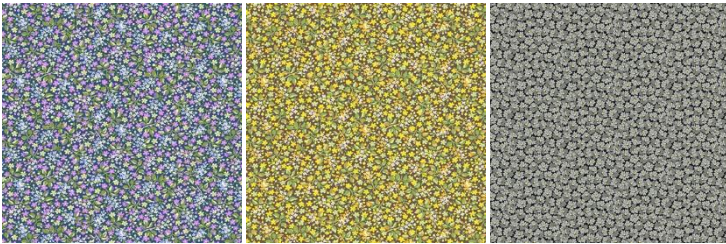
On the plus side, this man has intimate knowledge of immigration, deportation, hand guns, illegal substances, and, to top it off, because he often wore disguises to evade capture, he knows hair pieces. I figure that at the very least, he can give Donald Trump some tips about his hair. So all is not lost.

## **LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE FABRIC IS COMING!**

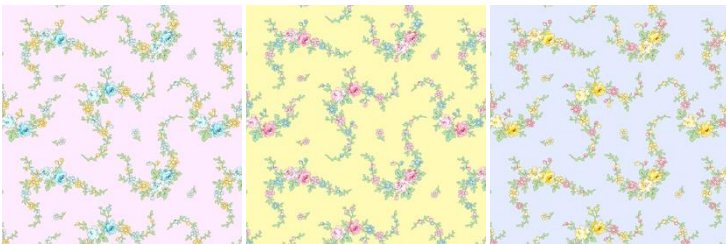
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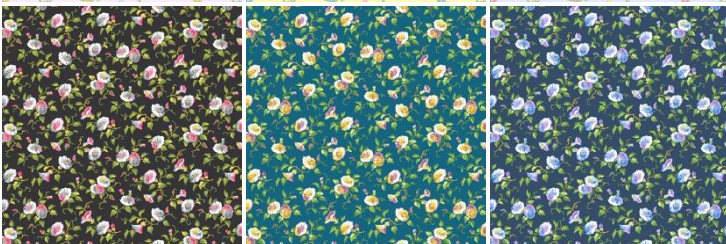
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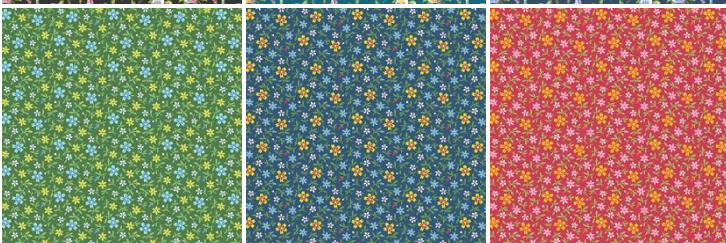
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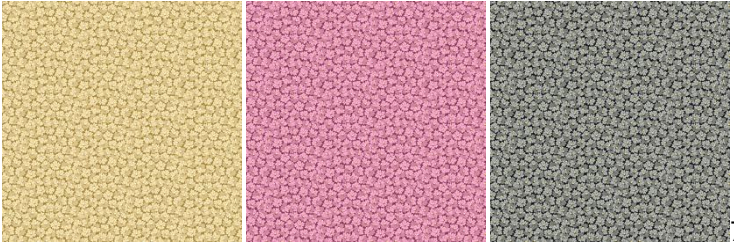
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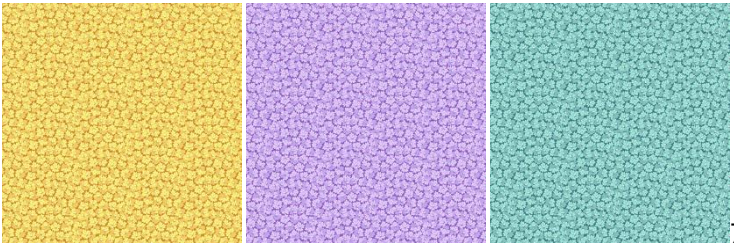
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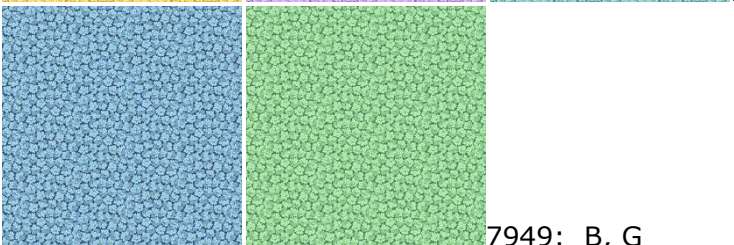
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7949: Y, P, T

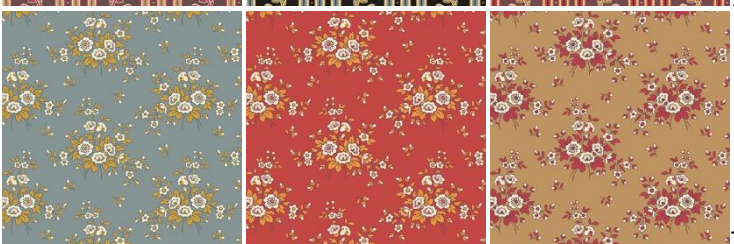


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Walnut Grove Collection:



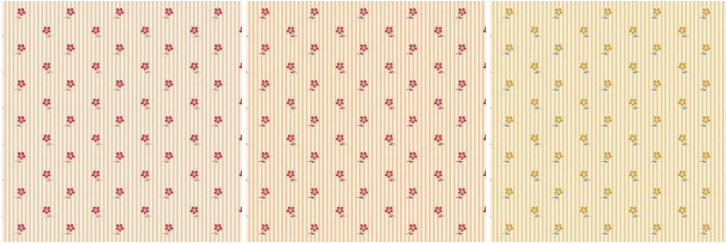
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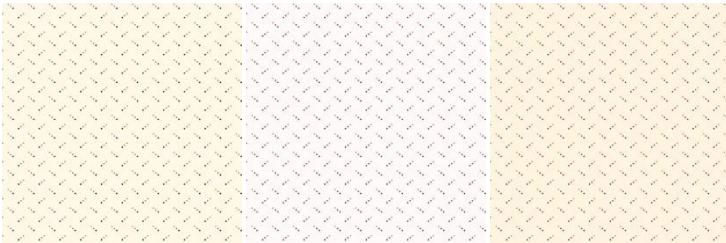
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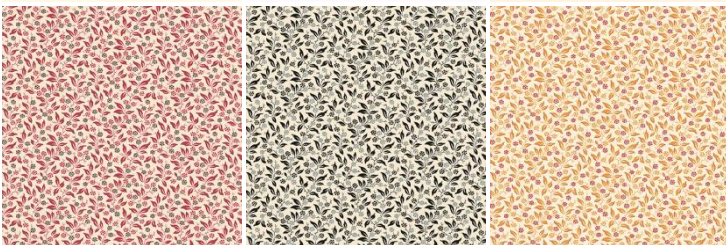
7955: N, R, T



7956: N, R, TL



7958: TL, NL, RL



7957: NR, TK, RO

Icons:



7923: G, L



7925: L, R



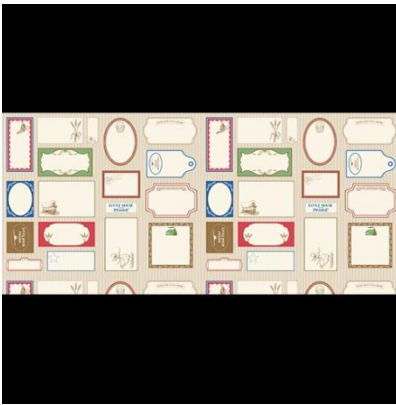
7924: L, B



7926: Y, L



7982: L, B, R



7983: N

## LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE QUILTS!

We will be highlighting 5 quilts (see 4 of them below) to go with the Little House collection. In the store, you will see a Log Cabin quilt (sample is done with on of the first Thimbleberries collection); a Bear's Paw quilt (done with Smithsonian fabrics); a Flying Geese quilt (done with Downton Abbey fabrics) and a Churn Dash--fabric line yet to be decided. We will have these quilts hung to show the patterns, and later, once the fabric arrives, we will have quilts made with the fabrics.



Fabric will be \$11.80 per yard. Fat quarter bundles of the Flowers: \$69. Walnut Grove: \$54. Icons: \$36. Bundle of all fats: \$159.

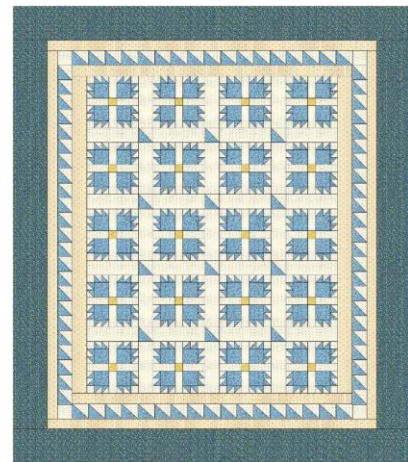
If you are interested in getting any of the fabrics, we will take pre paid orders. Fat quarter bundles will do at least two quilts. Additional fabrics will needed for borders and backgrounds.

Log Cabin Quilt 90" X 90": 4-5 yards each of light & dark fabrics. Center: 1/4 yd. Borders: Inner: 1 yard. Outer (to go with the 9 patches) 1 3/8-2yards (if using a stripe).

Translate to LHOP fabrics: 1 fat quarter bundle of flowers for darks. 4-5 yards of lights (choose Walnut Grove lights & some lights from the Icons). Center: 1/4 yard of a red or a yellow (from Flowers collection). Inner Border: Your choice, 1 yard (pink from Flowers collection). Outer border (to border out the 9-patches) 1 3/8 yard. Picture shows a stripe from Walnut Grove.

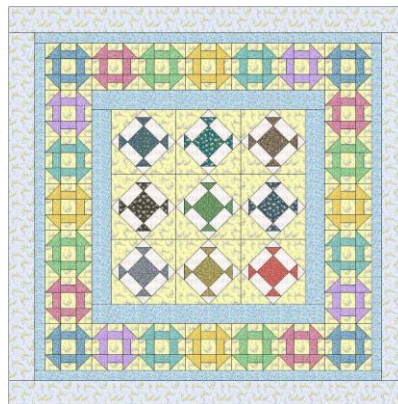


Bears Paw Quilt 81" X 93": Background (for blocks & sashing) 3 1/8 yards (Walnut Grove light print). Blue for blocks (Flowers collection): 2 1/8 yards. Inner border (stripe from Walnut Grove): 1 1/2 yards. Yellow for centers (from Flowers): 1/8 yard. Outside border (LOG, length of grain) 2 1/2 yards (fabric shown from Flowers).



Churn Dash 77" x 5/8 yard. Yellow 1/4 yard. Blue border: 2 borders: 1 3/8 yard. 3/8 flowers and 9 fats of the

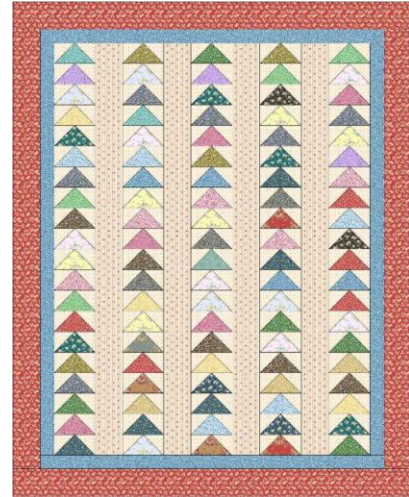
Translate to LHOP (from Walnut Grove). yards (from Flowers, collection of fats from both



77": White background: background for blocks: 2 1/4 yard (LOG). Inner yard cuts of 6 of the small darker flowers.

fabrics: Background 5/8 Yellow background 2 1/4 7950Y). Churn Dash fabrics: collection.

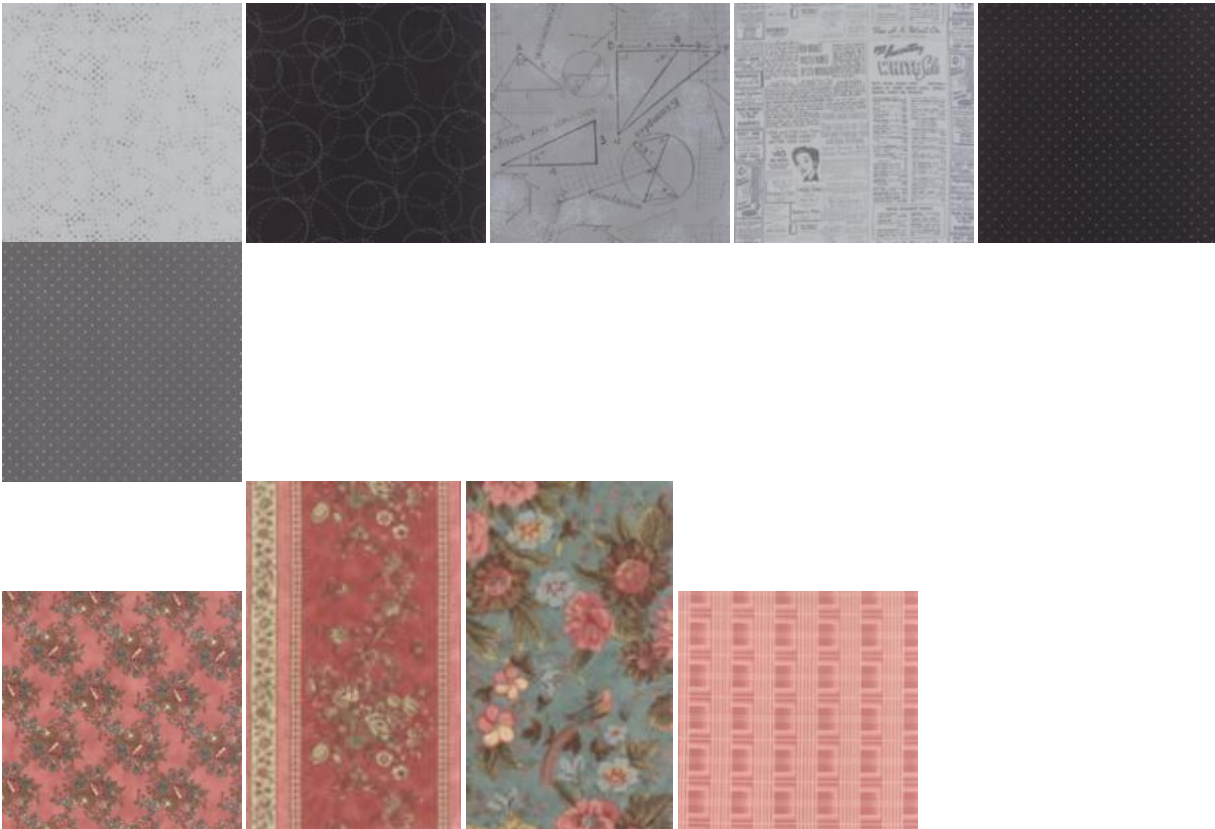
Flying Geese 58" X 72": Background: 1 1/8 yard.  
Stripe for inner sashings: 1 1/4" or 2 yards LOG. Border  
1 3/4 (LOG). Inner border: 7/8 y ard. 25 fats for the  
geese.



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## WHAT'S NEW!!

From Moda:



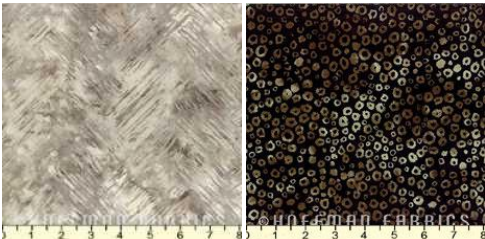
From Clothworks:



From Elizabeth Studios:



From Hoffman:



From Checker:



Plus: The Purple Thang, Scissors, English Paper Piecing templates, Add a Quarter Plus



ruler, Needle threaders for hand and machine, swing machine needles.

From Timeless Treasures: Judy Niemeyer: Winter, Reclaiming the West series.  
Be warned: This came in on Wednesday. We have sold quite a bit of the blues. This won't stay in the store long.



## Purrfectly Pieced

We have all of the flannels for Bonnie Sullivan's newest: Purrfectly Pieced. We have 4 kits with all of the flannel, and we have 2 sets of individual patterns kitted. Make sense? If you want to do the whole quilt, we have the flannel cut for the project. If you just want to make one block, we have individual patterns kitted. Kits are limited right now, and we need to get a few more patterns in. If you are interested, and we sell out, just let us know. We have enough flannel to make a few more kits.



## October Classes & Special Events

**Block of the Month Sat. October 3, 10:30-11:15 FREE**

**Barb Boyer**

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 neutrally colored quilt (tans, taupes, greys, etc.)-come to class in January to see an example.

**Chit Chat Quilt Sat. Oct. 3, 1:30-3:30 ongoing**

**Monthly Minis First Saturday of the Month, Jan-Dec. 4-6 ongoing**

**Finish Your Quilt Sale Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5**

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!

**Beginning Quilting Sun. 1-4, Oct11, 18, 25; Nov.8, 15**

**OR**

**Wednesdays: 6-9 Oct7, 14, 21, 28; Nov. 4 \$65 Barb Boyer**

**Knit Pickers' Club Thurs. Oct. 8, 6-8:30 Carol Moler**

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 to knit, you can still join the club--it's time for you to simply sit & knit & share ideas.

**Hand Embroidery Club Sat. Oct. 10, 10-noon FREE**

**Kathy Sconce**

(Club normally meets the 2nd Sat. of each month from 10-noon)

This year we're doing birds-state birds. We will have between 40-50 birds (some states

use the same bird) for you to stitch. Various setting for turning the birds into a quilt will be provided. Color suggestions for the birds will also be offered. As a bonus, you will get the state outlines, state flowers, and other patterns to compliment the birds. You can join anytime.

**Bermuda Sunrise Sat. Oct. 10, 1-5 & Sat. Oct. 31, 10:30-5 \$20  
Sue Frerich**

This richly rainbow colored water color looking-should I go on with the adjectives? It is a beautiful quilt that will brighten any room. Use tone on tones, batiks or a mixture. It is simply pieced, but complex in its color.



**Vines & Berries-Appliqued Table Runner  
Wed. Oct. 14 & 28 (additional classes, if needed) 1-4  
Sandra Freeburg \$25**

Is a large appliqued quilt too daunting? Try your skill at the beautiful table runner, pattern by Edyta Sitar. You must take the Back Basting Class before taking this quilt, as a knowledge of back basting is essential to making this table runner. Skills learned will include circles, vines, and pin point tips for leaves.



**Let's Finish Downton Abbey!  
Thurs Oct 15, Nov 19 ongoing**

**Turkey Table Topper Sat. Oct. 17. 1-6 Barb Boyer \$20**

This gobbler will be a show stopper on your table for Thanksgiving. However, you need to sign up at least 2 weeks in advance to guarantee a kit, which is the only way this turkey is sewn. The kit comes from Happy Hollow designs and combines fusing and sewing to create this dimensional quilt.



**Disappearing 9-patch Triangles Sat. Oct. 24, 10:30-5 \$20  
Barb Boyer**

This spin off from the Disappearing 9-Patch pattern, combines 9-patches & half square triangles. You can use all precuts (5" squares & 10" squares) or cut your own. Pattern will be provided in class. Sample



is done with Hoffman 5" squares and ¼ yard cuts of 8-10 additional batiks. Mitered borders will also be covered in class.

**Bertie's Year Last Friday of the month, 1-4**

Bertie's Year is a small wall hanging, (or you can make each block into a mini quilt for display each month). Bertie is done in flannels and wool (kit only includes flannel). Bertie (the bird) and friends (squirrel, pumpkins) are appliqued with crazy quilt embroidery embellishments.

**Friday Nighters Fri. Oct.30 5:30-? \$10 Barb Boyer**

This class will help you get organized for Christmas 2015 -- 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.

**October 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
CLOSED			<b>Beginning Quilt 6-8:30</b>			<b>Embroidery Club 10-noon</b>
<b>Knit Pickers' Club 6-8:30</b>		<b>Bermuda Sunrise 1-5</b>				

11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<b>Beginning Quilt 1-4</b>			<b>Vine &amp; Berries, Back Basting Applique Table Runner 1-4 Beginning Quilt 6-8:30</b>	<b>Let's Finish Downton Abbey 1-4</b>  <b>Arcadia Avenue 6-8:30</b>	<b>Open Sew 1-4</b>	<b>Turkey TableTopper 1-6</b>
	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>Beginning Quilt 1-4</b>			<b>Beginning Quilt 6-8:30</b>			<b>Disappearing 9-patch triangles 10:30-5</b>

25 <b>Beginning Quilt 1-4</b>	26	27 Full Moon	28 <b>Vine &amp; Berries, Back Basting Applique Table Runner 1-4</b>  <b>Beginning Quilt 6-8:30</b>	29	30 <b>Bert ie's Year 1-4 Friday Nights 5:30 -?</b>	31 <b>Bermuda Sunrise 10:30-5</b>

**HAND APPLIQUE CLUB**

This is a get-together & stitch class. Many of us are trying hand applique these days-- 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.

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**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.

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**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: September 27; October 27; November 25; December 25 (I'll figure something out. I'm not coming in on Christmas).

**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 orange/yellow; October green; November flannels; December red.

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Join the fun and come feel the difference of quality fabrics.

Happy quilting!