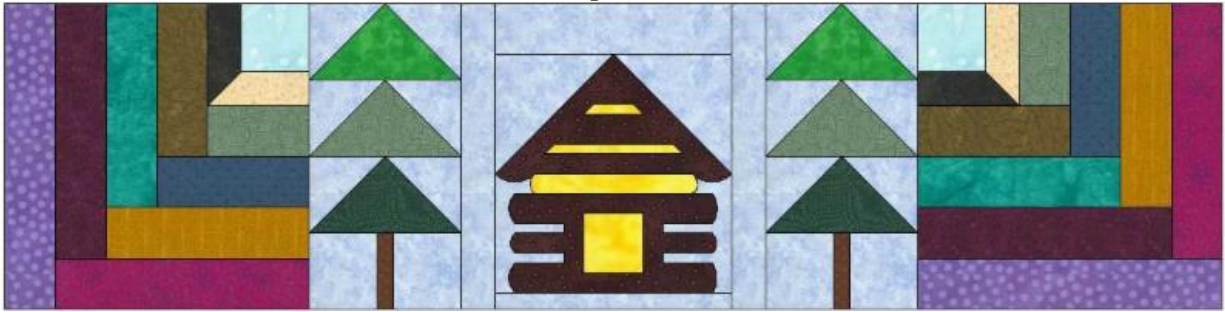


2016 Row by Row HOME



Here is our row for this year's Row By Row! The corners of the log cabin blocks (the ones on each end) have a 2 1/2" X 2 1/2" square of a quilt block in the attic window corner (the small block square). This Row goes with last year's row. Just think, in another couple of years, we'll have a whole quilt! Keep collecting!



June 10, 2016

It is gloriously warm. Some may call it hot. I call it "I don't have to haul 40 pounds of pellets into the house & light my stove to stay warm" time. I also call it "When will the grass quit growing" time and it's also "Alien Watching" time--at night, of course. Because aliens only come out at night. And on Tuesdays. But with the weather so nice, you just can't limit yourself to one alien watching night a week.

So summer has officially arrived. All 90 degrees of it, at least for a short while.

I learned a lot this week hunting for something to write about, most of which you don't really want to know about. Like the fact that Kocktails with Khloe has been cancelled. I know. You're devastated. For those of you who don't know who that is, congratulations.

But I also learned, for example, that Jewish communities have this thing about not

carrying stuff on the Sabbath. On the Sabbath, Jews were/are forbidden to carry things from a private domain (their home) to a public domain (the grocery store). In order to help define the boundaries, walls were put up. It's a Biblical thing. Now, don't go all historical on me, I'm just trying, in general to explain what this is.

In today's world, walled communities aren't particularly popular or possible. Like, for example, in Manhattan. And in today's world, people carry more necessary items with them on a daily basis -- like keys to the house, Kleenex, pens, address book, phone, safety pins. Think the Price is Right and what do you carry in your purse that might be worth money on a prize show.

So the Jews came up with an idea that lets them create a "private domain" in the middle of a city. For example, in Manhattan. They string a transparent fishing line, from pole (like a street light) to pole around the "private domain." Seriously. Apparently all of Manhattan has been enclosed by this wire. The Rabbi, and probably others, check the wire on a weekly basis to make sure it is still in place by the Sabbath.

What this means for practicing Jews is that they don't have to empty their pants pockets when they go outside of their house on the Sabbath. They can carry a purse, cane, baby stroller, groceries -- you name it.

Now I'm sure you're all wondering how in the world have they managed to string a wire all around Manhattan. Very carefully. Just kidding. The creation of the eruv involved stringing translucent fish wire across the tops of lampposts and lots of money and lots of permission from the government. The wire is high enough off the ground as to be virtually imperceptible to passers-by.

And in order to create a "walled" community, private domains had to be somehow connected. Think of a hopscotch court where all the squares touch and you have to hop from one to the other to get to the end of the court. Kinda like that. The private domains must somehow physically touch, be otherwise connected or, perhaps, share something in common, or not be "public," which for purposes of the eruv mainly means not visited by more than 600,00 people in a day. Or something like that. Again, don't get all Biblical on me. There are laws to follow when creating an eruv, and not all Jewish communities and their Rabbis agree on what's Kosher, so to speak. But there are plenty of web sites dedicated to showing the map of the eruv in the cities where it exists, just in case you are Jewish and are touring from out of town or you live there and need to know whether the "wall" is intact for the Sabbath.

Now I know some of you are probably thinking to yourself, "Surely the Rabbis can find another way to interpret ancient Hebrew law that was written before Moses parted the Red Sea." I mean, if the Catholics can celebrate Sunday Mass on Saturday night, why can't the Jews carry keys on the Sabbath? And you'd be right. Some things have been found to be acceptable to carry on the Sabbath, but what is acceptable varies from one Jewish community to another. Now don't send me letters. I'm just pointing out facts. I could pick on Presbyterians (how I was raised) but they don't do anything interesting except go to church on Easter and Christmas. Or maybe that was just my dad.

Anyway, I find this devotion fascinating. And while the concept of a translucent fishing wire wall is amusing on one level, my intent is not to make fun of this religious practice. It just proves that there are "alien" things in this world -- meaning strange, peculiar, exotic - that don't involve extraterrestrials. And sometimes you don't have to sit on the deck hoping to find something alien. All you need is a computer and Google.



AFTER MARKET PARTY!

JUNE 25

10-6

Offering 3 sessions of fun: 10-noon; 1-3; 3:30-5:30. Limited to 20 persons per session(may be able to do 25). Class sign up = \$20 per session.

Each session will cover 4-5 topics-things we learned at Market. For example, new rulers; new patterns; wool embroidery; new fabric; hand applique; new threads; new tools.

In each session, during each topic, prizes will be given away--everyone who attends will win at least one prize, value between \$3-\$30. We brought back lots of give aways, which we, in turn, will give away: books, patterns, bags, fabric, tools, notions. You will also have the opportunity to buy new items and order other items.

You can attend any or all sessions. Each session will cover different items, but each session will have a section on patterns & two session highlight rulers.

Session 1: 10-10:20 English Paper Piecing. New patterns & shapes
10:30-10:50 New patterns from Happy Hollow Designs
11-11:20 Studio 180 Rulers
11:30-11:50 What's new in laser cut designs

Session 2: 1-1:20 Bloc Lok rulers
1:30-1:40 New Wool patterns from Primitive Gatherings

		and Wooden Spool
	1:50-2:20	Patterns from Desiree & a Folded Bag demo; Ribbon Candy, Petite Quilts
	2:30-3	New from Zebra Designs, Laura Heine BJ Designs
Session 3:	3:30-3:40	New from Creative Grid Rulers and Marti Michell
	3:50-4:30	New from patterns: Quiltworx; Laundry Basket; Patchabilities; Eleanor Burns; This & That; Poor House; House of Hoppington; Southwest Designs
	4:40-5	New in embroidery & wool patterns: Wooly Lady; Little Red Hen; Blueberry Designs; Cottonwood House; Baltimore Woods; Rachel's of Greenfield; Eye of the Beholder
	5:10-5:30	New bag patterns: Golightly; Sisters Common Threads; Pink Sands; Aunties Two; By Annie; Akemi Shibatac

From 5:30-6: Demo of Accu Studio Cutter. Anyone who attended a session can attend this last session of the day. We will also stay open later if you still need to order patterns.



Road

Trip!

Row by Row! Opera!

**What do these 3 things have in common?
Lots of fun, good food, beautiful scenery,
wonderful music. Aug. 18-21.**



Santa Fe hosts an open air opera season during the summer. For those of

you unfamiliar with the Santa Fe Opera, it is recognized as one of the world's leading cultural festivals.

And to get to Santa Fe, we'll be stopping at as many participating Row By Row shops as possible: Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Raton, Taos, Santa Fe, Las Vegas, Albuquerque and potentially others if there is time.

Here's the plan: Depart 7 a.m. Cheyenne Aug. 18 (Thursday). First stop Colorado Springs. Then on to Pueblo and Raton.

We'll spend the night in Cimarron, NM (no quilt shop, sorry). Then it's through the Cimarron Canyon, on our way to Taos for lunch, shopping & Row By Row quilt stores (Taos).

Then onto Santa Fe and/or Albuquerque. There are quilt stores in Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Los Alamos. I plan to stay in Santa Fe 2 nights (Friday and Saturday).

Saturday we can spend going to quilt stores or looking around Santa Fe or both. That night is the opera Don Giovanni at 8.

Sunday we come home. I'll check to see if any shops (Las Vegas, NM or Colorado shops) may be open on Sunday.

It's ambitious. It's jam packed with stuff to do. And it's the perfect time of year to visit Santa Fe.

Cost: \$650 Includes: Ticket to Opera (basic upper level seats), 3 hotel nights (double occupancy), van & gas. Food and fabric, on your own.

Dates: Aug. 18-21.

URGENCY URGENCY URGENCY

I need to know no later than June 30 if you want to go. I know it's quick, but I need to rent the van, hold the hotels and buy the Opera tickets. \$300 will hold your spot. Final payment due before the trip starts.

Interested? Max # 10. Min # 6. If more are interested, I will rent an additional van.



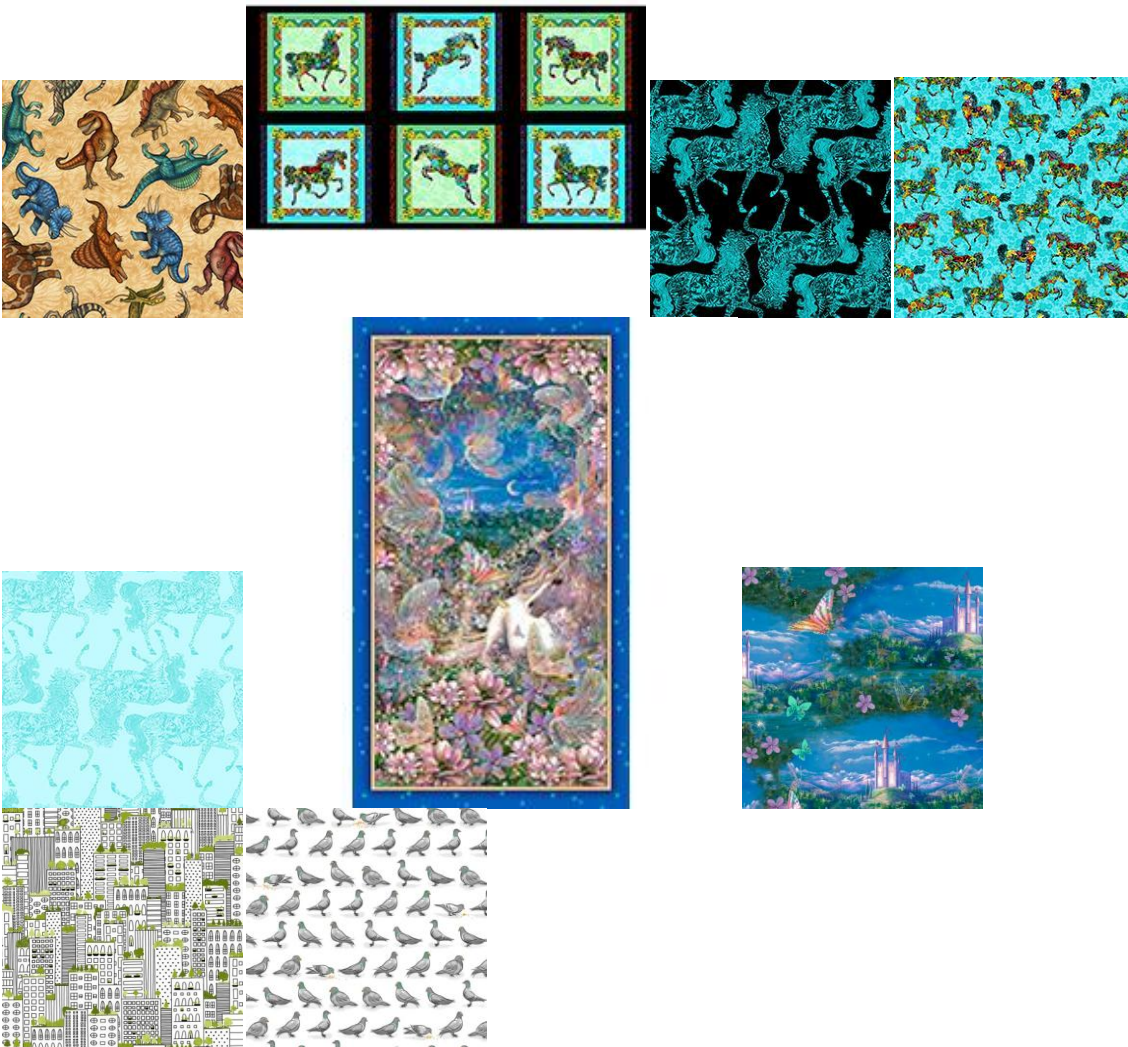
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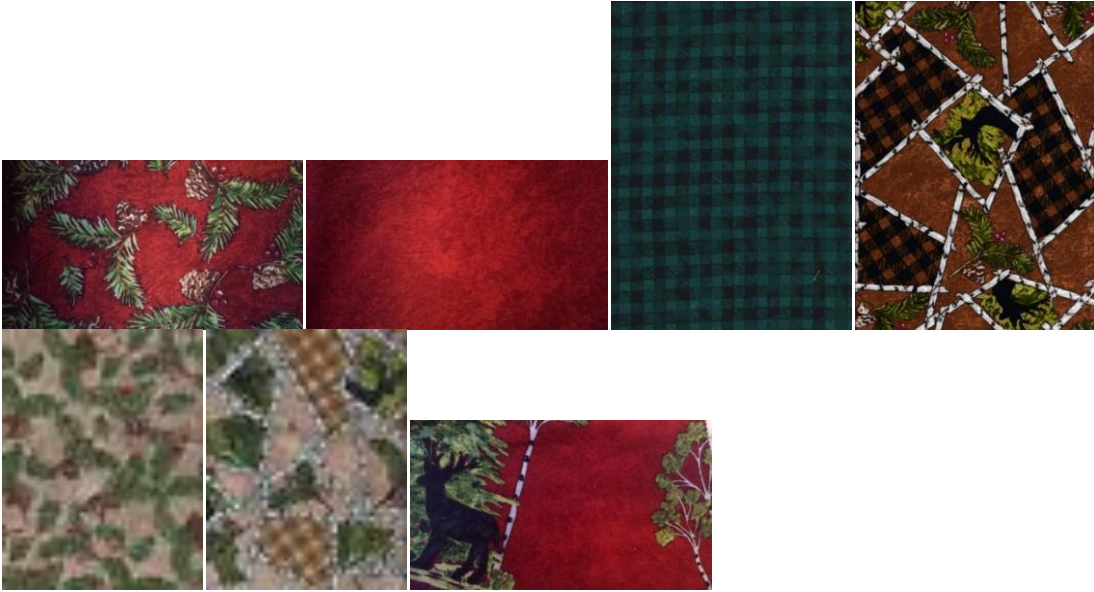




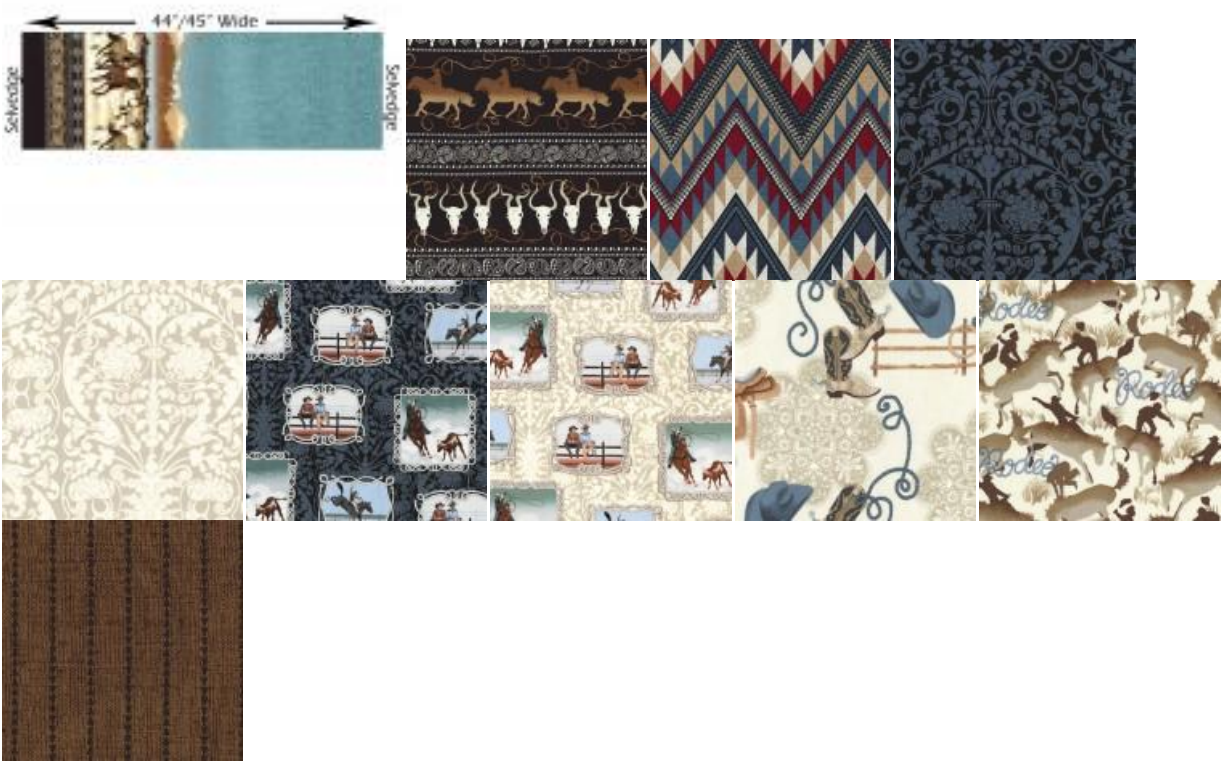
From Quilting Treasures:



From Troy: Flannel--I have 10 bolts, but don't have pics of all of them



From Michael Miller:



From Hoffman, wildlife (bison, bear, elk, moose, wolf, salmon/trout, horses, big horn sheep) & Bucking Horse & Rider!:



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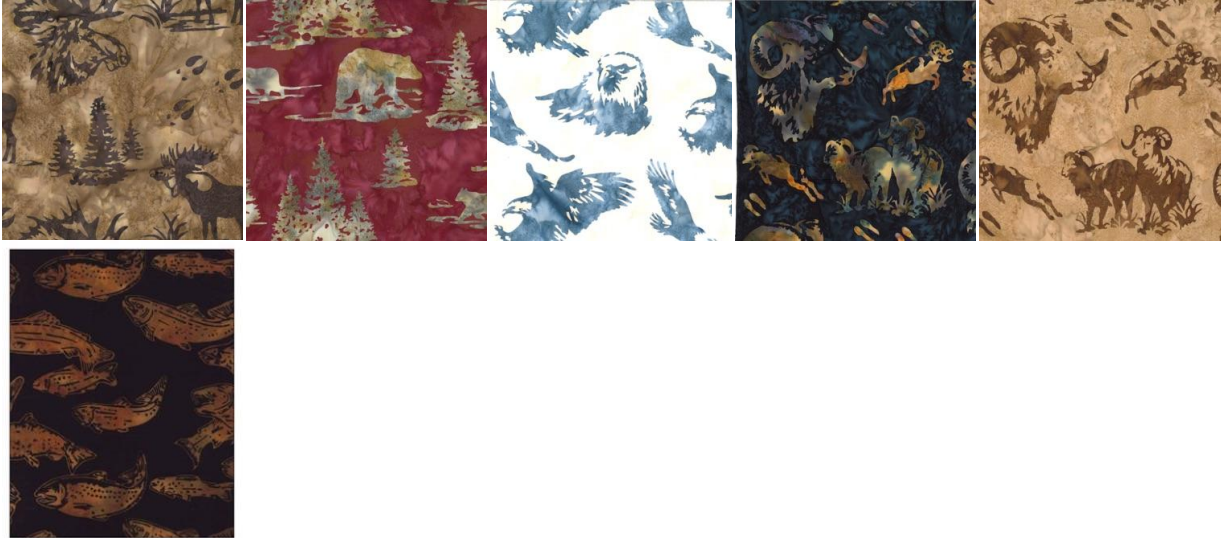


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June Classes & Special Events

Hand Embroidery Club Sat. June 11, 10-noon FREE Kathy Sconce

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

This year we're still 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.

Beginning Quilting

Sun. starting June 12, 6-9 OR Wed. June 15, 1-4 8 weeks \$65 Barb Boyer

This comprehensive 8-week course will introduce to you almost everything you need to know about piecing a quilt top. Along the way you will learn about color, batting, thread, machines and various techniques to give you the skills to make almost any quilt.

Lace Houses, block of the month Sat. June 11 1-3 Kathy Sconce ongoing.

Machine Applied Binding June 18 10-noon \$20 Barb Boyer

This style of binding uses cording to help keep the binding straight & true. Bring a small quilt, your binding and your sewing machine-check the supply list to make sure you have the right tools (cording, the correct foot, binding cut at the correct width). Putting binding

on by machine cuts your time more than in half-and by using cording, you can have a perfectly applied binding with no messy "oops" where your stitching just didn't quite catch the binding on the back side.

Christmas Row Quilt 3rd Sat of the month, starting June 18, 1-4 \$20 Barb Boyer

Each row uses a different pieced block. There are log cabins, stockings, wreaths, ornaments, snowmen, trees, houses, bells, and stars. Each month we will piece a different row. There are 7 rows (2 rows use multiple blocks), plus a pieced border. You should be able to have the quilt done by Christmas!

Bertie's Year & Companions last Friday of the month, 1-4 \$20, free if you buy the kit

Bertie's Year & Purfectly Pieced are small wall hangings, (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. The patterns are by Bonnie Sullivan, and you can do any of the series-she has a spring, summer, fall & winter Bertie's, plus the original, and plus the cats. You choose. Class is ongoing-because we need the time to get the embellishing done!

Friday Nighters Fri. June 24 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.

SORRY--POSTPONED TO JULY BECAUSE OF THE AFTER MARKET PARTY BQ: Using a Panel Quilt to Make BQ Quilt, June 25 10:30-5 \$20
Barb Boyer

Save Our Scraps! Quilts! On the 5th Saturday of the month (when it occurs-the next one is in April) we will make a scrappy quilt. This quilt is called Cascading Strips and it works with 2 1/2" precuts plus a background. The pattern is free and instructions for the extra border will be given in class.

June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tues	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 State Shop Hop Begins	2	3 Open Sew1-4	4 BOM 10:30-11:30 Ornament Club 2-4 Monthly Minis 4-6
5 CLOSED	6 English Paper Piecing 2-4	7	8	9 Knit Pickers' Club 6-8:30 Mastering Curves & Free Motion Quilting 1-4	10	11 Embroidery Club 10-noon Lace Houses 1-3
12 Beginning Quilt 1-4	13	14	15 Beginning Quilt 1-4	16 Mastering Curves & Free Motion Quilting 1-4	17 Open Sew1-4	18 Machine Applied Binding 10-noon Christmas Row Quilt 1-4
19 Beginning Quilt 1-4 Father's Day	20 Full Moon English Paper Piecing 2-4	21 Row by Row Begins	22 Beginning Quilt 1-4	23 Mastering Curves & Free Motion Quilting 1-4	24 Bertie's Year 1-4 Friday Nighters 5:30 -?	25 After Market Party 10-6
26 Beginning Quilt 1-4	27	28	29 Beginning Quilt 1-4	30 Mastering Curves & Free Motion Quilting 1-4	Color of the month: Brown	

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: June 20, July 19, August 18.

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

June Brown, July Blue, August Black.

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

Happy quilting!

Sincerely,

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