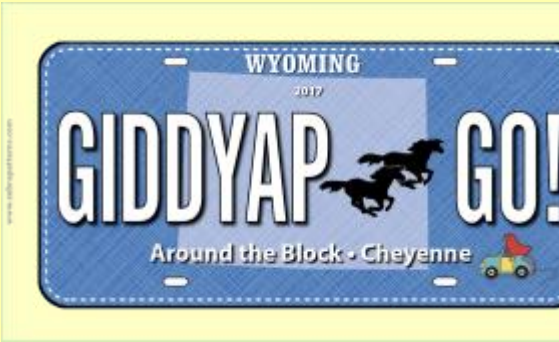
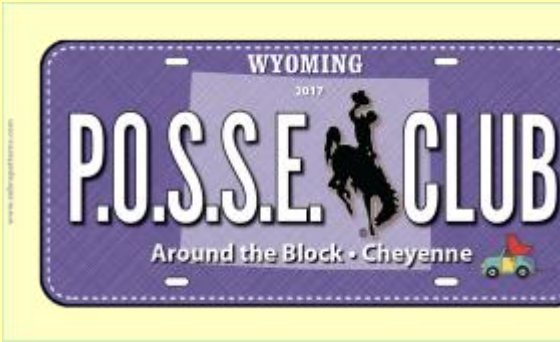




ROW BY ROW!
Here is our Row! It's called, "Who Let the Horses Out of the Barn."
The block with the horses is an elongated Hole in the Barn Door block.



Our new license plates. Plates are for sale now. Row By Row starts June 21!



May 19, 2017

Becca asked me this morning what month it was. I told her and she told me she was packing her bags and moving south. I told her the roads were closed and she wouldn't get very far. She just glared at me.

But for once, I'm with Becca. I almost didn't get out of my driveway this morning. The problem wasn't the depth of the snow, although that did play a part. It was that everything was gray and snowy and I couldn't judge the depth of the snow by the gate. I also couldn't judge the depth of the mud under the snow. I snowplowed to a halt and then tried to back up, and then remembered the very large bird bath (hole in the dirt driveway that fills with water when it rains/snows/melts) that I was now sitting on top. Backing out just created a deeper bird bath. When the ground is frozen, this isn't an issue. But the trusty Subaru made it out. Poor thing, it's just filthy with no hope for a bath for at least a week, according to the weather reports.

I debated about whether to even come into the shop, but there are always intrepid quilters out there who brave the weather-actually, they come in because it's a good day to stay at home & quilt and they need supplies.

Becca found that funny. After she looked at the snow on the back porch, and knew she didn't want to go out, she informed me that no sane person would go out in this weather, unless forced, like her.

"So you get a day off from work and you go shopping. That's insane," she said.

"Well, it's not shopping, exactly. Sometimes you just need something extra for the quilt you are working on."

Becca glanced at my quilting room.

"You don't have enough stuff in that room to keep you busy for like, forever?" She smirked.

"Well, sometimes you need something to fill in a hole, or a different color, or a binding, or"

"Seriously." Becca glanced again in my quilting room. "I get that you couldn't find a needle in a quilt pile in that mess you've got in there, and it would be just easier to buy

new, but unless you don't have something important, like food, in the house, why go out? You do have food, don't you? You remembered to get milk before this storm?" Becca is referring to an old newsletter story about grocery shopping before a big storm. Everyone buys milk. Even people who don't drink milk. Personally, I think it's a zombie thing-you can spot them by the gallon of milk in their shopping cart on the day before a big snow storm.

"We have plenty of food, Becca. You won't starve. And it's going to warm up quite a bit. All that snow will turn into mud."

"Well, I'm still moving south. I hear they have more grass in Colorado."

"Colorado got as much snow or more than we did. Going to Colorado won't help much. You'd have to move to Florida to get better grass. Wait a minute. Becca, what are you talking about? Becca?!"

WHAT'S NEW!!

From Hoffman:

Just got in today more Bucking Horse & Rider fabric. And some wildlife prints. UPS delivers in snow! Pictures next week.

From Moda:



From Red Rooster:





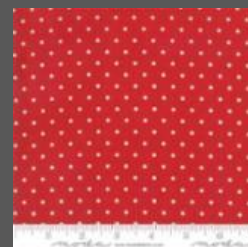
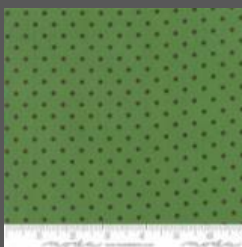
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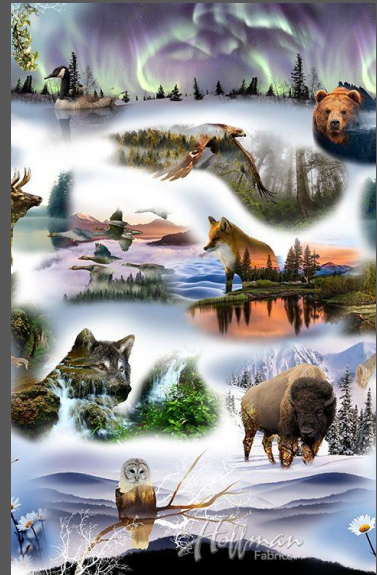
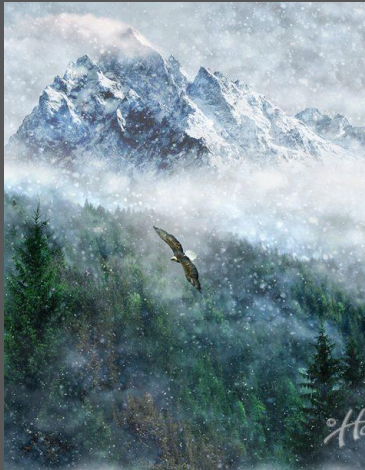
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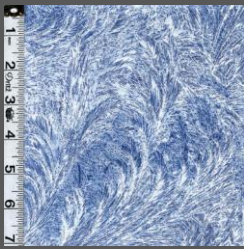
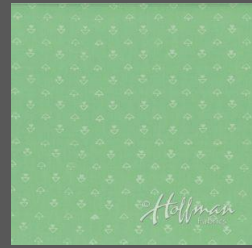
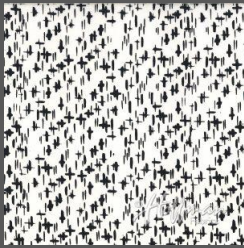
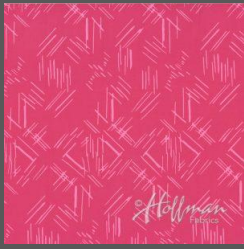


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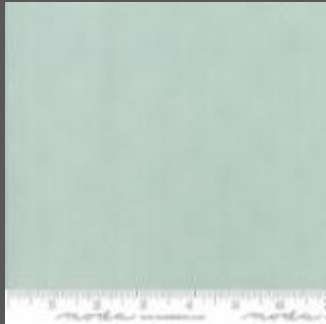
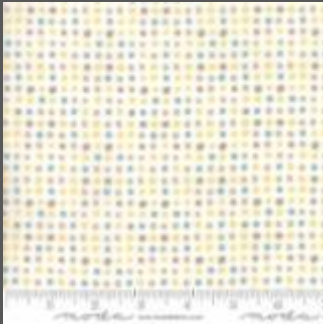
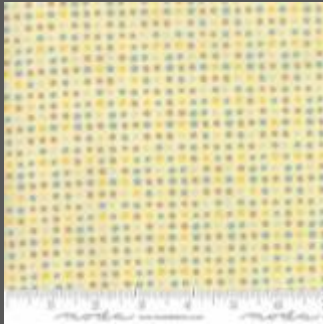




From Red Rooster:



From Moda:



From Benartex:





More from Moda: just precuts right now. Bolts should arrive later.



fabric to come



we have layer cakes, charms & jelly rolls now.



fabric to come, goes with the animals



Fabric to come. We have jelly rolls, layer cakes & charms now.



This is a kit

May Classes and Special Events

One Block Wonder Panel Quilt Ongoing Thurs May 4 & 18; OR Sat May 20 1-4

Binding for Beginners Wed. May 10, 2-5 \$20)

Learn the standard, basic, tried & true method to put binding on quilts. You'll learn to cut and sew on a binding--so bring a small project to work on. You'll learn cutting techniques for bias and straight of grain binding. How to stitch it on, make the corners and the simple way to join the ends. Since this is the standard, every day kind of binding, you'll learn how to stitch it by hand on the back--but we'll talk about other methods.

Knit Pickers' Club 2nd Thur. of the month, 6-8:30

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. If you are in the Monday knitting classes, you can work on your project and get help, if you need it.

All Things Halloween! 2nd Fridays every other month. 1-4 \$20/per class Barb Boyer & Sue Frerich

We will do 5 Halloween projects this year, including a full sized quilt, a table runner, an ornament, and other fun projects. You can pick and choose which projects you would like to do or sign up for all of them and get 1 class for free! **Third project: to be decided.**

Hand Embroidery Club 2nd Sat. of the month, 10-noon FREE (but see below) Kathy Sconce

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

Starting this fall we are doing barns. If you want to participate, there will be a COST. The patterns is \$20 + \$12 for printing. Each month, I will print the barn on Transfer Ez for you. Bring your fabric and supplies (floss, hoop, scissors, etc), and we will sit & stitch on the blocks during class. Fabric requirements will be provided in the first class.

Fat Quarter Fun Sat. May 13, OR Mon May 15 1-6 \$20 Barb Boyer & Sue Frerich

Every other month we will make a quilt using fat quarters (plus additional fabrics for borders). Three of the quilts will be from the same book, and the last 3 quilts will come from another book, maybe 2 books. Each quilt will employ a new cutting or sewing technique, just to keep it interesting! We will have limited kits of each quilt. We will offer these classes twice--pick your day, Saturday or Monday. **May's quilt is strip pieced cut apart block & sewn back together. Intrigued?** Books shows it done in blues, and that's how we've kitted it!

Machine Applique Wed. May 17, 1-4 \$25

You will learn the basics of machine applique: statin (zig zag) stitch and the blanket/button hole stitch. You will learn how to get in and out of corners, points, and around curves. We will talk about different kinds of threads, fusibles and decorative stitches.

Mod Dogs Mon. May 22 (or June 10) 1-5 \$20

This simple, modern quilt uses a jelly roll and fun background fabrics. You can piece the backgrounds, or use a "cheater" fabric. This is a great way to learn basics of fusing (the dogs are fused) and machine applique. Quick & easy quilt and uses precuts. What could be better!?

Jelly Roll Race Mon. May 29, 10:30-5 \$20

Read, set, stitch!. Using 1 jelly roll you can make a great quilt for a college student heading off to school in the fall. If graduation is in June, you can even present the quilt, all done, ready to go. It's that quick. It's a fun day of sewing, and I throw a few extra things into the quilt, just to make it interesting.

T-Shirt Class Sat. May 27 & June 24, 2-6 \$20

We'll help you choose your t-shirts, stabilize them, square them & sew them into a cherished memory quilt. We'll also help design each quilt to best showcase each t-shirt, no matter the size of the t-shirt.

Friday Nighters, 2nd to last Friday of the month And the last Friday of the Month 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.

May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 One Block Wonder 10-5	5 Open Sew1-4	6BOM 10:30-11:30 Eleanor Burns: Stars Across America 1-4 Monthly Mini 4-6
7 CLOSED	8	9	10 Full Moon Binding for Beginners 2-5	11 Knit Pickers' Club 6-8:30	12 All Things Halloween 1-4	13Embroidery Club 10-noon Fat Quarter Fun 1-6
14 Mother's Day	15 Fat Quarter Fun 1-6	16	17 Machine Applique 1-4	18 One Block Wonder 1-6	19 Open Sew1-4 Friday Nighters 5:30 -?	20 One Block Wonder 1-6
21	22 Mod Dogs 1-5	23	24	25	26 Friday Nighters 5:30 -? (Yes, I put it back for next Friday)	27 T-Shirt Quilt 2-6
28	29 Jelly Roll Race 10:30-5 Memorial Day	30	31			Color of the month: Neutrals- whites/beiges

June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 State Shop Hop Begins	2 Open Sew1-4	3 BOM 10:30-11:30 Get R' Done-Stitch Your Bindings Down! 1-4 Monthly Mini 4-6
4 CLOSED	5	6	7 Beginning Quilt 1-4	8 Knit Pickers' Club 6-8:30	9 All Things Christmas 1-4 Full Moon	10 Embroidery Club 10-noon Mod Dogs 1-6
11 Beginning Quilt 1-4	12	13	14 Beginning Quilt 1-4	15 Take 5 10-30-5	16 Open Sew1-4	17 Wildlife Quilt 10:230-5
18 Beginning Quilt 1-4 Father's Day	19	20	21 Beginning Quilt 1-4 Row by Row Begins	22 Take 5 10-30-5	23	24 T-Shirt Quilt 2-6
25 Beginning Quilt 1-4	26 English Paper Piecing 2-4	27	28 Beginning Quilt 1-4	29	30 Friday Nighters 5:30 -?	Color of the month: Brown

July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1BOM 10:30-11:30 Get R' Done-Stitch Your Bindings Down! 1-4 Monthly Mini 4-6
2 Beginnin g Quilt 1- 4	3 Jelly Roll Race 10:30-5	4 X-Block Flag 10-3 Independenc e Day	5 Beginning Quilt 1-4	6	7 ^{All} Things Hallowee n 1-4	8Embroider y Club 10- noon Fat Quarter Fun 1-6 Turning 20 Full Moon
9 Beginning Quilt 1-4	10 Fat Quarter Fun 1-6 Turning 20	11	12 Beginning Quilt 1-4	13 Knit Pickers' Club 6-8:30	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Open Sew1-4	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Color of the month: Blue
30 Beginnin g Quilt 1- 4	31 English Paper Piecing 2-4					

August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Beginning Quilt 1-4	3	4 Open Sew1-4	5 BOM 10:30-11:30 Get R' Done-Stitch Your Bindings Down! 1-4 Monthly Mini 4-6
6 Beginning Quilt 1-4	7 Full Moon	8	9 Beginning Quilt 1-4	10 Knit Pickers' Club 6- 8:30	11 All Things Christmas 1-4	12 Embroidery Club 10-noon
13 Beginning Quilt 1-4	14	15	16 Beginning Machine Quilting 1-4	17	18 Open Sew1-4	19 Solar Eclipse extravaganza: Day 1: Disappearing Sun quilt 10:30-5
20 Solar Eclipse extravaganza: Day 2: Reappearing Sun quilt 1-6	21 Solar Eclipse extravaganza: Day 3: Solar Eclipse quilt & road trip 8- 5	22	23	24	25 Friday Nighters 5:30 -?	26 Counterpoint 10:30-5
27	28 English Paper Piecing 2-4	29	30	31		Color of the month: Black

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: Jan 12, Feb 10, March 12, April 11, May 10.

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

January purple, February red, March green, April yellow, May neutrals/beiges/whites.

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

Happy quilting!

Sincerely, Barbara Boyer

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