

Around the Block QUILT SHOP

April 8, 2016

We are set up & ready to go! Don't forget to join us today and tomorrow. Here is a peak at our booth. I am typing remotely, so please forgive the format--and my phone died so I could not get pictures of the final setup. I will have more to share later. But come & see us in person--we have at least 30 quilts in the show and 52 aprons!

And for a little Becca news--she & Cassidy dug out of the back yard. My wheel barrow is now filling the hole. Yes, it's that big.

So I put them out front. That lasted one day. Becca got out--I think over, not under because I didn't find any holes. So I got clever. I put up some chicken wire on the inside of the fence, tied on with very thin wire. Because it is on the inside, that means Becca will run into it if she tries to climb out. And I'm sure she won't be able to pull it down. Almost sure. Well, maybe.



Springtime in the Rockies Quilt Shop Hop -

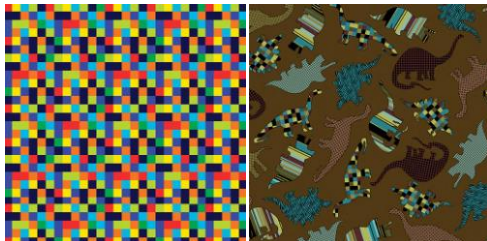
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Demonstrations:

Time	Store	Class & Description
Friday/April 8		
10:00	Juke Box Quilting	Curved Piecing
11:00	Around the Block	English Paper Piecing
12:00	Juke Box Quilting	Laser Cut Applique
1:00	Quilter's Stash	Strippy Stars Ruler
2:00	The Sewing Circle	Felting by Sewing Machine
3:00	Fig Leaf	Scan & Cut
4:00	Country Crafts	Yo-Yo Pin Cushion - Make & Take
Saturday/April 9		
10:00	Harriet's Treadle Arts	Felting Needle Case - Make & Take
11:00	Fig Leaf	Scan & Cut
12:00	Quilter's Dream	MartiMichell's Rulers
1:00	Around the Block	Pineapple Quilts
2:00	The Sewing Circle	Felting by Sewing Machine
3:00	OPEN	

WHAT'S NEW!!

From Benartex:





From Moda:



April Classes and Special Events

SHOP HOP AT THE RANCH APRIL 8 & 9 9-5

Knit Pickers' Club Thur. April 14, 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.

Hand Embroidery Club Sat. April 9, 10-noon FREE Kathy Sconce

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

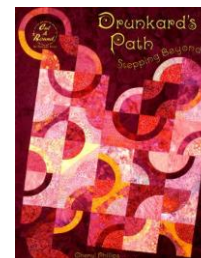
This year we're still doing birds-state birds. We will have between 40-50 birds (some states use the same bird) for you to stitch. Various setting for turning the birds into a quilt will be provided. Color suggestions for the birds will also be offered. As a bonus, you will get the state outlines,

state flowers, and other patterns to compliment the birds. You can join anytime.

Lace Houses, block of the month Sat. April 9 1-3 Kathy Sconce ongoing.

Drunkard's Path April 16 10:30-4 \$20 Jo Sunderman

Drunkard's Path is another curved pieced quilt. This quilt uses Elisa's Backporch templates, which make for an easy cut and easy sew. The curves are gentle and easy to sew. Lots of patterns exist for putting the blocks together and the class will discuss how to make sure your seams line up, if you want to make the classic circle quilt.



Postponed to June: Machine Applied Binding \$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.

Postponed to June: Mastering Curves & Free Motion Quilting Barb Boyer \$50

This is a 4 part class, offered on consecutive Thursdays through May 21. We will work on a whole cloth project, each week adding new designs. Class #1: straight lines (with darning/hopping foot), grasses, zig zags, trees. Class #2: flowers & leaves. Class #3: stippling & fill stitches. Class #4: free hand shapes, from clouds to birds, to animals. In class students will practice the designs and then start adding the designs on the whole cloth quilt.

Postponed to May 28: LOTP: Churn Dash Sat. May 28, 10:30-5 \$20 Barb Boyer

We are highlighting Little House of the Prairie fabrics this Spring, and this is our 4th quilt. This is a perfect quilt for scraps. This quilt uses the Churn Dash block and a modified Hold in the Barn Door block for the center of the quilt-which is on point. The Flowers collection from Little House makes this a perfect old fashioned looking quilt-and Mary was tall enough to actually use the churn, so she was able to help her mother churn the butter.

Postponed to May: Pillow Case Party Sun. 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!

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. April 29 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.

Postpone to May: S.O.S. Quilts Cascading Strips , 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 ½" precuts plus a background. The pattern is free and instructions for the extra border will be given in class.

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: January 24; February 22; March 23; April 22 , May 21.

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 .

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

Happy quilting!