

## National Quilt Day March 21!

Join us for AccuQuilt demos, ruler demos, and Chenille It demos. We have a new Take 5 AccuQuilt die and a One Block Wonder die. Buy your fabric that day and cut for free.

Green Fabric, Pillow Case kits, Remnant bags, and Panels (think One Block Wonder--buy your fabric and cut for free!) are 25% off.

And we may do some other fun stuff--I'm still planning & thinking.



### Travel, Explore, Cruise, Quilt!

We are sailing with Princess Cruises on December 29-2020-January 8, 2021!

### All Aboard!



The Princess sale has been continued. The sale includes free premium beverage package, payment of gratuities and free wifi. On board credit will also be offered. I don't have the date when this sale ends, but don't wait too long. You can always sign up to travel with us, even through next

December, but it's hard to say whether this specific sale will be offered again.

March 5, 2020

So the news was depressing for the start of the week. And no, it wasn't that it snowed, or the wind blew, or that the number of coronavirus victims increased, or whatever silly thing Trump said about the coronavirus disappearing miraculously sometime in April when it gets hot-clearly he's never been to Wyoming where it doesn't get hot until June. And it would I guess he's never been to Florida or California, because it's hot right now there and that doesn't seem to stop the virus from spreading. Or people who weaponize this virus for political purposes. Seriously, that's just wrong. Which means depressing. And then there was the tornado in Tennessee and.... well I guess there's a lot that falls into the depressing category.

But no, it was none of those things that set me off. It was a list of the things you shouldn't eat after you turn 30. Now, granted, most of us have extended way beyond the youthful days of being 30. But after reading this list, you might wonder how you ever made it past that point, but it might explain why you look like you're over 30. Just kidding. Nobody ever looks like they're 30. Not even 30 year olds.

So the number one banned food on the list was flavored yogurt. Before you get all defensive, you all ready know that flavored yogurt contains a lot of sugar. Frankly, it's the only thing that makes yogurt tolerable, in my view. What the extra sugar does, other than stubbornly sit on your hips and belly, is cause wrinkles and...wait for it...sagging. Ah, the bane of the over 60 crowd. They have miracle cures for sagging skin. I've seen it on tv. But if you're already way past 30, tend to carry extra poundage and have wrinkles & sagging skin - there's no hope. I don't care what the tv ads claim. So go ahead and eat all the yogurt you want.

Now for me, I can't stand yogurt & don't eat it, so at this point I was feeling pretty good about my life choices.

Next on the list was canned soup. A ubiquitous unidentified study said canned soup is bad for blood pressure and .... wrinkles. So skin again. The connection this time is sodium, as in lots of it. So if you eat a lot of canned soup, all of the salt dehydrates your skin causing it to look like shoe leather - all dried up. (And for all you grammarians out there, the established old school rule is a ubiquitous and not an ubiquitous.)

So now I'm not so proud of myself. I don't eat much canned soup, but the occasional chicken noodle soup, regardless how dreadful it really is, is sometimes just a nice comfort food. Like tomato soup.

Next was breakfast pastries, and I was back to being smug, because I don't find these tasty. And if you're guessing what's wrong with them, you get only one guess: Too much sugar.

So all you 30 year olds & younger, keep eating them because sugar's not that bad for you if you're under 30? Oh, wait a minute. That's not true either.

Anyway, next on the list was charred meat. Too many harmful chemicals result during the charring process. I don't eat charred meat on purpose. But I refuse to throw out a hot dog that gets a little burnt. (See hot dogs below)

Next on the list ended my smugness and superior feeling because everything else, except for the "stay away from coffee" remonstrations, took away most of my food choices and was just simply depressing:

No soda-too much sugar=wrinkles. No oreas: Too much sugar. No cocktails and beer. Not only are there calories involved, but it affects your sleep and then in the morning you wake up to carb and sugar cravings, which, we already know, leads to more pounds on the hips and wrinkles. And whatever moisture you had in your skin is sucked out by the alcohol, so you'll start turning into dried up leather. At least, maybe, you won't have wrinkles.

And with the next entry on the list, I was officially depressed.

No bagels or white bread. Actually I don't do white bread. But I do eat bread and bread of any kind equals: sugar, which equals: wrinkles. Next, no Chinese takeout. Over abundance of sodium. Ditto ditto.

No veggie burgers. Now this caught me by surprise. I don't eat these things, so my mood got a little chippier because I could feel smug once more. Veggie burgers are bad for old people because we need more B12 and you get that from beef. Those of you 30 year olds out there: eat more beef, it may help keep the gray hairs from coming in too soon because of the additional B12. (And you thought I was going to berate veggie burgers for having too much fiber, and you know what that causes in old people. They have ads for that, too.)

Then there are the iced coffee beverages, which I am told, are sipped through straws. The straws are bad for you. Sipping through straws produces a repetitive facial movement, which ages the skin. Not what you thought I was going to say, huh. Okay, you're also right, the caffeine is a problem. It interferes with sleep, etc. See beer. The skinny coffees are not much better, because they, like all sugar free stuff, are considered Frankenfoods-they taste like sugar but aren't and that confuses the body and makes it crave that which it really didn't get. Sugar. I don't know why they're called Frankenfoods, but I liked the name so I'm passing it along.

Sugar free snacks are a no no. Fortunately, this is another food group I avoid. If the snack doesn't have sugar, or salt, I avoid it.

Margarine. I gave that up years ago. Only butter with all its fat for me. Margarine contributes to skin aging because it makes it more vulnerable to UV rays. Who knew?

Frozen diet meals: Okay, I don't touch these. They tend to taste like cardboard, anyway.

Now come the most depressing things you shouldn't eat.

Bacon. This isn't news. But the study devoted a very long paragraph as to why bacon is bad. If you must eat it, eat the really healthy stuff, that's not going to taste like bacon, and limit yourself to 2 slices. Which translates for me into: Only eat 2 slices of bacon. Any kind of bacon.

Pancake syrup. Okay, I'm safe here. I don't like syrup. I prefer to eat my pancakes with butter and sugar. Lots of both. So I don't indulge very often.

Cheese dips, soy sauce, caffeinated ice cream, commercial weight loss bars, sports drinks, and canned fruit all suffer from too much sodium and too much sugar and too much caffeine. I feel good again-I don't eat this stuff.

And then I came to salami and hot dogs. Hot dogs. I've had Italian sausage dogs the past couple of nights which contain sodium and stuff the FDA calls GRAS ingredients: Generally Recognized As Safe. No lie. They put that info on products. I wonder if they have a "generally not recognized as safe" label. Probably for bacon.

I also had chips with the dogs. We won't talk about chips. Remember, I'm depressed now. But did you know that chips are designed to make you eat more of them-of course you did. Lays Potato chips even advertises itself as, "Bet you can't eat just one." The reason for this is because the food lacks a dominant flavor. With no single flavor to overpower other flavors, you are less apt to feel full and you just keep eating. Who knew? Other than Lays.

Boxed mac & cheese. Okay, this one is like canned soup. Sometimes Kraft Mac & Cheese is what is needed on a given night. All of you who claim to make your own, know that sometimes it's nice to just pour the stuff out of a box into a pot, and 15 minutes later you've got supper. Admit it.

The final bad for you food if you're over 30 is processed peanut butter. I love the new Jiff commercial, which is set during an alien attack. The young woman must hide for her life, and nice people let her into their underground bunker. The shelves are filled with generic (think not processed) peanut butter. She leaves immediately, welcoming the threat of aliens over the prospect of eating generic not processed peanut butter. To be clear, I'd leave if it were Jiff. My peanut butter of choice is Skippy.

Sorry this got so long. It was kinda like potato chips -- no dominant bad food. I couldn't just stop at just one.

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## **It's time to think about Shop Hop!**

Our theme for this year's challenge is flashback to the 1960s. Beatles, peace signs, hippies, tie dye, long hair, rock & roll, being hip or being square. Make your own project around a 1960s theme, using a commercial pattern or one of your own creation. Wall hangings, totes or other interpretations of a 60s theme no larger than 60" X 60" will be accepted. Projects will hang at the Springtime in the Rockies Shop Hop at the Ranch, April 17 & 18. **Gift Basket Prizes awarded: \$250 1<sup>st</sup>; \$200 2<sup>nd</sup>; \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> as picked by Viewer's Choice.** To participate, fill out an entry form and submit it to a participating quilt store with your project by April 13.

I will have the forms available later--or just ask me to print you one. For now, it's time to start thinking of what project you want to do! The prizes are big this year!

## WHAT'S NEW!!

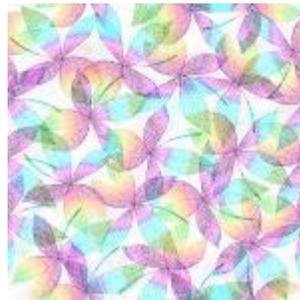
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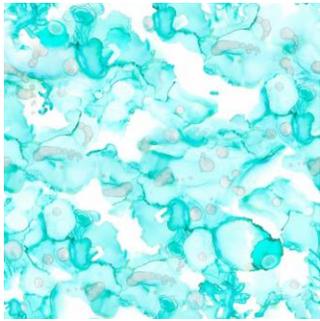


This is Peter Pan



From 3 Wishes:





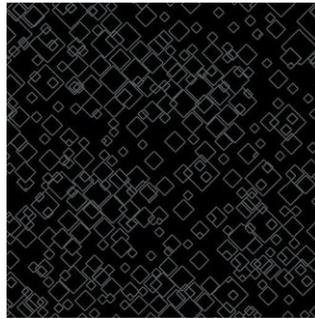
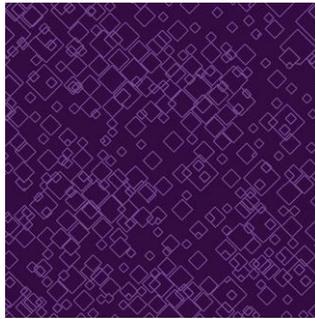
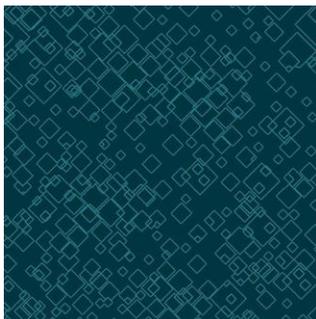
We're still looking for that camper fabric. It's possible I actually didn't order it.

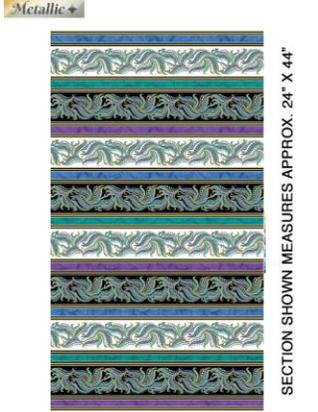
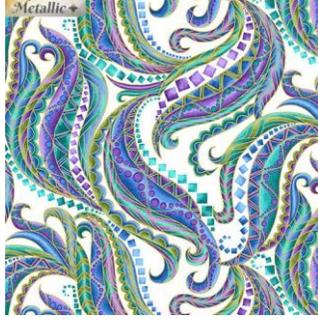
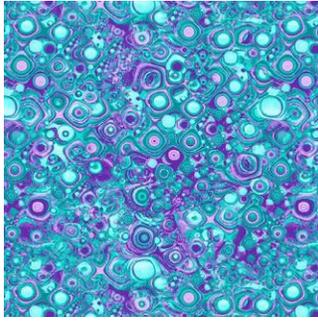
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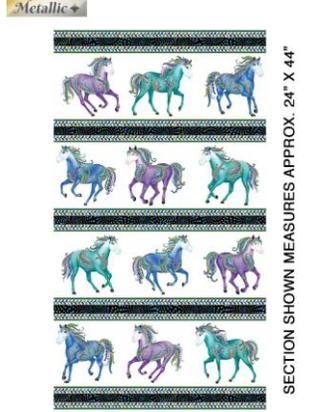




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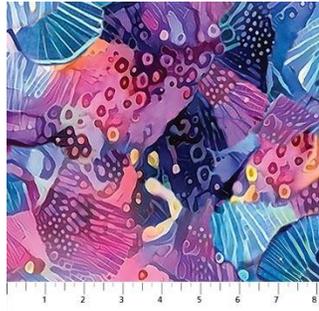


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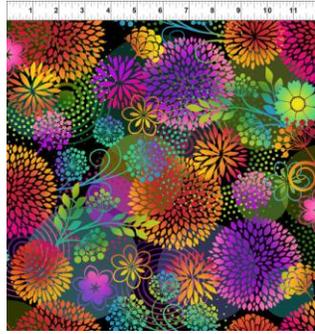


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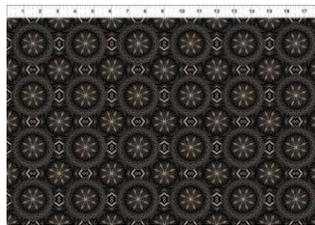
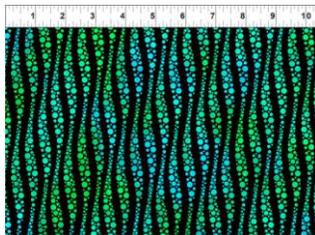
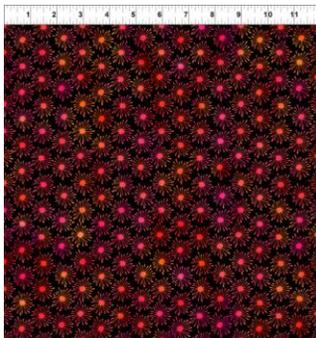
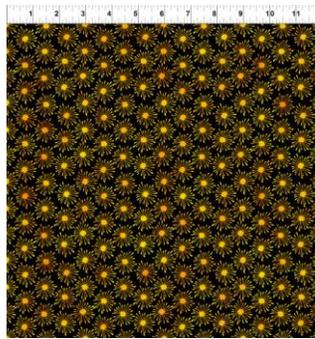
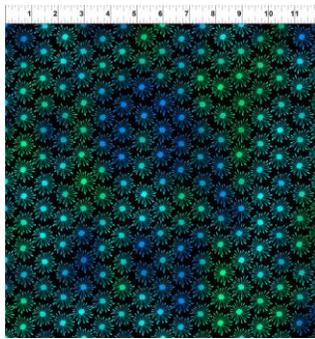
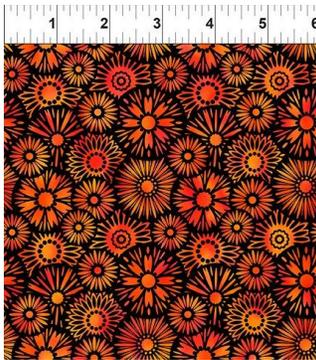
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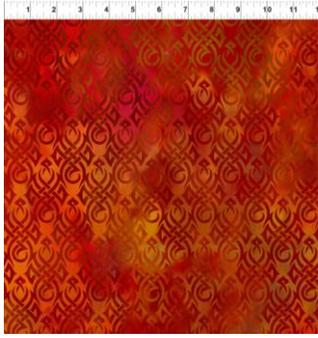


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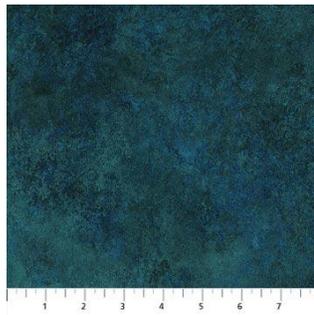
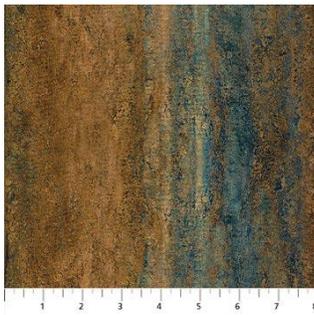
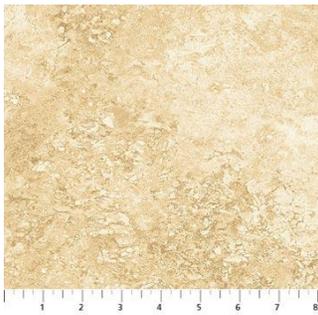
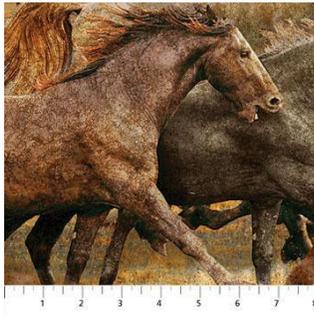


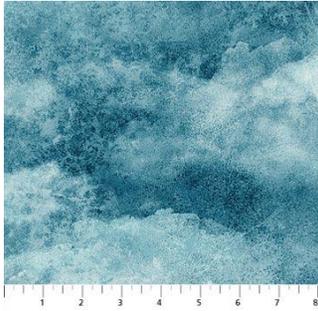
pattern--we are making kits





From Northcott:





## SIGN UP FOR LONG ARM QUILTING CLASSES TODAY!

Classes are on Wednesdays and some Saturdays: 10:30-1:30; 2:30-5:30, or 6-8:30. Check the calendar for dates. Only 4 to a class.

Rentals have started for those who have taken the class. Tuesdays and Fridays, and a couple of Saturday and Sunday rentals. Check the calendar for rentals. Generally, there are 2 rentals times per day: 10:30-2 and 2:30-6. \$25/hr or \$85 for 3 1/2 hours. \$50 minimum. Plus \$5/bobbin for thread. Most quilts (double and smaller), even for beginners, will take about 2 1/2-3 hours. We will discuss what you plan to do on your quilt and will help you estimate how long it will take.

**Class descriptions follow the calendar, so keep scrolling. Classes are listed alphabetically, by month.**

<b>MARCH 2020</b>						
Sund ay	Monday	Tuesd ay	Wednesd ay	Thursd ay	Frida y	Saturd ay
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Closed		Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day		Beginning Quilt 6-9	Long Arm Rental Day	t-shirt class cont.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Embroidery Club 10-noon Embroidery Club 10-noon
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21 How to Use Strips: Design Challenge 10:30-4 National Quilt Day
Beginning Quilt 1-4		Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	Hand Piecing Dresden Plates 10-noon	Beginning Machine Quilting 1-4	Long Arm Rental Day	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Working with Rulers: Mini Dresden Plate 10:30-4
Beginning Quilt 1-4		Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	Wool Ornaments 10-1 Knit Pickers' Club 3-7	Beginning Machine Applique 1-4	Long Arm Rental Day	

29	30	31	Color of the month: green			
	English Paper Piecing: Dresden Plate 2-4	Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day				

Please look on the calendars above for times and dates.

## Ongoing Classes & Clubs

**AccuCut Rental most Thursdays 1-4 check calendar or call to be sure**

\$10/30 minutes

We have an industrial size AccuCut cutter with several dies: strips, squares, triangles, rectangles. Sign up for time of the AccuCutter to change your stash into usable strips, squares, rectangles and triangles. We will rent to machine in ½ hour intervals (you can get a lot cut in ½ hour). Be sure to check which dies we have before you come in.

**Block of the Month** First Sat of month 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 the challenge is to use polka dot fabric in each block. The quilt will be whimsical, and will lend itself to bright colors, stripes, stars, and dots. To start you off we will give you a fat quarter that you must use in your blocks (at least in some of them). But...if you don't like the fat quarter or dots, you can choose any color scheme you like.

**Dresden Plate, English Paper Piecing** last Monday of each month, 2-4 Barb Boyer \$20 (one time fee)

We will teach the basics of English Paper Piecing, the simple & easy way to hand piece. 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 **Dresden Plate** this is the pattern we're doing this year.

**Hand Embroidery Club** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. of the month, 10-noon FREE Kathy Sconce

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. You can work on your own

projects or you can join the project we are doing. We are still doing the Gardner's Alphabet Quilt Block of the Month by Crabapple Hill. We will explore a variety of embroidery stitches for each block each block (2 letters per month), plus we will learn how to color with regular crayons to enhance the blocks. 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. We are also looking at new patterns, for those you do not want to do the Alphabet quilt or who have finished those blocks.

**Knit Pickers' Club** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month, 3-7 Carol Moler

We are changing up the Knit Pickers' Club. We're going to knit 2 days a month every second and fourth Wednesday, and we'll start earlier in the day at 3. For those of you who work, we'll still be knitting > till 7. 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. We work on some felting projects, fingerless mittens, mittens, and socks. And we're experimenting with group projects meaning we will demonstrate a particular project (fingerless mitts, cables, stranded work, charts) and then everyone does the same pattern. Each month (or so) we will switch to a new project.

**Long Arm Quilting Classes** Wednesdays from 10:30-1:30, 2:30-5:30 Barb Boyer \$30 (check calendar for specific times & dates)

In this class you will learn all about the Nolting long arm quilting machines: loading, threading, quilting. I'll demonstrate how to load and thread, set stitch length, change tension, wind and load bobbins. Then I will load a practice quilt onto the machine and show how to do hand guided quilting. Each student will be given at least 15-20 minutes of practice time. (Each class is limited to 4 students). You will be able to do free hand quilting plus you can practice following a pantograph. Any quilter who wants to rent to machines must take this class first, regardless of whether you have experience on a long arm machine. This class is not designed to teach you everything there is to know about long arm quilting it's just a start.

## February Classes

**Hand Applique/Back Basting** TBA, 10-noon Sandra Freeburg \$30

Back basting is a template free method of needle turn applique. No slippery freezer paper or chalked lines on top that never seem to get turned under quite right. This method is especially great for traveling, because your pieces will be basted onto your background -- no need for pins to get in the way. This class is great for beginners and all levels of appliquers. Don't let hand applique frustrate you. It's really easy and relaxing!

**Summer Swag Quilt RESCHEDULED FOR SUMMER** \$25 Jean Korber (Another of our "working with

**rulers" series + 2 ½" pre cut strips)**

This quilt is another Krista Moser quilt, no template piecing. If you did FanFaire, you can use the same ruler. And it uses precut 2 ½" strips! The pattern shows you how to combine strip piecing with diamond star cuts to create a magical three dimensional effect. The pieces are large and uncomplicated, which means in no time you will have a wonderful "summertime" quilt.



## March Classes

**Beginning Machine Applique Thurs March 26 1-4 \$30 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 button hole/blanket stitch, satin stitch, and you can also play around with your decorative stitches. Threads, fusibles and stabilizers will be discussed.

**Beginning Machine Quilting Thurs March 19, 1-4 \$30 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!

**Design Challenge: Using 2 ½" Strips Sat March 21, 10:30-4 \$25 Sue Frerich (Another of our precut quilt series)**

Sue will teach you the basic block. The challenge is how to set your blocks together. For those of you who have the EQ program on a laptop computer, you can bring your computer to class and Barb will help you design the block in the program and show you how rearrange blocks in the quilt. For those of you who do not have the program, there will be some limited time for students to work on Barb's computer to design your quilt.

**Hand Piecing Dresden Plates Wed March 18 10-noon \$30 Sandra Freeburg**

Everyone who quilts needs to learn to hand piece. Sometimes we need to have small portable projects to take with us in the car, to doctor appointments, and sometimes, just for relaxing stress free quilting. Learn to hand piece with traditional methods. There are many patterns that are so difficult to piece by machine, but are beautiful when done by hand. This spring, in keeping with our "Dresden Plate" theme, Sandra will teach hand piecing using the Dresden Plate pattern.



**Mini Dresden Plates Sat March 28, 10:30-41 \$25 Barb Boyer (Another of our "working with rulers" class)**

This class will teach you how to use a small and a mini Dresden Plate template to make little Dresden Plate blocks. You can choose how you want to use your little Dresden Plates: Big quilt, wall hanging, tea towel, tote bag. We will have suggestions to help you decide, or you can simply chose a project from the book. Book and templates are required.



**Wool Ornaments Wed Mar 25 10-1 \$25 Barb Boyer**

Each month we will make a different wool ornament. Not all ornaments will be displayed prior to class. Some will be kitted, others you will need to buy supplies. Lessons learned will include how to use fusible web with wool, whip or tack stitches, blanket stitch, and various other embroidery stitches.



## April Classes

**Beginning Machine Applique Sun April 26, 1-4 \$30 Barb Boyer**

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**Binding Thur April 9 1-4 Barb Boyer \$25**

You'll learn how to accurately cut your bindings, whether bias, cross or straight. And when to use which one. You'll learn how to cut, then sew, join (so easy) and hand stitch it down. Bindings so easy peasy you'll wonder why you were ever nervous about putting on the binding.

**It's Not too Early for Halloween Quilt Sat April 25 10-2 \$25 Barb Boyer**

This cute quilt is an embroidered Halloween Quilt from Buttermilk Basin. The first class will get you started on your embroidery. I'll show you the basic stitch (outline or stem stitch), satin stitch, chain stitch and French knot. We'll discuss tracing options, floss colors and background colors. Then, this summer when your embroidery work is finished, we will get together for the final part: setting the quilt. I will have an alternate way to set your blocks, so you will a different option from the pattern.



**Let There Be Dragons Quilt Sat April 11 1-6 \$25 Barb Boyer**

In the Beginning has created this marvelous dragon fabric: in orange & flame colors, or cool blues & purples. The dragons are in a panel and there is a coordinating border stripe. The blocks are easy and the panel makes this quilt go together quickly. You will also learn how to miter the borders-a new skill to add to your toolbox!

**Running Wild Sat April 4, 1-6 \$25 Barb Boyer (Another of our "working with rulers" class)**

This quilt is a combination kaleidoscope and panel, using Northcott's Wild Horses fabrics. This cascading colored quilt can be made just with the kaleidoscope blocks, or, just like the sampler, you can insert parts of the Running Horses panel in random places. This block uses a Creative Grid specialty ruler to cut the wedges for the kaleidoscope blocks.

**Wool Ornaments Wed April 22 10-1 \$25 Barb Boyer**

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**May Classes**

**A Study in Subtle Sat May 16, 10:30-5 \$30 Sue Frerich**

This sample quilt uses taupes and other subtle colorations to create light and medium/dark blocks. The block is simple, but small, and there are tricks to getting everything to line up. You can also make this quilt in any combination of fabrics, so it is perfect for scraps.

**Binding Sun May 31 1-4 Barb Boyer \$25**

You'll learn how to accurately cut you bindings, whether bias, cross or straightBand when to use which one. You'll learn how to cut, the sew, then join (so easy) and hand stitch it down. Bindings so easy peasy you=ll wonder why you were ever nervous about putting on the binding.

**Credit Card Holders Sat May 9 3-6 \$25 Barb Boyer**

Make a fast,easy credit card holder that is lined with that special stuff that prevents hackers from stealing your info. Two fat quarters will make several card holders, or you could use a fat quarter and our cork fabric, to make an extra special card holder.

**Heart's Desire Sat May 2 1-6 Barb Boyer \$25 (Another of our precut quilt series)**

This quilt uses 2 ½" strips plus yardage to make the oversized hearts. Our choice for fabrics is the new line from Alexander Henry: Ghastlies Fall In Love-as only the Ghastly characters can. This is a quick quilt to sew and if you still need a graduation present, you should be able to get the top done in no time.

**Intro to Sashiko Sat May 9, 1-3 \$25 Kathy Sconce**

Sashiko is a form of decorative reinforcement stitching from Japan. Traditional Sashiko embroidery used white thread on a blue background, but today's sashiko uses many colors of thread, including variegated, and a variety of different colored backgrounds. The main stitch is a type of running stitch and the patterns are often geometric. Learn the basic stitch in the intro class and make a small wall hanging, tea towel, or quilt.

**Machine Applied Binding Thur May TBA \$30**

Jean will show you several ways to cut and apply binding, completely by machine. Then if you bring a small project, that is already quilted and ready for binding, you can use Jean's techniques and tricks to apply the binding to your project. You probably won't finish your binding, but you will get hands on experience so you can take what you've learned & finish at home.

**Pillow Case Party Sun. May 17 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!

**Wool Ornaments Wed May 13 10-1 \$25 Barb Boyer**

Each month we will make a different wool ornament. Not all ornaments will be displayed prior to class. Some will be kitted, others you will need to buy supplies. Lessons learned will include how to use fusible web with wool, whip or tack stitches, blanket stitch, and various other embroidery stitches.



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## Nolting Longarm Machines

Nolting has 5 main machines, each with different reaches: from 17" to 30" depending on the machine. They are sold with or without a frame, but after I saw & helped set up one of the steel frames this week, I recommend buying the frame. All machines, except for the Standard-- the most economical machine-- have a stitch regulator. I recommend a stitch regulator. All machines can be equipped with a computer and there are a couple of different ones to choose from. In addition, you can

get an extended table base so that you can use rulers, you can get larger bobbins on some of the models and on the frames you can get hydraulic lifts to raise and lower the tables. In the coming weeks, I will print out more information on each model.

The best entry level machine is the Fun Quilter. It comes in 17", 20" & 23" reach. It comes with the Intellistitch Equalizer stitch regulator, standard speed control, needle up/down, and fixed handles in the front & rear. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



The Pro Machine has the Intellistitch Turbo stitch regulator, single stitch option, standard speed control, needle up/down and customizable handles in the front & rear. The Pro Machine comes in 20", 24" and 30" reach with 10-12" of inside height. There are easy dials on the front to set stitch length and other options. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



The NV Machine is the newest in the fleet of Nolting machines. This machine has a touch screen with programmable stitch regulation. You can stitch in 4 different stitch modes plus single stitch and needle up/down. It also has an adjustable brightness LED work light. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



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Happy quilting!

Sincerely, Barbara Boyer

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