



Summer 2022

Summer is (isn't) Here!

Aren't you glad it's summer? Or at least time for summer classes?

We are going to be working with all sorts of different rulers this summer. Some of the classes will just be demonstrations, others will be in class quilting classes.

Summer schedule starts off with the 3-day retreat with Sue Frerich. She is teaching a round quilt that can either be a wall hanging or a table topper. New skills learned include binding in the round, template work, and stitching around a curve. And it's all easier than you think.

Beginning quilting kicks off on June 12, which means we are back open on Sundays for the summer.

On the second Saturday of each month this summer, we are highlighting Creative Grid Rulers. Come to the free demo, learn how to use the ruler, and if you buy the ruler that day, 20% off the cost of the ruler. I will have limited supplies of the rulers in stock, but if I run out, if you pay for the ruler, I will order it in for you. The first ruler is the **Flying Geese Ruler**. It helps you cut and trim your Geese and gives you 3 different ways to make them! The second demo in July is Creative Grid's **Stripology Ruler**. Slits are at $\frac{1}{2}$ inch intervals, allowing you to cut all sorts of different sized strips. The ruler can also be used to cut squares from your strips. And you can use it to square up blocks, specifically half square and quarter square triangle blocks. Very versatile. The third ruler in August is the **Curvy Log Cabin ruler**. By cutting logs at different widths, you can create the illusion of curves and this ruler shows you how. We'll have some cute table runner patterns (mainly holiday) to go with. (P.S. I know there is a typo in the calendar. I will fix it when I send out the explanation of classes.)

The second class in **One Block Wonder Panel** is in June—this is the designing day for those who started in May.

Binding by hand or machine rounds out our June schedule. For this class you will need to have a small quilted sample (something bigger than 10" X 10" but smaller than 40" X 40" is best) and your chosen fabric for binding. Please don't cut binding until class, because I will give you options. In the first half of the class I will demo the binding technique and in the second half, you will apply your binding. We do things a little differently with the machine applied bindings than what you'll find on the internet. Frankly, I think we do it better and easier.

On Thursdays each month, we are holding a **Make & Take class** in the afternoons. In June, you will learn to make a **wool holder/notebook for needles, scissors and note pad**. We will provide the kit to make the holder, which will include the wool, trims and matching wool threads for the applique. If you don't want to do it all by hand, bring your machine and put it together either in part or all by machine. In July we will make an easy and **fun grocery tote bag**, complete with elastic to roll it up. **SPOILER ALERT: Around the Block will be going bagless this fall.** We are going to move away from offering plastic bags to customers. We will always have some bags, just because and just in case, but we hope you will start bringing in your own reusable bag to this store and others. This grocery tote is approximately the same size and shape as the plastic bags you get at the grocery store. We will provide kits for class; all you need to do is bring your sewing machine.

July brings the **Take Five class** – and if you haven't done a Take Five quilt, they are so much fun and so easy to do, from choosing fabric to sewing. Another easy quilt and one you may even finish in class is the **Three Yard Quilt** – choose any one you want to do and we'll walk you through the cutting and sewing. And yet another easy quilt from the **Turning Twenty** books is the Patriotic Turning Twenty. It's easy to find 20 patriotic (or your choice of fabrics) fat quarters, easy to cut and easy to put together. New skill learned in this quilt: partial seam construction. And finally **Cotton Candy**, a quilt using the **Large Sidekick Ruler**. Very colorful and (even though it might look like it) no inset seams!

August brings the Kaleidoscope Quilt from In the Beginning. This quilt uses yet another ruler, called, of course, the **Kaleidoscope ruler**. The quilt, which we will have kitted, requires only 2 fabrics: a border print and one other. Kits will be limited, so if you want a kit AND want help by taking the class, please sign up early.

We may add other classes—things I forgot to put onto the schedule or fun things that just come up, so please always look at the schedule in the newsletter. As always, there may be mistakes in the calendar (I hope not) and occasionally dates may shift (I hope not). If you are interested in any class, please sign up early--especially for any class that requires a kit.

June 2022

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JUNE			1 Long Arm class 10:30	2 Long Arm Rental Day	3 Retreat with Sue! 10:30-5	4 BOM 10:30 Retreat with Sue! 11-5
5 Retreat with Sue! 1-5	6	7 Hand work Club 2-4	8 Knit Pickers' Club 2-4	9 Long Arm Rental Day	10	11 Embroidery Club 10-noon Rulers: Creative Grid flying Geese rulers demo, <u>1-2 20% off ruler</u>
12 Shop is now open 1-5! Beginning Quilting 1-4	13	14 Hand work Club 2-4 Full moon	15 Long Arm class 10:30	16 Long Arm Rental Day	17	18 One Block Wonder Panel, sewing & designing 10:30-4

19 Dads' Day Beginning Quilting 1-4 Shop Is now open 1-5!	20	21 Hand work Club 2-4	22 Knit Pickers' Club 2-4	23 Long Arm Rental Day Make & Take Wool Needle Holder 1-4	24	25 Binding by hand and machine 1-4
26 Beginning Quilting 1-4 Shop Is now open 1-5!	27	28 Hand work Club 2-4	29 Long Arm class 10:30	30 Long Arm Rental Day	Color of the month: blue	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	JULY				1	2 BOM 10:30 Take 5 1-5
CLOSED	3 CLOSED Independence Day	4	5 Hand work Club 2-4	6 Long Arm class 10:30	7 Long Arm Rental Day	8 Embroidery Club 10-noon Rulers: Creative Grid Strippy ruler demo, 1-2 20% of ruler
10 Beginning Quilting 1-4	11	12 Hand work Club 2-4	13 Knit Pickers' Club 2-4 Full moon	14 Long Arm Rental Day Make & Take: Grocery Tote 1-4	15	16 Patriotic Turning 20 10:30-4

17 Beginning Quilting 1- 4	18	19 Hand work Club 2-4	20 Long Arm class 10:30	21 Long Arm Rental Day	22	23 Three Yard Quilts 10:30-4
24 Beginning Quilting 1- 4	25	26 Hand work Club 2-4	27 Knit Pickers' Club 2-4	28 Long Arm Rental Day	29	30 Cotton Candy 10:30-4
31 Beginning Quilting 1- 4		Color of the month: Christmas				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August	1	2	3	4	5	6 BOM 10:30
CLOSED	7	8	9	10	11	12 Embroidery Club 10-noon Rulers: Creative Grid Curvy Ruler demo 1-2 20% of ruler
Beginning Quilting 1-4	14	15	16	17	18	19 20 Kaleidoscope Ruler Quilt 10:30-4
	21	22	23	24	25	26 27

28	29	30	31	Color of the month: blacks		
		Hand work Club 2-4				

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

Happy quilting!

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