

# Calico Cottage

Everything for the quilter!

Open 9:30 to 5:30  
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Saturdays

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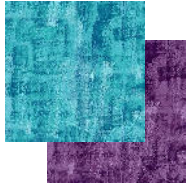
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As you read this newsletter, imagine us combing the aisles at Spring Market in St. Louis. That's where we'll be searching for fresh ideas and knock-your-socks-off fabrics and gadgets. It's a tough job but somebody has to do it!

In the meantime, the last half of a 32-bolt blender from Andover called Brush-line should be arriving soon. New batiks have been wedged on the shelves and are spilling out onto the floor.



Christmas fabrics will be arriving in full force in June and July. Winter Twist is a gorgeous Christmas version to In the Beginning's ever-popular, Garden Twist. Robert Kaufman has a traditional

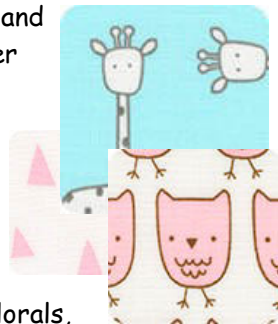
black & red poinsettia with gold metallic called Holiday Flourish 10. This includes a 60" wide border stripe that would be perfect for tablecloths.



Howdy from Moda is a sweet cowboy and



cowgirl print with coordinating horse-shoes, gingham and paisley. Another children's print with a July de-



livery from Kaufman features pink owls, blue giraffes, hearts and triangles.

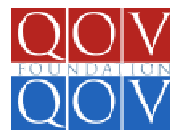
Pages of other fabrics are on order including 23 bolts of 30's florals, fall and Halloween plus miscellaneous blenders, backings and precuts—something for everyone!

This summer, we're offering some new classes as well as old favorites. Look over the schedule and see what interests you. Phyllis Hause from Denver is bringing her toothbrush rug class to Hastings May 30 and 31. This is a quick and easy-to-learn method of making a rug that will last forever. No sewing required.

AMERICANA PRINTS ON SALE

Wednesday, July 5  
through  
Saturday, July 8

Save 25% on Red, White  
and Blue Fabrics



Our usual groups will be meeting through the summer also. Join in the fun with Quilts of Valor sewing on the third Saturday of each month and Salad and Sew on the last Saturday of the month. Catch us at shows during the summer too. Stop by our booth at the Omaha Quilt Show June 22- 24 and at Quilt Nebraska July 27, 28 and 29.



Two other events are returning this summer. Don't miss out on Row By Row On the Go. We'll have a terrific row pattern and optional kit ready for you on June 21st. If you are planning a road trip this summer, go to [www.rowbyrowexperience.com](http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com) to find participating stores. Preview the rows on each state's facebook page. Links are on the Row by Row website.

Lastly, we are again taking part in the summer hop, Stars of the Heartland. This is a casual hop you can do in a day and includes four other stores in Nebraska and Kansas. Details on the back page. We'll be returning from market on May 21st road-weary and with bags chock-full of must-haves and possibilities. So what is the "tough" part of this job?—Sticking to the budget!



# SUMMER CLASSES

Sign up for a quilting class by June 15 and get 10% off your class supplies. (This excludes Toothbrush Rug and Barn Quilts)



## AUNT PHILLY'S TOOTHBRUSH RUG

Tuesday, May 30, 1:00 to 4:30 OR

Wednesday, May 31, Morning Session: 9:30-1:00 OR Afternoon Session: 2:00-5:30

Class Fee—\$35.00; Class Fee With Kit—\$75.00

You can make a 20" x 36" oval rug in one day! Guest instructor Phyllis Hause of Denver Colorado will show you her toothbrush technique for a rug that is washable, dryable and will last

for years. No sewing—strips are torn on the lengthwise grain before class. You'll need approximately 10 yds. of fabric in 1 1/2 yd. cuts or you can use one of her kits and the pretearing is done for you. Batiks are ideal since they do not have a "wrong" side and do not have to be pressed in half. Aunt Philly's Toothbrush needle and Oval Rug Booklet are required and will be available for purchase on the day of the class.

## Beginning Quilt Class

Monday Evenings 6:30-9:30

June 5, 12, 19 and 26

Class Fee—\$40.00 plus supplies

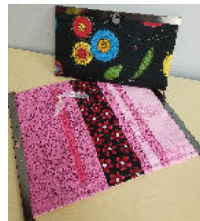
Learn to use rulers & a rotary cutter to make basic squares & half-square triangles. Deb will show you how to add borders and lay out your quilt to prepare for quilting. Demonstrations will be given on appliqué and quilting, using both hand and machine methods. Our staff can assist you in choosing a project to fit your skill level. Min. of 3 students.

## Wallet Day—Last Chance!

Wednesday, June 21, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Class Fee—\$10.00

Come any time during the day and work on as many wallets as you want. Rita will be teaching both the original and the mini clasp wallet. You'll need the corresponding pattern and hardware plus the fabrics and supplies for each. Template measurements will be provided for the mini wallet. Call ahead to register!



## Barn Quilt Class

Mon., June 12, and Weds., June 14, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Mon., Aug. 7, and Weds., Aug. 9, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Class Fee—\$35.00 for 2' x 2' or \$50.00 for 4' x 4'

This class fills quickly so sign up early. Wear your painting clothes and learn the technique on 2' x 2' plywood or a barn-sized 4' x 4' piece. The class fee includes wood, paint and all materials. Instructor, Rickie Crandell, suggests that you bring a book or something to do while the paint is drying.

If you're painting a 4' x 4', make sure it will fit in your vehicle so you can take it home!



## Big Print Fun

Monday, July 10, 10:00 to 4:00

Class Fee—\$10.00

So you have this awesome large print fabric but cutting it up for a normal quilt block would ruin the effect. Sue has a plan to showcase those large prints into a nice-sized throw by just adding a few coordinates. Call for the fabric requirements. .



## Comet Tails

Tuesday, June 13

Class Fee—\$10.00

Linda will show you a fast and fun raw edge technique to create the circular ends of this sleek, modern

quilt by Maple Island. The 40" x 62" size makes it perfect for a baby quilt or small lap quilt. Choose fabrics that hide the piecing seams. Class Fee—\$10.00. Pattern required—\$9.50.



## Fiji Tote

Monday, July 31, 10-4:00

Class Fee \$10.00

Here's another great bag from Pink Sand Beach Designs. This generously-sized tote is fat quarter friendly with plenty of room to play with design and fabric layout. Take it step by step with Rita using their color picture directions. Pattern required—\$10.00.





**Creative Grids Straight Out of Line Ruler Class**  
**Tuesday, August 8, 10:00 to 4:00**  
**Class Fee—\$10.00**

Get the most out of this great ruler from Creative Grids. Perhaps you picked it up at the workshop last spring. Sue will teach you an interesting arrangement using a layer cake or forty 10-inch squares. No pattern required but you'll need the Straight Out of Line Ruler—\$14.95.

**Tree Silhouette Panel**  
**Thursday, August 17, 10-4:00**  
**Class Fee—\$10.00**

Here's an eye-catching wall hanging using a photo-quality, digital print from Quilting Treasures. The pieced border is simple but requires accuracy. Deb will help you get a good fit. Kits that include the ombre print are available for \$20.50.



All classes, except for Barn Quilt, Toothbrush Rug and Wool Club require a sewing machine and basic sewing supplies: mat, rulers, cutter, thread, scissors, pins, marking pencils, seam ripper, etc. Call, stop in, or e-mail the store for a more detailed supply list on any specific class.



**SALAD AND SEW**

Get away and sew with friends on the last Saturday of each month. Bring a salad or dessert and share lunch. Summer sew Saturdays are

June 24, July 29, and August 26. Bring your machine, supplies, and whatever you want to work on. We're open from 9:30 to 3:00. You can stay as long as you want during those hours.

Calico Cottage will be closed the following extended holidays this summer:

Sat., May 27 – Mon., May 29



Mon., July 3 – Tues. July 4

Summer Sat. hours (9:30-3:00) begin June 3



**OLD BAG SALE DAYS**

Get the most out of your 2017 Shop Hop Bag. Stop in Saturday, July 29th with your bag, and receive 20% off your regular-priced purchase

STATE FAIR info is now on-line. Contact Sue if you need assistance with entries.

**LONGARM MACHINE QUILTING CHANGES**

PLEASE NOTE: Due to time constraints, Sue is no longer accepting quilts for machine quilting.

Customers may continue to quilt their own quilts on her machine at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. This rate change takes effect Jan. 1.



Watch for our SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

Saturday, Aug. 19

Low, low prices on clearance items. Scrap bags galore!



**FAIR TIME**

Adams County Fair entry day is Monday, July 17, from noon to 8:00 p.m. and we want to encourage you to enter your quilts so.....

If at least 50% of your quilt top is made with fabric from Calico Cottage, you may receive a bonus \$10.00 gift certificate to our store. Certificates will be issued on pickup day at the fairgrounds, Monday, July 24th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Only one certificate per Adams County resident. Certificates are good through September 1, 2017.



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The fun begins June 21st and runs through September 5th. Collect free row patterns from participating stores. Complete a quilt with eight or more rows (quilted, bound and labeled). Be the first one to present your quilt to a Row by Row store before October 31st and win 25 free fat quarters. If that store's row is in your quilt, you are entitled to a bonus prize of their choice. Patterns and kits are not available on-line or by mail until after October 31, 2017. Our winner last year, Dianne Conyers of Hastings. Congratulations!



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **Quilts of Valor Sewing Days**  
 Third Saturdays:  
 June 17, July 15,  
 & August 19
- **Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild**  
 2017 Show – June 22–24  
 Plainsman Museum, Aurora
- **Omaha Quilter's Guild**  
 39th Annual Quilt Show  
 June 22–24  
 LaVista Conference Center
- **QuiltNebraska 2017**  
 July 27 through the 29th  
 Ramada Inn, Kearney
- **Threads Across Nebraska**  
 October 13 & 14  
 Buffalo County  
 Fairgrounds, Kearney

# Stars of the Heartland

**Heartland Shop Hop**  
**Thurs., Fri. & Sat.**  
**July 13, 14 & 15**  
**July 20, 21 & 22**  
**9:30 am to 5:00 pm**

Free "Stars" pattern!  
 Block Kits for purchase!  
 Blocks and Projects on display!

**Heartland Shops:**  
 Sew Country - Belleville, KS  
 Hidden Treasures - Mankato, KS  
 Calico Cottage - Hastings, NE  
 Sew Bee It - Hebron, NE  
 The Quilt Basket - York, NE

Pick up your Stars ticket at any shop.