

# Calico Cottage

March 2022

## Thank you all for coming out to the Grand Re-opening!

It was wonderful to see everyone and share my dreams and hopes for the shop. The cookies were not bad either. Fabric, patterns and notions continue to arrive daily. The new inventory is taking shape. Customers continue to ask me what my style is.....? I have been thinking about this for quite some time and I have decided that it is eclectic, because I love all the fabric styles and can see uses for each of them. My hope is that our customers continue to find Calico Cottage inviting and there is fabric here for everyone's tastes. If you have not been in since the first of the year one of the first things, you will notice is that we have over 340 new bolts of fabric! Gosh, I guess I really enjoy buying fabric! There are "new" faces at the shop along with some familiar faces, I would like to take a minute and introduce our dedicated and qualified staff.

Diane McLeod - Business Manager & Lorinda Bailey - Sewing Manager

The "Piecemakers" are Ann Hinton, Carla Hubl, Jo Wright, Deb Thompsen, Eileen Krumbach & Sharon Selley (Longarmer)

At the present time we are cross training our full staff to help all of our customers. The Julie's Xpressions "Beady Girls" are Linda Miller, Rickie Crandell, Diane Vaupel, Gigi Asselin & Debbie Holmberg. Dee Ramsey is our Website and Social Media Manager, Mary Powell and Peg Johnson our "go to" girls.

Julie Ochsner - Owner



## I am going to say it one more time!

### "Continued Traditions"

- Gift Certificates - if you have a gift certificate that expired in 2020 or 2021 - it is still good, we will still have gift certificates available for your gift giving.
- Stamp Cards - we will honor past stamp cards and continue to stamp them for regular priced merchandise. A new look for the stamp card has happened, please ask to be included in this promotion. We will keep them in a file here at the store for you. No more keeping track of that little card.
- Retreats - Sue will continue to sponsor the retreats, with some exceptions.
- Bus Tours - Sue will continue to travel, maybe Julie will join her for the fun! There are still openings for Paducah April 22 thru May 1 of 2022. *Sue needs to know by March 15th if you are joining her.*
- Last Friday of the month sew day has had many names such as... "Friday Free Sew Day", or "Soup and Sew". This will continue as in the past with another new name "Sew...It's Friday," you will have the option most months to continue your sewing on Saturday. Since we are sewing upstairs, no registration is needed.

- Scrappy Saturday continues with a new pattern available on the last Saturday of the month.
- Wool Club continues to meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
- Quilts of Valor will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM.
- Classes will be offered, continue reading below in the class schedule.

### The possibilities - "Here' What's New"

- All classes, clubs & special sew-ins will be offered on third floor for a more private atmosphere to create in. FYI there is an elevator for easy of accessibility with all your sewing gear.
- This is changing already! Happy Hour - March 11th starting at 5 PM. So..... what is Happy Hour? Join Julie on Facebook Live (platform has changed) at 5:00 PM to be the first to experience what is "new" in the shop. The plan is to hold a Facebook Live connection once a month (on the second Friday of the month) so that customers can see what is new and ask questions on the post.
- 12 Months of Christmas - Guess what Julie's favorite holiday is... yep it is Christmas and giving is one of her favorite things to do. Throughout the shop on the 25th of each month we will be celebrating Christmas with free patterns. In 2022 Calico Cottage will be featuring Christmas stockings. Julie's Xpression will be featuring beaded snowflakes. Blu J will be creating Christmas cards. Plum Nelly will be featuring mug rugs/cocktail coasters. Be sure to stop by on the 25th of each month for your freebies.

## Happenings at Calico Cottage!

### It's a Wrap (Original Calico Cottage Patterns)

And the Pillow Wrap series continues with:

March - "No Shenanigans just Clovers"

February - "Love Hearts"

January - "Sledding through the Winter"

Each month on the first Wednesday of the month a new wrap for the month will be released!

Stop by and pick up your free pattern and/or (kit includes pattern) for \$ 17.49.



## Classes

All classes with the exception of Barn Quilts and Embroidery Classes 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.



## Dresden Plate Foundation Paper Piecing with Jo

March 8th, 10 AM to 4:00 PM

Class Fee - \$15.00

Must pre-register for class and by March 4th.

Class is for Advanced Beginning Level

Have you always wanted to learn how to do a Dresden Plate or paper piecing, but thought it would be too difficult? Come to the Dresden Plate class and learn that they both are really easy to do. You can use the Dresden Plate you make to be the basis of a wall hanging or a pillow. You will need 3 Fat Quarters and a washable glue stick in addition to your normal sewing supplies.

## Exploring Embroidery and Embellishments - "Free Class with Julie"

Select a panel (any panel of your choice) this is what you will work on during the classes.

March 17th, April 21st, May 19th, August 18th, September 15th, October 20th, November 17th, December 15th. Each class will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Please note you do not need to attend all the classes but you do need to call and let us know that you will be attending
- Please bring scissors, embroidery floss, specialty threads, beads, a hoop & needles to the class.

Class is for Beginning Level to Experienced Embroiders - Everyone will learn something new!



## Curvy Log Cabin with Lorinda

March 15th, 10 AM to 4 PM

Class Fee - \$15.00

Reserve your space by March 8th to get your supply list.

Class is for Experience Beginning Level

Let's do something different with those log cabin blocks. Ready...Set...Curve. Using the Creative Grids Curvy Log Cabin Grid in 6 inch or 8 inch, Lorinda will help you learn some tips to make a table runner or a small quilt.

## Long Arm Class with Sharon

March 29th, 10 AM to Noon

Class Fee - \$10.00

Please pre-register by March 25th for a complete supply list.

Class is for Beginners - this class is needed to use the Longarm machine at Calico Cottage





It's just another big scary machine "NO" it is where the magic happens to finish your beautiful quilt. Have you always wanted to quilt on a long arm but were afraid to try? Sharon will take you through the set up and give you tips on how to prepare a quilt of quilting on the long arm. Get the feel of the machine using pantagrams. If you discover that this is something you can tackle, the machine can be rented by appointment in the future - fast results without all the investment.



## Town Square Class with Eileen

March 30th, 10 AM to 4 PM

Class Fee - \$20.00 includes the book (\$15 value)

Please pre-register by March 25th for a complete supply list.

Class is for Beginning Level Quilting

Eileen is here to guide you with this pattern. You will create depth by surrounding focal fabric with contrasting shades. This quilt simply takes 3 one-yard cuts of fabric plus a few hours to make a beautiful top with binding and borders. The finished size of the quilt is lap top 46" x 60".

## T-Shirt Quilt with Lorinda

April 2

10 AM to 4 PM

Class Fee - \$15.00

Must pre-register for class by March 25

Class is for Experienced Beginners

Bring your T-shirts (Do Not Cut your T-Shirts) and supplies and Lorinda will get you started on making your first T-shirt quilt. She will show you how to stabilize the shirts, cut them into blocks, and figure sashing. You'll want to bring your sewing machine and basic sewing supplies so that you can start the assembly process. Sign up to learn what extra sewing tools you might need. Now is the time to get started before graduation!



## "Barn Quilts"

Evening Classes on Mondays and Tuesdays from 5:30 PM until 9:00 PM

April 4th & 5th

May 2nd & 3rd

Class Fee - 2' x 2' = \$35.00, 4' x 4' = \$50

Choose a two - day evening class. Find a time that fits your schedule. These classes tend to fill quickly so sign up early. Wear your painting clothes and learn the technique on plywood. The class fee includes wood, paint and all the materials. Instructor, Rickie Crandell, suggests that you bring a book or something to do while the paint is drying. You might also bring a hair dryer to speed up the

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

## Sales!!

- Fat Tuesday Sale (Mardi Gras Celebration) - another excuse to celebrate!  
Fat Quarters are normally \$3.25 each, the more you buy the best deal you get!
  - Buy 1-10 for \$3.00 each
  - Buy 11 to 20 for \$2.75 each
  - Buy 21 to 30 for \$2.50 each
  - Buy 31 to 40 for \$2.25 each
  - Buy 41 and 50 for \$2.00 each
  - Buy 51 and more for \$1.75 each
- Check out our web site for a "special word" on March 17th, come in and mention the word to receive 50% off an item of your choice.
- Fat Quarter Friday on March 18th - Take a chance and draw for your discount on the fat quarters. You may draw prior to shopping for the fat quarters. There will be some great deals on the "fats".

## Celebrate Quilters!

### National Quilting Day - March 19th

At Calico Cottage we are Celebrating our Quilting Friends with a repeat of our Grand Re-Opening Sale for one day only!

- Fabric - 15% Off
- 30's Fabric - 30% off
- All Flannel - 20% off
- Panels - 25% off
- Books & Pattern - BOGO (buy one get one free)

### National Quilting Month - March

Wind your bobbins and toot your horns, it's National Quilting Month! March is set aside each year to celebrate quilts and quilters. While technically quilts are defined as a layer of batting or padding between 2 layers of fabric that have been stitched together to hold them in place, we know that they are so much more! Quilts are Art! Quilts Are Love!

What are some ways to celebrate quilting and quilters? Here's a list of some ideas you might want to try this month!

- Try a new technique. Expand your horizons by trying something new like English Paper Piecing, foundation paper piecing, applique or free motion quilting.
- Finish your oldest UFO (Un-finished Object)
- Start a new project
- Donate time, money or materials to a charitable quilting organization
- Visit a quilt shop you've never been to before
- Have a sew day with friends – either in-person or virtually
- Start a quilting journal to track your projects past, present and future - Blu J Scrapbooking located on the 3rd floor in our building can help you with this

- Clean and organize your sewing space
- Treat your sewing machine to a spa day

## All Kansas & Nebraska Shop Hop

### Magazines are here and we are gearing up!

Jen & Kolleen stopped by to see Julie & the shop last week when the magazines were delivered.

Stop by and pick up your Shop Hop magazine for \$9.95 at Calico Cottage

Visit Shops across Kansas and Nebraska, April 1st - May 31, 2022

Register for Prizes Galore & Experience all the add-ons for the All Kansas & Nebraska Shop Hop!

- State Level Grand Prize Drawing plus More State Level Prizes
- Regional Prizes, Calico Cottage is in the North Central Region - Grand Prize Bernina 325 Sewing Machine value \$1,500
- Shop Prizes
- Store Collectible Quilt Block
- Regional Collectible Quilt Block
- State Collectible Quilt Block
- Free Patterns
- Special Shop Hop Material
- Shop Hop T-shirts will be available for purchase
- Open Regular Hours, Monday - Friday 9:30 AM until 5:30 PM, Saturday until 5:00 PM
- Shop Hop Sunday Hours - April 10th & May 15th, shop from 11 AM until 4 PM

Check out the website: [www.allkansasnebraskashophop.com](http://www.allkansasnebraskashophop.com) and Facebook page at All Kansas & Nebraska Shop Hop!

**Just wait until you see what Julie and her Piecemakers have in store for you!**





**All Kansas & Nebraska Shop Hop** MAGAZINE 2022

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## Save these Dates!

### Upcoming classes in April:

- Barn Quilts - April 4th & 5th
- Beyond the Quilt (Jacket or Vest) Surprise Guest Teacher - April 6th & 27th
- Mosaic Made Easy - April 12th
- Exploring Embroidery - April 21st

### Quilt Show

- Sunflower Journey Quilt Show on March 26th & 27th featuring an amazing Merchant Mall, silent auction, door prizes, lunch available (with homemade pies!) for purchase, and more. Hosted by the End of the Trail Quilters' Guild
- Saturday, March 26 - 9 am - 5 pm  
 Sunday, March 27 - Noon - 4 pm  
 Admission - \$5, children 10 and under are free

Location - Sterl Hall, 619 N Rogers Ave, Abilene, KS

### Julie's Combined (Quilters, Scrapbookers & Beaders) "Girls Just Wanna have Fun!" Retreat

- April 22 - 24 - information on this will be sent out mid-March watch your email and Facebook -if you get the Calico Cottage newsletter via mail and are interested, please give us a call and we will mail you the information.

*Remember to Stop by the Calico Cottage Nebraska Facebook Page regularly!*

## Come to Shop!

Monday through Friday; 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday; 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday; Closed


Summer Saturdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day); closing at 3:00 PM


Julie, and her Calico Cottage Piecemaker's - Diane, Lorinda, Carla, Deb, Eileen, Jo & Ann will be happy to assist you!




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