

CALICO COTTAGE

JULY 2022

HAPPENINGS AT CALICO COTTAGE!

As I sit down to write this newsletter I think to myself where is the year going? It seems like just yesterday it was cold outside and we were hoping for warmer weather. Well, it sounds like we got our wish, the next few days are going to heat up. It always seems like summer is almost over when we get to the 4th of July, it's fair time and then right back to school! Even though it is hot outside and we all have lots happening here at Calico Cottage.



- **Summer Saturday Hours** starting after Memorial Day until Labor Day the shop hours on Saturday will be from 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM.
- **Heartland Summer Shop Hop** - Join 5 shops celebrating summer with a fabric beach party! Check out details below.
- **Adams County Fair-**
 - July 11th, Noon to 8:00 p.m., Enter Open Class at the Adams County Fair
 - July 13th - 17th, Check out the exhibits at the Adams County Fair
- **Christmas Preview Party** - Join us on July 25th to be the first to see the "new selection" of Christmas and Fall goodies. Remember.... Julie LOVES Christmas! Morning Party starts at 10 am. Evening Party starts at 7 pm and the Facebook Party starts at 5 pm. A time for everyone, hope to see you then!
- **Guest Teacher coming to Calico Cottage** - Save the Date September 24 for Cathy Kaufman (Certified Laura Heine Instructor) More details below.

MORE FUN AT THE COTTAGE!

- Join us any Thursday evening anytime from 5 PM to 9 PM for "Girls Night Out", bring something to work on. Someone is always on site to offer assistance if you need some extra help or advice. We will have great conversation and maybe get some projects done. Please be aware we will not be having GNO on July 14th, due to the Adams County Fair, stop out and see us there.
- Illusions BOM club continues to meet on the first Friday of each month.
- There will be no Happy Hour in July! Julie's schedule just doesn't allow time for it. Julie will be on Facebook live Friday night August 12th for Happy Hour, to show you what is new at Calico Cottage.
- Quilts of Valor Sew day is July 20th from 9:30 AM until 2:30 PM
- Remember the 25th of the month is "12 Months of Christmas" = free Christmas projects.
- Christmas Preview will also be on July 25th, we will feature 2 sessions in person one at 10:00 am and one at 7:00 pm. It's going to be a "party", come down and check out the sales and register for the prizes.
- July 26th features "Wool Club" from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. You can join the wool club at any time!
- Sew....It's Friday, happens on July 29th join us for a "free day of sewing"
- Scrappy Saturday is on July 30th stop by to pick up your free patterns for more ideas.
- Don't forget the once-a-month Fat Quarter Friday Sale - see sale section for details.
- Are you worried about getting your Nebraska State Fair entries done online? Well Sue says she is more than happy to make time for you at her house to do those entries, just give her a call 402.463.5202 (home). If that does not work Julie is ready and willing to help you too here at the shop. Call to schedule a time with her 402.469.0940 (cell).

GETTING TO KNOW US!

By now most of you have had the opportunity to stop in and meet Julie and the staff at Calico Cottage. During the next few months, we will be featuring an employee so you get to know us just a bit better. Next up is a familiar face, Lorinda!

Lorinda Bailey is a wife (Brad), mother of two grown girls (Brittney & Brooke), a wonderful mother-in-law to (Jason & Neville), a grandma to Mara & Wade. Lorinda was taught to quilt by her mother Elaine Martin, she developed a love for sewing. She wanted to pass on her skills to her daughters and other youth she accomplished this as a 4-H leader for 15 +years, this is where she met Julie & Sue. Lorinda was also in quilt guild for many years. She started working here at the shop a few years back, she loves to share new techniques and quilting information.

Here are a few questions we asked Lorinda to get to know her just a bit better.

- What is your favorite color? Blue, it's so soothing!
- What is your favorite season and why? Fall, the season is an explosion of color.
- Are you a morning person or a night owl? Night owl... all the way!



- When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? Ice Skater, her mom says she always loved watching the Olympics.
- What inspires you daily? My family and my faith in God.
- What is your favorite food? I used to love pizza, but I truly think pasta has taken over.
- Where was your best vacation? That's a hard one, we love it all going to new places to explore is our mojo! Most fun is either being on the beach or in the mountains.
- What are the words you live by? Put a smile on your face and stay positive and be happy!
- What are your top 5 favorite notions? rotary cutter, blocloc non-slip grid, binding clips, quarter triangle blocloc, I've got a notion - I would love a latte in my hand!

WHAT'S NEW AT CALICO COTTAGE

SILICONE APPLI-FUSE MAT

The Silicone Appli-Fuse Mat is made of a silicone and glass fiber material that is heat resistant up to 500 degrees F (260 degrees C.). That means it is the perfect surface for all of your fusing, ironing, and gluing needs.

Fusible Applique - Place the applique design under the Appli-Fuse mat. Since the mat is transparent, the cut applique shapes can be placed perfectly. Since it is heat resistant, multiple layers can be placed simultaneously and pressed with a hot iron. The layered appliques can then be picked up as one piece and placed on the background fabric. An added bonus? The mat is slightly tacky so the pieces won't migrate when positioned.

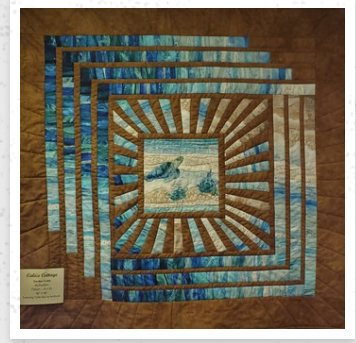
TABLETASTIC! 3

Tabletastic 3 is joining the collection of 1 & 2. Welcome to Tabletastic 3! This is the third and final book in this series of table runners and toppers. These new designs appeal to beginner and expert quilters alike and the project samples are shown in two different colorways to spark your creativity. The tabletastic series of project books is a fantastic addition to any quilter's library. Just think a total of forty-two table runners and eighteen toppers to choose from! Enjoy this series as a page turner with your coffee/tea or start making your favorites and plan out the creation of your own personal runner/topper of the month.



TURTLE BAY

Turtle Bay by Deborah Edwards for Northcott Fabrics is a gorgeous ocean-themed fabric collection featuring sea turtles, seaweed, sea urchins and swirling tide. who says mid-westerners can't enjoy a bit of the ocean!



LIVING THE DREAM CAMPING PANEL

Just in case you haven't seen it yet, here is a new panel used in a model for the store. This is for all you camping enthusiastic's out there! I think it would look awesome in the camper as a fun throw.



VICTORIA TWIST QUILT

Created by In The Beginning Fabrics

This beautiful floral quilt is the perfect project to explore several techniques. You will make snowball blocks, perfecting a variation of flying geese. The border is a border stripe where you will create mitered borders. Quilt measures 61" x 71"

YEAR OF ART FROM IN THE BEGINNING FABRIC

This collection is perfect for quilters who love to change their decor with the seasons. Each season has a beautiful panel print and a border print with coordinating go-withs. A pattern will be available for each season and will contain instructions for three projects: a wall hanging, table runner and pillow. Stop by Calico Cottage to see these beauties!

Summer is available now!

Autumn will be here in July. (it's not here yet)

Winter will be available in September.

Spring will be available in January 2023.



IT'S A WRAP (ORIGINAL CALICO COTTAGE PATTERNS)

And the Pillow Wrap series continues with:

July - "Feelin' Patriotic"

June - "Summer Tweet Summer"

May - "Brings May Flowers"

April - "Not just any rabbit... it's the Easter Bunny"

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

Please note our class schedule has been scaled down for the summer. But please remember we are here for you! If you need help with your project give us a call and we will set up a time with you to provide our 1 on 1 assistance with no charge.

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.



"BARN QUILTS"

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

July 11th & 12th

August 1st and 2nd

Class Fee - 2' x 2' = \$45.00, 3' x 3' = \$55.00, 4' x 4' = \$65.00

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.

EXPLORING EMBROIDERY AND EMBELLISHMENTS - "FREE CLASS WITH JULIE"

No Class in June or July!

Select a panel (any panel of your choice) this is what you will work on during the classes, **August 18th**, September 15th, October 20th, November 17th, and 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!

SALES!!

- Still feeling patriotic continue the Celebration "Red - White - Blue and You" all month with 15% off all Quilts of Valor Fabric.
- Check out the Beach Party Sales listed below in the Heartland Shop Hop
- Fat Quarter Friday on July 15th - 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".
- "Manic Monday" July 18th - Stock up on "Solids" and Save 20% on Kona Cottons



LUGGAGE SALE TAGS!

Yes, we have the luggage tags for sale! They work like the shop hop bags, the only difference is that they are a tag not a bag. They can be purchased at any participating shop for \$10.00. Then use the tag on the 20th of the month for a 20% discount off regular price merchandise.

HEARTLAND SHOP HOP

It's a Summer Beach Party! July 7th through July 16th 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM / NO Sunday Hours

Shop participating shops for beach theme projects, free patterns, in-store drawings & register for the grand prize drawings at:

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

Join the Party get a stamp and Special "Daily" Sales when you hop thru Calico Cottage

July 7th - Needles BOGO (buy 2 packages get the 3rd free)

July 8th - Batik Fabric - 30% off

July 9th - Patterns & Books - 15% off

July 11th - Quilt Batting - 20% off

July 12th - Wide Back Fabric - 20% off

July 13th - Notions - 15% off

July 14th - Baby and Juvenile Prints - 20% off



July 15th - Panels - Buy 1 get the second 1/2 off

July 16th - "All Fabric Sale" - Buy 1 yard get the second yard off the same bolt 1/2 off

QUILTING ACROSS NEBRASKA 2022

Did someone say...Road Trip! Join the Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops on a journey across Nebraska throughout the rest of the year. Visit any of the participating shops to get your stamp for a chance to win a Gift Certificate. Checkout <http://nebraskaquiltshops.com>

SAVE THESE DATES!

Upcoming events & classes:

- Aug 5th - Illusions BOM
- Aug 12th - Happy Hour Facebook Live
- Aug 13th - Downtown Sidewalk Sale
- Aug 17th - Quilts of Valor Sew Day
- Aug 18th - Exploring Embroidery
- Aug 23rd - Wool Club
- Aug 25th - 12 months of Christmas Patterns
- Aug 26th - Sew... It's Friday
- Aug 27th - Scrappy Saturday
- New Club starting in September "M.E." (Machine Embroidery) - Sept 12th, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, more details to come in August. This will be an on-going learning new techniques as you attend.
- Sew with Sue Classes in October! I love Nebraska on October 4th, Divinely Double on October 11th & Christmas Stocking on October 18th

Quilt Shows & Events

- Quilt Gardens along the Heritage Trail, in communities of Elkhart, Goshen, Middlebury, Nappanee, Bristol and Wakarusa in Elkhart County Indiana. May 30 - September 15. 1,000,000+ glorious blooms in super-sized Quilt Gardens, plus hand-painted Quilt Murals. Free Event.
- Annual Quilt Show & Auction, Carol Joy Holling in Ashland, July 9th
- Nebraska State Fair - Aug 26th through Sept 5th
- Threads Across Nebraska, Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney, October 7th & 8th

Quilt Nebraska - State Convention, Birds of a feather flock together!

- July 21st - 24th at Younes Conference Center in Kearney, NE

Upcoming Retreats

Sue's Quilt Retreat at Calico Cottage Oct 21, 22 & 23 has several spaces available stop in to register.

Julie is adding another retreat with Sue at Calico Cottage this fall November 11th & 12th let us know if you are interested.

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

REGISTER NOW, FOR GUEST INSTRUCTOR!

- Who - Cathy Kaufman, Fabric Artist, Certified Instructor
- What - Fabric Collage Workshop, Featuring Laura Heine Techniques/Class - Teeny Tiny Collage Patterns (about 16"x20"). You pick your design not limited to the picture.
- Where - Calico Cottage
- When - September 23rd (Hastings Quilt Guild) or September 24th (Anyone can attend either day)
- Fee - \$90 per day (you may attend both sessions or either one) plus the pattern and your supplies

Stop in at Calico Cottage to select the pattern you will be working on and pick up your supply list



REGISTER NOW FOR FALL!

Block of the Month

"Wing & A Prayer design"

October 2022 – September 2023

Available on the Last Wednesday of the month,

Also featuring a free sew along that day.

Down-payment \$26.50

Due at sign-up

Kit Each month \$26.50

only 7 registrations available so don't wait

17 QUILTING TIPS FOR BEGINNERS ACCORDING TO QUILT KING PRODUCTS BLOG

1. Choose an easy pattern
2. Buy a pre-cut quilt kit
3. Pre-wash all fabric
4. Use uniform fabric
5. Measure pieces evenly
6. Always hand stitch

7. Buy plenty of fabric
8. Press your fabric the right way
9. Use the same type of fabric
10. Use consistent seams
11. Choose contrasting colors
12. Use a big mat and ruler
13. Get experienced help
14. Change your needle
15. Change your blade
16. Measure and measure again
17. Don't sweat the small stuff!

COME TO SHOP!

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

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

Regular Saturdays; 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday; Closed

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




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