

Introducing...

Christmas Wish List

Let's face it. Sometimes we can be hard to buy for, can't we? Try as they might, our families and friends struggle with picking out the perfect gift. But...Country Cousins has the solution! Come in and register your Christmas Wish List. Then send your friends and family members to us, and we'll help them pick out just what you have always wanted. What could be better? A Christmas without all the surprises! Come in today and sign up!

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We're SEW happy to know you:

December is Safe Toys & Gifts Month



Celebrate the holidays by making soft toys for those youngsters on your gift-giving list. With all the recent scares about lead-based paint used on plastic toys,

why not make a plush toy for your dear ones? Supplies like faux fur, stuffing, ribbons, fleece, and embroidery thread are available at Country Cousins! Free plush toy patterns are available on the internet, so you won't need to spend a lot. Gifts made from the heart are always a cherished treasure!

20% off

All Christmas Fabrics

Finish your holiday projects now!

Coupon expires 11/30/07
Not good with other offers.



Celebrate Holiday Spirit

The holidays are a great time of year to spread good cheer. Here are a couple suggestions on how you and your family can share your holiday spirit:

- Take some cookies & candies to a retirement home and visit with the guests there
- Send a phone card to someone in the military—November is Military Family Appreciation Month!

CLASS SCHEDULE

Please sign up for your class **early** and pick up a supply list at Country Cousins!

November

Nov 3 – Measurements Matter!

10 - 11:30 am Peggi Barrett \$10.00
Saturday For sewers of all levels

You've purchased that great pattern (or want to make a skirt without a pattern), but how do you know which size to use? Learn how to take the right measurements and keep a record.

Nov 3 – T-Shirt Quilt

2 - 4 pm Kathy Schmitz \$10.00
Saturday For quilters with some experience

Take all those old holey T-Shirts out of your husband's (or child's) dresser and make them a quilt for Christmas. They'll still get to use them, but in a much more fashionable way.

Nov 6 – REMEMBER TO VOTE

Voting isn't just a right; voting is a responsibility. If there are local elections where you live, cast your ballot today!

Nov 10 – Do Not Drink and Quilt!

1 - 3 pm Heidi Hittle \$10.00
Saturday For experienced quilters

Using Drunkard's Path as the basis for this quilt's pattern, learn how to sew curves in your quilting. A book purchase is required and you'll also want to pick up the templates set.

Nov 13 – Quilt As You Go

1 - 3 pm Kathy Schmitz \$10.00
Tuesday For any level quilter

Learn how to finish your quilt block by block. You'll finish a block, including the batting, backing, quilting, and joining it with other blocks. Since you do each block separately, it'll fit into your own sewing machine & you can do the top quilting!

Nov 17 – Do Not Drink and Quilt!

1 - 3 pm Heidi Hittle \$10.00
Saturday For experienced quilters

In case Saturday, November 10th didn't work for you, join us for this class instead! See the description above under Nov 10.

Nov 21 – No Pattern Skirt

1:30 - 4 pm Peggi Barrett \$10.00
Wednesday For sewers with some experience

If you're nervous using patterns, this is the class for you! You will make a beautiful skirt choosing your style from at least three options. Note: not the same as the Tiered Skirt.

Nov 29 – Sewing with Slinky

5:30 - 8 pm Peggi Barrett \$10.00
Thursday For sewers with experience

Back by popular demand! Learn to sew with the fabric that doesn't wrinkle and always looks terrific! Great for traveling and all fashion purposes! With over 70+ bolts to choose from, we know you'll find something terrific! Patterns are on sale during the month of October, so stock up now!

December

You're Invited

What: Free Classes in December!
When: Every Sunday afternoon, 1 - 4 pm
Who: All ages...anyone interested in learning a new craft to give as a gift or use for Christmas decor!

Please see our listing of classes below!

Dec 2 – Garland Make It & Take It

1 - 4 pm Heidi Hittle Free
Sunday For all ages and sewing skills

Join us anytime from 1pm to 4pm to learn how to make a fabric garland. You can choose to bring fabric scraps with you or we will have kits available for purchase. A long strip of muslin or twine will be used as the base of the garland and can be purchased in the store. The class is free and will help you create a traditional garland for your holiday decorating.

Dec 9 – BeJeweler Make It & Take It

1 - 4 pm Wendy Holt Free
Sunday For all ages and sewing skills

Stop by to learn how to embellish your clothing or home decor items with the amazing BeJeweler. Bring something you'd like to accent... jeans, tops, skirts, pillows, scarves, wall hangings, and more. See what a difference a few jewels make, and you could even salvage an item with permanent stains by jewellery over them as our own class instructor has done.

Dec 16 – Yo yo Make It & Take It

1 - 4 pm Kathy Schmitz Free
Sunday For all ages and sewing skills

This "Open House" class will teach you how to make yo yos and is for anyone with any level of sewing skills. You'll see how to take a yo yo maker and quickly make yo yos you can use to accent almost anything. Bring a few scraps of fabric with you and you'll leave with beautiful adornments for your next quilting or sewing project.

Dec 23 – Fleece Scarf Make It & Take It

1 - 4 pm Peggi Barrett Free
Sunday For all ages and sewing skills

With just a small amount of fleece fabric, you can make a scarf to wear this winter...or better yet, use it as a gift for Christmas. Bring in some scrap fleece, or purchase a small amount of yardage from our huge selection. This is a no sew project which would be great for young children (parents, please accompany your child to class).

Come see us for free classes this December!

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4 Daylight Savings Ends--Fall Back!	5	6 Election Day	7 Wild Wednesday	8 Country Cousins Welcomes the Wichita ASG!	9	10 1 - 3 pm Don't Drink & Quilt
11 Veteran's Day	12	13 1 - 3 pm Quilt As You Go 2:00 Teacher Mtg	14 Wild Wednesday	15 7 pm Stained Glass Stitchers' Meeting <u>at Country Cousins</u> "Playing with Panels"	16	17 1 - 3 pm Don't Drink & Quilt
18 Nat'l Family Week	19	20	21 Hey, Kids! Don't be bored on your day off from school! 1:30 - 4 pm No Pattern Skirt No School USD333	22 No School USD333 Thanksgiving	23 Store Open: 9 - 8 5:30 pm Santa Arrives in Concordia! No School USD333	24 NEW 2 - 4 pm Kids' Ornament Class 5:30 pm Santa Arrives in Concordia!
25	26	27	28	29 5:30 - 8 pm Sewing with Slinky	30	Military Family Appreciation Month

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2 1 - 4 pm Garland Class 3:30 pm Community Vespers Service	3	4 Hanukkah Begins	5	6	7	8
9 1 - 4 pm BeJeweler Class	10	11 2:00 Teacher Mtg	12	13	14 Last Day: CCCC	15
16 1 - 4 pm Yo yo Class	17	18	19	20 Stained Glass Stitchers' Meeting	21	22
23 1 - 4 pm Fleece Scarf Class	24 USD333 No School Christmas Eve	25 USD333 No School Christmas	26 USD333 No School	27 USD333 No School	28 USD333 No School	29
30	31 USD333 No School New Year's Eve	New Year' s Resolution: Let Country Cousins help you learn a new skill! We offer many classes to help you become an expert in fashion sewing or quilting. Invite a friend so you can learn together!			December Store Hours: Sunday: 1 pm - 4 pm Beginning Dec 10th: Monday - Saturday: 9 am - 8 pm Christmas Eve: 9 am - 6 pm	

Christmas Ornaments!

Date: Saturday, November 24th
Time: 2 - 4pm
Class: Make an Ornament to take home with you
Cost: Small supply fee

Hey, Kids...

Come make an ornament for your school teacher, your Church teacher, your friends, your parents, or your secret pal. Cost for the class is free, but there will be a small fee for supplies. Stop in any time from 2 to 4 pm and go home with a treasure!



Do you have any UFOs?

(Un-Finished Objects)
If so, drop in to work on them on our large tables. Get those projects done just in time for Christmas gift giving!

UFO Services are available on Sundays through December, from 1-4 pm.

Did you know?

The Internet is a vast source for free, downloadable patterns that are gorgeous! Check out these sites for great freebies. We're sure you can find even more!

<http://www.baumtextile.net/projects/index.shtml>
<http://www.loraliedesigns.com/FreeStuff/>
<http://www.clothworkstextiles.com/patterns.asp>
<http://www.jinnybeyer.com/block-a-week/live/main.cfm>
<http://www.quiltinaday.com/eleanorandcompany/freepattern/>
<http://www.tfabrics.com/patterns.php>

Wild Wednesdays are baaaaccckkk!

Stop by Essentials and Country Cousins during our Wild Wednesdays this month. On November 7th and November 14th, you'll find in-store specials, games, prizes, and more. Our Second Annual Event promises to be even better than last year! Our sales are wild and the prizes are out-of-this world! Wild prices on selected items and specials will change throughout the day. Tell your friends and your neighbors about the fun at Essentials and Country Cousins!

Come early. Come late. Come often.

Kansas Korner



Delightful, delicate patterns with a simplistic nature are the best words to describe the work of Kansas entrepreneur Jackie Clark. Her home-based business began in July 2004 and included designing sewing and quilting patterns. Jackie, a native of Wichita, started with 100 copies of her

first pattern, a baby jacket called "Cute as a Button." She was surprised when, after only six weeks, the pattern was completely sold out to quilt shops in the Kansas region.

Pattern design was her start, and then Wyndham Fabrics approached her about designing fabrics as well. Her first line of designer fabrics is called "The Sweetest Gifts by Jackie Clark" and is in stores now.

Originally finding her inspiration while working in a quilt store, Jackie's goal is to help you find your inspiration to make beautiful creations.

Information adapted from "Pattern of Success", found on www.focuson.com, September 2007

Christmas Essentials

Open Year Round Upstairs!

Looking for fantastic Christmas gifts for your special friends and family members? Our Christmas Essentials store, located in the loft of Essentials, offers many unique Christmas gift ideas in a wide price range. From ornaments to wreaths to trees to hand-painted items, Christmas Essentials has it all! Follow the spiral staircase up to Christmas Essentials!