



Club Notes: **Q** Citrine JULY 2017

Greetings!

Kim and Janet now have two major stressors behind them: The new website launch and the SUGAR Conference. We are much calmer now, and perhaps our families will like us again! :) There are a few things we need to let you know about:

ITEM ONE:

It came to my attention again recently, that not all Crown Jewels Club members are aware of the "A Designer in Your Pocket" perk. If you can't find what you want already on our web site, Kim will draw it for you. As a CJC member, you do NOT pay anything additional for the special requested designs.

ITEM TWO:

If you need to update your credit/debit card information for your CJC membership, you'll need to call us at the office. You cannot make the change via our web site, because we don't store your information on our website. That's so it doesn't get hacked!

ITEM THREE:

We promised to release the CJC patterns by the 10th of each month. We TRY to have them released on the first business day of the month. The August patterns will likely NOT be released until August 3rd, because Janet will be on vacation (July 19th through July 31st). We go to the AirVenture Fly In in Oshkosh, WI every year and camp out in the field with 80,000 other aviation enthusiasts. I will still have my laptop computer, will be checking emails, and if you have a problem, feel free to call either at the office (573-446-0421) or on my cell (573-999-5706). If you need a special pattern drawn, please don't call me, just send an email. Kim will also be gone some in July. She will be attending a family reunion along with her father and will get back home the day before we leave for Oshkosh.

ITEM FOUR:

NEW website....two years in the making.

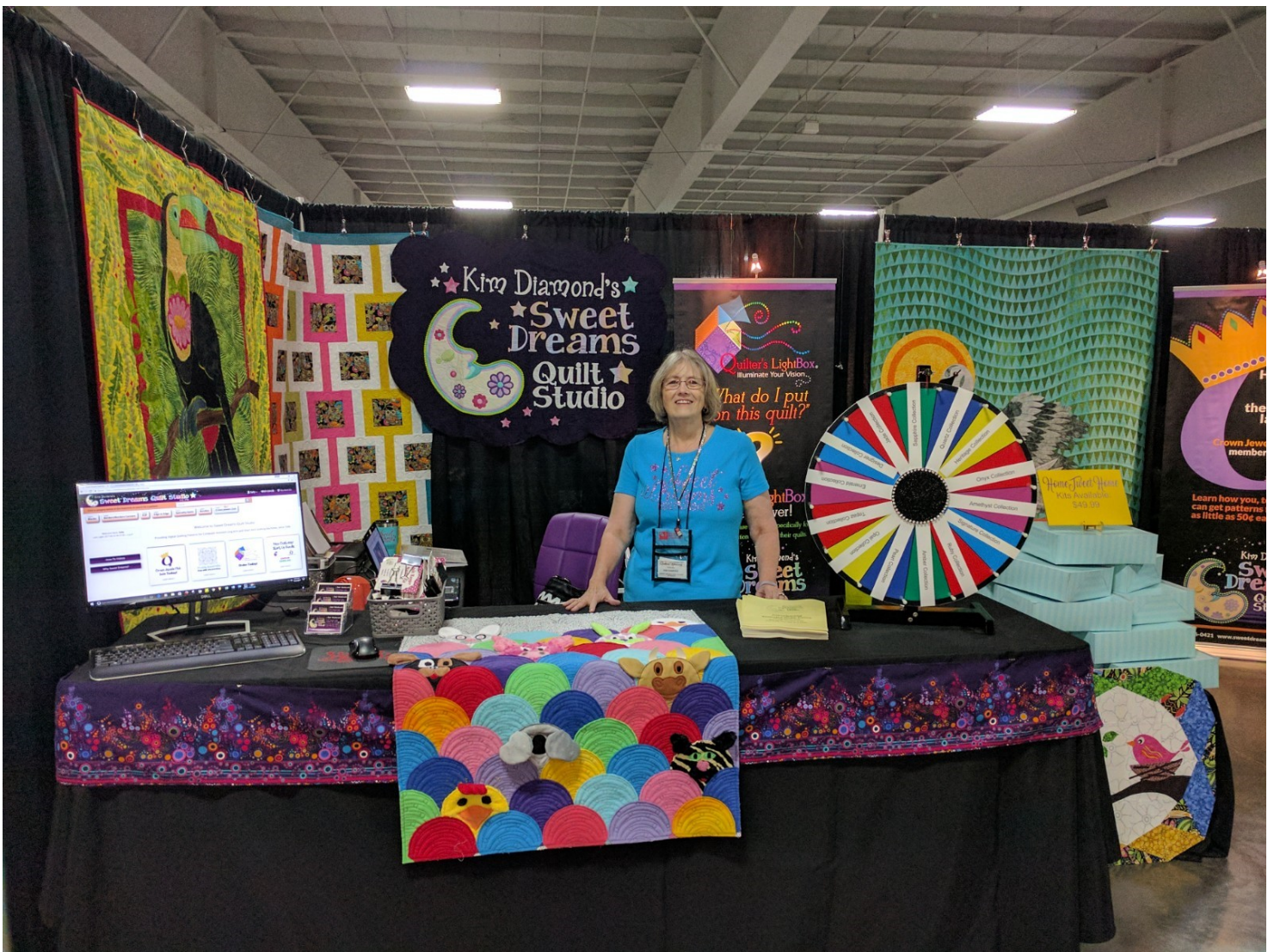
- 1) Your wish list contents have been backed up and will return. Steve, the webmaster, is working on making that happen.
- 2) You can still use the search box on the new web site, but it's worth your time to use the new search filters and also to only search the pattern categories you're interested in. (For example, If you want flowers and you only want edge to edge, using the search box is going to return ALL of the patterns which are keyworded with flowers. Instead, click on the Edge-to-Edge category, then click Theme, then click Botanical, and then Flowers). That will significantly reduce the patterns you have to look through to find the flower panos. If you'd still rather use the search box, use the singular rather than plural (less is more).
- 3) The website doesn't log you out or time out. Once you've logged in you should stay logged in.
- 4) When you look at a pattern, the collection name and CJC archive time are displayed below the pattern name.
- 5) When you click on a pattern, the next page shows related patterns (if you click on a border pattern, the border corner pattern is shown as a related pattern).
- 6) When you click on a pattern, there is an extended image (e2e designs show three repeats and three rows, with the center repeat marked in red. It shows how the patterns should be spaced.) Border and Border Corner patterns are shown together so you can see how they line up.
- 7) If you have more than one machine type you can encrypt/download for all of the formats without waiting for them to be emailed to you (doesn't apply to CompuQuilter.....sorry).
- 8) We still have some features we want to have working on the web site, but don't know when/if they will come to be (gift certificates and being alerted if you already own a pattern are two examples).

Enjoy the patterns!

Janet & Kim

**The Citrine July 2017 Archive contains 127 patterns,
including 72 panos, a retail value of \$1630.00.**

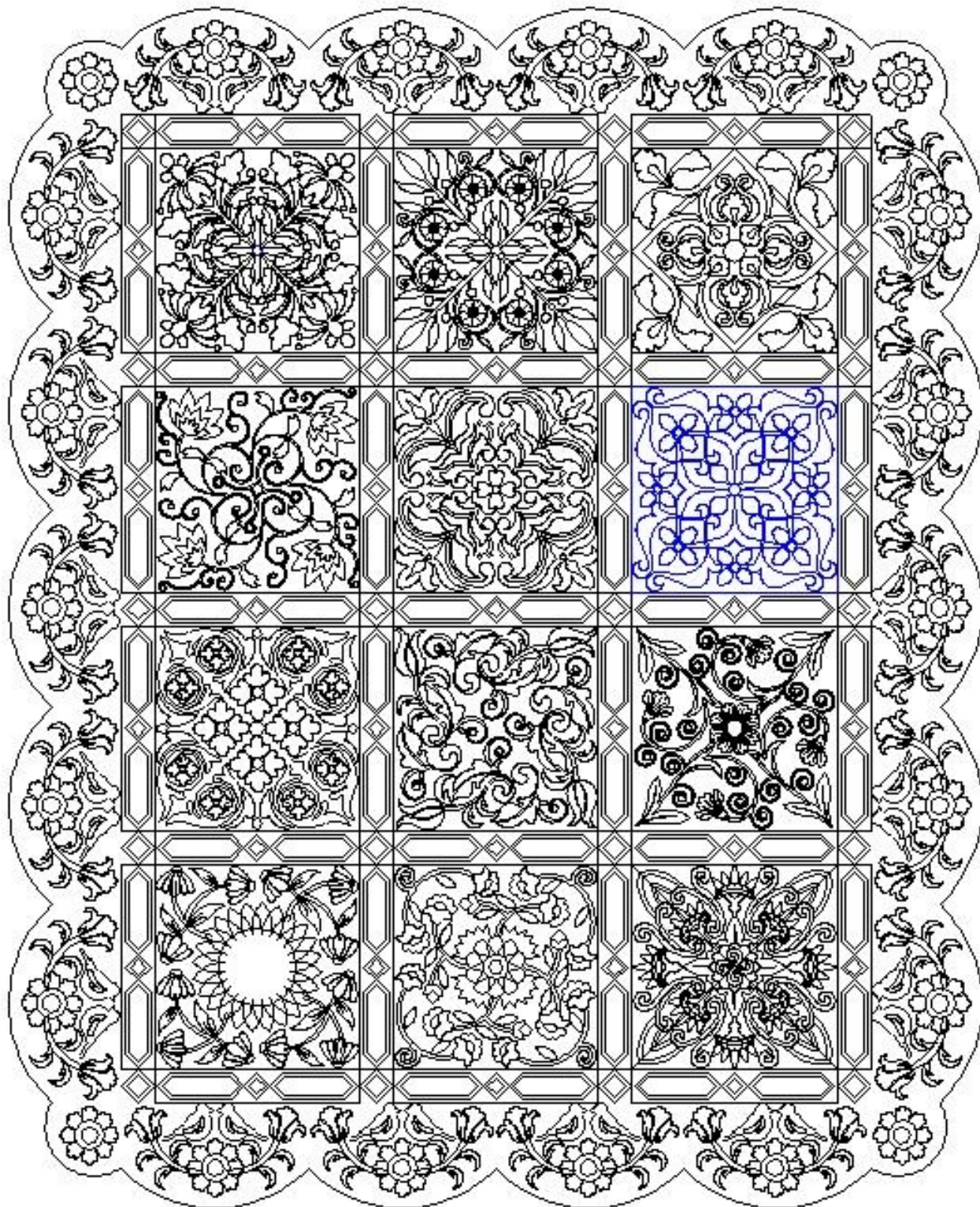
Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio Vendor Booth SUGAR Conference 2017



My favorite part about the SUGAR conference was meeting the Sweet Dreams customers face to face!

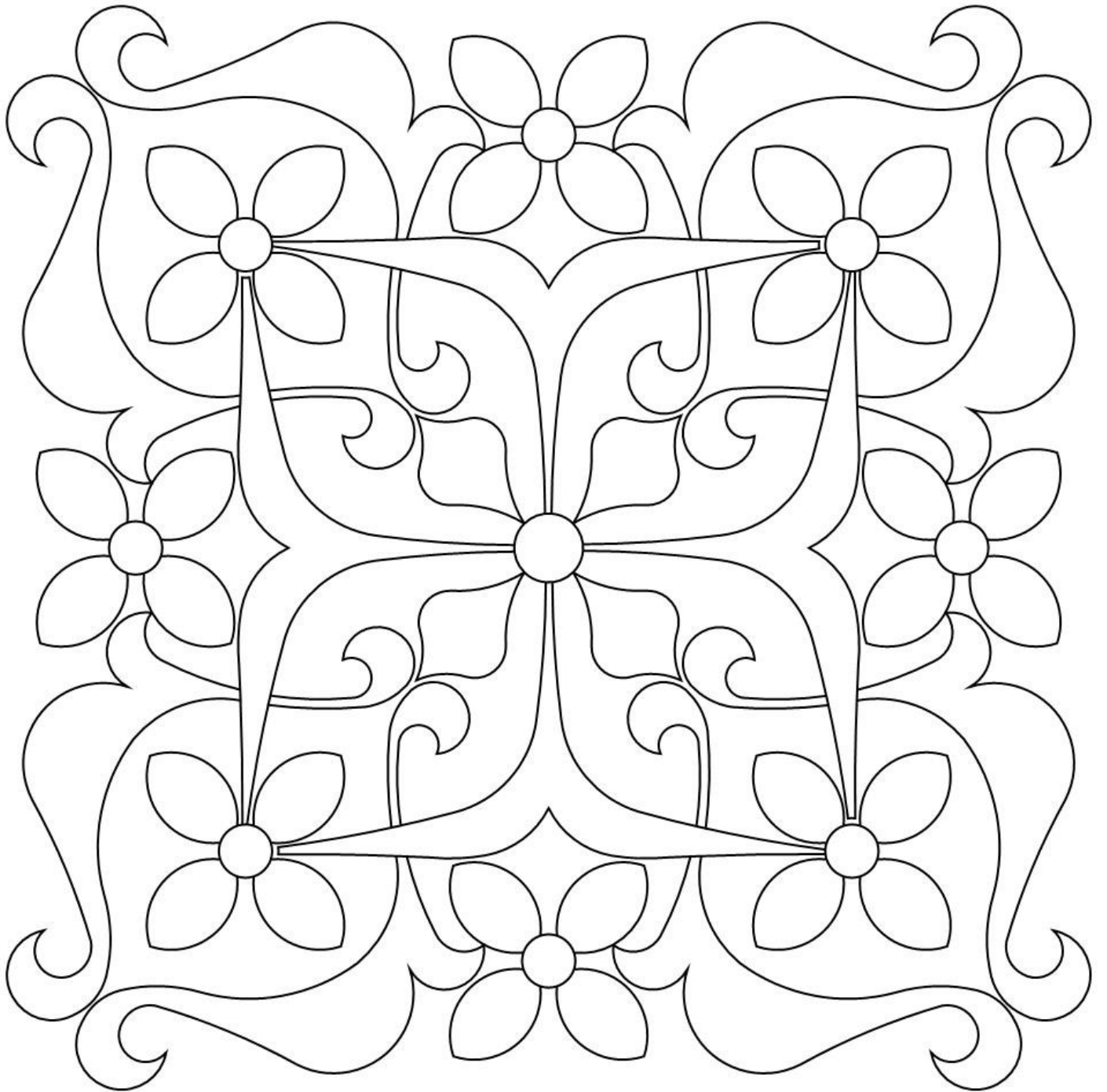
Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio's Block of the Month

Kim has designed a whole cloth quilt: *Bouquet de Fleurs*. Each month, CJC members will receive one of the blocks in the quilt (depending on which one she has actually finished and sewable). These patterns can be used to create the whole cloth quilt, but can also be used to quilt a quilt block. As long as you remain in the Crown Jewels Club, you will receive all of the patterns for this whole cloth quilt. As a reward for your perseverance, there will also be a surprise at the end of the BOM!



Bouquet de Fleurs

BOM #6



Multi Sized Panos...

What's up with those, anyway?

Kim has developed an ongoing series of multi-sized panos. Almost every week, one of my longarm quilt business customer chooses a very simple and linear e2e pattern for me to quilt on their quilt. They are easy to set up, quilt out pretty fast, but only quilt about 3 or 4 inches across the quilt in one pass. That means that I have to hover over the quilt, not getting more than 5 feet away from the machine because it's going to require me to reset at the end of each pass very quickly. Now, I know that with my Statler software, I can build a couple of rows, change the sew order and connect them at the ends of the passes. That takes a lot of time. So, Kim is making "belly bar" worth of passes for a number of different e2e designs. (These are also really easy to audition on your Quilter's LightBox software.)

Measure your quilt as it is loaded on the machine. Choose the multi size pattern closest in width to your quilt width. With Statler software I can still use E2E Mode and place two pins. It doesn't matter that the start and end of the belly bar are not on the same horizontal setting. You need to look carefully at your set up to make sure that you only have one repeat showing. If you have more than one repeat showing, you can either manually change it back to one repeat and adjust the pattern sizing, or if you try that and don't like the way it looks, select the next multi size pattern up in width.

For those quilters who have machines with shorter throats, Kim is working on some extended pattern versions suitable for those machines. If you have particular patterns for which you'd like to have an extended version, send us an email and we'll add your request to the list!

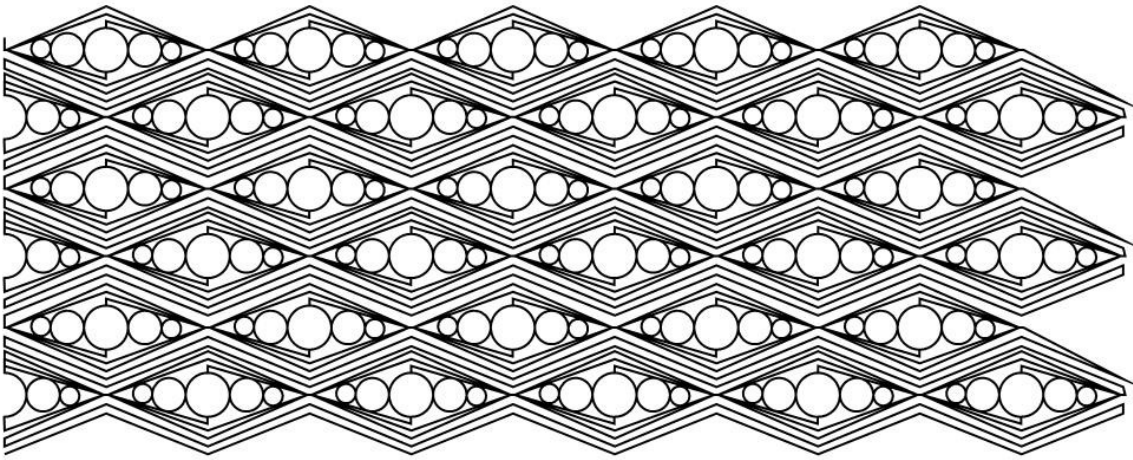
Shrinkage with the Multi Sized Panos

When using any intensely detailed quilting pattern, what is one of the biggest sources of frustration (aside from running out of bobbin before the end of the row)? Shrinkage, right? You are likely to run into shrinkage issues when using the larger sizes of Kim's Multi Sized Panos, too. You may already know how to minimize shrinkage, but if not, here are a few tips:

- 1) Use low loft batting.
- 2) Keep good tension on the quilt sandwich.
- 3) Use the largest stitch per inch setting you can, without sacrificing aesthetics.
- 4) Keep your tension set as loose as possible, without sacrificing stitch quality.

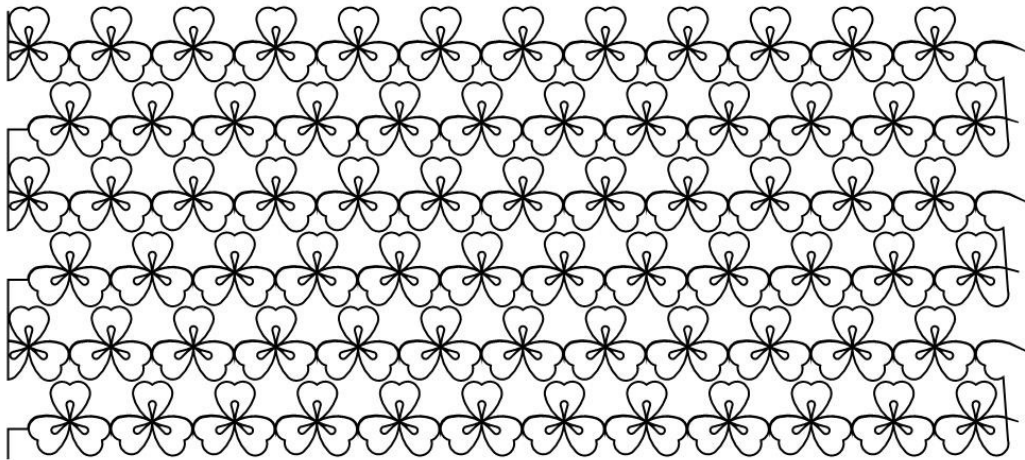
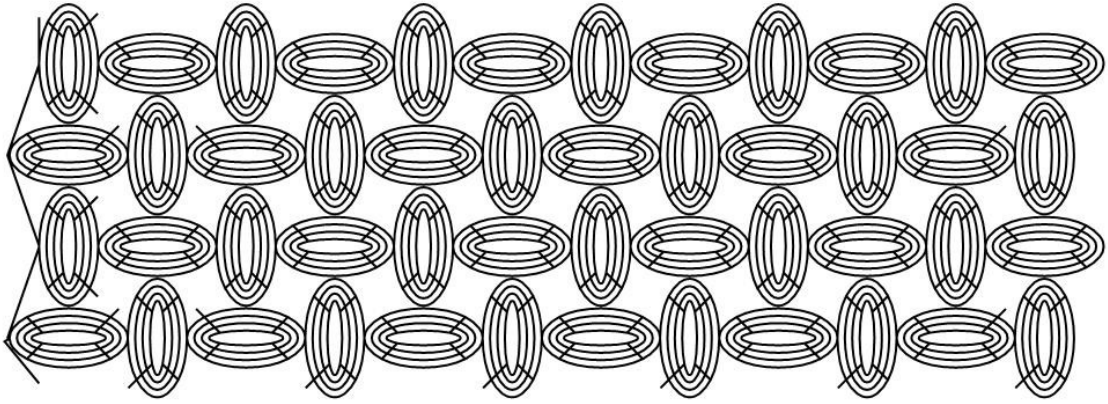
And, to adjust for shrinkage, be prepared to measure for shrinkage, and adjust the placement of future rows to accommodate that shrinkage.

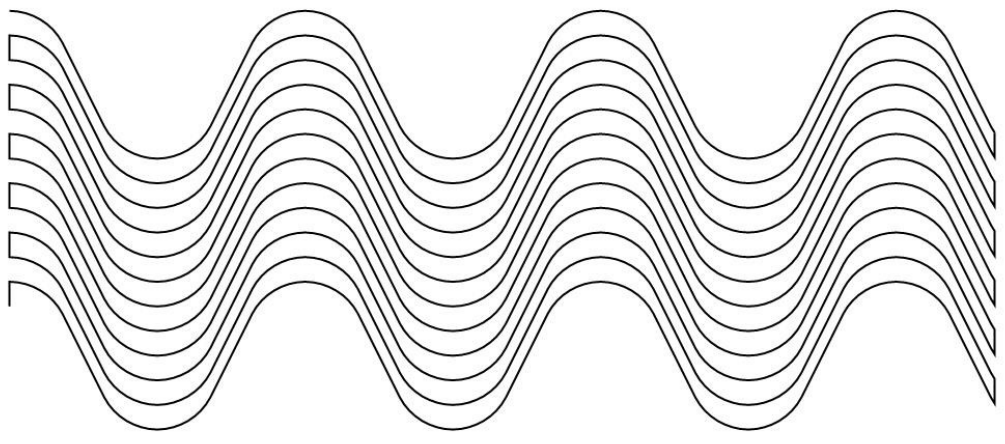
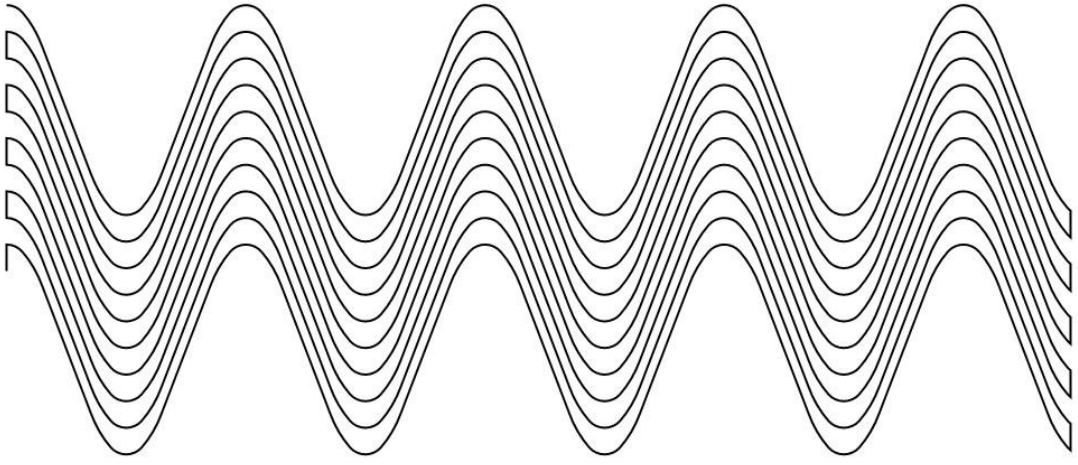
Extended Panos

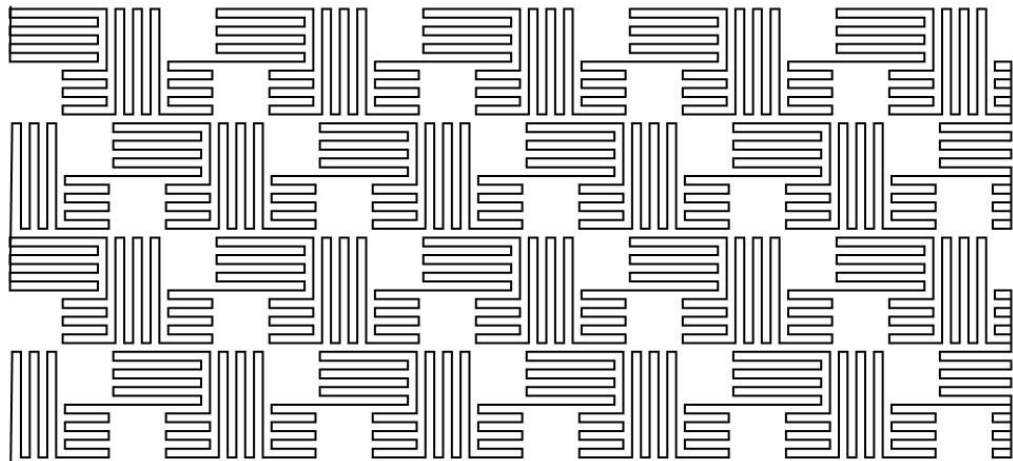
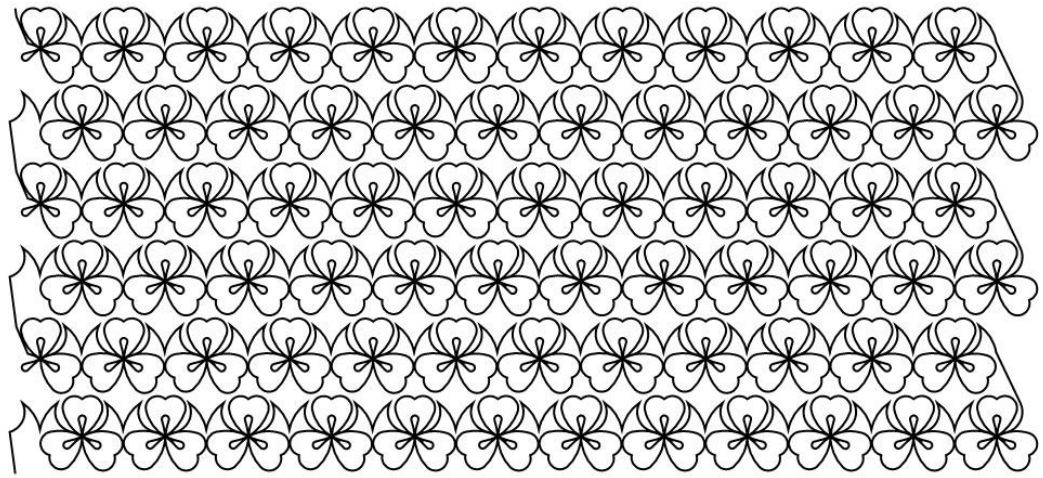


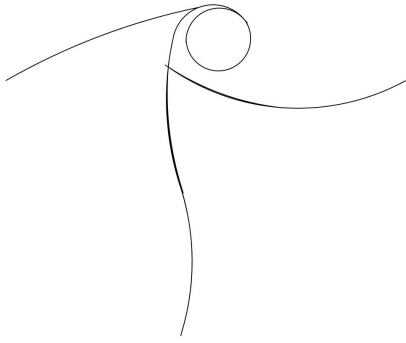
It is worth mentioning that not every longarm machine “likes” extended panos. I run two Statlers, and one of them has no difficulty at all running from right to left, while the other one doesn’t behave well at all traveling from right to left.

Practice on a piece of muslin before you queue up an extra large version of an extended pano. Takes a bit of time to practice, but not as much time as managing thread breaks or “frogging”.



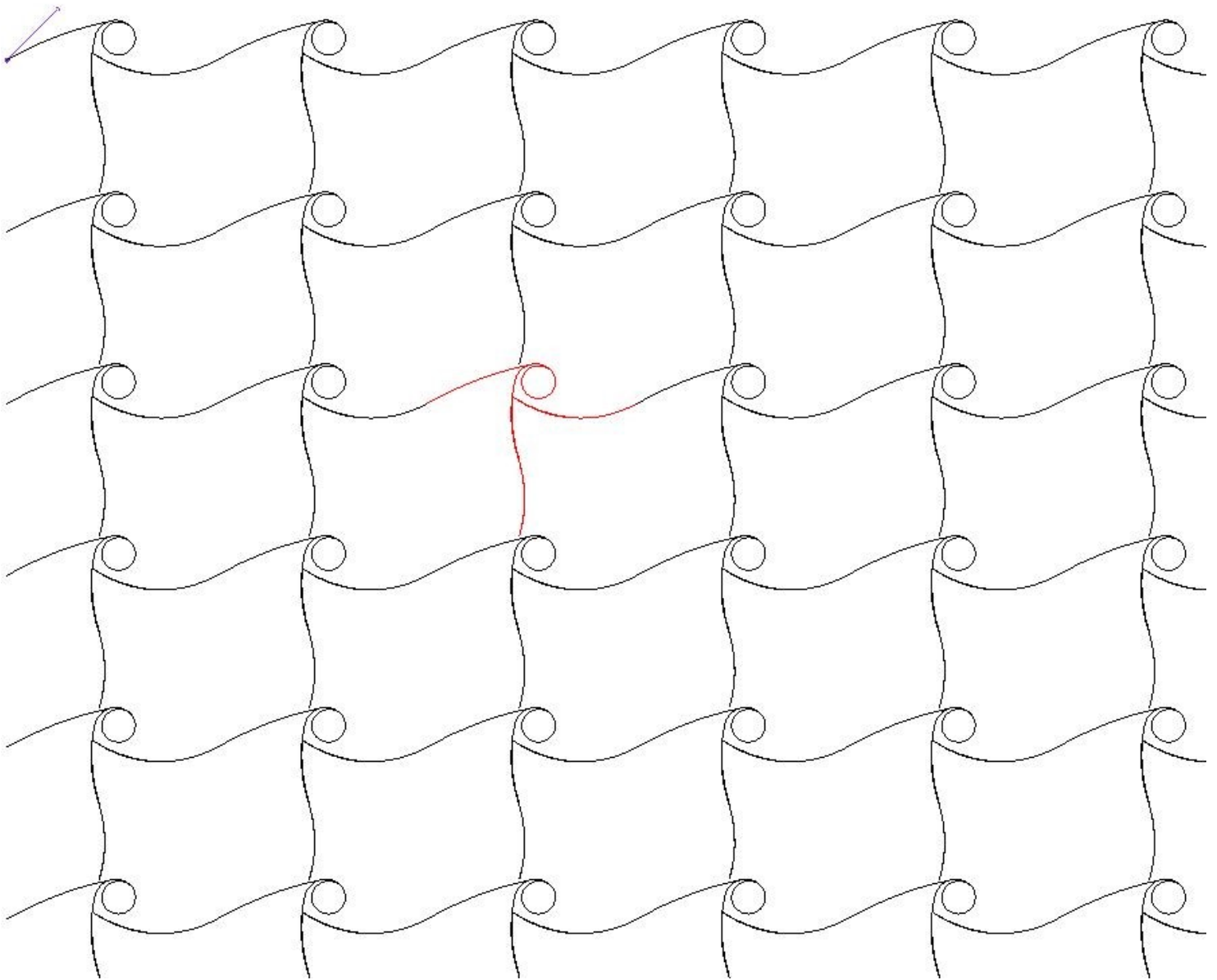




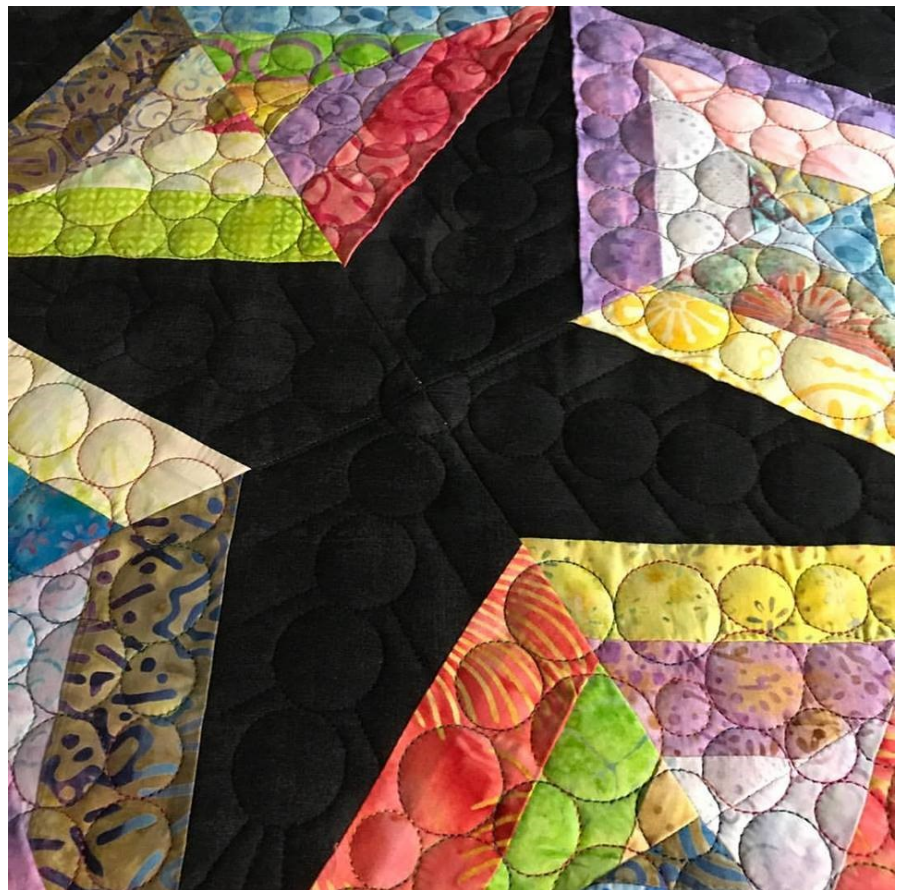
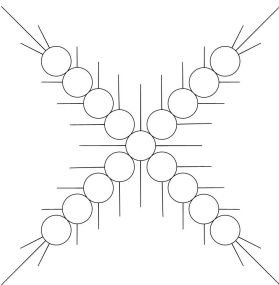
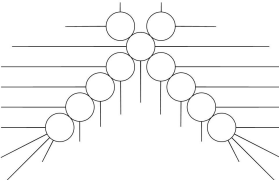
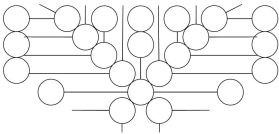
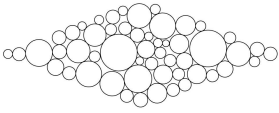
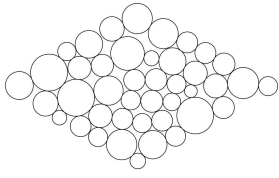


Background Fill Pano 005

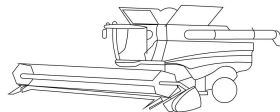
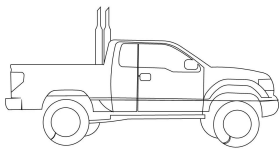
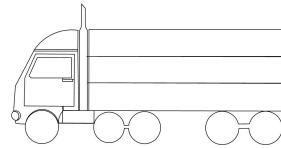
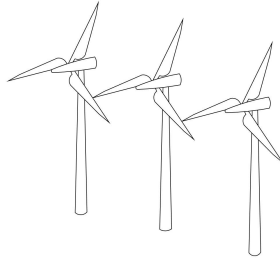
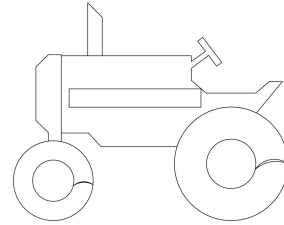
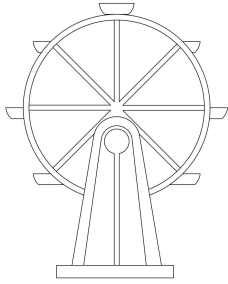
With only one repeat, this pattern looks vaguely like the spring inside a clothespin....or maybe an abstract image of a human. When stitched out in multiple repeats and rows, it is a delightful modern design.



Carmen's Diamonds



It's State Fair Season!



Clamshell Quilt



This is a cute child's quilt. You can use as many different characters as you wish.



Meet Your New Best Friend!

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More time to quilt!
\$60.00!**

Created by Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio,
Quilter's LightBox[®] software was designed to easily:

- Import photos of your quilt and/or quilt blocks.
- Import photos of quilt block pattern pictures.
- Preview quilting patterns superimposed over the quilt photos.
- Enlarge, reduce, copy, rotate, increase or decrease line widths, and adjust thread colors.
- Print pictures of the quilt/block with the patterns, and a list of the quilting pattern pictures used.
- Create a .zip file with all of the pictures for ease in emailing to quilt customers.
- Freehand feature, for those times when you want to doodle on your own!
- And now you can fade out the quilt image behind your pattern layout to better view the patterns.

The software includes over 9000 quilting pattern pictures and free monthly updates for quilting pattern pictures. The software is available for purchase online with immediate download, and also comes with a backup version on the DVD, along with the library of pattern pictures, delivered via USPS Priority Mail. DVD is shipped within 1 business day of order date. **Don't forget to download your free pattern pictures updates!!**

<http://www.quilterslightbox.com>

| Pattern Type | Size | Name of Existing Pattern for Modification | Name to be included in pattern | Attach good photos of quilt and blocks | Style you're going for. Other patterns you're using in the quilt, etc. |
|--|------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Block #1 | | | | | |
| Block #2 | | | | | |
| Block #3 | | | | | |
| Border & Border Corner #1 | | | | | |
| Border & Border Corner #2 | | | | | |
| Border & Border Corner #3 | | | | | |
| Triangle-Equilateral (all sides equal and all angles are 60 degrees) | | | | | |
| Triangle-Isosceles (two equal sides and two equal angles) | | | | | |
| Triangle-Scalene (no equal sides & no equal angles) | | | | | |
| Sash | | | | | |
| Point-to-Point | | | | | |
| Edge-to-Edge—Directional | | | | | |
| Edge-to-edge-Non Directional | | | | | |
| Edge-to-Edge-Interlocking | | | | | |
| Edge-to-Edge-Squared | | | | | |

Important things to consider and include with your design request:

When you take photos of the quilt and/or quilt block, the camera should be parallel to the quilt (we need a straight on shot). If we have to draft out the block, it helps a lot to capture correct angles.

If you want an existing pattern modified, we need the exact pattern name. (We cannot modify another designer's pattern, so please don't ask us to do that.)

Style you're going for: If you want celtic, but don't tell us and we make floral, no one will be happy.

If you want a name included in the pattern, you need to double check the spelling before you submit the request. If you find out after the pattern has been designed that you requested the pattern with incorrect spelling, your submission of the correct name spelling goes to the end of the drawing list, causing a delay for you.

If your machine has a short throat, please make sure you tell us the largest amount of the fabric your machine has access to quilt. [PLEASE email your design requests](#) (you can follow up with a phone call, but it helps us to have the email.)

Favorite Longarm Supplies Vendors:

Updated

We've had many questions from new longarm quilters about the best places to buy their supplies. So, we thought we'd provide a list of our favorite vendors. This is not an exclusive list....you may already have other vendors who take care of your longarm supply needs...and we're not trying to convert anybody.

Superior Thread: I buy King Tut Thread in the 2000 yard cones, although they have poly thread as well. They sell wholesale only, so you'll need your sales tax certificate to set up an account. They have an amazing selection of thread. They have fabulous customer service and an easy online account set up process. They also ship internationally! <http://www.superiorthreads.com>

Checker Distributing: Wholesale Only.....I have rarely looked in vain for anything quilt related on their site. Shopping for supplies can be addicting! Shipping is charged on large items, but not on items such as pins, needles, thread, books, scissors, or most other notions. They do charge shipping on bolts of fabric, luggage, cutting mats, Ott Lights, etc. (They now carry Quilter's Dream Batting.....but only to customers outside of the United States.) <http://www.checkerdist.com>

SouthStar Supply Company: They have scissors, snips & holsters, bobbins, pattern making supplies, rotary cutters, mats, knives, sharpeners, notions, needles, pins, ergonomics, safety, & handling supplies, steamers, machine oil, spot lifters, silicone.....and they are very nice people to work with.
<http://www.southstarsupply.com>

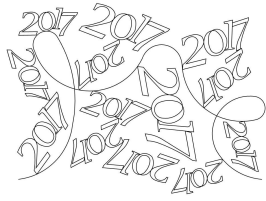
Quilter's Dream Batting: I have pretty much stopped purchasing rolls of batting. I find it easier to maintain an accurate inventory of batting, and it stores well. Unlike some packaged batting, I don't find that the QD batting is distorted, and so it doesn't require a trip through my dryer before I can use it. Some of my best friends who also have longarm quilting businesses stock packaged batting as well as batting on a roll. We agree that these people are easy to work with! <http://www.quiltersdreambatting.com>

Virginia Longarm: I buy the dress bag and the 3-sided zipper totes to deliver my quilts to customer. They bring their next quilt to me in their bag. When I arrive at our guild meetings, laden with my purple bags, people say it looks like Christmas. Their quilts stay clean and it adds a little extra class and professionalism to my business.
<http://www.virginialongarm.com> or call 804-708-0741.

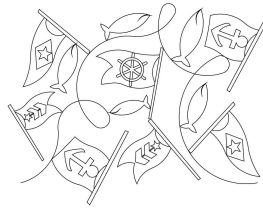
Wingspan Crafts: These are the people at MQX East who have the pre-shunk cotton batting (Katahdin) and the lovely 80/20 (Acadia). They were very nice to work with.
<http://www.wingspancrafts.com>

Winline Textiles: These people were at MQS in Wichita. Their batting also feels very nice, has great consistency. They sent me home with two sample batts (a crib size and a twin size). I have used both sample batts and was very, very pleased. Visit them at: <http://www.winlinetextiles.com>
Wholesale prices available!

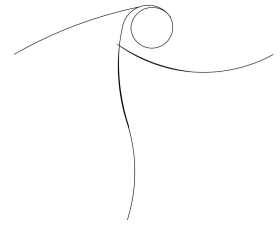
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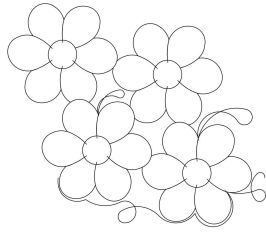
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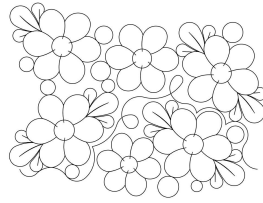
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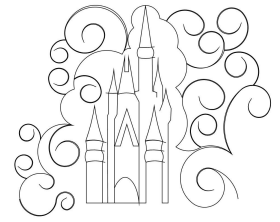
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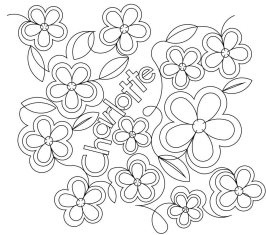
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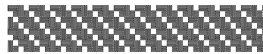
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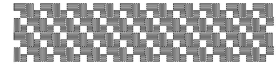
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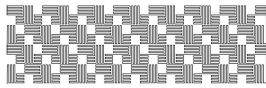
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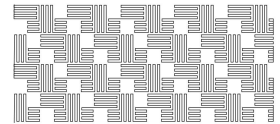
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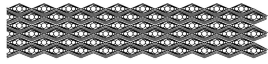


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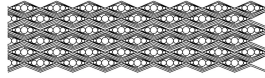


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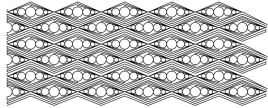
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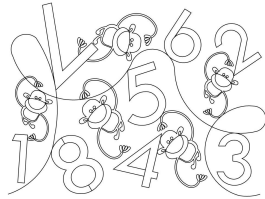
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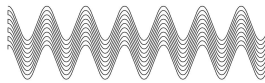
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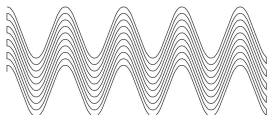
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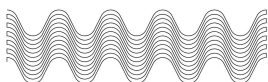
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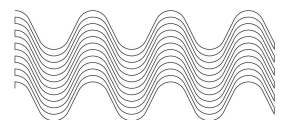
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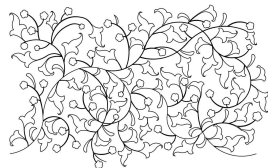


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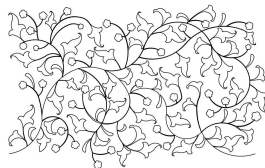


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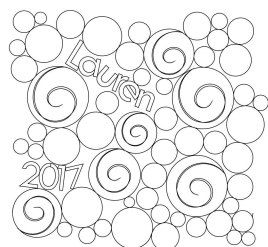
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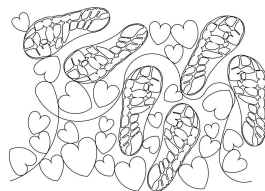
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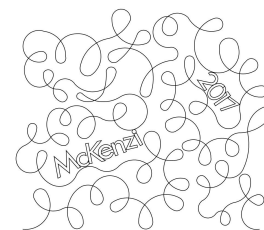
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Pattern: lauren pano 004
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Pattern: mckenzi pano 001
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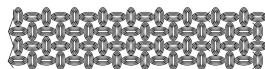
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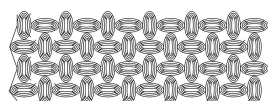
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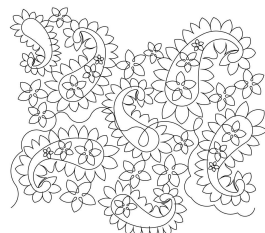
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Pattern: oval pano 002 xlarge
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Pattern: oval pano 002 xsmall
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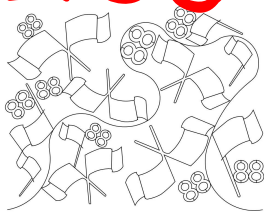


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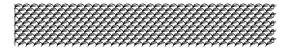
Panos



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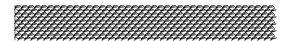
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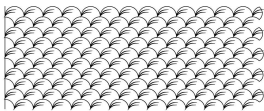
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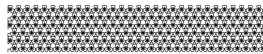
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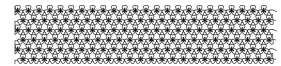
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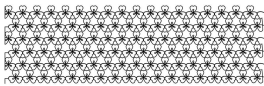
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Pattern: sashiko pano 002 large
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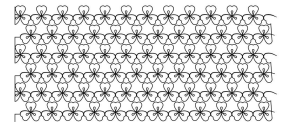
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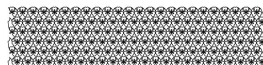
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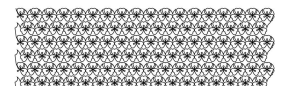
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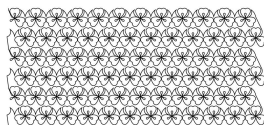


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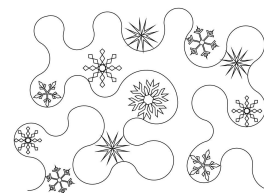
Panos



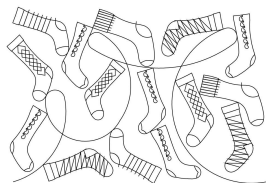
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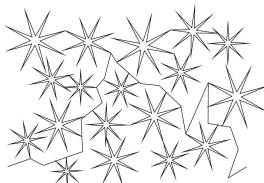
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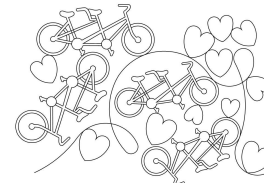
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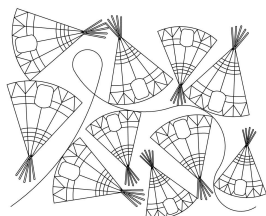
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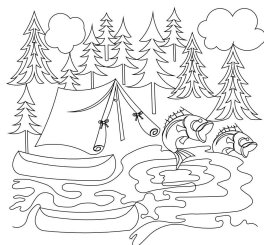
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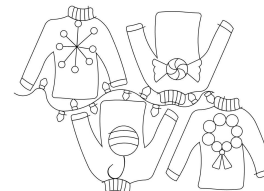
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Pattern: teepee pano 001
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Pattern: tent in woods pano 001
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Pattern: ugly sweater pano 001
Archive: Citrine July 2017



Pattern: unicorn and fairy pano 002
Archive: Citrine July 2017



Pattern: unicorn and fairy pano 003
Archive: Citrine July 2017



Pattern: wedding pano alt 001 p
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Longarm Tip of the Month:

Ever have customers drop off quilts in shopping bags or Wal-Mart bags, comforter bags, or even....gasp....trash bags? I use personal quilt carriers (available via Virginia Longarm Network). I put my business card in the see-through pocket on the front, and a paper key tag with their name on it attached to the zipper pull. I do my "intake" in my dining room (to avoid dragging people through the rest of my house) and keep a pin cushion and small stake in intake forms in my buffet cabinet. I can grab one of those forms, review the quilt with the customer (starting with their name), what they want on the quilt in terms of pattern and thread, batting choice, if they want the binding done, etc. I fold their backing fabric inside the quilt, pin the completed intake form to the quilt top and then carry it down into my quilt studio. Hopefully, I'll then have the time to make up a personal quilt carrier bag for that customer, but if I don't have the time, I have documentation to identify the quilt and the details of the quilting. You don't ever want to be faced with the mystery quilt in a shopping bag, unidentified, and pull up a blank when trying to remember. You also don't want to have to call a customer and confess that you don't remember what they wanted. A friend once told me, "The duller pencil is sharper than the sharpest mind. Write it down." I will often have as many as 6 quilters drop off their quilts within one hour so paper & pencil is vital!