## ACME Fabric and Quilt Company Helpful tips for "ByAnnie" classes

- Try not to use directional prints for 1<sup>st</sup> project of any of these classes
- Try to use the same color thread for quilting both side
- Quilters select fuse or 505 spray if using soft and stable
- Quilt pieces using 3/4" to 1"
- If you are quilting on your domestic machine, cut individual pieces about 2" bigger per piece prior to quilting to allow for shrinkage on the quilting
- Watch and be aware of the individual piece and the direction of how you want to quilt each piece, vertical or horizontal (Measure twice and cut once)
- Watch the video and follow along reading the pattern prior to class
- Copy the back page with the labels so you can cut them out and use them and save the pattern
- Optional: Copy complete pattern and staple together so you can use the boxes on the pattern to check off each competed step. You can also use a pencil on the original pattern and erase your marks when your project is done. You can also copy the pattern and put each page into a plastic sleeve and use a dry erase pen to check off the steps when you have completed them and then you can erase the marks on the plastic sleeve and reuse the pattern.
- The easiest project of the pattern is the largest to make
- After cutting and quilting the fabric, be sure to seal (sew) all your edges 1/8" or less. Then during the project, every time you cut an edge or round a corner, you will need to reseal that cut edge again.
- Be sure to read and reread your pattern before class
- Download the **byannie.com** website, set up an account (this is free) and download the videos for that pattern. The video is free with the purchase of the pattern, but you have to go through the process of buying, it then you add the code and it will be free. Then you can download your videos in your account. (After class or you have finished your project we can help you do this if you need help)
- If you need help quilting or cutting out the pieces, let us know and we can make arrangements to come in prior to class and show you. If there is an open sew Friday prior to class we can check with Chris and use her classroom if that works for her. You can bring your machine for quilting and your supplies for cutting and we can help if you need that.
- Take a look at the upcoming class examples and see if any of these would make great gifts for you to make and give.
- Optional supplies are just that. Optional.
- If you need any notions, supplies, or "ByAnnie" supplies and Chris doesn't have it, ask her and she can order it for you. ACME Fabric and Quilt Company is your only local complete "ByAnnie" supply store.