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“Behind the Scenes Tour”

Virtual Sewing Guild Members Only Webinar



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Questions

Margaret, what is a “typical day” for you?

Thank you for this topic, I have always wanted to know how you run your business.

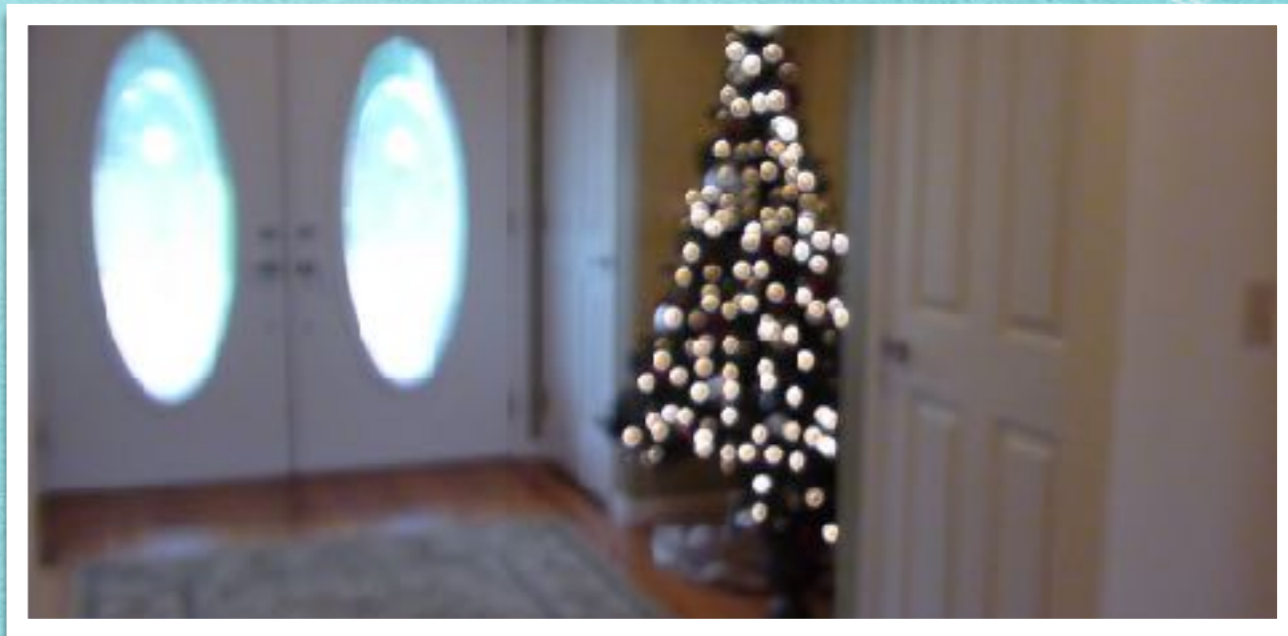
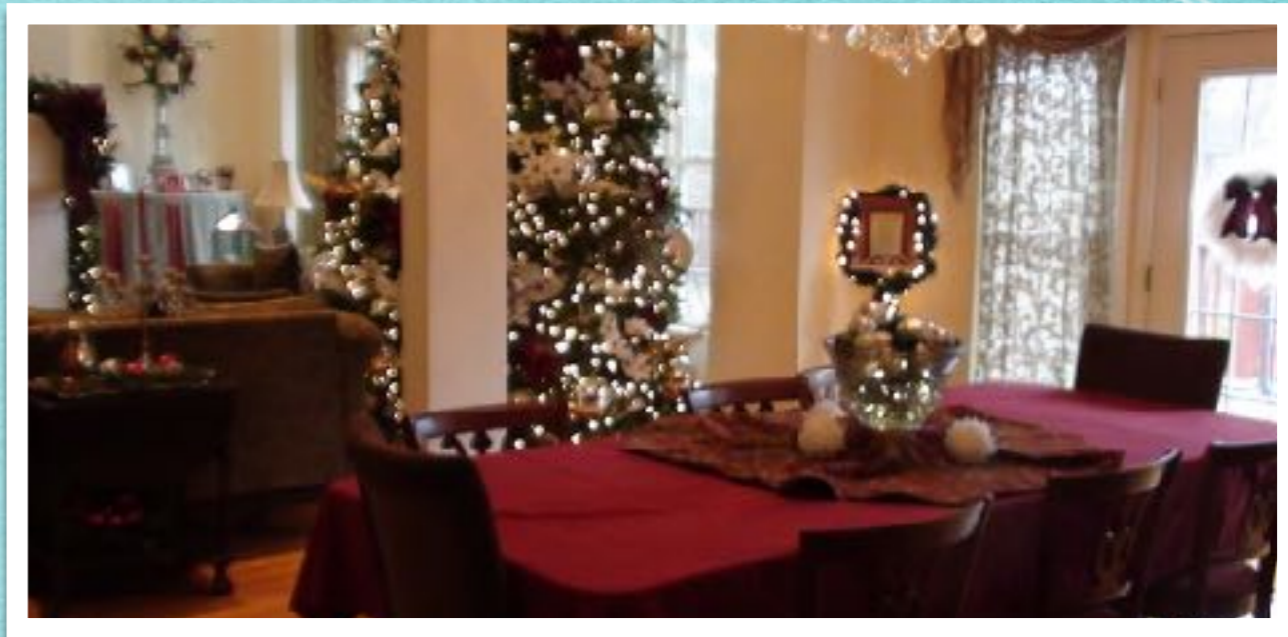
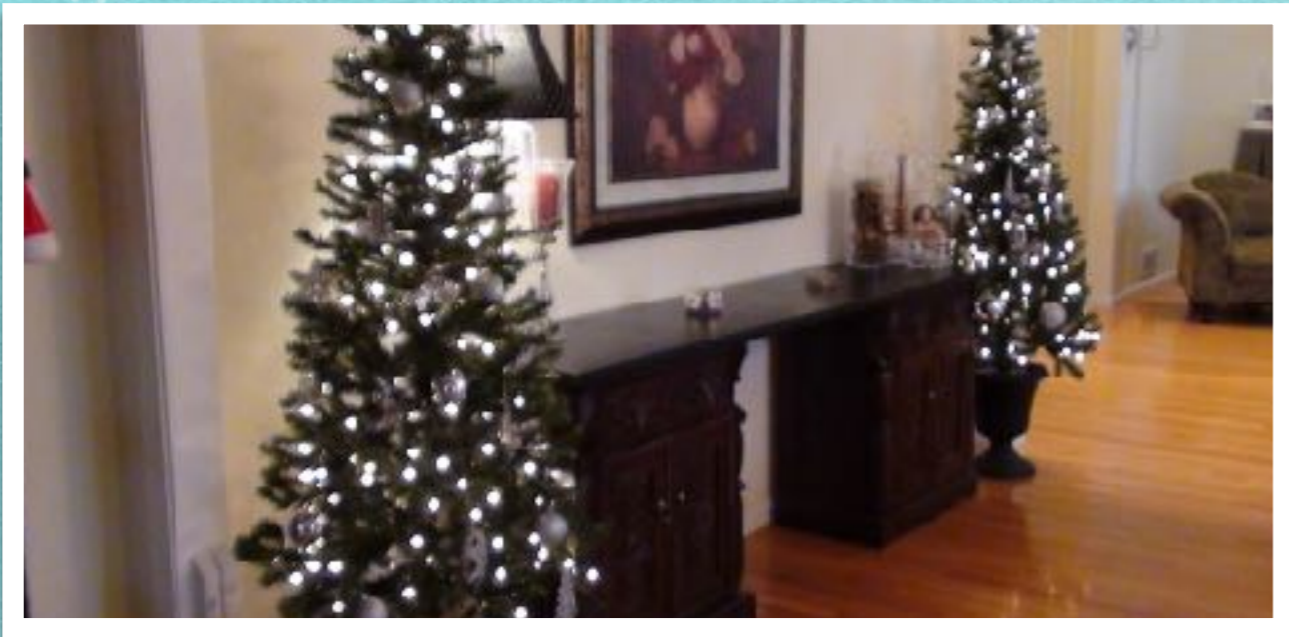
I know you started your webinars quite awhile ago, but how did you do it? Where did you get your customers? How did you know what to do?



The Commute



The Commute Continues...



Finally at the office



What Equipment do I use?



Laser printer and inkjet printer



Memory Cards
for Camera



Sony Handycam
HDR-CX150



Two lap tops both with Windows 8.0



iMac Computer

What can I do now that I am in the office?



Create Webinar Presentations

- Decide on topics (your input really helps)
- Research the topic and gather the best information possible.
- Put information together using Keynote (Mac Version of Powerpoint)
- Export to PDF
- Upload PDF to the website

I can also, write project instructions!



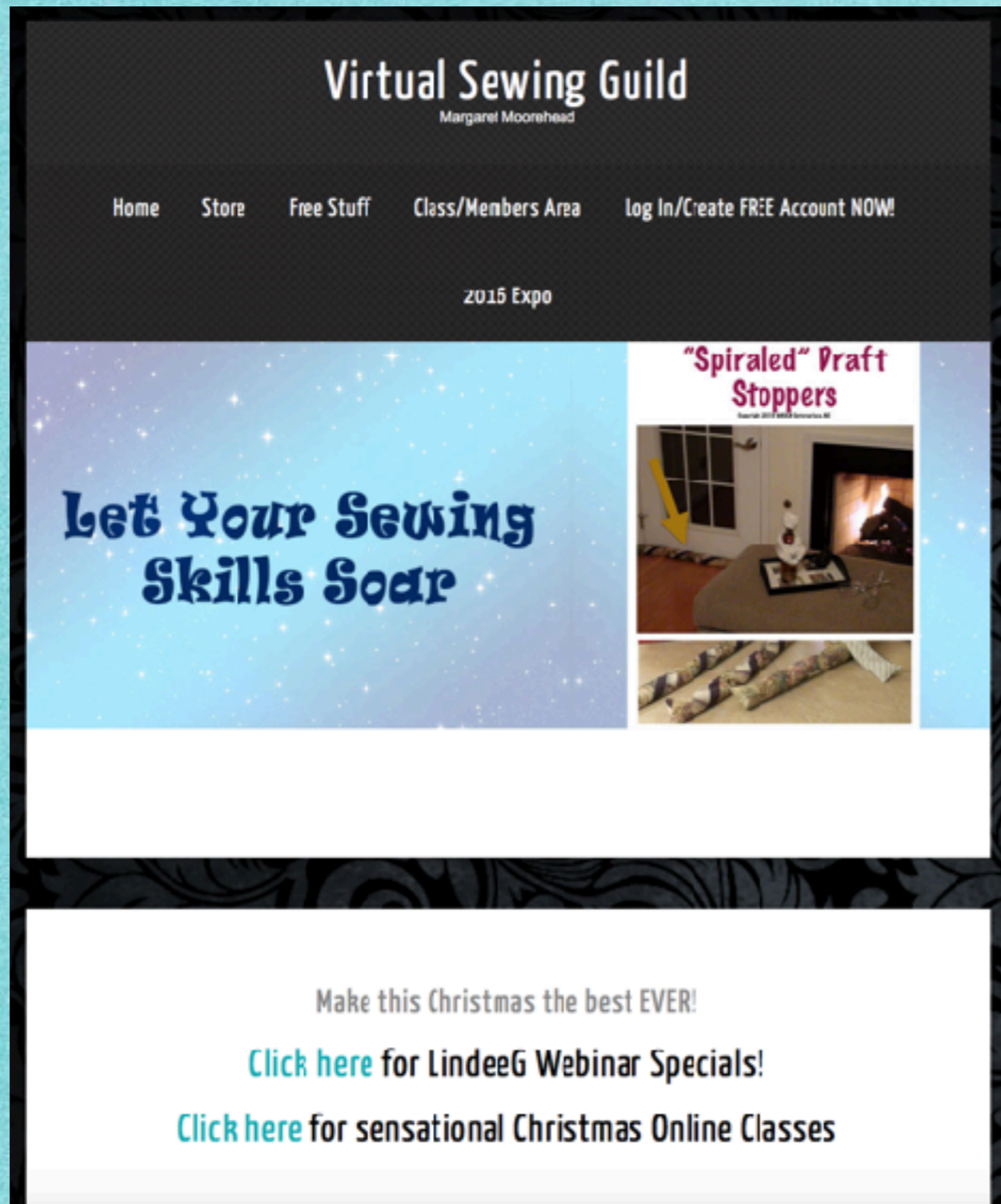
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General Sewing Supplies	Sewing Tool Caddy
Rotary Cutter, Mat, Ruler Thread snips Iron and ironing surface Fabric Marker of your choice (pen, pencil, chalk...) Microtex size 80 or 90 needle or your favorite needle. Recommended Machine Feet: Standard Sewing Foot 1/4" foot with a guide stitch in ditch foot (also called narrow edge foot and lace joining foot) General Sewing Supplies	Fabric: Cover: 11" x 17.5" Lining: 11" x 17.5" Pocket 1: 11"w x 13.5"h Pocket 2: 11.5"w x 11"h Pocket 3: 11.5"w x 8.5"h Pocket 4: 11.5"w x 6"h Fleece: 10"w x 17"h Ribbon: One 8" x 7/8" piece Three 12" x 1/8" pieces Elastic: 21" x width of your choice Cardboard: Two 8" x 10" pieces

- Develop project
- Make at least one test project
- Record me making the project
- Edit the recording
- Write the directions
- Export them to a PDF
- Upload them to the site

The website also needs attention



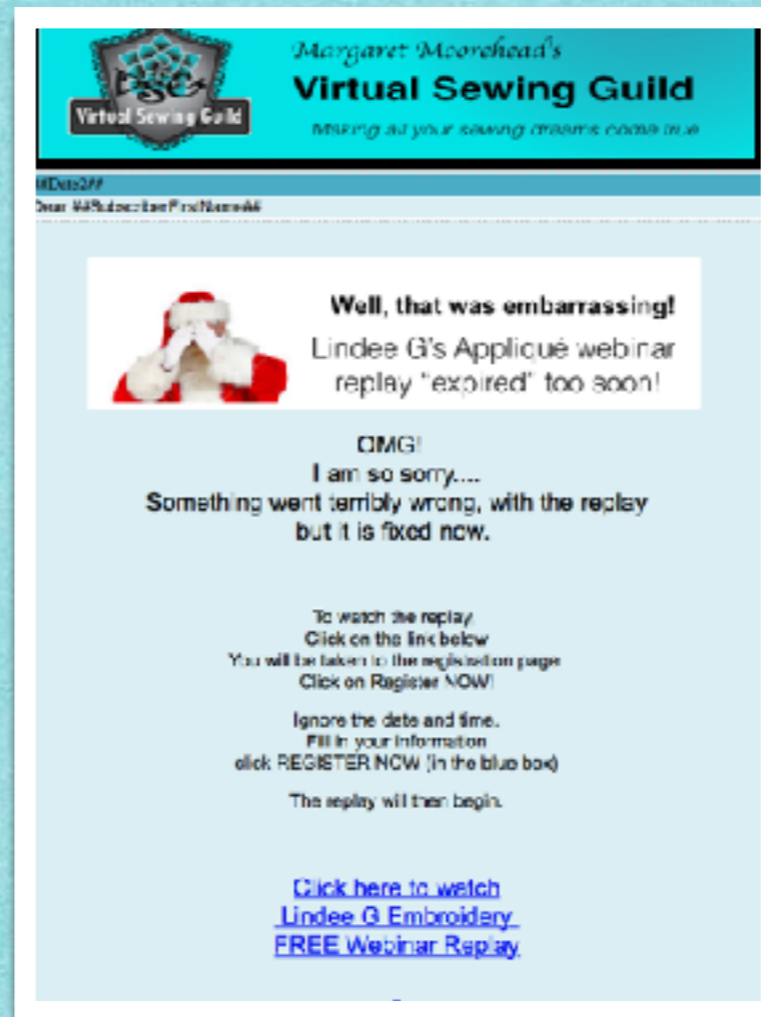
Hosting company: Quiltropolis
Platform: Wordpress
Membership site
Store

and I can...



Schedule Webinars

1. Initial calls to get agreement with speakers
2. Test webinar to make sure everything works
3. Rough Draft webinar
4. Dress rehearsal webinar
5. Live webinar
6. 3 days of replays



Send out newsletters



Research and plan which sewing events I will attend to keep up with the industry so I can present you with the best speakers, techniques projects and ideas

The view from my office



Questions

“How the heck do you get so much done? Projects, personal calls, webinars, family life, etc?”



How I make things work of me.

1. *Work from a to do list*
 2. *Toodledo and Asana are the project management systems I use*
 3. *Write everything on a list*
- Projects, techniques, books to read, movies to watch, lunch dates, vacations, goals, EVERYTHING!*

I do it all on the computer in this system because:

It is all on the computer

Notes don't get lost

It is convenient for me

Once I have it written down I don't have to waste energy trying to remember it

Many of you will not need/want to follow this system.

There is always more than one way to do things.

Try to enjoy each and every step of your day.

Realize that you can change your mind...you don't have to read that book, go on that vacation, make that project...they are just ideas you have written down.

How I make things work of me.

4. *Transfer to a weekly to do list*
5. *Transfer to a daily to do list*
6. *Transfer to an hourly to do list*
- *This hourly to do list was a real eye opener for me*
- I found lots of areas I was spending way too much time (office stuff)*
7. *I Do NOT fill in all my time slots with things I must do.*
8. *I do an “Hour of Power” daily*
9. *I plan an hour of time to have nothing to do, but relax each afternoon*
10. *My day starts with 8:15 Mass and ends about 11:00 with lots of time for work, family and friends in each day*

Daily

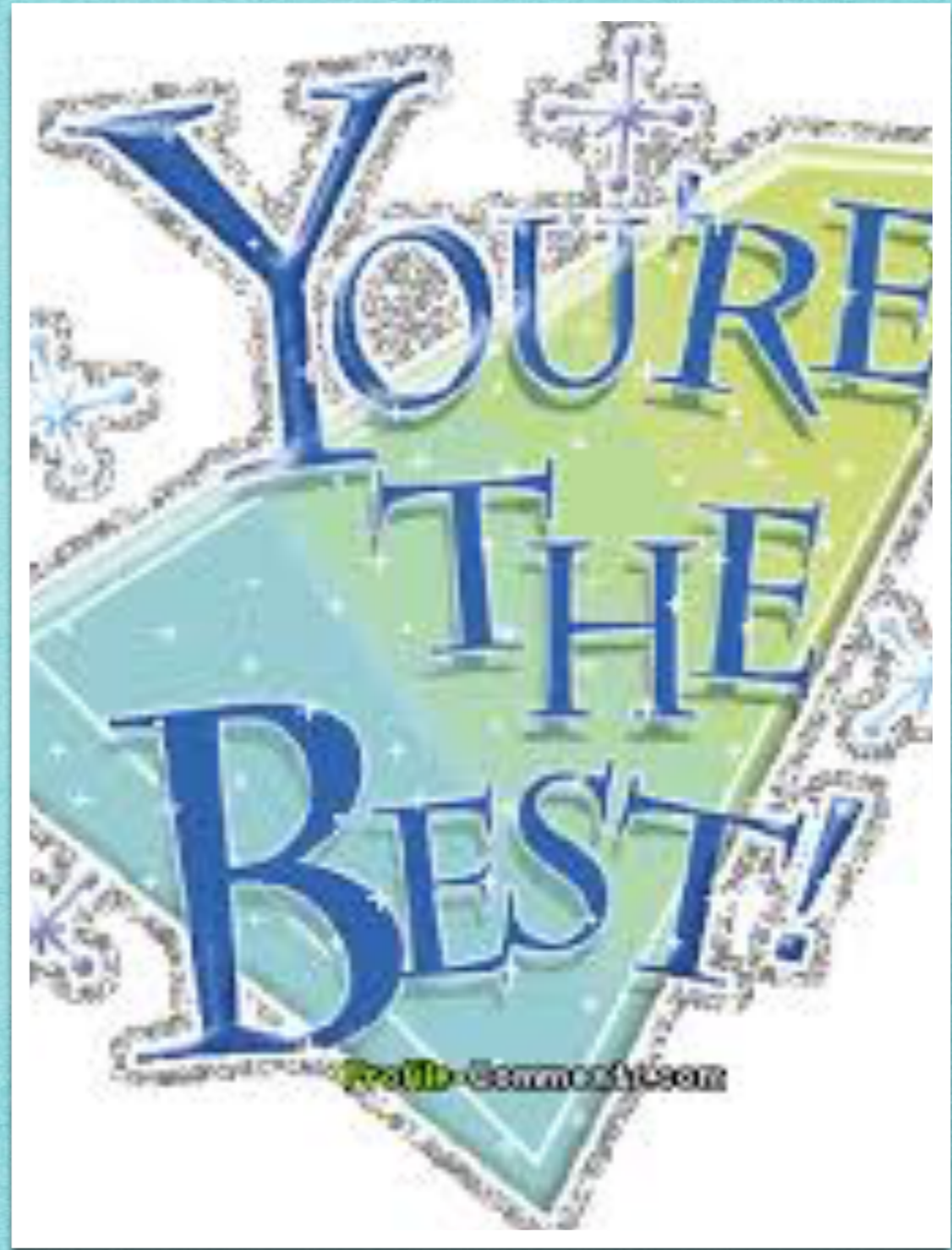
*Email
Planning
Rule of 5
Sewing*

An Hour of Power
*20 minutes reading
20 minutes exercise
20 minutes prayer*



*And the best
part is....*

*YOU....
my sewing friends who
share my passion for
sewing and encourage
me to continue!*



Questions

How do you store your thread?

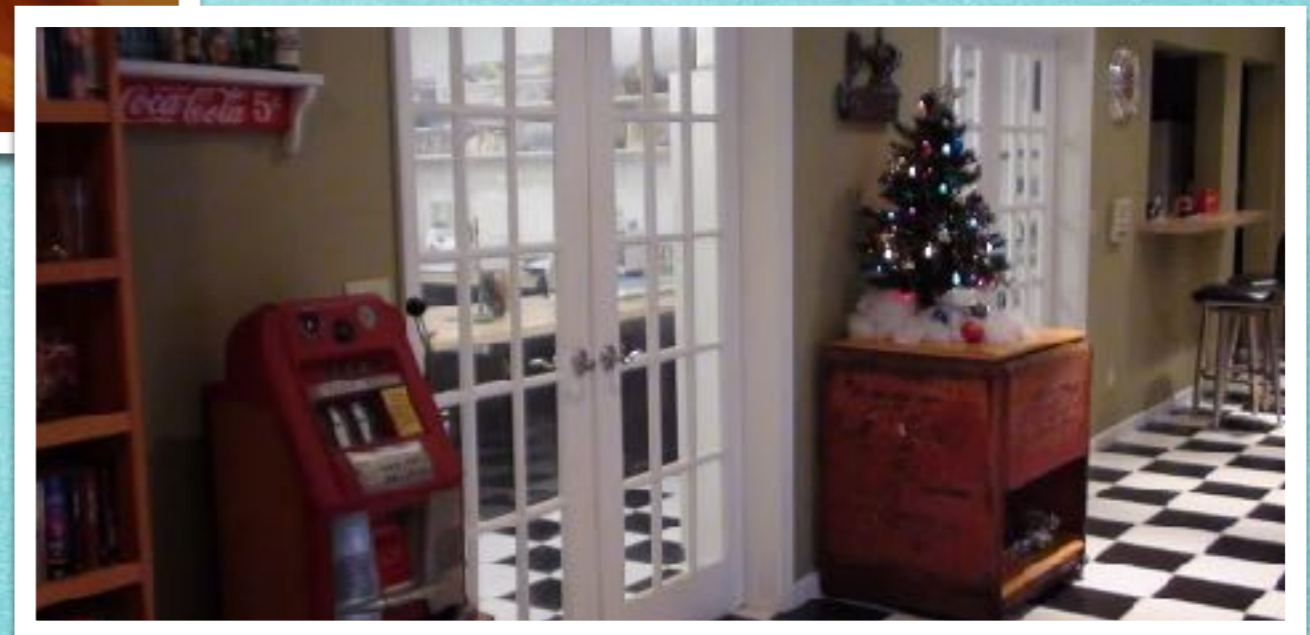
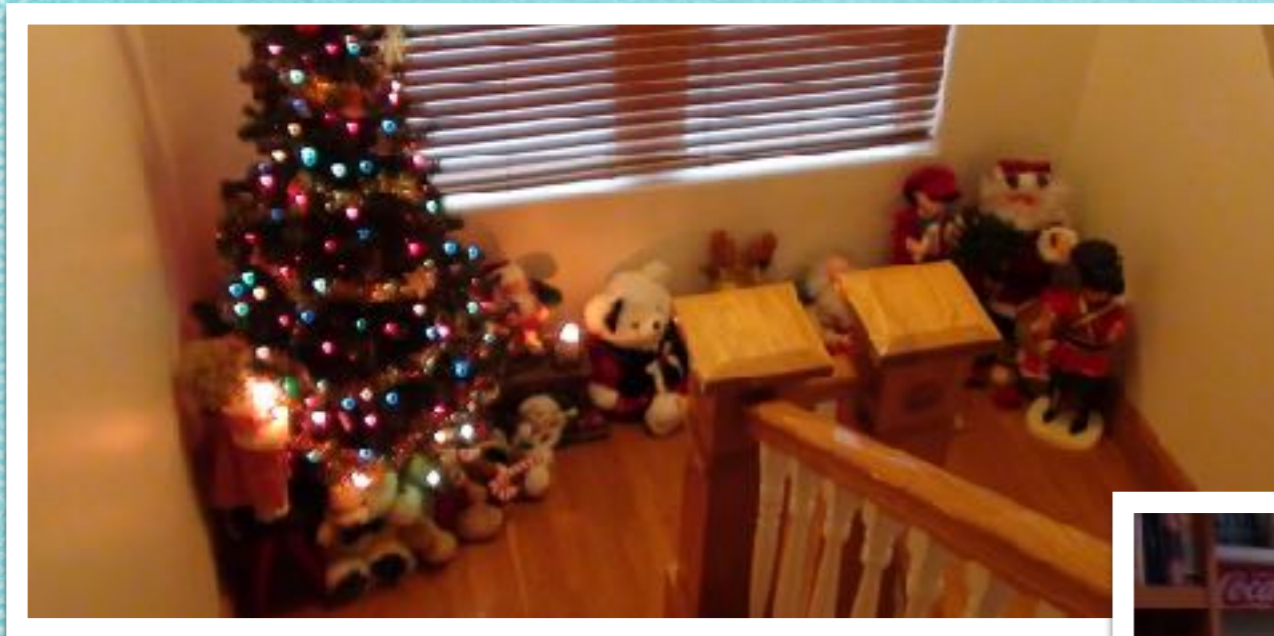
How do you organize your fabric?

Is your sewing room always organized?

Do you like the fabric boards you tried
awhile back?



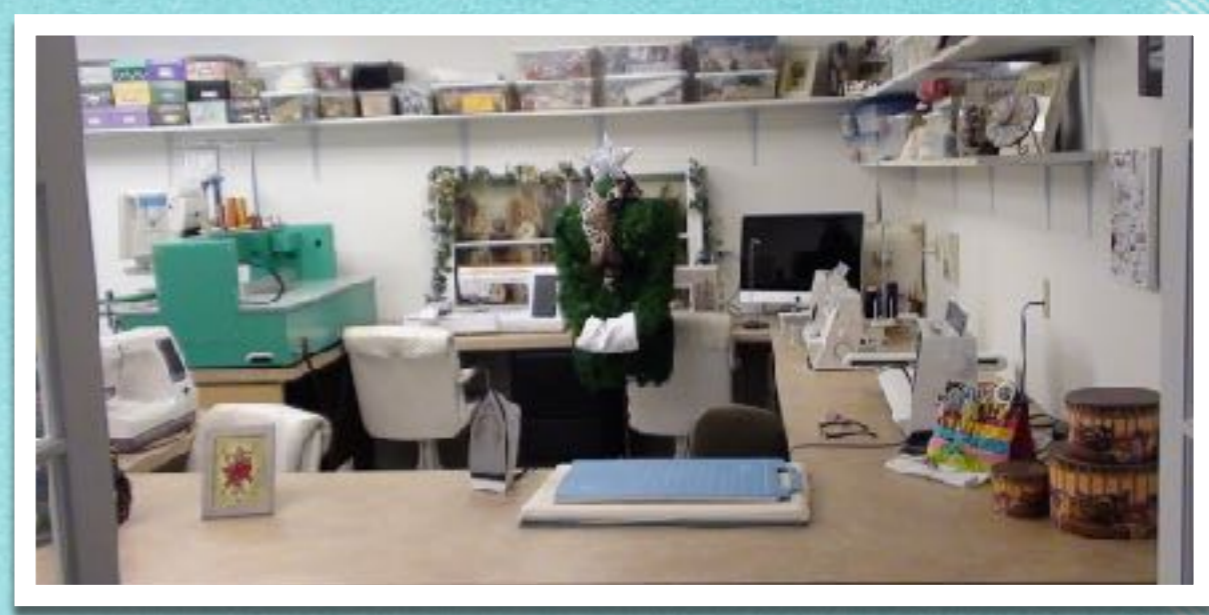
Off to the sewing room, where
the REAL fun takes place!



The man behind
the camera...

“The boy next door”
as I was growing
up, and my
husband of 32
years...Kevin, and
the love of my life!







Questions

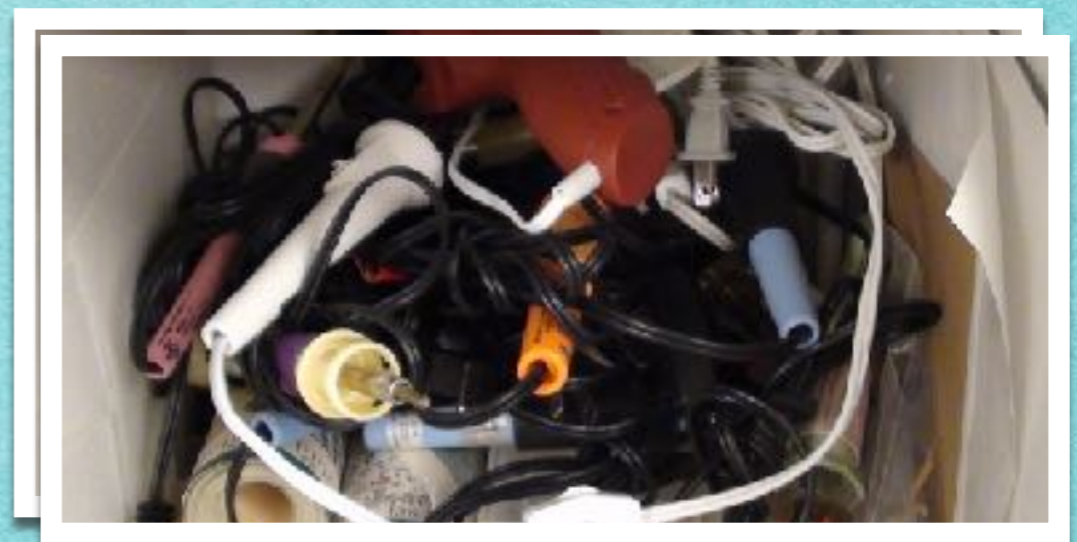
How long did it take to put my sewing room together?

It is a work in progress, and always will be...I am a visual person, I need to go through things on a regular basis to see it and be inspired to use it. When I clean and rearrange it gives me a whole new perspective and motivation to try new things and let my creativity soar!

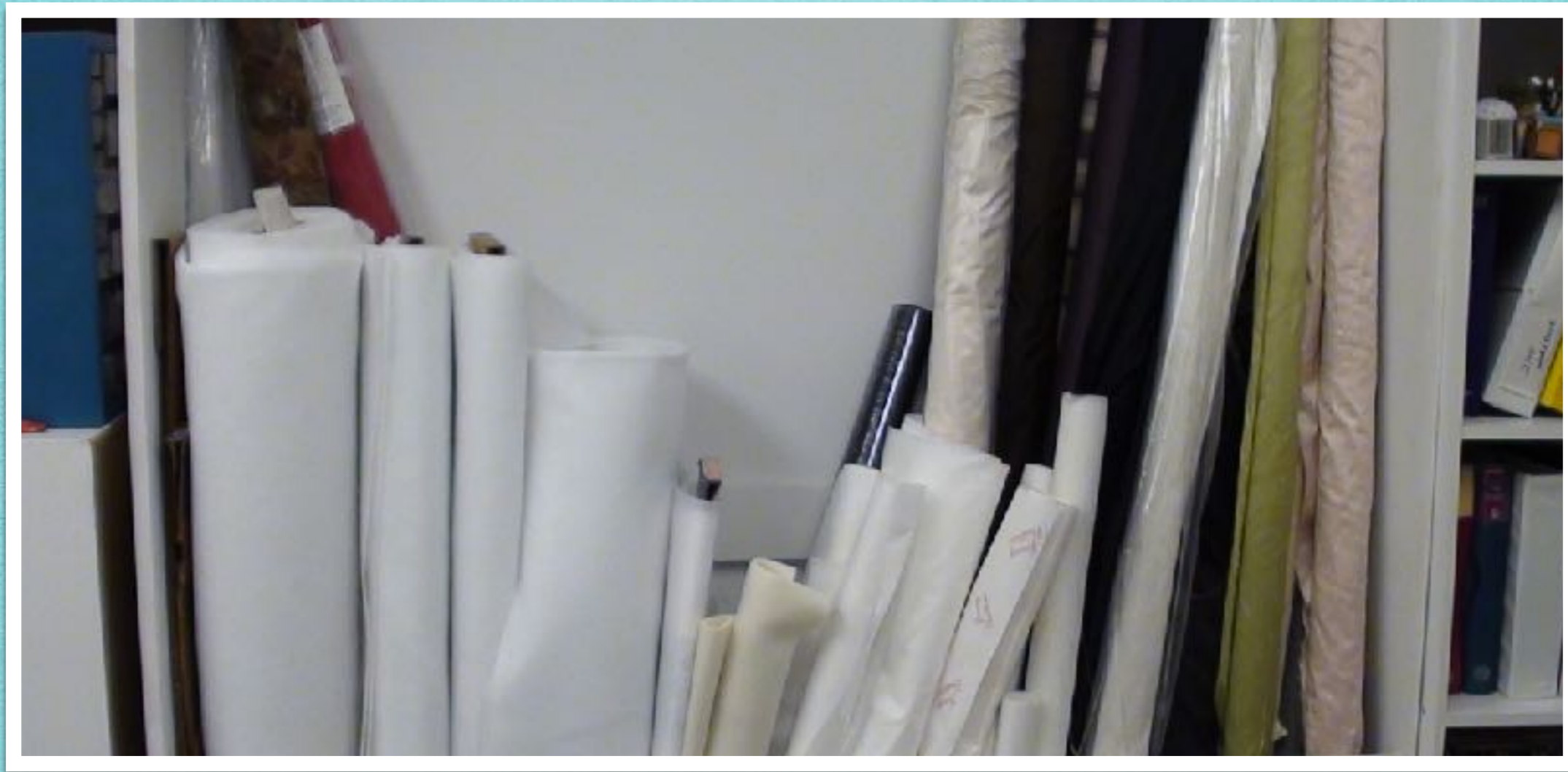
Love Love Love my cubbies!



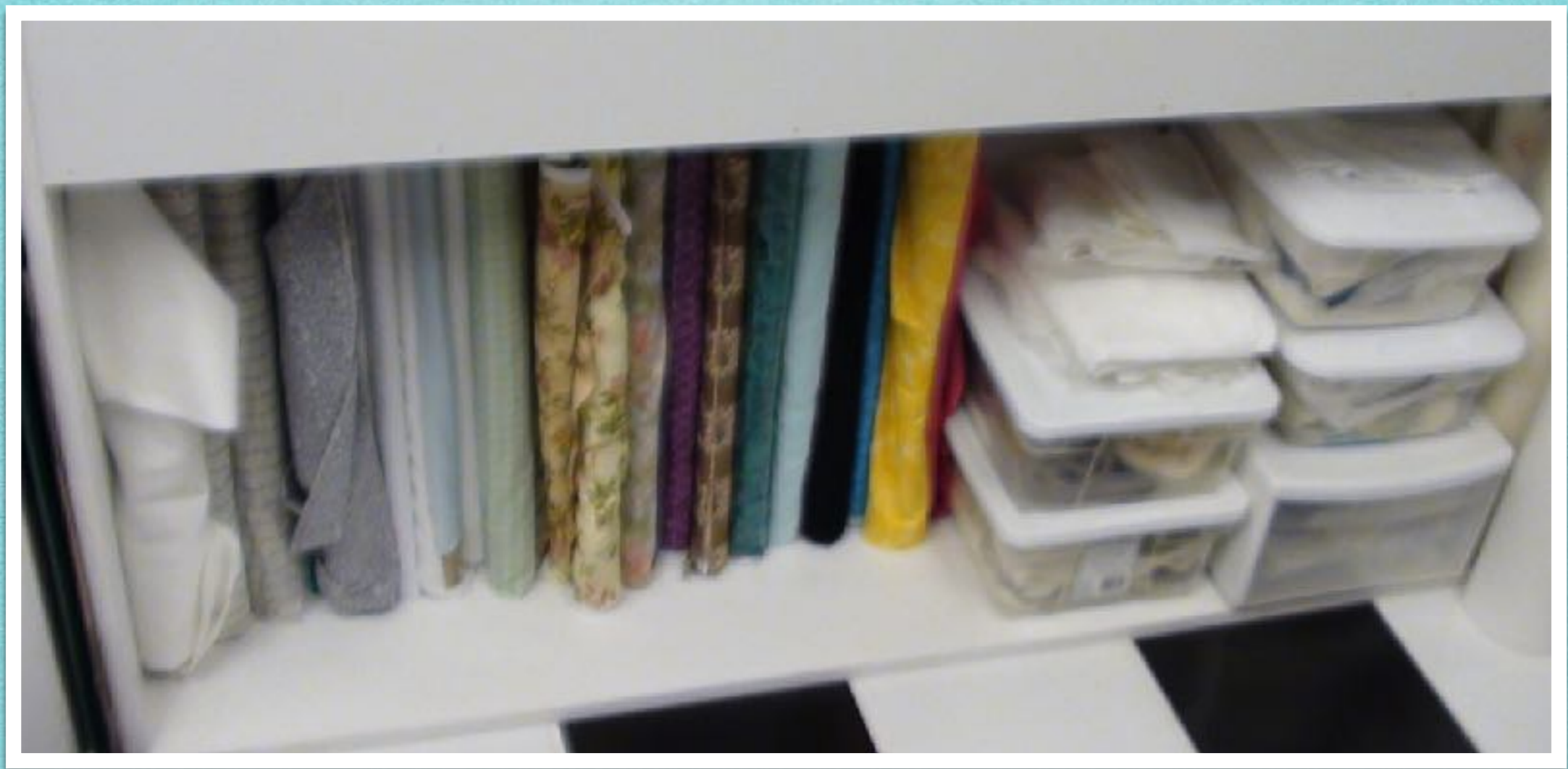
I am a very visual person...I need to be able to easily see my things to be inspired (and to remember what I have)



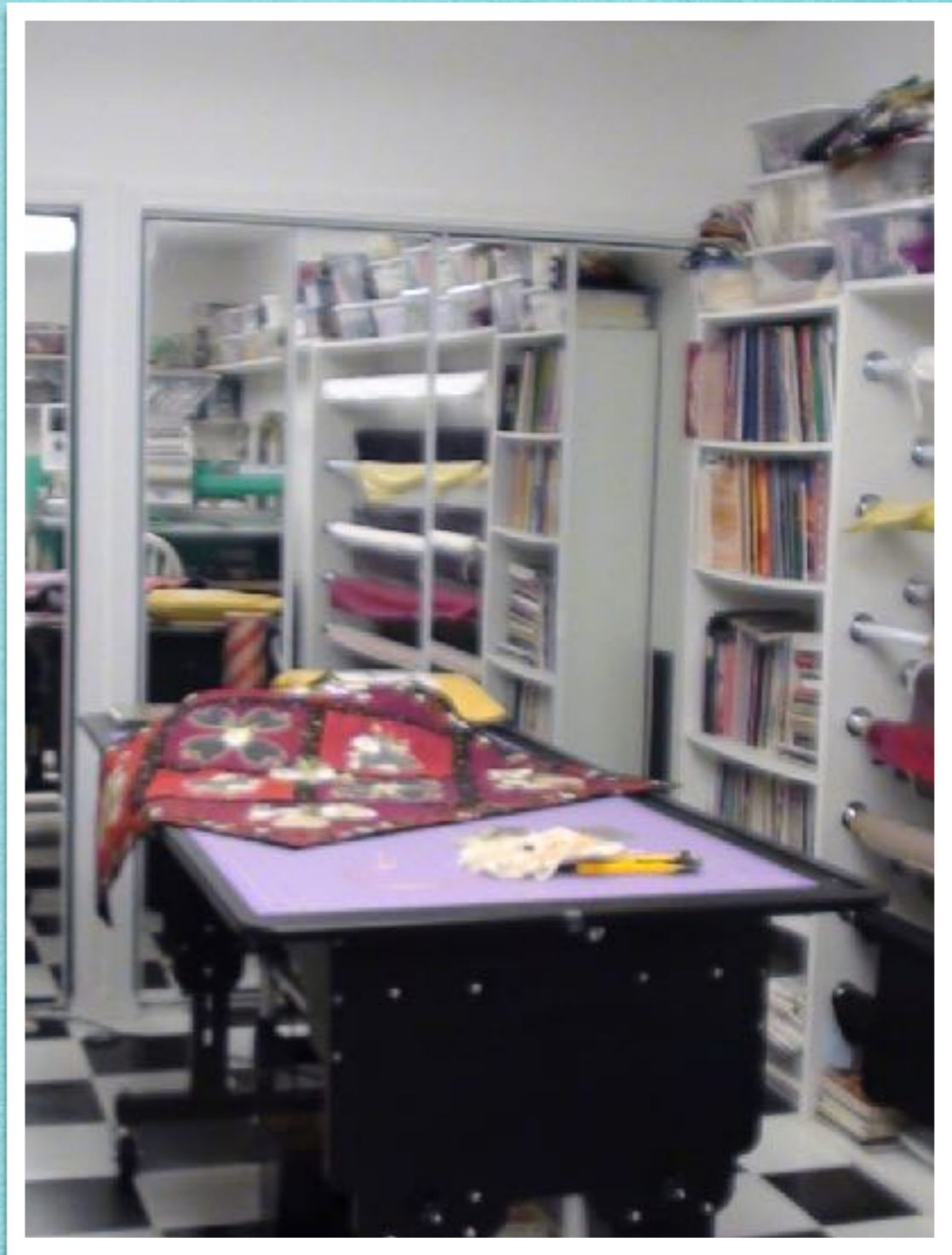
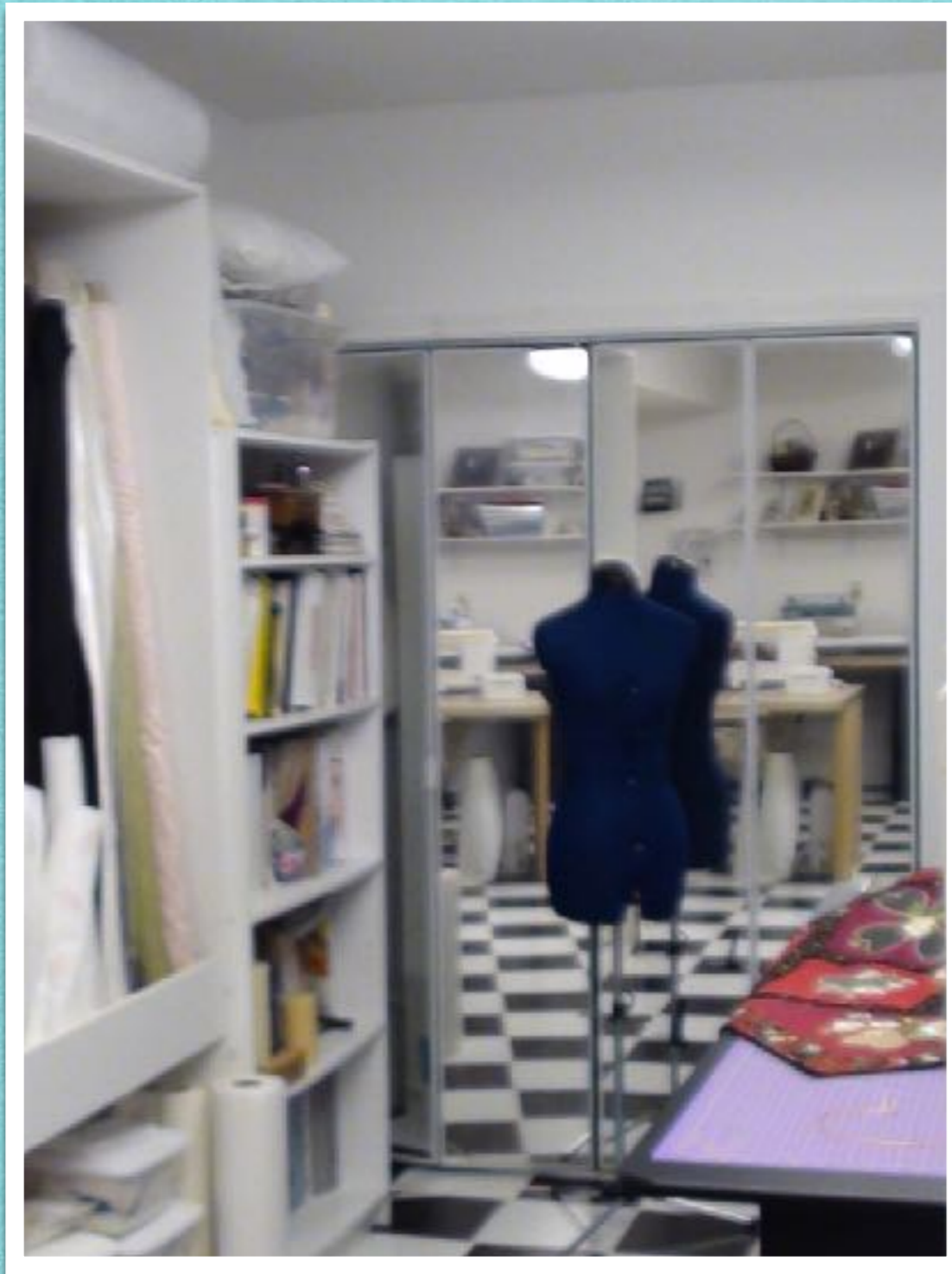
What to do with bolts of fabric and batting?



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Cutting Table, Books and Closets



Fabrics wrapped on
comic boards,
organized by color



Questions

Fabric Organizer Boards

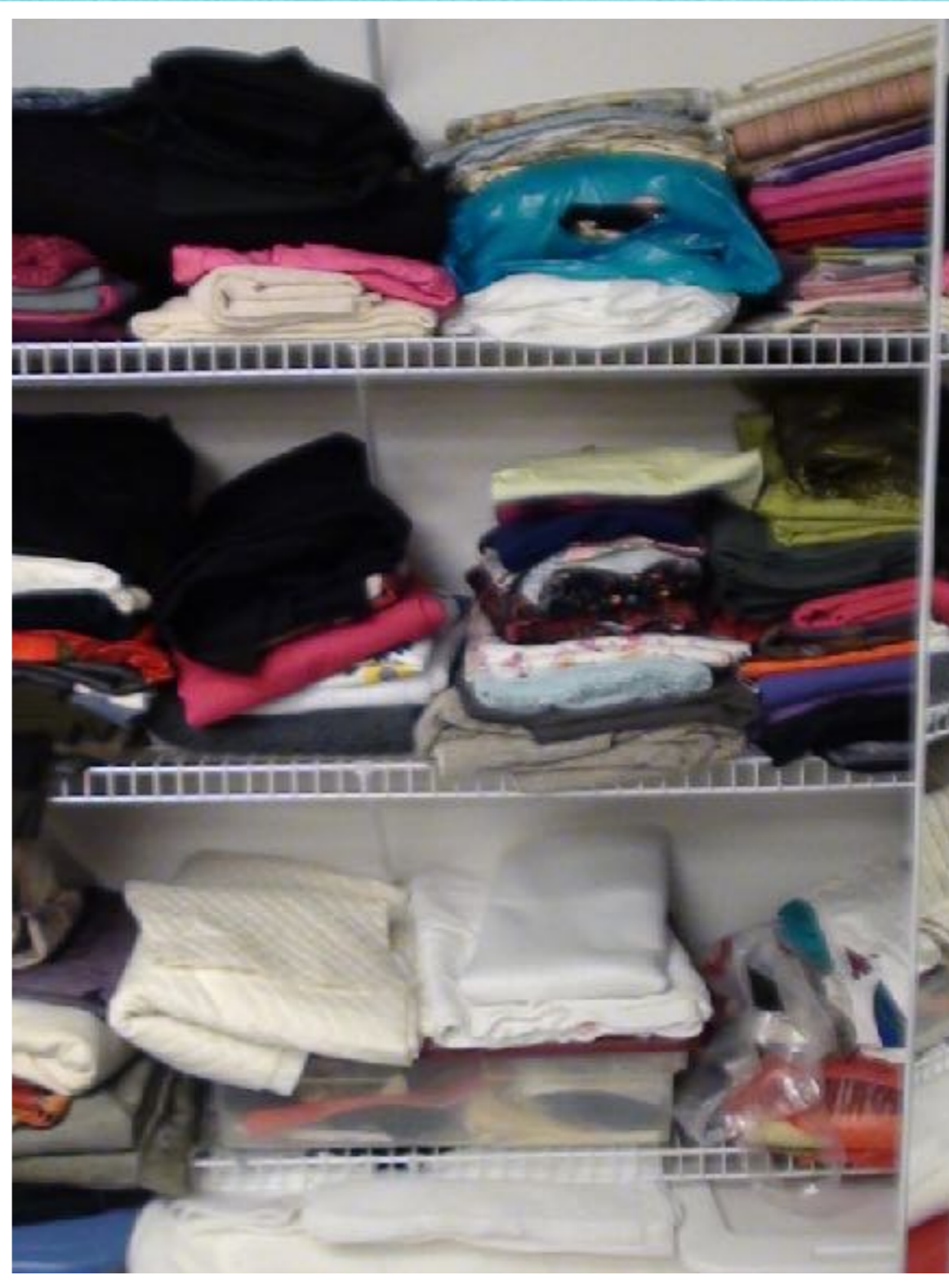
I used comic boards because they are thinner and took up less space.

I think the board that are actually designed for fabric are neater and will hold up longer, but I didn't feel like I could give up the added space that they would take up.

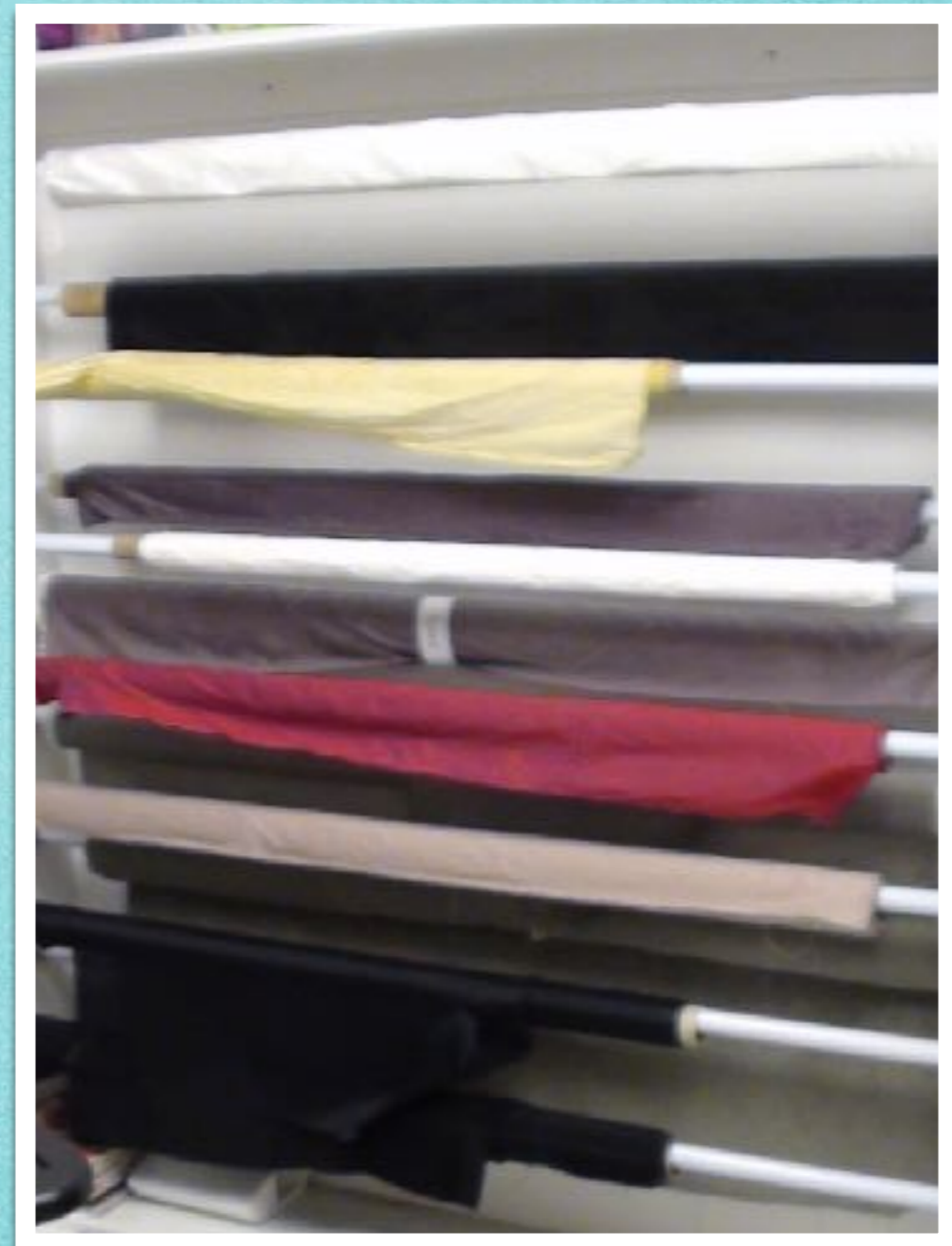
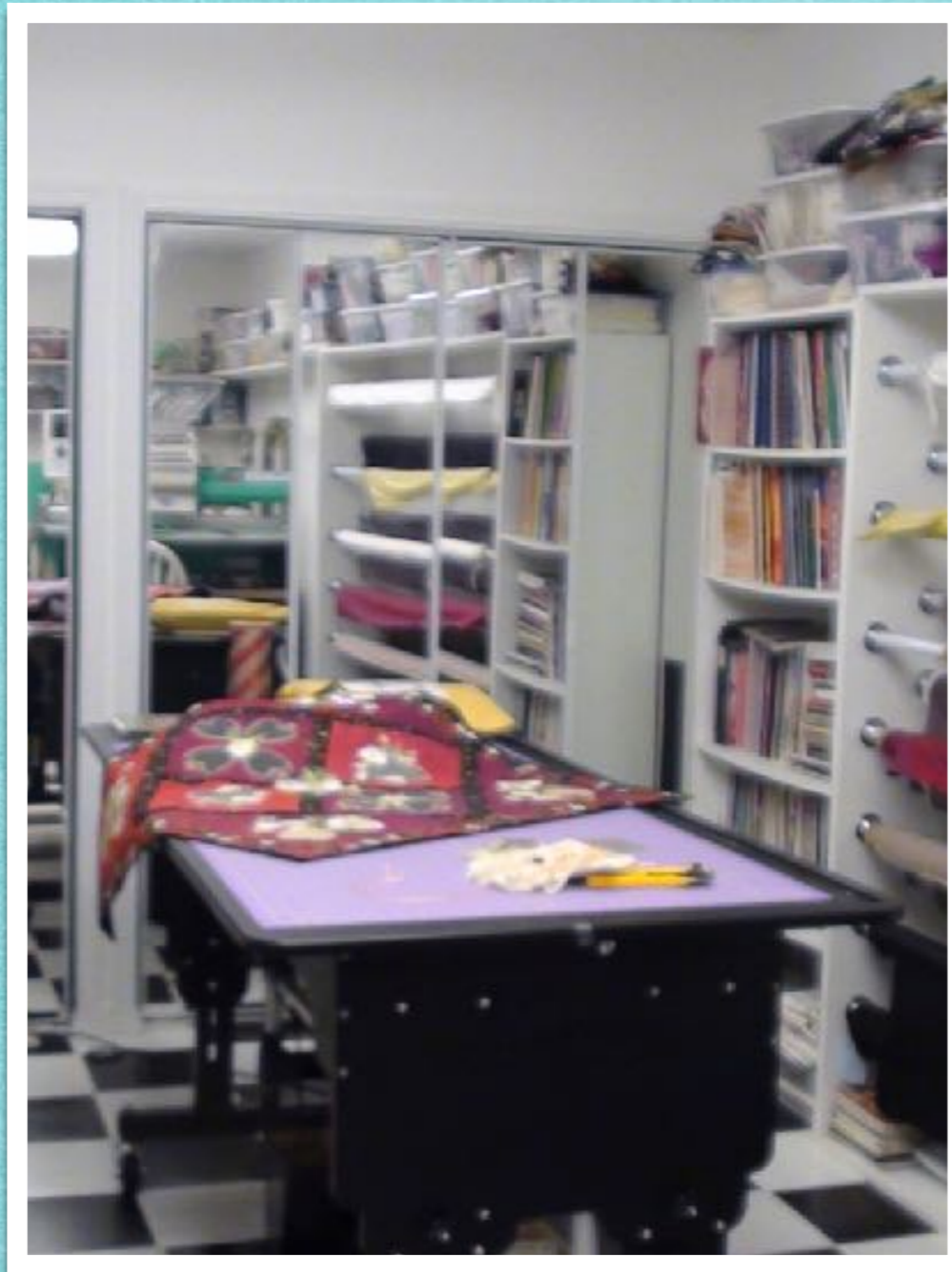




Yardage of fabric and boxes for projects



Rolled bolts of fabric



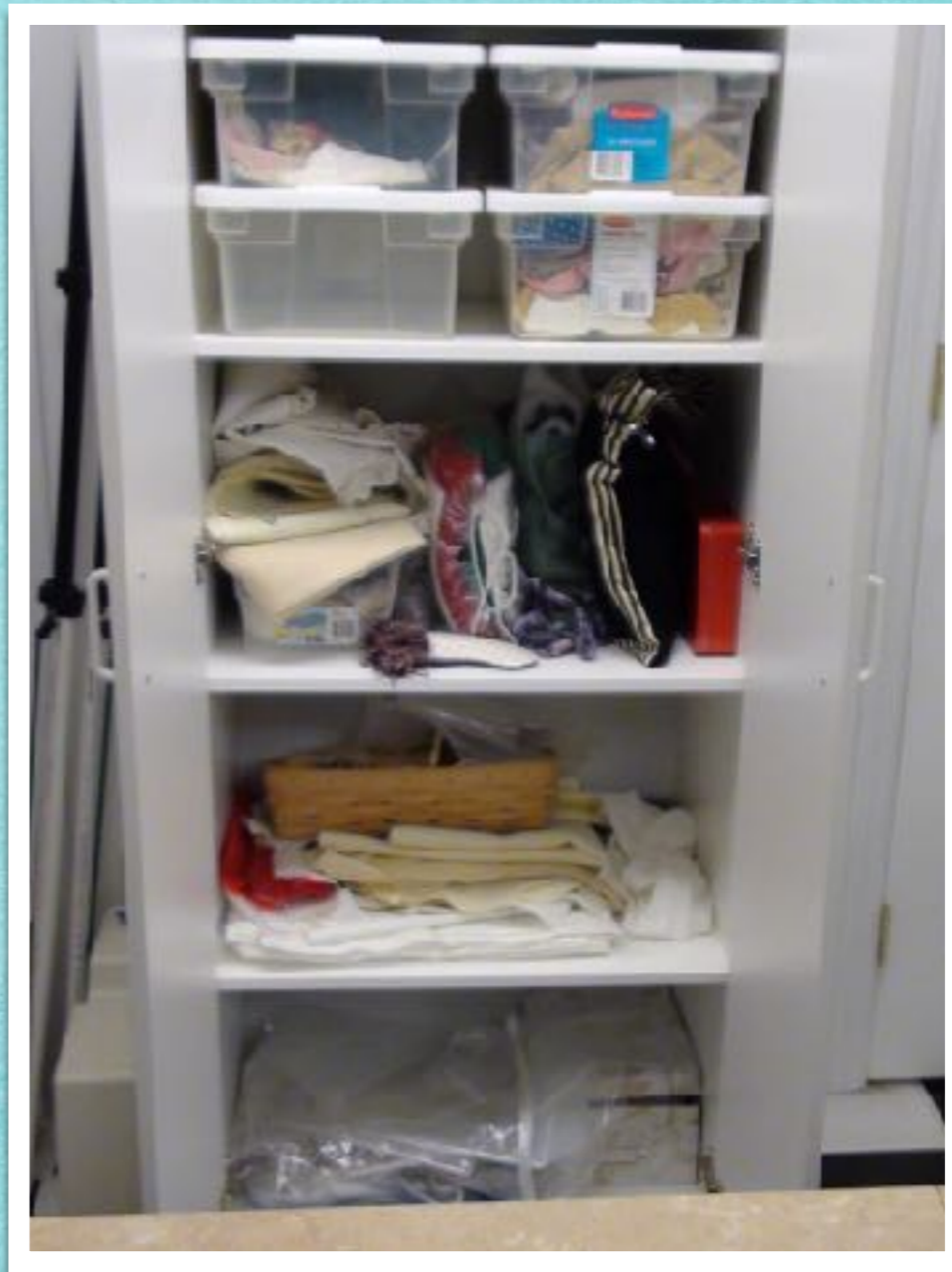
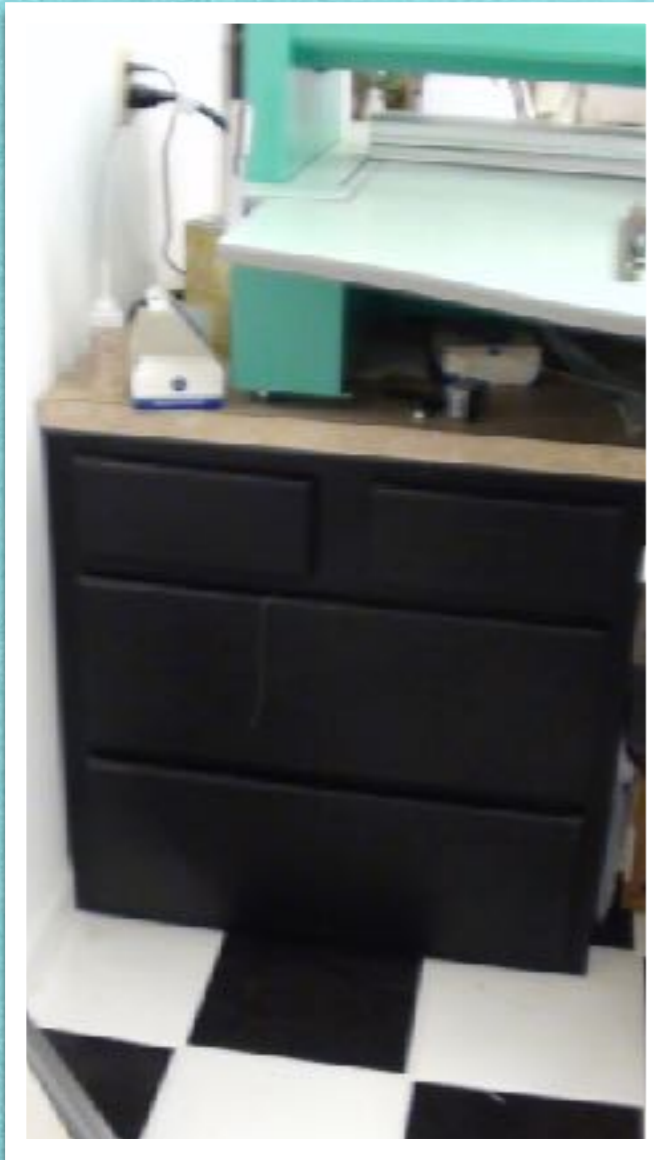
Storage boxes



Drawers



More Drawers and a cabinet



Needles, Bobbins, Machine Feet



From the hardware store



Questions

What is one hint you could give for being organized?

I try to decide if something is worth saving and taking up space in my sewing room until I need it or use it, or would it be better to get rid of that thing and have a tidy room.

Example: Scraps of fabric...will I every use it for a project or will I save it for 5 years and then get rid of it anyway.







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*Thank you so much
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