



**FEBRUARY 2018**

**NEWSLETTER**





## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to February! It was so sad that Bee Day had to be cancelled and we lost the opportunity to blitz those Community Projects. Why did it have to snow that day?

February brings us Valentine's Day and its opportunity to share enjoyable memories. Over the years we have built amazing memories as we shared our love of quilting and learning together. This month we have the chance to participate in the retreat at Oyster Bay and to socialize together at A night when we have refreshments and our bi-annual free table. To help with this, perhaps members who have birthdays in **July and August** can bring goodies to share!

I am working on a very special quilt. It is for my newest grand daughter who is a gift of love from a special young woman who decided to offer her new daughter to our family to raise. We are grateful and the quest is to make this quilt say it all. Sadly, my skill level will not meet my expectations. Yesterday I took it to Island Sewing and received wonderful advice. We are so fortunate to have this resource to help us. After picking all the quilting out twice, I now know how to continue with the project and make Clara's Thursday Quilt.

Carolyn H.

## Thursday Quilt

Today is a Thursday quilt,  
With patches of lilac and black.  
There is a pattern which at first seems controlled  
But upon closer inspection  
Reveals quite a mysterious course.  
The stitching, however, is careful,  
Deliberate,  
And a lively green so that everyone may see  
What is holding it together.  
Though in some places  
The threads, in their hueful shout, have  
Accidentally gone astray  
As if the seamstress had looked up for a moment.  
It is also no secret  
Where the back-stitching has insured longevity,  
A half-inch-long vein, clotted and thick.  
It is soft and worn, this day's quilt,  
In the cloudless sun,  
A bit too-loved in some places  
Where the grayed batting plays peek-a-boo  
Through partially detached shards of fabric. No one wants to disturb it,  
Or be responsible for any further detachment,  
Because it belongs mostly to one girl-  
And it covers her frail shape  
To keep out the chill of early spring.



## BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOM)

**Pinwheel Flower Block**  
12 1/2" (finishes 12")



Fabrics needed:

- Cream fabric 5x18" piece  
Cut four 4" squares
- Print/floral fabric 9x21" piece  
Cut six 4" squares AND four 3 1/2" squares
- Black and white print fabric 5x9" piece  
Cut two 4" squares

To make your block:

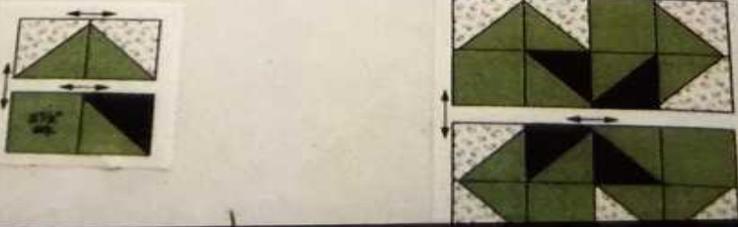
Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 4" cream square. Layer the 4" cream and 4" print/floral square right sides together. Sew 1/4" on each side of the diagonal line. Press flat. Cut on diagonal line. Press seam open. Trim each square to 3 1/2".



Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the remaining two 4" print/floral squares. Layer with the two 4" black print squares, right sides together. Sew 1/4" either side of the diagonal line. Press flat. Cut on diagonal line. Press open. Trim to 3 1/2".



Join two print/floral and cream squares as shown, then join a print/floral and black square to the 3 1/2" print/floral square, pressing all seams open. Join the pairs to make one quarter section of the block. Repeat 3 times. Join top 2 quarters together, then bottom. Press seams open. Join top and bottom to complete the block.



Colors requested: Cream background and **Brights** for the flowers. Remember to **match up your seams!!**

Thank you from Jackee



## GOALS of the CAMPBELL RIVER FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS' GUILD

- *To cultivate friendly relationships ad camaraderie of fellow quilters.*
- *To teach and learn from others the art of quilting.*
- *To show warmth and compassion to others by donations of quilts, placemats and other items.*

\*\*Remember to bring 3 " red fabric strips for the Feruary 14 meeting

\*\*Wear your name tag for the draw

\*\*Loose change for the door prize surprise

**Sew and Tell** photos have been adjourned to the March newsletter .  
Photos taken at our January meeting were not available for this release. Hey just means we will have more pictures to admire ... with the upcoming retreat as well.

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FABRIC & NOTIONS

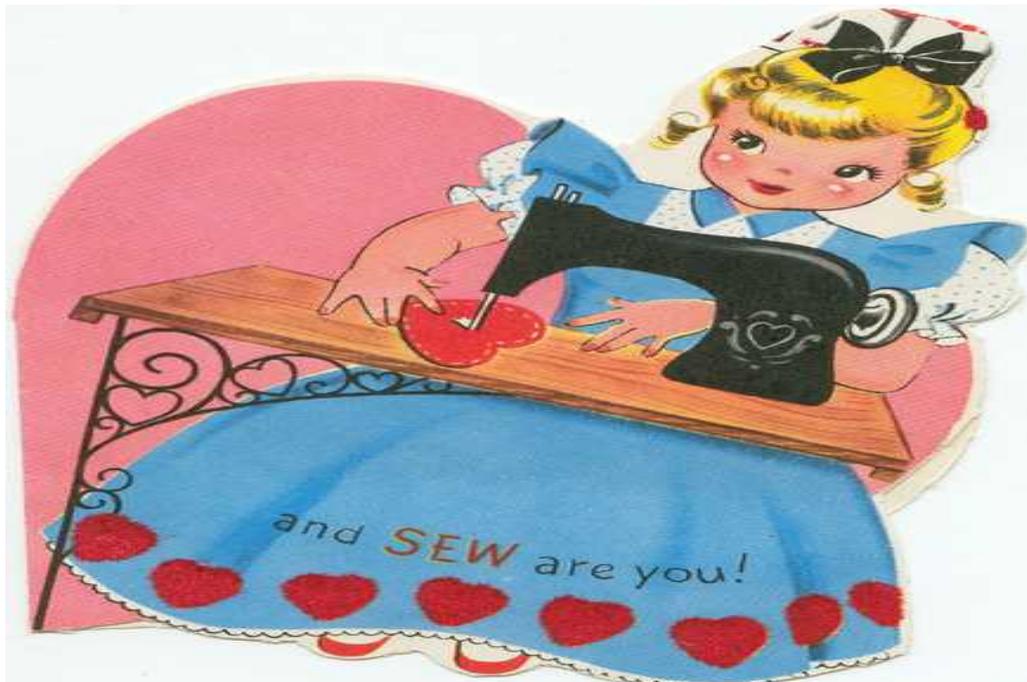
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A photograph of two women in a sewing shop. One woman with long blonde hair is smiling at the camera, while the other woman with her hair in a bun is focused on operating a sewing machine.

2018 FEBRUARY						
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

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## UPCOMING LOCAL DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDER

for February:

“B” - Meeting for Executive – Wednesday, February 7.

“A” – Meeting - Guild Members - 7:00 pm Wednesday, February 14

### " Happy Valentines Day "

Oyster Bay Resort Retreat February 16,17,& 18.

Bee Day February 24, doors open at 9:00a.m., Millie will demo a "Valentine Tree"

Our last Bee day was cancelled due to weather so ..... ladies, time to catch up! Remember to bring a lunch if there for the day,or come visit for a tea or coffee and have a treat .

Guild Luncheon ....place and time to be announced at "A"meeting, for February 23.

DATES OF UPCOMING EVENTS National and International :

**Island:**

"Be Dazzled" Parksville Quilt Show, Parksville, B.C.  
June 22, -24, 2018

**International:**

Quilters Anonymous Quilt Show, Monroe, Washington, U.S.A  
March 16-18, 2018.

The Everett Quilt Show, Everett, Washington, U.S.A.  
April 26 – 28, 2018

Please check out our quilt show website ([www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com](http://www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com))



The poster features a central title "Be Dazzled" in a large, black, cursive font, surrounded by a trail of colorful stars and arrows. Below the title, the event name "Parksville Quilt Show" is written in a bold, purple, sans-serif font. The dates "22nd, 23rd and 24th June, 2018" and the location "Oceanside Place Arena, Parksville, BC" are listed in orange. The hours "Friday & Saturday 10 - 6, Sunday 10 - 3" and the admission "58 per day / \$15 for 3 days" are in green. A yellow box highlights the "Grand Door Prize – Bernina 570QE (value \$5,299)" sponsored by "Snip & Stitch, Nanaimo, BC" and "BERNINA of Canada". A blue box at the bottom promotes a "Gala Evening on Friday Night!" from 7-9pm at the Parksville Community Centre, featuring quilt artists "Judy Leslie & Robin Fischer" with a \$10 admission. The website "www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com" is provided for more information. The poster is decorated with colorful quilt patterns and arrows.

Parksville Quilt House Quilters' Guild  
presents

# Be Dazzled

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Featuring Quilt Artists  
**Judy Leslie & Robin Fischer**  
Admission \$10

For more information, visit  
[www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com](http://www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com)



Wishing all these lovely Ladies a very special .....

VALENTINES' Month Birthday !!!



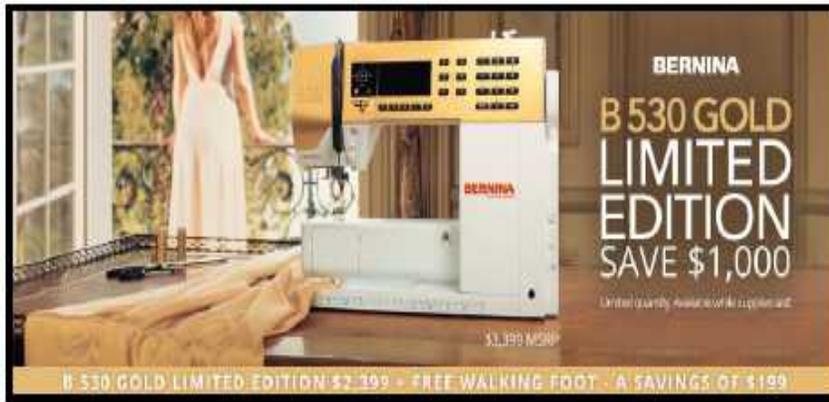
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Campbell River Friendship Quilters Community Projects Report

Hello Ladies.

Let me first start by apologizing for the last Beeday blitz that was cancelled... for those hardy ladies that showed up in all the snow! I can't believe I didn't, after all I'm from Alberta and we know what "winter" is!

It backfired on me, though, because I ended up with all the fabric at my house (again) and have been cutting kits to hand out at our next meeting. Thanks to Pat Bolton, Jill Thomson, and Lois Kelly for spending a couple of days cutting like mad! If anyone feels left out, don't worry there will be plenty of other opportunities. You can always take a kit!

On that note, I want to properly thank everyone that was involved in the Xmas blitz as well. It was very successful even with less room to display in the Campbell River Hospital Gift Shop. It will continue to be our focus for the fall season.

I also want to thank anyone who has generously donated fabric to our stash over the past couple of years and if you feel the need to clean out your own stashes (to make room for more, of course) we are always happy to accept it.

If anyone wants to get more involved in CP, just let me know...

Thanks again,

Sharon



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**A Few Reminders:**  
Janome Days, Feb. 16-18  
We will be closed  
Monday Feb. 12 for Family Day  
and  
Sunday Feb. 25 for Inventory

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## Red Barn Quilt Shop Courtenay & Campbell River

We're excited to be participating in the  
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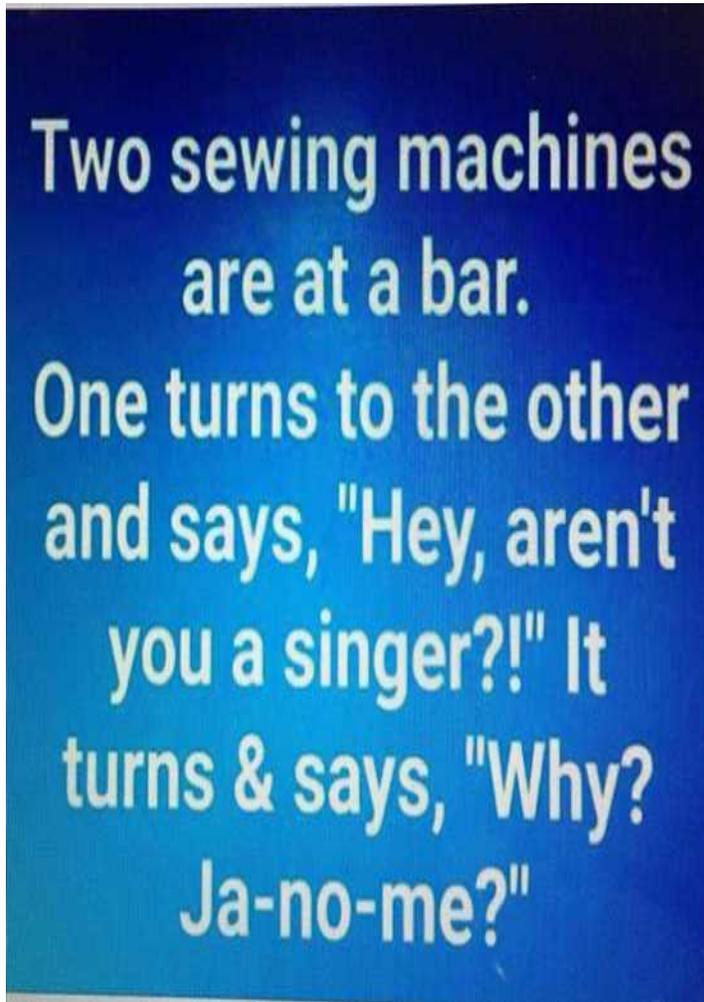
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(Submitted by Millie and Barb)

If you are impressed by Mavis sewing away in her RV in Mexico, you will be completely blown away by this video:

(Submitted by Barb R)

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/zNmztSvG-Lw?feature=oembed&amp%3Bwmode=opaque>

Foot Pedal cover patterns ..... submitted by Claudia E.

<http://craftygeminicreates.com/foot-pedal-non-slip-pad/>

<https://so-sew-easy.com/non-slip-sewing-machine-foot-pedal-pad/>

## Why Do Quilts Cost So Much?

Costs for materials, construction, & finishing for a 65" x 65" Throw Quilt.

### **Materials for throw quilt:**

#### **Fabric for the top:**

6 yds @ \$11 yd = \$66

5 yds Backing @ \$13 = \$65

2 yds of Batting @ \$11 = \$22

5/8 yd for Binding @ \$11 = \$6.88

**TOTAL Cost of Materials = \$159.88**

### **Construction:**

**(Labor based on \$10/hr)**

#### **Making the top:**

(Includes preparing the fabric, cutting the pieces, sewing the blocks, setting into rows, adding borders)

50 hours x \$10/hr = \$500

#### **Assembling the Quilt Sandwich:**

3 hours @ \$10/hr = \$30

#### **Quilting on Domestic Machine:**

(Charged by square inch in a simple all over design)

4225 si x \$.015 = \$63.38

Thread for Quilting - \$15

**TOTAL Cost for Construction = \$768.26**

### **Finishing:**

Making the Binding:

2 hours x \$10 = \$20

Attaching the binding:

10 hours x \$10 = \$100

**TOTAL Finishing costs = \$120**

**TOTAL COST OF QUILT = \$888.26**

**Note:** A larger quilt, a more intricate pattern, a more elaborate quilting design will cause the price to increase.



Chantal Clay

For those of you lucky enough to have someone love you enough to make you a quilt... Appreciate it. Blood, sweat, tears and money went into it. Take care of it, do not use it as a dog bed or moving blanket. Wash it with care, ask someone who knows what is the best way to preserve it. It is a work of art.

Submitted by Barb Round.

## Lessons Learned

by Eleanor G.

My first attempt at quilting happened in 1986 when I bought a magazine featuring a quilt on the cover. , I was expecting my second child and I wanted to give her something special to treasure. I had knitted my first daughter a blanket and I wanted to try something different this time. The design included log cabin blocks around the perimeter with an applique of a calico cat in the middle. Needless to say, I ventured to the nearest fabric shop which was 84 km away to make my fabric purchases. This was before the days of online shopping, Pinterest and all the other instructional videos that we now have.

I recall cutting strip pieces without a rotary cutter (didn't know they existed) into the requested lengths such as 6 strips of medium pink 2" x 5.75" rather than working with a strip. Oh the things that I have learned since this first project!

I did struggle for several years while continuing to make small quilts utilizing applique, getting tips from fabric store staff until I met a woman who was new to our community. She was an avid quilter but one with so much more experience! I have always and still refer to her as my mentor! She was the one who showed me the tricks of the trade. I had no idea why it was important to press seams, keep to the ¼ inch seam allowance consistent, trim off salvages before cutting etc. and all of those important techniques we have since learned and now take for granted. It wasn't long before I purchased my first mat and rotary cutter!

I offer you all a challenge! Within our own guild, please share your ideas with other quilters as you may never know how working side by side will benefit them. Think about all the techniques that we now take for granted and share them. Think back to what new things you have learned along the way to becoming a great quilter.

We never stop learning! I am progressing now towards landscape quilts and I am constantly reading books and online articles about ways to achieve different effects.

We all have access to the Internet and its vast resources but nothing will take the place of working alongside of another who may become a good friend and fellow quilter!

Eleanor G.

**HAPPY VALENTINES DAY** everyone.....See you on Wednesday

Donna K.