

Row By Row 2019 S'More Camping



July 5, 2019

Becca got worried they were going to name a street after her. She never defined who "they" are, but because she lives in such a small world, "they" means anyone other than her.

"Becca, why would anyone want to name a street after you? You're just a small, red, independent minded, often strongly opinionated Aussie. And you're a dog, besides."

"But I'm smart," she said. "Smarter than a chicken. I even eat chicken. That's what my dog food is made from. Streets should only be named after the eaters, not the eaten."

"Okay, Becca. Calm down. What are you ranting about? You're making even less sense than normal." She glared at me.

"There's this road in Idaho called Chicken Dinner Road," she said. "And PETA wants the mayor of the town to change the name. Because chickens have feelings, too."

"And you're worried that....? Becca, you gotta give me more to go on here."

"If someone names a street after me, and because I am a dog, people will

think that I am a food product. Becca's Bite Road, or Becca Kibble Street, Hot Dog Road, or Chili Dog Ave, or....."

"Okay, so you think that if someone names a street after you, you're going to become dinner?" Becca's eyes got both sad and worried at the same time. At this point Cassidy stuck her head through the door and then quickly ran back outside. For those of you who don't know her, Cassidy is my other dog, a full Australian Shepherd, older than Becca and old enough to know better.

"Cassidy! Get in here," I hollered at her. Cassidy slunk back inside.

"Sit." She did. "Did you tell Becca someone was going to name a street after her? And then turn her into food?" Cassidy hung her head, looking away from me. I looked at Becca.

"And you believed her?" I could start to see Becca's upper lip pulling back into a grin.

"Get out of here, both of you. Go bark at some joggers and don't pick on each other."

Seriously. Cassidy can never get the best of Becca, no matter how hard she tries. Becca is just too good at setting her up. All it took this time was for Becca to hear about the Idaho road story and pretend to be worried about it. Cassidy took it from there, and started naming roads after Becca hoping to get her upset. Becca wanted sympathy and to get Cassidy in trouble. It's like living with 4-year-olds.

But Becca is right about the Idaho street called Chicken Dinner Road And that PETA thinks it's an insensitive name. The Vice President of PETA said in the letter that she wants the mayor to change the name of the road to "one that celebrates chickens as individuals, not as beings to kill, chop up, and label as 'dinner.'"

The town is not sure whether it will respond to the letter or take any effort to change the name. A road name change requires action by the county commissioners, public hearings, application and fees. In other words, a lot of work.

PETA just wants to bring attention to the plight of chickens and the chicken industry, which tends to treat chickens inhumanely. The VP of PETA says that words matter and "have the power to change lives." Which means, PETA found this great road name, attacked it because it knew the story would have legs - not chicken legs - and get attention. It wouldn't surprise me if the story winds up on the late night talk shows as a comedy bit. I mean if I found it and am writing about it..... And the going theory these days is that any press, is good press. I guess.

The thing about the name, though (Chicken Dinner Road) is that it has a bit of local history attached to it. According to one story, in the 1930s a woman

that lived down the road made a great fried chicken dinner that the governor loved. At the time the road was dirt and rutted. So the governor said if she could get the county to grade it, he'd get it oiled. Done and done. A cardboard sign went up then, advertising Chicken Dinner down the road. And so the name stuck. This is a very abbreviated adaption of the story and it's probably only half true - part myth part real. But it's pretty clear that the road got its name because a woman down that road sold great fried chicken dinners. And it was a better name than County Rd 2 or Lane 12, which is what it used to be called.

Becca peaked her head back inside.

"You've got to stop picking on Cassidy. You know she's not smart enough to know no one's going to name a road after you."

Becca looked crestfallen at that.

"I'm sorry Becca. Maybe we could name our driveway after you. Becca's Lane, Queen's Court." Becca perked up. "Get 'Em While They're Hot...Dogs!" Becca growled and ran back outside.

"They're selling t-shirts," I hollered after her. "Want me to get you one?"

STONEHENGE CONTEST!

Northcott fabrics is holding a quilt challenge to celebrate 10 years of their fabric line, Stonehenge. This challenge runs from March 15-Sept 30.

The block is 12" finished and the kit is \$5. We are currently out of kits and fabric. I'll let you know when more comes in.



Quilt Wyoming 2019
July 11-14

Save the Date! Save the Date! Save the Date!

Wyoming State Quilt Guild presents
Quilt Wyoming 2019

Laramie County Community College Campus (LCCC)

Cheyenne, Wyoming

July 11-14, 2019

Featured Teachers:

Kimberly Einmo

Kris Vierra

Also Classes, Quilt Show, Vendors, Trunk Shows



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Save the Date! Save the Date! Save the Date!

Quilt Wyoming comes to Cheyenne this year. Each year the State Quilt Guild puts on a vendor show, quilt show, and quilt classes, with local and visiting teachers. The event travels to different venues every year, to make sure it is held in all parts of the state. This year, it's Cheyenne!

Registration will be in the Clay Pathfinder building on the North side of Laramie County Community College. Find a map of the campus online at this link:
lccc.wy.edu/about/maps/index.aspx

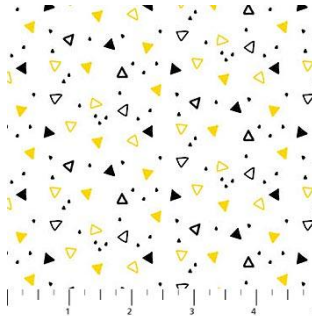
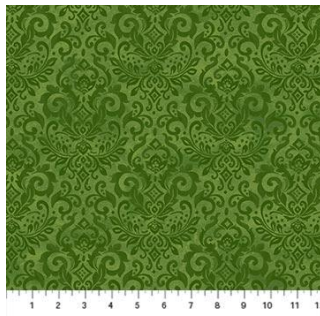
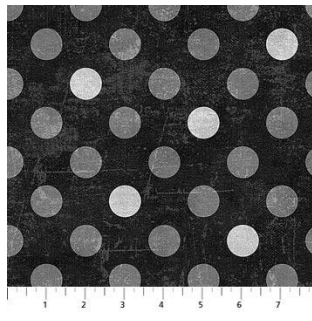
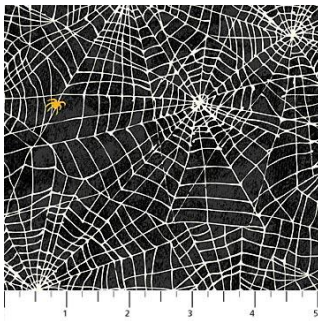
The brochure with the schedule for classes and events can be found at: <http://wsqg.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/QW19Brochb.pdf>

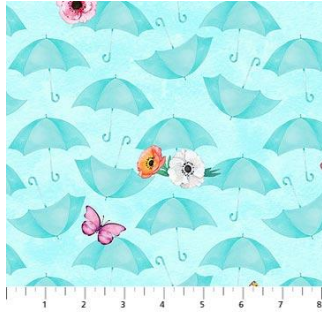
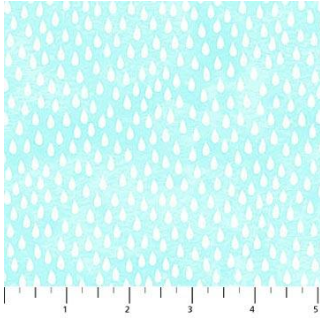
or go to Wyoming State Quilt Guild (wsqg.org)

The vendor show and quilt show opens July 11 (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m., Clay Pathfinder Building.

WHAT'S NEW!!

From Northcott:





From P & B:



From River Bend:



We have kits for this quilt, plus some other precuts and a bolt of purple dots. It's hard to grab the pics from Midwest (River Bend) site.

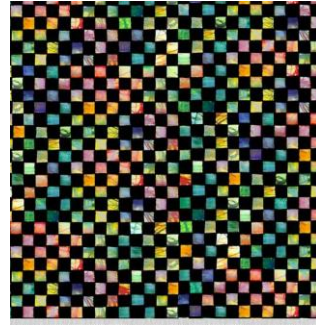
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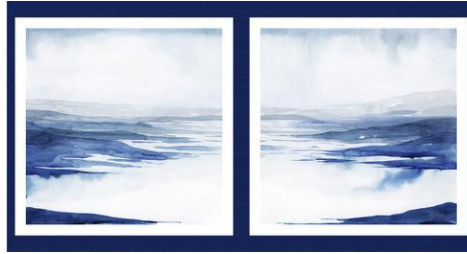
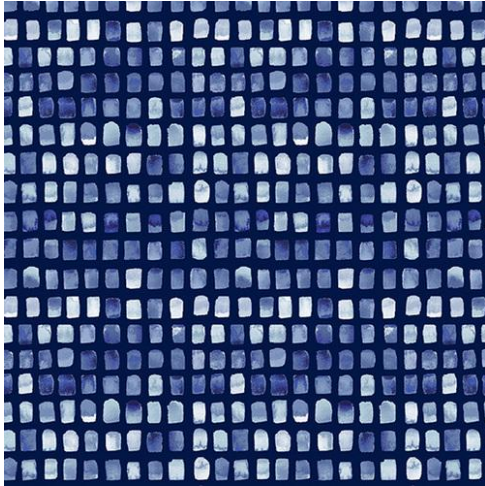


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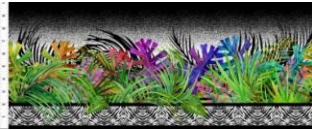


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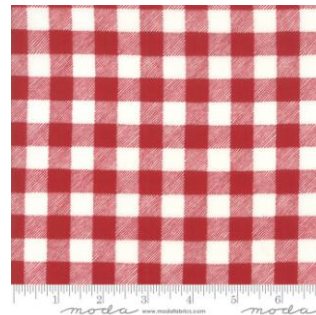
From Studio E:



From In the Beginning:



From Moda:





NOTE: The red & black check probably 't be around long, so plan your Christmas projects soon.

We also got in 10" squares and 2 1/2" strips in this collection.

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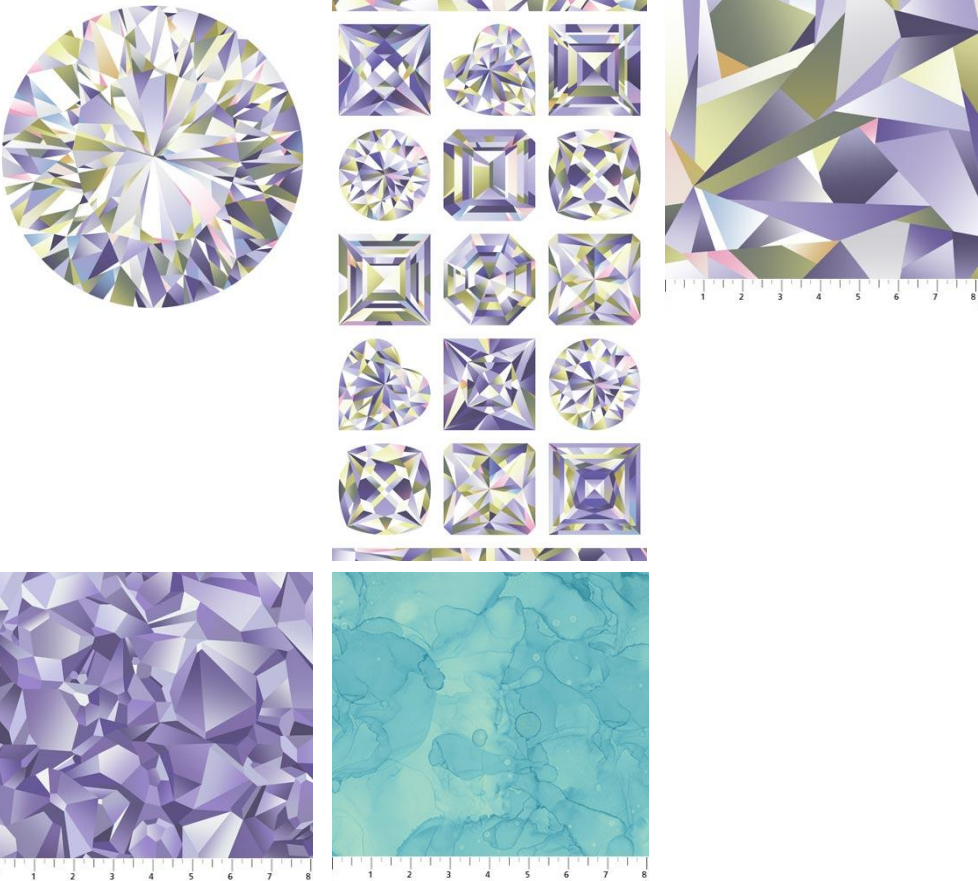


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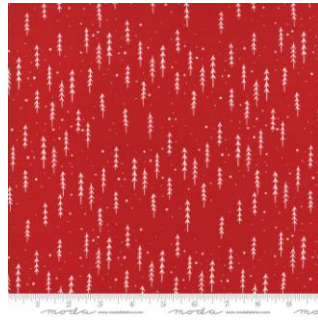




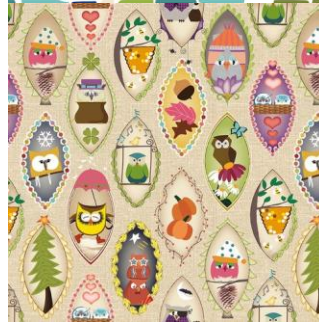
From Northcott:



From Moda:



From Henry Glass:



SIGN UP FOR LONG ARM QUILTING CLASSES TODAY!

Classes are on Wednesdays and some Saturdays: 10:30-1:30; 2:30-5:30, or 6-8:30. Check the calendar for dates. Only 4 to a class.

Rentals have started for those who have taken the class. Tuesdays and Fridays, and a couple of Saturday and Sunday rentals. Check the calendar for rentals. Generally, there are 2 rentals times per day: 10:30-2 and 2:30-6. \$25/hr or \$85 for 3 1/2 hours. \$50 minimum. Plus \$5/bobbin for thread. Most quilts (double and smaller), even for beginners, will take about 2 1/2-3 hours. We will discuss what you plan to do on your quilt and will help you estimate how long it will take.

**Class descriptions follow the calendar, so keep scrolling.
Classes are listed alphabetically, by month.**

NOTE TO Embroiders: Quilt Wyoming is scheduled for July 13. I am at the vendor show & Kathy is in a class. You can come to class & sit & stitch, but neither of us will be at the shop.

July 2019

Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Frid	Sat
	1	2 Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	3 Long Arm Quilt classes 10:30-1:30; 2:30-5:30	4 Closed Independence Day	5 Long Arm Rental Day	6 BOM 10:30 Teapot Sampler 1-4 Monthly Mini 4-6
7 Closed Beginning Quilting 1-4	8 Jelly Roll Race 10:30-4	9 Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	10 Knit Pickers' Club 3-7	11 Quilt Wyoming	12 Long Arm Rental Day Quilt Wyoming	13 Embroidery Club 10-noon Fan Faire 11:30-6 Quilt Wyoming
14 Beginning Quilt 1-4	15	16 Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day Full Moon	17	18 Beginning Quilt 1-4	19 Long Arm Rental Day	20
21 Beginning Quilt 1-4	22	23 Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	24 Knit Pickers' Club 3-7	25	26 Open sew 3-7 Long Arm Rental Day	27 Mexican Star 10:30-4
28 Beginning Quilt 1-4	29 English Paper Piecing & Hand Piecing 1-4	30 Hand work Club 2-4 Long Arm Rental Day	31			Color of the month: Christmas

August 2019

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Summer Classes

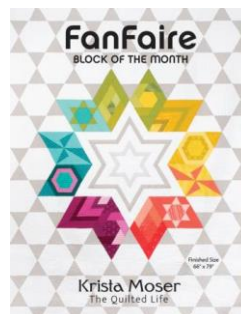
Please look on the calendars above for times and dates. We will add a couple more classes, time & energy permitted, so keep an eye on the calendar.

Ongoing Classes & Clubs

Block of the Month First Sat of month 10:30-11:15 FREE Barb Boyer
Join at any time. You get a free fat quarter if you come to class with the previous month's completed block. This year we're making a black & white + one color quilt. The challenge, if you choose to accept it, is work within the black & white palette (plus one color placed where ever you like). For the color choice, we are drawing paint chip cards, covered in newspaper so you can't see what color you're getting. But...if you don't like the color you've drawn you can 1) swap with a neighbor, or 2) draw a new color. And if you just can't bring yourself to work in neon green and no one will swap with you, you can just choose your own color.

FanFaire Sat May 18, June 15, July 13 11:30-6 Jean Korber \$25

This quilt is a Krista Moser quilt, no template piecing. FanFaire, is a 4-month block of the month. Each block is made twice totaling twelve blocks. Every block teaches you a new way to use the Creative Grids 60 Degree Diamond Ruler, designed by Krista Moser. Cut a combination of diamonds, triangles, hexagons, parallelograms and trapezoids to create this fun quilt, and all with one ruler! This quilt goes together fast and is oh so striking!



Grandmother's Flower Garden, English

Paper Piecing last Monday of each month, 2-4 Barb Boyer \$20 (one time fee)

We will teach the basics of English Paper Piecing, the simple & easy way to hand piece. English paper piecing dates back to the early 1800s. It is a hand sewing method that uses paper templates to help sew complex angles together, like hexagons. Any number of different designs can be made, including Grandmother's Flower Garden-this is the pattern we're doing this year. We will also show how to hand piece the traditional way, also, if you are interested.



Hand Embroidery Club 2nd Sat. of the month, 10-noon FREE Kathy Sconce

If you want to learn to hand embroider or just brush up your technique, join us on the second Saturday of the month from 10 to noon. You can work on your own projects or you can join the project we are doing. This year we are following a purchased pattern called Gardner's Alphabet Quilt Block of the Month by Crabapple Hill. We will explore a variety of embroidery stitches for each block each block (2 letters per month), plus we will learn how to color with regular crayons to enhance the blocks. Each month Kathy Sconce shows us a new stitch to try, plus, she guides us through thread choices, how to knot, fabrics to use, and tracing techniques.



Knit Pickers' Club 2nd and 4th Wed of each month, 3-7 Carol Moler

We are changing up the Knit Pickers' Club. We're going to knit 2 days a month every second and fourth Wednesday, and we'll start earlier in the day at 3. For those you who work, we'll still be knitting 'till 7. The Club is open to all skill levels. We want to share what we've learned, find

new patterns, and simply just sit and knit. We work on some felting projects, fingerless mittens, mittens, and socks. And we are working on a group project-meaning everyone does the same pattern. Each month we will learn a different pattern, make it into a square and eventually put all the squares into one project-afghan, scarf, bag, etc.

Live Each Season Wool Applique Thurs: Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 7, April 11, May 9 (& rest of year) 1-4 Barb Boyer \$20

This wool wall hanging has 4 rows: Spring, Summer, Fall & Winter. We will start with the Winter Row in January. We will take 2 months per row, and we'll take July & August off. You will learn wool applique, various embroider stitches, and how to add fun embellishments to your wall hanging. **Note: we are taking July & August off. We'll start on the pumpkin row in September.**



Long Arm Quilting Classes Wednesdays from 10:30-1:30, 2:30-5:30 Barb Boyer \$30 (check calendar for specific times & dates)

In this class you will learn all about the Nolting long arm quilting machines: loading, threading, quilting. I'll demonstrate how to load and thread, set stitch length, change tension, wind and load bobbins. Then I will load a practice quilt onto the machine and show how to do hand guided quilting. Each student will be given at least 15-20 minutes of practice time. (Each class is limited to 4 students). You will be able to do free hand quilting plus you can practice following a pantograph. Any quilter who wants to rent to machines must take this class first, regardless of whether you have experience on a long arm machine. This class is not designed to teach you everything there is to know about long arm quilting-it's just a start.

Mystic Garden

For those of you who missed the retreat, we will schedule a couple of extra classes to help get you going on your quilt. And for those that did attend the retreat, we will work on the blocks that we didn't have time for. Watch the newsletter for dates & times.

Teapot Sampler (class is free with purchase of kit -- \$175) 3-4 months Barb Boyer

Jason Yenter & In The Beginning Fabrics have done it again!

This beautiful quilt combines fusible applique with easy to do piece blocks. We will do the quilt as a block of the month, doing 2 blocks a month (there are 9). Skills learned include fusible applique, machine applique with mono filament thread, mitered borders and basic pieced blocks. We have kits!



July Classes

Jelly Roll Race \$20 Sue Frerich

On your mark, get set, SEW! Okay, you don't have to race, but this is another class where you can get the inside of the quilt finished in a day. (Some people can do it

in an hour. I looked it up.) All you need is 42 2½" strips. We have Jelly Rolls, Tonga Treats and Bali Pops if you don't want to cut your own strips. If you do want to cut your own strips, you can use the AccuCutter and your scraps. Skills learned include how to sew straight (again, I'm not joking), piecing on the diagonal (without drawing your lines) and being brave to let the colors fall where they may. This is another quilt that is perfect for that project that needs to be done yesterday,

Mexican Star \$25 Sue Frerich

Eleanor Burns has done it again with this striking criss crossing quilt. The sample quilt shown has a black background, but the pattern shows a white background, so you definitely have options. This quilt uses a special wedge ruler to help you get the perfect angle on your strips. This is another quilt where you can use precut 2 ½" strips. Skills learned include handling angles, using a new ruler, and color placement for your stars.



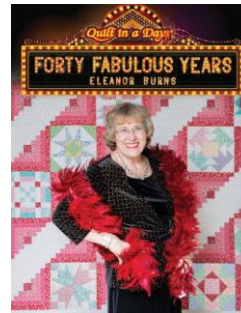
August Classes

Jelly Roll Race \$20 Barb Boyer

See explanation in July. Same quilt, different day.

Fab Forties Quilt \$25 Sue Frerich

Our final Log Cabin quilt of the year involves both log cabin blocks and 12-14 other pieced blocks. Eleanor has been taking her old quilts, with classic blocks, and turning them into fabulous! patterns. This quilt will be taught as a (several) block of the month-it will continue into the fall schedule. Skills learned include how to use lots of new rulers (Eleanor has a ruler for many of her blocks which make the cutting and piecing easy peasy); how to make lots of new blocks; and how to choose the right color palate.



CLUBS

HAND EMBROIDERY CLUBFREE!

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Toad Toters Club

On full moon days (as noted in the calendar) you will get 20% off all purchases (not otherwise discounted) that you can fit in your bag. You must bring your bag to participate.

Full Moon Days: June 17; July 16; August 15

Discount Policy

We will honor only one discount -- whichever is largest. You can't combine a 10% with a 25% discount to get a 35% discount. On this we can't be bribed.

Color of the Month

June blue; July Christmas; August blacks.

Nolting Longarm Machines

Nolting has 5 main machines, each with different reaches: from 17" to 30" depending on the machine. They are sold with or without a frame, but after I saw & helped set up one of the steel frames this week, I recommend buying the frame. All machines, except for the Standard--

the most economical machine-- have a stitch regulator. I recommend a stitch regulator. All machines can be equipped with a computer and there are a couple of different ones to choose from. In addition, you can get an extended table base so that you can use rulers, you can get larger bobbins on some of the models and on the frames you can get hydraulic lifts to raise and lower the tables. In the coming weeks, I will print out more information on each model.

The best entry level machine is the Fun Quilter. It comes in 17", 20" & 23" reach. It comes with the Intellistitch Equalizer stitch regulator, standard speed control, needle up/down, and fixed handles in the front & rear. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



The Pro Machine has the Intellistitch Turbo stitch regulator, single stitch option, standard speed control, needle up/down and customizable handles in the front & rear. The Pro Machine comes in 20", 24" and 30" reach with 10-12" of inside height. There are easy dials on the front to set stitch length and other options. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



The NV Machine is the newest in the fleet of Nolting machines. This machine has a touch screen with programmable stitch regulation. You can stitch in 4 different stitch modes plus single stitch and needle up/down. It also has an adjustable brightness LED work light. This machine can also be equipped with a computer.



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Color of the Month

January red; February purple; March green; April yellow; May white.

Join the fun and come feel the difference of quality fabrics.

Happy quilting!

Sincerely, Barbara Boyer

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