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Winter Newsletter

Jan.-March 2018

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Did you know that with every top-end Baby Lock machine we include the Love of Sewing Membership? On top of our free, hands-on classes, this membership gives you access to 4 years of watching all of the Baby Lock classes on-line whenever, wherever.

Hello!

Happy New Year Greetings! Hopefully you had a nice holiday season with family and friends. And, what better time than now to relax and work towards new sewing goals. We have a wide variety of classes planned this quarter to chase away cabin fever.

There are beginner sewing and quilting classes including one especially for children. There is an embroidery class doing edge to edge quilting in the hoop. There's a free-motion longarm quilting class, Floriani software classes and more.

We also have lots of used machines available. And some of them have very little use.

And be sure to notice the good longarm deal on the back.

Another piece of news is the Lancaster Quilt Show this year is March 21-24.

Happy Sewing, *The Martins*

Potato Ham Balls

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| 2 c. mashed potatoes | ¼ c. diced onion |
| 2 c. small-cubed ham | 1 egg |
| 1 c. small-cubed Swiss cheese | Salt and pepper |
| ½ c. mayonnaise | 1 c. crushed corn flakes |
| 1 Tsp. mustard | |



Stir all the ingredients together. Drop a large spoonful of mixture into crushed cornflakes and shape into balls. Place on a cookie sheet and bake 25-30 min.

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Shh...It's a Secret

We and Theresa picked out a quilt pattern that we think you will love. But it's a mystery. Take a day off and sew all day with other quilters. We will stop in time to eat the free lunch. And there will also be some demonstrations. We will provide the sewing machines unless you prefer to bring in your own. Please note we only have room for 8 attendees.

Fri., April 20 9-5 Teacher: Theresa Leppert Fee including pattern: \$29

"Tell the truth but use your head; some things are better left unsaid."

Calendar of Events

Classes in bold are Free Machine Owner Classes.

Jan. 4	Applique & Quilting
Jan. 6	Hooper's Club
Jan. 10	Embroidery Basics
Jan. 11	Underground Railroad
Jan. 16	Embroidery Basics
Jan. 17	Jolly Snowman
Jan. 20	Basic Sewing
Jan. 22	Sit and Sew
Jan. 23	Stuffed Animal
Jan. 24	Jolly Snowman
Jan. 25	Charity Sewing
Jan. 30	Stuffed Animal
Feb. 3	Hooper's Club
Feb. 6	Basic Sewing
Feb. 6	FTCU Project
Feb. 7	Free-motion Longarm
Feb. 8	Underground Railroad
Feb. 10	Table Runner Class
Feb. 13	Babe in the Woods Quilt
Feb. 15	Rainbow Cross Quilt
Feb. 16	IQ Designer
Feb. 17	Design Positioning, etc
Feb. 20	Babe in the Woods Quilt
Feb. 21	Applique & Quilting
Feb. 22	Charity Sewing
Feb. 23	Serger Basics
Feb. 24	Embroidery Basics
Feb. 27	Babe in the Woods Quilt
Feb. 27	Sit and Sew
Feb. 28	FTCU Basics
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Professional Hooper's Club

This club is all about learning more on your embroidery machine, and how much fun machine embroidery really can be. Because of limited seating, please let us know when it suits you to come.

Sat., Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7 2-4 PM

Charity Quilt Sewing

We are looking for volunteers to help sew charity quilts. The lap size quilts are donated to local cancer centers, and the baby size quilts go to the NICU. This is an open sew that you can come and go as it suits, but we would appreciate if you let us know your plans, so that we can plan seating. We have informal meals for lunch and supper, and you are welcome to bring a dish to contribute.

Supervisor: Theresa Leppert Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22, 11-8

Beginner Workshops

Stuffed Animal Children's Project

This class is perfect for children age 9 or older who have little or no sewing experience. We have panels for puppies or kittens. And the panel has a Papa and a Mama with pockets for 4 babies. We are planning for a brief introduction to sewing and doing some warm up practice before starting to sew on the pets.

2 Sessions Tues., Jan. 23,30

4:30-7:30 Fee: \$20

Teacher: Michelle Martin



Dogs



Cats

Table Runner Class

These table runners are quick and easy. And, they're great for using one of those large print fabrics that you hate to cut up. The large focus square is also perfect for an embroidery design. It measures 13"x 36".



Sat., Feb. 10 9:30-12:30

Teacher: Lisa Martin

Fee: \$12



Lady's Skirt Class

Do you have a hard time finding a skirt that fits. How about making your own? This skirt is a very simple pattern that can be shortened or lengthened to suit your style. It has an elastic waist and optional pockets.

Sat. March 17 2-5

Teacher: Michelle Martin Fee: \$12

Jolly Snowman Applique Class

This happy snowman is ready to give all of your guests a warm welcome. This would be a good skill builder on applique. We have flannel kits made up like the example, but if you would prefer something less seasonal, you can always use different fabrics. It measures 27"x 20"

2 Workshops Thurs. Jan. 17, 24 9:30-12:30
Teacher: Michelle Martin Skill Level: Confident Beginner Fee: \$20



Log Cabin Cross Wall Hanging Class

This easy wall hanging features 6 log cabin blocks. They are arranged in a way to look like a cross. We are offering this class early enough to have it finished by Easter. Stop in to see it.

2 Workshops Thurs. Feb. 15, March 1 5-8
Teacher: Theresa Leppert Skill Level: Beginner Fee: \$20

Babe in the Woods Quilt

What a cute baby quilt for any little girl. This flannel quilt features easy piecing and a little bit of appliqué. We have kits made up for it that includes everything but the backing for only \$39. It measures 42"x 50".

3 Workshops Tues. Feb. 13, 20, 27 9:30-12:30
Skill Level: Beginner Teacher: Michelle Martin Fee: \$30



Edge-to-edge Quilting in the Embroidery Hoop

Are you someone that doesn't have room for a longarm, and yet would like to quilt your own quilts. This is a great alternative, especially if you have an embroidery machine with a large hoop. We will be following the method taught by Amelie Scott Designs. This class is for Baby Lock or Brother owners who have a 6"x10" hoop or larger.

1 Workshop Tues. March 20 12-4
Skill Level: Intermediate Teacher: Michelle Martin Fee: \$45
The class fee includes the instruction book and 10 designs. If you would like to use different designs, let us know and we can get them for you.



Project Class Rules

1. To sign-up for a class, you need to pay the class fee at least one week ahead. To be refunded, please let us know the week ahead as well.
2. If there is not enough students for a class, we will refund your money.
3. You will need to pick up a supply list at our store for these classes.
4. We will give you 10% off the class supplies that you purchase from us.
5. The project classes are not limited to Baby Lock owners, everyone is welcome to join us.



Calendar of Events cont.

March 1	Rainbow Cross
March 2	FTCU Digitizing
March 3	Hooper's Club
March 6	Basic Sewing
March 12	Embroidery Basics
March 14	Cover & Chain Stitch
March 16	Design Positioning
March 17	Skirt
March 20	Edge-to-edge Quilting
March 22	Charity Sewing
March 28	Sit and Sew
March 29	Basic Sewing
April 4	Applique and Quilting
April 7	Hooper's Club
April 20	Mystery Quilt

Sit and Sew Sessions

These sessions are intended for those of you who took a class at our store, and maybe weren't able to finish the project in class. Or to those who would like to socialize with other sewers. The fee is \$10.

Mon. Jan. 22, 5-8 PM
 Tues. Feb. 27, 5-8 PM
 Wed. March. 28, 5-8 M



Mastery Class Schedule

These classes are free to all who have purchased a machine from us. And you may come as often as you wish. Just call at least one day ahead to reserve your seat. When you come to class, please bring your machine and its accessories. If possible, please bring a laptop with your software loaded and power cord and mouse for the software classes.

Machines & Software	Class	Date	Time
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Basic Sewing	Sat., Jan. 20	2-4
Top End		Tues., Feb. 6	5-7
Entry & Mid-level		Tues., March 6	1-3
		Thurs., March 29	9:30-11:30
All Sewing Machines	Appliqué and Quilting	Wed., Feb. 21 Wed., April 4	9:30-12 5-7:30
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Embroidery Basics	Wed., Jan. 10	1-3
Top End		Tues., Jan. 16	1-3
Entry & Mid-level		Sat., Feb. 24	2-4
		Mon., March 12	5-7
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Emb. Design Positioning, Stabilizers, Q&A	Sat., Feb. 17 Fri., March 16	2-4 9:30-11:30
Destiny & Destiny II	IQ Designer	Fri., Feb. 16	9:30-12
Auto Thread Tension Sergers	Serger Basics	Fri., Feb. 23	9:30-11:30
Sergers with Coverstitch	Cover & Chain Stitch	Wed., March 14	9:30-11:30
Floriani Total Control U Software	Lettering, Design Customization, etc.	Wed., Feb. 28	1-3
Floriani Total Control U Software	Basic Digitizing	Fri., March 2	1-3

Floriani Total Control Project

This software has so much potential, but it sometimes can be hard to know where to start. So we want to work with some of the basic fun features of lettering and create an inspiring piece of wall art. You can choose your own saying and accents. We have pictured just an example.

Tues. Feb. 6 1-3 PM Fee: \$12

Free-Motion Longarm Quilting Class

These classes are free to those who bought a longarm from us. They are also available for those wishing to rent our Crown Jewel longarm. We will cover the basics such loading a quilt, discussing various threads, and practicing free-motion quilting patterns.

Wed., Feb. 7 1-3 PM Fee:\$40

Used Machines at Great Prices

Our used machines come with a 90 day warranty or longer.

Singer Featherweight 1955 Model, pristine condition, includes new case - ~~\$550~~ \$449

Baby Lock Unity Sewing & Embroidery Machine with Upgrade 1- 8"x12"embroidery field, laser guide beam, digital dual feed, 11" throat space, next to top-of-the-line, used 1 1/2 yrs. - \$1,600 off new price

Baby Lock Aria Heavy-Duty Sewing & Quilting Machine - 573 built-in stitches, 11" throat space, digital dual feed, -used 3 weeks, owner traded up to embroidery machine - \$500 Off with new warranty

Baby Lock Soprano Sewing & Quilting Machine - used only 1 year, auto scissor cut, needle threading, and pivot feature for applique, includes extension table, walking foot and 15 other feet, 300 built-in stitches - \$1349

Baby Lock Soprano used a little more than above machine - \$1299

Baby Lock Melody Sewing & Quilting Machine - 189 built-in stitches, automatic tension and needle threader and scissor feature, includes extension table and add-on lights and workbook, - \$699

Baby Lock Rachel Computerized, User-friendly Sewing Machine- 40 stitches, like new condition \$349

Viking Designer SE LE Sewing & Embroidery Machine -large, color touch screen, USB connectivity, exclusive sensor system, includes 6"x 10" embroidery hoop, Made in Sweden - \$895

Viking 905 4-Thread Overlock Serger with rolled hem capability, like new - \$395

Janome Mylock 204D 4-Thread Overlock Serger- good condition, new ones sell for \$499 - used, only \$189

Janome My Excel 4014 Non-computerized Sewing Machine - 13 Built-in stitches - ~~\$119~~ \$89

Humor for the Day

A father sent his boy to bed. Five minutes later, he heard, "D-a-a-ad!"
"What?" he called back.

"I'm thirsty. Can you bring a drink of water?"

"No. You had your chance. Lights out."

Five minutes later, he again heard, "D-a-a-a-d!"

"What?"

"I'm thirsty. Can I have a drink of water?"

"I told you no! If you ask again, I'll have to spank you!"

Five minutes later, came, "D-a-a-a-d!"

"What!"

"When you come in to spank me, can you bring a drink of water?"

A teacher had just discussed magnets with her class. At the close of the lesson, she said, "My name begins with *m* and I pick up things. What am I?"

Julia thought for a moment, then answered, "Mom!"

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Toddlers don't know that if they sit on the cord, sweeping doesn't go so great.

This Supralite Cordless vacuum has become our new favorite for quick jobs.

Mention this ad to get a **free** pack of bags and set of filters with your vacuum purchase.



Roses on the Vine Kit

These gorgeous roses make such a pretty quilt. The featured fabric was designed by Marti Mitchell for Maywood Studio. This kit includes the fabrics needed for the quilt top and binding. The pattern is also included.

61" x 77"

\$110



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\$217/mo. with \$3,000 down
With approved credit

Survey Says...

There are lots of different longarms available. And one of the biggest questions in choosing a longarm is what kind of service will I get? Because everyone wants to make this investment a good one that will last. So, we surveyed some of our Baby Lock longarm owners, and here is what they sent back.

1. **There are many different longarms available, how did you decide to choose Baby Lock?**
 - A. I had looked at several, then one was available used. It came with recommendations from skilled professionals.
 - B. I decided on a Baby Lock because I know several individuals who own Baby Lock machines.
2. **Now that you own one, what is your overall opinion of your Baby Lock?**
 - A. I am very pleased with my machine and would recommend it to anyone.
 - B. I love the machine.
3. **What is your opinion of Sewing Solution's longarm support?**
 - A. The support from Sewing Solutions has been top of the line, on all my machines. I have traded in all the other brands for Baby Lock. They are user-friendly, directions are simple and easy to follow, and help is only a phone call away. I travel from WV to purchase from and to support Sewing Solutions.
 - B. I have a very high opinion of their support and would refer anyone looking for a long arm.
4. **A longarm can be intimidating, do you have advice on getting beyond that, or what is working for you?**
 - A. The main lesson I learned from Marj Coffey. When I look at a quilt on the frame, the whole thing can shut down my creativity. I now divide it into sections or parts. Chose a space and fill it, then move on to the next one. I have a general idea about the whole project, but I complete it one space at a time.
 - B. Take the on line training classes *from Baby Lock!*
 - (A) K. Beach, Greenspring, WV
 - (B) S. Calvert, Kingwood, WV