

# Seams Like Home

Quilting & Fine Fabrics

**BERNINA<sup>+</sup>**

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January~June 2012

Our Class Sale weekend for our spring schedule will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 13, 14 and 15. On this weekend class fees will be discounted 20%. In fact, our entire shoppe inventory will be on sale at 20% off regular prices (except Bernina accessories & machines, gift certificates, BOM's and Saturday Sampler). We realize that it is hard to know in January what your schedule will be like in June. For this reason, we have a great cancellation policy. If you withdraw from a class at least 10 days prior to the class start date, we will give you in-store credit in the amount of the class fee! We hope to see you here!

**Shoppe Hours**  
10-8pm Mon.-Fri.  
10-6pm Saturday  
12-5pm Sunday

**Closed**  
**Easter**  
**Sunday, April 8**

## Sew.....What's new?!?!?

### NEW WEBSITE!

Check out [www.akseams.com](http://www.akseams.com) and see our new look and our new website! We now have a fresh design and new logo! So, check out the blog and "like" us on Facebook!

There will be many special offers through out the year that are ONLY for those who are friends with us on Facebook!

### KIDS SEW FUN CLUB

Our kids camps have been a huge success so Linda decided to offer a once a month sewing class to work on keeping those newly acquired skills fresh! Kids (9-12) plan on joining the group of creative sewers!

### QUILT RETREATS for 2012

We are very excited to offer the Alaskan sewing community not one but **TWO** fantastic quilt retreats for the spring of 2012!

These are two very different styles of retreats. The first retreat is hosted by local talent and is scheduled for **Thursday, March 15-Sunday, March 18 and will be located at Solid Rock Bible Camp.**

The second retreat is scheduled for Wednesday, September 5-Sunday, September 9 with **Cynthia England** at Stillpoint Lodge in Halibut Cove. Read more about these retreats and get all the details at the end of the newsletter. You will want to sign up early as space is limited.

### EXPANDED CLASS CALENDAR

Try as we might, Enjoli just couldn't get all of our fabulous classes in a four month session, so...we have expanded our classes through June!!!

Sign up for all the classes that your schedule can handle. No worries if life gets in the way and you have to cancel. We have a great policy! Cancel prior to 10 days of the start of class and we will give you a gift card in the amount of the class fee.

It's a win~win for all!

Thank you for choosing Seams Like Home for all of your quilting and sewing needs. We greatly appreciate your business!

Happy Sewing!

Maret, Enjoli, Angelyn and the fantastic team at Seams Like Home!

# Upcoming Events & Sales

**CLASS SALE**  
**January 13, 14 & 15**  
Class Fees and almost everything in the shoppe is discounted 20%. The sign up discount is for this weekend.

**BERNINA EVENTS**  
We have monthly classes planned. Come in and play with us! Check out the Bernina website to compare the machines, software and new products.

[www.berninausa.com](http://www.berninausa.com)

**NEW SATURDAY SAMPLER begins January 20 and 21, 2012~sign up begins December 1.**

New color runs and quilt blocks will be available for viewing in November. There are a few rules and guidelines that need to be followed to ensure that everyone has a great time. Each color run is \$40. If you follow the rules and complete your block before the next month's session, your kit is free! You

could complete 12 different blocks for just \$40! We always have treats and homemade items from our fantastic cook, Arlene, plus there are door prizes, special pricing on items and members are often the first to see the new fabrics! We always meet the third Saturday of the month and the Friday before it! Call the shoppe to find out all the details! **677-8790**

**THANK YOU!!!**  
We know you have many options when shopping for your sewing needs. Seams Like Home would like to thank you for your loyalty in choosing us. For every \$300 that you spend on regularly priced fabric off the bolt, you will receive a \$25 gift card for a future purchase. There is no enrollment fee and no card you need to remember and carry.

Simply make sure we have your information in our system to track your total sales. The bottom of your receipt will tell you how close you are to your next gift card. You'll want to make sure we have your email, so you can receive our weekly updates and special coupons just for you!

**Thank you for shopping locally!**

**Happy Sewing!**  
**Maret & SLH team**

**Seams Like Home** opened its doors June 9, 2002 with 2000 bolts of high quality fabric and we have been growing and improving ever since! We now have over 9,000 bolts of gorgeous florals, dramatic prints, funky juvenile, sophisticated oriental and elegant Japanese taupes and wovens. We have something for every quilting style! Our walls are filled with a large selection of current books, patterns, notions, giftware and note cards. You'll be sure to find that perfect gift for your favorite sewing and quilting friend!

We became a full service Bernina Sewing Machine Dealer in 2004 and have the entire line of machines in our showroom. We have the newest Bernina embroidery software, feet, tools and accessories. If it's not on our shelves, we will special order it for you! Just ask!

In 2006, Seams Like Home joined with Three Sisters Fabric Boutique to become a premier one stop sewing center with elegant fashion goods. We now also carry beautiful silks, satins, velvets, wools and high end outer wear. We have everything you need for garment sewing as well as quilting and home decor. We are the largest shoppe in Alaska with the highest quality of both quilting and fashion fabrics. Plus we are the only Bernina Dealership in South Central Alaska. We are consistently ranked in the top 10 dealers for Northwest States, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. There are over 50 other dealers in this region!

The wonderful staff members at Seams Like Home Quilt Shoppe are long time quilters, couture seamstresses, teachers, authors and designers. The ladies and gentlemen love to see projects at all levels of completion, so bring in your quilt tops, home decor projects, clothing and let us "ooohhhh and ahhh"!

**We work hard to create a shoppe where it truly...Seams Like Home.**

**CLASS LEVELS**

**Beginner**~You must know your sewing machine. Basic skills will be taught.

**Beginner Plus**~You already know the basics and are ready to expand your skills.

**Intermediate**~You have sewing experience and are ready to tackle more difficult skills.

**CLASS POLICIES**

You must pay for the class when you register. Phone registrations are accepted with a credit card. The supply list is provided when you pay your class fee. We can mail or fax the supply list.

If you are unable to attend a class and give us 10 days notice, we will give you an in-store credit for your class fee.

We are unable to give any refund or store credit for classes with out-of-state visiting teachers if you are unable to attend.

Ten days prior to the start of the class, the class is committed to go. After that time, there is no refund or in-store credit for missing a class.

Out of consideration for the instructor and other students, children and non-paying visitors are not allowed at classes.

Please turn your cell phone off and make phone calls outside of the classroom.

**January Classes****KIDS SEW FUN CLUB (9-12years)**

Linda Garrett

Beginner

\$15 each session

What better way to keep up with all of your sewing skills than attending a once a month sewing club! We have many young sewers who have participated in our Kids Sew Cool camp the last few months and we want to make sure that they continue their love of sewing. Boys...sewing is not just a girl thing! Get your friends together and plan on spending some creative time with Linda. Each month will be a different skill building project that will keep your scissors sharp and your sewing machine running! Sorry parents, this is for kids!

Sunday, January 8

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, February 5

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, March 4

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, May 6

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, June 3

1:00-4:00pm

**KUSPUCK JACKET**

Yvonne Emery

Intermediate

\$120

The Kuspuk is one of the most versatile every made. They can be fancy, seasonal or casual. We've stepped this up a bit and Yvonne will teach a variation of the traditional Kuspuk, which includes a lining and a full length zipper. Don't be limited by just using cottons. Velvets make a beautiful kuspuk jacket also! Learn how to measure for accuracy and correct pattern fitting, plus Yvonne has been making Kuspuk for many years and knows all the tricks for creating a beautiful, one of a kind winter jacket.

Tuesday, January 10, 17, 24 & 31

5:30-8:30pm

**JUST FOR ME**

Angelyn & Enjoli

All Levels

\$20 each session

This monthly class is so much fun! Laughter, friendship and creativity equals a great time to be had by all. Bring a dish to share and come and sew! This is a fun, social time to get away from everyday chores! It doesn't matter what you are working on or where it came from. Just pack up your quilting, sewing or hand projects, and join the twins for an afternoon of companionship with other quilters thinking "just for me."

Sunday, January 15

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, February 19

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, March 18

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, April 15

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, May 20

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, June 17

12:00-5:00pm

**Don't forget to ask about our 2012 Saturday Sampler Program!  
It begins January 20 & 21!**

**DISCOUNT POLICY**

You will receive a 15% discount on any purchases made during class sessions.

Class supplies are always discounted 15%. Please have your class supply list with you.

Purchase the end of the bolt of fabric and receive 20% off of the entire cut!

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

Need a special fabric, product, notion or book. Just ask the ladies and we'll put your request in our order book. We will gladly ship your purchase to your door step.

**Just sew you know...**

Bernina has a Private Label Credit card available.

It's like having a Nordstrom's card. You may use it at any shoppe around the country that is an authorized Bernina Dealer and it doesn't just have to be purchases on sewing machines!

Bernina often has special financing for card holders.

We can process the application at the shoppe for you or you may go to the Bernina website and apply.

There is no fee or obligation for applying.

[www.berninausa.com](http://www.berninausa.com)

**Upcoming Bernina  
Financing Specials**

**INTRODUCTION TO BERNINA SOFTWARE V6**

All Levels

Gene Looman

\$150 + \$30 materials fee

Calling all owners of the Bernina Embroidery Software Version 6! Do you have the software, but just don't know how to use it? Come join this fun, informative class and learn how to get the most out of your software purchase. This class covers basic navigation, lettering, editing, combining designs, buttonholes, auto digitizing, using the magic wand and the monogram wizard! This class is for owners or those thinking of buying Bernina software (Editor Plus and Designer Plus). The \$30 materials fee for this class includes a 3-ring binder and 50+ page outline for note taking to be paid directly to the instructor, no sale discount.

Monday, January 16	5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday, January 18	5:30-8:30pm
Monday, January 23	5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday, January 25	5:30-8:30pm
Monday, January 30	5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday, February 1	5:30-8:30pm
Monday, February 6	5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday, February 8	5:30-8:30pm
Monday, February 13	5:30-8:30pm
Wednesday, February 15	5:30-8:30pm

**EMBROIDERY DAY CAMP**

All Levels

Gene Looman

\$25 each session

Embroidery is so much fun...once you get the module out of the box! Join Gene for a full day of working on embroidery projects. You may bring any project that you are working on and Gene will share his 13+ years of machine embroidery experience to assist you!

Saturday, January 21	10:00-4:00pm
Saturday, February 18	10:00-4:00pm
Saturday, March 17	10:00-4:00pm
Saturday, April 21	10:00-4:00pm
Saturday, May 19	10:00-4:00pm
Saturday, June 16	10:00-4:00pm

**WOOL EMBROIDERY BASICS**

All Levels

Maret Anderson

\$15

What's old is new again! The resurgence of wool embroidery is making its way back into the sewing world. For many of us, it never left! Learn the basic stitches in this one day class and you'll be ready to tackle our Wool Embroidery Block of the month. This is a great take-a-long project to work on while you have to wait for appointments. Chose one of the wool ornament kits and let the fun begin!

Saturday, January 21	10:30-12:00pm
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**We're expanding our Batik Section! Wahoooo!!!**

**Tips From Our Tech**

Surge protectors are a must for computerize sewing and embroidery machines! We recommend protection of at least 1000 joules.

We do not recommend sewing over pins. You risk breaking a needle, which could fly in your face or cause a burr on the hook. If you have a broken needle, be sure to find and remove all broken pieces.

Change your needle and oil the hook every 3-4 sewing hours. Do not use a dull or damaged needle.

If your needle gets jammed in your fabric, turn off your machine, and remove the needle from the needle bar. Do not use the hand wheel to pry the needle out. It may negatively affect the timing of your machine or damage the hook of your machine.

Do not use canned air to clean out the hook area of your machine. Lint flies up and may damage the computer boards. There are no felt pads in the inside of the machine. Really.

Never use abrasives on the body of the machine or on the touch screen. Any type of mild cleaning agent, such as Formula 409, should be sprayed onto a cloth and then applied to the body of the machine. Never use acetone, mineral spirits, or harsh chemicals.

**Happy Machine  
Happy Sewing!**

**MINI BOW TUCKS TOTE**

Teresa Kimmel

Beginner

\$40

This is a fun, stylish and trendy tote with lots of pockets to carry all your essentials. Choose the perfect fabric for a one of a kind tote. The ties on the side make it adjustable to fit your needs. It makes the perfect size to use as a tote or purse. This has been one of the most popular purse patterns ever and they are so much fun to create. Make them to match all your outfits or just cause they're fun!

5:30-8:30pm

**WALKING FOOT QUILT**

Sara Carmen

All Levels

\$45

Join us in making a whole quilt with just the Bernina Walking Foot! This wonderful accessory makes not only quilting, but even piecing stress free! This quilt shows some wonderful walking foot techniques plus some easy quilting techniques that will help speed up some of your future sewing projects. We'll provide the Bernina sewing machines, walking feet and quilt kits!

Sunday, January 22

12:30-4:30pm

**FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING I**

Carol Wight-Jones

Beginner

\$25

Do you have a closet full of unfinished quilt tops just waiting to be quilted? In this class you will learn the basics of free motion machine quilting. You will do several exercises involving a variety of quilting motifs that will help you finish all your projects. Plan on taking class 2 and expand your confidence and knowledge! Now is the time to get them done!

Wednesday, January 25

10:30-1:30pm

**BREAKFAST CLUB**

Marcia Brown

All Levels

\$25 each session

Treat yourself to a fiber-rich diet of fabric strips and breakfast recipes each month! Every month, Marcia will bring a delicious breakfast dish and recipe for you to enjoy. We'll have the coffee on and the doors open at 8:30am. Bring a breakfast item. You will LOVE how easy it is to complete a quilt each month.

Thursday, January 26

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, February 23

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, March 29

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, April 26

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, May 31

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, June 28

9:00-2:00pm

**EFFIE & OLLIE ELEPHANT PINCUSHION**

Karen Smith

Beginner Plus

\$25

Have you noticed that elephants seem to be everywhere?!? We see them in tons of fabric! Now you can join the elephant craze and make this cute little elephant pincushion to keep or give away as a gift. Whimsical or elegant, you'll sure to be at the front of the herd with this creative project!

Sunday, January 29

12:30-4:30pm

**BUY BERNINA**

Purchasing a new machine is an exciting experience! As with any investment, you should educate yourself on the product.

Research online.

Purchase offline.

Be a value shopper~not just price.

Ask about price guarantees.

Expect and embrace training.

Try before you buy.

Allow yourself room to grow.

Trust your instincts.

**BERNINA ADDED VALUE**

When you purchase your Bernina machine from Seams Like Home, you aren't just getting a box and being sent on your way. You're establishing a relationship with like minded people who love Bernina!

In order to make this the best experience ever, we've built an "added value" package to go with every Bernina sale.

**This includes:**

First year cleaning FREE  
(\$139+ value)

Labor on warranted parts FREE  
(\$100+ value)

Learning My Bernina Classes  
FREE  
(\$300+ value)

Enthusiastic Bernina Fans at  
**SLH PRICELESS!**

**BERNINA BOBBIN PLAY TOTE**

Sara Carmen

Bobbin play embroidery is so much fun! We'll set up the Bernina 830, top of the line sewing & embroidery machine and show you just how much fun and easy this gorgeous technique can be! Bobbin play allows you to use threads that you could never put in the top of your machine! We'll provide the sewing machines and kits. We will embellish a simple black tote to make a stunning new accessory for you!

Friday, January 27

OR

Saturday, March 17

All Levels

\$30

5:30-8:30pm

10:00-1:00pm

**CUT AND GO**

Sara Carmen

Come and try out Bernina's Cutwork Tool and software while making a fabulous and fun embellished tote! You will use the cutwork tool in class and finish the tote with Bernina machine embroidery. See how easy machine embroidered applique can be using the Cutwork Software! We will provide all of the supplies for this class and project. Just come and be inspired!

Saturday, January 28

OR

Friday, March 16

All Levels

\$30

10:00-1:00pm

5:30-8:30pm

**February Classes****BIRD BATH QUILT**

Enjoli Strait

This great quilt teaches you the "snowball" technique, while allowing you to have some fun with colors and patterns. You can choose to fussy cut the center, match it with your background or go wild & crazy! Kaffe Fasset fabrics make this quilt quite the eye-catcher with bright beautiful prints! So come have some fun with this quilt, as we take it start to finish! Yes, that means we will be practicing our free motion quilting and binding!

Thursday, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 8, 15, 22, 29,

Intermediate

\$90

5:30-8:30pm

**NEEDLE PUNCH CLUTCH**

Sara Carmen

Learn about the Bernina Needle Punch accessory. We will be making a super cute clutch! We will needle punch pieces of felt on to it to give this clutch a personalized touch. We will provide the sewing machines and everything you need, so just come and learn about this fun technique!

Friday, February 3

OR

Saturday, April 7

Beginner

\$35

5:30-8:30pm

10:00-1:00pm



**BERNINA 380****At the top of the 3 Series line**

A modern, bright LCD display lets you keep track of the functions you've set at all times. Direct-selection keys allow for quick and easy operation. The start/stop button, speed control, semi-automatic threader, automatic buttonhole and fast stitch-selection functions save time and enable precise sewing and patchworking. The bright LED sewing light, extension table and free-hand system increase sewing ease.

**BERNINA 350PE**  
**(Patchwork Edition)**
**BERNINA 330**

...a Bernina for every skill level!

**SIMPLE SERGER STYLE PILLOW**

Sara Carmen

Beginner

\$35

Have you ever wondered why you should own one? Sergers look soooo complicated! This class will teach you just how easy sergering can be by making a decorative pillow! We will provide the sergers and kits to complete this project. This is a great opportunity to try a serger and learn how useful they really are.

Saturday, February 4

10:00-1:00pm

OR

Friday, April 6

5:30-8:30pm

**DESERT SKY (JUDY NIEMEYER QUILTS)**

Sue Wilson

Beginner Plus

\$40

Each of these quilts is a one day quilt that is an exciting introduction to Judy Niemeyer's techniques. Just bring 12 light and 12 dark fat quarters and begin your journey into the world of paper piecing. This is an exclusive pattern that is not available except by taking this class!

Saturday, February 4

10:00-6:00pm

**ANASTASIA**

Karen Smith

Intermediate

\$75

Our master doll maker has done it again! Create your own whimsical doll from the book by Jan Horrox. Karen will guide you and explore creative options to personalize your doll. Tips and techniques for painting the face and constructing the fingers will be demonstrated. Karen's doll classes always have a wait list!

Sunday, February 5, 12, 19 &amp; 26

12:30-3:30pm

**QUILTING BASICS**

Lisa Phillips

All Levels

\$75

This is the perfect class for the beginner sewer that wants to enter the world of quilting. Learn how to properly use a rotary cutter and basic piecing skills as you piece together this small lap top quilt. This is a confidence building class that will give you the basics to tackle other quilting projects.

Tuesday, February 7, 14, 21, &amp; 28

5:30-8:30pm

**FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING II**

Carol Wight Jones

Intermediate

\$25

Carol will guide you beyond the basics of free motion machine quilting. You will do several advanced exercises involving some beautiful quilting motifs that will add elegance to your existing projects. Finish your quilts with confidence and no more sending them to others to be quilted! This class will unleash your creativity and give you the skills to take a quilt project from start to finish.

Wednesday, February 8

10:30-1:30pm

**Are you ready for this?!?!?**  
**One day ONLY Sale!**  
**Wednesday, February 29.**

**Bernina Sergers****1300 MDC**

A serger with a chain stitch, four cover stitches and four combination stitches (chain stitch/overlock stitch).

The hard-wearing safety seam (combination stitch) is ideal for reliably joining firm woven fabrics, such as jeans.

The 3 and 4 thread cover stitch gives you an especially durable, flat stitch in highly elastic fabrics.

The BERNINA lay-in system lets you thread quickly and directly and it's also simple to thread the lower looper, thanks to the automatic lower-looper threading system.

With the aid of the vision panel and the red position indicators, you'll find the ideal position of the needles and lower looper for threading straightaway.

No need to be afraid of your serger! We have a class in our MY BERNINA section that will take all your fear away and make you a serger queen! Okay maybe a princess, but with practice you could rule the serger kingdom!

**FUSIBLE I**

Angelyn Anderson

There are so many fantastic fusible web projects! Learn the difference between the fusible products and create a simple fusible web wall hanging with the designated kit on the supply list. This class will give you a sampling of this technique to see if you love it as much as Angelyn does.

Friday, February 10

OR

Saturday, March 24

Beginner

\$40

5:30-8:30pm

12:00-3:00pm

**VIRTUAL BERNINA CLUB**

Gene Looman

Oh this is gonna be FUN! We'll watch a presentation by a Bernina Educator and then re-create the project in a the hands-on session! Check out the details for each month at the end of this newsletter! Any machine is welcome to participate!

Friday, February 10

Friday, March 9

Friday, April 13

Friday, May 11

Friday, June 8

All Levels

\$10 each session

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

**FOCUS ON FEET**

Gene Looman

Bernina has created over 100+ feet! Each one has a different purpose and creates a different result! How do you know what you need?! Gene has organized the feet into like groups to help you become familiar with their purpose! Bernina has published a fantastically informative book series called Feetures! There are three volumes packed full of information! Special pricing on the featured feet!

Saturday, February 11

Saturday, March 10

Saturday, April 14

Saturday, May 12

Saturday, June 9

All Levels

\$10 each session

2:00-5:00pm

2:00-5:00pm

2:00-5:00pm

2:00-5:00pm

2:00-5:00pm

**VIRTUAL SOFTWARE SAMPLER CLUB**

Gene Looman

We'll be playing with the Designer Plus Software V6 program! A Bernina Educator will show step by step instructions and then we will recreate the project using our own computers! This class is for anyone who already owns Bernina Software (any level) and for those who are interested to know what it is all about! Bring your laptop and Gene will guide you through the project!

Saturday, February 11

Saturday, March 10

Saturday, April 14

Saturday, May 12

Saturday, June 9

All Levels

\$10 each session

10:00-1:00pm

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10:00-1:00pm



**LEAP YEAR SALE**

**Are you ready for  
this?!?!?**

**One day ONLY Sale!  
Wednesday, February 29.**

**This type of sale only  
happens once every four  
years!**

**29% off  
of full priced bolted  
fabric purchases.  
Minimum cut is 1 yard.**

**So just what is leap year?**

In order to keep the calendar in line with the movement of the earth around the sun, every fourth year has 366 days instead of 365. The extra day is added after February 28.

The 366 day year is called a leap year, because after February 29, a date "leaps" over a day of the week.

A date falling on Monday the year before leap year will fall on Wednesday in the leap year, instead of on Tuesday.

Now do we really care...why YES we do, otherwise we wouldn't have this amazing one day sale!

**COTTON THEORY TOTE BAG**

Sue Wilson

Cotton Theory quilting eliminates the need to quilt large tops because you quilt pieces when they are small! Best of all, once you assemble those pieces, your project is done! We will make a reversible, durable tote bag that is both beautiful and practical. A pre-cut kit allows you to spend your time sewing, not cutting!

Now how easy is that ?!

Saturday, February 11

All Levels

\$40 + \$5.00 kit

10:00-6:00pm

**VIRTUAL ALL ABOUT ME (machine embroidery)**

Gene Looman

Nothing is safe from embroidery! We've had so much fun embroidering on napkins, placemats, skirts, jeans, shirts, jackets, bibs and pretty much anything that has a blank spot! This is another great virtual class where we will watch a presentation from a Bernina Educator and then Gene will facilitate a lecture/demo session on the items featured in the presentation.

Sunday, February 12

Sunday, March 11

Sunday, April 15

Sunday, May 13

Sunday, June 10

All Levels

\$10 each session

1:00-4:00pm

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1:00-4:00pm

**BEGINNING SEWING TECHNIQUES**

Debby Carter & Norman Van Manen

This is a class where you will create a small sampler book of sewing techniques. Learn how to use your sewing machine, sew in a zipper, create a pocket, use your buttonhole foot and play with decorative stitches and applique. This is a great technique class! Two expert teachers will guide you through the process so you will have the confidence to start you on your sewing and quilting projects.

Monday, February 13, 20 & 27

Beginner

\$50 + \$20 kit

6:00-8:30pm

**SPARKLING GEMSTONES JELLY ROLL QUILT**

Teresa Kimmel

Have you purchase a jelly roll pack of 2 1/2" strips which looked too beautiful to unroll? Learn how to quickly make a quilt from just one jelly roll and a couple of yards of fabric. It's quick and easy and great for large scale prints! We have many jelly rolls to choose from! Go ahead, be brave and undo the ribbon holding those jelly roll strips together!

Tuesday & Thursday, February 14, 16, 21 & 23

Beginner

\$55

5:30-8:30pm

**Don't forget to check out our blog and sign up  
for our weekly emails!  
[www.akseams.com](http://www.akseams.com)**

## Bernina Software Designer Plus Version 6



Turn your creative ideas into embroidered reality!

New & Exclusive!  
CorelDRAW® Essentials 4  
Software inside!  
Over 500 embroidery designs  
included.  
Automatic digitizing, specialty  
stitch effects and more!

Let your ideas become  
embroidery reality with  
**Designer Plus or Editor Plus.**  
Or rediscover the pleasure of  
exploring your embroidery  
dreams with the **V6 Update.**

Gene Looman has created a  
comprehensive series of classes  
that go over all the special  
features of the Designer Plus  
V6 Software! They must be  
taken in order so look at your  
calendar and reserve the dates!

**You'll be software savvy  
in no time!**

## T-SHIRT QUILT

Debby Carter

Beginner

\$45

Need a cool gift for the high school or college graduate or organization? Gather up those beloved favorite tee shirts that just can't be thrown away and join us in making a tee-shirt quilt. Debby will help you through all of the steps in creating this one-of-a-kind quilt. Choose a favorite color for the flannel sashing and your gift will become a keepsake.

Saturday, February 18, 25 & March 3

10:30-1:30pm

## JUST FOR ME

Angelyn & Enjoli

All Levels

\$20 each session

Bring a dish to share and come and sew with a group of happy quilters. This is a fun, social time to get away from everyday chores! It doesn't matter what you are working on or where it came from. Just pack up your sewing, and join the twins for an afternoon of quilting and companionship with other quilters thinking "just for me." This group is so much fun! Plan on joining us once a month for this time to socialize and sew!

Sunday, February 19

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, March 18

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, April 15

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, May 20

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, June 17

12:00-5:00pm

## INTRODUCTION TO BERNINA SOFTWARE V6 part 2

All Levels

(Prerequisite: Introduction to Bernina Software V6 part 1)

Gene Looman

\$150 + \$30 materials fee

This is the next step for owners of Bernina Embroidery Software V6. Part 2 picks up where Part 1 ended. Students have fun learning advanced lettering features, morphing, carving, color blending, adding holes, applique, pattern stamp, creating borders, pattern fill stitches, splitting designs, multihooping, and the big D word (digitizing)! It is not as scary as you may think! The \$30 materials fee for this class includes 50+ page outline for note taking and is paid directly to the instructor at the first class. No class discount on the materials fee.

Monday, February 20

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, February 22

5:30-8:30pm

Monday, March 5

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, March 7

5:30-8:30pm

Monday, March 12

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, March 14

5:30-8:30pm

Monday, March 19

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, March 21

5:30-8:30pm

Monday, March 26

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, March 28

5:30-8:30pm

**We have a great Quilt Camp coming up in March!  
Read all the details at the end of this newsletter!**



### Quilt your quilts with Ease!

Come in and see the Bernina Quilt Frame. Put any sewing machine onto this frame and quilt a king quilt down to a crib size quilt with ease and success. There are excellent instructions on how to load the quilt on the frame at the [www.berninausa.com](http://www.berninausa.com)

The frame comes with two sizes of bars, 5' and 10' long to accommodate any size room.

Try ours today and see how smooth it moves! It uses the same channel system that the professional longarm frames use!

### Cynthia England Trunk Show arrives in March.

She is our featured National teacher for the September 2012 Stillpoint Lodge retreat.

Even if you can't sign up to attend the retreat, you will want to see her quilts, patterns and books on display at the shoppe!

Cynthia's pictorial quilts are amazing!

### BREAKFAST CLUB

Marcia Brown

Treat yourself to a fiber-rich diet of fabric strips and breakfast recipes each month! Every month, Marcia will bring a delicious breakfast dish and recipe for you to enjoy. We'll have the coffee on and the doors open at 8:30am. Bring a breakfast item and a copy of your recipe. Marcia will compile all of the recipes and at the end of the year, organize them into a recipe book. You will LOVE how easy it is to complete a quilt each month.

Thursday, February 23

Thursday, March 29

Thursday, April 26

Thursday, May 31

Thursday, June 28

All Levels

\$25 each session

9:00-2:00pm

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9:00-2:00pm

9:00-2:00pm

9:00-2:00pm

### BUGGY BARN BUTTERFLY QUILT

Teresa Kimmel

Bring on the Buggy Barn! This is not your traditionally pieced block where everything matches perfectly! This quilt is made from fat quarters using the shuffling technique that makes fast to cut and fun to see how unique each block looks. Because it's so random, you never know what delights may show up!

Saturday, February 25

Beginning

\$55

10:00-5:00pm

## March Classes

### RECYCLED MITTENS

Angelyn Anderson

Dig through your closet or your significant other's closet and find those sweaters that you no longer wear! We are going to change them into something useful, practical and unique! Make mittens! Line them with polar fleece and these mittens will keep you toasty warm! Add a few buttons and now you have a new wardrobe "must have"! Join Angelyn in this fun and creative class.

Saturday, March 3

Beginner

\$50

10:30-2:30pm

### QUILT BINDING WORKSHOP

Debby Carter

Binding can make or break your quilt and if you ever enter a quilt project in a competition, the quality of the binding is often the deciding factor of who comes in first and who does not. Perfect your binding skills with Debby and learn how to make that perfect mitered corner and smooth connecting seams. There is some hand sewing involved when finishing this binding style.

Monday, March 5, 12, & 19

Beginner Plus

\$60

5:30-8:30pm

**We now service ALL sewing machine brands!**  
**Call the shoppe to make an appointment and get that sewing machine in top working order!**  
**677-8790**

**It's Here...QUILT MOTION!!!**

QuiltMotion Designed for BERNINA includes all the companion hardware and software your PC and BERNINA frame need to get started, including an easy to use LCD screen and QuiltCAD, powerful pattern design software.

Select from more than 200 ready-to-stitch designs. Create your own patterns with the included QuiltCAD design program.

View your pattern in relation to your quilt on-screen before you begin quilting. Precise pattern placement methods put professional results in your hands.

Record and save any free-hand quilted patterns for automated use. Recorded patterns can even be edited. Import a wide variety of pattern file types from other programs. Enjoy the benefits of a professional, automated quilting system to complete your quilt projects precisely as you wish!

**Sign up for Sara's lecture/demo class on March 6 to learn more about this amazing software!**

**BEGINNING QUILT MAKING I**

Lisa Phillips

This is a great introduction to the world of quilting! Join Lisa as she teaches a four block quilt sampler. You'll learn four different blocks that feature some of the basic quilting techniques. Lisa will talk about fabric selection, rotary cutting skills, strip quilting and creating those perfect half square triangles. Plus we'll cover creating a quilt sandwich and binding techniques will be demonstrated.

Tuesday, March 6, 13, 20 & 27

OR

Sunday, May 6, 13, 20, & 27

Beginner

\$75

5:30-8:30pm

2:00-5:00pm

**INTRODUCTION TO QUILT MOTION**

Sara Carmen

You will love this software even more once you realize how simple and fun it can be to quilt with your computer. Learn how to navigate through the software, set up your frame, sewing machine and computer so they are properly connected and installed. Finishing your quilts just got easier! Curious about this software?! It's okay to attend and find out what the buzz is all about!

Tuesday, March 6

Beginner

\$30

5:30-8:30pm

**FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING~FOCUS ON LEAVES**

Carol Wight Jones

In this series of machine quilting classes each class will focus on a particular type of design and the various ways you can quilt it. You will move beyond the basics of machine quilting. It is recommended that you take Fearless Machine Quilting I before taking these classes.

Wednesday, March 7

Intermediate

\$25 each

10:30-1:30pm

**BEGINNING PAPER PIECING**

Angelyn Anderson

Learn basic paper piecing skills with some fun country inspired blocks. We will be creating blocks that can be made into a table runner or small wall hanging or just keep going with your new skill and piece an entire quilt! Pssst....this is the secret to those PERFECT points!

Thursday, March 8, 15, 22 and 29

Beginner

\$60

5:30-8:30pm

**VIRTUAL BERNINA CLUB**

Gene Looman

Oh this is gonna be FUN! We'll watch a presentation by a Bernina Educator and then re-create the project in a the hands-on session! Check out the details for each month at the end of this newsletter! Any machine is welcome to participate!

Friday, March 9

Friday, April 13

Friday, May 11

Friday, June 8

All Levels

\$10 each session

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm

5:30-8:30pm



**BERNINA CutWork Accessory**

**There's a new edge to creative sewing ... cutting!**

The BERNINA CutWork Accessory together with the BERNINA CutWork Software gives your BERNINA embroidery system the power to cut shapes, patterns and designs from single or multiple fabric layers.

Cut sharp, crisp edges quickly and easily. This is perfect for applique' shapes!

This is a must have software! Staying on the cutting edge can be sew much fun!

**Come in and see a demonstration today!**

**We Have Gift Cards**

We just made your gift giving easier! We now have gift cards for all occasions and in any dollar amount. These are the perfect gift for anybody!

Come in and chose one for your favorite quilter or wanna-be quilter to help get her started!

**VIRTUAL SOFTWARE SAMPLER CLUB**

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

We'll be playing with the Designer Plus Software V6 program! A Bernina Educator will show step by step instructions and then we will recreate the project using our own computers! This class is for anyone who already owns Bernina Software (any level) and for those who are interested to know what it is all about! Bring your laptop and Gene will guide you through the project! Then when you go home, embroider it out and bring it back to the next class. For only \$10 a session, it is a great introduction to the world of embroidery software!

Saturday, March 10

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, April 14

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, May 12

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, June 9

10:00-1:00pm

**VIRTUAL ALL ABOUT ME (machine embroidery)**

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

Nothing is safe from embroidery! We've had so much fun embroidering on napkins, placemats, skirts, jeans, shirts, jackets, bibs and pretty much anything that has a blank spot! This is another great virtual class where we will watch a presentation from a Bernina Educator and then Gene will facilitate a lecture/demo session on the items featured in the presentation.

Sunday, March 11

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, April 15

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, May 13

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, June 10

1:00-4:00pm

**FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING~FOCUS ON FLOWERS**

Carol Wight Jones

Intermediate

\$25 each

In this series of machine quilting classes each class will focus on a particular type of design and the various ways you can quilt it. You will move beyond the basics of machine quilting. It is recommended that you take Fearless Machine Quilting I before taking these classes. Carol makes it look so easy and soon, with a little bit of guidance and her expertise, you'll feel that same way!

Wednesday, March 14

10:30-1:30pm

**CUT AND GO**

Sara Carmen

Beginner

\$30

Come and try out Bernina's Cutwork Tool and software while making a fabulous and fun embellished tote! You will use the cutwork tool in class and finish the tote with Bernina machine embroidery. See how easy machine embroidered applique can be using the Cutwork Software! We will provide all of the supplies for this class and project. Just come and be inspired! Being creative just got easier!

Friday, March 16

5:30-8:30pm



**NEW BOM PROGRAMS**  
**We have 7 different BOM's!**  
**YES! That was 7!!!!**

We are working hard to give you an assortment of programs with easy-to-understand monthly payments.

From simple to advanced, choose from lots of techniques, like traditionally pieced, fusible web, applique, embroidery, and so many more.

Our goal is to offer that beautiful quilt, broken down into pieces that won't overwhelm you, or your pocketbook.

Unless other arrangements are made, your monthly fees will be billed to the credit or debit card.

When you register for our block-of-the-month quilt programs, it is understood that you are registering for the entire program.

We will abide by this policy and prepare a kit for you each month with the understanding that you will remain in the program for the duration.

The monthly price for the Block of the Month Programs vary depending on the size and complexity of the project.

Please see individual write ups about each BOM for pricing structure.

We are looking forward to this!!

**BERNINA BOBBIN PLAY TOTE**

Sara Carmen

Bobbin play embroidery is so much fun! We'll set up the Bernina 830, top of the line sewing & embroidery machine and show you just how much fun and easy this gorgeous technique can be! Bobbin play allows you to use threads that you could never put in the top of your machine! We'll provide the sewing machines and kits. We will embellish a simple black tote to make a stunning new accessory for you!  
 Saturday, March 17

Beginner

\$30

10:00am-1:00pm

**JUST FOR ME**

Angelyn & Enjoli

This is a fun, social time to get away from everyday chores! It doesn't matter what you are working on or where it came from. Just pack up your sewing, and join the twins for an afternoon of quilting and companionship with other quilters.

Sunday, March 18

Sunday, April 15

Sunday, May 20

Sunday, June 17

All Levels

\$20 each session

12:00-5:00pm

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**KIDS CAMP SEW COOL (ages 9-12)**

Linda Garret

This class will discuss the basic features of a sewing machine, how to use a pattern and choose fabric. We will make a nine-patch lap quilt. The \$299 cost includes their very own Bernette 46 sewing machine, a basic sewing kit, and a \$50 gift card to be used towards their project supplies. Already have a machine?! Then your camp fee is \$129, but does not include any additional items.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, March 19, 20 and 21

All Levels

\$299 or \$129

9:00-12:00noon

**BERNINA EMBELLISHED PILLOW**

Sara Carmen

Create a lovely decorative pillow in this fun class. We will use some of the amazing Bernina accessories to make this pillow, such as the circular embroidery attachment, a pintucking foot and an invisible zipper foot. All of the accessories are so much fun and they take the fear out of embellishing! You'll leave class with a gorgeous finished project to enhance your home! Sewing machines and accessories will be provided.

Tuesday, March 20

Beginner

\$30

5:30-8:30pm

**FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING~FOCUS ON SPIRALS**

Carol Wight Jones

In this series of machine quilting classes each class will focus on a particular type of design and the various ways you can quilt it. You will move beyond the basics of machine quilting. It is recommended that you take Fearless Machine Quilting I before taking these classes.

Wednesday, March 21

Intermediate

\$25

10:30-1:30pm



## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (1 of 7)



### Raining Cats & Dogs 55" x 62"

**Begins February 15, 2012  
10 month BOM**

Filled with whimsical cats and the cutest little dogs, you'll be smiling the whole time you make this quilt!

The Raining Cats and Dogs Block of the Month includes the pattern as well as the fabric for the blocks, border and binding. Backing fabric is not included. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample.

Just come in once a month and pick up your kit. If you stay on task and keep caught up, you'll have this wonderful wall hanging finished just in time for Christmas giving!

**Registration Fee: \$29.99  
(non-refundable) + \$29.99  
per month for 10 months.**

First month will be charged \$59.98 and remaining 9 months will be charged \$29.99.

## MACHINE CARE 101~ALL BRANDS

Enjoli Strait

Anyone who sews knows that our machines are our babies! We love them dearly and hate to send them to the shop for repair. This workshop will go over how to do a basic cleaning, as well as some tips and tricks to keep your machine running beautifully between servicing. Enjoli is a certified Bernina repair technician and will give you a technician's inside scoop to the world of sewing machine repair and care. You will not need your machine for this class and you don't have to own a Bernina to benefit from this class! Those who attend this class will be the first to hear about a new exciting service coming to Seams Like Home.

Saturday, March 24

OR

Tuesday, June 5

All Levels

\$15

4:00-5:30pm

6:00-7:30pm

## HOB0 BAG

Teresa Kimmel

Easy step by step instructions make this bag fun and fast to make. Versatile for every day use or it would make a great gift. The design includes a magnetic closure, pleated front and back and adjustable straps plus two interior pockets. Now really...you can't have too many bags!

Saturday, March 24

Beginner Plus

\$45 includes pattern

10:00-4:00pm

## MERRY KUSPUK MOOSE

Karen Smith

Kuspuk Moose is a perfect Alaskan gift for all your special events! The kuspuk can be a themed fabric to match any holiday or house decor! Fur trim completes the ensemble! Karen is our expert doll maker and will share her tricks and tips to make this cute little moose! Don't feel overwhelmed. Karen is patient with all skill levels.

Sunday, March 25

Beginner Plus

\$35

12:30-4:30pm

## APPLE DUMPLING QUILT

Angelyn Anderson

Learn how to strip piece and make those popular flying geese in this fun beginner plus pattern. It's so easy to put together that we will also go on to layer, machine quilt and sew on the binding. Consider this a start to finish class where you will actually be done with the project!

Tuesday, March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1

Beginner Plus

\$75

5:30-8:30pm

## FEARLESS MACHINE QUILTING~FOCUS ON BACKGROUNDS

Carol Wight Jones

In this series of machine quilting classes each class will focus on a particular type of design and the various ways you can quilt it. You will move beyond the basics of machine quilting. It is recommended that you take Fearless Machine Quilting I before taking these classes.

Wednesday, March 28

Intermediate

\$25

10:30-1:30pm

**We love our expanded class calendar!  
So many events and classes to choose from!**

## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (2 of 7)



### Let There Be Chocolate! 46"x56" Begins February 15, 2012 8 month BOM

A sweet, yummy quilt to celebrate chocolate for every day of the week! Seven blocks depict a different treat each day, and the eighth and final pattern details how to sew them all together and add the borders. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample.

You will receive all fabric to complete the quilt top, borders and binding. Backing is not included.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99  
(non-refundable) + \$29.99  
per month for 8 months.**

First month will be charged \$59.98 and remaining 7 months will be charged \$29.99.

U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per month.

## FUSIBLE I

Angelyn Anderson

There are so many fantastic fusible web projects available! Learn the difference between the fusible products and create a simple fusible web wall hanging with the kit designated on the supply list. This class will give you a sampling of this technique to see if you love it as much as Angelyn does.

Saturday, March 24

Beginner

\$40

12:00-3:00pm

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Marcia Brown

All Levels

\$25 each session

Treat yourself to a fiber-rich diet of fabric strips and breakfast recipes each month! Every month, Marcia will bring a delicious breakfast dish and recipe for you to enjoy. We'll have the coffee on and the doors open at 8:30am. Bring a breakfast item and a copy of your recipe. Marcia will compile all of the recipes and at the end of the year, organize them into a recipe book. You will LOVE how easy it is to complete a quilt each month. This is a one-of-a-kind quilt of the month series that you don't want to miss! It is best to sign up early to reserve your space! The class fills up quickly!

Thursday, March 29

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, April 26

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, May 31

9:00-2:00pm

Thursday, June 28

9:00-2:00pm

## SEW CREATIVE EVENT

Sara, Enjoli, & Angelyn

All Levels

\$30

We are going to play on the Bernina sewing machines! All the supplies, kits and machines are provided! We'll be making a fun, embellished bag with monograms and ribbons. You'll leave with a completed project! We will have all sorts of pricing specials on machines, embroidery supplies, stabilizers and accessories for this event! Sign up with your friends and come to our party!

Friday, March 30

6:00-9:00pm

## LOVE MY 830

Sara, Enjoli, & Angelyn

All Levels

FREE for 830 owners

This class is for Bernina 830 owners only. We want to show our appreciation by offering a FREE class just for you! We will show lots of the fun features and accessories that your machine is capable of doing by creating a table runner and quilting in the hoop. All your supplies and kits will be provided. You will need to bring your machine unless other arrangements have been made prior to the event.

Saturday, March 31

2:00-5:00pm

**Our June retreat at Stillpoint Lodge filled up with a long waiting list.  
BUT...**

**Don't miss out! We have a retreat scheduled in September. Read all  
the details at the end of this newsletter.**

**NEW BLOCK of the MONTH****(3 of 7)**

**Snowpennies**  
**60" x 78"**

**Begins February 15, 2012**  
**6 month BOM**

Snowpennies is a 6 month program. You will receive 2 blocks per month.

You can combine all the "pennies", as shown, into a quilt or you can make each one into a 17" Penny Rug by adding a piece of wool felt to the back. All fabrics and wool for the blocks, background, borders and binding are included plus fusible web and dmc floss..

Backing fabric is not included.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99 (non-refundable) + \$59.99 per month for 6 months.**

First month will be charged \$89.98 and remaining 5 months will be charged \$59.99.

**U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per month.**

**April Classes****MAN'S SHIRT**

Norman Van Manen

All Levels

\$50

Make a shirt or several for the man in your life! Bring his favorite short sleeve, best fitting shirt to the first class and we'll use it to guide us as we sew another soon to become favorite shirt. Some techniques that will be taught are french seams, set in sleeves without gathering, a serger finish, top stitching and buttonholes.

Monday, April 2, 9, 16 23 &amp; 30

5:30-8:30pm

**INTRODUCTION TO BERNINA SOFTWARE V6 (part 3)**

All Levels

Prerequisite: Introduction to Bernina Software part 1 and 2

Gene Looman

\$150 +\$30 materials fee

We're off to a great start in learning all about the Bernina Software, but can you believe that there is even MORE to learn!?! We will learn how to use the Portfolio program for design management, PhotoSnap for creating unique designs, CrossStitcher to create designs that look hand stitched and the Quilter Program to create projects that use piecing and embroidery! Whew! All your needs are met in just one software program! The \$30 materials fee for this class includes a 3-ring binder and 50+ page outline for note taking and is to be paid directly to the instructor at the first class session. No class discount given on materials fee.

Monday and Wednesday, April 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 and 25

5:30-8:30pm

**STRING OF LIGHTS**

Paulette McDermott

Beginner Plus

\$55

Time to bring out those beautiful scraps and use them as the center of the stars in this lovely quilt. This class will show you how to turn squares into "floating" stars. This quilt also lends itself to a lot of creativity with added borders.

Tuesday, April 3, 10, 17 24 and May 1

5:30-8:30pm

**EMBELLISHMENTS 1~SPARKLY STUFF**

Carol Wight Jones

All Levels

\$25 + \$10 kit fee

Join this fun class and learn some interesting techniques with which to document your quilting experience. We will focus on foil and Angelina products. You will also get to play with crystals, glitter and lame'. The samples that you make in class will be a perfect reference for your future projects, or make them into a small journal quilt or wall hanging.

Wednesday, April 4

10:30-1:30pm

**WORKING WOMEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT TABLE RUNNER**

Lisa Phillips

Beginner

\$60

Do you need to practice your piecing skills, learn a new block and actually get it done? This runner can be adapted to make place mats and table runners. They are great hostess gifts showcasing four central fabrics. Just tell your significant other that you have to go to "work" and spend the evening sewing!

Wednesday, April 4, 11, 18 and 25

5:30-8:30pm



## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (4 of 7)



### Forget~Me~Not 50" x 50"

**Begins February 15, 2012**  
**10 month BOM**

This is a 10 month BOM. Sign up early~limited number of kits!

Experience a little bit of Alaska with this beautiful applique quilt. The nine blocks include flowers, birds and berries found in Alaska. The blocks have inked lettering, and a few have a little bit of embroidery. Nine 12" blocks and scallop border. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample.

This program includes all of the block fabric, borders and binding. It does not include the backing fabric.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99**  
**(non-refundable) + \$29.99**  
**per month for 10 months.**

First month will be charged \$59.98 and remaining 9 months will be charged \$29.99.

**U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per month.**

## KUSPUK

Yvonne Emery

Have you been admiring all of those kuspukus we have on display around the shoppe? Yvonne is known around town as the "Kuspuk Lady"! She's been making kuspukus for years and years and has tons of experience, plus hints and tips to make it fit just right! Learn how to select the correct pattern size, make personal adjustments, cut, construct, and embellish with purchased trim. Yvonne will also show you kopucking. Thursday, April 5, 12, 19 & 26

Beginner Plus  
\$100

5:30-8:30pm

## SIMPLE SERGER STYLE PILLOW

Sara Carmen

Have you ever wondered why you should own one? Sergers look soooo complicated! This class will teach you just how easy sergering can be by making a decorative pillow! We will provide the sergers and kits to complete this project. Friday, April 6

Beginner  
\$35

5:30-8:30pm

## FUSIBLE WEB II

Angelyn Anderson

This is an advanced fusible web class and Fusible Web I is the pre-requisite. Intricate patterns such as the Big Fork Bay bazillion piece patterns will be used in this class. Patience and preparation will be the key to a successful project. Angelyn loves this technique and has made almost all of the horse patterns that are available...really. Friday, April 6

Intermediate  
\$50

5:30-8:30pm

## NEEDLE PUNCH CLUTCH

Sara Carmen

Join us and play with the Bernina Needle Punch accessory. We will be making a super cute clutch! This clutch show you how useful and fun the needle punch accessory can be! We will provide the sewing machines and everything you need, so just come and learn about this fun technique!

Saturday, April 7

Beginner  
\$35

10:00-1:00pm

## EMBELLISHMENTS 2~THREAD PLAY & FABRIC MANIPULATIONS

Carol Wight Jones

All Levels      \$35

In this class you will learn various fun things you can do with threads, fabrics and other unique embellishments. You will learn ways to add texture to elements in you quilts. We will be playing with free motion thread work (oops, I mean play!) while creating texture for tree bark and branches.

Wednesday, April 11

10:30-1:30pm

## LEARNING MY BERNINA SOFTWARE V6

Sara Carmen

\$30 or FREE if software is purchased from SLH

Once you have purchased this amazing software you'll wonder just how you ever survived without it. In four sessions, we will go from the basic navigation to using the most advanced techniques. You will leave this class feeling that all embroidery projects that you can possibly imagine are at your finger tips.

Thursday and Friday, April, 12, 13, 19 and 20

All Levels

5:30-8:30pm

## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (5 of 7)



### Northern Wilderness 73" x 91"

**Begins February 15, 2012  
9 month program**

The Northern Wilderness quilt project is a spectacular journey that leads you through nature's wonders of the northern country. Designed by Alaskans, Mary Thompson, Heather Griffin and Marie Noah, this quilt features 16 individual applique scenes that can be assembled into a quilted masterpiece. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample. You will receive 9 monthly shipments~8 monthly block kits with 2 blocks each month, and the final Finishing Kit (includes sashing, borders & binding). The backing is sold separately.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99  
(non-refundable) + \$59.99  
per month for 9 months.**

First month will be charged \$89.98 and remaining 8 months will be charged \$59.99 each.

**U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per  
month.**

## VIRTUAL BERNINA CLUB

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

Oh this is gonna be FUN! We'll watch a presentation by a Bernina Educator and then re-create the project in a the hands-on session! Check out the details for each month at the end of this newsletter! Any machine is welcome to participate!

Friday, April 13

5:30-8:30pm

Friday, May 11

5:30-8:30pm

Friday, June 8

5:30-8:30pm

## VIRTUAL SOFTWARE SAMPLER CLUB

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

We'll be playing with the Designer Plus Software V6 program! A Bernina Educator will show step by step instructions and then we will recreate the project using our own computers! This class is for anyone who already owns Bernina Software (any level) and for those who are interested to know what it is all about! Bring your laptop and Gene will guide you through the project! Then when you go home, embroider it out and bring it back to the next class. For only \$10 a session, it is a great introduction to the world of embroidery software!

Saturday, April 14

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, May 12

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, June 9

10:00-1:00pm

## VIRTUAL ALL ABOUT ME (machine embroidery)

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

Nothing is safe from embroidery! We've had so much fun embroidering on napkins, placemats, skirts, jeans, shirts, jackets, bibs and pretty much anything that has a blank spot! This is another great virtual class where we will watch a presentation from a Bernina Educator and then Gene will facilitate a lecture/demo session on the items featured in the presentation. Gene loves Bernina and as always, is willing to share his knowledge to help you increase yours!

Sunday, April 15

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, May 13

1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, June 10

1:00-4:00pm

## JUST FOR ME

Angelyn & Enjoli

All Levels

\$20 each session

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Sunday, April 15

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, May 20

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, June 17

12:00-5:00pm

## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (6 of 7)



### Woolly Flower Sampler 44" x 52" Begins February 15, 2012 11 month

If you love wool, scrappy and a bit of embroidery, this is the block of the month for you!

Create this wonderful floral sampler using wool and flannel. All fabrics, wool, patterns, fusible web, border and dmc floss are included. Backing fabric is not included. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99 (non-refundable) + \$29.99 per month for 11 months.**

First month will be charged \$59.98 and remaining 10 months will be charged \$29.99.

**U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per month.**

## EMBELLISHMENTS 3~LEAVES

Carol Wight Jones

Embellishing is not just limited to adding stuff to your quilt. There are many things you can do with fabric that make great embellishments. In this class, you will do several exercises to learn a variety of techniques to make leaves. Add them to wall hangings, art quilts or even garments and you will have a beautiful, display of your skills.

Wednesday, April 18

All Levels  
\$25 + \$10 kit

10:30-1:30pm

## CLASSY CURVY HANDBAG

Teresa Kimmel

This is an adorable, round, pleated hand bag. The simple style is great for any occasion. There is just enough room to carry your necessary items without being too bulky. The pattern for the classy curvy handbag will be provided by the instructor in class.

Saturday, April 21

Beginner Plus  
\$45

10:00-4:00pm

## EMBELLISHMENTS~TYVEK

Carol Wight Jones

So just what is Tyvek?!? Drive by any new construction and you are likely to see it on the side of the building. And YES you can use it in your quilts! Curious?!? Carol will show you several ways to manipulate Tyvek to create a unique art embellishment.

Wednesday, April 25

All Levels  
\$25 + \$10 kit

10:30-1:30pm

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Marcia Brown

Treat yourself to a fiber-rich diet of fabric strips and breakfast recipes each month! Every month, Marcia will bring a delicious breakfast dish and recipe for you to enjoy. We'll have the coffee on and the doors open at 8:30am. Bring a breakfast item and a copy of your recipe. Marcia will compile all of the recipes and at the end of the year, organize them into a recipe book. You will LOVE how easy it is to complete a quilt each month. This is a one-of-a-kind quilt of the month series that you don't want to miss! It is best to sign up early to reserve your space! The class fills up quickly!

Thursday, April 26

Thursday, May 31

Thursday, June 28

All Levels  
\$25 each session

9:00-2:00pm

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9:00-2:00pm

## QUILT IN THE HOOP

Sara Carmen

Spend a few hours learning about Quilting with Machine Embroidery! Bring a table runner top completely pieced with a matching backing and we will provide the batting, embroidery stabilizer and some decorative thread. We will use Diane Gaudynski's feather designs to quilt it all together and we bet you'll fall in love with this Quilt in the Hoop technique.

Saturday, April 28

Beginner  
\$30

10:30-1:30pm



## NEW BLOCK of the MONTH (7 of 7)



### Happy Halloween

56" x 66"

**Begins February 15, 2012  
6 month**

All dressed up and armed with their most terrifying smiles, these adorable spooks have arrived in ghostly style for their class pictures, and are here to wish you a Happy Halloween. Be ready for the bewitching hour with these hallowed hooligans ... but don't forget the candy! During this 6-month Block-of-the-month program, you will receive 2 full size patterns, full size placement sheets, instructions, and fabrics needed to make the quilt top, including borders and binding. Backing not included. Fabrics may not be identical to the sample.

**Registration Fee: \$29.99 (non-refundable) + \$59.99 per month for 6 months.**

First month will be charged \$89.98 and remaining 5 months will be charged \$59.99.

**U.S. shipping is \$4.95 per month.**

## May Classes

### BRA MAKING 101~full banded bra

Maret Anderson

Beginner Plus

\$200~includes supplies

Tired of being poked, pinched and squeezed...by your bra I mean!!! Does your cup runneth over? When things just aren't as they should be...this is the class for you! During the first class, you will be measured and pattern adjustments made. The first bra will be your test bra, so the fitting challenges can be worked out. The second bra can be jazzed up in many ways. We have lace trims, baubles and bows to make your bra beautiful! It is amazing the savings you have when you sew your own made~just~for~you bras! Come enjoy this "uplifting experience"! Class fee includes 1 bra kit (enough materials for 2 bras) and pattern.

Wednesday, May 2 (measuring and pre-fitting~no sewing)

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, May 9

5:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, May 16

5:30-8:30pm

### PAPER PIECING DOUBLE WEDDING RING

Norman Van Manen

Intermediate

\$100

This is a traditional block made modern! We will make one traditional wedding ring from scraps first to get the swing of paper piecing and then begin in earnest to complete the rings so that you'll have most of the project completed by the end of class. Don't feel overwhelmed! You don't have to make a king size quilt!

Thursday, May 3, 10, 17, 31 and June 14, 28

5:30-8:30pm

### QUILTS OF VALOR NECK PILLOW

Jenni & Jen

All Levels

FREE

Come sew one or many neck pillows to be donated to the Quilts of Valor foundation. To learn more about this organization, read the side bar and visit their web site. <http://qovf.org/>

Saturday, May 5

10:00-5:00pm

### BEGINNING QUILT MAKING I

Lisa Phillips

Beginner

\$75

This is a great introduction to the world of quilting! Join Lisa as she teaches a four block quilt sampler. You'll learn four different blocks that feature some of the basic quilting techniques. Lisa will talk about fabric selection, rotary cutting skills, strip quilting and creating those perfect half square triangles. Plus we'll cover creating a quilt sandwich and binding techniques will be demonstrated.

Sunday, May 6, 13, 20, & 27

2:00-5:00pm

### BOY'S SHIRT

Norman Van Manen

All Levels

\$50

These shirts make wonderful additions to any young man's wardrobe! Norm will share his many years of sewing experience and acquired techniques in this class. Think holidays, birthdays, special days or just fun days! There is a fabric and shirt for every occasion.

Monday, May 7, 14, 21 and 28

5:30-8:30pm

## Introducing...the newest members of the Bernina Sewing Machine Family!

The **Bernina 580** is the entry sewing and embroidery machine. Its modern design and known quality make this a desired machine for all sewing enthusiasts.



The **Bernina 550** packs the strength and innovation needed for today's quilter



The **Bernina 530** is a feature packed machine that suits the needs of a versatile sewer.



## QUILT BLOCK TECHNIQUE SAMPLER

Enjoli Strait

Beginner

\$45

Don't want to make a big quilt with all of the same blocks? Here is a technique sampler class where four different block techniques will be taught. Put them all together to create a table runner or wall hanging or add a few extra and you will have a sampler lap top. Think of this as the salad bar of quilting...you get a taste of a lot of different things!

Tuesday, May 8, 15, 22 and 29

6:00-8:00pm

## JELLY ROLL QUILT

Debby Carter

Beginner

\$45

We love "jelly rolls" and not just the kind that are strawberry filled! These bundles of 2 1/2" strips are lovely to look at but, even better, they are totally usable and make up into fun and easy quilts! You'll have so much fun you might not be able to stop with just one! This quilt makes a wonderful lap size.

Tuesday, May 8, 15 and 22

5:30-8:30pm

## VIRTUAL BERNINA CLUB

Gene Looman

All Levels

\$10 each session

Oh this is gonna be FUN! We'll watch a presentation by a Bernina Educator and then re-create the project in a the hands-on session! Check out the details for each month at the end of this newsletter! Any machine is welcome to participate!

Friday, May 11

5:30-8:30pm

Friday, June 8

5:30-8:30pm

## VIRTUAL SOFTWARE SAMPLER CLUB

Gene Looman

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Saturday, May 12

10:00-1:00pm

Saturday, June 9

10:00-1:00pm

## JUST FOR ME

Angelyn & Enjoli

All Levels

\$20 each session

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Sunday, May 20

12:00-5:00pm

Sunday, June 17

12:00-5:00pm

## It's Our BIRTHDAY Saturday, June 2, 2012

We're having a birthday party!  
We will be celebrating 10 years!  
Can you believe it?!?!?! Mark  
your calendar because you don't  
want to miss this one! We will  
have all sorts of birthday  
specials, games and goodies

## FAT QUARTER FACTS One Fat Quarter Equals

99	2" squares
56	2 1/2" squares
42	3" squares
30	3 1/2" squares
20	4" squares
16	4 1/2" squares
12	5" squares
6	6 1/2" squares

**Good to know!**

## 108" Quilt Backings

We have wide cotton and  
beautiful batik fabrics that are  
perfect for quilt backs, table  
cloths, sheets, clothing and  
duvet covers!

It is very economical to  
purchase your fabric this way!  
No seams in the back makes a  
happy quilter!

## DECO 340 PARTY

Angelyn & Sara

Embroidery is so much fun! Come play on the Deco 340 and become addicted to embroidery! Everything is provided for you! You'll learn how to embroider and finish up the project with the serger. We will have special package pricing on machines. It doesn't matter whether you are in the market to buy, or just want to have a fun activity for Saturday morning, plan on joining us!

Wednesday, May 23

All Levels

\$30

5:30-8:30pm

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Marcia Brown

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Thursday, May 31

Thursday, June 28

All Levels

\$25 each session

9:00-2:00pm

9:00-2:00pm

## June Classes

### COLETTE BLOUSE~VIOLET

Enjoli Strait

This button-front blouse has a gentle loose fit reminiscent of the 1960s, and looks equally adorable tucked in or worn loose. The not-too-high neckline sports a sweet peter pan collar that can be embellished or modified in all kinds of creative ways. This blouse can be made with short gathered sleeves (Version 1) or mid-length sleeves that gather at the hem with elastic (Version 2). It is shaped with bust darts, and back yoke with center gathering.

Monday, June 4, 11 and 18

Beginner Plus

\$55

5:30-8:30pm

### MACHINE CARE 101~ALL BRANDS

Enjoli Strait

Anyone who sews knows that our machines are our babies! We love them dearly and hate to send them to the shop for repair. This workshop will go over how to do a basic cleaning, as well as some tips and tricks to keep your machine running beautifully between servicing. Enjoli is a certified Bernina repair technician and will give you a technicians' inside scoop to the world of sewing machine repair and care. You will not need your machine for this class and you don't have to own a Bernina to benefit from this class! Those who attend this class will be the first to hear about a new exciting service coming to Seams Like Home.

Tuesday, June 5

All Levels

\$15

6:00-7:30pm

**We'll be at the  
Alaska State Fair  
August 23-September 3!**

Our booth is double in size  
and we plan on having  
“make it~take it” parties!

We'll give our customers  
the first opportunity to sign  
up early for these events.

More information will be  
provided as the State Fair  
draws closer!

**Check out our new  
website!**

**[www.akseams.com](http://www.akseams.com)**

**Enjoli has been working  
hard to create this  
wonderful site.**

**Follow our blog and  
“like” us on Facebook!**

**We send out weekly  
emails that sometimes  
have special coupons just  
for those on our email list.**

**Now that's an incentive to  
sign up!**

## **VIRTUAL BERNINA CLUB**

Gene Looman

Oh this is gonna be FUN! We'll watch a presentation by a Bernina Educator and then re-create the project in a the hands-on session! Check out the details for each month at the end of this newsletter! Come play with us and you'll have completed monthly projects to use for any gift giving situation. Any brand, make and model of machine is welcome to participate!

Friday, June 8

All Levels

\$10 each session

5:30-8:30pm

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Saturday, June 9

All Levels

\$10 each session

10:00-1:00pm

## **MAMA MIA BAG**

Angelyn Anderson

The perfect bag with or without a baby! This deluxe bag has 8 elasticized inside pockets to hold bottles, toys, keys and a cel phone. The clutch style chnagne pad is simple to make with pockets for diapers and wipes. Fuld up and colse with velcor strap and tuck it in the bag! Very stylish! Very cool!

Tuesday, June 12, 19 and 26

Beginner

\$45

5:30-8:30pm

## **PINE RIDGE**

Teresa Kimmel

Cozy, warm and rustic, this quilt is great for those long Alaskan winters or to use in your cabin after a fun day of playing in the snow. Learn to quilt using larger size blocks that make piecing fast and fun. You'll have to make more than one because it's almost guaranteed that someone will be stealing the covers if this is on the bed!

Saturday, June 16 and 23

Beginning

\$55

10:00-4:00pm

**Block of the Month Programs may be started at any time.  
Don't let the official start date discourage you from signing up!**

**Block of the Month Programs are a great way to make an entire  
quilt top without feeling the pressure of time or money!**

**Arlene's****favorite cookie recipe**

1 package of yellow cake  
mix~any brand

1/3 cup oil

1 teaspoon of vanilla

2 eggs

12oz of chocolate chips

1 cup walnuts

Mix the cake mix , oil and  
vanilla together. Mix in the  
chocolate chips and nuts.

Scoop spoonfuls of the  
dough and roll into 1 1/2"  
balls. Place the balls 2"  
apart on an un-greased  
cookie sheet

Bake at 350 for

10-12 minutes!

Enjoy!

P.S....

Now if you were part of the  
monthly Saturday Sampler  
group, you would get to  
taste Arlene's cookies and  
other goodies without  
having to make them  
yourself!

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12:00-5:00pm

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Thursday, June 28

All Levels

\$25 each session

9:00-2:00pm

**Our Fall Class Sale dates are August 17, 18 and 19, 2012**

**Quilts of Valor Foundation**

<http://qovf.org/>

The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover ALL combat service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. This foundation is not about politics. It's about people.

Seams Like Home will be hosting a Quilts of Valor Neck Pillow event on Saturday, May 5, 10:00-5:00pm. All materials, sewing supplies and use of Bernina sewing machines will be donated by Seams Like Home.

All we ask is that you donate your time and sewing skills.

This is an all day event and is free to attend. Please sign up early so that we can make sure we can accommodate everyone. Spend the day, or a few hours sewing neck pillows to be donated to the Quilts of Valor Foundation. For more information about this foundation, please visit the website listed above.

**Thank you to all military families.**

## SLH & Solid Rock Bible Camp~Thursday, March 15-Sunday, March 18

Make time for those unfinished projects or new ideas! Linda and Cathy will host this low key, fun quilting weekend! Leave all your responsibilities and chores at home and join in the fun of our first annual SLH & Solid Rock Bible Camp Quilt Retreat! Beginners through advanced sewers are welcome!

Retreat fee is \$225 and includes lodging, bedding, meals, instruction and program fees. We'll have games, show and tell, mystery class, treats, prizes and goody bags! Mark your calendar and plan on joining Linda and Cathy in this first annual quilt retreat. Participants provide sewing supplies, transportation to Soldotna, and personal items.

Registration~Send full payment with your registration application. Upon receipt of your registration, we will send you a confirmation, program information, supply list and directions to Solid Rock Bible Camp. Limit 20 attendees.

Cancellation Policy~Cancellations received in writing at least 3 weeks before the retreat will be refunded less a \$50 registration fee. After that time, no refund will be given.

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## SLH & Solid Rock Bible Camp~Thursday, March 15-Sunday, March 18

Send registration form with payment in full to

**Seams Like Home**

**3901 Old Seward Hwy. #9**

**Anchorage, AK 99503**

**907-677-8790 phone 907-677-8791 fax**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact/s name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home/work) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (including food) or medical conditions we need to be aware of \_\_\_\_\_

Room mate preferences \_\_\_\_\_

Payment~check one

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed a check payable to Seams Like Home.

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize my Visa or Mastercard to be charged for \$225.00

Name as it appears on the card \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address if different than Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Liability Waiver and Indemnification Agreement:** I hereby agree to Indemnify Seams Like Home and Solid Rock Bible Camp from damages, and agree never to make any claim for injury, loss, or damage to me and/or my property for any reason. I acknowledge that \$50.00 of the Retreat fees is non-refundable if I cancel my retreat reservation and that 100% is not refundable if cancelled after the three week date.

signature and date \_\_\_\_\_



## SLH & Stillpoint Lodge

### Wednesday, September 5-Sunday, September 9, 2012

### Picture Piecing~Creating Dynamic Pictorial Quilts

### with Cynthia England

**Cynthia England** is our featured instructor for the Fall 2012 Stillpoint Retreat. Our first retreat filled up within the first month so if you are excited you will want to sign up soon!

Cynthia's stunning quilts have been winning 1st place ribbons at local and national quilting events since 1991 and have graced the pages of many quilting publications. Her most recognized quilt, [Piece and Quiet](#), was chosen as one of the "The Twentieth Century's Best American Quilts" in 2000. In addition to this award, Cynthia has won Best of Show twice in the IQA show at the International Quilt Festival in Houston for her quilts **Piece and Quiet**, in 1993, and [Open Season](#), in 2000.

Cynthia began quilting at the age of 13, her interest in quilting was piqued again in 1976 after seeing a display of the Texas Sesquicentennial quilts in a nearby mall. Essentially a self-taught quilter, she has made about 24 bed-sized quilts and over 70 wall quilts. Although she started with and occasionally still makes traditional style quilts, Cynthia's hallmark is realistically detailed pictorial quilts. Using skills she developed as a commercial graphic artist, she creates quilts depicting some of her favorite subjects: flowers, nature, antiques and architecture.

After using applique to get the realistic effect in her early quilts, Cynthia gradually devised a machine piecing technique she calls **Picture Piecing**. This technique breaks the design down into pieces that can all be sewn using straight seams and allows her to include intricate details and shading without a single set-in seam. Her first quilt made entirely from that technique, **Piece and Quiet**, was so successful she was inspired to continue designing with the **Picture Piecing** method.

This retreat will begin with a small project designed by Cynthia to get the basics of this technique. The pattern and kit for this project is included in the retreat fee. The following days will be filled with lectures, demonstrations and the chance to begin working on your own landscape quilt. Start sorting through your photographs to get inspiration and start collecting fabrics that look like nature!

Visit her website to [www.englishdesign.com](http://www.englishdesign.com) to learn more about this talented quilt artist!

**Stillpoint Lodge in Halibut Cove, Alaska** is a beautiful facility, which has a relaxed, informal atmosphere. It is a place where your creative soul is set free! This is the perfect setting to explore the wonders nature, not only in Cynthia England's workshop, but also during your free time. Stillpoint is the newest architectural award-winning wilderness lodge in Alaska. Visit their website, [www.stillpointlodge.com](http://www.stillpointlodge.com) to view the spectacular setting for this workshop.

Retreat fee is \$1200.00 and includes; lodging in a wonderful cabin, all gourmet meals and snacks, instruction, workshop fees, one small landscape pattern and fabric kit, kayak lessons, guided meditation, yoga lesson, transportation from Homer to Halibut Cove on the ferry, tour of Gull Rock on the noon ferry, access to the boardwalks and art galleries of Halibut Cove, gift bag full of goodies, wi-fi, sauna and use of all the lodge facilities.

Participants provide workshop supplies, sewing machines, transportation to Homer, gratuities for lodge staff, and personal items. Minimum 16 and maximum 20 participants.

**This is a great anniversary gift, birthday present or Mother's day surprise! Ask about our lay-away plan.**

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Allergies (including food) or medical conditions we need to be aware of \_\_\_\_\_

Room mate preferences \_\_\_\_\_

Payment~check one

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed a check payable to Seams Like Home for the full amount of \$1,200.

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize my credit card to be charged the full amount of \$1,200.

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize my credit card to be charged \$200 down payment now and then 5 monthly payments of \$200 each to total \$1,200 to be paid in full by August 1, 2012. SLH will contact participant to establish payment schedule.

\_\_\_\_\_ Limited single cabins are available first come for an additional \$100. Please check and add \$100 to the fee.

Name as it appears on the card \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address if different than Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Cancellation Policy**~Cancellations received in writing at least 30 days before the retreat will be refunded less a \$150 registration fee. After that time, no refund will be given. Registration may be transferred to a new person of your choice, or we may have someone on a waiting list, but you are still responsible for the \$150 non-refundable cancellation fee. The new person will send in their registration form and fee and we will refund your fee less your \$150 non-refundable cancellation fee within 2 weeks of written notification. We reserve the right to cancel your reservation and will refund your prior payments less \$150, if monthly payments are not made or if the credit card used for making monthly payments is declined.

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## **2012 Virtual Bernina Club Topics**

### **Friday, February 10, 5:30-8:30pm~A Tisket a Tasket – Create a Sewing Basket**

Begin the sewing year with this customized and useful sewing basket. Keep your sewing supplies organized at home and when you sew on the go. Incorporate your favorite sewing notions and tools into your custom basket.

### **Friday, March 9, 5:30-8:30pm~What's Your Cargo?**

Shop hands-free and look stylish with this cross-body bag. Several zipper pockets will keep everything secure and organized while the embellished areas will give you a one-of-kind accessory.

### **Friday, April 13, 5:30-8:30pm~Simple Home Kitchen**

A pound of fabric, 2 cups thread and a pinch of imagination...Refresh your home with Sweetwater's Simple Home ideas for the kitchen. You'll be enchanted by the look of these vintage-inspired accessories created with modern-day techniques.

### **Friday, May 11, 5:30-8:30pm~Accordion Mementos**

Express some of your favorite memories with needle and thread. Combine the panels to create an accordion style display with unique closure.

### **Friday, June 8, 5:30-8:30pm~Too Stylish to Sleep**

Update a bedroom with a bed runner and super-styled pillows. When a quilt is too heavy or too time-consuming, consider making the smaller, yet equally powerful bed runner and coordinating pillows. As an accent to existent bedding, it'll be easy to change seasonally when desired.

### **Friday, August 10, 5:30-8:30pm~Could it be Vera?**

Create the quilted bag wardrobe of your dreams with your hand-picked fabric choices. Incorporate your favorite quilting techniques to create a quilted bag ensemble resembling those popular boutique styles.

### **Friday, September 7, 5:30-8:30pm~Artful Centerpiece**

Create a lovely quilted centerpiece using piecing and thread painting techniques.

### **Friday, October 12, 5:30-8:30pm~A Touch of Whimsy**

Enjoy decorating your home with these whimsical pillows celebrating the seasons and styles. Learn to use your serger for some of these shabby chic styles and your sewing machine for other techniques.

### **Friday, November 9, 5:30-8:30pm~Winter Robin Appliqué**

Create this charming wall hanging of a faux postage stamp with a traditional winter theme. Create using either raw-edge appliqué - or not - and learn to use machine stitches to mimic hand work.

### **Friday, December 14, 5:30-8:30pm~Funky Organizers**

Create these adorable and artsy pouches for all your accessory storage needs. BERNINA accessories make these projects even more successful and fantastic!

## **2012 All About ME (Machine Embroidery) Virtual Club Topics**

### **Sunday, February 12, 1:00-4:00pm~Make It Snappy!**

The carry all features four “Snap Happy” pockets to organize your sewing supplies. We will also create a wallet that is just right for holding your camera or cell phone. In this class we will learn techniques for embroidering over pet screening to create see-through pockets. We will also review embroidery techniques on netting or tulle.

### **Sunday, March 11, 1:00-4:00pm~Don’t Sweat It**

Need a little something to keep you warm? Join us as we create a fun jacket that will do just that. We will discuss sweatshirts and fleece and how to embroider successfully on these fabrics.

### **Sunday, April 15, 1:00-4:00pm~Simple Home: The Baby Room and More**

In this class we will focus on an adorable ruffled pillow and wall hanging that will be perfect for anyone, not just the new baby. We will discuss gathering techniques and how to choose the proper stabilizer for your designs.

### **Sunday, May 13, 1:00-4:00pm~Holding It Together: Quilting with an Embroidery Machine**

Quilting has never been easier. We will discuss how to quilt the layers of a quilt together that will make quilting fun AND easy, AND super fast! We will review the basics of quilting in the hoop and create projects using our test samples. We will examine some different threads and needles to use when you use your embroidery machine.

### **Sunday, June 10, 1:00-4:00pm~From Head to Toe**

We will embroider head to toe as we discuss techniques for embroidering caps and slippers. We will talk about products that will work well for stabilizing caps to keep them from shifting as you embroider them. We will also make boutique slippers that are sure to please everyone. We will focus design placement.

### **Sunday, August 12, 1:00-4:00pm~Under Wraps**

Showcase your sewing hobby by creating a cover for a notebook that will be the envy of everyone in your sewing or quilting class. We will make a cover for a notebook (or an e-reader) that features some unique flap closures and some special embroidery techniques to personalize your project.

### **Sunday, September 9, 1:00-4:00pm~If You Can’t Stand the Heat ... Make a Potholder!**

Potholders are functional, but they can also be fun and decorative! We will take a look at several potholders that would be great for gifts or to spruce up your kitchen. We will discuss embroidering on hand-made chenille, and adding embroidery to an already stitched quilt block.

### **Sunday, October 14, 1:00-4:00pm~A Little or a Lot**

What’s in your bag? This class will feature a bag with lots of pockets if you carry a lot, and a bag that carries the essentials. As we embroider the projects we will discuss whether it is better to embroider before or after the pattern piece is cut out. We will see how easy it is to get the perfect binding with the BERNINA Bias Binder.

### **Sunday, November 11, 1:00-4:00pm~Thinking of You**

Create the ultimate gift, the card, the gift and the bag! We will show you unique gifts made in the hoop and show how to embroider on paper.

### **Sunday, December 16, 1:00-4:00pm~Diamonds are a Girl’s Best Friend**

We will make our own diamonds as we create a fun table runner that features unique cutting technique to create the diamonds. Use fancy fabrics for an elegant touch, or whimsical fabrics to liven your holiday table settings.

## **2012 Software Sampler Topics**

### **Saturday, February 11, 10:00-1:00pm~Digitizing Logos**

Review the digitizing process of creating embroidery designs from graphics. Digitize the Version 6 Logo for a Notebook Cover and CD case to hold your 2012 CDs & Printed Software Lessons.

### **Saturday, March 10, 10:00-1:00pm~Embroider Texture**

Digitize designs for needle punching, ribbon work and couching. Create beautiful modern designs applicable to a variety of projects. Automate the Needle Punch process and Embellish scarves, pillows bags, journal cover etc ....

### **Saturday, April 14, 10:00-1:00pm~Lettering Workshop**

Build your lettering skills and explore new techniques. Use True Type fonts to customize your projects. Lettering techniques covered will include a variety of fill effects, outlining, echo, and appliqué.

### **Saturday, May 12, 10:00-1:00pm~Appliqué Workshop**

Create beautifully embellished appliqué designs. Coordinate the appliqué with matching hemstitched trims and borders to complete the project. Create appliqué from a variety of methods, and apply a coordinating quick border with Spanish hemstitching.

### **Saturday, June 9, 10:00-1:00pm~Create Hand Look Embroidery & Doodle Stitching**

Create your own stitches to use in Embroidery Software and replicate the look of hand stitched embroidery. Great way to finish any handwork embroidery UFO's! Use cotton thread to embroider the hand look stitching on a fabric Bread Basket & Napkins, or select any of the other projects from this wonderful book.

### **Saturday, August 11 10:00-1:00pm~Embroider a Button!**

Design and produce your own custom covered buttons to use in projects, on garments, or as jewelry! Embroider a ribbonwork design, and create small embroidery designs that stitch out successfully. Digitize a ribbonwork design, and then cut it out - ready for a button - with the Cutwork Tool!

### **Saturday, September 8, 10:00-1:00pm~Mix It Up with Mixed Media**

Learn to create beautiful line work to expand your design possibilities. Combine paint colors with your stitching. Turn Zentangle doodles into spectacular embroidery. Explore a variety of Mixed Media options and create a mixed media Sidekick Sling Bag or Alice Book Bag.

### **Saturday, October 13, 10:00-1:00pm~Embroider on Photographs**

Use transfer Photo techniques to transfer your photos to fabric and use your software to create breathtaking embellished "photo appliqué." Explore collage techniques, and use Corel PhotoPaint to apply photo effects. Then appliqué and create embroidered texture on your transferred photo.

### **Saturday, November 10, 10:00-1:00pm~Embroidered Tile Technique**

Create personalized embellished fabric using the pattern stitches in the software to create your own embroidered pattern tile designs. Work with placement of repeated designs and learn to import machine stitches as well as creating your own stitch patterns in the software

### **Saturday, December 16 10:00-1:00pm~Embroider a Clock!**

Embroider a custom clock! This is a great gift idea for a business, a college student, a child's room, sports enthusiast, proud grandparent, etc. Import graphics or photos for the clock face background, then create the embroidered numbers and embellishment for the clock face.

## LEARNING MY BERNINA Classes

We want you to be completely comfortable with your Bernina sewing, embroidery and serger machine so we offer the My BERNINA series of classes FREE to customers who purchase their Bernina from Seams Like Home.

If you purchased your Bernina from a dealer other than Seams Like Home, you are welcome to attend at \$30 per class. Not all **LEARNING MY BERNINA** classes are applicable to all models. You only need to sign up for one session for each class.

### **LEARNING MY BERNINA 1~Basic Operation~All Bernina and Bernette Models**

Tuesday, January 10 11:00-2:00pm  
 Wednesday, January 25 5:30-8:30pm  
 Friday, February 3 11:00-2:00pm  
 Tuesday, February 7 5:30-8:30pm  
 Saturday, March 10 10:00-1:00pm  
 Friday, March 23 5:30-8:30pm  
 Wednesday, April 18 11:00-2:00pm  
 Wednesday, May 9 5:30-8:30pm  
 Saturday, May 26 10:30-1:30pm  
 Saturday, June 2 10:30-1:30pm  
 Monday, June 11 5:30-8:30pm

### **LEARNING MY BERNINA 2~Stitch Fun**

Thursday, January 12 11:00-2:00pm  
 Thursday, January 26 5:30-8:30pm  
 Wednesday, February 15 11:00-2:00pm  
 Friday, February 24 5:30-8:30pm  
 Tuesday, March 13 11:00-2:00pm  
 Wednesday, March 28 5:30-8:30pm  
 Sunday, April 22 12:30-3:30pm  
 Thursday, April 26 11:00-2:00pm  
 Thursday, May 10 5:30-8:30pm  
 Sunday, May 27 12:00-3:00pm  
 Saturday, June 2 2:00-5:00pm  
 Wednesday, June 13 5:30-8:30pm

### **LEARNING MY BERNINA 3~Creative Options**

Wednesday, January 18 5:30-8:30pm  
 Tuesday, February 28 5:30-8:30pm  
 Wednesday, March 21 5:30-8:30pm  
 Friday, April 27 5:30-8:30pm  
 Wednesday, May 16, 5:30-8:30pm  
 Thursday, June 7 5:30-8:30pm



## LEARNING MY BERNINA Classes Continued

### LEARNING MY BERNINA EMBROIDERY~Beginnings

Saturday, January 7 10:00-4:00pm  
 Friday, February 10 10:00-4:00pm  
 Thursday & Friday, March 1 & 2 5:30-8:30pm  
 Saturday, April 14 10:00-4:00pm  
 Saturday, May 19 10:00-4:00pm  
 Saturday, June 23 10:00-4:00pm

### LEARNING MY BERNINA OVERLOCK 1~The Basics

Sunday, February 26 12:00-3:00pm  
 Sunday, March 25 2:00-5:00pm  
 Sunday, April 29 2:00-5:00pm  
 Thursday, May 24 5:30-8:30pm  
 Sunday, June 24 12:30-3:30pm

### LEARNING MY BERNINA OVERLOCK 2~Serging Ahead Techniques

Saturday, March 31, 10:00-1:00pm  
 Friday, May 25 5:30-8:30pm

### LEARNING MY BERNINA SOFTWARE V6~Part 1

Thursday and Friday, April 12, 13, 19 and 20 5:30-8:30pm

**Whew...and you thought you were “just” buying a machine!**

Any of the staff members at Seams Like Home can help with your buying decision! To learn more about these amazing machines visit the website to compare models.

[www.berninausa.com](http://www.berninausa.com)

### Bernina Fun Facts

First hemstitching machine invented by Friedrich Gegauf in 1893.  
 It's the **only** family owned sewing machine company in the world  
 ~that's over 119 year history!

