

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

For February 2018 Guild Meeting

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"Happy New Year" ... It's going to be a great year in quilting.

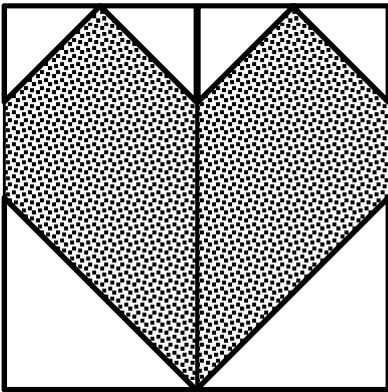
We ended last year giving one bundle of "Log Cabin" blocks each to Dana Cox, Catherine Drace, Sue Lagerborg, Susan MacVicar, and Georgan Zieres. Congratulations to the winners!! And, thanks to all who participated. Your continued support of this program keeps it going month after month after month.

The January Block is "Bow Tie". It is a very easy block and will finish at six inches. Use a white background fabric and a thirties print or small print for the bow tie. This block is to be submitted at the January meeting. Please see the website for complete details.

The block for February is a simple "Heart". This, too, will be a 6" block finished. Use a white or cream background and any red or pink for the heart. The heart can be made from the same fabric or two different ones. Please use a good quality 100% cotton. Use a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Upon completion your block must measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square unfinished.

BLOCK CONSTRUCTION:

1. Cut two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles from the heart fabric(s).
2. Cut four 2" squares and two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares from the background fabric. On the wrong side, draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite corner on each of these squares.
3. Align a 2" square right side down in the upper left hand corner of one of the rectangles with the marked line oriented as shown. Sew a seam on the marked line. Trim away the excess fabric leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press the seam open or to one side.
4. Sew a 2" square to the upper right side of the rectangle positioning the marked line as shown. Sew on the marked line and



trim the excess fabric leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press the seam open or to one side.

5. In the same way, sew a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square to the bottom of the rectangle positioning the marked line in the direction shown. Again, trim the excess fabric and press the seam open.
6. Repeat with the remaining rectangle, with one difference - the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square must mirror image the first rectangle.
7. Sew the two heart blocks together vertically to complete the block as shown.
8. Give your block a final press. Be sure it measures $6\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished. Bring this block to the February meeting.

HERE'S HOW BLOCK OF THE MONTH WORKS...

Complete up to five blocks. Return the completed block(s) for this month to the Block of the Month table at the meeting and, for each block you make, your name is put into a drawing. Before the end of the meeting, one or more names will be drawn and the winner(s) win the blocks to take home and use as you like. Join in the fun...it only takes one to win!!