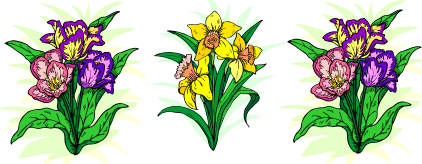




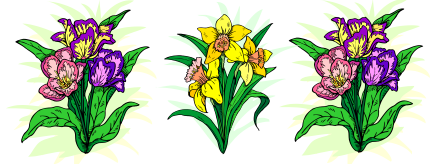
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April 2011 Newsletter



At a Glance: *Classes With* *Mary Buvia*

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Advanced Free Motion
Quilting, April 9th,
12:00 noon – 3 pm

Invisible Appliqué
April 23rd,
11:00 am – 4:00 pm

May:

Advanced Free Motion
Quilting, May 7th,
12:00 noon – 3 pm

Beginning Free
Motion Quilting, May
21st and May 28th,
11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Mary Buvia's Quilt Wins Best of Show

Congratulations are in order for Mary Buvia! At the Indiana Heritage Quilt Show, in Bloomington, Indiana, this past March 3-5, our quilting teacher, Mary Buvia, won best of show for her Christmas quilt entitled "The Loading Dock." It is definitely a sight to behold with Santa's elves working hard to load toys and gifts into Santa's sleigh, with most of it being hand-appliquéd! Congratulations, Mary!

We are offering two classes with Mary Buvia in April:

1. Advanced Free Motion Quilting on Saturday, April 9th, 12:00 noon – 3:00 pm
2. Invisible Appliqué on Saturday, April 23rd, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Mary Buvia is a nationally-known quilter whose original quilts have won more than 30 awards in major competitions, including a recent first place award at the Houston International Quilt Festival. She has been quilting for 18 years, machine quilting for 11 years, and has taught machine quilting and appliqué for 10 years. She was featured in the August issue of *Quilt Life* magazine. Her classes are limited to ten students. When purchasing materials for Mary's class, participants will receive a 10% discount.

Invisible Appliqué with Mary Buvia

This class will be held on **April 23rd, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm** and is designed for the quilter who wants to learn how to stitch with this award-winning method of invisible appliqué. The class includes hands-on preparation, cutting, and stitching. This technique can be used for either machine stitching or hand stitching appliqués to background fabric. The machine stitching technique will be learned in class. A full-size original pattern is provided by the instructor and included in the class fee.

Minimum of 4 students. Class fee .. \$55

Class Supply List: sewing machine in good working order (please bring your owner's manual); appliqué foot; free motion quilting foot; zig-zag (wide slot) throat plate; small, sharp scissors to cut both freezer paper and fabric; new size 12 topstitch; 2 sheets of 20" x 20" freezer paper; 3 sheets 8 ½" x 11" tracing paper or thin sketch paper for tracing pattern; mini-iron and portable ironing surface; appliqué glue with long, thin-tip applicator, spray starch (bottle of Sew Stable, preferred); small chisel-tip ½" paint brush for applying starch or Sew Stable to the edges of appliqué; short, straight pins; Superior Mono-Poly invisible thread or Superior Silk thread to match fabric; fabrics, 2 pieces of 16" – 18"

light colored fabric for background and backing, 3 or 4 values of orange fabric for the pumpkin, 3 or 4 values of green fabric for the pumpkin cap and stem, black fabric for the eyes, mouth, and nose of the pumpkin;

**** There will also be two irons and two ironing boards available in the classroom, for those of you who do not have a mini-iron.**

Advanced Free Motion Machine Quilting with Mary Buvia:

The Advanced Free Motion Quilting Class is a 3-hour class, held on April 9th, noon – 3 pm, designed for the quilter with some free-motion quilting experience. The Beginning Free Motion Machine Quilting Class is a pre-requisite. Designs and background studies are given in a full-size, clearly drawn permanent pattern. Samples are available for your viewing in the shop. April's class will focus on borders and how to mirror borders in quilt's corners.

Minimum of 4 students. Class fee ... \$45

Class Supply List: sewing machine in good working order; free motion quilting foot; walking foot (preferred) or straight-stitch foot; straight stitch, single hole throat plate is preferred; new size 12 topstitch or metallic needle; Blue water soluble marking pen, fine point (water SOLUBLE, NOT WASHOUT); scissors; flat-head straight pins; good quality thread, matching or lightly contrasting with fabric, 1 or 2 colors of thread such as Superior "Rainbows" or "So Fine"; one "sandwich" (fabric, batting, fabric) one sandwich approximate size 22" x 22" with Hobbs 80/20 batting recommended; use light-colored, solid (plain) fabric in the sandwich so that stitches may easily be seen and pattern can be seen through the fabric; "Easy Thread" hand needle for burying tails of threads; 18" or 24" quilter's plastic ruler; Machingers Quilters Gloves; pencil and paper for note-taking;

Janome's Artistic Quilter and New Machines

Introducing:

The **Artistic™** Quilter 18

A unique new long arm machine: Sensibly sized & perfectly priced!

- 3 stitching modes: Includes stitch regulation and a special mode for ruler work
- 18" arm: Finish 12" blocks and a King Size quilt
- Built-in Bobbin Winder: Wind bobbins while you sew
- Built-in Oil Reservoir: Never get oil on your quilt!
- Fixed Gooseneck Lamp: Sheds light right where you need it, and never loosens
- Hidden Cables: Encased cables mean no tangles or mess
- Improved Encoder Connection: Durable resin casing protects encoders
- All-aluminum body: Sturdy, smooth performance, and just 47 pounds



This month, Janome is introducing the new Artistic Quilter 18! We have one in our shop, stop in and will show you what it can do!

We also have other new machines in our shop that Janome is introducing:

Janome MC6300

The Janome MC6300 is a superior quality sewing machine without a lot of the extras. Janome designed the Memory Craft 6300 just for the sewist who does not require all the extras. This machine comes with memorized needle up/down, independent bobbin winder, and built-in thread cutter, but with fewer decorative stitches and buttonholes than other machines in its class. With 66 built-in stitches and 4 buttonholes this Janome Sewing machine offers the basics necessary for all types of sewing with 9" of sewing space. The Janome MC6300 is the perfect professional sewing machine for any project.



Janome MC6300 features include: 63 stitches, 4 buttonholes, LCD screen, Maximum sewing speed 1,000spm, 700spm zig zag, Speed Control Slider, Arm and bed space: 9" x 5," Visible pressure gauge, Jam-proof, magnetic, top-loading full-rotary hook system, Independent motor for bobbin winding, Automatic thread cutter with memory capability, Front access feed dog up/down, Adjustable stitch width from 0-7mm, Adjustable stitch length from 0-5mm, Knee lift, Large extension table

Janome DC5100



The Janome DC5100 is a powerful machine for all of your sewing needs. 167 built-in stitches, including an alphabet and 5 one-step buttonholes gives you all the stitches you need for any project. You'll find a wide range of features including an LCD screen, touchpad for easy navigation, and a memorized needle up/down button. The Janome DC5100 sewing machine is equipped for a wide range of sewing applications with drop feed, memory capability, and automatic thread tension control. This is one handy little machine with the Alphabet included which is not

found on many mid range sewing machines.

Janome DC5100 features include: 167 built-in stitches, including Alphabet; 5 one-step buttonholes; Automatic thread tension control (dial type); Built-in needle threader; Drop feed; Locking stitch button; Speed control slider; Memory capability up to 50 patterns; 7mm maximum stitch width; 5mm maximum stitch length; Hard Cover included

Janome DC2011



The Janome DC2011 gives you legendary Janome quality and speed at a great price. The DC2011 brings the features you need to complete any project: home dec, garment sewing, scrapbooking, or quilting. Fifty stitches, including three buttonholes, give essential variety for your diverse sewing needs. The Janome DC 2011 sewing machine also includes many features you only find on a high end machine. This gives

Janome DC2011 features include: 50 stitches, including 3 buttonholes; Auto-Lock; Up/Down needle position buttons; Auto-Declutch bobbin winder; Stitch number, width, and length buttons; Direct stitch selection buttons; Fully Automatic sensor buttonhole; Convertible free arm for circular sewing; SFS (superior feed system); Built-in needle threader; Reverse Stitch button; Speed control slider

Janome HD3000



The Janome HD-3000 is a heavy duty mechanical machine, perfect for a beginner or that seasoned sewist who does not require an electronic machine. A handy instructional guide is located in the top tray door of the machine, which indicates the feet and stitch settings for a variety of sewing tasks, this makes choosing the perfect foot easy. With the Heavy Duty aluminum body and 18 stitches, including a one-step buttonhole give you the tools you need to handle any kind of sewing project. Stitch length and width

adjustment are conveniently located on the front of the machine, and a hard cover comes standard for easy storage. This is one great machine for alterations, quilting, or just going to class.

Janome HD3000 features include: 19 stitches; One-step buttonhole; Built-in needle threader; 7-piece feed dog; Free Arm; Drop feed; Stitch selection dial; Foot pressure adjustment; Horizontal, full rotary hook bobbin system; Heavy-Duty frame; Hard cover included

Used Machines

If you are interested in purchasing a used machine, we have a MC9700, a MC6600, and a MC6500 for sale. Stop in the shop and talk to us about prices.

Dakota Collectibles



Dakota Collectibles

Don't forget our dealer number for Dakota Collectibles is #3387, so if you order and download designs from the Dakota website, please enter our dealer number along with your order. The Dakota Collectibles website is: <http://www.dakotacollectibles.com/>

If you want to order collections from the website, please let us know. We can now download the design collections you want and put them on a CD or flash drive for you. It is much faster and there are no shipping charges!

Stop in the shop and browse through the new Dakota Collectibles Embroidery Design Collections. There are five new collections priced at \$49.95: *Majestic Wildlife* (fifteen 5" x 7" designs), *Mystical Dragons* (fifteen 5" x 7" designs), *Simply Chocolate* (twenty 4" x 4" designs), *Cookin' Up Fun* (twenty 4" x 4" designs), and *Pretty Pansies* (twenty 4" x 4" designs). Three collections are currently priced at \$19.95: *Four Seasons*, *Applique 2*, and *American Pride*. Two of the licensed *GM* sets of designs, *Muscle Cars of the 60's and 70's* and *Classic Cars of the 50's*, are on sale for \$39.95 (regular price is \$69.95).



Embroida Block Goose Tracks



We are offering classes for the Hoop Sisters Embroida Block of the Month, "Goose Tracks." The class will be offered at the end of the "Embroidery Essentials" class each month, at 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm. We are currently focusing on Month 2. The cost is \$10 per month. Persons wanting to participate in this Block of the Month project may also choose to come monthly during any of the Tuesday or Thursday Sewing Café times. Participants will be given printed directions and the embroidery designs each month, which can be copied to a flash drive or to a CD. A demonstration of the techniques used each month is also provided.

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginning to advanced machine embroidery

Embroidery Essentials

April's Embroidery Essentials meeting is Monday, April 11th, at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Anyone interested in machine embroidery is welcome to attend. Participants can share projects they have been working on and then the topic of the class will focus on a demonstration of the new Janome "Artistic Suite" software and using the cutting needles. Notes and handouts will also be provided. Class fee ... \$5

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginning to advanced machine embroidery

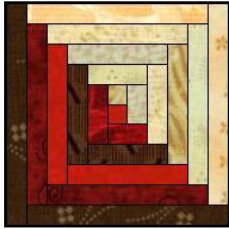
Serger Saturday

"Serger Saturday" is a class for those new to using a serger. Do you have a serger that you purchased and tucked it away in a closet after failing to thread it? Does your serger intimidate you? This class is for you. April's class will be held on April 2nd, at 9:00 am. You will practice threading your serger and setting tensions for a 4-thread overlock stitch. Participants will be making a zippered bag. Participants should bring their serger, serger manual, scissors, pins, and 4 spools of serger thread (gray or black). Notes, patterns, and handouts will be provided. Class fee \$20

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginning to advanced machine embroidery

Intermediate Serger Class



Are you comfortable with threading your serger? Have you been using it to make simple projects, but want to make more challenging projects? We are now offering an intermediate serger class. Intermediate projects for the coming year will include purses, totes, pajamas, and jackets. Pre-registration is required so we can make sure we have enough patterns and kits prepared. April's class is **Saturday, April 16th at 1:00 – 4:00 pm** and the project is a “quilt-as-you-go” table runner. Participants should bring pins, scissors, serger manual and tool kit, along with 4 spools of serger thread in neutral colors of beige, white, or gray. Class fee includes a fabric kit for the project. **Class fee ... \$35**

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Intermediate to advanced serger use

Need a Software Refresher?

Have you taken a software class at Sew Vac Central? Have you forgotten what you learned or just need to practice what you learned? If you have taken one of our software classes, you may join that same scheduled software class, if space is available. There is no charge for a “software refresher” if you have already previously paid for and taken the class.

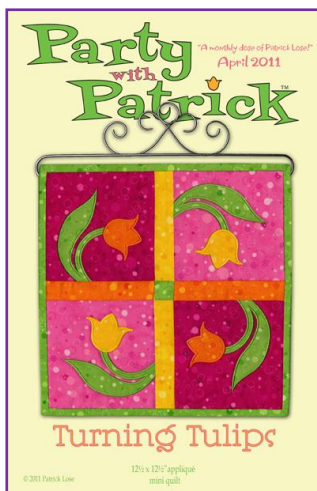
Software Made Simple

April's class will be on **Saturday morning, April 16th, at 9:00 am**. This software class will focus on creating a photo frame with 3-D flowers. using Digitizer Pro. Original art work pattern and class notes will be provided. If times permits, the created designs will be stitched out in class. **Class fee ... \$25**

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginner – Intermediate Digitizing Skill

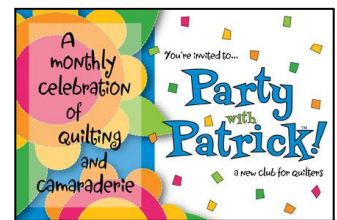
Party With Patrick



This class is taught using monthly licensed designs by Patrick Lose. He is a prolific designer and is probably most well known for his very successful and long-running collections of fabric from Timeless Treasures, Robert Kaufman Fabrics, and Moda which include his trademark marbled solids which are trendsetters in the industry. Every month, there's a new quilted project designed by Patrick Lose, which can be finished quickly, along with Patrick's recipes related to the project. These projects are great for those wanting to learn how to quilt or do appliqué by machine. Occasionally, there are machine embroidery designs available to complete the project. The “Party With Patrick” activity includes a kit to make the project. We have several “Party With Patrick” samples in our store if you would like to see them. April's “Party With Patrick” project is an appliquéd wall hanging, called “Turning Tulips.” The class is scheduled for **Monday, April 25th, at 2 pm and 6 pm**. **Class fee ... \$20**

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginner – Intermediate



Basics of Digitizer Class

We will be offering an intensive three-day class, **April 20th – 22nd**, for learning the basics of using Digitizer Pro MB, version 3. If you are already comfortable using the basics of Digitizer, this is not the class for you, unless you want a refresher course. Persons taking the class should be knowledgeable in the use of their own laptops and should have the most up to date version of Digitizer Pro MB, version 3 installed on their laptops. If you have not installed the software and need help, we will be available in the shop to help you install it on your laptop and get it operating with your dongle. There is a \$20 technology fee for this service, but is free if you purchased the software from us. **Pre-registration is required and the class size is limited to 10 persons.** Folders with class notes, along with a CD of all files used in the class will be provided. It is highly recommended that persons taking the class have a wired mouse, as using the laptop touchpad is quite awkward in working with the Digitizer software. A wireless mouse is NOT recommended as it interferes with some of the software functions.

Class fee . . . \$249.00 (\$125 if Digitizer software was purchased from Sew Vac Central)

Morning sessions, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Lunch 12:30 noon – 1:30 pm, on your own

*** You may bring your lunch or eat at any of the restaurants that are nearby

(Steak & Shake, Arby's, Panda Express, O'Charlie's, McAlister's, Denny's, etc)

Afternoon sessions, 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Don't forget to bring your dongle to class! Topics and skills covered in the class include differences between Easy Design and Easy Edit, opening and saving designs, sending designs to the embroidery machine, menus, toolbars, icons, commands, keyboard shortcuts, customizing the design window environment, selecting machine models and hoops, choosing fabrics and threads, creating a manual thread chart, using the measuring tool, automatic digitizing with clipart, selecting good clipart, troubleshooting problems with clipart, digitizing lines and shapes, decorative outlines, embossed fills, motifs, creating motifs, when to use the visualizer, multiple hoopings, basic lettering, printing templates and layouts, manual digitizing, using the reshape tool, and troubleshooting problems with digitized designs.

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginner Digitizing Skill

Sewing Café: Finish those UFO's!



Do you have an unending stack of UFO's and need the motivation to finish them? Get away from the noise at home, come in, sit and sew for a while, and escape while sipping a soothing cup of coffee, hot tea, or hot cocoa! (Or ice tea, now that spring is quickly approaching!) You can get expert advice from an instructor with the sewing projects that are giving you difficulty and we can even create projects for you to learn a

new technique or how to use a specific foot you have never used before. If you have time, you can come in and sew on our "Memory Keepers" charity project or work on Project Linus blankets. You may bring your own machine or rent one of ours. Sewing Café is Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you want to come in to sit and sew, or get help on your own project, just drop in. If you want us to provide instruction for a specific project or create a project for you, let us know at least a week in advance.



Sit and Sew, using your own machine and materials ---- free

Sit and Sew, renting one of our machines, using your own materials ---- \$10 per hour

Sit and Sew, using your own machine, with instruction on a specific project ---- \$10 per hour

Sit and Sew, renting one of our machines, with instruction on a specific project ---- \$15 per hour



Project Linus Update:

Current Blanket Count: 59

Purse Amount: \$159

The Indianapolis Project Linus Chapter has chosen, Saturday, April 16th at Blanket Day this spring. It will be from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Back Door in Greenwood.

As a reminder, throughout the coming 2011 year, Sew Vac Central will be supporting Project Linus in a very special way. Starting with a beginning balance of \$100, we will add a \$1 each time a blanket is brought into our shop for Project Linus. Each time a person brings in a blanket for Project Linus during 2011, they will receive a ticket and their name will be added to a special drawing. In December 2011, we will have a drawing from the ticket names. The winner will receive a gift certificate from our shop, representing 50% of the money raised and the remaining 50% will be donated directly to Project Linus. We have already had a private individual donate money to help us begin this activity! We hope we will have many of you help us with this very worthy cause. We will give you an update each month in our newsletter so that you will know how many blankets we have collected.

Project Linus is comprised of hundreds of local chapters and thousands of volunteers across the United States. Each volunteer and local chapter all work together to help us achieve our mission which is to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers." Sew Vac Central is proud to participate as a drop-off site for these blankets. Information about Project Linus' national organization can be found at: <http://www.projectlinus.org>

Indianapolis and the surrounding area have a Project Linus chapter. Blankets donated to the Indianapolis chapter are given to Riley Children's Hospital's Cheer Guild, Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent, Community Hospital South, Methodist Hospital, The Little Red Door, St. Frances Hospital South, Coburn Place Safe Haven, Clarian North, The Julian Center, local police and fire departments, The Dawn Project, Community Hospital North, St. Francis Hospital, and Johnson Memorial Hospital, in Franklin, Indiana.

The Project Linus website and specific information about the requirements for making blankets can be found at: <http://www.orgsites.com/in/projectlinus/>



April 2011

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*** All classes require pre-registration, with most having a limited class size of 10.