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July 2011 Newsletter



At a Glance: Classes With Mary Buvia

July:

Beginning Free Motion
Quilting
July 16th and 23rd
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Advanced Free Motion
Quilting, July 30th,
12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

August:

Thread Choices,
August 20th,
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Advanced Free Motion
Quilting, August 27th,
12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

September:

Advanced Free
Motion Quilting,
September 17th,
12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

Invisible Appliqué
September 24th,
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Our shop will be closed Monday July 4th in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Mary Buvia's July Classes & A Special Congratulations!

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 recently completed thread certification with Superior Threads.

She is now one of the few esteemed quilters in the United States who have been presented with the "Master Quilt" award, which she recently received for her quilt, "[The Loading Dock.](#)" Congratulations, Mary! Her work has been featured in several quilting magazines.

Her classes are limited to ten students. When purchasing materials for Mary's class, participants will receive a 10% discount.

We are offering two classes with Mary Buvia in July:

1. Beginning Free Motion Quilting on Saturday, July 16th and 23rd, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
2. Advanced Free Motion Quilting on Saturday, July 30th, 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

Beginning Free Motion Machine Quilting with Mary Buvia:

The Beginning Free Motion Class is a two-part class designed for the beginning quilter or persons wanting to learn how to do free-motion quilting. Participants benefit from the provided 8-page informative hand-out, which has a feather quilting design included. An easy, five-step approach is taught, which is helpful for understanding this quilting technique. There will be a complete discussion on the use of threads, needles, batting, and fabric preparation. The class is conducted in two, 4-hour sessions, one week apart, with a total of 8 hours of instruction.

Class fee ... \$80

Class Supply List: sewing machine in good working order; quilting or darning foot that has a circular shape and allows fabric to move when presser foot is in the down position; dropped feed dogs (some machines may have a plate to cover the feed dogs); straight stitch, single hole throat plate is recommended; new size 12 topstitch or metallic needle; scissors; flat-head straight pins; good quality thread; one “sandwich” (fabric, batting, fabric) approximate size 22” x 36” or larger with Hobbs 80/20 batting recommended; use light-colored, solid (plain) fabric in the sandwich so that stitches may easily be seen; Machinger’s Quilters Gloves; pencil and paper for note-taking

Advanced Free Motion Machine Quilting with Mary Buvia:

The Advanced Free Motion Quilting Class is a 3-hour class, held on **Saturday, July 25th, 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. June’s class will focus on learning how to make and incorporate circles into free motion quilting designs.

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;

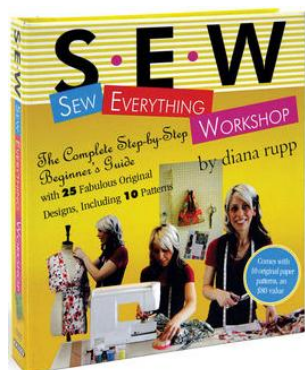
Understanding Thread Choices, with Mary Buvia:

In August, Mary will be teaching an exciting new class! This class will be held on Saturday, August 20th, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. This new class is a complete guide to understanding Superior Threads. Not only is Mary an award-winning quilter, she is now a Superior-certified Threadologist! How’s that for a title? Class participants will enjoy experimenting with a complete “Thread Bar” of Superior Thread types and colors, using their own sewing machines. Mary’s samples will demonstrate uses and suggestions for all thread choices. This is a “Try Before You Buy” opportunity to help participants make proper choices of threads for their sewing or quilting projects.

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

Class Supply List: sewing machine in good working order that you are comfortable using; please bring owner’s manual, power cord, and foot pedal; Topstitch size #12/80 sewing machine needles; Metallica size #12/80 sewing machine needles; solid color fabric approximately 20” X 20”; two fabric sandwiches (fabric/batting/fabric) 20” X 20”; flat-head straight pins; scissors; water soluble blue marking pen (Clover fine tip is the best choice) for marking any designs you may wish to stitch; light weight tear-away stabilizer (not plastic film); wide slot zig-zag throat plate; single-hole throat plate, if you have one;

Summer Sewing Camp, July 25-29



We will be offering a five day, summer sewing camp for ages 9 to 16, **July 25th to 29th**. There will be a morning session and an afternoon session. Each session will be limited to six participants. Activities for the camp are designed to teach beginning sewing skills. The daily schedule for the morning session will be 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, while the afternoon session will be 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. A snack will be provided during both mid-sessions. Sewing machines will be provided for the participants. A basic sewing kit is required, but if participants do not have a kit, the necessary items are available for purchase at the shop. Fabric, patterns, and notions needed for the projects will be provided. Participants may select their favorite fabrics for completion of projects. The book “Sew Everything Workshop” will be included in the class.

Activities for the summer camp will include learning about the parts of a sewing machine, sewing machine safety, threading the machine, winding the bobbin, straight stitching, sewing in reverse, cutting and pinning fabric, hand stitching, sewing on buttons, and the completion of projects with homework assignments (tote bag, pillow, pillowcase, book cover, pajama pants or skirt). Projects are subject to change based on the age and interests of the participants.

Class fee \$210

Basic sewing kit: medium-sized pair of sharp scissors for cutting fabric, straight pins, seam ripper, neutral colors of sewing thread (white, beige, light gray, navy), hand sewing needles, measuring tape

Used Machines

If you are interested in purchasing a used machine, we currently have only one remaining MC9700 for sale. It is a sewing and embroidery machine. Stop in the shop to see it and talk to us about price.

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!

Dakota Collectibles

Dakota has new collections which include a new North American Wildlife Series #2 with ten 4" x 4" and ten 5" x 7" designs, All American with twenty 4" x 4" patriotic designs, Flower Arrangement with twenty 4" x 4" floral designs, Scenic Touches with twenty 4" x 4" landscape designs, Appliqué Butterflies with fifteen 5" x 7" designs, and Blooming Beauty Quilt with fifteen 5" x 7" quilted floral embroidery designs.

Stop in the shop and browse through the Design Collections that are on sale this quarter. There are five collections that are on sale for \$19.95: Playful Penguins (twenty 4" x 4" designs), Christmas Traditions (twenty 4" x 4" designs), Christmas Snowmen (twenty 4" x 4" designs), Christmas Snow People (twenty 4" x 4" designs), and Gunold Heirloom (thirty designs).



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 5.** 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

July's Embroidery Essentials meeting is **Monday, July 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 topics of the class will focus on a demonstration of a continuous cross-stitch border made with Digitizer Pro. This is an embroidery design that Teresa has created with Digitizer. Notes and handouts will be provided and participants will receive the embroidery design file, as well. **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. July’s class will be held on **July 2nd, at 9:00 am**. You will practice threading your serger and setting tensions for a rolled hem. Participants will be making patriotic picnic napkins. Participants should bring their serger, serger manual, scissors, pins, and 1 spool regular serger thread and two spools of Superior Polyarn (or wooly nylon) in either red or blue. Notes, patterns, and handouts will be provided. Class fee includes the kit to complete the project.

Class fee \$20

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginning to intermediate serger skills

Software Made Simple

July’s software class will be **July 9th, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon**. This software class will focus on creating an embroidery design of an eagle, learning how to layer stitches to form the eagle’s feathers, using Digitizer Pro. Art work 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

Customizer 11000

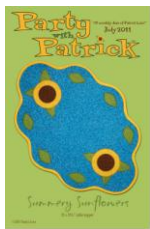
On **Friday, July 15th, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm**, we will be offering an all day software class for learning to use Customizer 11000. Customizer 11000 is an older program, which Digitizer Jr. has replaced. However, many of you still have Customizer and have told us that you would like to learn how to use it. Even though Customizer 11000 is an older program, there are still things you can do with it that you cannot do with Digitizer Jr. The requirement for the class is that you bring your laptop with the most current version of Customizer 11000 installed on your laptop. New updates have recently been added to the Janome website which make Customizer 11000 compatible with Windows Vista and Windows 7. A folder with notes and a CD of practice files will be provided to each person taking the class.

Class fee ... \$60

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginner – Intermediate Digitizing Skill

Party With Patrick



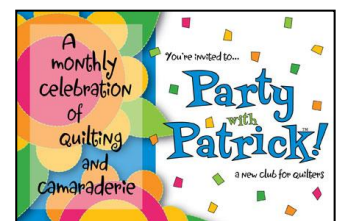
This class is taught using monthly, licensed designs by Patrick Lose. He is a prolific designer and is probably most well known for his very successful and long-running collections of fabric from Timeless Treasures, Robert Kaufman Fabrics, and Moda which include his trademark marbled solids which are 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. July’s “Party With Patrick” project is an appliquéd table topper with bright sunflowers. The class is scheduled for **Monday, July 18th, at 2 pm and 6 pm**.

Class fee ... \$20

Teacher: Teresa Huckleberry

Skill Level: Beginner – Intermediate



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 summer is here!) 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 a 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: 73

Purse Amount: \$173

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/>

Sew Vac Central's Class Policy

Registration: All classes require pre-registration, with most having a limited class size of 10. Full payment required when registering for a class. Registration is accepted in person at each shop location, Indianapolis and Crawfordsville, or by phone (317)228-0929 in Indianapolis and (765)362-7360 in Crawfordsville. Most class fees are for instruction only. Patterns, fabrics, and supplies are to be purchased separately unless otherwise stated in the class description.

Cancellations: If a class is cancelled due to low enrollment, you will be notified 2 days (48 hours) prior to class day and issued a full refund of class fees. If a class is cancelled due to inclement weather or teacher illness, we will notify you as soon as possible. If we are unable to reschedule the class in a timely manner, we will then issue a full refund of class fees. If you cancel your registration, a full refund of class fees will be issued if you notify us no later than 3 days prior to class day. Refunds will NOT be issued with less than three days notice. Class fee refunds do NOT include any fabrics, kits, patterns, or supplies that you purchased for the class.

Additional Information: We support and comply with copyright laws. Books and patterns required for a specific class cannot be copied. Each person must purchase their own copy.

Please come to class with your sewing machine or serger in good working order. If your sewing machine or serger is new to you or you are not fully comfortable with your machine, please bring your sewing machine or serger manual with you to class.

Placing your name on your personal sewing supplies will help to make sure supplies are returned to the proper owner.

We request that children and non-paying guests not attend a class with you. Our hope is that the non-paying guest will join you and sign up to take the class with you.

As a courtesy to anyone who may have allergies or sensitivities to strong scents, we ask you to be aware of this and not use such products when coming to a class.

We thank you for your cooperation and understanding in the policies listed above.

We welcome your ideas and suggestions for future classes you would like for us offer.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 <i>Serger Saturday Beginning Serger 9:00 am – 12:00 noon</i>
3	4 <i>Store Closed Happy Independence Day!</i>	5 <i>Sewing Café 10:00 am to 6:00 pm</i>	6	7 <i>Mary Buvia Beginning Free Motion Quilting 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Part 1 (Class full)</i>	8	9 <i>Software Made Simple 9:00 am to 12:00 pm</i>
10	11 <i>Embroidery Essentials 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm</i>	12 <i>Sewing Café 10:00 am to 6:00 pm</i>	13	14 <i>Sewing Café 10:00 am to 6:00 pm</i>	15 <i>Customizer Software Class 10:00 am to 5:00 pm</i>	16 <i>Mary Buvia Beginning Free Motion Quilting 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Part 1</i>
17	18 <i>Party With Patrick 2:00 & 6:00 pm</i>	19 <i>Sewing Café 10:00 am to 6:00 pm</i>	20	21 <i>Mary Buvia Beginning Free Motion Quilting 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Part 2 (Class full)</i>	22	23 <i>Mary Buvia Beginning Free Motion Quilting 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Part 2</i>
24 31	25 <i>Sewing Camp 9:00 am or 1:00 pm</i>	26 <i>Sewing Camp 9:00 am or 1:00 pm</i>	27 <i>Sewing Camp 9:00 am or 1:00 pm</i>	28 <i>Sewing Camp 9:00 am or 1:00 pm</i>	29 <i>Sewing Camp 9:00 am or 1:00 pm</i>	30 <i>Mary Buvia Advanced Free Motion Quilting 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm</i>