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August
 2011
 Newsletter



At a Glance:
 Classes With
 Mary Buvia

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

Indiana State Fair, August 5 - 21

Stop in and see us at the Indiana State Fair at the Exposition Hall, Booth 308! We will have special State Fair pricing for our Janome machines. We hope to see you at the fair!

*2nd Annual Indy ASG Expo, August 25-27, 2011
 Thurs 12-6; Fri 10-6; Sat 10-4*

We will also have a booth at the Indianapolis American Sewing Guild Expo, which will be at the Primo Banquet Hall & Conference Center, 2615 National Ave., in Indianapolis.

Cost:

Members
 \$5 / day; \$12 for all 3 days (advance sale)
 Non-Members
 \$6 day; \$15 for all 3 days (advance dale)

Features:

National & Local Vendors/Teachers; Reasonably priced classes; Lecture/Demos; Stage Presentations; Trunk Shows; Food available for purchase on site; Plenty of Free Parking; Easy access from I-65;

For more information about the Indianapolis American Sewing Guild and Expo, visit these web sites:

<http://www.asg.org/>

<http://www.indyasg.org/>

Quilting Services Offered in Our Crawfordsville Shop

We are now offering quilting services in our Crawfordsville Shop. Quilt tops can also be dropped off in our Indianapolis Shop, to be taken to Crawfordsville for completion. The charge for all over quilting with free-hand or pantograph designs is 1.5 cents per square inch of the quilt. Approximate prices for standard quilt sizes are as follows:

Crib	36 X 60	\$32.40
Twin	63 X 87	\$82.22
Full	78 X 87	\$101.79
Queen	84 X 92	\$115.92
King	100 X 92	\$138.00

Mary Buvia's Quilt to be Featured in "Quilt Life" Magazine

Don't forget to look in September's issue of Quilt Life magazine for a two-page spread of her Christmas quilt, "[The Loading Dock.](#)" This is the first time Quilt Life magazine has ever devoted a two-page spread to a single quilt. Congratulations, Mary!

Mary Buvia's August Classes

We are quite fortunate to have Mary Buvia teaching quilting classes at our Sew Vac Central. 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 and several awards at the NQA in Columbus, Ohio. 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 25 esteemed quilters in the United States who have been presented with the "Master Quilt" award, which she recently received for her Christmas quilt, "[The Loading Dock.](#)" Her work has been featured in several quilting magazines.

We are offering two classes with Mary Buvia in August:

1. [Thread Choices](#) on Saturday, August 20th, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
2. [Advanced Free Motion Quilting](#) on Saturday, August 27th, 12:00 noon – 3:00 pm

Advanced Free Motion Machine Quilting with Mary Buvia:

The Advanced Free Motion Quilting Class is a 3-hour class, held on [Saturday, August 27th, noon – 3 pm](#), designed for the quilter with some free-motion quilting experience. The Beginning Free Motion Machine Quilting Class is a prerequisite. Designs and background studies are given in a full-size, clearly drawn permanent pattern. Samples are available for your viewing in the shop. [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;

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

BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE !!!

This quarter, Dakota has several collections that are specially priced with **BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE**. The following collections are included in this sale: Christmas Cutwork, Bedtime Critters Appliqué, Bee'z, Everything Roses, Country Craft Fringe, Perfect Paisley, Pretty in Paisley, Travel in Style, Floral Cutwork Elegance, Cutwork Butterflies and More, Embossed Embroidery Variety Collection, and Christmas Appliqué.





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 6. 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

August's Embroidery Essentials meeting is **Monday, August 8th, 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 demonstrations of embroidered bobbin work using files Teresa has made with Digitizer Pro. 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*

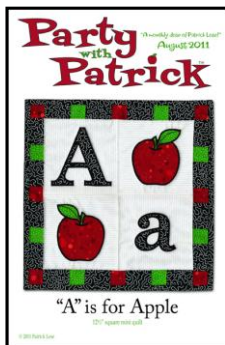
Software Made Simple

August's software class will be **August 13th, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon**. This software class will focus on creating an embroidery design of an eagle, learning techniques with lettering and monogramming, 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**

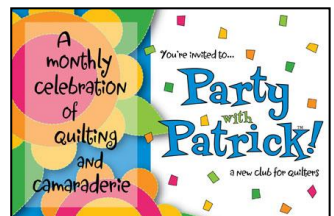
Teacher: *Teresa Huckleberry*

Skill Level: *Beginner – Intermediate Digitizing Skill*

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. August's "Party With Patrick" project is an appliquéd wall-hanging, perfect for the beginning of school. The class is scheduled for **Monday, August 29th, 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: 80

Purse Amount: \$180

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/>

A Letter of Thanks to Project Linus

If you are not sure what impact your blanket will make, please read this "Thank You" letter that Project Linus received a few weeks ago:

It has been 6½ weeks since the F5 tornado hit Joplin. This has been a time of deep tragedy, loss, laughter, total confusion, extreme highs and extreme lows. I want to thank all of you who sent boxes of blankets. They were wonderful. Today, the last of the big boxes, I think from Van Nuys, "left the building"!! Blankets came from New York, Florida, California, Alaska, Minnesota, Arizona ... and all a lot

of places in between! I want to tell you about a couple of instances. The tornado hit on Sunday, May 22nd. The first Sunday following that was May 29th and President Obama came to town. (All my husband and I heard of that was on TV, because he came to town at 10 am and we were in church—our church with blown out windows, no sound system, no carpeting, no the list is long.) But, the President spoke at a rally at our university football stadium. One of my Project Linus contacts for Autism called me and said that if we had a couple hundred blankets, he would like to give one out to every child that attended that rally. So, he loaded up his van and Project Linus went to the stadium. He called me about 5 PM and told me it was one of the best things he had ever seen. He gave every child who attended, a blanket. The children sat in the stadium in 90 degree heat and they wrapped up in the blankets, waved the blankets, smiled from under the blankets ... some children whose only possession was that blanket, smiled. Someone was there handing out stuffed toys and a lot of the parents wouldn't let them take a toy because "we don't have room", but they let them have a blanket. The stadium at Missouri Southern State University was "moving" due to the Project Linus blankets.

Because we received so many blankets, one of my volunteers (who has her own group) carries some of your blankets with her "in case I run into someone who needs one." Recently there was a story on the front page of the paper about a family who lost everything and a man made it possible for them to buy his house at a greatly reduced price. He included all the furnishings, food, beds, everything. My volunteer hunted up the house and gave them all blankets, parents and kids. Her next assignment is to locate the triplets that were born the day before the tornado—1, 2 and 3.5 lbs. She's got her blankets to give them!

*The stories are heartbreaking, and they keep coming. Thank you all for reaching into the heartland of America to help. This has made us all in the local chapter of Project Linus, very aware of how blankets can reach beyond illness and can reach into your heart.
..... Thank you*

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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