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Spring is just around the corner; however, as I work on this newsletter, snowflakes are flying around outside. Will Winter ever give up and go away? I don't mind the snow but enough is enough! I have seen the tiny sprouts of the first sign of daffodils popping up - that's a good sign. We will soon be able to put away the winter coats and scarves and get out the Capri pants and flip-flops!

I love the changing seasons - just about the time I get board with winter attire, it's time to pull out the spring and summer wardrobe. Time to change those items around in the house, too. Put those snowmen to bed! Pull out some Spring quilts, wall hangings and place-mats - better yet, check out the class schedule and make some new items to spice up your home décor! Hope to see you in a class real soon.



We had 3 lucky winners in the International Sewing Month contest! **Deb Harper** (Swayzee), **Jean Schowe** (Huntington), and **Sharman Neel** (Muncie) all received prize merchandise from the participating sponsors.

Congrats, ladies!

**Block Party 2011** We will be starting our 7th year of Block Party on April 14th and 16th. It is not too late to sign up for the 2011 Block of the Month Class! This year's quilt is called "Paris in the Fall." It is a great 12 block quilt with pieced sashing. The class will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday and the Saturday following - each month, beginning April 14<sup>th</sup> or April 16<sup>th</sup>. You choose the day that works best for you each month. We are offering 2 color-ways. For those who like deep, rich country red, navy, brown and gold, Moda Fabrics **Kansas Troubles** is the choice for you. For a bright, modern look choose the **Moonlit Sonata** group from Fabri-Quilt in lavender, lime and cobalt blue. Check the website for pictures of the fabric or stop in to the store to see the actual fabric samples. Registration is just \$15.00 and we still have openings in both color-ways. Each month, for the first six months, you will receive the pattern and fabric to complete 2 identical blocks for a kit fee of \$14.75. The 7<sup>th</sup> month will include the pattern and fabric to finish the 66" x 86" quilt top. Your paid registration by **March 15th** will enable you to have your name put in a drawing for 1 of 3 half-price finishing kits! (Kit cost approx. \$70)

Don't delay – Sign up today!



We are instituting a new way for you to help us, help our environment. Beginning immediately, when you bring your RED *Keeping the World Sewing* shopping bag to SEW BIZ to take home your purchases, you will receive a coupon to register for a monthly drawing. At the end of each month, we will draw out 1 name and that person will receive a \$15.00 SEW BIZ Gift Certificate! A great way to 'go green' and save some green! If you do not yet have a RED shopping bag from SEW BIZ, please ask about it on your next visit!

And speaking of **GREEN**... St. Patrick's Day is Thursday! We are having a **HUGE 1-Day ONLY SALE!** And the promotion is simple - **March 17th only - Save 17% OFF** of your



entire purchase of regular priced merchandise when you pay with greenbacks! That's right and it includes all in-stock items. Don't miss this SALE!

### Super Ironing Boards!

Many of you have asked about the **BIG** ironing board that we have on one of our ironing boards in the classroom. This is a 21" x 58" rectangular ironing surface that fits right on top of your exciting ironing board. Comes complete with board, pad and silicone cover. It makes working on large items a breeze and creates an additional work surface in your sewing area. And for the remainder of the month of **March**, we will be taking deposits for special orders. These boards are regularly priced at \$139.95. But for the remainder of March, when you place your order and deposit of \$50.00, the price is only **\$109.95. SAVE \$30.00!** Ends March 31.



Traditional Ironing Board NOT Included!

### Bloomin' Flowers - Embroidery Block of the Month

Want to learn a lot more about embroidery while making a beautiful quilt? Here is your opportunity. Precise machine embroidered appliqué grace the blocks of this 57" x 63" wall hanging. Supplies will be in kit form each month, so you won't even have to pick anything out! For all embroidery machines with a 5" x 7" design field. This class will begin in April and meet once a month (we will skip July). You will learn many things about placement, pre-programmed applique, fringe embroidery, and much more! See Class # 162 for sign up information. Begins April 4th.

## CLASS SCHEDULE

Go to [www.sewbizmarion.com](http://www.sewbizmarion.com) to see class projects.

**Class Policy:** Owners of **ALL brands of sewing machines are welcome** and encouraged to take our classes. All classes and seminars require pre-registration. Class supply lists will be given upon paid registration. **Supplies are to be purchased at SEW BIZ and in advance of class meeting time.** Classes begin at the stated times. Class size is limited. Minimum deposit required to hold place in class. Classes will be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment and a full refund will be given. To avoid disappointment, register as early as possible. Due to the fact that many people have allergies, we request that you not wear perfume to class. If you have any questions regarding the above policy, please call.

### 165. BISCUIT BASKET \$10.00

Tues. Mar. 15 10:00 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Woven fabric strips filled with stiff interfacing are woven to create a distinctive and versatile basket. Line it with a napkin and fill to the brim with your favorite biscuits, use on your desk for mail, to store patterns, hold tissue boxes, or Christmas cards! Finished size is 6" high, 10" wide and 6" deep.

### 163. PILLOW SHAMS \$10.00

Thurs. Mar. 17 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

You've made the quilt – now add the finishing touch with some coordinating pillow shams! Or just spice up your current bedroom décor with these easy to make shams. Twin needle quilting adds a designer touch to this great project!

### 167. FREE Placemat Class FREE

Mon. Mar. 21 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Stylish placemats go together in a flash with the *Quick Easy Mitered Binding Tool*. Learn some new helpful sewing tips and techniques while creating a great set of placemats to brighten up your table in this FREE class. Supplies extra.

### 178. OPEN SEW Tues. Mar. 22 10 am - 9 pm FREE

### 168. STRAIGHT OUT OF LINE - Fresh Cut Quilt FREE

Thurs. Mar. 24 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Create unique 4-patch blocks with the illusion of curves with this fun technique. Fabrics are stacked into decks and sliced with the "Straight Out of Line" Ruler. Either a planned color scheme or a "use up your stash" quilt can give great results in this fun project.

### 169. E-COZY READER CARRIER \$15.00

Sat. Mar. 26 10 am - 3 pm

Want to carry your E-Reader in style? This new pattern from Whistlepig Creek is just the ticket for a stylish bag to carry your *Kindle*, *Nook* or other e-reader wherever you go. Makes a great gift!

### 170. DESIGNER DIAMOND MAJESTIC HOOP \$50.00

Tues. Mar. 29 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

The Majestic Hoop is truly majestic with a design field of 360 x 350 mm! Learn to use this hoop to combine designs and stitch out a large quilt motif by just turning the hoop. Class is **FREE** to those who purchased their Designer Diamond from *Sew Biz*.

### 166. MY FAVORITE BAG \$15.00

Sat. Apr. 2 10 am - 3 pm

We're repeating this great class because it really is what its name says! This stylish and roomy bag has decorative grommets and a tie sash. With pockets all around both inside and out, you can't help but be organized! Also makes a great diaper bag.

### 162. BLOOMIN' FLOWERS #1 \$10.00

Mon. Apr. 4 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

See information on page 1. Kit Fee each month for pre-cut fabrics to complete 2 blocks each month. Varies \$12 - \$16.

### 172. FREE CLASS - Table Runner FREE

Thurs. Apr. 7 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Come to this FREE class and be a part of the test market for the NEW Pattern and NEW Border Tool to be introduced at the International Quilt Market in May! It will be a table runner project that is quick to complete. You will learn new techniques and share in the preparations for the debut of the pattern and tool at Quilt Market. We would love to have a FULL HOUSE to join in on the excitement of the release of these SEW BIZ products. We will be taking short video clips of use in the presentation at Market! Your chance to be in the spotlight! Don't miss the fun!

### 173. HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD \$10.00

Sat. Apr. 9 10 am - 3 pm

You'll receive 5 out of 5 stars when you add this great table runner to your home décor. This intermediate-level project has tapered ends and a finished size of 18 ½" x 50". Learn to use the *Dual Angle Mitered Binding Tool* for easy and great-looking edges.

### 174. TWISTER TOOL CLASS \$10.00

Apr. 12 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Have fun with the *Twister Tool* as you turn a simple row of pieced squares into a row of pinwheels! Once you make one you will want to keep on going with this fun and easy technique. Everyone, including beginners with rotary cutting skills, will love this fun twist on piecing!

### 151. APRIL 14 or 16 "Paris in the Fall" \$15.00

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See Page 1 for complete information.

### 175. Machine Embroidery- "FIELD OF FLOWERS" \$10.00

Tues. Apr. 19 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Get great results with machine embroidered appliqué as you create a 22" square wall-hanging or table mat. A simple design rotated and repeated 4 times is featured along with great Kansas Trouble fabrics in this kit class. For all embroidery machines with hoop capability of at least 240mm x 150mm.

### 179. / 180. OPEN SEW FREE

179. Thurs. Apr. 21 10 am - 9 pm

180. Thurs. Apr. 28 10 am - 9 pm

Open classroom for you to come and spend all or part of the day working on whatever sewing or quilting project that you would like. Take a break for lunch and return for the afternoon or evening. Call to register, please.

161. COURTSHIP TABLE OR BED RUNNER \$10.00

Sat. Apr. 23 10am - 3 pm

Bed Runners are a new and exciting concept in the world of home décor quilting! From providing extra warmth for your feet to adding a hint of holiday décor to a plain bedspread, the uses are many! Leave off the last border and you could use it for a table runner instead. We will be making the Courtship pattern, which is made of a log cabin variation called courthouse steps. A great class for beginners who have some rotary cutting experience.

171. Class #2 BLOOMIN' FLOWERS \$10.00

Mon. May 2 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

This class began in April as an Embroidery Block of the Month. See page 1 for details.

177. "RADIANT STAR" Quilt in a Day"(2 sessions)\$20.00

Tues. May 3 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

**And** Tues. May 24 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

The radiant star quilt pattern has been a traditional favorite for years with its bold radiating colors and diamond-shaped pieces. Eleanor Burns' method of piecing ensures your success as you create a family heirloom with today's modern techniques. Class meets for 2 sessions.

151. MAY 5th Thurs. (6 pm) or May 7th Sat. (9 am)

2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH Month #2

See Page 1 for complete information.

176. Class #3 BLOOMIN' FLOWERS \$10.00

Mon. June 6 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

This class began in April as an Embroidery Block of the Month. See page 1 for details.

160. QUILT EXPRESS-BEGINNING QUILTING \$20.00

Tues. Jun. 7 & 14 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Class meets for 2 sessions. Learn how to use rotary cutting equipment, make basic quilt blocks, assemble into a

wall quilt, layer the 'quilt sandwich', machine quilt & bind your wall quilt. A MUST class for those wanting to begin taking quilting classes. If you can sew a straight stitch in a straight line, this class is for you!

151. June 9th Thurs. (6 pm) or June 11th Sat. (9 am)

2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH Month #3

See Page 1 for complete information.

156. FREE CLASS "ADD-ON BINDINGS" FREE

Thurs. June 16 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

Does the thought of adding binding to your quilt scare you silly? Or do you have questions about how to turn corners, begin and end strips, or make an invisible hand stitch to finish? How about when to use bias strips and how wide to cut them? This FREE Class will answer your questions as you stitch a small sample of the techniques learned. Don't let fear of binding come between you and your finished quilt! Call early to register before this class fills! Kit fee includes most supplies.

164. HUSKYLOCK S-25 SERGER CLASS FREE

Sat. June 18 10 am - 1 pm

The new HuskyLock S-25 Viking Serger has many wonderful features. Come find out what all you can do with this great machine, besides just overcasting edges! Free to all who purchased their new HuskyLock S-25 Serger from Sew Biz.

181. "RING AROUND THE ROSIE" TABLE MAT \$10.00

Mon. June 20 10 am - 1 pm **OR** 6 - 9 pm

This great 'fan blade' circular table mat is quick and easy. You will want to make one for yourself and more for gifts. Great project for using fabrics from your stash or scraps from other projects.

Coming July 14 - 16th

QUILTERS HALL OF FAME CELEBRATION

Go to [www.quiltershalloffame.net](http://www.quiltershalloffame.net) for complete details.

We will have special events, sales and extended hours during this event.



**Patterns**

*Four Square Farmhouse* by Atkinson designs

*Window View* by Saginaw St Quilt Company

*Ring Around the Rosie* by Pearl Louise Designs

*Afternoon Delight* from Tiger Lily Press

*Pot Handlers* from Tiger Lily Press

*Patchwork Purse* from Indygo Junction

*Easy Peasy Stroller or Wheelchair Backpack* from Easy Peasy Quilts

*Field of Dreams Fat Quarter Pattern* from The Teacher's Pet

*Grammie's Buttons* from The Teacher's Pet

*Cake Mix Quilt Pattern* by The Plaid Square

*Charming Leftovers* by Kathie's Kreations

*Suzi Purse Insert & More* from Lazy Girl Designs

*Too Hip* by Kristy Wolf from Whistlepig Creek Productions

*The Zerba Bag* by Kristy Wolf from Whistlepig Creek Productions

*Hollywood Boulevard* from Atkinson Designs

*E-Reader Cover & Carrying Case* from Whistlepig Creek Productions

*Baby Bibs 2* by the Little Quilt Company

*Fireside Christmas Quilt & Tree Skirt* by Hedgehog Quilts

*Four Patch Links Table Runner* by A Cotton Treasure Design

**Cool Tools and Things**

*Join and Fold Edging Viking Accessory Foot*

*Double Diamond Ruler includes sizes 1.5" & 3.5"*

*Flip Flop Block Template*

**Books**

*ABC 3-D* by Marci Baker

*Flip Flop Block Quilts* by Kathie Alyce

*Fast, Flirty, and Fun* by Sarah M. Bisel

*Baby, It's You!* (quilts & bags by Amy Hamberlin) by Leisure Arts

*Positively Runners* from Gathering Friends

**Fabrics**

*Three Cheers* by Buggy Barn

*Inspiration Garden* by Henry Glass

*Bali Handprints* by Hoffman

Dr. Suess On The Loose...

*CELEBRATE SUESS THE CAT IN THE HAT*

*CELEBRATE SUESS! LET'S PARTY QUILT KIT*

*THE CAT IN THE HAT BUMP THUMP PANEL QUILT*



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**Hours:**  
M, T, TH, F  
10 am - 6 pm  
Saturday  
10 am - 3pm  
  
CLOSED  
Wednesday & Sunday

## Closures:

CLOSED Thurs. May 12- Fri. May 20  
to attend International Quilt Market &  
Husqvarna Viking Convention

CLOSED Sat., May 28 - Mon. May 30  
Memorial Day Week-end

CLOSED Mon., July 4 - Tues. July 5  
July 4th Holiday

***While they last!*** Large selection of **Anita Goodesign** Embroidery Collections **50% OFF!**

## HUSQVARNA VIKING H Class 600E NOW as low as \$1299

Introducing the gateway to experience embroidery  
with Husqvarna Viking!

Whether you are a beginning embroiderer who wants the ability to create trendy looks and personalized items, or an avid sewer longing to expand your creativity, the new HUSQVARNA VIKING H Class 600E sewing and embroidery machine is for you. It sews like a dream and embroiders your personal touch on just about anything. Plug in your PC and the possibilities are endless with the **software that is included** with the purchase of your machine.



### Embroidery Features

- 2 Embroidery Hoops Included
- 120 Built-In Designs + 100 Bonus Designs
- Built-In Lettering Program with 20 Fonts
- Customize your Embroidery Designs on your Computer Screen
  - 3D Realistic View & Print
  - Editing of Designs

### Sewing Features

- 100 Built-in Stitches
- Push Button Stitch Selection
  - 7MM Stitch Width
  - One Step Buttonholes
  - Needle Stop Up/Down
  - Twin Needle Safety
- Built-in Needle Threader    Electronic Speed Control