

Sewing Boutique News

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Dates to Remember

**Viking Educator
Janie Lantz
6D Software Workshop
April 30—May 1**

**Viking Educator
Gail Nelson
Designer Diamond
Royale Survey
July 9th**

**Illiana Shop Hop
July 14 - August 9
2014**

Notes from Vera

I know all of you are “springized” inside your home, hoping it will help turn the grass green sooner and all of our sweet dispositions are going to return soon as we see the crocuses showing their sweet heads. We have much to look forward to as we move into April.

All of this positive energy (and sweet dispositions) will be evident at the Sewing Boutique as we continue our classes and start new ones. You will want to check us out to be sure we are on track!

As for me, I am going to repeat the Circle Quilt and also the Hoop Sister Handbag classes. We were snowed out so much on the handbag class I was not able to get everyone into the classes.

We have several Diamond Royale owners so we are planning an afternoon session just so you can learn more about your wonderful new sewing machine.



Keep the afternoon of April 10th open for that.

Joyce and I just returned from the Viking Sew fest meeting so I have some ideas for a couple new classes that I would like to work up by the next newsletter.

Meanwhile check out our class schedule and plan on joining us. There are no better people than our wonderful customers so you will be in good company! And keep hugging those sewing machines!!!

Think Spring



Janie Lantz, Viking Educator To Present 6D Software Workshop

We are excited to let you know that Viking Freelance Educator, Janie Lantz will be presenting a two day Software Workshop for us on Wednesday, April 30 and Thursday, May 1. The morning of day one will be a Lecture Demo with an overview of **6D Premier** software and a trunk show of wonderful examples. The afternoon session will be ‘hands on’ with the focus on **6D Embroidery Extra**. Day two will be ‘hands on’ with the morning session focusing on **6D Stitch Editor Plus** and the afternoon session focusing on **6D Design Creator**.

For those who own the 6D Premier software, you will use your own software loaded laptop and dongle. For those who

do not own 6D Premier, you will bring your own laptop, load the software onto it, and use the dongles provided by Janie. At the end of the Workshop, the program will be removed from your laptop. What a wonderful opportunity to have hands on experience.

The fee for the two day workshop is \$85. However, if you can only attend one day, the fee is \$47.

Each day will begin at 9:00 and end at 4:30 with an hour break at noon for lunch at the restaurant of your choice in the Hoopston area.

Space is limited so call now to reserve your spot. **217 283 7125**



Come check out our

RED TAG SEWING MACHINE SALE!!

KEEP AMERICA SEWING CLUB

April

Wednesday, April 2 - 9:00
Thursday, April 3— 1:00 or 5:30
Friday, April 4 -9:00 or 1:00

May

Wednesday, May 7 - 9:00
Thursday, May 8 - 1:00 or 5:30
Friday, May 9 - 9:00 or 1:00

June

Wednesday, June 4 - 9:00
Thursday, June 5 - 1:00 or 5:30
Friday, June 6 - 9:00 or 1:00

SOFTWARE CLUB

Put Monograms on the Map You will be using **5D Embroidery Extra** to quickly create many monograms with the Express Monogram Wizard. You will learn to adjust alignment, spacing and font style. We may also create and alter a specialized font. Class fee: \$15 Monday, April 7 1:00 or 5:30

Splitting Large Embroideries The 5D Split Project Wizard in **5D Embroidery Extra** and the 5D Design Aligner in **5D Design Enhancer** allow us to create large embroideries and split them for smaller hoops automatically. The 5D Design Aligner has more advanced and flexible options for selecting and placing the splitting lines, giving finer control over the final split process.. Class fee: \$15 Monday, May 5 1:00 or 5:30

Embossing & Stamping, and Changing Stitches to Objects You will create an embroidery with the Express Design Wizard in **5D Embroidery Extra**, adjust the density and shaping of stitch areas with Object Editing in **5D Stitch Editor Plus** to select stitches as Objects, edit the Object to convert to something completely different, and create a hole in the stitches with the appliqué function. Class fee: \$15 Monday, June 2 1:00 or 5:30

SERGER CLUB

April

Tuesday, April 22 - 9:00 or 1:00
Wednesday, April 23 - 9:00 or 1:00
Thursday, April 24 - 1:00 to 5:30

June

Wednesday, June 18 - 9:00 or 1:00
Thursday, June 19 - 1:00 or 5:30
Friday, June 20 - 9:00 or 1:00

NEW MEMBER CLASSES FOR 6D PREMIER SOFTWARE

Lesson 3 Includes 6D Card Shop, 6D Stitch Editor Plus
Class fee: \$10 (\$20 if purchased elsewhere) Monday, April 28 9:00 or 1:00

Lesson 4 Includes 6D Embroidery Extra and 6D Design Creator— Express Design Wizard Overview using a single artwork file. You can create three very different designs using only a few clicks. Class fee: \$10 (\$20 if purchased elsewhere) Monday, May 19 9:00 or 1:00

Lesson 5 -Includes 6D Sketch, 6D Cross Stitcher and 6D Photo Stitch Class fee: \$10 (\$20 if purchased elsewhere) Monday, June 30 9:00 or 1:00

QUILT DESIGN CREATOR CLASSES

Three for One— You will refine your **5D Quilt Design Creator** skills as you create unique designs for custom quilting. You will learn how to turn a graphic into a quilting design element and then turn that element into borders, corners, and blocks. These can be exported for the automated quilter or as an embroidery design. Class fee: \$15 Friday, April 11 1:00 Joyce

Celtic Quilt Borders You will be creating borders for a twin bed quilt using traditional celtic knot pictures. You will trace the pictures to create two design elements automatically and export them as embroideries. You will learn how to change colors and use Encore to create a border design using the **Quilt Design Creator**. Class fee: \$15 Thursday, May 29 1:00 Joyce

EMBROIDERY CLUB

May

Tuesday, May 20 - 1:00
Wednesday, May 21 - 9:00 or 1:00
Thursday, May 22 - 1:00 or 5:30
Friday, May 23 - 9:00 or 1:00

Classes for Spring and Summer

QUILT CLASSES

Circle Quilt—This will involve using the Circular Attachment that works with the following Viking machines—Des. Diamond series, Des. Ruby series, Des. Topaz series, Opal series and Sapphire series. This will involve a background fabric and several coordinating scraps (or from your stash) and we will embellish with various threads and decorative stitches. Once you learn the technique, you can make as many blocks as you want. Class fee: \$45 Tues., April 15, May 6 and 27 9:00 Vera

T Shirt Quilt - It seems these never go out of style and there are always boxes of T Shirts waiting to be made into a useful quilt. Thus it is time for another class. I ask that you bring the T Shirts as they are and we will do the cutting in class. Class fee: \$30 Mon., April 21 9:00 Joyce

Merry Christmas Sampler Quilt—This Christmas Sampler measures 56 1/2" x 64 1/2". We have met three times and will continue to meet the last Friday afternoon of the month as well as the last Sat. morning of the month. Our last class will meet in November. I would invite anyone else to join us now as there are Project Days available to catch you up on the blocks you have missed. Class fee: \$15 a session Last Friday of month at 1:00 or last Saturday of month at 9:00 Joyce

MISCELLANEOUS

Hoop Sisters Bag This requires embroidered 5" blocks and uses the 150 x 150 hoop or 240 x 150 hoop. Once the blocks are made, bag construction will take place. We will be using Snails Tails designs but you may select your fabrics and thread colors. Class fee: \$45 Tues., April 8, May 13 and June 10 1:00 or 5:30 Vera

Short Jacket - It's time to get ready for summer with this fun and easy little jacket. If you happened to make the 24 gore skirt last year, this little jacket would be great to team up with the skirt or think about coordinating it with the capris being offered in a class May 1. You will need to pick out your fabric ahead of time You will trace your pattern onto pattern ease and pin it together for fitting. Class fee: \$30 Wednesday, April 16 9:00 Joyce

Tropical Capris -Breeze into summer with this collection of easy to make capris. This pattern includes 2 lengths and 6 different hem treatments. Elastic waist and causal fit make these capris a fast and fun addition to your summer wardrobe. You will trace your pattern onto pattern ease for easy fitting. Class fee: \$30 Friday, May 2 9:00 Joyce

Diamond Royale Review This is a special session for those of you who own the Designer Diamond Royale. We will use this time to review the special features of this

wonderful embroidery Machine. This is FREE to anyone who purchased their machine from our store. Thursday, April 10 1:00 Vera

18" Doll Clothes Class Come join us as the "little girl in us" gets satisfied by making clothes for the 18" doll of that little girl in our lives. Class fee: \$15 Kit fee depends on the fabric chosen for the outfit. Monday, April 14 and May 12 1:00 Joyce

KIDS CLASSES

Kids Sewing Camp Level I This is best for the new or inexperienced sewer. You will make 2 brown paper ornaments, 2 cards, a face pillow and a pair of elastic waist shorts. Preferable age is 8 or above. Kit fee: \$6 plus pattern and fabric for shorts Class fee: \$60 9:00 to 4:00 Monday and Tuesday, June 16 and 17 Joyce/Janet

Kids Sewing Camp Level II The prerequisite for this class is Level I or the discretion of the teacher. We review the basics and complete several projects—a cat or dog wall hanging, a small purse, and a top or shirt. Preferable age is 8 or older. Kit fee: \$6 plus pattern and fabric for top Class fee: \$60 9:00 to 4:00 Monday and Tuesday, June 23 and 24 Joyce/Janet

Tag Along Tote Every young girl needs this Tag Along Tote to carry her cell phone or I Pod or dash of cash or any other treasure she has when she is ready to go to the mall, the fair or wherever it is she wants to go. The finished size of this little bag is 7" x 8" x 12" and features a handle so you can put it over your shoulder. Class fee: \$15 Friday, July 11 8:30 or 1:30 Barb and Joyce

Capris and T Shirt -In this class you will make a pair of capris with elastic waist and then create a coordinating T Shirt with an appliqué on the shirt out of the same fabric as the capris. You will need to pick out your fabric ahead of time and let us know your T Shirt size so we can order them in. All T Shirts will be white. Class fee: \$30 Monday or Tuesday, July 21 or 22 9:00 to 4:30 Joyce and Barb

Project Days Need to finish up some projects or do some classes you missed? Joyce has set aside three days for this. - Wednesday, April 9 at 9:00, Thursday, May 29 at 9:00 and Wednesday, June 11 at 1:00 Class fee is \$15 for half day and \$30 for all day. Joyce

Finish It Classes These are classes to finish up projects from Vera's classes. She has set aside three days for this— Thursday, April 17 at 9:00, Friday, May 30 at 9:00 and Thursday, June 26 at 1:00 Vera

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