

Sewing Boutique News

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Dates to Remember

**Fall Open House
Saturday
September 12**

**Viking Educator
New Designer Epic
October**

**35th Anniversary Sale
Friday & Saturday
November 27th & 28th**



SERGER CLUB

**October
Tuesday, October 20
9:00 or 1:00**

**Wednesday, October
21 9:00 or 1:00**

Notes from Vera

Joyce has reminded me it is time for our fall newsletter which is another indication that our summer is over.

Over the weekend I got to tag along as a car and van was loaded to the hilt, taking a grandson back to graduate school in West Virginia.... While another grandson was loading up for his second year at Olivet ... and another grandson was heading back to the University of Illinois for his final semester. Each will soon be back in their school routine.

After Labor Day, the Sewing Boutique also will be back in their routine. Our annual fall Open House will be Saturday, September 12 and we will stay open until 3:00 pm for this big day. Please stop by and see our new classes and projects. When you register for classes at our Open House, you will receive a discount on your class fees.

My new classes will be a pieced quilt, a quilted jacket and a new Hoop Sister SMALL quilt. I will have a sample of the jacket on hand at the Open House and will show the progress I have made on my own jacket. I don't know how much I will have done on the new Hoop Sister project as they are just NOW releasing the design ... but I do want to stay cur-



rent with their new developments. My new pieced quilt is not a large quilt (but can be enlarged) ...and want Pat and Mary, especially, to know it has a lot of PURPLE in it and will be very striking. It will be a good learning project for beginning and intermediate level quilters and just plain fun for the advanced quilter.

You Viking ladies are probably aware that Viking is coming out with a NEW top-of-the-line machine that will do unbelievable things. Joyce and I get to be at it's launch the first week in October. Viking is offering a lot of goodies and bonuses for those signing up to preorder so be one of the first to own this magnificent new machine.

I hope all of you had a fun and relaxing summer and are now ready to start hugging your machine again.

Fall Open House

We would like to invite you to our annual Fall Open House on Saturday, September 12 from 9:00 to 3:00. We will have samples of the projects for the new classes we will be offering this Fall. This will be the time to sign up for the classes you want to take this Fall. You

will receive 10% of any class fees that are paid that day.

Come and enjoy the fellowship of those friends that enjoy sewing as much as you do.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday, September 12.

What's New at the Boutique?

BOOKS—The new book Farm Girl Vintage by Lori Holt of Bee in my Bonnet, contains Farm Girl blocks like Butter Churn, Baking Day and Canning Season; Barn and Tractor blocks like a tractor block, or a barn with silo block and fun Kitchen Potholders and Table Runners plus several Farm Girl Sampler Quilts. Lots of fun projects. **Oh the Possibilities—for Halloween** by Kimberbell, is chick full of delightful projects for Halloween. You can decorate your home for the holiday, while learning new techniques along the way.

DESIGNS - Gift Card 'Pocket' Tags by Kimberbell are in-the-hoop gift card tags that have a pocket that is perfect for holding gift cards, movie tickets, money or hand written notes. Another new design is Christmas Light Advent Banner by Kimberbell. Each appliqued "light" in this Advent Banner has a pocket on the back that is perfect for fitting in a small treat or special note.

PATTERNS The Pinetree Puzzle pattern by Janet Ludwig with Chickadee Charms Design Co. is actually a Quilt shaped like a Tree that is 3 feet wide and 4 1/2 feet tall. How fun to solve the pieced puzzle of interconnecting branches. The Diva Frame Wallet by Jessica Van Denburgh with Sew Many Creations is fat quarter and scrap friendly. This wallet includes 6 card pockets, 2 open pockets and a zippered pocket. It features an easy to install metal wallet frame for easy closure.

NOTIONS The BasiX Tool by X-Blocks is your essential tool for fabric precuts. It's as easy as simply sewing together your 2 1/2" strips, placing the BasiX template over the seams and cutting around the edges. Then rotate your cut blocks and create amazing new designs. We also have the Baby BasiX Tool for 1 1/2" strips to make Itsy-Bitsy BasiX Blocks.

KEEP AMERICA SEWING CLUB

September

Wednesday, September 2— 9:00

Thursday, September 3 - 1:00

Friday, September 4 - 9:00 or 1:00

October

Wednesday, September 30—9:00

Thursday, October 1 - 1:00

Friday, October 2 - 9:00 or 1:00

November

Wednesday, November 4 - 9:00

Thursday, November 5 - 1:00

Friday, November 6 - 9:00 or 1:00

EMBROIDERY CLUB

September

Tuesday, September 15 - 1:00

Wednesday, September 16 - 9:00 or 1:00

Thursday, September 17—1:00 or 5:00

Friday, September 18 - 1:00

November

Tuesday, November 17 - 1:00

Wednesday, November 18 - 9:00 or 1:00

Thursday, November 19 - 1:00 or 5:00

Friday, November 20 - 1:00

College for Kids

Our experience with College for Kids this summer was quite successful. For the June 22—26 session, we had three students in the 1:10 to 3:00 class. By the time the second week rolled around, July 20—24, we had 11 students signed up. So we opened a second time slot—10:30 - 12:20 and had 5 students at 10:30 and 6 students at 1:10. They were very eager sewers and did a good job with their projects. Here are some pictures of the girls showing off their projects.



On left, left to right: McKenzie Shields, Eva Brown and Mercedes Diaz show the bags they made.

On right, left to right Maggie Nordeni, Sabrina Koenig, Emily



Ray and Haylee Walsh. Down front is Selah Nordeni. All are showing us their wall organizers they made.

On left, left to right: Lilly



Jerome, Allyssa Yaden and Jo Vines displaying the pieced star pillows they made in class.

On right, left to right: Amanda Brown, Pandora Jerome and Emma Rayls

show us the bags they made in class.



Classes, Classes and more Classes for Fall

QUILT CLASSES

Noel Quilt –What a fun and easy quilt to put together and get you already for the Holidays. The kit includes a preprinted panel with the words and pictures as well as the other fabrics needed to complete the projects. The finished quilt measures 58" x 62", the wall hanging is 20" x 24" and the pillow measures 19" x 22". The NOEL quilt was created by Wing and a Prayer Designs. The 102.25 kit fee includes the pattern but not the backing. Class fee: 45.00 1:00 Wed., Sept. 23, Wed., Oct. 7 and Fri., Oct. 23 Barb

Enchanted Plume Quilt— The colors for this are purple, teal, blue and greens with a peacock panel in center surrounded by pieced blocks. This can be made as a wall hanging or enlarged to fit a bed. Class fee: 45.00 Thurs., Oct. 15 & 29 and Nov., 12 1:00 or 5:00 Vera

Pinetree Puzzle Quilt –It is a quilt—shaped like a tree that is pieced with the interconnecting strip branches that makes interesting wall art for a year around display. It can be decorated with lights, ornaments, or decorative stitching. The pattern also includes directions for sewing a complementary table runner from the extra wedges. If you want to use colors other than what Sue used in the sample, you will need to come in and pick them out before the class. Class fee: 45.00 Thurs., Oct. 8 9:00 to 4:30 and Thurs., Oct. 22 9:00 to 12:00 Sue

T Shirt Quilt T Shirt Quilts never seem to go out of style. There are always some more T Shirts to do something with. So I will schedule us another T Shirt Quilt class. Class fee: 30.00 Wed., Oct. 28 9:00 Joyce

MISCELLANEOUS

Hoop Sisters—Summer Dreams—This will be a wall hanging or table runner with the size depending on whether you embroider 5", 6" 7" or 8" blocks. You will be able to choose your colors. Class fee: 45.00 Fri., Oct. 30, Nov. 13 & Thurs., Dec. 3 1:00 or 5:00 Vera

Quilted Jacket—I am doing mine in low contrast batiks but that is strictly a personal choice as you can go from subdued to bright/bold. I have included some embroidery but again that is a personal choice. We will plan on 4 class sessions which will include pattern fitting as one of the sessions. I will have the pattern and will set up an appointment to select the fabrics. Class fee: 60.00 1:00 or 5:00 Tues., Sept. 29, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, and Nov. 3 Vera

18" Doll Clothes - Just like shopping for us, it is time for a new outfit for our dolls! Whether you are a grandma, a mom or just someone who likes to play with dolls. This is a fun class to take. Class fee: 15.00 Monday, Sept., 21 and Nov. 9 1:00 Joyce

KIDS CLASSES

18" Doll Outfit It is time to dress out 18" dolls. In this class you will be making a pretty party dress for your doll to wear to her next party or dance. It is always fun to sew for our dolls. Class fee: 15.00 Kit fee: 15.00 Monday, October 12 (Columbus Day) 8:30 to 12:00 or 1:00 to 4:30 Janet/Joyce

Pieced Quilt –Each of you will get to create a pieced quilt measuring 42" x 53". You will be piecing 6 1/2" squares of two coordinating fabrics to create the top of the quilt. You will then fuse fleece to the backing, stitch it to the front, turn it right side out and bar tack it. We will need the whole day to complete it. Kit fee: 35.00 Class fee: 30.00 Wed., Dec. 23 9:00 to 4:30 or Tues., Dec. 29 9:00 to 4:30 Janet/Joyce

SOFTWARE CLASSES

Quilt Design Creator—Creating Continuous lines Using your **5D Quilt Design Creator** software, you can create unique quilt blocks by using drawing tools such as Shapes and Multiply. You will be joining lines in the patterns together and avoiding unnecessary jump stitches with Polygon Draw. Class fee: 15.00 Fri., sept. 25 9:00 Joyce

Quilt Design Creator—Quilt Labels and More—You will learn how to easily design labels for your beloved quilts using **5D Quilt Design Label Creator**. You can choose from 50 styles of predesigned quilt labels and personalize each label with sayings, quotes or your own words and dates. Class fee: 15.00 Tues., Nov. 10 9:00

Cross Stitcher - This class will help you expand your **Cross Stitcher** knowledge. You will review how to set up a cross stitch chart for automatic creation, go through the Pattern page and learn how to use the patterns and shapes to their fullest. Class fee: 15.00 Mon., Sept. 14 1:00 Joyce

6D Design Creator-Creating an Embroidery Doodle In this class you will take the art of doodling into machine embroidery designs. You will use the many drawing and designing tools within **6D Design Creator** to create a layout within a shape. Class fee: 15.00 Mon., Oct. 19 1:00 Joyce

6D Stitch Editor Plus –Transfiguring & Restyling Embroideries –Some embroidery designs simply need a little tweaking to fit the style of our projects or to improve their quality. Many times they are too large or too small or their texture or density isn't right. Learn how to correct these in **6D Stitch Editor Plus**. Class fee: 15.00 Mon., Nov. 2 2:00 Joyce

6D Design Creator—Learn to Jazz up your Embroidery You will quickly create embroidery from clip art in the Express Design Wizard. You will use the easy editing options to add texture or modify stitches in your design. Class fee: 15.00 Mon., Dec. 7 1:00 Joyce

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SUMMER KIDS CLASSES
Left, left to right: Eva Brown, Kaitlyn Bergstadt, and Bradee-Ann Ulrich from Sewing Camp Level II.



Right, left to right: Bradee-Ann Ulrich, Kaylee Clark and Kaitlyn Bergstadt showing us their wall organizers.

Look What is Coming!
The New Designer Epic in October

Additional Classes

Project Days -Need to finish up some projects or do some classes you missed? Joyce has set aside 3 days for this. Friday, September 11 at 9:00. Wednesday, October 14 at 9:00 and Monday, November 23 at 1:00. Class fee: 15.00 per half day. Joyce

Finish It Classes These are classes to finish up projects from Vera's classes. She has set aside 3 days for this. Wednesday, September 9 at 9:00, Thursday, October 1 at 9:00 and Tuesday, November 4 at 1:00. Class fee: 15.00 per half day Vera