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Summer Newsletter

July-Sept. 2018



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Thurs. 8:30-7:00, Sat. 9-2

Our store will be closed Wed., July 4th.

Hello,

Greetings from the Martin family in Cessna. We have lots of good things to tell you, and we hope that you will find something to inspire you on in your creative sewing journey. This quarter we have classes for children, a variety of fun project classes, and some great sales on the back.

We also want to announce the plans for The Country Roads Shop Hop this fall. The kickoff date is **Sat, August 4**, and our store hours will be **9-4**. This is the 1st day that passports can be purchased. If you pick up passports for yourself and friends on that day, we'll get you each a free 2018 Shop Hop Tote. The shop hop dates are Oct. 17-20. Shop hop hours are different this year for the early birds. They are Wed.-Fri., 8-8; Sat. 8-5.

There will be 9 participating shops as follows: 4 Seasons in Grantsville, MD, Sew Special in Uniontown, Quilt Patch in Mt. Pleasant, Sewing Box in Somerset, Schraders and Quilt Peddler in Johnstown, Creative Fabrics in Ebensburg, Connie's Collectibles in Duncansville, and ourselves.

We are also planning for a 29 passenger bus this year. We have special requested our favorite driver from Bollman's. As in the past, we are planning for it to catch the other 8 shops besides us. The cost is \$40.

Bring a friend and join in on the fun of prizes, refreshments, and lots of fabric!

And, the 2018 Row by Row Shop Hop is now underway. The theme this year is Sew Musical. You may collect patterns at participating shops all summer from June 21 - Sept. 4. New for this year, is different sizes of rows. We chose to make ours 12"x 27". We have kits with laser cut shapes and the embroidery done for \$30. Or, kits with the shapes and a background for you to embroider are \$20. We will give you the design free. We are also offering a class on our row.



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Amazing Grace Class
Thurs. Aug. 23 5-8
Teacher: Michelle Martin Fee: \$10

Impossible Cheeseburger Pie Recipe

1 lb. ground beef	chopped onion to taste
1/2 Tsp. salt	1/4 Tsp. pepper
1 cup shredded cheese	1 1/2 cup milk
3/4 cup Bisquick	3 eggs

Heat oven to 400°. Cook and stir beef and onion till brown. Put in greased 10" pie plate. Sprinkle cheese over top. Then beat remaining ingredients until smooth and pour over meat and cheese. Bake for a maximum of 30 min.

Calendar of Events

July 4	Closed
July 7	Hooper's Club
July 9	Design Positioning
July 10	Applique & Quilting
July 13	Embroidery Basics
July 14	Hello Sunshine
July 17	Charm Pack Picnic Quilt
July 18	Basic Sewing
July 19	Charity Sewing
July 20	Children's Hotpad
July 21	Hello Sunshine
July 23	Sit and Sew
July 24	Charm Pack Picnic Quilt
July 25-28	Indoor Yard Sale
Aug. 1	Edge to Edge Quilting
Aug. 2	Kansas City Quilt (A)
Aug. 3	FTCU Basics
Aug. 4	Shop Hop Kickoff 9-4
Aug. 7	Hooper's Club
Aug. 8	Children's Pillowcase
Aug. 9	Kansas City Quilt (B)
Aug. 10	Serger Basics
Aug. 14	Cover & Chain Stitch
Aug. 14	Basic Sewing
Aug. 16	Kansas City Quilt (C)
Aug. 21	FTCU Project
Aug. 22	Embroidery Basics
Aug. 23	Amazing Grace Class
Aug. 24	IQ Designer
Aug. 28	Sit and Sew
Aug. 31	Blessed Wallhanging (A)
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Children's Summer Sewing Classes

This is an excellent summer project for girls or boys that would like to learn to sew. Sewing can be such a worthwhile hobby, and it's a valuable lifetime skill. We have 3 different easy starter projects. They are scheduled from super easy to easy.

The fee for each class is \$12. But we have a special deal that if you take all 3 classes, you get \$36 off any machine of your choice.



Hot Pad
Fri., July 20, 9:30-11:30

Monogrammed Pillowcase
Wed. Aug. 8, 9:30-12

Drawstring Book Bag
2 Sessions
Wed. Sept. 12 and 19, 4:30-6:30

Charity Quilt Sewing

We are looking for volunteers to help sew charity quilts. The lap size quilts are donated to local cancer centers, and the baby size quilts go to the NICU. This is an open sew that you can come and go as it suits, but we would appreciate if you let us know your plans, so that we can plan seating. We have informal meals for lunch and supper, and you are welcome to bring a dish to contribute.

Supervisor: Theresa Leppert July 19, Sept. 27 11-8

Professional Hooper's Club

Sat., July 7 2-4
Tues. Aug. 7 9:30-11:30
Sat. Oct. 6 2-4

This club is all about learning more on your Baby Lock embroidery machine, and how much fun machine embroidery really can be. Because of limited seating, please let us know when it suits you to come.

Project Class Rules

1. To sign-up for a class, you need to pay the class fee at least one week ahead. To be refunded, please let us know the week ahead as well.
2. If there is not enough students for a class, we will refund your money.
3. You will need to pick up a supply list at our store for these classes.
4. We will give you 10% off the class supplies that you purchase from us.
5. The project classes are not limited to Baby Lock owners, everyone is welcome to join us.

Kansas City Quilt Class

The mystery is solved. This was the mystery quilt last quarter. We're teaching it again because we had some who wanted to make it when they saw the pattern. So this time around, Theresa has some little tips to speed up the process. This throw size quilt measures approximately 45"x 60" before any borders are added.

Thurs., Aug. 2,9,16 10-1

3 Workshops Teacher: Theresa Leppert

Skill Level: Confident Beginner Class Fee including pattern: \$40

Easy Charm Pack, Picnic Quilt Class

You may be thinking that it can't be too easy if it's on point. But there's a special trick to sewing it up straight and then cutting it, so that you don't have to deal with the triangles at the ends. And the fun part about charm packs is that they are already color coordinated and cut out. It measures 58" sq.

2 Workshops Tues., July 17,24 9:30-12:30 PM

Teacher: Lisa Martin Skill Level: Beginner Class Fee: \$25

Edge-to-edge Quilting in the Embroidery Hoop

Are you someone that doesn't have room for a longarm, and yet would like to quilt your own quilts? This is a great alternative, especially if you have an embroidery machine with a large hoop. We will be following the method taught by Amelie Scott Designs. This class is for Baby Lock or Brother owners who have a 6"x10" hoop or larger.

1 Workshop Wed. Aug. 1 12-4

Skill Level: Intermediate Teacher: Michelle Martin Fee: \$45

The class fee includes the instruction book and 10 designs. If you would like to use different designs, let us know and we can get them for you.

Machine Embroidered Tri-fold Wallet Class

We think wallets made in the hoop are lots of fun. There are 4 different hoop sizes for the tri-fold wallet. The larger sizes have a pocket for a checkbook, but they all include fully lined zippered pockets and slots for credit cards.

Wed., Sept. 26 9:30-12:30

Teacher: Michelle Martin Skill Level: Confident Beginner

Class Fee: \$10 You will also need to purchase the design pack.

Blessed Applique Wall Hanging Class

In the first session, we will create the wall hanging. But the focus of this project is to learn to quilt in the hoop with the Destiny. The best part about the Destiny is the camera that helps get everything positioned right. We will explore the IQ Designer features that allow you to quilt around both an embroidery design or applique.

2 Sessions Fri., Aug. 31, Sept. 14 9:30-12:30

Skill Level: Intermediate Teacher: Michelle Martin

Fee: \$39 includes book with other fall projects. (Picture on next page)



Recommended class for Destiny owners.

6"x10"

8"x 12" hoop

Calendar of Events cont.

Sept. 6	Applique & Quilting
Sept. 11	Basic Sewing
Sept. 12	Design Positioning
Sept. 12	Children's Book Bag (A)
Sept. 15	Embroidery Basics
Sept. 18	Design Positioning
Sept. 19	Children's Book Bag (B)
Sept. 25	Sit & Sew
Sept. 26	Tri-fold Wallet
Sept. 27	Charity Sewing
Oct. 2	Basic Sewing
Oct. 6	Hooper's Club
Oct. 17-20	Country Roads Shop Hop

Sit and Sew Sessions

These sessions are intended for those of you who took a class at our store, and maybe weren't able to finish the project in class. Or to those who would like to socialize with other sewers. The fee is \$10.

Mon. July 23 5-8 PM

Tues. Aug. 28, 5-8 PM

Tues. Sept. 25, 5-8 PM



Blessed Applique Wall Hanging class is on the previous page.

Mastery Class Schedule

These classes are free to all who have purchased a machine from us. And you may come as often as you wish. Just call at least one day ahead to reserve your seat. When you come to class, please bring your machine and its accessories. If possible, please bring a laptop with your software loaded and power cord and mouse for the software classes.

Machines & Software	Class	Date	Time
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Basic Sewing	Wed., July 18	9:30-11:30
Top End Entry & Mid-level		Tues., Aug. 14	5-7
		Tues., Sept. 11	5-7
		Tues., Oct. 2	9:30-11:30
All Sewing Machines	Appliqué and Quilting	Tues., July 10	5-7:30
		Thurs., Sept. 6	9:30-12
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Embroidery Basics	Fri., July 13	9:30-11:30
Top End		Wed., Aug. 22	9:30-11:30
		Sat., Sept. 15	2-4
Top End Entry & Mid-level	Embroidery Design Positioning, Stabilizers, Q&A	Mon. July 9	5-7:30
Top End		Wed., Sept. 12	9:30-11:30
		Tues., Sept. 18	9:30-11:30
Destiny & Destiny II	IQ Designer	Fri., Aug. 24	9:30-12:30
Auto Thread Tension Sergers	Serger Basics	Fri., Aug. 10	9:30-11:30
Sergers with Coverstitch	Cover & Chain Stitch	Tues., Aug. 14	9:30-11:30
Floriani Total Control U Software	Lettering, Design Cust- tomization, etc.	Fri., Aug. 3	9:30-11:30

Embroiderer's Computer Basics

In this class, learn how to send designs to your embroidery machine with USB connectivity. Also how to download designs and save and organize them in a place that you can find them. And when to left click or right click.

Wed. Aug. 15 1-3 Fee: \$12

Let's Explore Floriani Software Class

In this class we will be working on the computer. We want to use a built-in shape, convert it to applique, and split it for a name. As a sideline bonus, we want to greatly resize an applique design, and learn how to keep a wide enough satin stitch to cover the raw edge.

Tues. Aug. 21 1-3 Fee: \$12



Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23,24

Used Machines at Great Prices

Our used machines come with a 90 day warranty or longer.

Baby Lock Verve Sewing & Embroidery Machine- Used for 1 class, then traded up to a bigger machine, 4"x4" hoop, extension table, color screen, needle threader, \$75 Off new price, - only \$675

Baby Lock Elizabeth Sewing Machine - Good condition, 178 Built-in stitches, auto needle threader and scissor cut feature, includes extension table and hard case - \$549

Baby Lock Soprano Sewing & Quilting Machine - used only 1 year, auto scissor cut, needle threading, and pivot feature for applique, includes extension table, walking foot and 15 other feet, 300 built-in stitches-\$1299

We have 3 used Sopranos right now ranging in price from \$799 -\$1299 based on looks and time used. The former owners traded up to higher end quilting machines. The Soprano is great for sewing and quilting, and it's light enough to take to class without sacrificing the convenient features that you got used to.

Humor for the Day

A young executive was preparing to leave the office late one evening, when he found the CEO standing in front of a shredder with a piece of paper in his hand. "This is a very sensitive and important document," said the CEO, "and my secretary has gone home for the night. Can you get this thing to work for me?" "Certainly," said the young executive. He turned the machine on, inserted the paper, and pressed the START button. "Excellent! Thank you!" said the CEO, as his paper disappeared inside the machine. "I just need one copy..."

A man at the airline counter tells the woman behind the desk "I'd like this bag to go to London, this one to Seattle, and this one to Quebec." "I'm sorry, sir. We can't do that," she replied. "I'm sure you can," he answered. "That's what you did the last time I flew with you."

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New Kits

Bargello Pinwheel Kit

Even though this is a bargello quilt, it's easy because there are just 2 different blocks made from strips.

Measures 72" square \$74.99



Autumn Splendor Kit

By Stonehenge

This quilt features the rich Maplewood ombre shades and a panel in the center. It is very easy to put together.

Measures 40"x 58" \$74.99



Rakin' and a Rollin Kit

By McKenna Ryan

This kit of playful bears includes the pattern and the batik fabric for the applique. You will need to purchase the border fabric.

Measures 26.5"x 19.5" \$39.99



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Keep Reading

Mark your calendars!
Shop Hop Kickoff is Sat. Aug. 4
Shop Hop is Oct. 17-20

Sizzling Summer Sales



Baby Lock is offering big discounts to us on select models, so we are passing it on to you!

Good till July 31 or while supplies last.

Check out these examples...

Crescendo, their best sewing and quilting machine - **\$300 OFF Plus the \$400 Upgrade FREE**

And the entire A-line series

Katherine (auto scissors, 14 feet) **\$100 OFF**

Jazz (12" throat) only \$699

Rachel (50 stitches) was \$489, now **\$399**

Lauren Serger regularly \$399, now **\$299**

Indoor Yard Sale



Wed.-Sat. July 25-28

Yard Sale Priced Items in
the Comfort of our
Air-conditioned Classroom

New Items Added Daily

Closeout fabric
starting at \$4.99/ yd.

Closeout embroidery designs,
pillow forms & much more

Most items 50% OFF and Greater
Some even 75% OFF

Lots of our completed display quilts
and projects for sale as well