

SEWING MACHINES **AAA VACUUM CLEANERS**

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Tues. - Fri. 9:30 to 6:00

Saturday - 9:30 to 5:00

Closed Sunday & Monday

Class Schedule

April - June 2010

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**Go BIG with
9mm stitches!**

Machine Basics

Pfaff Basics Part 1

Get to know that pfabulous Pfaff electronic machine in this hands-on class. One session.

Instructor: Susan Willen

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Friday, March 12 (10a - 2p)

Saturday, Apr. 3 (1:30p - 5p)

Saturday, June 12 (10a - 2p)

Pfaff Basics Part 2

Learn how to alter and save stitches in this hands-on class. For Pfaff models with memory functions. One session.

Instructor: Susan Willen

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Friday, March 19 (10a- Noon)

Saturday, Apr. 10 (2p - 4p)

Saturday, July 3 (10a -Noon)

Pfaff Embroidery

Dig into your Pfaff embroidery system. One session.

Instructor: Susan Willen

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Wednesday, Apr. 14 (10a - 1p)

Saturday, July 3 (1p - 4p)

Brother Basics

Learn the basics of using your new Brother sewing machine!

Instructor: Salima Jaffer

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Thurs, March 11 (10a - 1p)

Tuesday, April 13 (6p - 9p)

Friday, May 7 (10a - 1p)

Wednesday, June 9 (10a - 1p)

Brother Embroidery

Learn the basics of using your Brother embroidery machine!

Instructor: Salima Jaffer

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Wednesday, April 28 (6p - 9p)

Friday, May 14 (2p - 5p)

Wednesday, June 23 (10a - 1p)

Bernina Mastery 1

Get to know the basics of your Bernina sewing machine as you explore its features. You will become familiar with the functions of your machine and learn to use the presser feet included with it. You will also get the chance to try a variety of additional presser feet that will make your sewing experience fun. Required for all higher level Bernina classes.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Sat, March 13 (1:30p - 4:30p)

Saturday, April 3 (10a - 1p)

Wednesday, May 12 (10a - 1p)

Friday, June 11 (10a - 1p)

Bernina Mastery 2

Go beyond the basics of your electronic Bernina machine. Required for all higher level Bernina classes. For Bernina models with memory storage. One session.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Saturday, April 10 (10a - Noon)

Wednesday, May 19 (10a - Noon)

Friday, June 18 (10a - Noon)

Bernina Mastery 3

For Bernina *Artista* machines only. Learn to use your Artista embroidery system. One session.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Thursday, March 18 (10a - 1p)

Saturday, April 17 (10a - 1p)

Wednesday, May 26 (10a - 1p)

Friday, June 25 (10a - 1p)

Bernina Aurora

Embroidery and Software. For Bernina Aurora machines only. Learn to use your Aurora embroidery system and Editor Lite/Art Design software. One session.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Wednesday, May 26 (2p - 5p)

Bernina 820/830 Basics

What an exciting adventure awaits you with your new Bernina 820 or 830! Learn the basic sewing functions of these fabulous new machines.

Instructor: Suzy Poor

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Tuesday, April 20 (1p - 4p)

Bernina 830 Embroidery Basics

Learn the basic embroidery functions of your Bernina 830.

Instructor: Suzy Poor

FEE: Free for AAA purchasers

Tuesday, May 18 (1p - 4p)

Special Events

Michelle Griffith

Saturday, May 1, 2010
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Create Michelle's Simple and Elegant *Let Me Call You Sweetheart Pillow* during a hands-on class!

This beautiful heirloom pillow has the look and feel of an elegant keepsake.



With 2 custom embroidery designs, decorative stitching, attaching cording, appliqué, stippling and flower ruching, this project is sure to become a treasured classic.



Simple and elegant are the hallmarks of Michelle's creations. Her love of sewing and embroidery genuinely shine through her creations. With her meticulous attention to detail, her designs are truly inspiring as you can see in her unique embroidery designs.



Workshop includes:

- Fabric Kit
- Design CD
- Lunch

Fee: \$169

Very limited seating available.

Sign up early!

1 MILLION *Pillowcase Challenge*

Calling all quilters, sewers and crafters! American Patchwork & Quilting magazine is challenging you to join our efforts to ***Make a Pillowcase, Make a Difference.*** Every pillowcase can make a difference in our community. A pillowcase can provide comfort for a cancer patient, hope for a foster child, encouragement for a battered woman, or beauty for a nursing home resident.

QUILTING CHANGES EVERYTHING!

Join us Thursday,
April 15
10:00 a.m.

Help us meet the challenge by making pillowcases for the cause! Patterns provided, specially priced fabric kits available.

Creative Classes

Birdie Sling

This honey of a sling holds everything and it's easy to make! It is a great beginner bag. Modern styling and dynamic proportions will make this one of your favorite carryall bags. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Salima Jaffer
Fridays, May 21 & 28 (2p - 5p)
Class Fee: \$69, including fabric of your choice

Camilla's Bag

Camilla's Bag is a fun and trendy completely lined and machine washable tote bag. Perfect for Spring and Summer use. Easy and relatively quick to make by any skill level.

Instructor: Debra Diaz
Thursday, April 29 (6p - 9p)
Class Fee: \$25

Chit Chat Backsack

There's certainly plenty to say about the Chit Chat Backsack: that this adorable quilted bag can be made in two sizes, that its padded straps make it comfortable to carry, and its one outer and three large inside pockets give you plenty of space for all of your prized possessions. Add that it's fun and easy to make, and it's guaranteed that the only other words you'll be hearing are compliments.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant
Thursday, April 15 (6p - 9p)
Class Fee: \$25

Cottage Rose Quilt

Just imagine a reversible lap quilt with stunning scalloped edges, luscious embroidered sprays of roses tucked into the scallop corners, and serpentine pintucks creating the background texture. More of those gorgeous roses form a wreath at the center of the quilt. It features twin needle techniques, outline quilting and binding curvy, scalloped edges. The luscious embroidered roses are from Jenny Haskins' CD Art *Nouveau, Spring Flowers*. Machines with larger hoops will complete the embroidery in fewer hoopings. Minimum hoop size 225 x 140mm.

(1p - 5p)
Instructor: Rosemarie Woodward
Thursdays, April 30 & May 14
Class Fee: \$47

Denim Ruffled Skirt

Add a feminine touch to a purchased denim skirt when you embellish it with ruffles, ribbon, and rickrack. Use any style skirt, and add 3 different patterns for ruffles. Punch it up with a little rickrack on the pockets, or how about some sequins? These are easy to make. What a precious gift for a young lady. How about making a matching one for Mommy? Open to any machine. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Rosemarie Woodward
Thursdays, June 3 & 17 (6p - 9p)
Class Fee: \$42

Software Classes

Bernina Editor+ Software Basics 1

This class covers the basics of Bernina V6 *Editor Plus* or *Designer Plus* software. Bring your laptop with software installed. Basic knowledge of computer use required.
Instructor: Salima Jaffer
FEE: \$20 (10a - 1p)
Thursday, April 29

Bernina Editor+ Software Basics 2

This class will dig further into your Bernina V6 *Editor Plus* or *Designer Plus* software. Bring your laptop with software installed. Bernina Editor Plus Software Basics 1 required first.
Instructor: Salima Jaffer
FEE: \$20 (10a - 1p)
Thursday, May 20

Bernina Designer+ Software Basics

This class will go beyond the basics of your software (for V6 *Designer Plus* level). Bring your laptop with software installed. Bernina Editor Plus Software Basics 1 & 2 required first.
Instructor: Salima Jaffer
FEE: \$20 (10a - 1p)
Wednesday, March 17 OR
Thursday, June 17

Creative Classes

Fringed & Centered

Creating a project with dimensional embroidery gives it a whole new look. They can be fun designs or very elegant designs. Come to class and find out the secrets of design placement and how fringe is made.



Instructor: Salima Jaffer
FEE: \$20
Thursday, May 13 (10a - 1p)

Gridded Sweatshirt Jacket

Bring a sweatshirt, some fabric scraps for the binding, glitzy threads, and create a cute jacket perfect to throw over your jeans and teeshirt.

Rosemarie will show you unique closures and neck treatments to give your jacket some flair. You will bind the edges in a fabric that adds a *punch* to your sweatshirt.

Bring fabrics that look related, or throw in a zinger. After we embellish it, you won't even recognize your old friend, the sweatshirt. Make it for yourself or make it for a friend. This class is open to any machine with a zigzag stitch. Careful... these are highly addictive!

Instructor: Rosemarie Woodward
FEE: \$42 (10a - 4p)
Saturday, May 29

Mexican Stars Wall Hanging

Mexican Stars is a unique wall hanging using straight seam piecing with curved results! One of those projects that appears more difficult than it really is. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Debra Diaz
FEE: \$42 (2p - 5p)
Fridays, June 4 & 11

Pocket Bib

Dinner time is always an adventure when there's a little one in the house, but a handy pocket bib can catch plenty of crumbs, making clean-up a little easier. Contrasting fabrics and decorative trims add interest to these adorable bibs. These are fast and easy to make. A very thoughtful gift for a new mother. Open to any machine.

Instructor: Rosemarie Woodward
FEE: \$25
Friday, June 25 (2p - 5p)

Portfolio for Fabric Lovers

Attention all fabric lovers! Create a quilted and embroidered portfolio to showcase all your future fabric masterpieces. One side holds quilt and embroidery blocks up to 18" and the other holds rulers and even has a zippered pouch for threads and notions. Have fun sewing something you can tote to all of your other classes! 2 lessons.

Instructor: Sue Wong
FEE: \$42
Saturdays, June 26 (10a - 1p)
and July 10 (10a - 2p)



Mexican Stars

Quilting 101

Come learn about the basics of patchwork. It's easy, it's fun, and you can do it!

Learn to build a basic quilt block that can be the foundation for a bag, a pillow, a quilt... there's just no limit to what you can do!

Instructor: Susan Willen
Class Fee: \$35 (including fabric kit, pattern and class)
Friday, April 16 (10a - 1p)
OR Saturday, June 12 (3p - 6p)

Screen Play

Come join the fun creating a screen tote, available in several sizes, that has so many uses. Take it to the beach, the market, carry your sewing and knitting supplies to class, use it as a purse, or even carry your small pet to the vet (it has 6 pockets). You will learn how to do French seams, top stitching, and how to do a box corner on the bottom so the tote sits flat. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Terry Madison
FEE: \$35 (6p - 9p)
Thursdays, May 6 & 20

Creative Classes

Short and Sweet Purse-o-Nality

Short on size and long on style, this sweet bag is perfect for carrying everyday. It boasts an easy *pillow case* construction,



zippered back pocket and easy-access front pocket. Color block fabrics and customize the closure to create a one-of-a-kind treasure to fit your personality! 2 lessons.

FEE: \$39 (10a - 1p)
Instructor: Sue Wong
Fridays, May 21 & 28

Simply Serger Mats

What could be simpler or quicker? Using a few scraps, your serger and a quilt-as-you-go technique makes this placemat project quick and easy. Class includes pattern and complete detailed instructions. Makes a perfect gift or make a set for yourself. Versatile and fun to make, these placemats can be made casual for everyday use or, with special fabrics and special threads, formal enough for any holiday gathering.

Instructor: Robin Keller
FEE: \$35 (1:30p - 5p)
Saturday, March 27

Split Purse-o-Nality

Personality and fun are what this colorful purse is all about! Keep everything in its place with lots of pockets – even a hidden one! Learn to add your own zippered pocket and magnetic snaps to any bag pattern. Express yourself and create the perfect handbag just for you! 2 lessons.

FEE: \$39 (1p - 5p)
Instructor: Sue Wong
Saturdays, March 13 & 20

Stackier, Whackier Butterflies

Take your Stack and Whackery to a new level in this class which highlights Bethany Reynolds' *shadow* method of stacking and whacking to create a garden of butterflies, each beautiful in its own unique way. Recommended for intermediate quilters. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Jeannette Bryant
FEE: \$35 (6p - 9p)
Thursdays, May 6 & 20

Stylish Laptop Bag

Carry your laptop to class in a case that reflects your creative personality! Combine your favorite fabrics to make a portfolio which cushions your laptop and looks ever so much better than those dreary black cases we see in computer stores.

FEE: \$35
Instructor: Susan Willen
Saturday, June 19 (2p - 5p)

Striped Purse: It's a Wrap

Make a purse from cotton rope, fabric strips and thread. This wrapping and coiling technique is carefree sewing at its best! The raw edges are showing? Who cares! Your machine stitches show on the outside? Again, who cares! Throw caution to the wind and come play with Rosemarie. You'll learn to add a handle, position stripes and shape your purse to form straight or angled sides. This technique is highly addictive and a stash whacker to boot (a great way to clean out the orphan fabrics in your sewing room). Open to any zig zag sewing machine – no prior experience required.

Instructor: Rosemarie Woodward
FEE: \$35 (1:30p - 5:30p)
Friday, April 2

Tunic with a Twist

What is the twist with this stylish tunic? It is



all made with a serger! Take the basic Indygo Junction tunic pattern and convert it to a quick and easy serger pattern with professional serger finishes to boot! Set collars, sleeves, slits in the cuffs and hems - all with the serger! Open to any 4- or 5-thread sergers. 2 lessons.

Instructor: Robin Keller
FEE: \$39 (1:30p - 4:30p)
Saturdays, May 8 & 15

Club News

In Stitches

This lecture/demo sewing club features a different sewing theme each month. Come laugh and learn something new! Show 'n' Tell is encouraged. Program runs from March through November (9 meetings total). All skill levels welcome.

FEE: \$89 for 2010 term, prorated

4th Thursdays of the month*
(10a - Noon OR 7p - 9p)

2nd Quarter Club dates:

- **April 22**
- **May 27**
- **June 24**
- **July 15 (*date change)**

Bernina Club

If you are a Bernina lover, this club's for you! Meeting once each month, this program combines a virtual web presentation, conducted by a Bernina pro, followed by live demonstration and discussion. 10 meetings. All skill levels.

Instructor: Suzy Poor

FEE: \$89, for 2010 - prorated
Saturdays (10a - 12:30p)

March 27 - Pursenalties. Great handbag ideas.

No meeting in April

May 22 - Transformations.
Recycling in fashion.

June 19 - There's No Place Like Home. Home decor.

July 17 - Hardly Heirloom.
Ruffles, ridges, and pierced holes.

August 28 - To the Point. On point or diamond settings.

Bernina Version 6 Software Sampler

V6 Bernina Software owners will work through exercises designed to plumb the depths of this amazing program. Bring your laptop to class. 10 meetings. All skill levels.

Instructor: Suzy Poor

FEE: \$89, for 2010 - prorated
3rd Tuesdays (6p - 8:30p)

2nd Quarter Club dates:

- **March 16**
- **April 20**
- **May 18**
- **June 15**

AAA Class Registration

Advance registration is required for all AAA Classes and Programs. Register in person at the store, or by phone (310) 791-1190 with a credit card.

Upon registration you will be given a supply list for your class. Guests, children, pets, and walk-ins are not permitted in classes. If minimum enrollment is not reached, classes will be cancelled.

PFAFF Sew Soft Sensations

Open to all Pfaff Embroidery Machine Owners (7570, 2100 series, or Creative Vision). This series combines Software lessons with Sew/Embroidery projects to create fun and quick gifts. Thursday evenings are the software sessions, Saturdays are for sewing. The sewing/embroidery sessions are based on the software theme for each month. In other words, the software project and sewing project are related to one another! Sign up for either or both sessions. Come have fun learning more about your software and machine.

This program is limited to 10 students, so sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Instructor: Robin Keller

7 sessions: March through October (no meetings in July)

Software Sessions:

FEE: \$69 - Thursdays (7p - 9p)

March 11	August 12
April 8	Sept. 9
May 13	October 14
June 10	

Sewing Sessions:

FEE: \$139

Saturdays (1:30p - 4:30p)

March 20	August 28
April 17	Sept. 25
May 22	October 23
June 26	

Software AND

Sewing Sessions Combined:

FEE: \$198

This includes all 14 dates listed above.

Embroidery SOS (Secrets of Success)

EMBROIDERY SECRETS OF SUCCESS

Looking for inspiration and embroidery tips from those in the know? Whether you are experienced or new to machine embroidery, *Embroidery SOS* will answer the most frequently asked embroidery questions, including: Perfect Placement (every time!), Successful Hooping, Elegant Monograms, Embroidering for Babies and much, much more!

Don't miss this opportunity to explore machine embroidery like never before!

Saturday, June 5

10 a.m. to Noon OR 2 - 4 p.m.

Fee: \$15

Limited reservations available. Call (310) 791-1190 to register today!

