# **Country Traditions**

Where Friendships & Quilting Traditions Begin



1st Quarter
2012
Edition



# PEARE NEWSLETTER

### Winter Wonderland of Savings



Out with the Old in with the New January 7-21

Ambition 1.5 \$999.00 with trade-in machine

January 1-31
Coverlock 4.0
\$300.00 off +
Complimentary Inspira
Feet Kit a \$150.00
Value



## Fall in Love with PFAFF



January 1-February 15

Creative Sensation \$1500.00 off + a \$500.00 Mail-in-Rebate from **PFAFF** 

National Embroidery Month
February 1-February 29

"Select" Embroidery Designs Buy one get one 1/2" Off

Accuquilt, Cactus Punch, Laundry Basket, Lunch box, Pfaff. Purely Gates, Sara Vederler, Smith Street Designs

\*Some terms & conditions apply.

Please see shop for all the complete details!

# **Country Traditions**

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Greetings and Happy 2012 to Everyone! Hope you all had a Merry and Blessed Christmas with your family. With the start of a New Year it is a fantastic time to reorganize your sewing space, maybe make room for a new machine, pick out a new project to start, and most importantly make sure you dedicate some time every day to your creativity!



Creative Center Coordinator Scott

The Creative Center has been busy planning and coming up with a full schedule of classes and events to inspire you in the New Year.

To Start out the year, purchase a New PFAFF Creative Sensation before February 15th and get a \$500 Mail-in-rebate from PFAFF along with a \$1500.00 discount! February is also National Embroidery Month, in which all the Embroidery Designs in the Creative Center will be Buy One get One Half Off! Plus we have two fun Embroidery Classes Planned, "Luminous Gardens" which is done using Mylar along with "Hop To It" which will show you how easy Applique can be using your Embroidery Machine with no precutting or fusible web!

Back by Popular Demand is the "Stitchers Garden" Quilt. We will meet the First Saturday of February, March and April to show you the fun effects you can create using the decorative stitches and feet for your machine to create this beautiful quilt, followed by some open sew time where you can work on your project with help from the instructor.

Coming in March is a New class to the Creative Center "Intro to Electric Quilt 7". EQ7 allows you to create your own quilt and quilt blocks right on your computer. It figures the yardage and cutting instructions for you. Whether you have EQ7 or are considering getting this software, this class will teach you the basics of this amazing software and show you how to create unique and exciting projects.

We also have our Thursday Night and All Day Owners classes scheduled. Whether you are new to your machine or wanting a refresher on what all it can do we are here to help!

Have a Safe and Happy Beginning to 2012 and we look forward to seeing you in the store!

Scott



Store Hours

Mon.-Fri. 10-5:30

Thurs. 10-8:00 Sat. 10-5

# PFAFF MACHINE CLASSES



#### **Sergers Owners 101**:

Covers all Sergers in the PFAFF Line Up Thursday, February 23, 6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Come & Learn the Ins & Outs of your new serger from cleaning & maintenance to changing from one stitch to another stitch.

Registration: \$59.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

#### Embroidery Classes

#### Mylar Luminous Garden

Saturday, February 11, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Learn how to add some glimmer to your embroidery without using any metallic thread. Add some mylar instead to add that little pizzazz!

Registration: \$19.99 + supplies

#### Hop To It!

Friday, February 17, 10:00am - 1:00pm

See how super fast and easy it is to do applique with your Embroidery machine, with no precutting on shapes or fusible web.

Registration: \$19.99 + supplies

### PFAFF "Owner" Classes

Pfaff Owner Class Registrations are complimentary with purchase of your machine from Country Traditions. Some additional supplies may be required. Country Traditions Class Policies still apply.

Machine Owners 1: (Covers all Sewing Machines in the PFAFF line up)

Thursday, January 26

6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Learn the basics of your machine, ranging from cleaning & maintenance, to moving around your machine to practical stitches & techniques.

Registration: \$59.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

Machine Owners 2: (Covers all Sewing Machines in the PFAFF line up)

Thursday, February 2

6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Explore the world of decorative sewing. Find out how easy it is to do machine applique, create unique effects using a twin needle & even do cross stitches with your machine. Also learn stabilizer basics & see how they will add to your creativity.

Registration: \$59.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

Machine Owners 3: (Covers all Sewing Machines in the PFAFF line up)

Thursday, February 9

6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Quilting with your PFAFF is a breeze! See how easy it is to set your machine for free-motion quilting, or thread your machine with invisible thread and create the look of hand quilting with your machine. Also learn to create your own labels using the built-in alphabets on your machine.

Registration: \$59.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

Machine Owners 4: (Covers all Embroidery Machines in the PFAFF line up)

Thursday, February 16

6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Learn the basics of your embroidery machine while we create a simple project that will have you work through sizing, rotating, moving, precise positioning, & stitching out your design.

Registration: \$59.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

All Day Machine Owners: (Covers all Sewing Machines in the PFAFF line up)

Saturday, February 25

10:30 am-4:30 pm

This All-Day class covers all the information given in Machine Owners 1-3. Registration: \$179.99 (complimentary for CT Owners) + Supplies

Country Traditions Class Polices: Reservations are required for All Classes, Retreats, and Events. PAYMENT IS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION TO HOLD YOUR PLACE IN CLASS. Complete class supply lists will be given when you register for the class. Classes require three or more students, register at least a week before the class date for the class to be held. Please sign up early to ensure the class is a go. If the class is cancelled by Country Traditions due to low enrollment, your class fee will be refunded. If the class is postponed due to weather the class will be rescheduled. Handi Quilter class students will complete their projects on the shop's Handi Quilters. Register early since space is limited.

## Creative Sensation

#### \$500.00 MAIL-IN-REBATE!!\*



**ActivStitch** - Acheive perfect embroidery results even with novelty threads like mylar, and metallic.

Stitch Creator Applique It is a built-in, fully automatic function that creates appliques with

breakthrough precision and speed without the need for additional software.

**Stacking Stitches** - These built in stitches are designed to be "stacked" or sewn on top of each other with two color thread options. Each pair is pre-tested to deliver perfect results regardless of fabric.

**Enhanced Feeding Performance** - you want perfect feeding regardless of the fabric - from chiffon to denim - and even if there is not much feed such as when piecing small triangles together to create your Quilt top!

\*offer expires February 14, 2012

# Machine "Jechnique" Classes

#### TNT - Threads, Needles, & Tension

Thursday March 1

6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Scared of changing your tension? Not sure what needle to use with which thread? Come & play with different thread, needles, and the dreaded tension & learn how these three work together to create stunning works of art.

Registration: \$19.99 + supplies

#### Above & Beyond Machine Owners

Thursday, March 8

6:00 pm-9:00 pm

Take your machine to the next level with this class. Learn to create labels on your binding, see how much fun it is to create your own stitches in "Stitch Creator", plus much more! Class covers the Expression 3.0, Expression 4.0, & all Creative Machines.

Registration: \$59.99 + supplies (\$19.99 + Supplies for CT Owners)

## Software Classes

#### Electric Quilt 7.

Friday March 9th, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Just starting to learn EQ7? Come and Join us for an Intro course on how EQ7 works and the possibilities it opens up for your creativity.

Registration: \$19.99 + supplies

#### Stitchers Garden Machine Applique

Meets for (3) Sessions: February 4, March 3, and April 7. From 10:00am - 1:00pm

"Stitchers Garden" Is back by Popular Demand! This exciting project will teach the fundamentals of machine applique. It will also show you how to incorporate decorative



stitches from your machine while showing you how to use many of the accessory feet that come with or are available to purchase for your machine. Class is open to all brands of sewing machines.

Registration: \$59.99 + Supplies (pattern included)

# National Quilting Day!

Did you know that "National Quilting Day" was started in 1991 right here in Nebraska? While the National Quilt Association only voted to set aside the 3rd Saturday of March to this day. Country Traditions and PFAFF will be Celebrating For the Whole month with...

#### 24 MONTH NO INTEREST FINANCING\*

On the Ambition 1.0 and Ambition 1.5

\*with Approved Credit through GE Capital



\*offer valid March 1-30

Most HQ class fees include a quilt top already loaded on the machine. So that we may commit to our teachers, sorry there is **NO refund or rescheduling if you cancel**. Please check class dates and your own calendar carefully before registering. If an emergency occurs, you can send a friend in your place. Please arrive early for class if you need to gather your supplies, so class can start on time. Students are encouraged to purchase their class project supplies from Country Traditions. In appreciation, students purchasing supplies from Country Traditions will receive a 20% discount on their class supplies. Visit www.countrytraditionsonline.com to see class projects and to Register for classes on line.

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#### WHY A QUILTER WANTS A SERGER

**4 Thread Overcasting**: Will sew a wide seam with two needles, an upper looper and a lower looper while trimming away the excess seam allowance.

**Rolled Edges:** Create a beautiful finish for tablecloths, valances, napkins, scarves, and hems quickly without complicated adjustments.

**Gathering:** Light and medium weight fabrics are made easily and evenly for home decorating, ruffles, or gathering a skirt.

**Quilt Piecing:** Is done fast and finishes neatly on the reverse side for projects not being layered and quilted.

**Decorative Edges:** For crafts, jackets, and other garments. Decorate these using a variety of threads, yarns and ribbons in the loopers!

**Coverhem:** Finishing and topstitching provides a far more elastic stitch then sewing on your home sewing machine. Perfect for knits, and very durable sportswear.

### REFER A FRIEND

....If you are a Country Traditions PFAFF owner & you **Refer a Friend** who purchases their "New" PFAFF from Country Traditions, & mentions your name, you could receive a Gift Certificate from Country Traditions up to \$100.00!\*

# DID YOU KNOW?

#### Are vou stable?

With the huge array of stitches, threads, and techniques we can do with our machines today having the correct stabilizer to support what you are doing is a valuable asset. However, the huge obstacle is deciding which stabilizer to use and when. The Sulky Company has a wonderful selection of stabilizers for us to use.

The most common stabilizers people use are: Tear-a-way, Solvy, and Cut-a-way. If you are fan of machine applique layering a piece of a light weight Tear-a-way stabilizer will help keep your background fabric nice and smooth along with giving your stitches smooth even results as well. A Popular gift item is personalized terry towels. Whether you are going to personalize them with your regular sewing machine or are going to monogram them with your embroidery machine, layer a piece of *Tear-a-way* on the bottom to keep the towel smooth and stable, as well as a piece of light weight "Solvy" on top to keep the stitches above the terry cloth, and to keep the Presser Foot from getting tangled in the fibers. Working on a sweatshirt? Add a square of "Cut-a-way" Stabilizer behind it before your applique or embroider, to keep the sweatshirt smooth then, when finished, iron on a square of "Tender Touch" to the inside of the sweatshirt to keep the rough "Cut-a-way" Stabilizer away from your skin. Interested in learning more about stabilizers check out "Secrets to Successful Embroidery" and "Secrets to Successful Stabilizing" By Sulky of America and/or Owners Class.