

Hello, to all our customers! With the days getting a bit longer, our thoughts turn to new projects and sewing adventures. Here in the shop, our 3 new clubs are enjoying time together developing new skills and trying new techniques. We have lots of "just arrived" bolts of fabrics particularly some beautiful blenders that will add a "pop" of color to your creations. Stop in to see inspiring projects on display in our classroom!

UPCOMING EVENT!!

Once again, Chuck, our Service Center Manager, will be presenting his popular "Cleaning and Maintaining Your Sewing Machine" demonstration and discussion on <u>Saturday, April 5th at 1 p.m. in our classroom</u>. Chuck will show you simple techniques and tools to help you deal with lint and dust in areas that could affect your stitching. He will also answer your questions regarding routine cleaning that you can do to keep your machine operating at peak efficiency.



Beginning in March, we will be offering the **"Bag of the Month"** class which will meet on <u>the Second Saturday of each month</u>. We all know, you can never have enough totes, clutches, zipper pouches, or purses! These items also make wonderful, thoughtful gifts. Register soon as this class is bound to fill up quickly. Check our website for details, and call us if you have any questions.



Stop in the shop to see our new collection of blenders in so many luscious colors. These fabrics will surely complement the

prints in your quilted projects, as well as, add accent pieces to your other creations. You will be amazed at the variety of colors we have which will make it easier for you to find the exact shade you need. As always, we would be delighted to help you choose as we enjoy seeing your projects!





Personal experience tells us that dull scissors can make your cutting more difficult and less accurate. For your convenience, we will be offering <u>scissors sharpening</u> by Kevin while you wait and shop on Friday, April 25 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Having them back on the same day means there is no interruption in your sewing adventures! Please bring cash for this transaction. Cost will be \$5.00 for 2 pairs of standard scissors.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT As of <u>March 13, 2025</u>, our Service Center will be closed on all <u>Thursdays</u>. It will be open, as usual, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays to service your needs.



MARCH CLASSES

<u>Make certain you get a supply list when you</u> <u>register</u>



Glory Bee's Club dates:

Tuesday 3/4—Brother Embroidery Club #1

Wed., Thurs., Fri. 3/5, 6, 7—New Owners of Aveneer and Luminaire Workshop

<u>3/13</u>—Thursday Sewing Club

<u>3/15</u>—Saturday Sewing Club

Tuesday 3/18—Brother Embroidery Club #2

Friday 3/21—Janome Embroidery Club

Classes dates:

<u>Saturday 3/8—Bag Class</u>. Join us to construct a handy and fashionable mediumsized bag. This can be your everyday purse or your evening bag depending on your fabric and embellishment choices.

<u>Tuesday, 3/11—3 Yard Quilt Class</u>. This month's quilt is the "Chateau" pattern from the <u>Go Bold</u> book. Sign up for this popular class and learn some new cutting and piecing skills.

<u>Wednesday 3/12—Sit & Sew</u>. Spend the day relaxing and sewing in our classroom. We are available for help, and, as always, you can draw inspiration from fellow sewists!

Friday, 3/14—Gloria's Circular Bag Class. As soon as Gloria brought this bag (that she designed) into the shop, it was an immediate hit! You will be so surprised at how easy this is to construct—you will be eager to make many more.

Thursday, 3/20—Introduction to Free Motion Quilting. If you have been wanting to try free motion quilting to finish your quilts, this is the class for you. The proper free motion foot for your particular machine is necessary—please ask us if you have any questions.

<u>Saturday, 3/22—Sewing Machine Cover Class.</u> Join us to make a cover for your machine that will both protect it from dust and provide convenient pockets for your accessories.



This month's notion is **Fabric Fuse**, a quick bond fabric adhesive. It is a washable, permanent bond liquid that allows your fabric to remain flexible and that dries clear. Use it for applique, to secure seams, or to apply

embellishments. Mention that you saw this item in "**The Buzz**" and receive a <u>10% discount</u> off the regular price.





Ruan feels it is very important to press your

fabric at every stage of your project. Pressing before you cut helps with accuracy. Pressing after sewing pieces allows your seams to be flatter which will make various blocks or sections fit together well. Take the extra time to "press as you go" and see how it adds to the success of your project.

General Announcement and Open Letter,

Dear Community,

In light of the recent unfortunate developments with Joann Fabrics, we are letting everyone know the following information. The closing of Joann's has left quite a void in the sewing and craft marketplace. We just want to let people know that Glory Bee's is here to help. Please note that we are really not a craft store; we are a sewing, quilting, embroidery, fabric, and service and repair shop. We repair all makes and models of machines, including Viking and Husqvarna. Our service manager, Chuck, is Viking and Husqvarna certified, and we have been repairing these machines for some of the Joann's stores for quite a while now. We carry Janome, Brother, Bernina, and Elna Brand machines. We have been a Top Stitch dealer with Janome for at least five years straight, and we are very good with Brother and their multi-needle embroidery machines. So, if you need service or repair, we are here for you. We may not carry all the things Joann's did, but we can always order items for you. We have roughly 3,000 bolts of fabric in the store from numerous manufacturers, as well as tools and notions from many vendors. Please be patient as we are just learning what the needs of Joann's clientele are. Feel free to come in and check us out; we always like visitors and new faces. We look forward to helping you with your projects.

Sincerely,

Ron & Gloria Perkins and Staff