"THE BUZZ"

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Glory Bee's Sewing Center

Happy New Year to all of our customers! We hope you were able to enjoy making holiday gift-giving and home décor items, and that you are now ready for some new sewing adventures. We have a schedule of classes that will enable you to experience different techniques and patterns. Many new fabrics have been added to the shop, so stop in for inspiration. We look forward to serving you this coming year!

RECENT CLASS





Participants in the "Box Bottom Bag" Class had a very productive and enjoyable day recently. We offered this class a second time, as the first class was so popular. Congratulations to these ladies who made beautiful bags for themselves or to give as gifts!





We have recently received several new bolts of soft, plush fleece in the solid colors shown above. It is 58-60 inches wide. Many customers have been interested in using fleece for individual projects and as a backing for quilts. Stop in to see—and feel! —how this fleece might complement one of your projects.



These gorgeous new bolts from Free Spirit
Fabrics will be used in our new Block of the
Month which will begin in March. We will
be using the pattern "Evermore" which will
showcase these fabrics beautifully. Our
Block of the Month classes meet every
month to sew blocks from fabric pieces that
are contained in kits already prepared for
you.



If you are interested in joining this class, please call the shop for more information.





JANUARY CLASSES

GLORY BEE'S CLUB CLASSES

<u>Tues., 1/6</u> – Embroidery Club #1

<u>1/8</u> – Thursday Sewing Club

<u>1/17</u> – Saturday Sewing Club

<u>Tues., 1/20</u> – Embroidery Club # 2 (Advanced)

ADDITIONAL CLASSES

Weds. 1/7 and 1/21 – Sit & Sew. Come join us in our classroom to finish a project or start a new one. As always, we are available for assistance if needed.

<u>Fri. 1/9</u> – <u>Sewing Techniques.</u> This is a new class that will give our customers an opportunity to learn about and practice different specific techniques and skills needed for various sewing projects. Topics will include finishing seam edges, binding, attaching borders, mitering corners, and other skills that will allow you to use different features and presser feet for your particular machine. Each month will have a different topic. This month's topic is <u>blind hemming</u> using the special presser foot for this technique. Please check the website for a supply list.

<u>Thurs., 1/15</u> – <u>Straight Stitch Quilting.</u> This class will give you a variety of options for quilting your quilts, table runners, wall hangings, and other projects on your own machine. We will try out several different patterns and discuss how to set up your machine and your sewing area.

Please remember to obtain a supply list for every class that you register for either in person or online. Check our website frequently as new classes may be added during the month. Also, a picture of each class's finished project is on our website with the class listings. Please come in or call us if you have any questions—443-981-3182.

NOTION OF THE MONTH This month's notion is the <u>Soft Touch Thread Pick</u> by *Clover*. It can help you hide broken threads and remove stray threads. It is especially helpful for machine embroidery and longarm quilting.



Mention that you saw this item in January's edition of <u>The</u>
<u>Buzz</u> and receive a <u>10% discount off the regular price!</u>

SERVICE CENTER SUGGESTION

Chuck, our Service Center Manager, wants you to know that if there is a sudden issue with your machine, it is wise to check the basics first—

that means the **thread**, the **needle**, and the **tension**. Often one of these three can be the source of the problem. If you have any questions, please call and speak with Chuck.



So many of our machines have lovely decorative stitches that can really enhance our projects. Making a "stitch sampler" that shows all of your favorite patterns will allow you to quickly make decisions on which one is perfect for a particular item. You can even include several variations of the same stitch by changing

stitch length and/or width. Trying these out ahead of time will also help you in determining if there are any parts of a decorative design that may need some adjustments when stitching around a curve or pivoting at a corner.

We wish you a wonderful start to the new year! Just a reminder that our shop will be closed beginning December 24th and reopen on January 2nd. There will be some new classes available this year, as our customers have given us some wonderful suggestions as to what they would like to learn. Sewists of all skill levels will find classes that suit their interests and add to their sewing techniques. Check the website for information on our Glory Bee's Clubs and other classes. Stop in or call us if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you and your latest projects!

HAPPY SEWING!
Ron, Gloria, and Staff

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