Have you joined QFL? If you haven’t you will be missing out on so much fun!! QFL runs until August 31st and is fun packed with savings and events here at Sew Nice and at many other quilt stores across the country. Your membership fee of $20.00 entitles you use the QFL website which is full of free patterns, ideas, recipes and much more. You will be entered into national prize drawings with great quilting prizes like notions and fabric and books and more. You will be able to use your membership card for discounts at all the QFL stores. We will have “away games” at some of the other New York State QFL stores which is great fun and we usually also plan a tailgate party at the same time. So as you can see there will be many ways for you to have fun as a QFL member but hey just like the lottery if you don’t play you can’t win so come in today to join the fun.

New York Beauty Table Runner
Tuesday, May 10th 5:00-9:00
or
Saturday, May 28th 10:30-2:30
Taught by: Diane Marvin
Cost: $20.00 + foundation fabric

Have you always been taken by New York Beauty quilts but were afraid to try one. This table runner is done by using foundation piecing - a lot like paper piecing but you use fabric as the sewing guide and it stays as part of the quilt. This is a fun way to try your hand at the process as well as making blocks that will dazzle your dinner guests. For the comfortable beginner and beyond.

Make It Snappy!
Thursday, May 26th 12:00-4:00 or 5:00-9:00
Taught by: Donna Hanley
Cost: $20.00 + pattern

This great little carry all will give you four “Snap Happy” pockets to organize all your sewing supplies or travel items. It will also hold a Kindle, Game Boy and cartridges, travel drives and more. The pockets “snap” closed by using a 1” carpenter’s metal measuring tape. What a great way to organize all your sewing tools. For the beginner and beyond.
Sew Nice First Ever Challenge Fabric Contest

We are all waiting for Spring and Mother Nature isn’t cooperating so let’s take things into our own hands. Sew Nice is challenging all of our customers to participate in a fabric challenge contest using the bright flowered fabric pictured. You must purchase a minimum of half a yard of the fabric, using this fabric and any other fabric that you wish you will make a project of your choice. Any project - you decide - hat, vest, shirt, skirt, wallhanging, quilt, pillow, wallet, tote, purse, or any other item that you dream up. The pattern does not have to be original but the fabric has to be recognizable. All projects **must be turned in to Sew Nice by 6:00pm on Wednesday, June 1st.** Your project will be registered and assigned a number. On Saturday, June 4th we will have a special show displaying all the items that have been submitted. Those people attending the show will be able to vote for their favorite item. The item with the most votes will win a $50.00 gift certificate to Sew Nice. So get your creative juices flowing and have some fun with a really bright and colorful fabric and hope that we can encourage Spring to arrive!

**Spring Shop Hop**
Friday & Saturday
May 13th & 14th
9:00am - 6:00pm

Get your passport now, don’t miss out on all the fun!!

**Maxine’s Mat & Ruler Tote**
Thursday, May 24th 10:30-2:30
Taught by: Kathie Webster
Cost: $20.00

Do you love Maxine cartoons and have you always wanted a great tote for your mat and rulers? Then this is the class for you. Kathie has designed a great tote for you to use for classes or retreats or just plain getting together to quilt. Kathie will also give you options to customize your bag for your specific needs. For the beginner and beyond.
**Tuesday, May 17th and/or 24th and/or 31st 4:00-8:00**

Under Our Wings is a new national service program that is part of the Quilts of Valor (QOV) Foundation national initiative to provide every wounded soldier with a comfort quilt to start his or her healing process. Since 2003, QOV has presented more than 34,000 quilts to wounded warriors. Sew Nice has signed on to join this noble cause which pairs experienced quilters (Coaches) with new quilters (Rookies). As a Coach, you’ll take a Rookie “under your wings” to piece a Quilt of Valor. As a Coach, you’ll teach your Rookie to sew a 1/4” seam. You’ll do the cutting, pinning, and pressing as you guide your Rookie to make patchwork blocks for her/his Quilt of Valor. Sew Nice will provide the place, tools and pattern. Coaches and Rookies will provide the fabric & batting. Kits will be available for purchase or bring your own fabrics. So, simply find a friend who has never made a quilt before and form a team and sign up at Sew Nice. Sew Nice will also be looking for singles to pair together. Don’t delay, sign up today!

**Begin Quilting**

Tuesdays

May 11th, 18th, 25th, and June 1st 2:00 - 6:00

Taught by: Diane Marvin
Cost: $40.00 + pattern + supplies

This Lucky Stars pattern will be your first quilt. Learn how to quilt and start having more fun than you can imagine. This quilt can be made any size from crib to king (although we suggest starting with the throw size) by using fat quarters. The color combinations are endless and we will be glad to help you select your fabrics.

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**SHOP HOP 9:00 - 6:00**

**Memorial Day**

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