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Sew Timely

Why do we do Community Service projects? The Policies & Procedures manual for ASG says that sewing items for the community is an activity enjoyed by many ASG members, but that it is not *required* of the Chapter. Reporting our Community Service work is helpful to the Chapter and the organization obtaining donations, grants, and positive publicity for ASG. That's all good, but it isn't really why we do it.

Collectively, we spend thousands of hours making hundreds of items each year, and then we give them away! Sometimes I feel like I'm working in the factory again (summer job). One year it was turtle pillows, then there were chemo caps, blankets, dresses and shorts, and this year, pillow cases. I put (shove) aside my own projects and cut, press and sew for hours and days until it is done. Or I gather up a bunch of donated fabric and haul it to Needle Nook or the Extension Center and a group of us sets up an assembly line to get the items done as efficiently as possible. The effects often include tired muscles, neglected housework and lonely husbands or pets. Yet they also include the satisfaction of a job well done in the company of friends.



I can give you some of the reasons I do it. One is gratitude. I remember what it was like to be a young parent and need a hand from others. So when I sew things for kids in crisis or families starting with nothing, I am paying it forward. I also think about the child, whether here in Kansas or in some far away country, and how a simple task and a few hours on my part to provide her with something new and handmade, maybe for the first time, will let her know that there are people who care. I hope that gives her comfort and inspires her to commit her own acts of kindness, instead of acts of crime or terror when she grows up.

Then there is the "community" that is all of you. When we work together, it is not just a gentle humming of machines and the occasional psst of the iron! We share our good news, our concerns and plenty of opinions while we work. We learn a new technique or how to work with a different fabric. Then we bring what we have done to a meeting so that we can admire each other's sewing skills. I think we need that too.

So thank you to everyone who has sewn or embroidered something and then given it away. I imagine you have your own reasons for continuing to do this, and I would like to hear them. Oh, and don't stop. The kids, the families, the cancer patients and the veterans are still out there.

Time to get back to it.. Vicky

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Membership Renewal

The National office will send you a renewal notice about 2 months before your membership expires. If you don't receive a renewal notice, contact the membership chairwoman, or go to the National website, asg.org, where you can renew online.

Address Change

If your address, phone number or email changes, please report the changes to both the local membership chair and to the National office (you can use the website at asg.org.)

A Note About Photos

As you have probably noticed, we love photos! If you take photos at an ASG event, please consider posting them to Facebook or emailing them to the newsletter editor.



If you would rather not have your photo appear on Facebook or in the newsletter, please tell the newsletter editor. If you don't see yourself here, then pose and smile whenever you see a camera, especially if you are sewing or shopping.

Advertising Rates

This newsletter is published 6 times per year. We only accept sewing-related ads.

Our rates are:

- 1/8 page—\$60/yr;
- 1/4 page—\$120/yr;
- 1/2 page—\$210/yr;
- 1 page—\$300/yr.

ASG members may place classified ads for 10 cents per word.

Cares and Concerns

If you know of a guild member who is experiencing an illness or a loss in their family, please contact Marilyn John (316) 684-0355.



Upcycling—Our Spring Challenge

No It's Not a New Exercise! It can be a challenge though; in fact it is our Spring Challenge! In

Threads No. 177 (March 2015) Michelle Paganini defines *upcycling* as adding value to the original item, through labor and material, and including repurposing and transforming. The article shows to how use several men's shirts to make a single women's garment. Another article in the same issue describes the process of felting knitted wool. Though not specified in the article, this is a way of turning unwanted wool garments into a different kind of fabric that can be used to make accessories that don't fray.

At our December general meeting, we saw a stunning example of a jacket made out of several pairs of blue jeans. I have also made a purse and a tote bag, and have seen quilts and placemats made out of jeans. We have lately seen t-shirts made into scarves and quilts, and they can also be turned into shopping bags.

Don't limit yourself to upcycling garments. If you have an old chenille bedspread, it can become cuddly stuffed toys. A shower curtain, even if it's a bit ugly, could be the lining for a purse or tote. Leather (coat, boots, bag) makes a great accent or appliqué. Then there is Tyvek, a construction material, (Linda Lee wrote about it in Threads #173) and if I can ever figure out how to get some, I want to make a bag out of billboard vinyl...Well now I'm getting a bit out there. My point is, I am looking forward to seeing all your creativity, when you show it at our April meeting, be it as traditional as a quilt or as out there as a jacket made from who-knows-what. And that's a challenge!



Barbara Nelson



Catherine Marshall

American Sewing Guild -- Wichita Kansas Chapter

2 Day Workshop and Trunk Show

Sedgwick County Extension Center, 4-H Hall, 7101 N. Ridge Rd., Wichita, KS

Marsha McClintock – designer/owner of Saf-t-pockets Patterns created for travel and every day. She enjoys teaching and creating classes that inspire and motivate students to try new things. She has taught at the American Sewing Guild National Conferences, and sewing shows across the US. She is past president of Assoc. of Sewing and Design Professionals, Oregon Chapter, has owned an accessory business and has written for Sew News Magazine.



Thursday, April 16, 2015 7pm to 9pm SAF-T-Pockets Trunk Show

Free admission.

Friday, April 17, 2015 9am to 4pm Inspiring Workshop

Morning: It's in the Details (Lecture) Applying unique trims, unusual closures, inseam buttonholes, fun pockets and sleeve treatments. There will be sample garments with great details to inspire your projects.

Afternoon: (Hands On) Surface Design Using stamps, fabric paints, foil paints, foils, silk screens, etc. **Kit Fee \$18.00**

Saturday, April 18, 2015 9am to 4pm All Things Leather

Morning: Fun with Leather and Suede (Lecture) where to purchase skins, sewing supplies and equipment needed, pattern suggestions, cutting and marking. Ways to use leather in garments and for accents.

Afternoon: (Hands on) Leather Coat Second Time Around You will learn techniques to turn an unwanted coat into fun accessories. Purses, totes, belts etc. How to use existing seams, pockets and zippers in your new creation.

Registration Fees:

Early Bird Deadline : March 17, 2015

Member Early Bird Fee	\$60 Friday or Saturday	\$100 Both days
Non Members Early Bird Fee	\$85 Friday or Saturday	\$125 Both Days

Final Deadline: April 9, 2015

Members Fee	\$70 Friday or Saturday	\$120 Both days
Non Members Fee	\$95 Friday or Saturday	\$145 Both days

Marsha McClintock Workshop Registration

April 16, 17, 18, 2015

Name _____ Membership No. _____

Address _____ City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____ Phone _____

Please fill in amounts that apply**Free** I plan to attend the Thursday Evening April 16, 2015 Trunk Show\$ _____ **Friday April 17, 2015 \$60 (add \$10 after March 17, 2015, non-members add \$25)**\$ _____ **Saturday April 18, 2015 \$60 (add \$10 after March 17, 2015, non-members add \$25)**\$ _____ **Both Friday and Saturday \$100 (add \$20 after March 17, 2015, non-members add \$45)**\$ _____ **My check made payable to American Sewing Guild-Wichita Chapter is enclosed.****Final Registration Date is April 9, 2015****Mail registration to: Judy Troyer 1277 Indigo, Hillsboro, Kansas 67063**

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In the Library

Items in our library include books, videos, DVDs, magazines and patterns. These items may be checked out for one month at a time. DVDs and videos must be returned the following month and may not be renewed until the end of the meeting so that others have a chance to check them out.

There is a charge of \$1 per item per month for items returned late. Any item not returned within 6 months will be considered lost and the member will be responsible for replacing it. A complete listing of library holdings is available at the library table during our monthly meetings.

We are also happy to receive your donations of sewing related magazines that we then sell to other members. However, we request that you limit your donations to no more than two years worth at one time, so that our librarian can handle the volume.

New in the Library:

Thank You to our members who donated these books.

Sulky Secrets to Successful Embroidery by Joyce Drexler

Stretch & Sew Sewing Book-Part 1 by Ann Person,

Stretch & Sew Sewing Book-Part 2 by Ann Person,

Sew Easy Embellishments by Nancy Zieman

April Events

General Meeting –April 7

Spring Tea-Challenge-UpCycling

- ♦ Bring and show your Challenge project
- ♦ Members whose last name starts with A-through I bring treats.
- ♦ 1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center
- ♦ Vicky Islietson (316) 529-1565

MEOW Neighborhood Group-April 8

Embroidering on Silk

- ♦ By Sylvia Steinshour & Jozana Smith
- ♦ 2 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Donella Cole (316) 773-4374

Marsha McClintock Workshop

April 16 Trunk Show 7-9pm

April 17 Inspiring Workshop 9am-4pm

April 18 All Things Leather 9am-4pm

For more information see page 4

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group-April 20

Dorset Button

- ♦ 1pm, 23 Chisholm Creek, Wichita
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

Eastside Neighborhood Group-April 21

Stencil Painting

- ♦ 7 pm Theresa's house
721 S. Volusia
- ♦ Theresa Corle (316) 689-6702

Serge It Up Neighborhood Group-April 23

Beading Foot

- ♦ 9:30 am, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

Serger Neighborhood Group-April 27

Waterbottle Project

- ♦ By Marilyn John
- ♦ 1 pm, Hancock Fabrics West, 7393 W, Central
- ♦ Penny Ruddle (316) 263-4816

CAB Meeting-April 28

- ♦ Plan upcoming events
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Ingle Room
Sedgwick County Extension Center
- ♦ Vicky Islietson (316) 529-1565

Upcycling Challenge -Spring Tea

Bring your upcycle project to share with your fellow ASG Members and you could become the owner of a steam press. Members who participate in the Challenge will be entered in a drawing. Winner will be announced after the evening meeting. This press is great to set fabric dyes, fuse interfacing, applique, or ink jet transfer projects. With a surface 4 times the size of an Iron It also will remove a stubborn crease or easily set one in a difficult fabric.



May Events

General Meeting –May 5

Collar Points and “Twin Pockets”

- ♦ By Betty Brees
- ♦ 1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center
- ♦ Vicky Is liefson (316) 529-1565

Eat & Shop Thursday May 7, 10:00 AM

♦ Cocoa Dolce Artisan Chocolate

FactoryTour. (Not at their retail store.) 3540 N. Comotara Suite 100 **Unmarked building**

Bing web link to for map <http://binged.it/1BV2oL0>

From Rock Rd turn East on 35th N, (Taco Bueno) at Comotara St. turn North (Left) to 3540.

The third building on the east side.

From Webb Rd turn West on 35th N. at Comotara St. turn South(right) to 3540. The second building on the east side. The tour will be about 1 1/2 hours.

Seating is limited and do wear comfy shoes.

- ♦ **Lunch** about noon. **Red Robin** in the Water-front www.redrobin.com for their menu Map link <http://binged.it/1Cq04gX>

9990 East 13th Turn east from Webb Rd. then North at Waterfront entrance. Red Robin is on the East.

♦ **National Fiber Directions Exhibitions-2015 Wichita Center for The Arts**

<https://www.wcfta.com/current-exhibition/>

Opens at 1:00 PM

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Nancy Boewe (316) 681-0000

Meow Neighborhood Group-May 13

Embroidery on Minky

- ♦ by Angela Meyer

Collect Charity Donations

- ♦ 2 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Donella Cole (316) 773-4374

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group-May 18

Kumihimo

- ♦ By Pat Hernandez
- ♦ 1pm, 23 Chisholm Creek, Wichita
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

Eastside Neighborhood Group-May 19

Applique

- ♦ By Shirley Binder
- ♦ 7 pm Needle Nook Fabrics
- ♦ Theresa Corle (316) 689-6702

Serger Neighborhood Group-May25

Memorial Day no meeting

CAB Meeting May26

- ♦ Plan upcoming events
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Ingle Room Sedgwick County Extension Center
- ♦ Vicky Is liefson (316) 529-1565

Serge It Up Neighborhood Group-May28

Piping Foot

- ♦ 9:30 am , A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

Collar Points and "Twin" Pockets

- Betty will demonstrate Pam Erny's method for making perfect collar points and "twin" pockets that are the exact same size and shape.
- Pam Erny writes off-the-cuff-style.blogspot.com , makes custom shirts for clients around the world, and is the owner of www.FashionSewingSupply.com where you can purchase outstanding interfacing

Rumor Has It...

- ◆ ASG National Conference for 2015 will be July 16-20 at Town & Country Resort & Convention Center, 500 Hotel Circle N, San Diego CA 92108. For reservations, call: (800) 772-8527. Conference Brochure will be available at asg.org on April 1; registration opens April 6, closes April 15.
- ◆ Our Chapter T-Shirt contest at the Kansas State Fair. September 11-20, 2015. Entry Deadline will be August 15.
- ◆ Use a 45" shoelace for the drawstring in a pillow case.

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Community Service Report

Theresa Corle has resigned as Community Service Chair due to health reasons. We thank Theresa for her dedication over the last four years. This leaves us in need of a volunteer to fill this position.

32 drawstring pillow cases and 11 floor pillows have been delivered to the Sunshine Children's Home in Andover.

March 16 and 17 we assisted the Child Start program, along with High School Students fulfilling their commitment to Community Service hours, in making adult and children's aprons to be used for a Child Start event later in the year.

A number of these aprons still need to be completed and will be available for you to pick up at the April General Meeting.

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F - Sat 10 - 5:00

On-Going Fundraisers

A number of back issues of sewing magazines have been donated, including Ottobre, Sew Beautiful, Sew News, and Creative Machine Embroidery. Look for these for sale in the next few months.

Most fabric is sold at \$1 per yard, but there are some high quality quilt cottons priced a little higher.

Now sold from the Fabric Fund tables: Patterns and magazines that have been donated by members are for sale for 25 cents each or 5 for a dollar. Funds raised go to buy items for the library and some of our other activities. Happy shopping!

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Welcome New Members

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Dillons Community Rewards program



We have learned that we can register with the Dillons Community Rewards program and earn money for our chapter. Register your Dillons card and then each time it is swiped the chapter will receive a small rebate. This in no way impacts your Dillons gas points. It is merely a way for Dillons to give back to the communities where their customers shop.

Below are instructions for registering your card. Once registered, allow two weeks and then you should see a statement at the bottom of your receipt that indicates that you have affiliated your card so that the Wichita Chapter will receive your rebate. Please take a few minutes to do this! It's free money for us.

You can register on line at <https://www.dillons.com/communityrewards> To sign in or create an account to enroll:

- Click on Sign In/Register
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- ♦ Sign up for a Dillons Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions. You will get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- If you have an online account, click sign in and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Dillons Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter **Wichita American Sewing Guild**, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for our group until after you register your cards.
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(if received after membership expiration date)

☐ Junior Renewal .....\$25



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- Get discounts at local and national stores

