



## **DREAMS and SEAMS**

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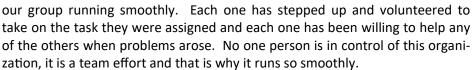
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## Needled by Norma

"A well-oiled machine" is a common expression to indicate something that runs smoothly and without any difficulties. This would refer to not only the

electrical device in your sewing area but all the way up the chain to the Board of Directors at ASG headquarters. Sometimes when we are soaking in all the benefits of being an ASG member, we fail to recognize just how much effort it takes to keep this machine we know as ASG running smoothly.

Look at the left-hand column on the next page of this newsletter and run through the list of names. Each and every person on that list has a vital role to play in keeping



We are at that time of year when again we will be asking for help in filling positions on our CAB. There is a place for anyone who would like to be in on the groundwork of planning our 2018 events and activities. Please consider what talents you could bring to the table and ideas that you might have as to programs, events and innovative ways of reaching members both past, present and future. There is a major disconnect when we have less than half of our membership attend the general meetings and roughly 10% in neighborhood groups. What are you wanting that we are not providing? Please consider contacting any of us on the CAB and letting us know your thoughts, or better yet come join us. For 2018 we will be looking for a new Treasurer, Special Events Coordinator, Eat and Shop planner and Retail Liaison. Also, if any other position strikes your fancy the person now filling it may be waiting for someone to take her place and consider stepping down or changing positions. When we have the same people doing the planning we tend to get the same results and as Dr. Phil would say "insanity is doing the same thing and expecting different results". (Our results have always been good, but good isn't always good enough). That being said, would only lead me to think that if we get new CAB members we also get fresh ideas.

ASG Wichita has been using the same facility for nearly 20 years at no charge and is now being challenged to find a new meeting location. This has put a strain on the CAB but we have gotten ideas from the membership and we thank you for that. Our main challenge was finding a location that will allow us locked storage for all our library books, fabric and sewing tools. There will most definitely be some compromising but I'm sure by the time the next newsletter is out that we will have a location that will meet most of our needs.

In closing I'd like to remind you that the happiest people are not those who are getting more, but giving more. If it has to be done, please take the responsibility to do it.

Norma

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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 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, in the newsletter, or on the website please tell the webmistress, and 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 a year. We only accept sewing-related ads.

Our rates are:

1/8 page--\$60/year

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1 page--\$300/year

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.

## Duties of Wichita Chapter ASG Treasurer

Thank you for the opportunity to be your treasurer for the last four years. I have fulfilled my 4 year position and encourage someone to step into the role.

Wichita ASG Treasurer's position is an opportunity to keep the financial records for the organization. It is a job for someone with accounting experience. Responsibility includes balancing the check book by paying the bills, recording automatic bank deposits, updating the monthly report for ASG Cabinet meetings, preparing a yearly budget, and sending the Quarterly IRS Report to National ASG Office. Computer Spread sheet is



available to make it easier to keep the records. Once the format of the records is set up, it becomes a monthly update of balancing the transactions. Help is always available from the ASG Cabinet.

Rebecca Wondra

## Expand Your Sewing Skills with Neighborhood Groups

Have you ever been struggling with some step in a sewing project and thought to yourself "there's got to be a better way" or do you dream of sewing your granddaughter's prom/bridal gown but don't think you have the courage. Do you think you don't know as much as everyone else about sewing or do you drool over how a certain someone sews on binding? If you can say yes to any of these scenarios then a neighborhood group is for you.

Did you know you can visit one neighborhood group or all the neighborhood groups in your chapter or any number in-between? Did you know you don't have to go to every meeting, though we hope you will? Did you know you are not committing yourself for the rest of your life?

Our chapter has four neighborhood/special interest groups: Serger (for general serging), MEOW (machine embroidery of Wichita), Eastside (because that's where we meet) for general interest, and Sew Inspired which can take us in any direction and frequently does.

All groups operate a similar format, short business/announcement time, show and share, and a program. It is during the show and share that members can share tips and techniques, ask how-to-questions, show off your newest creation, get inspiration, courage and encouragement.

Come join us, there is always room for another chair.

Betty Brees, Neighborhood Group Coordinator

In September the **MEOW** group will again bring donations to our meeting. These donations are delivered by our members to Harbor House, Victory in the Valley and the VA Hospital. Donations for Harbor House consist of anything that is needed to set up a new household as well as children and baby items. Victory in the Valley needs quilts or even just quilt tops as they have a group that will finish the quilts. The VA Hospital needs lap blankets, pillow cases, men's underwear and clothing. Our group makes many of the items donated along with purchased and good used items. Everyone is welcome to our September meeting along with any donations you want to share.

### Call for nominations

Election for the 2016 Chapter advisory board will be held at our Annual meeting November 7<sup>th.</sup> If you are interested in a position please contact one of the nominating committee members.

Becky Wondra (316) 722-0939

Mary Baker (316) 778-2259

Wilma Wine (316) 832-1202

Nomination period closes September 5.

## Hospice Gown Sewing Party, Sept. 16th, 2017

Be sure to reserve your spot by August 15th for our 2017 Hospice Gown Sewing Party! It will be held on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> in the 4H Hall. All our members and our sewing friends are invited. But remember this is a reservations only event (vital for planning a fun event!). Our goal this year is to finish 100 gowns – Are you up for the challenge? Don't forget - There will be lunch and snacks for everyone and lots of fun and prizes.

What you need to know before you reserve: You may reserve for yourself and sewing friend(s) by signing up at one of our meetings between now and August 15th or by contacting Beryl Silkey by August 15th!

If you are inviting sewing friends/family, be sure to provide their names, contact information (it can be you), skill level and preferences for participation so that we can be sure that they know what they need to bring. Children who sew are welcome as long they are supervised by the adult bringing them.

**Details about what to bring** with you to the party will be provided after August 31st.

We will use a mass production process again this year, so we need some flexibility in assigning volunteers to tasks to keep an even flow. That means we'll need enough sewists, sergers, pressers, pattern cutters, bias cutters (rotary cutting), hostesses/table leaders, transporters, inspectors, final pressers and packagers to get the job done. Everyone pitched in last year and we had a lot of fun. Those who brought "just in case" machines and supplies were a real blessing!

Thanks to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice for helping with most of the fabric purchases this year. But please remember, every 3-yard cut of comfortable cotton fabric contributed by you allows us to do more!

Why we chose this charity event: We learned about this need from Deb Zent, a hospice nurse in Indiana (see her heart-warming story at <a href="www.institcheswithDeb.com">www.institcheswithDeb.com</a>) Hospice patients are often cared for at home by family members, friends and hospice workers and when they become bedridden, caregivers struggle with regular clothing. Hospital gowns, open in the back and secured by ties, make things easier but they are often stiff and drab. Our gowns will be colorful, soft and cheerful...a gown with flowers for the gardener or the sports themed gown for the baseball fan. This is our way to extend a warm, loving touch to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice patients by providing comfort and dignity in their last stages of life. How can you help? There are two shifts available (or both shifts) with multiple tasks required to make this work in a mass production manner. What a wonderful day it will be seeing all of the different fabrics being used and to chat with other sewists as we meet our goal of making 100 gowns.

## Days for Girls

A total of 30 DaysForGirls feminine hygiene kits were delivered to Brillian and Sein Lengeju of KeepGirlsSafe.org for them to take with them to Kenya on June 28th. Each kit contains 1 bag, 8 liners and 2 shields, for a total of 30 bags, 240 liners and 60 shields. Another 48 bags are ready to be filled with liners and shields. They are going to take lots of pictures and would love to give a presentation to us at one of our General Meetings ear-



ly next year. Thanks to your efforts, we have an estimated, total community service hours of over 310 hours for this accomplishment! Another 7 hours of service were used to donate baby blankets and pillowcases!



## August Events

### General Meeting -August 1

4-H Style Show Rug Hooking Janis Robertson

- ◆ 1:30 pm, Extension Center
- Norma Womack (316) 721-9306

## Sewing Buddy- August 1

**Bring your current project** 

- → 7:00 pm, Extension Center
- Linda Bryan (316) 722-2492
- ◆ Sondra Schmittgens (316) 644-7049

## **MEOW Neighborhood Group-August 9**

Tips, Tricks, & Tools

- Members Share
- 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- Donella Cole (316) 773-4374

## Eastside Neighborhood Group-August 15 Share Christmas Ideas and instructions.

- Members Share
- 7 pm , Needle Nook Fabrics,
   2714 Boulevard Plaza
- Theresa Corle (316) 689-6702

## **Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group- August 21**

Sashiko Made Easy

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

### **CAB Meeting –August 22**

- Plan upcoming events
- 1:30 pm, Sedgwick Room, Sedgwick County Extension Center
- Norma Womack (316) 721-9306

## Serger Neighborhood Group-August 28

What is this 'serger' foot for

- 1:30 pm, Riverwalk Church of Christ,
   225 N Waco
- Penny Ruddle (316) 263-4816

### 5th Tuesday & Wednesday Sew In-August 29 & 30

Work on Projects, Go to Lunch! Come one or both days

- ♦ 9 am to 4:00 pm, Extension Center
- Norma Womack (316) 721-9306

August meeting we will have Janis Robertson give a program on rug hooking. She will explore the primitive and tradtional styles and demonstrate how to hook. Carol Grahm (member of our ASG) will be helping her. Janis has been rug hooking for 20 years and will share its history and how to dye yarn to use.

## Don't Forget. August 15

is the Deadline for

#### **Entering the Kansas State Fair.**

http://www.kansasstatefair.com/

Click on Exhibitors

Click on Traditional & Creative Competition Click on Clothing and Textiles handbook to determine your class. (Division 303 is the Creative Fashion T-Shirt Challenge sponsored by our ASG Chapter.)

Click on on-line entry form.

#### **Entering the Anyone Can Win Contest**

https://www.asg.org/?s=any+one+can+win

## Reserving your Spot for the Hospice Gown Sewing Party

Beryl Silkey, (316) 682-0017

## September Events

## General Meeting-September 5 Birthday Party

- Conference Report
- ◆ 1:30 pm, Extension Center
- Norma Womack (316) 721-9306

## Sewing Buddy—September 5 Bring your current project

- ♦ 7:00 pm, Extension Center
- ◆ Linda Bryan (316) 722-2492
- ♦ Sondra Schmittgens (316) 644-7049

## **Meow Neighborhood Group-September 13 Donations**

- By Members
- 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Donella Cole (316) 773-4374

### **Hospice Gown Sewing Party-September 16**

- 9 am-4 pm, 4-H Hall Sedgwick County Extension Center
- Beryl Silkey at 316-682-0017

## Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group-September 18

#### **Nuno Felting**

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

## **Eastside Neighborhood Group-September 19 Leggings**

- Wilma Wine
- ♦ 7 pm, Needle Nook Fabrics, 2714 Boulevard Plaza
- Theresa Corle (316) 689-6702

## Serger Neighborhood Group-September 25 Halloween Pincushion

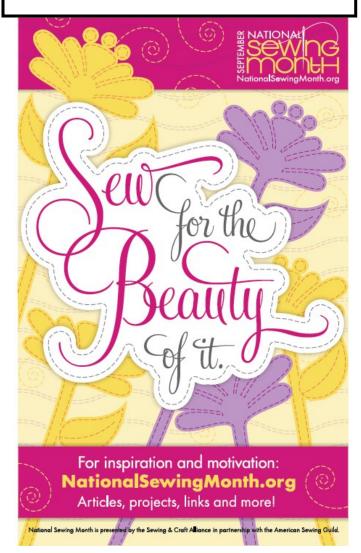
- 1:30 pm, Riverwalk Church of Christ
   225 N Waco
- Penny Ruddle (316) 263-4816

### **CAB Meeting –September 26**

- Plan upcoming events
- 1:30 pm, Sedgwick Room Sedgwick County Extension Center
- Norma Womack (316) 721-9306

We will have a table promoting National Sewing Month at JOANN Fabrics West, Friday 9/22 from 10 AM to 8 PM (store hours are 9 to 9)

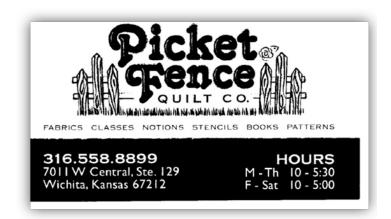
There will have a sign up sheet at the August and September meetings



### It's Fabrics

Winning fabrics designed for the ASG Fabric Design Contest were unveiled at conference. So many wonderful fabrics were submitted that there will be several choices available for members to order. One of the fabrics was designed by Wichita ASG member Susie Dyer. Check the national website for ordering information. All the fabrics include the ASG logo in the design. These fabrics should be inspiration to create some wonderful and unique projects.

We will again be sponsoring the Creative T-Shirt contest at the Kansas State Fair. Information will be available on the State Fair website June 1. The winner will receive a 1 year membership to ASG and a \$50.00 cash prize. Fair dates are September 8-17.



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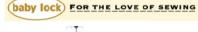
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## On-Going Fundraisers

**Fabric FUNd** is a great perk for belonging to ASG. Not only does it give us a nice income for our chapter, it gives us an opportunity to rid our personal stashes of unwanted items or pick up a treasure from what a sister member no longer wants. Due to the upcoming change in our General meeting venue there will be some changes to Fabric Fund.

In preparation for this change we will only accept fabric donations thru August of this year. Then we will sell what we have thru September. Any fabric left will be donated to charity.

Due to a lack of storage after January 2018 the Fabric Fund will no longer keep fabric from month to month. If you bring fabric and it doesn't sell at that meeting you may either pick up your fabric at the end of the meeting, or leave it to be used for or donated to charity.

We receive rewards money from the following:

Dillons Community Rewards program

https:// www.dillons.com/ communityrewards

www.smile.amazon.

Tues - Fri 10 am - 5:30 pm

Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

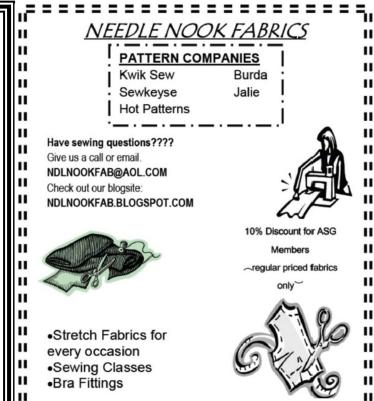
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### WANT DISCOUNTS ON SEWING?

Did you know that your ASG membership gives you as many as 50 discounts, free shipping, and other exclusive ASG offers from our industry supporters? Those Special Offers are in the Members Only section of the ASG website. They are changed quarterly at the time each new issue of ASG "Notions" is in the mail and online, but usually include:

- \*\* 10-to-20% discounts from 12+ popular pattern designers
- \*\* 10-to-15% discounts from 6+ fashion fabric resources
- \*\* 10-to-25% discounts from 12+ sewing notions suppliers
- \*\* plus special pricing for sewing expos, free shipping for online orders, and more!

You can save more than enough to pay for your ASG membership when you take advantage of just a few of those offers! So please visit Special Offers on the ASG website before you order any sewing supplies online. Remember, our industry supporters need to see orders to know you appreciate their generosity ... and to keep those ASG Special Offers coming!

## A Taste of ASG offer extended thru 2017

\$10 Trial Membership-A perfect gift for a friend that you would like to introduce to ASG. Visit https:// www.asg.org/taste-of-asg-trialmembership/ To Try out a 60-day all access to "Taste of ASG" pass to the American Sewing Guild for only \$10.



### Welcome New Members

We welcome you and encourage you to attend our monthly meetings and get involved in a Neighborhood Group.

Janice Mullinix Wichita, KS

Beverly Seyfert Wichita, KS

Seth Merrell Wichita, KS

Cecilia Duncan Derby, KS



## Merchant Discounts

#### A-1 Singer Sewing Center (15%)

(316) 685-0226, A-1singer.com 1012 S Oliver Wichita KS

#### Hen Feathers (Punch Card)

(316) 652-9599, Henfeathersquilts.com 110 N Rock Rd Wichita KS

#### JoAnn Fabrics & Crafts (10%)

All locations

#### Midwest Sewing Center (15%)

111 S Pattie (316) 262-3438 Wichita KS Midwestsew.net

#### Needle Nook Fabrics (10% off regular priced fabrics)

(316) 684-5989, ndlnookfab.blogspot.com 2714 Boulevard Plaza Wichita KS

#### The Sewing Center (10% excl. machines)

(316) 832-0819 2407 W 13th St. N Wichita KS

Visit **Special Offers** in the members only section at www.asg.org for discount codes

### ASG on the Web

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Wichita ASG Facebook page: www.facebook.com/asgwichita

Wichita ASG email: <u>asgwichita@yahoo.com</u>
National ASG site: <u>www.asg.org</u>

Remember both ASG.org and ASGwichita.org have areas that are password protected. If you don't remember the passwords check the back of your membership card or contact <a href="mailto:info@asgwichita.org">info@asgwichita.org</a>.

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