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Words of Wisdom

ASG National Conference -- Southern Sewabration

By Denise Dias, Chapter President

Wow! Your brain goes on overload after you attend an ASG Conference. Too many ideas -- and not enough time to try them all out. This year was special, because we had so many wonderful makers. **Nancy Zieman** of "Sewing with Nancy" was our keynote speaker. She is truly a gem and was recently recognized in the Sewing Hall of Fame.

I attended all kinds of classes, from dyeing fabric to ultrasuede piping to wardrobe clustering. It is always fun to shop in the Merchant's

Mall and check out the local fabric shops. I can't believe that I did not come home with fabric this year... I must not be feeling well! Maybe next time... I did find some nifty patterns and books, so all was not lost.



BACK TO SCHOOL

Next year's conference will be in Philadelphia, PA and in 2003 the conference will be in Portland. Plan now to go to one of these places. I heard that both areas are rich with fabrics! My stash will never be the same! Happy sewing...

Denise

Featured in July & August

Home Decorating & Display Items

With our scheduled meeting date falling almost on the 4th of July, it was decided to cancel the Wichita Chapter ASG monthly meeting for July. This should have given everyone extra time to sew or go on vacation and get new ideas or fabrics for their stash.

Joining us for our August meeting was **Calico Corners**, the new home decorating fabrics store at 8336 E. 21st Street. Everyone seemed to enjoy the meeting and seeing all the new ideas

for home decorating projects.

Positions open for next year's Board were announced. An appeal was made for articles recycled from old jeans, ties or anything that was once something else for the Rockwell Library display in September.

As summer draws to an end, remember to prepare and plan for sewing those one-of-a-kind gifts and decorations for the holidays -- they are just around the corner.

Our Next Chapter Meetings:

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, September 4

"Bring Your Favorite Notion"
Member Demo. & Explanation

OCTOBER

Tuesday, October 2

"Small Christmas Ideas"
Members Bring Patterns & Supply List

October 23, 2001

***9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.**

"Make Small Items"
Come & Go Workshop



Each One - Teach One

**SEPTEMBER
is National Sewing
Month!!!**





THESE SEWING TIPS ARE TREATS... NOT TRICKS!



Do you need some pattern weights? Fill empty 35mm film canisters with aquarium sand or regular sand to make some very quick and inexpensive ones.

If you leave a scorch mark on wool because of a too hot iron, take a nickel and rub it on the mark. The scorch should disappear.

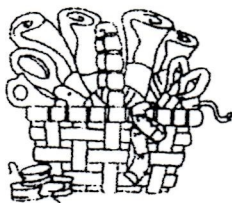
You can reduce the bulk from pocket flaps by cutting the top flap from the fashion fabric and the bottom flap from lining fabric. This works for side pockets as well. Making sure that you cut the part you'll see from the fashion fabric.

Keep the facing of your garment from showing on the right side of the garment by stitching in the ditch at the shoulder seam. It looks better, is faster and is more secure.



The Ten Commandments of My Sewing Room

Reprinted from Abbey Press Book



Thou shalt put away no ironing board before its time.

Thou shalt not expect meals, clean laundry, or a sparkling house when sewing "calls".

Thou shalt walk through this room as if treading on pins and needles.

Thou shalt not use my fabric shears.

Thou shalt not covet my sewing machine.

Thou shalt stick no unthreaded needles in the pin cushion.

Thou shalt always remember a stitch in time saves nine.

Thou shalt not touch my organized mess.

Thou shalt remember that each item sewn is stitched with love and care.

Thou shalt praise God often for all creative talents.

INNER PEACE

*My therapist told me a way to
achieve inner peace
was to finish things
that I had started.*

*Today, I finished two bags of
potato chips and a chocolate cake.*

I feel better already!!!

Original Sewing & Craft Expo September 27-29, 2001

Hyatt Regency Crown Center
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Classes - purchased separately

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Ad rates for our bimonthly ASG Newsletter will be as follows:

Inserts (one sheet-8 1/2" x 11"). \$30
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Full Page	\$50
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1/4 Page	\$20
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The Deadline for the November/December issue will be September 25. Send or give your info. in writing by that date to: Marcia Davis, 1020 N. Pinecrest, Wichita, KS 67208 or E-mail: <Gbmhh@aol.com>

☑ Mark Your Calendar

Becky Wondra, our Guild's Education Chairman, has announced some exciting programs for 2001. All meetings will be held the first Tuesday of the month at the Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, 7001 W. 21st Street North, at 1:30 and 7:00 P. M. (* notes meetings that differ from this date and time)

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November 6, 2001

Community Service Sewing
To Be Announced

December 4, 2001

"Christmas Party"

If you know of someone who would be interested in presenting a program to our Guild, please let Becky know.



Derby Neighborhood Group

The Derby Neighborhood Group meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at Woodlawn United Methodist Church, in Derby Kansas. Reservations are not required except where requested. All you have to do is go to the south entrance of the Woodlawn United Methodist Church at Kay and Woodlawn, Derby, Kansas, and follow the signs to room 11E. Please come and join the fun. For more information call **Carol Wiens** at 316-788-4488 or <jackw@southwind.net> or **Teresa Norris** at 316-789-0148.



Hutch Neighborhood Group

The Hutch Neighborhood Group meets on the first Thursday of the month! They meet in the Parlor of the First Presbyterian Church, Sherman & Walnut, at 7:30 P.M. Please use the west entrance. If you have any questions contact **Marion Whitlock** 316-669-9002

Kansas City ASG Chapter's Fall Seminar to Feature Ann Person

The founder of Stretch & Sew, **Ann Person**, will be the featured speaker at Kansas City's ASG Fall Seminar. Ann started Stretch and Sew in 1967 in Oregon with the desire to teach sewing to young people so that they would love to sew. The complicated methods of sewing were not creating excitement for sewing and Ann wanted to change that. Knits were the answer. Sewing with knits was easy, fast and fun. The joy of creating a garment ready to wear in a matter of minutes rather than weeks appealed to the young people she taught and soon their mothers wanted to learn these simple techniques as well. The techniques that applied to knits have been carried over to woven fabrics, so that sewing is not limited. Ann remains the creative force that is the root of this family run company.

The seminar will be on October 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Johnson County Community College, 12345 College Blvd., Overland Park, Kansas. The cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members (both prices include lunch). Registration deadline is September 28.

If interested, send your registration and payment to Ann Poindexter, 404 S. 3rd, Odessa, MO 64078. For more information call (816) 230-7473.

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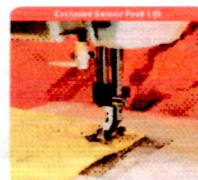
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LEARNING FROM OUR FEATHERED FRIENDS: LESSONS FROM THE GEESE

Reprinted from Sue Bray, President Syracuse Chapter ASG

A flock of geese is worth watching. As each goose flaps its wings, it creates uplift for the bird following. By flying in "V" formation, the whole flock adds 71% more flying range than if each bird flew alone.

Lesson: *People who share a common direction and sense of community can go farther and get where they are going quicker and easier, because they are traveling on the trust of one another.*

When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back in the formation and another goose flies at the point position.

Lesson: *It pays to take turns doing the challenging tasks and sharing leadership. People, like geese, are interdependent.*

The geese in formation honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up the speed.

Lesson: *We need to make sure that our honking from behind is encouraging, not irritating, or worse yet, critical.*

When a goose gets sick, wounded or shot down, two geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help protect it. They stay with the goose until it is able to fly again or dies. Then, they launch out on their own with another formation or catch up to the original flock.

Lesson: *We have as much sense as geese do, let us likewise stand by and care for one another.*

Did You Know...

Teflon ironing board covers prevent steam from penetrating through your fabrics, can cause shine on woolens, makes fusibles bubble, and increases the heat given off by an iron set to a lower temperature?

If you have a Teflon cover you might want to consider replacing it with a 100% cotton cover to ensure the best results for your garments. You already have the pattern. Just copy the old cover and you're set. Now you can be sure of perfect settings and if needed just pop into the washer for a clean and fresh cover. Information from Nancy Erickson at <www.fashionsewing.com>.



PUMPKIN PECAN BUNDT CAKE

Ingredients:

- 1 package spice cake mix
- 1 c. canned pumpkin
- 1/2 c. oil
- 1 package instant vanilla pudding
- 3 eggs
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 c. water
- 1/2 c. chopped pecans

Combine all ingredients, except pecans. Blend well, then beat for 5 minutes. Fold in pecans. Bake in a greased and floured Bundt pan at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Cool in pan for 15 minutes and then turn out. Sprinkle with powdered sugar or drizzle with glaze of your choice before serving.

PUMPKIN COFFEECAKE

Ingredients:

- 1/2 c. butter
- 3/4 c. sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 2 c. flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 c. sour cream
- 1-3/4 c. pumpkin (16 oz. can)
- 1 slightly beaten egg
- 1/3 c. sugar
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice

Streusel:

- 1 c. packed brown sugar
- 1/3 c. butter
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 c. chopped nuts

Cream butter, 3/4 c. sugar and vanilla in bowl, add eggs and beat well. Combine flour, baking powder, and baking soda. Add ingredients to butter mixture, alternating with sour cream to make batter.

Combine pumpkin, egg, 1/3 c. sugar, and pie spice. Keep separate.

Prepare Streusel by mixing ingredients together with fork or hands until crumbly. Set aside.

Spoon half batter mixture into 9" x 13" pan, sprinkle half of the streusel over the batter. Spread the pumpkin mixture over the streusel. Carefully spread the remaining batter over the pumpkin mixture. Sprinkle the remaining streusel over the top. Bake at 325 degrees for 50-60 minutes until toothpick comes out clean.



Fall Into Savings

Following is a list of retailers, and the discounts they offer to ASG members on regularly priced fabric and notions.

Remember, to receive your special ASG discount, show your membership card at the cutting table, when purchasing fabric or at the cash register, before purchases are entered.

Receive a 10% discount at:

Hancock Fabrics — East (to re-open soon)/ West

JoAnn Fabrics - All locations

Needle Nook Fabrics - Blvd. Plaza

Prairie Quilts - Parklane

Sew-N-Sew - El Dorado, KS

The Sewing Center - W. 21st St.

Receive a 15% discount at:

A-1 Sewing Center - Parklane

The Button Hole - McPherson, KS

Receive a 20% discount at:

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Nancy's Notions offers ASG members a 10% discount on all orders. Include the following discount code number when ordering by phone (1-800-833-0690) or mail: Oct-Dec 01 SC#ASG13




Football Season = Computer Time

You can sew while your family is glued to the TV watching football this fall, or you can check out the following online sites -- *being the computer will be free!*

Several ASG Chapters are starting their own websites. Here is one that you might want to check out. This Wichita Falls website was built and is maintained by member **Carol Hale**. <<http://www.homestead.com/wfasg>>

This site has links to 70 online fabric sources and 35 pattern sources: <<http://mudcat.onza.net/fabric.htm>>

Check out this online embroidery database with links to 1,505 web pages offering free designs. There is a searchable database of 8,485 designs. To use this site you must become a member, simply by registering your e-mail address and choosing a password. This qualifies you for three free searches per day, or you can pay \$14.95 for the year which allows you unlimited searches. This site is: <<http://www.Search4Designs.com>>



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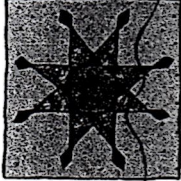

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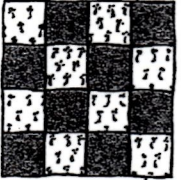
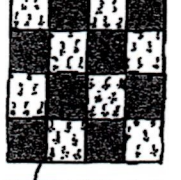
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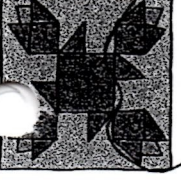
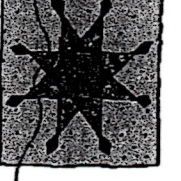
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