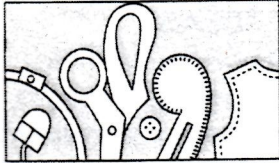


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## THREADS THAT BIND

Wow! How time flies. It is nearly Christmas again. It seems like I just wrote my first column for this newsletter, now nearly three years later I am writing my last. While it seems time has flown by a lot has happened in those three years. Linda Lee, Linda MacPhee, Connie Crawford and Peggy Sagers all have visited our guild and shared their own special wisdom and experiences. Our monthly programs have brought inspiration for many projects that are in various stages, from drawings in a notebook to UFO's. I'm looking forward to having time to complete some of those projects. A recent search through my Threads magazine collection prompted me to set a new goal, to incorporate an idea or a technique from a Threads article in my projects.

Following the new policy and procedures guide the five elected positions for our Chapter Advisory Board have been filled. Becky Wondra will be our new president. First and Second Vice-Presidents will be Theresa Corle and Virginia Schneider. Secretary will be Betty Brees, and Treasurer will be Aurelia Lobban-Beck. All other positions will be appointed. At the time I am writing this I am very pleased to hear that most of the appointed positions have been filled. Thank You, to everyone who is stepping forward to make our chapter better than ever. I hope you find your experience on the CAB as rewarding as I have. Yes, it will at times be a challenge, but there is no better way to make things happen than by getting involved. I am looking forward to your new ideas. You will have fun, and make new friends.

Thank You , everyone who has served on the CAB with me. I appreciate your support. ASG has brought me many friends both here in our chapter and in chapters across the country. SEWING FRIENDS ARE THE BEST.

I hope you have completed your December Challenge project. Mine is only partially done, so I had better get busy. I recently was visiting with a young mother, who told me that a few years ago she was unable to provide the Holidays she wanted for her family, and how grateful she was when an organization donated soap and shampoo along with clothing to her for Christmas. This makes our donations to the Community in Schools project so very worth while. I hope to see lots of kid's outfits at the Holiday Tea.

And don't forget the toiletries.

Sew Happy,  
Shirley Binder



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## GIFT GIVING IDEAS

This list is to help make you gift giving stress free. You don't need a big budget to take advantage of these gift ideas. You don't have to be an expert sewer. All you need are some supplies and a little imagination.

1. **BEGINNER'S KIT**- Put together a special basket with assorted notions and a book on beginning sewing for that beginner sewer.
2. **MEMEORY ALBUMS** - Cover a basic photo or scrapbook with fabric to showcase cherished photos.
3. **DO-IT-YOURSELF KIT**-Put together a basket of items needed to complete a whole project.
4. **WRAP**-your gifts in fabric.
5. **EMERGENCY MENDING KITS**-Assemble items that both men or women would need for emergency. Include thread, needle, buttons, etc.
6. **DECOR PILLOWS**- These can be customize for each persons home or style.
7. **STUFFED DOLLS OR ANIMALS**-These are perfect for both young and old.
8. **MACHINE EMBROIDERY GIFT BASKET**- Put together a basket of items used in machine embroidery like specialty threads, stabilizers, needles, and etc.
9. **TOTE BAG**- Sew an oversized bag that can be used for carrying supplies to classes. Also the bag can also be the gift wrap for an odd shaped gift. Two gifts in one.
10. **NOTE CARDS**-Pick up blank stationery and customize them with fabric scraps, trimmings, buttons, and etc. Tie six cards together and add a fancy pen.

## MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATION

You should receive a renewal notice and form from the National office about two months before the expiration date. If you don't, you will still want to send in your renewal before it expires. To find you membership expiration date check your newsletter label. If you need help contact an officer on the Advisory Board, they will be glad to assist you. Don't forget to notify the national office if you have an address change. This is important because the address lapels come from the national office and you don't want to miss any mailings.



## COME SEW WITH US !

At 9:30 A.M. on the day of the ASG General Meeting we have the Sunflower room booked for the whole day. This allows the members of ASG to go there to sew. This is a great opportunity to get some needed sewing done. It also allows for members to get to know each other and enjoy each other's company. Everyone has something to share and we can all learn of each other. So come and give it a try!



Marilyn Beaver at the July "Charity Sew".

## ASG LIBRARY NEWS

Included in this newsletter is the annual updated list of items found in our library. The list includes video's, DVD's, books, magazines, and patterns that are ready for check out from the library.

There is a past due charge of \$1.00 per item on items not returned after one month.

## ASG Library

### Donations

### "SEW BEAUTIFUL"

### Magazine

2001— Issues #77-79

2002—Issues #80-85

2003—Issues #86-89

2005—Issues # 102

Thank You, Dolores Miller  
for your contributions.

## BECAUSE WE CARE

Is there someone you feel the Wichita ASG Guild needs to remember with a card. Like someone we need to send condolence to or a card for a serious illness, or recovering from surgery? Please notify Ruby Crisco at 788-0807 and she will send a special card to them in behalf of the ASG Guild. Letting these ones know they are in our thoughts can mean so much. So help us in this matter.

## CALENDER OF EVENTS

- December 6, 2005 ASG MTG Christmas Party and 2005 Challenge
- December 6, 2005 CAB MTG
- December 8, 2005 Derby Neighborhood ASG Group 6:30 P.M.. "Gift Ideas" & Christmas Party
- January 3, 2006 ASG MTG "Make A Name Tag"
- January 20, 2006 Diane Erickson—Hands On Workshop "Design on the Edge: Creating YOUR new Work"
- January 21, 2006 Diane Erickson—Lecture/Demonstration "Playing on the Edge: My Design Process"
- January 24, 2006 CAB MTG
- January 26, 2006 Derby Neighborhood ASG Group 7:00 P.M. "Muslin Sloper"
- February 7, 2006 ASG MTG "Expo Review Part I"
- February 7-8, 2006 Linda MacPhee "Trunk Show & Workshop" Midwest Sewing, Hutchinson, Ks. Contact Bebe Jo Bass at (620) 666-3854 to register.
- February 28, 2006 CAB MTG
- March 7, 2006 ASG MTG April Scott
- March 28, 2006 CAB MTG



## RETAILERS

The following is a list of retailers, and the discount they offer to ASG members on regularly priced fabric and notions. Remember, to receive your special ASG discount, show your valid membership card at the time of purchase. Remember to show your card before purchases are entered into the register.

### 20% Discount

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Needle Nook Fabrics 684-5989  
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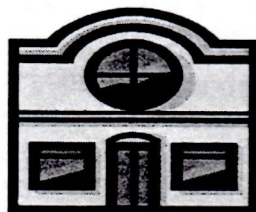
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The Sewing Center 832-0819  
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Decorator Fabrics Warehouse  
269-3551  
1802 W. 2nd  
Wichita, Ks. 67203

Remember when traveling a 10% discounts is often given by Hancock Fabrics and Jo-Ann Fabrics. Remember to show your membership card and ask if they will honor it for the discount.



We appreciate the retailers when they offer these special discounts. Please remember to thank them.

## Advertising Rates

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

Insert (one page 8 1/2" X 11") is \$30.00.

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### NOTE!

The Jo-Ann Fabric discount card for 2006 will be included in the winter Notions Magazine. The magazine will be in the first week of January mailing. Remember, this discount card entitles you to 10% discount off regular priced items throughout the year. So don't forget to look for it.



## December General Meeting

At the December 6, 2005 ASG General Mtg., the 2005

Challenge is due. Make an outfit you like for a child aged 5 to 12. Bring it to the December meeting and show it during Show & Share. These garments will be donated to the Community of Schools. We will also be collecting toiletries as well. Everyone who makes a outfit will be entered in a drawing to win an ASG \$25 gift certificate for any one of our 2006 Wichita ASG special events.

## January General Meeting

We will be making nametag/ASG membership cardholders at the January General Meeting.

The following is the list of supplies you will need to bring.

- 3—8" X 5 1/4" rectangles
- 2—1 1/2" X 20" rectangles
- 2—6" zippers (optional)
- 6" beaded trim (optional)
- 1 yard cording

If you choose a lightweight fabric back the 8" X 5 1/4" rectangles with fusible tricot interfacing. Zippers are optional but make for a secure pocket to hold credit cards, cash or room keys.

An old necklace can be used instead of cording.

Have fun! Choose four different fabrics, or be conservative and use only one.

Bring matching thread and basic sewing supplies (pins, scissors, etc).

Bring a sewing machine if you can. Not a lot of sewing is required so we can share machines.

(Member # 68114 please contact a CAB officer for your free gift.)



## DERBY NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP

The Derby Neighborhood Group invites you to meet with them on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Woodlawn United Methodist Church at 431 S. Woodlawn in Derby. Go to the south entrance and proceed to room 11E.

December 8, 2005 6:30 P.M.  
Christmas Party, "Gift Ideas" and Elections.

January 26, 2006 7:00 P.M.  
"Complete Muslin Sloper"

## DIANE ERICKSON

There are still a few openings available for the Diane Erickson seminars. So its not to late to register.

January 20, 2006 is a hands on workshop titled "Design on the Edge: Creating YOUR new Work".

January 21, 2006 is a lecture and demonstration titled "Playing on the Edge: My Design Process".

For more details contact:

Theresa Corle  
(316) 689-6702  
corle1@cox.net

## YAHOO SITE

A Yahoo site has been created for members of the Wichita Chapter of the ASG. This site will keep you updated as to chapter events as well as keeping in touch with each other.

To join contact:

Shirley Binder

sb1026049@onemain.com

She will then e-mail you an invitation to join. This allows you to go to Yahoo Groups and join.

## PRODUCT REVIEW

### Silicone Iron Rest Pad

This new product is great. It is heat resistant and withstands temperatures up to 482 degrees F. It is blue and in the shape of your iron base. The iron rests directly on the silicone pad with the raised bubbles up. No more metal that can rust or tarnish. This iron pad not only doesn't rust or tarnish but can be cleaned easily with just a damp cloth. This product can now be found in your local fabric stores.

## ASG WEBSITE

### How can I check the National Web Site for 'Special Offers'?

First go to the National ASG Web Site at [www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org) and click on 'Members Only'. The next screen click 'Enter Members Only Area'. Once there it will ask you for an user name and password, type 'Sewing' for the user name and 'Friends' for the password. In the next screen click 'Special Offers'. This screen will give you a long list of retailers that are offering discounts to ASG members. Now you can shop. Don't forget these offers change quarterly so be sure to check this site often.

## NEW MEMBERS

### WELCOME!

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### Derby Neighborhood Group

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### Hutchinson Neighborhood Group

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## BOOK REVIEW

*Sewing a Travel Wardrobe* by Kate Mathews (1999, by Lark Books) is a most helpful guide for analyzing your travel needs and planning a wardrobe. The author reminds us that we can pack efficiently, plan inventively, and express individuality, and not have to resort to wearing only travelers' khaki. Included are directions for making totes, and for some reversible garments. The book is well illustrated with photos, and the directions are well written.

## HINTS AND TIPS

Ever wonder whether you should use a vertical or a horizontal buttonhole? Here are some things to consider. Vertical buttonholes work well on light-weight fabrics and non-stress areas. Horizontal buttonholes are used to stabilize areas of stress, such as cuffs, neck bands, or waistbands. Buttonholes on coats or jackets are usually horizontal.





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