

## ***Sewing's a Brees***

Summer is speeding along. Doesn't Mother Nature know we are supposed to stop and smell the roses? Have you been sewing a lot with our hot humid days? I seem to have more ideas than time. We have had a couple of chapter activities to promote sewing times.

We did a two day retreat at Sunflower Quilts. Thanks so much to everyone (even Louie) for making us so welcome. Some of us made a Freda Finder doll or one of her relatives. We also had a 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Sewing day that was sadly lacking in quantity but high in quality. Much was accomplished by those attending. We have future retreats and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Sewing days scheduled so watch the schedule. You will want to get them on your calendar because you don't want to miss the great camaraderie and accomplishment.

When you read this I will have already attended the Sewing Guild's National Convention in Albuquerque. As I write this I am looking forward to the trip with great anticipation even if I don't get all my sewing projects completed.

I think I've signed up for some great classes and appreciate the opportunity to represent our chapter when the Chapter presidents and board of directors meet to conduct the Guild business. Those of us attending from Wichita will report on our experience at the August meeting.

It is that time of the year when we start asking for volunteers to help keep our chapter functioning and fun. If you are called by the nominating committee, I hope you will be able to say yes. Certainly, there is some time commitment involved but I've found the rewards are greater. You truly get to know people when you work with them and they become good sewing friends instead of sewing acquaintances. If you have an idea for a more limited and/or specific job you would like to do, let me know. We are always looking for good ideas. We don't have to always do certain things because "that's the way they have always been done." Step up, take a chance, you'll have a lot of fun.

***Betty***

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## Address Changes

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](http://asg.org).)

## New and Renewing Members

Welcome back to renewing members Audrey Bennett, Monica Bravo, Sharon Chesmore, Theresa Corle, Norma Gorden, Dorothy Johanek, Mary Malone, Julia Meyers, Nancy Ross Milner, Loretta Fitzjarrald, Martha Flanagan, Deana Full, Dawna O'Connor and Margaret Barrett.

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### **August Events**

**Hutchinson Neighborhood Group — No August Meeting**

Theresa Corle, 689-6702

**General Meeting — August 4**

1:30 and 7, Extension Center

We'll see our annual taste of the 4H Style Review and get a report from the ASG National Conference.

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**East Side Neighborhood Group — August 18**

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics

Evelyn Cole will be demonstrating ribbon embroidery.

**West Side Neighborhood Group — No August Meeting**

**CAB Meeting — August 25**

1:30, Extension Center, Ingles Room

**Derby Neighborhood Group — August 27**

7 pm. Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 S Woodlawn, Room 11E

Marilyn Beaver will present "A Tote Bag or Purse with an easy one-step lining."

Nona Mackey, rmackey5@cox.net

### **September Events**

**General Meeting — September 1**

1:30 and 7, Extension Center

We'll sing Happy Birthday to our chapter and see a silly fashion show presented by the CAB.

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**Hutchinson Neighborhood Group — September 3**

6 pm, Hutchinson Community College, Lockman Hall, Room 219 (bring supper if you'd like)

We will work on layettes for Hutch Hospital— bring thread and trims. We will also organize for a "One Fabric, Many Projects Challenge."

Marion Cathcart, 620-669-1265

**Newsletter Deadline — September 4**

Please send information for October and November.

**East Side Neighborhood Group — September 15**

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics

Anne St. Clair will talk about fitting slacks.

Theresa Corle, 689-6702

**West Side Neighborhood Group — No September Meeting**

**CAB Meeting — September 22**

1:30, Extension Center, Ingles Room

**Derby Neighborhood Group — September 24**

7 pm. Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 S Woodlawn, Room 11E

We'll watch a video.

Nona Mackey, 316-253-2910

**Sewing Retreat — September 29**

9 am, Extension Center

Bring your projects. We'll go out for lunch.

Betty Brees, 838-3709

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## Hospitality for August and September

August hostesses will be Pat Hernandez, Loretta Fitzjarrald, and Norma Gordon.

The September meeting is our chapter birthday and we'll be having cake!



## Chapter Elections

It's already time to start planning for next year! We'll be having an election this fall for our 2010 Chapter Advisory Board, and would love to have you join the team. We have a wide variety of opportunities, ranging from managing our 2010 special events to helping maintain the library catalog.

Our Nominating Committee is:

- Marilyn John, (316) 684-0355, MKJohn@cox.net
- Barbara Scadden, (316) 682-3402, bscadden@prodigy.net
- Pat Postlewaite, (316) 744-2275

If you'd like to get more involved with our chapter, this is the time to speak up! And if one of these folks asks you to help — please consider saying yes. The more people we have helping, the more fun we can have!



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