

## **DREAMS AND SEAMS**

## **WICHITA KS CHAPTER**

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## Sewing's A Brees

"What I Did On My Summer Vacation." Remember the first day back the teacher almost always assigned this? As I look back there may have been a couple of reasons other than busy work. That is probably the only assignment everyone got right unless graded for grammar and punctuation. It was probably a signal that play time is over and time to get down to work. So before you get busy with holiday plans and sewing gifts take a minute to reflect on the fun you had this summer.

I spent a lot of time with family and friends and this included the addition of another grandson (the smartest, cutest, sweetest baby in the whole world). The second favorite thing I got to do was represent our Chapter at the ASG National Conference, for which I owe you a big THANK YOU. Having had this privilege before, I got to see members from other chapters with whom I've become acquainted besides meeting lots of new sewing friends. One I met several years ago is Jodell Larkin of the St. Louis Chapter who is our new regional representative. Jodell is energetic, enthusiastic and will do a great job. The country has been re-divided and now contains 3 regions which put the Wichita Chapter in Region 2. I took classes from both favorite and new (to me) instructors. Hopefully, I will have an opportunity over the next few months to share some of what I learned with all of you.

There was a vendor mall for shopping and drooling and garments on display. Pictures are posted on the ASG Facebook page. Members modeled their garments in the fashion show, and Shirley Adams was inducted into the ASG Hall of Fame. There were several

tours in and around Atlanta which my husband found interesting and educational. I went on the fabric shopping tour, which with a little chocolate, took care of my needs. Having more of you along would have made the experience more delightful. Next year's conference is in Los Angeles and in 2012 in Houston so start making plans.

November 2, 2010 is our annual meeting where we will have a status report on the chapter and election of officers. If you are unable to attend the November meeting, be sure to mail in the proxy ballot located in this newsletter. You must sign it and include your membership number which can be found on your membership card. Please note the deadline for getting it in. Ballots will be passed out at the meeting.

We will have our "No bus" bus trip in November; see details inside. Be sure to work on your challenge and gift exchange for December.

On a sad note I close with the mention of the loss of Fred (Janis) Bloebaum to the sewing community and her family on September 4, 2010. Fred was the creator of the La Fred pattern line and a nationally renowned sewing and clothing design instructor. Fred's sense of style, fashion, color and beauty was a driving passion in her life, which was appreciated by everyone she knew. Fred was a wonderful, loving, vivacious and generous person. I was lucky enough to spend class time as well as a bus trip to Santa Fe with her at last year's National Conference.

Sew much, rip less

## **Betty**

### ASG on the Web

Find current information about ASG activities on the Internet:

- National ASG site: www.asg.org
- Wichita ASG blog: www.asgwichita.wordpress.com

- National ASG Facebook page: American Sewing Guild
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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.

#### **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.

### "No Bus" Bus Trip

Shine up your credit cards — we're going shopping! On Friday and Saturday, November 5 and 6, 2010, we will be having a "No Bus" Bus Trip. The more stamps you get in your passport, the better your chances at a good prize!.

Never been on a "no bus" bus trip? It's our way of combining the fun of a bus trip with the fun of supporting our favorite local retailers and discovering new ones. Each retailer you visit will stamp your passport, and many offer specials and discounts to us on our bus trip days.

Passports will be available at the retailers and also at our general meeting on November 2, 2010. We'll also get together for breakfast on Saturday at the Home Town Buffet, 6820 W. Central at 8:30. This might be a good time to set up carpools for Saturday.

We'll draw for prizes at the afternoon general meeting on December 2, 2010. You can turn in your passport at the meeting or mail it to our PO Box — P O Box 49539, Wichita KS 67201-4539. Happy travels!

## Jennifer Stern is Coming!

Mark your calendar for March 11th and 12th, 2011! Pattern designer Jennifer Stern of J. Sterns Designs will present two days of workshop on jeans fitting and construction and tee shirts. We will have the opportunity to try on muslins in every size of her jeans (which includes both misses and womens versions)

plus construction techniques for making front pockets, fly zipper and waistband. We'll have more details about costs and schedules later. For more information check out Jennifer's website at JSTERNDESIGNS.COM or call Kenna Dice at 321-5841 or e-mail thimble2@cox.net.

## Threads Magazine Renewals

It's that time again! Leah is collecting new and renewal orders for Threads subscriptions.

- \$26.36 for one year
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- \$63.16 for three years

Other Taunton magazines are 20% off. Leah will be mailing in our order after the October general meetings. Make your checks out to ASG—Wichita.

## State Fair Winners!





### **October Events**

#### General Meeting — October 5

1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center

Julie Craig, of Attic Heirlooms, will give us a presentation on "Five Minute Fabric and Ribbon Flowers." Bring your items for Sew and Share.

Betty Brees, 838-3709

#### East Side Neighborhood Group — October 19

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics

Penny Ruddle with show us how to make an accordion album.

Theresa Corle, 689-6702

## Start Planning for December

At our December meeting, we will have two opportunities to show off our talents. We will have a gift exchange of tea towels — new or vintage, embellished or plain. We will also have a fashion show for our December garment challenge to make a garment from your sloper. Let's show off what we've learned this year!

## **On-Going Fundraisers**

Don't forget about our two regular fund raising activities:

At the library table, we have magazines that have been donated by members for sale for 25 cents each or 5 for a dollar. Funds raised go to buy items for the library (like those new fitting DVDs from Taunton.)

At the Fabric FUNd table, we have fabric donated by members (maximum one per member per meeting, please) that can be purchased for \$1 per yard. Funds raised go into the general budget.

#### CAB Meeting — October 26

1:30, Ingle Room, Extension Center

#### Derby Neighborhood Group — October 28

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

Theresa Corle will teach us to make slippers.

Marsha Volz 789-9193

## Computerized Pattern Drafting Neighborhood Group

This group is taking a break and rethinking their meeting schedule. If you are interested in this group, please call Vicky Isliefson, 529-1565.

## **Community Service Projects**

For 2010, we have chosen two community service projects. We will continue to make chemo caps to donate to area cancer patients.

We will also be making toys and clothes for children.

We will be working on these all year, so bring your items to any general meeting.

For 2011, the national community service project is to make turtle pillow cases for the Paul Newman Painted Turtle Hole-in-the-Wall Camp for seriously ill children. Betty has a pattern we can trace, and there are instructions at http://www.thepaintedturtle.org/turtle/howyoucanhelp/otherwaystocontribute/TurtlePillowInstructions-ALL.pdf. These are large pillows, but fortunately we don't have to stuff them!

#### **November Events**

#### General Meeting — November 2

1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center

We'll have our annual meeting and elect officers for 2011; the program topic will be announced later. Bring your items for Show and Share.

Betty Brees, 838-3709

#### **Newsletter Deadline — November 5**

Please send information about December and January.

#### "No Bus" Bus Trip — November 5 & 6

Pick up a passport and visit the shops in our area. We'll meet for breakfast 8:30 on Saturday at the Hometown Buffet on West Central. More information on page 3.

Ginny Perrott, 316-377-9407



The Derby NG had fun with bleach in August...



...while the East Side NG spun straw into gold (or buttons into jewelry)!

## East Side Neighborhood Group — November 16

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics

Topic to be announced.

Theresa Corle, 689-6702

#### **Derby Neighborhood Group — No Meeting**

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

Happy Thanksgiving!

Marsha Volz 789-9193

#### CAB Meeting — November 23

1:30, Ingle Room, Extension Center

## 5th Tuesday Sewing Retreat — November 30 and December 1

9 to 5, Extension Center

Bring your sewing projects — this would be a good chance to finish up your sloper project for the December meeting or get some serious work done on your Christmas list! We'll go out to lunch.

Betty Brees, 838-3709

## 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. Due to high demand, only one DVD or video may be checked out per month; 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 or from Leah at 620-596-2517.

#### **New Books**

- Celtic Design Knotwork, by Aidan Meehan
- Stripes, Stripes, Stripes: Knits with Color and Textures, by Sandy Scoville
- The Art of Fabric Books, by Jan Smiley
- Fun & Fancy Jackets & Vests, by Patrick Lose
- Stars By Magic, by Nancy Johnson-Srebro

#### **New Magazines**

- Sew Stylish: Spring 2010, Fall 2010
- Belle Armoire: Jul/Aug 2010
- Altered Couture: Aug/Sep/Oct 2010
- Quilting Arts: Aug/Sep 2010
- Threads: Aug/Sep 2010

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## **Proxy Ballot**

#### Wichita, KS Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Inc. Annual Elections of Chapter Advisory Board Positions

November 2, 2010 Wichita, KS

Please check the circle next to the name of the candidate for each office that you believe will do the best job for the Chapter.

President:	0	Betty Brees	
	0		_ (write-in)
First Vice President:	0	Vicky Isliefson	
	$\mathbf{O}$		(write-in)
Second Vice President:	$\mathbf{O}$	Theresa Corle	
	$\mathbf{O}$		(write-in)
Secretary:	$\mathbf{O}$	Marsha Volz	
	O		(write-in)
Treasurer:	O	Julia Langel	
	$\mathbf{O}$		(write-in)

The Nominating Committee Chair is the proxy holder until the time of the election. All valid proxy ballots will be voted as submitted by the member.

Please return your proxy to: Michele Brakewood, P.O. Box 49539, Wichita KS, 67201-4539.

All proxy ballots must be returned to the Nominating chair by October 27, 2010.

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