

Julia's Gems

100 Christmas Stockings! Plus goodies to stuff them with! That's how many stockings y'all brought to the December meeting. I wish I could have seen them in person. Pretty impressive.

Our community service efforts for all of 2012 are very impressive. Theresa tells me that we reported 7,845 hours of service for the year, resulting in a small mountain of stockings, scent circles, tote bags, altered prom dresses, teddy bears, lap quilts and crib sheets. We should all be proud of the contributions we make to our community...and then stop being proud and get back to work for 2013!

Whether it's sewing for community service or for ourselves, we have lots of interesting things lined up for the next few months. At the February general meeting, Betty and I will be demonstrating how to make a nifty bias top out of seven squares of fabric, a technique we first saw demonstrated at conference in Houston last summer. The serger neighborhood group is making bags of various types for the next couple of months, and the embellishment group is still exploring

new techniques every month. Check the calendar inside this newsletter and pick out something to do during these boring, gray days before spring!

Before you get back to sewing, though, be sure to fill out the registration form for the Linda Lee workshop in April. Linda is an extremely creative designer and a fabulous teacher, and I can't wait to see what she has to show us. Remember, there will be a trunk show on Thursday evening, where she'll show us all the new patterns and ideas from her Sewing Workshop pattern line, and a workshop on Friday and Saturday where we'll make a jacket.

One topic on the agenda for the workshop is to explore ways to personalize the jacket to your own style, so it will be fun to see how many different ways we can interpret that one simple jacket pattern!

And if anyone has a way to top Christmas stockings as a December challenge, I'm all ears!

-Julia



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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.) **If you are not getting email from ASG, then use the "Change Email or Address" link in the Members Only section.**

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. 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 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.



Rumour Has It...

- Shirley Binder has agreed to be our Chapter Historian. She will put all the old paper-based records into a data base. We have records going back to the beginning of our chapter that are filling up our storage areas. Once the data base is created, the paper records will be destroyed. The new data base will make the history of our chapter accessible to everyone.
- New Membership brochures are still coming... You can now also join, renew or give a gift membership online through a link on asg.org by clicking "Become a Member" under the Membership heading
- Our chapter will sponsor a prize at the State Fair this year. The category is a "Creative, Wearable Fashion T-shirt" and the prize is \$50 cash and a one-year ASG membership. All members and non-members are eligible to enter. Ladies, start your sewing machines...
- There will be a "Mini Challenge" to make a clutch bag for Gown Town girls. Patterns and some fabric will be available at the February Meeting. Bags will need to be turned in at the March meeting.

Welcome New Members

We have one new member, **Vicki Mork** of Wichita. We also have a member who transferred from California awhile ago, but she has resolved to attend meetings and events. **April Shell**, now of Wichita, has already been seen participating in a Charity Sewing Day and at least one Neighborhood Group meeting.

Membership Challenge

Hey ladies -- here's your chance to have the local guild pay your membership dues. In 2013, if you bring in 5 new members (junior members included) we will pay for your 2014 dues! And, just to get your enthusiasm up, for the first new member you bring in, you'll get a set of Shirley Adams sewing books. We know this challenge is ambitious, but hey, you've got a whole year. Let's keep on sharing our love of sewing. Thanks, M John

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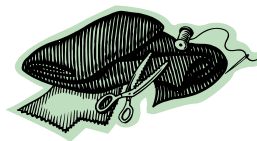
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February Events

General Meeting – February 5

Emma Seabrook's Seven Square Top

- By Betty Brees and Julia Langel
- As seen at the 2012 ASG Conference
- 1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center
- Julia Langel 733-4780

MEOW Neighborhood Group – Feb. 13

Placement

- By Anne Jesseph
- 2 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- Irene Armstrong 263-9361

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group – February 18

Needle Felting

- By Jan Adams
- 1 pm, 23 Chisholm Creek, Wichita, KS.
- Shirley Binder 687-7257



Julia Waterbury

East Side Neighborhood Group – February 19

Two Fabric Table Runner

- Phyllis Calvert
- 7 pm, Needle Nook Fabrics
- Theresa Corle 689-6702

Eat and Shop – February 20

Derby: Sunflower Quilts and visit Vanya Design and Custom sewing

- Lunch at Derby Olive Garden, 1718 N. Rock Road **in Derby at 11:30 am**
- Nancy Boewe, 681-0000

Serger Neighborhood Group – Feb. 25

Garment Bag

- Anne Jesseph
- Julia Waterbury 722-0734

CAB Meeting – February 26

- 1:30, Ingle Room, Extension Center
- Julia Langel 733-4780

Derby Neighborhood Group – Feb. 28

Lyla's Big Shirt

- By Marilyn Beaver
- Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 South Woodlawn Boulevard, Derby, KS
- Marsha Volz 789-9193



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March Events

General Meeting – March 5

Steam Punk

- By Summer Eaton
- Victorian Era clothes and gadgets with a modern twist
- 1:30 pm and 7 pm, Extension Center
- Julia Langel 733-4780

MEOW Neighborhood Group – Mar. 13

In the Hoop

- By Sylvia Steinshouer
- 2 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver (Parklane Shopping Center)
- Irene Armstrong 263-9361

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group – March 18

Ribbon Trim

- By Betty Brees
- 1 pm, 23 Chisholm Creek, Wichita, KS.
- Shirley Binder 687-7257

East Side Neighborhood Group – March 19

Surprise Technique

- By Anne St. Clair
- 7 pm, Needle Nook Fabrics
- Theresa Corle 689-6702

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Watch a Video TBA

- Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 South Woodlawn Boulevard, Derby, KS
- Marsha Volz 789-9193

Eat and Shop – March 29

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- Lunch at Genghis Grill, 111 S. Rock Road, Wichita 11:30 am
- Nancy Boewe, 681-0000



Anne Jesseph



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Patterns and magazines that have been donated by members are for sale for 25 cents each or 5 for a dollar. Funds raised go to buy items for the library.

The Fabric Fund needs donations, but please do NOT donate fabric that has been stored with moth balls. The smell is impossible to remove and transfers to other items.

Tables open before and after the meeting and during refreshment break.



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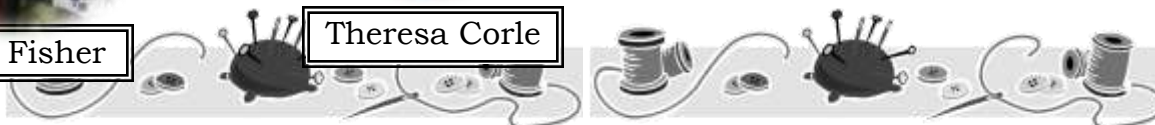
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Community Service Report

For the second half of 2012, Theresa reported 7,845 hours of charity sewing! I wonder if those 100 Christmas stockings had something to do with this.

Be sure to turn in your hours to Theresa Corle for any sewing related charity work you do, even if you are working with other groups.. In addition to your hours, she would like to know what you made and where it was donated (if not through ASG).

In the New Year, we will continue to make blankets for veterans, for Victory in the Valley and for babies in need. We will also work on Scent Circles for incubator babies, bereavement gowns and chemo hats. On January 8, five ladies met at Needle Nook to make bereavement gowns and burial sleeves, which were donated to Wesley Hospital.

We will be participating in Gown Town again this year. The dates are Friday, March 8, 2pm – 8 pm and Saturday, March 9, 9 am – 12 pm. If you can help with alterations or with recording what needs to be done to each gown, let Theresa know. It is fun and rewarding to work with the girls (and a few guys) and see the smiles when they get their gown that fits!

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Marilyn John & Penny Ruddle at Wesley Hospital



Linda Schrader at Ronald McDonald House





Linda Lee Sewing Workshop
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April 18, 19, & 20, 2013



The Wichita Chapter of the American Sewing Guild is pleased to announce that Linda Lee, an internationally recognized designer, speaker, author and nationally known teacher, will present a trunk show Thursday evening, April 18, followed by a two-day sewing workshop April 19 and 20, 2013.

Linda Lee's career straddles two industries – interior design and fashion and sewing. She owns the sewingworkshop.com website for fashion sewing enthusiasts. She also is the owner of The Sewing Workshop Pattern Collection, a group of patterns for distinctive garments using innovative sewing techniques. Linda writes for *Threads*, *Sew News* and *Stitch* magazines. She travels the country teaching fine sewing techniques and the art of combining beautiful fabrics and distinctive design in garment and home decorating creations. Using her background as a licensed interior designer and a member of ASID since 1974, she has written fourteen books relating to garment sewing and interiors. *Sew Sensational Pillows* won the Independent Book Award in the Craft and Hobby Category and *Sew Easy* won Honorable mention by the Independent Publisher Book Awards for Most Original Design in their *Ten Outstanding Books of the Year* awards. Linda started with making and selling felt hats in 6th grade. Linda's business ventures have followed – from a life-long career in interior design to producing avant-garde sewing patterns for the adventurous sewer. One pillow-making project ultimately led to fourteen books, television appearances on HGTV and traveling and teaching the fine art of combining beautiful fabrics and innovative sewing techniques for both garments and interiors.

A free trunk show on Thursday evening, April 18, at 7:00 PM, will be followed by a two-day hands on workshop, April 19th and 20th, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. We will be working with Linda's pattern for her Ikina Jacket; it is a below-waist jacket. It has open sides finished with kimono-like facings, bias-cut, one-piece collar/band, three-quarter length sleeves and deep hems. You may view the pattern at sewingworkshop.com. The kimono facing can be optional, if desired. Linda will teach different variations of this pattern and techniques for working with silk.

The cost for the workshop is \$100.00 for ASG members and \$110.00 for non-members. Lunch is included on Friday and Saturday. You will be responsible for bringing you own supplies for the workshop, including your sewing machine with extension cord, fabric, pattern and basic sewing supplies. We will have the pattern available at the February and March general meetings. Linda has discounted the pattern to us for \$18.00. (A \$5.00 savings)

Fabric kits will be available at the trunk show including her silks; the kits are \$79.00 and include fabric, thread, and a selection of silks to piece. There will be additional fabrics and other sewing items for sale at the trunk show on Thursday.

For more information, contact the event coordinator Nancy Boewe, at 316-681-0000 or nanz-b@sbcglobal.net
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_____ Friday and Saturday April 19 & 20, 2013 (lunch included) - Member \$100.00 Non-Member Fee \$110.00

_____ My Check made payable to American Sewing Guild Wichita Chapter and enclosed with registration.

You are responsible for bringing you own supplies for the workshop, including your sewing machine with extension cord, basic sewing supplies, fabric and pattern. (Patterns will be available from Wichita ASG in advance for \$18.00. (A \$5.00 savings) You may use your own fabric or purchase a kit from Linda Lee on Thursday.

Registration Deadline is April 12, 2013

Mail Registration to: American Sewing Guild Wichita Kansas Chapter, P.O. Box 49539 Wichita, KS 67201-4539

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. 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.

Ginny has ordered **five new books** that she expects to be available by February, so be sure to stop by the Library table and see what she has.

We are also happy to receive your donations of sewing related magazines that we then sell to other members. However, we request that you limit your donations to no more than two years worth at one time, so that our librarian can handle the volume.

Spring Challenge

Last year's Anyone Can Win challenge was so successful that we are going to do it again! There are 14 patterns to choose from in the Winter 2013 issue of Notions. You can also see them by clicking on Contests under Information at www.asq.org. Four of the patterns are new, but many of them are the same as last year, so you can use one you already have. Make a new garment and wear it or bring it to our Spring Tea at the April general meeting. Let's see if we can out sew ourselves!



Joan Fitzjarrald, Sylvia Steinshouer, _____, ??????



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Evening Neighborhood Groups

Last fall, Valarie Fisher collected some names of people who were interested in starting evening meetings for those interested in machine embroidery and serger. She will soon be planning start-up meetings for those groups, so watch for an announcement at the February general meeting or by email. The evening groups will be independent of the afternoon groups, so the participants will define the meeting times and programs.

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