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Dreams and Seams is published six times per year in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

The Newsletter deadline for the August September issue of Dreams and Seams is July 5.

Sewing's a Brees.....

At the May general meeting the round table discussion came from a question asked by the Chapter Advisory Board (CAB). The question was: "What technique do you avoid when sewing – what causes you the most problem or issue?" Would it surprise you to find that six of the seven tables listed buttonholes? (One of those listed bound buttonholes). I was, as most of the machines now days have built in buttonhole stitches which leads me to think either we all have incredibly old machines (I know that's not true) or that we forgot what we learned when we learned how to use our last purchased machine.



The second most often mentioned technique was invisible zippers. One did mention just zippers and one mentioned fly fronts so I'm assuming that included putting in a zipper. You probably know that fabric stores sell feet that you can use to install an invisible zipper. If you are like me, good luck finding it when you need it! Did you know you can install an invisible zipper without a special invisible foot?

Welt pockets along with bound buttonholes were mentioned. Did you know on the asg.org web site there are directions for in the hoop welt pockets? Access it by going to the web site, sign in then go to education, select sewing & embroidery video & projects, select Machine embroidery projects and scroll down to ITH welt pockets.

Another technique mentioned was shirt front placket. In our own ASG library there is a video by Louise Cutting that has a very good tutorial on doing a shirt front placket.

Others mentioned (in no particular order): stitch in the ditch, matching plaids, set in sleeves, accurate measuring/cutting, perfection, hand work, threading a needle, darts (always pucker), knits, rolled hem, and bias tape binding.

It looks to me like we have a lot of programs to choose from. Let me know what you think.

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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 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, in the newsletter, or on the website please tell the webmistress, and 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.



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This newsletter is published 6 times a year. We only accept sewing-related ads.

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ASG members may place classified ads for 10 cents per word.

Cares and Concerns

If you know of a guild member who is experiencing an illness or a loss in their family, please contact Marilyn John (316) 684-0355.



A Celebration of fabric with Katrina Walker

August 16 & 17, 2019

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: McDonald's Sewing & Vacuum
601 N. West St. #122
Wichita, KS 67203



Katrina Walker is a designer, educator and author known for her expertise in construction techniques, textiles, machine embroidery, and Modern American Pojagi piecework. Her work is regularly featured in many magazines including *Threads*, *Creative Machine Embroidery*, *SewStylish*, *Stitch*, *SewNews*, and *SewItAll*. She is a popular instructor both at national sewing shows and online, where her classes for *Craftsy*, *Taunton Workshops*, *BurdaStyle*, and *Craft Daily* have enrolled thousands of students worldwide. She is a Brand Ambassador for PFAFF sewing machines and a Sulky Sewcialite, and when not sharing the love of sewing, she is raising her own natural colored wool for her Spoiled Sheep yarn (spoiledsheep.com). You can find her online at www.katrinawalker.com

Day One: Fabulous Fabrics

Morning - Lecture/Demo Trunk Show:

The Wonderful World of Wool

All about wool – from flock to fashion! Gain a new appreciation for this fabulous fiber. This lecture/demo features a trunk show of wool fashions, showcasing many beautiful and interesting techniques for sewing with wool.

Silk: Nature's Wonder Fiber

Silk is truly an amazing natural fiber. Learn more than you ever dreamed about all aspects of silk – from raising silk caterpillars to working with this luscious natural fiber. Gain a valuable understanding of the subtleties of working with a wide variety of silk fabrics. Enjoy hands-on samples of rare silks, and a trunk show of gorgeous silk fashions.

Afternoon - Hands-on Sewing Class:

Sewing with Specialty Fabrics

The secret to sewing beautiful garments and home décor? Beautiful fabric! Learn a variety of specialty handling, seaming, finishing, and hemming techniques that make sewing with even the most exquisite fabrics a pleasure. Suitable for novices and experts alike – these techniques, both time-tested and new – produce couture quality results every time. Participants will build a valuable reference book full of sewn samples complete with written instructions. Kit fee: \$25

A Celebration of fabric with Katrina Walker

Day Two: Sew Like A Designer

Morning – Lecture/Demo:

Cotton Chic

The secret to making chic clothes - from quilting cotton! Quilting cottons provide us with a virtually unlimited array of gorgeous prints - but too often they fail to translate well into clothing. Learn how to interpret cotton broadcloth prints into chic, FLATTERING garments that have unmistakable style.

Must...I Must...I Must Increase My Bust (and other fitting challenges...)

The number one obstacle to sewing garments? It's not sewing – it's **FIT**. No matter your size and shape, we all must learn to fit ourselves. In this entertaining – and enlightening! – presentation Palmer/Pletsch Certified Fit Instructor Katrina Walker will shed new light on this very old challenge. These pattern alteration methods **WORK** – and they have been refined over 40+ years of Palmer/Pletsch fit classes conducted on real bodies around the world.

*Optional detailed handout \$10

Afternoon - Hands-on Sewing Class:

Sew Like A Designer!

Say bye-bye to boring and sew yourself something truly fabulous using divine designer details. Learn how to create runway looks that look spectacular but are simple to create. Add more art to your wearables. This class features a variety of gorgeous specialty seaming techniques that can be used to create garments, home décor, and even artistic piecework. Enjoy a trunk show of beautiful designer samples as you sew. Suitable for all levels of sewing ability – if you can sew a seam, you can learn how to make that seam spectacular! A not-to-miss opportunity to learn from the host of Blueprint (Craftsy)'s popular class, Decorative Seams. Participants will build a valuable reference book full of sewn samples complete with written instructions. Kit Fee: \$25

Full day Seminar **Friday, August 16, 2019**, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ASG Members - \$85.00 + \$25 Kit Fee (Lunch is included)

Non-Members - \$100 + \$25 Kit Fee (Lunch is included)

Full day Seminar **Saturday, August 17, 2019**, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ASG Members - \$85.00 + \$25 Kit Fee (Lunch is included)

Non-Members - \$100 + \$25 Kit Fee (Lunch is included)

* Optional fitting handout - \$10.00

Both days **Friday & Saturday, August 16-17**

ASG Members - \$150.00 plus \$50 Kit Fees (Lunch for both days included)

Non-Members - \$180 plus \$50 Kit Fees (Lunch for both days included)

Please register by Friday, August 2, 2019. Questions? Contact Special Events Chairperson, Dalene McDonald at 620-446-0597 or mcdonaldssewing@att.net



A Celebration of fabric with Katrina Walker

Registration Form: A Celebration of Fabric with Katrina Walker

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Members - \$110

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Members - \$110

Non-Members - \$125

Both days **Friday & Saturday, August 16-17**

Members - \$200

Non-Members - \$230

I would like to purchase the optional detailed fitting handout - \$10

Please make your check payable to the **American Sewing Guild-Wichita Chapter** and mail to: **American Sewing Guild Wichita Kansas Chapter, P.O. Box 49539, Wichita, KS 67201-4539**

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Every one can win Be a winner with something new for yourself, or someone you love when you enter the Anyone Can Win ASG contest.

Does the whole family need new PJ bottoms?

Have you been waiting for just the right moment to try a pair of wide leg pants?

Q If you make the new wide leg pants do you need a new coordinating top?

What about a matching cardigan or kimono jacket?

How about a new dress for an upcoming special occasion?

These are just a few of the garments you can create using the Simplicity ASG patterns.

For a complete list of patterns, contest rules, and prizes visit

https://www.asg.org/files/contest/AnyoneCanWin_2019.pdf

On August 6th wear or bring your creation to the meeting,. Share with the group.

We will take a photo and get you entered in the National contest.



June Events

General Meeting –June 4

Mini-Demos

ASG Quilters

- ♦ 1:30 pm, Northridge Friends Church
2655 Bullinger, Wichita KS 67204
- ♦ Betty Brees (316) 838-3709

MEOW Neighborhood Group–June 12

Hospice Pockets

- ♦ 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver
(Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Donella Cole(316) 773-4374

Eat & Shop–June 13

Georgia O'Keeffe Exhibit

- ♦ 11:30 Lunch
- ♦ Wichita Art Museum
1400 W Museum Blvd
- ♦ Julia Langel (316) 733-4780

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group–June 17

More Decorative Seams

- ♦ 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver
(Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

ASG Quilters–June 20

Machine Applique

- ♦ Jan Adams
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Sewing & Embroidery Works
1590 E. 61st St N. Park City KS
- ♦ Anne Jesseph (316) 744-1136

Serger Neighborhood Group–June 24

Making Leggings

- ♦ Kay Cass
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Riverwalk Church of Christ
225 N Waco
- ♦ Penny Ruddle (316) 263-4816

CAB Meeting –June 25

Plan upcoming events

- ♦ 1:30 pm, Northridge Friends Church
2655 Bullinger, Wichita KS 67204
- ♦ Betty Brees (316) 838-3709

The Fitting Group –June 26

Pants Drafting

- ♦ 10 am, Jan Adams House
- ♦ Sondra Schmittgens (316) 644-7049

Mini-demos: ASG Quilters

Block Calculations Made Easy

Shirley Binder

Free Motion Quilting,

Diana Scanlan

Cutting Using Different Rulers,

Jan Adams

Binding & Binding with a flange.

Jo Zana Smith & Sylvia Steinshouer

Georgia O'Keeffe Exhibit

We'll eat lunch at the cafe, starting at 11:30. At 1, we'll get a tour of the Georgia O'Keeffe exhibit with curator Tera Hedrick. Admission to the exhibit is free for museum members and \$20 for non-members.

https://www.wichitaartmuseum.org/programs_events/okeeffe.

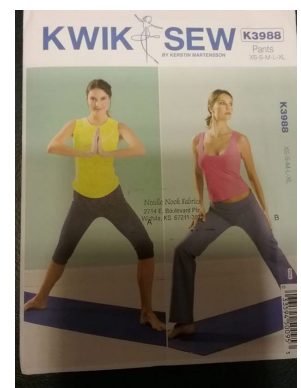
Making Leggings

Have you posted your challenge leggings on the

[American Sewing Guild](#)

[Wichita Chapter Group](#) ?

Learn all you need to know about making leggings at the Serger Neighborhood group June 24. See article page 10.



July Events

No General Meeting July 2

One Day Sew in

- ♦ 10 am-4 pm, Northridge Friends Church
2655 Bullinger, Wichita KS 67204
- ♦ Betty Brees (316) 838-3709

MEOW Neighborhood Group—July 10

Redwork Challenge

Teresa Morris

- ♦ 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver
(Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Donella Cole(316) 773-4374

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group— July 15

More Decorative Seams

- ♦ 1:30 pm, A-1 Singer, 1012 S. Oliver
(Parklane Shopping Center)
- ♦ Shirley Binder (316) 687-7257

ASG Quilters—July 18

Hand Applique

- ♦ Jan Adams
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Sewing & Embroidery Works,
1590 E. 61st St N. Park City KS
- ♦ Anne Jesseph (316) 744-1136

Serger Neighborhood Group—July 22

Under the serger thread catcher with log cabin pin cushion

- ♦ Norma Womack
- ♦ 1:30 pm, Riverwalk Church of Christ
225 N Waco
- ♦ Penny Ruddle (316) 263-4816

CAB Meeting —July 23

Plan upcoming events

- ♦ 1:30 pm, Northridge Friends Church
2655 Bullinger, Wichita KS 67204
- ♦ Betty Brees (316) 516-2218

The Fitting Group —July 24

Pants Fitting

- ♦ 10 am, Jan Adams House
- ♦ Sondra Schmittgens (316) 644-7049

5th Tuesday Wednesday Sew In- July 30 & 31

Work on Projects, Go to Lunch!

- ♦ 9 am to 4:00 pm,
- ♦ Riverwalk Church of Christ
225 N Waco
- ♦ Betty Brees (316) 838-3709

Welcome New Members

We welcome you and encourage you to attend our monthly meetings and get involved in a Neighborhood Group.

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A Few Thoughts on Paper by Marilyn John

Have you ever wondered, am I a hoarder when it comes to fabric? Just because we appreciate almost all fabric; and get a special high when we see and touch it. (one reason I think it would be hard to buy fabric on line.) I really don't think so.

We do let go of fabric from time to time. Where do you think the fabric fund comes from? We check our stash for charity sews. A fat quarter can become a baby bib. Four fat quarters can become a baby blanket. Sometimes you have that special piece of fabric that you have no idea what it will become. It just makes you feel good.

Years ago when I first started sewing, my mom said "if you ever see some fabric you want, buy it NOW, because it won't be there when you go back". She shopped at TG&Y, Woolworth, and Otasco. She was speaking from experience.

Well, I feel much better after writing this. Give yourself permission to buy some fabric, but also give yourself permission to let go of it. We do not have to keep everything.

Programing note. At the September 3rd general meeting Rachel Murphy, interior designer, will speak about her business, Simplify My Life, and organizing a sewing room.



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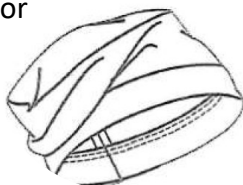
Any leggings pattern will work, I use Kwik Sew K4044. It has no side seam which makes them super fast to sew up. I also use the leggings fabric to make a waistband instead of adding elastic. Add a cuff at the bottom of the legs and these can be complete on a serger in a matter of minutes. I have also used the blind hem foot for my serger to hem them.

Fabric recommended is for two way stretch with 75% stretch. This pattern calls for 1 yard.

Pair up leggings with a tunic top and you are ready to go. They make great sleep pants or wear them to the gym for a work-out.



The Boston Chapter has shared their passion for sewing chemo caps on the ASG Blog. They are encouraging members to make cancer caps to be distributed to organizations in their local communities. For more information and the pattern visit <https://www.asg.org/cancer-caps/>



Save the date

The 2019 Hospice Gown Sewing Party has been scheduled for September 7.

On-Going Fundraisers

Fabric FUNd is a great perk for belonging to ASG. Not only does it give us a nice income for our chapter, it gives us an opportunity to rid our personal stashes of unwanted items or pick up a treasure from what a sister member no longer wants.

Keep in mind that the Fabric Fund will no longer retain fabric from month to month. If you bring fabric and it doesn't sell at that meeting you may either pick up your fabric at the end of the meeting, or leave it to be used for or donated to charity.

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