

Sewing's a Brees.....

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August and September found our chapter hosting two very successful events.

In August we hosted Katrina Walker who is a designer, educator and author from Spokane WA. The first morning Katrina's lecture covered the "Wonderful World of Wool" including slides on sheep shearing and "Silk: Nature's Wonder Fiber" including slides of raising silk worms. In the afternoon we learned how to sew these two fabrics including a variety of seaming techniques.

The second day included tips on choosing a pattern when sewing with quilting cotton, how to make bust adjustments and other alterations. In the afternoon we filled a notebook with samples of how to add more art to our wearables.

I want to thank Dalene McDonald and her committee for all their hard work and effort in pulling this event together.

The September event was our fourth annual hospice gown sewing party. This event was started by Beryl Silkey with the help of Harry Hines Memorial Hospice. Every year we invite 4-H members and parents to join our event. This year the Chapter Advisory Board designated this event as our event honoring National Sewing Month. Since then Beryl has passed away and was herself a recipient of the gowns. The event has been renamed The Beryl Silkey Hospice Gown Sewing Party. Beryl's husband, Patrick, dropped by as he always did to bring snacks – he is such a sweetheart! This year we set a new record with 146 completed gowns.

Please join me in thanking Kay Cass and Silvia Steinshouer, and our awesome Community Service Coordinators. Thanks also go to Norma and Bob Womack for set up and tear down, the MEOW (machine embroiders of Wichita) neighborhood group for all the lovely pockets they decorated and all the participants who attended the event. We couldn't have done it without all of you!



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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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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.

4th Annual "Beryl Silkey Hospice Gown Sewing Party".

What started out four years ago as a community service project for one amazing lady is now known as "Beryl Silkey Hospice Gown Sewing Party". This year was a great success thanks to more than fifty volunteers who helped the day of the party. A total of twenty six ASG members, fourteen non-ASG members, eleven 4H youth and family participated. This event is only made possible with many additional behind the scene workers that first purchased, washed, ironed and then cut out the fabric for gowns. Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice co-sponsored the event, contributed lunch, some gift prizes and is a major support for fabric purchases. Hen Feathers Quilt Shop also contributed over \$900 worth of fabric. Thank you Bob and Norma Womack for the set-up and tear down it makes for a smooth operation.

At the party, we completed and donated 143 hospice gowns and only four incomplete to be donated next year!

What a blessing you are to those that receive the gowns and many thanks to all for your hard work and making this party a success. You are a great team to work with.



Mark your calendars . The date for the 2020 "Beryl Silkey Hospice Gown Sewing Party". Is scheduled for October 3.

Organize Your Sewing Room Challenge

3rd Quarter Face Group Challenge) [American Sewing Guild Wichita Chapter Group](#)

This quarter's challenge is 'Organize an Area of Your Sewing Room'. *Simplify My Life, and organizing a sewing room* was the topic of Rachel Murphy our September guest speaker. She had many tips how not to become hoarders.

That being said most of our Sewing Resource Centers AKA sewing rooms could use some organization. The challenge, should you accept it, is to identify the area in your sewing room that you want to heal, post a picture of it on the ASG facebook group, do your magic on it and then post a picture of the newly organized space.

What is your reward? It is its own reward! An organized space! Orwellian doublespeak for, 'There are no prizes for accomplishment.'

Best of luck to all of us in our new endeavor!

Threads Magazine ASG Offer

It's time to take new and renewal orders for Threads Magazine. I will have a clip board ready at the September meeting through the November

meeting. Please check your subscription to see when it expires.

A 1 yr subscription is \$26.36, 2 year \$43.96, 3 year \$63.16. You will need to pay when you order. Checks made out to Wichita ASG. Jan Adams, Librarian



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Katrina Walker

Katrina Walker Special Event

Does a silk moth have a mouth? Does the sheep that grew the wool that made your sweater have a satisfying life in the company of good friends? Is there a better way to make a rolled hem on a prom dress? On August 16th and 17th we had the joy of having Katrina Walker in our midst. If you were there you know the answer to these questions. If you weren't...well, I'm just sorry, that's all.

On Friday Katrina took us through the whole process of yarn making from shearing to the finished yarn. She also explained the process of silk making from egg, to worm, to moth, to cloth. Her videos and samples made me feel like I was peering into the workroom of a silk factory.

After lunch we had a hands-on afternoon practicing sewing techniques on the wonderful Pfaff machines provided by McDonald's Sewing and Vac. We learned some very practical, usable skills and when explained by Katrina, very doable...dare I say simple? Working on the top of the line machines was such a treat also.

On Saturday we learned about how to successfully use quilting cotton for constructing clothing. Katrina had so many good tips. A more fitted pattern looks better than an unstructured one. Using wild quilt fabrics for accents (collar, cuff, insets) rather than the whole garment. Matching the size of the print to the wearer's size and so much more. I think this was my favorite.

In the afternoon we were back at the machines learning decorative seam techniques. Katrina provided kits and we were able to make many of the seams that were demonstrated on her gorgeous sample garments.

If you did not get a chance to participate in this weekend of fun, I heartily recommend that you try to attend one of Katrina Walker's workshops in the future. She is a knowledgeable and enthusiastic speaker and an enjoyable dinner date. Her information can be found here www.katrinawalker.com.

Many thanks to our Special Events person, Dalene McDonald for planning such an enjoyable and successful event. Thanks also to McDonald's Sewing and Vac for the use of their space and for providing fabulous machines!



October Events

General Meeting –October 1

Designing with the Next Generation Knits

Anne St Clair Needle Nook Fabrics

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

Eat & Shop–October 2

Curator Talk by Jami Frazier Tracy about exhibit “Coffee & Cocktails”

\$2.00 (free for museum members)

- ♦ 10:30 am.
- ♦ Wichita Art Museum
1400 W Museum Blvd
- ♦ Lunch: Sweet Allie B's
707 N. Waco #706
- ♦ Julia Langel (316) 733-4780

MEOW Neighborhood Group–October 9

Embroidering on Mylar

Judy Troyer

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

ASG Quilters–October 17

Sashing

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

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group– October 21

Independent Patterns We have made

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

CAB Meeting –October 22

Plan upcoming events

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

The Fitting Group –October 23

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

Serger Neighborhood Group–October 28 Christmas Stockings

Norma Womack

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

5th Tuesday Wednesday Sew In- October 29 & 30

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.

Carolyn Holderman Goddard KS

Remember to turn your Community Service hours in to Kay, or use the form on the asgwichita.org website.

November Events

General Meeting– November 5

Original Clothing Designs

Hazel Stabler

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

MEOW Neighborhood Group–November 13

Ideas from A-1 Dawna O'Connor

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

Sew Inspired Neighborhood Group– November 18

Japanese pattern making

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

ASG Quilters–November 21

Sashing

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

Serger Neighborhood Group–November 25

Layards

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

CAB Meeting –November 26

Plan upcoming events

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

The Fitting Group –November 27

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

Hazel Stabler's Line of Designer Clothing was accepted for exhibit in September at Fashion Week in New York City. Hazel will share some of the highlights from this experience, as well as some of her unique clothing. Hazel Stabler learned to sew when she started making clothing for her children, beginning with heirloom sewing for her girls. For native cultural events, they would dress in contemporary native styles. Visit her face book page for links to articles about her.

<https://www-1.kansas.com/living/fashion/article231824898.html>

<https://www.splurgemag.com/category.php?id=605&cat=Dine>

Christmas Challenge:

We will once again be bringing stockings we have made to the December meeting. You can find the pattern at asgwichita.org. Go to member resources, Patterns and resources. Stocking stuffers such as small toys, candy and personal hygiene items are also welcome. Local Charities such as The Wichita Children's Home and Ronald McDonald House will be the stocking recipients.



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At our *Christmas Party* at the December General meeting we will have an optional gift exchange (gift must be home made). Make a gift. Wrap it in pretty paper or a brown paper bag (your choice.) Bring it to the December 4th meeting. We will draw numbers, pick a gift, and reveal our surprise.





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Please return your proxy to:
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