Oklahoma City, OK Chapter of the American Sewing Guild
Advancing sewing as an art and life skill.

2020 Programs

Regular Monthly meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm
Will Roger’s Exhibition Building
3400 NW 36th St, Oklahoma City, 73112

Southwood Landscape and Nursery, 9025 S. Lewis Ave., Tulsa, OK.
January 9, 2020—Dolly Dearner will share info on Hemp Fabric
February 13, 2020—Valentine's party/ brown bag project
March 12, 2020—Clair Kennedy-- video
April 4, 2020—mini retreat/ fabric swap 9 am-4 pm
April 9, 2020—Sewing Machine Information by Phil Carlton (free Lance instructor) and
Don Lusk (from Pfaff)
May 7 - 9, 2020—Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Oklahoma Expo Hall at the Fairgrounds
May 14, 2020—*brown bag
May 15-17, 2020—OKCASG Annual Sewing Retreat
June 11, 2020—ASG Simplicity Pattern Challenge contest
July 9, 2020—OPEN
July 9-12, 2020—Annual ASG Conference San Antonio, TX
July31-Aug 1, 2020—OKLAHOMA! 2020 Quilt Show Oklahoma Christian University, Gaylord University Center 2501 East Memorial Road, Edmond OK
Aug 13, 2020—*brown bag-- cut out heart bags
Aug 15, 2020—mini retreat 9 am- 4 pm
Sept 10, 2020—Fabric Swap Challenge
Oct 8, 2020—*brown bag-- cut out heart bags if needed
Nov 12, 2020—elections/ sew service project
Dec 10, 2020—Annual Holiday dinner

If you know a friend who has a sewing interest, encourage them to join us. We have business size cards with our meeting location and time to share. It makes it easy to give out the information. Check with Jane Brown or pick some up at the next meeting when you sign in.
Welcome

Chapter Advisory Board
President
Kim Benson
okcasg@gmail.com
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Annette Myers

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Nancy Helquist

Secretary
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Marilyn Marusa

Membership
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Service Project Leah’s Heart Bags
Marilyn Marusa

Special Events
Brenda Fonzi

2019 Sewing Retreat
Dorothy Niles

Membership Committee member
Carolyn Schulz

Special Events Committee members
Irene Morgan
Karen Harrison

2020 Sewing Retreat Committee members
Annette Myers
Tammy Eskew
Heather Freeman
Peggy Ann Belcher

Meeting Location
2nd Thursday of each month
6:30 pm
Will Rogers Exhibition Building
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Say Hello to our Newest Members!
We welcome you and encourage you to get involved in a Neighborhood Group

Vivian Watts
Mary Fardadfard

OKC Chapter Name Tags are available
Pin Backing: $5.00
Magnet backing: $7.00
Contact Carolyn Schulz
or
okcasg@gmail.com
if you'd like one.

NOTICE
This newsletter will always appear on our website for the Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild. Visit the site on a regular basis as the content changes often. Note this web address in your Favorite Places to visit.
www.okcasg.com

Have you visited the ASG website? At the bottom of the page is a "members only" listing. You will find a wealth of good information on this website.
www.asg.org
Happy New Year everyone!!
We are looking forwards to a great year for 2020. We will have 2 mini retreats this year with our Fabric swap at the first mini retreat. Our annual sewing retreat will be in May at Canyon Camp. There will be a $10 fee for anyone who wishes to sell their products during the retreat. We will also have the Simplicity pattern challenge at our June meeting and the Fabric Swap Challenge at our September meeting. We will continue the heart bags for Leah's Baskets as our service project. See you January 9, 2020.
Happy Sewing,
Kim

Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild Bucks

Members can earn $5 ASG bucks:
--as a new member
--bringing in a new member
--submitting/presenting a brown bag project ($10 for individual or $20 a team)
--winning Fabric swap challenge $20 for 1st, $10 for 2nd

HOW TO SPEND ASG BUCKS: Retreat, Buy a name badge, at Fabric Swap or towards membership renewal  MAXIMUM AMOUNT TO EARN OR SPEND IN ONE YEAR IS $45

Membership Renewal Notice
If you received your renewal notice in the mail and have not yet sent it in, please don’t forget to do so right away or renew online so that you will not miss out on any membership benefits!! Did you know you can renew your membership online? To do so go to the www.asg.org click on “Member Login”. After logging in you should be on the “Members Only” page. Then click on the large button “Account Information”. Select the “Renew Membership” tab. You can pay with a credit card or Paypal.

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IN MY SEWING ROOM

THOU SHALT NOT...
ASK WHEN IT WILL BE FINISHED
CUT ANYTHING WITH MY FABRIC SCISSORS
REQUEST THAT I HEM YOUR PANTS
SPEAK TO ME WHEN I HAVE A SEAM RIPPER IN MY HAND
TELL ME I HAVE TOO MUCH FABRIC
PUSH THE BUTTONS ON MY SEWING MACHINE
SPIN THE DIALS ON MY SERGER
BRING ME YOUR CLOTHES TO IRON
PULL ON ANY LOOSE THREADS
WONDER ALOUD WHY I’M STILL IN MY PAJAMAS
COME LOOKING FOR FOOD - THIS IS NOT THE KITCHEN

HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO BUY OR SELL??
Try our classified ads. They are a real bargain! See the rates listed below. Just compose your ad and get it to the Newsletter Editor by the deadline.

Advertising Rates & Deadlines
Business Card (3 1/2” x 2”) $15.00
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Quarter Page (3 1/2” x 5”) $25.00
Half Page (7 1/2” x 5”) $35.00
Full Page (7 1/2” x 10”) $50.00

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Members $2.00 + .10/word
Non-Members $5.00 + .10/word

Prices are costs per issue. A camera-ready ad is preferred. The Sewing Notion welcomes sewing related ads but reserves the right to refuse any ad for any reason. For current deadline, please email Newsletter Editor:

marilyanmarusa@cox.net
To Change your ASG name, address, email, phone information

On the Internet go to [https://www.asg.org/](https://www.asg.org/)

Click Submit button

Click Account Information button

Click Edit Profile button. After making changes, scroll down and click UPDATE button
The ASG annual Conference is a once-a-year opportunity for sewing enthusiasts to gather to celebrate all things sewing, quilting and embroidery.

**Shopping:** The vendor-packed Exhibit Hall is full of both large and small sewing and quilting businesses selling fabric, notions, patterns, sewing furniture, machines, threads, projects, DVD’s, books and more.

**Education:** The conference offers daily educational opportunities in the form of workshops, seminars and lectures. Classes are tailored to every sewing interest from couture sewing to stash management, from fitting and alterations to surface design and embellishment, from hand sewing to serger sewing, as well as every level of sewing skill.

**Fellowship:** Tours, get-togethers, lunches, the annual Fashion Show and more!

https://www.asg.org/resources/conference/

**DID YOU KNOW???????????????**

You can support the American Sewing Guild through your purchases on amazon.com. Setup your amazonsmile for the “American Sewing Guild Inc”. 
Neighborhood Groups

The Happy Sewers
The Happy Sewers neighborhood group meets the third Friday of each month in members homes at 10:00 am. Please call Jana Burgess at 405-652-9473 and leave a message for location and program information. Visitors are always welcome.

Southside Scissor Wizards
Southside Scissor Wizards neighborhood group meets the first Tuesday of each month. We normally meet at B Sew-Inn, SW 74th street and Pennsylvania Ave at 10:00 am. Please call 405-652-9473 and leave message for Jane Brown for any updates on location and program. Visitors are always welcome. FYI after our group meeting is over you can use B Sew-Inn’s sewing room for the remainder of the day unless they have a special event planned. January 2020 Meeting will be a small sewing project. Contact the above for details. February 2020 Meeting is cancelled due to another event at B Sew-Inn.

Have you ever asked yourself why join a neighborhood group?

Who doesn’t want to talk about their sewing obsession, share their latest projects. If your non-sewing friends get a glazed look in their eyes when you talk about your latest fabric score or your embroidery triumph, then you need to find a sewing group, Here are just a few more ideas why you should join one.

A. A place to develop skills. Many are based on the premise of continuous learning new monthly projects to work on and include the tradition of “show and tell” so much fun to see how each member’s creativity and personality showed up in the last month’s project. All members are happy to help if someone would like assistance with a particular technique.

B. Giving Back. If you are interested in helping in your community many sewing groups or individual members are involved in making thing for charity organizations, great place to learn what’s needed in your community.

C. Learn about new resources. Members love to share where to find out about new resources for fabrics, craft supplies and patterns, whether it’s an undiscovered fabric store to a new pattern or online sites.

D. Get feedback or a critique. Want some constructive criticism of a sewing project? Sewing groups are great places to get the feedback you need. That’s especially true when garment sewing, getting help and ideas for fit problems is priceless. Getting input from sewing friends can help save a project your ready to trash.

E. Get suggestions for special fabrics or quilt fabric scraps. Your fellow sewing group members can help you brainstorm just what to do with a special fabric, fabric scraps or craft project leftovers you have been treasuring for ages. We love to share our ideas and you’ll go home with dozen new ideas to use.

F. Fun. Communicating with like-minded fanatics to discuss all things sewing, embroidery, and crafting. Neighborhood groups are a warm and happy place to stretching yourself with new challenges. I always leave a meeting with renewed energy, there’s always something to learn when it comes to all things sewing.
Local Retailers ***10% Discount to ASG members

The Stitching Post Inc.***
5928 NW 16th OKC
316 N Broadway Moore
http://www.sewbargain.com/

Sew N Sews***
Stillwater Store:
217 S Perkins
405-707-0700
Oklahoma City Store:
5127 N Portland
405-942-2700
http://www.sewnsewsokc.com/

Bernina of OKC***
6817 N May Ave
http://www.berninaokc.com/

JOANN Fabrics and Crafts
8345 N Rockwell Ave, OKC
5327 E 41st St, Tulsa, OK
3449 W Main St, Norman, OK
10131 E 71st St, Tulsa, OK
519 N Main St, Stillwater

Threads of Tradition
928 W Main St
Yukon, Oklahoma
(405) 693-2500
http://threads-of-tradition.com/

Trumans Fabric and Foam LLC
10808 S Portland Ave
Oklahoma City, OK

Threads of Tradition
928 W Main St
Yukon, Oklahoma
(405) 693-2500
http://threads-of-tradition.com/

Thompson’s Creations
3620 NW 58th St
Oklahoma City, OK

Prairie Quilt
101 S. Main Street
Hennessey, OK 73742
405-853-6801
www.quiltnow.com/
www.prairiequilt.com/

B-Sew Inn***
Southern Hills Shopping Center
I-240 and Penn
1624 Southwest 74th
http://www.bsewinn.com/

Oklahoma Quiltworks
9323 N Pennsylvania Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 842-4778

OKC Fabric Market
Hopefully opening May 1, 2019
10956 N. May Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
405-531-0546

Oklahoma Quiltworks
9323 N Pennsylvania Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 842-4778

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Southern Hills Shopping Center
I-240 and Penn
1624 Southwest 74th
http://www.bsewinn.com/

Beth's Quilting Quarters & Fabric Shoppe
114 N Main St, Blanchard, OK
(405) 485-3880

Vu’s Fabrics
340 S Kelly Ave
Edmond, OK
(405) 330-9050

Fabs Unlimited
2229 NW 138th St C
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 755-2664

Savage Quilter
6903 N May Ave,
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 840-1466

The Okies Fabric Stash LLC
1315B Gateway Plaza
Midwest City, OK 73110
(405) 455-5084

Keepsake Fabric & Quilts
2990 SE 19th St Suite 10
Moore, OK 73160
(405) 822-0039

Sooner Quilts
7821 S Sooner Rd
Guthrie, OK 73044
(405) 282-2070

Lady Bird Fabrics
16508 N Pennsylvania Ave.
Edmond, OK
(405) 562-3409

Sewciety Quilt Co.
106 E Main St
Norman, OK 73069
(405) 857-7691

I keep finding fabric/sewing stores I have missed including in this list. Contact me if you have any you would like included. Marilyn Marusa marilynmarusa@cox.net
Membership Benefits
Sewing Classes and Special Events

Whether you're new to sewing, returning to sewing, looking to advance your sewing skills or just want to participate in on virtual group meetings, you will find ASG’s free online sewing classes and programs a major benefit of membership.

Discounts
Many local retailers offer discounts to ASG members. Be sure to ask when you shop, "Do you offer an ASG discount?"
In addition, almost half of the advertisers in Notions, our quarterly publication, also regularly offer discounts on their sewing products, publications and events, free shipping, and lots more. Those Special Offers are listed and updated every quarter on the password-protected Members Only section of this Web site. Join now to receive your password, and take advantage of the great benefits of membership in the ASG!

Chapter Meetings
Think of a chapter as a community of people who are excited about sewing. All kinds of people! Some with advanced or professional sewing skills, some novices at the beginner level, and the majority who fall somewhere between those two levels. They want to learn new skills, they want sewing friends to share their successes and challenges, and they want to belong to a group that will support their adventures in sewing.
Chapters come in all sizes - larger chapters often sponsor quarterly chapter-wide special events that may feature local or national speakers, member fashion shows, or specialty workshops. Some chapters also sponsor many smaller neighborhood or special interest groups within the larger structure which meet more frequently (usually monthly). Smaller chapters may meet on a monthly basis as one group. Often, these local Neighborhood Groups provide opportunities for sharing ideas and “hands-on” sewing experiences in a smaller, more social atmosphere. Find a chapter in your area.

Conference
ASG members pay a special member’s price for conference registration where attendees participate in workshops and seminars taught by nationally recognized professionals. Members may also shop the Exhibit Hall, enjoy special events and attend optional workshops and tours. Visit our Conference page for more information.
ASG Chapters publish a newsletter 4-6 times a year that communicates local Chapter events, neighborhood group locations and activities, lists of discounts with retailers and features special interest articles.

Notions
Members receive regular ASG Notions emails with news, articles and more. In addition, most ASG Chapters publish a regular newsletter that communicates local Chapter events, neighborhood group locations and activities, lists of discounts with retailers and features special interest articles.

ASG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________
City ____________________________ State ________ Zip ________
Daytime phone number ____________________________
E-mail ____________________________
How did you hear about ASG? ____________________________

Return to: American Sewing Guild
9660 Hillcroft, Suite 510, Houston, TX 77096

☐ New Member ........................... $50
☐ Junior Member (New and Renewal) $25
   to age 17, or age 22 with student ID
   Chapter ________________ Oklahoma City
☐ Renewal Member ........................... $45
   (if received before membership expiration date)
☐ Late Renewal ........................... $50
   Chapter ________________ Oklahoma City

Payment
☐ Check payable to “American Sewing Guild”
☐ MasterCard | Visa | AmEx | Discover
Account#: ____________________________
Expiration Date: ___________ CVV# ____________________________
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You can view our Facebook page even if you are not a member of Facebook.

Click on link below...

https://www.facebook.com/American-Sewing-Guild-Oklahoma-City-Chapter-168481843174057/?fref=ts

For Cares and Concerns of Chapter Members

Please contact to Nancy Helquist
okcasg@gmail.com
Phone (call or text): 405-652-9473

Membership Information

Currently, we have 90 members in our chapter. That number changes as memberships are renewed on an annual basis throughout the calendar year. We love visitors to check out our meetings, however, we must limit the number of times a visitor can attend before they join. The first meeting is free to attend, but after the 2nd, we ask that you join our chapter. Dues are $50.00 for the first year, and $45 for renewals. Your dues can be quickly recouped if you take advantage of all the savings and discounts posted on the national ASG website, as well as the % off many retailers.
Art and Life Skill as an Sewing Advancing