

# Seams Sew Simple

## South Carolina - Central Savannah River Chapter

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### Diane's Discussions

As the seasons change from summer to fall, finally we're receiving some relief from the hot weather. The holiday season is also approaching so it is also the time of the year that many of us are making gifts for the special people in our lives. I try to think of unique gifts to make that will be meaningful to the person receiving it. It's a good feeling to see how the person reacts when they open their present.

I recently took a class that focused on machine feet. I remember when I started sewing many years ago, Mother's sewing machine had a regular sewing foot, a zipper foot, and a buttonhole attachment. If the machine had other feet I didn't know about them or how to use them. The machines we use today have a multitude of feet that we use to do specific types of sewing. The class I took focused on feet that we may not have used before or using a foot that I may have used, but we used the foot to do a different technique. Some of the things we learned are going to be very useful but some I don't think I will use. For example, we used three different feet to make fringe. The instructor said she had to make 250 samples of this fringe. I think I would have had to quit that job! And I'm thinking while I'm struggling to make this fringe, why in the world would I do this when there are so many beautiful fringes available to buy? But maybe if I needed a special color fringe or it's close to midnight on Christmas Eve and I'm finishing up a gift that needs a little something to spruce it up, I might try making fringe. So, I might end up making fringe after all.

Several years ago, I took classes on feet from Mary Lou Nalls. I think Mary Lou knew more about Bernina feet and how to use them than anybody. She was a kind, elderly lady who would explain step by step the uses of different feet. She taught five different sessions, each session was on several feet that were similar or somehow related. For each session she wrote a booklet explaining how to use the foot and the settings for the machine. She even made a video of each session. I frequently watch her videos for a refresher. I keep the booklet she wrote on Heirlooms right by my machine and frequently refer to it as I'm sewing. Mary Lou passed away a few years ago. I think she will always be remembered as the "Bernina Foot Lady."

I did learn a lot of useful information in the recent foot class, especially about so many things I can do to edit embroidery right on the machine instead of having to go into my software. I enjoy taking classes because I always learn new things. But I think that one of the best reasons for taking classes is to meet fellow sewers and develop special friendships. I find this especially true in ASG. Hope to see you in a class soon. Happy Sewing!

*Diane Zielinski*

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## Chapter Advisory Board (CAB) Meetings

Meetings are open to all members. Non-Board members are asked to call the President in advance to RSVP. Meetings are normally held quarterly and alternate between cities where our NGs are located.

**December 5** in Aiken, SC at the Village Café

## ASG Membership

### For Changes of Address or Chapter Affiliation:

Master membership data is managed at ASG Headquarters in Texas. If your address changes for any reason, you must notify ASG directly. Otherwise, you may not receive your newsletter or other important information. If you want to change your chapter affiliation to a different chapter other than the original one you joined, you must notify ASG to that effect in addition to any address changes. The changes can be made on-line or you can mail them using the address below.

### Send address changes to:

The American Sewing Guild  
9660 Hillcroft, Suite 510  
Houston, TX 77096

### Contact ASG:

E-mail: [info@asg.org](mailto:info@asg.org)  
Website: [www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org)

**New members joining ASG or anyone needing to renew their membership, please use the form in this newsletter or renew on-line.**

The SC/Central Savannah River Chapter of the American Sewing Guild is a local chapter of a national nonprofit organization. Its officers and leaders are all volunteers. Our purpose is to provide education on sewing to our members and the community. We hope to encourage and inspire people to sew. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in sewing. For more information, contact the President or Membership chair.

The American Sewing Guild, Inc. (ASG) is a not-for-profit education-based organization, founded in 1978. ASG is comprised of 136 chapters plus over 1,000 community and special interest groups within the chapter umbrella. ASG's over 20,000 members promote the mission to "Advance sewing as an art and life skill" by providing a network of sewing education and support for sewing enthusiasts of all skill levels, serving as preservers of the sewing arts in America., promoting community engagement through service projects, sharing sewing arts with new generations and being key participants in key consumer & industry-wide sewing events. Membership in the Guild is open to anyone. Dues include quarterly publications of the Chapter Newsletter & ASG's Notions

## Pam Leggett Returns For a Multi-Day Event

February 6, 7, and 8

Ashland Methodist Church

2600 Ashland Road, Columbia, SC



**Feb. 6: 9am to 5:00pm**

**—Fit & Sew The Perfect Tee  
Shirt**

**Feb. 7&8: 9am to 5:00pm**

**—Redesigns (Hacks) for  
The Perfect Tee Shirt then  
sew your favorite**

**Max. 20 students each day**

**Lunch served daily**

Pamela Leggett will be teaching for a second time at the CSR Chapter. She is well known for her skilled teaching, fitting and serging abilities. Join her for The Perfect T-Shirt class. She will help you achieve a stylish fit and sew it to perfection. After all, it is The Perfect T-Shirt! (Pattern # 104 from Pamela's Patterns is required.)

Once you have the pattern mastered, you are ready for days 2 & 3- Friday and Saturday. Pamela will show you how to "hack" (redesign) your Perfect T into a variety of new looks. There will be new necklines, sleeves, bodice shapes and collars. This is pattern drafting you can use for many other pattern redesigns. On Saturday, you will choose one of these designs to sew while Pamela is there to guide you. Written information for "hacking" and sewing is included in the \$10 kit.

**Order pattern #104 -The Perfect T-Shirt with your registration before October 29, 2019 and you (or your designee) can pick it up at the annual meeting, Saturday, November 9.**

### Important

- **Students taking the Perfect Tee class must use Pamela's Pattern #104**
- **Students doing the Pattern Hacking Class must pay kit fee of \$10 and have Pamela's Pattern #104 fitted**

**Winter 2020 National Educator Event—Pam Leggett Please submit form with payment  
Registration Deadline is January 20 — No refunds after registration deadline**

Name	Phone Number	Member Number	
E-Mail:		Member	Non-Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> Feb. 6—Fitting The Perfect Tee	\$ 69	\$ 79
	<input type="checkbox"/> Feb. 7 & 8—Pattern Hacks for Your Tee	\$138	\$158
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL 3 Days	\$207	\$237
	<input type="checkbox"/> Pattern Hack Kit Fee— additional	\$ 10	\$ 10
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pattern #104 The Perfect T-Shirt</b>	\$ 15	\$ 15

Send checks to:

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## Neighborhood and Special Interest Groups

Your opportunity to share your passion, grow your skills and make new sewing buddies. Plan to attend as many NG meetings as you can fit into your schedule. See calendar for dates and topics for each month.



### **Material Girls — Aiken**

Cheri Dowd (803) 644-0576  
Marge Mitchell (803) 226-0165

**Meets 2nd Monday @ 10:00 a.m.**  
St. Augustine Church,  
1630 Silver Bluff Road, Aiken SC



### **Sewn Together — North Augusta**

Margaret Shearouse (706) 860-4763  
Tammy Newman (806) 683-1909

**Meets 2nd Tuesday @ 10:00 a.m.**  
Fairview Presbyterian Church,  
1101 Carolina Ave., North Augusta SC



### **Rockin' Bobbins — Columbia**

Mary Plexico 803-781-5271

**Meets 2nd Thursday @ 10:00 a.m.**  
Hilton Garden Inn  
Harbison Boulevard Columbia, SC



### **Moonlight Stitchers — Lexington**

Sally Kluttz 803-413-6436

**Meets 2nd Tuesday @ 6:00 p.m.**  
Hobby Lobby, 5322 Sunset Blvd.  
(Rt. 378) in Lexington SC



### **Sew Little Time—Summerville**

Anne Mace 843-553-7372  
Diane Zielinski 843-563-4404

**Meets 3rd Tuesday @ 6:00 p.m.**  
People, Places and Quilts, Summerville SC



### **Garment Group — Special Interest NG**

Diane Lackey — 803-960-9859

**Meets 3rd Saturday @ 10:00 a.m.**  
Creative Sewing Machine Center  
519 12th Street, West Columbia SC



### **Stylish Fit — Special Interest NG**

Margaret Tuck 706-399-3993

**Meets 1st Monday @ 10:00 —2:00**  
Fairview Presbyterian Church  
1101 Carolina Avenue, North Augusta SC



### **Seaside Stitchers — Beaufort**

Sheila Tindall — (843) 838-9473

**Meets 3rd Monday @1:00 p.m.**  
Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club



### **Silly Seam Rippers — Lexington**

Lexi Stoudemire, NG Leader  
Judie Travis, Advisor

**This youth sewing group is not currently meeting  
due to school obligations**



### **Low Country Sew Birds — Bluffton**

Jeanette Bussard — 847-738-8799

**Meets 2nd Saturday 10:00 to Noon**  
Hobby Lobby, 1125 Fording Island Road  
Bluffton, SC 29910

***If you are interested in starting a new Neighborhood Group or a Special Interest Group, contact Ellen Macklin, our NG Coordinator***

# 7th Annual Sewing Retreat

## May 17-21, 2020

St. Christopher's Conference  
Center Seabrook Island, SC

**Hurry—Only ONE  
spot left before  
you end up on the  
waiting list**

Imagine...four days of uninterrupted time to sew anything you choose...then visualize taking a break for a walk on the beach or through a nature area...or enjoy sitting on the large deck under the towering moss-draped live oaks as you do some hand stitching.

**This retreat was so much fun that most attendees from 2019 have already signed up for 2020. We can accommodate up to 34 members using two conference rooms.**

Gather with your sewing friends at 3:00 pm on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, and the fun continues until 2:00 pm on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Rooms are double occupancy (two double beds per room). All linens are provided.

There are two meal plans to choose from again this year, but you must pick the same plan for your entire stay and dinner on Sunday is not included. Meals included are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday through lunch. If selecting the "no lunch" option, please remember that no food may be prepared in the kitchen area of the meeting room—only microwave meals are allowed if you pick this option.

Our facilities include the large well lit conference room with picturesque views for inspirational sewing plus a the second conference room for cutting tables and ironing boards.

A non-refundable \$50 deposit will hold your spot. Final payments are due by April 15. If you are wait listed, no deposit will be due until you are notified.

***Only those registered may attend and everyone registering must complete the registration form.***  
*If you have questions regarding the retreat, please contact Diane Zielinski at (843) 563-4404*

**2020 Sewing Retreat (Please submit form with payment—final payment must be received by April 15)**

Name & Member #	Phone Number    Emergency Contact #															
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If yes, describe:	Single rooms no longer available															
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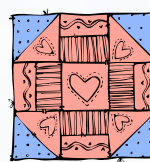
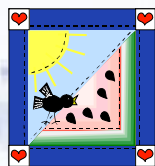
# Are You Ready for a Challenge?

## Create Something Reversible

*(translation: Create Something Reversible)*

### The Chapter Challenge for 2019 — Reversibles

It's time to think about making something new that does double duty—both sides can stand alone. Start Sewing — You have until the annual meeting to create something wonderfully reversible.



***There are three categories:***

*Garment — Quilt (lap/baby size) — Home Dec or Other Item(s)*

***Both sides should be wearable/usable on their own.***

All submissions will be presented and voted on at the annual meeting. You and your project should plan to attend.

Prizes are one (1) year free membership for each category.

**Items for the Reversibles Challenge need to be checked-in and on the tables at the Annual Meeting NO Later than 11:15**

# ASG Chapter Annual Meeting

Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

The Country Club of Lexington, 1066 Barr Road, Lexington SC

**Featured Speaker: Tommy Leitner will be the guest speaker and the topic will be "Sewing Machine Care and Tips."**

**Enjoy lunch and conversation with your sewing friends, elect the new CAB officers, and vote for your favorite projects from our Reversibles Challenge contest.**

**Winners will be selected by your votes at the meeting.**

**You must be present to win the Reversibles Challenge Contest. Items for the Reversibles Challenge must be checked-in and on the tables by 11:15.**

**Sign-in begins at 11:00 a.m. — 50/50 Drawing (cash only)**

**Stash Sale — Silent Auction of Sewing Related Services — Bring Your Checkbook**

## The Details:

- Price per person is \$17.00 (members); and non-members \$20 (includes tax + gratuity)
- Deadline for registration is November 1, 2018.
- No refunds will be given after November 1.
- *Bring cash for the raffle and your checkbook to shop the Silent Auction and Stash Sale*

## The Menu:

All meals include fresh rolls, tea, water, coffee and dessert (an optional cash bar is available for wine)

- Crepes with chicken, spinach and walnuts with a tomato cream sauce, served with side salad and fresh fruit
- Pork loin roast, sliced with peach bourbon sauce, mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables (gluten free option)
- Asian Chicken Salad with mandarin oranges, toasted almonds and crispy wonton noodles (gluten free option)

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Chapter Annual Meeting (Please submit form with payment—must be received by Nov. 1, 2019)

Name	Phone Number	Membership No.
E-Mail:	<b>Lunch Selections</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Crepes <input type="checkbox"/> Pork Loin Roast <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Chicken Salad <i>Please be sure to register before the deadline so that the country club can prepare the correct meals</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> ASG/CSR Member \$17.00 <input type="checkbox"/> All Others \$20.00 <b>Make Checks Payable to: ASG/CSR Chapter</b>		<b>Send registration form &amp; check to:</b> Joyce Sinclair 5223 Belle Mead, Aiken, SC 29803-8784

# Election of Officers for 2020

The election for officers for 2020 will be held at the annual meeting on November 9, 2019. If you are unable to attend, print this page and use as a Proxy Ballot. Please fill out the ballot, then mail it to the Nominations Committee Chairperson named below.

Also, there are several Committee Positions that are vacant. They are not elected positions, so please consider volunteering for one of these positions. If you're interested or want more information, please contact Diane Zielinski or Marge Mitchell.



## Proxy Ballot

SC/CSRA Chapter of the American Sewing Guild  
Annual Election of Chapter Advisory Board Positions  
November 9, 2019  
Lexington, SC

## Slate of Officers

President:	Diane Zielinski	_____
1st Vice President:	Linda Montz	_____
2nd Vice President:	Kristy Granberg	_____
Secretary:	Tammy Newman	_____
Treasurer:	Diane Mooney	_____

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

Please either:

- ⇒ Mail you proxy to Marge Mitchell, 2151 Cardigan Drive, Aiken, SC 29803
- ⇒ Cast your ballot in person at the annual meeting.

If not casting your ballot in person, all proxy ballots must be returned to the Nominating Chair by November 3, 2019. The Annual Meeting will be held at The Country Club of Lexington, 1066 Barr Road, Lexington, SC

If mailing, your Proxy Ballot is not valid without your signature to assign your votes to the Nominating Committee Chair. If it is not signed, your votes will not be counted. Please sign below and insert membership number only if mailing your ballot.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Number

# News from our Neighborhood Groups

## Neighborhood Group (NG) Coordinator Report Ellen Macklin

### **Happy Fall Y'all!**

I have been waiting for a very long time to say that to you! I'm getting rain at my house and I hope you are too. We are at the end of a dirt road so the dust is down and I can wash my car without having to dust it off!

Speaking of the end of the road, we have gotten two Neighborhood Groups established this year and are going to start working on another in January. This one will be in North Columbia. There are three ladies already interested and it's so much fun to find out what it takes to get started. It is so exciting to see sewists come together and share their creativity and knowledge. We also will still be working on a North Charleston NG too. Let me know if you are in that area.

If you are not yet participating in a NG, please look for one close to you or try one of the many we have in our Chapter. Then if you aren't able to attend for some reason you can absolutely start your own in your area. I just have to say that it is amazing the friendships we make and the caring people you will meet. I have met the most interesting, talented women in our chapter and at the National Conferences I have attended.

It's so easy to start a new NG and I'm looking for a start up in Orangeburg area because I know we have people there that sew, so... if you or anyone you know is interested we can do it together! Call me or email me so we can get you together with some really super ladies!



## Seaside Stitchers — Beaufort, SC

### **What's Been Happening in Beaufort:**

Seaside Stitchers is back from hiatus. We will be meeting the 3rd Monday of the month at the Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club. Our first meet and greet meeting was on September 16. A big thank you Ellen, Sandy and Lynn for coming down to Beaufort for our meeting. They shared so much information about ASG and all the things that are available to ASG members.

We also learned what some other neighborhood groups are doing and gave us a lot of ideas on how to have successful group. We are starting small but I know we will grow. I have heard from some that were not able to make it to the meeting. We had one woman from GA. She lives outside of Savannah, and is very happy to meet other sewing sisters.

We will be a garment focused group. We have decided to do a capsule wardrobe as a concentration for the year.

On October 21, our 2nd meeting, we watched a podcast from Threads Magazine, episode 21, an interview with Nancy Nix Rice. She gave an overview of her "Core 4" wardrobe and how it works and how to expand it. It was a good lead in to our discussion of a capsule wardrobe. Marjorie Graham had found several sources of information on the capsule wardrobe which Sheila had printed up to help with our discussion. We also planned our topics for the year.

For Show and Tell Sheila showed 2 quick toppers she made from her stash. Marjorie Graham brought some fabric from her stash that are the wrong color for her and she would not be using. She generously put them up for grabs.

### **What's Ahead:**

Our November 18th meeting will focus on a croquis. We are not sure if we will meet in December because it will be so close to Christmas.



## Low Country Sew Birds Bluffton, SC

### **What's been happening in Bluffton:**

This neighborhood group's report had not been received by publication time.

### **What's Ahead:**

Please contact the neighborhood group leader for meeting plans.

## News from Our Neighborhood Groups



### Material Girls — Aiken, SC

#### **What's been happening :**

Material Girls met at Dunagan's Sewing and Vacuum on September 9th to make tote bags for the children's home, Helping Hands. We had nine local members, two Columbia members and five volunteers working during the over the five hour time frame. Since the bags were pre-cut, the finishing went much faster. With occasional breaks for snacks and talking (of course) we finished a whopping 40 plus bags! Lynne Ulreich organized this event and Karl Dunagan provided some drinks and delicious snacks. It was time well spent and in addition, it reduced the stash of donated fabrics we have accumulated.

Thanks to all who helped with this charity project. The bags will be well used by young people of all ages when they don't have luggage to carry their personal items. They are also perfect for book bags for school aged youngsters.

With many members out of town and/or unavailable, a small group met in October to discuss our decorating tips and projects.

Maryanne Thompson brought her original pillow top landscape, Joyce Bowers showed a fancy poof pillow tied with a ruffle on top. Cheri Dowd brought trimmed towels and sheets and a fabric covered, metal basket. We also discussed fabric purchasing locations for the benefit of our

guest, Pat Jutbald, who just moved to Aiken. We hope she will join us again.



#### **What's Ahead:**

We will not meet in November and encourage our members to attend the annual meeting instead.

In December, we are meeting for brunch (9 am) at The Village Cafe. Our meeting will be a social gathering and an opportunity for members to decide what next year's programs will be.



From above: Lynne and the pile of finished tote bags; Pat and Judie from Columbia; and two guests with Joyce, Kathy and Diane. Below: Lynne Ulreich presents nearly 60 finished tote bags to Helping Hands



# News from our Neighborhood Groups



## Sewn Together — North Augusta, SC

### **What's been happening in North Augusta:**

In September Diane Zielinski visited Sewn Together to show the group how to make a really creative sweatshirt jacket. Using an adhesive quilt border paper pattern, we layered the sweatshirt with a coordinating fabric underneath and stitched along the lines on the border paper.

We

then cut out the center of the design to reveal the fabric behind the sweatshirt. There were so many different choices of sweatshirt color and fabric and they were all so pretty!

looo, SC to work on updating the décor for the rooms at the conference center. Curtains and pillows were sewn, quilts were altered to fit

beds and general re-decorating was done.

Along with accomplishing a considerable amount of work, there was an abundance of

laughs, fun and fellowship.

We welcomed a special guest when Margaret Sherouse's aunt, Joan Moody, visited one day to help with sewing. We also enjoyed a wonderful dinner at a restaurant on the lake. We played detective in finding the source of the "alarm" going off in Margaret's room, tried really hard to improve Marilyn's sense of direction so that she could find her room and learned that Becky

secretly likes to hit the sauce and do some stripping (not really, but it was fun giving her a hard time anyway!). What a great time we had while helping out Camp Fellowship! See More photos on p.12

**What's Ahead:** In November Linda Montz will be leading the group as we make a fun holiday themed apron. In December, wear your apron when you attend the combined North Augusta's Stylish Fit and Sewn Together NGs meet for a holiday luncheon and plan our projects for the coming year.



**Above, Chris McDowell attaches border pattern to her sweatshirt; R: Christina Jasak prepares her shirt for stitching. Below, Tammy Newman's finished jacket and Ruby El Khalifa picks pattern paper off after stitching.**



**Above, Marilyn Bendorf is busy stitching a quilt and Special guest Joan Moody helping the group with our community service project.**

## News from our Neighborhood Groups



### Moonlight Stitches — Lexington, SC

#### ***What's Been Happening in Lexington:***

Our September meeting was cancelled due to conflicts.

At our October meeting Linda Hanslip shared her knowledge as we continued our paper piecing series. Linda revealed one of her a new quilt pattern designed for paper piecing. She gave us some helpful hints to make paper piecing easier. Linda also has a new way to sew hexagons with the sewing machine.

We also had a great show and tell that included a Jacket, a pumpkin pillow, a Christmas table runner and a couple of table toppers,

#### ***What's ahead:***

November will be our yearly reveal of our challenge this year aprons. We will also show some gift ideas.

December will be our yearly Christmas party at Uno Pizzeria and Grill. We hope Santa will be there again this year.



Photos continued from Sewn Together (N.Augusta NG)



From Left: Roxanna Mills preparing a quilt for stitching; Margaret Tuck trimming a quilt to size for the beds; Margaret Shearous and Becky Smith enjoying a laugh as they work on altering a quilt; and Becky Smith showing the staff one of the completed rooms

## News from Our Neighborhood Groups



### Rockin' Bobbins — Columbia, SC

#### **What's Been Happening in Columbia:**

In September we were able to pick up our meetings after cancelling in August. We



took a local shopping trip to two fabric stores in Columbia, Fabric Bistro and House of Fabric. Six members were able to attend this

meeting. We were all impressed with the new location of Fabric Bistro. It is a much larger location and the bolts and rolls of fabric are much easier to see. They had a nice selection of very unique trims and lace, and leather look pieces that could be used for bags and purses. Most of the fabric is home dec, but many are light enough to be used in garment sewing, especially for fall jackets. There was also a small collection of Japanese cottons that were beautiful. Rhonda found a great leather look piece for a tote or purse. The shop owner was very friendly and invited us to come any time just to see the new items they keep receiving. We then traveled just a short distance to House of Fabric and drooled over the gorgeous sequin fabrics, lace, beaded fabrics and brocades that would be perfect for holiday attire. This shop specializes in theatrical costumes so the fabric is dramatic and vibrant, but also has a good selection of knits, rayon and sheers that are more practical for every day wear. Lillian found a great gauzy

fabric perfect for an infinity scarf. After shopping we had lunch at Ruby Tuesday and did our show and tell at the restaurant. We had a lot of nice comments from others customers and staff as we showed out items.

In addition to our regular meeting, Judie and Pat traveled to Aiken to join the ladies from Material Girls at their annual charity sew day to celebrate National Sewing month (see photos in Material Girls write-up). Tina also helped celebrate National Sewing month by offering free sewing lessons to a neighbor and her daughter who are trying to fit and make pants.

For the October meeting five of us carpooled to the State Fair and spent most of the day there. We saw many blue ribbons awarded to our ASG members that entered items and even one grand prize purple ribbon awarded to Diane Zielinski for a beautiful quilt. We enjoyed looking at all the crafts and baked goods in the Moore building and then spent some time looking at the animals, the art work and the sand sculpture. We all were impressed with the outdoor exhibit of life in frontier America. We were happy to see an old sewing machine on display. The highlight of the day was eating junk food for lunch and then splurging with ice cream cones.

#### **What's Ahead:**

In November we will be back in our regular meeting location and will have a presentation on various ways to install an invisible zipper and the types of feet that can be used. Cindy and Pat will show what they have recently learned on this technique. Our Holiday get together will be on December 12th at 11:45 at Bonefish Grill on Harbison

Blvd. We will have our annual gift exchange of any handmade item. The planning session for the first few months of 2020 will be held after the holiday lunch.

From Left: Lillian showing her quilt made for her a gift for her 2 year old great nephew; Judie shows a coordinated sewing caddy set and tote bag and Our group leader, Mary Plexico, know as the monogram queen, shows another beautiful creation



# News from Our Neighborhood Groups



## Garment Group — West

### What's been happening in West Columbia?

September and October Garment Group continued sharing our makes and gaining insight on fabric use and pattern suggestions. As always, there were great "Sew and Tell" items shared! Bras, bags, dresses, jackets... you name it we've got it! Just look at the photos below: Cindy's "Party Pants"; and Kristy's bras.

Marie and Diane M. are busy making outfits for their grandchildren.



Harriet repurposed a dress into a skirt.



Ellen shared a scarf that she embellished with graphics.



Kathy made a jacket with Hong Kong seams.



## Columbia, SC



Sandy shared her sweatshirt jacket with cutwork detail and a jacket from a Cutting

Line Design pattern;

Kristy made a beautiful bag which could also be made as a cooler tote; Diane M made a top with lace insert in the back; and Tina shared her Ginger Jeans.

Kathy shared an overview of a book that she has been reading that discusses proportion in dressing and how styling can really change the way an outfit makes you feel and look (sample at right)



### What's Ahead?

Our final

meeting of the year will be held on November 16. We will host the annual goodie swap and offer a gift basket with homemade goodies to the Creative Sewing Center team to say THANK YOU for providing us with a space to meet each month. Also at the November meeting we make a plan for the coming year's activities. That can

include focusing on a specific garment style, sewing techniques or topics. Each year we try to broaden our horizons and skills. I can definitely say that over the last 7-8 years, we have all come a long way in sewing "outside our comfort zones." It is a joy and a wonderful Sisterhood of Sewists!

There is no December meeting as we all focus on family and holiday magic (or catch up on last minute holiday sewing)! Our first meeting of the New Year will be Saturday, January 18, 2020. I hope that you can join us for another wonderful year!

## News from Our Neighborhood Groups



### Stylish Fit — North Augusta, SC

#### *What's Happening in North Augusta:*



Our meeting in October was full of discussion about patterns. Sandy brought her most recent make of Louise Cutting's "By Popular Demand" jacket made from silk brocade that had been gifted to her. The jacket was given full jean jacket detailing. It is a simple unlined jacket that can be dressed up or down.



Then we talked about Sandy's second make—another Louise Cutting jacket called "Passport to Style" and what was great and not so great about the pattern. It looks good as a summer jacket but the pattern runs on the short side and has three-quarter sleeves that are very narrow. This pattern also has multiple pieces of varying angles and lengths in each panel and it is

kind of like putting together a puzzle. It's a good thing that Louise gives very detailed instructions in every pattern.

Kathy brought several T shirts she had made, and we talked about best solutions for hems. Kathy also had a jacket using her usual Hong Kong seam finishes.

Sandy had finished her Sweatshirt jacket, made at the September Sewn Together group. Margaret brought two Tina Givens patterns which are loose and flowing, and rather short on instructions, by measuring the actual pattern we selected a suitable size. Terri brought examples of aprons made from men's shirts, very quick to make.

#### *What's Ahead:*

We will meet November 4th. At that meeting we can decide about December 2nd. Usually December we have a combined Christmas meeting, but details have not been finalized yet.

We invite those looking for help in all aspects of making clothing to come to our group, we meet each first Monday of the month, except national holidays.



### Silly Seam Rippers — Youth Sewing Group, Lexington, SC

#### *What's Been Happening in Lexington:*

The Silly Seam Rippers have not been able to meet since summer. Now that school is back in session and the girls have so many other obligations with traveling, church activities, Girl Scouts and sports they feel they are not able to devote quality time to sewing projects. Both Lexi and Cailyn decided they would take a temporary break from ASG and when time permits they will renew their membership. They are hoping to get a group with more girls to make meetings more fun.

Both girls submitted items in the State Fair and each won a blue ribbon. They are quite proud of all they have learned from ASG and look forward to renewing their membership at a later date.



## News from Our Neighborhood Groups



### Sew Little Time — Summerville, SC

#### *What's been happening in Summerville:*

Sew Little Time continued to work on the favors for the Annual Meeting and made decisions on the centerpieces.

The October meeting was cancelled as too many members were out of town or had other commitments.

#### *What's Ahead:*

In November we will bring our favorite holiday craft to share and demonstrate.

We will have our holiday gathering/gift exchange in Dec in lieu of a meeting.



Diane Zielinski modestly shared the results of her entries in the State Fair. She received 1 purple, 13 blue and 1 red. Only 1 item didn't receive a ribbon.

She summed it up with "I think I did well."



## Member Recognition

09/01 thru 10/25/2019

### A warm welcome to our newest members:

Linda Fraser—Beaufort  
Bonny Kania—Aiken  
Penny McEntire—Myrtle Beach  
Diane Rickenbach—Hilton Head  
Sue Rusher—Elgin  
Linda Weeks—Columbia

### Member Transfers

No member transfers

### Thanks for Renewing

Marcella Baggettta  
Marilyn Bendorf  
Eve Hutchison  
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Karen Madden  
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### Renewal Reminders thru 12/31

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Terri Foster  
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### Expired Memberships

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Claudia Blakely  
Doris Leidheiser  
Jeanette Smith  
Norma Toner  
Tisha Wright

### Welcome to our newest Junior Member:

No new Junior Members

### Junior Member Transfers

No Junior Member transfers

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## Chapter Events Shown in Red — NG Events Shown in Black

November 4 — Stylish Fit (N.Augusta) — Hands-on Garment Sewing

**November 9th — Chapter Annual Meeting — Lexington Country Club. Tommy Leitner will be the guest speaker and the topic will be "Sewing Machine Care and Tips."**

**November 9th — Reversibles Challenge ends with prizes awarded @ annual meeting**

November 11 — Material Girls (Aiken) — NO Meeting — attend the Annual Meeting instead

November 12 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Making Christmas Aprons with Linda Montz

November 12 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — Reveal the results of the annual challenge and show gift ideas

November 14 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — Techniques for installing an invisible zipper

November 16 — Low Country Sew Birds (Beaufort) — TBD

November 18 — Seaside Stitchers (Beaufort) — focus on a croquis.

November 19 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — Bring your favorite holiday craft to share and demonstrate

November 23 — Garment Group (W.Columbia) — Annual Cookie Exchange; Discuss focus and suggest topics for 2020

December 2 — Stylish Fit (N.Augusta) — Hands-on Garment Sewing

**December 5 — CAB Meeting—Aiken—at The Village Café (Village at Woodside)**

December 9 — Material Girls (Aiken) — Meet for brunch at the Village Café in Aiken

December 10 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Combined Holiday Luncheon with Stylish Fit NG

December 10 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — Annual Christmas celebration at Uno Pizzeria and Grill.

December 12 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — THoliday gathering at Bone Fish Grill on Harbison Boulevard

December 14 — Low Country Sew Birds (Bluffton) — TBD

December 16 — Seaside Stitchers (Beaufort) — TBD

December 17 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — Holiday gathering/gift exchange in lieu of a meeting

December 21 — Garment Group (W. Columbia) — NO MEETING until January

January 6 — Stylish Fit (N.Augusta) Hands-on Garment Sewing

January 9 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — TBD

January 11 — Low Country Sew Birds (Bluffton) — TBD

January 13 — Material Girls (Aiken) — TBD

January 14 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — TBD

January 14 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — TBD

January 18 — Garment Group (W.Columbia) — TBD

January 20 — Seaside Stitchers — Beaufort — TBD

January 21 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — TBD

**February 6-7-8—National Educator Event with Pamela Leggett—Ashland Methodist Church, Columbia**

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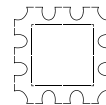
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