



# Seams Sew Simple

## South Carolina - Central Savannah River Chapter

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### Diane's Discussions

I'm sure you've heard the saying "When life brings you lemons, make lemonade." The end of February as I was walking out of a store, I was hit by a pick-up truck. The driver knocked me down and ran over my foot. He stopped with his front tire on top of my foot. I was blessed that he stopped there! My foot has a lot of soft tissue damage and a lot of swelling. My elbow had some scrapes and bruises, but luckily no broken bones. So, I've spent a considerable amount of time sitting in my recliner with my foot elevated and iced.

Sitting is not an activity that I do much, so I had to find things to keep my hands and mind busy. I love hand sewing so I decided this was my opportunity to work on some "UFO's". Three years ago I took a class from Jan Kerton making a hand embroidered Needle Minder. I haven't worked on this project since the class, but now it's finished. Some of the stitches are my creation, but I think it looks good. One of the great things about sewing is that we can make it our own creation. I also finished the remaining four blocks of a Darlene Zimmerman design of twelve embroidered flower basket quilt blocks. Now that I finally finished these blocks, I can make my quilt. This will be a Camp St. Christopher project. After finishing those embroidered blocks, I started on quilt blocks that are state birds and flowers. I have a ways to go to finish those 50 blocks, but I'll keep working on them.

Several months ago I signed up to attend a Fit for Art Sewing Retreat in Baltimore. I had a little over a month to heal, but I was doing well enough that I was able to go the retreat. Rae and Carrie did a wonderful job helping us with our projects and taught us many new and creative ideas. Fit for Art has three basic patterns: jacket, pants and knit top. There are several variation patterns that change the look of these basic patterns so that you can have a whole wardrobe of clothes from these three basic patterns. Many of you took Rae's jacket class when she taught the chapter last year. There is an article in this newsletter about the retreat.

The annual ASG Convention is being held in Boston this year on August 1st- 4th. Registration is now open. Our chapter has two members teaching this year, Jeanette Bussard and Cheri Dowd. I'm sure their classes are going to be very interesting. I will be attending as well as several other members of our chapter. There is complete information about the convention on the ASG website if you are interested in attending.

Happy sewing and always try to make the best of situations that come to you.

*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.

**May 23**, Time Well Spent"  
211 Stallville Rd., Summer-  
ville, SC

**August 17** after Garment  
Group — Old Mill Pub in Lex-  
ington

**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.

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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

# Chapter Give-Back Event

## Sewing the Cross-Body Bag

Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 10:00—4:00

Location: First United Methodist Church of Harleyville  
135 East Main Street (this is Hwy 178), Harleyville, SC 29448



**PATTERN:** Adaptation of the Koda Bag by Huffs-n-Cuffs with either 2 pleats or boxed bottom, credit card pocket, interior zip pocket and key holder. If time allows, we will make a coordinating keyring.

Class fee includes, pattern, cork fabric and hardware of your choice plus zipper. You supply the lining and basic sewing supplies.

Bring your own brown bag lunch or order something from Just Desserts down the street in Harleyville when you arrive.



***Class limited to 25***

***Instruction time: 10:00 – 4:00. Please arrive early to set up so we can start promptly at 10:00.***

**2019 Chapter Give-Back Event—Koda Bag** Please submit form with payment  
**Registration Deadline is May 24 (Firm) — No refunds after registration deadline**

Name & Member #	Phone Number
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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  
(new NG leader to be selected in Jan.)

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



### **Moonlight Stitchers — Lexington**

Sally Kluttz 803-808-6997

**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



### **Connecting Threads — North Charleston**

Louise Schmidt 843-559-1013

**Meets 3rd Monday @ 7:00 p.m.**  
Life Industries, 4060 Bridgeview Drive  
North Charleston SC



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

Lexi Stoudemire, NG Leader  
Judie Travis, Advisor

The group will meet quarterly on Sunday after-  
noons. Dates, Time and Location to be determined  
per project and will be posted on the FB page



### **New Group Forming —Bluffton**

Jeanette Bussard —

Meeting schedule and location to be  
announced shortly

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



# News from our Neighborhood Groups

## Neighborhood Group (NG) Coordinator Report Ellen Macklin

Here we are getting ready for summer I'm amazed at how fast this year is going by. Remember February and we had Mary Ray here? Well, I really enjoyed the programs and put all kinds of projects on my "To Do" list and then as the weekend was coming to a close she said something that really made me rethink how I do things in my everyday life.

I will make a list of things to do at the beginning of the day whether I write it down or mentally write it down, then by the end of the day I am so disappointed with myself for not accomplishing the very things I want to do! Mary said not to do that but to write down what you did do at the end of the day! What a difference that makes in my attitude and well being. Yes, I still have a list but not so much as I enjoy totaling up my accomplishments instead.

Speaking of accomplishments, I really want to thank those of you who made it to the training workshop. We want to share all that was to be learned so I want to meet some of you at your NG to share with your group. I understand everyone wants to do the best job they can for their NG and we want to help you to do just that and more. We also discussed the "Meet & Greet" at your NG for this year, so please let me know your plans and I can help you with everything. We now have some great fliers from Sandy and we will have new cards too. So let's get ready to invite your friends and neighbors to your NG "Meet & Greet." See you soon!

Happy Sewing!

Ellen Macklin NG Coordinator

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

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

No report for March/April.

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

The girls are looking forward to starting on the eco-friendly projects for the year, and hopefully will be working on a carry bag for reusable straws in the near future.



## Stylish Fit — North Augusta, SC

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

March was a busy time for our neighborhood group's members traveling to Sew Expo in Atlanta and other events. The group did not meet in April due to the need to avoid crowds and traffic associated with The Masters.

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

If you are interested in hands-on garment sewing, then this is definitely the place to meet like minded people. We will meet in May and June on the 1st Monday at 10:00 a.m. at the Fairview Presbyterian Church, North Augusta. For the remainder of the year, if the first Monday is a federal holiday, we will not meet in that month.

# News from Our Neighborhood Groups



## Material Girls — Aiken, SC

### What's been happening :

Carney, Tammy Newman, Cheri Dowd, Barb Candido, Joyce Sinclair, MaryAnn Thompson, and Marge Mitchell. The business part of the meeting primarily covered upcoming Chapter and National guild activities.

Lynne showed her most recent creation of a golf shirt from fabric found at recent book sale! Cheri is teaching a class on creating a "Chanel" style jacket. Cheri as well as students Joyce Sinclair and Ellen Macklin brought their jackets to show their progress. Ellen also showed us a purse/wallet she recently completed.



Daria and Tammy shared with us their recent fabric purchases from Louise Cutting - as usual beautiful examples of linen, wool, silk. Daria also modeled a recently completed pink tunic. Joyce Sinclair gave a wonderful program about creating holiday based T-shirts. Joyce has concentrated on Christmas as she is typically in Florida for those holidays and the usual array of Christmas sweaters are not practical on those 80 degree days.



In April our group took to the road. Our first stop was in Williamston at All About Fabric. Some of us were totally overwhelmed by the sheer volume of offerings. Everyone else knew exactly where to head. By noon we were ready for some nourishment but after a quick lunch we headed to nearby Mauldin and the Viking Sew & Quilt shop. While not a large store on the basis of sq footage, fabric was stacked nearly floor to ceiling with a large selection of beautiful quilting fabrics and notions.



**What's Ahead:** In May Charlene Shabi and Ellen Macklin will be sharing with us some fine finishing techniques for our garments. In June Tammy Newman and Daria Carney will be taking us on an "Exploration of Different Fabric Types".



Road Trip Shoppers Lt to Rt: Joyce Sinclair, Cheri Dowd, Tammy Newman, Joyce Bowers, Diane Miller, Barb Candido, Mary Ann Thompson, Diane Mooney



# News from our Neighborhood Groups



## Sewn Together — North Augusta, SC

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

At the March meeting of the Sewn Together group we continued working on our Spicy Spiral table runners. We worked on cutting the wedges and stitching them together. How interesting it was to watch the designs begin to evolve as the stitching progressed. Some were finished and some were taken home to work on. They were all so different yet all so beautiful!

April brought spring cleaning to the Sewn Together ladies. It was a great chance to go through our stash to see what fabrics were available for charity projects we will be working on this year. It was also a chance to assess the

items the group would like to add to our supply cabinet while having a great time with friends!

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

In May, Sandy will be leading our project—a mesh lined laundry bag for travel. It's time to be creative as you apply your personal touch with embroidery, applique or other techniques.

In June, Margaret Tuck will take us back in time to re-learn many of those hand embroidery techniques we put aside when embroidery machines came to market. This time-honored technique is making a comeback so it's time to brush up our skills.



Above left: Becky Smith and her rainbow table runner; another finished runner by Tammy Newman; decisions...decisions. Below L-R: Marilyn Bendorf filing patterns; lots of fabric to sort through; Linda Montz and Sandy Costanzo sorting through notions.





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## Moonlight Stitchers — Lexington, SC

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

At our March meeting Sally Kluttz gave a demonstration sewing with placemats. There are many things that can be made with placements. Sally brought a couple of notebooks and a bag. A decorative placemat makes a quick and easy gift. You can embellish a solid placemat many ways, embroidery is just one way to make it personal. Using one placemat to make a simple bag with a zipper or you can combine placemats to make bigger bags and you could easily hand a handle.

Our April meeting found us at Linda Hanslip's sewing studio in Lexington. It was a fun

time seeing all that Linda does. We are very fortunate to have Linda in our neighborhood group; she is a wonderful member and teacher.

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

We are having a charity sew at our May meeting. We are going to have a jelly roll race making a quilt to share with Sister Care. It will be fun to see who can sew most of the strips.

Judie Travis is planning on a presentation of a new technique for a shawl or/and scarf. Looking forward to seeing what she has.



Above: Bag and Notebook Holder from placemats. Below: Linda Hanslip showing how she loads a quilt to be quilted; Linda's machines in her studio; Lillian Lester watching Linda at work





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## Garment Group — West Columbia, SC

### What's been happening in

**West Columbia?** As Garment Group continues on its journey of wardrobe building in March, we viewed the Design Your Own Wardrobe video by Mary Ray.

Through the video, Mary discussed various topics related to building a wardrobe that suits you and your lifestyle. Here is a quick recap of the instructional video:

"Know what you need. Design around what you love." "Less is more... In Design Your Own Wardrobe,"

Mary Ray demonstrates how favorite patterns can be the basis for sewing key pieces that mix, match, and work together. And how to coordinate a wardrobe around fit, color, fabric, and function. Never again say, "I have nothing to wear," because you'll have an amazing wardrobe that suits your lifestyle and works for almost any occasion.

Following the video, we turned our attention to "sew and tell" items. As always, group members have been busy sewing with tremendous results, I might add. Here are some highlights — Barbara showed off her Pamela Legget t-shirt and a denim skirt. To soften the denim, Barbara (and others) recommended washing denim fabric with a can of Coca-Cola™ once or twice. It doesn't hurt the fabric or the machine.



Pat shared cute yarn

textile scarfs that she made. So soft and colorful!

Ellen participated in the "Chanel-Style Jacket" class that Cheri Dowd led. She brought her jacket and the beginnings of her hand-braided trim for sew and tell. The buttons that she will be using



are saved from Ellen's mother-in-law's wedding dress. Diane Mooney (there's 3 Diane's in GG) shared her top that she fashioned from the Mary Ray workshop held earlier this year. Judie whipped up a blouse with the Cutting Line Designs pattern, Ebb and Flow, using a batik of pastel pinks, peaches and grays. Great work and great colors on Judie! (see photos at top right)

During our April meeting Marie provided an overview on how to sew leggings



including pattern and fabric selection. The pattern she shared was the Peg Leg 101 leggings pattern by Patterns for Pirates. You can download the PDF pattern from the P4P website. There is also some tips and a video tutorial available for the Peg Leg leggings pattern on their site.



Both Marie and Diane Z. modeled their Fit for Art Tabula Rasa Knit Crossover tops made from kits they purchased during the recent event hosted by our Chapter.



Marie very proudly shared her reversible raincoat that she made (navy on one side and brown on the other) using the Rain or Shine Variations for the Tabula Rasa Jacket. She did a fabulous job and intends to get a lot of wear out of this creation! Finally, Diane Z. made a whimsical fish-tote using decorative stitches on her serger using specialty threads and features. She is ready for

summer with this fun and colorful project!

### What's Ahead?

As we move forward for the second half of the meeting year, we will continue to dissect the wardrobe building top-

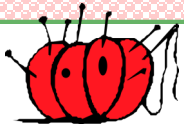
ic with suggested topics such as color and body type analysis (just within our group — nothing formal) based on various publications or video tutorial information; shopping your closet to determine what you have and if your current clothing and accessories suit you and what does not.

I hope that you are able to join us at our meetings on May 18 and June 15





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## Sew Little Time — Summerville, SC

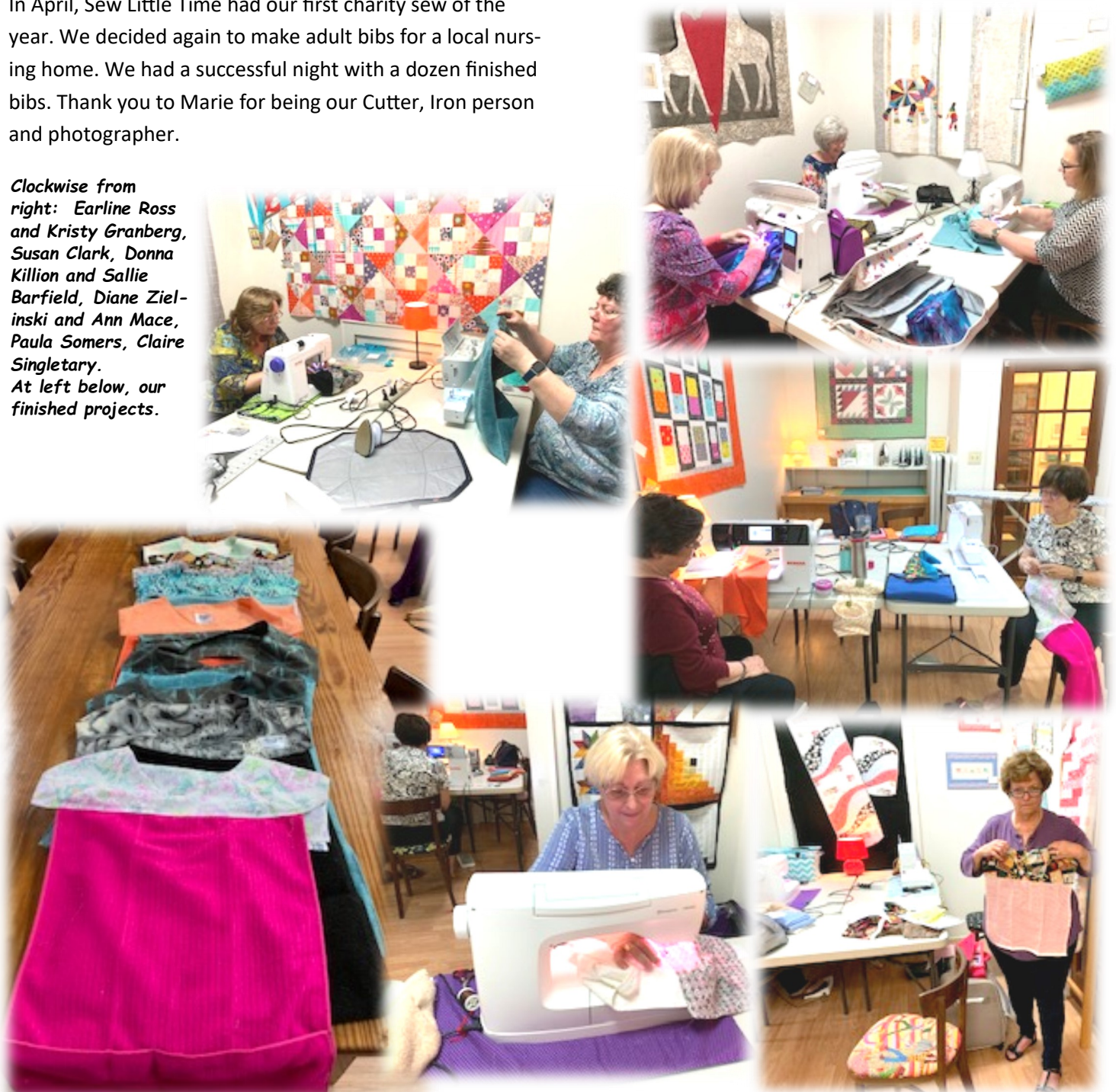
### ***What's been happening in Summerville:***

In March, Sew Little Time took advantage of Earline's time spent in Japan. She guided us through making Japanese Washi Covered Eggs. She shared all her beautiful Washi paper that she brought back many years ago after living in Japan.

In April, Sew Little Time had our first charity sew of the year. We decided again to make adult bibs for a local nursing home. We had a successful night with a dozen finished bibs. Thank you to Marie for being our Cutter, Iron person and photographer.

*Clockwise from right: Earline Ross and Kristy Granberg, Susan Clark, Donna Killion and Sallie Barfield, Diane Zielinski and Ann Mace, Paula Somers, Claire Singletary. At left below, our finished projects.*

***What's Ahead:*** In May we will have Mary McRae, who presents regularly at PPQ, in to talk about Photos on Fabric, Making Bangle Bracelets and if time allows Working with Wool.





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### Rockin' Bobbins — Columbia, SC

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

March was a busy month for Rockin Bobbins. We did not have our regular meeting on the second Thursday as most of the group was attending Sew Expo in Atlanta. Mary, Lillian, Judie, Sondra and Sue traveled to Sew Expo and had a great time. We even had the pleasure with meeting up with an old friend and longtime member, Joyce Allen who now lives in Maine.

The quilt shows at the Expo were amazing with the largest exhibit focusing on our National parks with either a flora, fauna or landscape wall hanging size quilt. Another exhibit had fun with baking and there were quilts that looked like pies and wedding cakes. The third exhibit had a display of Georgia heritage with quilts from the 1800's on display.

We all attended great classes with Rae Cumbie, Nick Coman, Cindy Spurlock, Karen Benke, Pam Damour, Kathy McMackin and Cindy Losekamp to name a few. The stage show presentations were fun with Cosplay outfits and Angela Wolfe fashion show. We all came home with lots of new items!

At the end of March the group traveled to Farm House Fabrics tent sale in Beech Island and found lots of great bargains there from fabric, to trims and buttons. After shopping there we had lunch and went on to Augusta to visit the sewing stores there.

The April meeting was held at the Hilton Garden Inn on Columbiana Dr. and there was a lot of discussions and sharing going on at this meeting. Mary and Tina shared what

they learned at the Embroidery and Vinyl Show in Greenville at the end of March. Both thought the show was very good. Lillian, Mary and Sue talked about the classes they took at Sew Expo in Atlanta and then Mary did a program on hooping techniques for the embroidery machine and using the appropriate stabilizers. Cindy and Tina had sew and tell projects to share.



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

In May our scheduled topic is fabric folding (origami style) demos with Judie Travis leading this tutorial. The techniques will show how to make a folded 3-D star and a flat pinwheel square. In June, Lillian will bring her serger and do a demo on how to use the specialty serger feet. Many of us have the feet with no idea what to do with them so this will be informative for most of us.

## AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM REMINDER

### *Charity Program gives back to the SC Central Savannah River Chapter*

Amazon Smile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on Amazon Smile ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)), the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to our chapter. By using the link, Amazon will provide quarterly payments (if accumulation is over \$5) or an annual payment.

Please share link with friends and family to support our chapter! <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-0100370>

## Member Recognition

03/01 thru 04/24/2019

### A warm welcome to our newest members:

Susan Clark

### Welcome to our newest Junior Member:

No new Junior Members

### Member Transfers

No member transfers

### Junior Member Transfers

No Junior Member transfers

### Thanks for Renewing

Peggy Anderson  
Sallie Barfield  
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Kathryn McGill  
Linda Montz  
Maryann Roof Thompson  
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Becky Smith  
LaVay Stover  
Christine Sweeney  
Barbara Thomas

### Renewal Reminders thru 06/30

*Renew Early—Please don't let your membership lapse or you will miss all the fun!*

Daria Carney  
Cheri Dowd  
Charlene McDaniel  
Mary Plexico  
Rhonda Wise  
Janet Zimmerman

### Expired Memberships

*It's not too late to renew, but better hurry, these memberships expired recently*

No new expirations

## ASG Members Only Discounts

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## Customer Service a Primary Focus at Sew Suite Studios

Becky Robinson opened her first Sew Suite Studio in Lexington, SC in October 2014. This store featured quilting fabric and sewing machines. Just 1,000 sq. ft. the store is packed with fabric such as basic batiste for heirloom sewing, rayon and cotton batik, quilting cotton, the Shannon Minky cuddle line, knits, pre-cuts and much more.

New fabrics coming this summer include Moda Grunge, Kimberbell Designs and Ombre Gelate. She has a Riley Blake table runner of the month club and this summer the Kaffe Fassett Rainbow Star Summer Quilt Sew-A-Long kits will be available. There are so many classes and events that Becky suggests checking their website at [www.sewsuitestudio.com](http://www.sewsuitestudio.com) for detailed information. Look for the new pattern line — Figure Flattering Quiltwear coming soon!

The Lexington store proved to be very popular and Becky determined there was a need for another store in Summerville, SC. She opened her new location, which is 50% larger than the Lexington location, in June 2017. Becky's daughter, Bari Hoover, manages the Lexington store which allowed Becky to spend a great deal of time in Summerville when the store was new. She hired Bekah Graveline as manager for Summerville which allows her flexibility of time in both stores.

Both locations sell Baby Lock, Elna, Brother and Juki machines. In March of this year, Becky had her first annual Charleston Stitchfest, a three-day event featuring Missy Billingsley, an educa-

tor from Baby Lock. It was billed as a "Sew-cation" featuring projects in machine embroidery, serging and quilting.

Becky said that online websites is one of her two biggest competitors. The other are the shows, such as expos where machines are offered at discount prices. The downfall of purchasing from either of these is lack of educational support. If you're considering an online or show purchase she asks that you take a picture of the quote (so she can compare apples to apples) and she will try to match the price. The benefit of purchasing from her stores is, again, educational support.

Becky and her staff care deeply about their sewing community and strive to provide the very best in excellent customer service.



# Sale

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

April 28-May 2 — 6th Annual Sewing Retreat—Seabrook Island

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

May 9 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — Fabric folding (origami style)

May 13 — Material Girls (Aiken) — Finishing techniques for garments with Charlene and Ellen

June 14 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Embellished Travel Time Laundry Bag

June 14 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — Charity Sew-in

May 18 — Garment Group (W.Columbia) — Accessorize with Cheri Dowd

May 21 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — Guest speaker Mary McRae will cover topics of Photos on Fabric, Bangle Bracelets and working with wool

**May 23 — CAB Meeting—Summerville — @ Time Well Spent**

**June 3 — Stylish Fit (N.Augusta) — Hands-on Garment Sewing**

**June 8 — Chapter Give-Back Event – The Koda Bag Workshop — Harleyville SC**

June 10 — Material Girls (Aiken) — Daria and Tammy help us explore different fabric types

June 11 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Refresh your hand embroidery techniques with Margaret Tuck

June 11 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — Learn a new technique for a shawl or scarf.

June 13 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — Serger demo using specialty serger feet

June 15 — Garment Group (W.Columbia) — continued discussion of wardrobe building topics

June 18 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — TBD

July 1 — Stylish Fit (N.Augusta) — Hands-on Garment Sewing

July 8 — Material Girls (Aiken) — TBD

July 9 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Part 1—Row-by-Row quilting using Scan-n-Cut for appliques

July 9 — Moonlight Stitchers (Lexington) — TBD

July 11 — Rockin' Bobbins (Columbia) — TBD

July 16 — Sew Little Time (Summerville) — TBD

July 20 — Garment Group (W. Columbia) — TBD

August 13 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Part 2—Row-by-Row quilting. Finishing our projects

**August 17 — CAB Meeting—Lexington—immediately after Garment Group meeting —Old Mill Pub**

**August 1-4 —ASG National Conference in Boston**

September 10 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Project Sweat-shirt with Diane Zielinski

**September 12-13-14 — National Educator Event with Pam Dammor — Clubhouse at Cumberland Village (Aiken)**

October 14,15,16 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Mini-retreat at Camp Fellowship in Greenwood. Community Service Project for the Conference Center. Sewing Project: Tammy Newman's Sewing Accessories Purse

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 12 — Sewn Together (N.Augusta) — Holiday Themed Project

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



## MAY 2019

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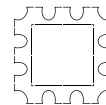
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